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SCHOOL REGISTRATION TO START AUGUST 28

Students in Merkel public schools will register for the new school year Monday, Aug. 28 and will begin regular classes Tuesday, Aug. 29, according to Mack Fisher, superintendent.

Faculty meetings are scheduled for Monday prior to the beginning of registration for freshmen and sophomores.

School Schedules
Registration schedule will be as follows: Freshmen and sophomores at 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 28; juniors and seniors at 1:30 p.m.; primary and elementary at 1:30 p.m.

School buses will run Monday afternoon for the final registration of students. They will arrive at the school about 1:30 p.m. and make their return trips about 3:30 p.m.

The lunchroom will begin serving meals Tuesday, Aug. 28. Fisher urges parents to purchase lunch tickets which will sell for \$6. Without the ticket, lunches will be 30 cents. Due to the difficulty of handling charge accounts which cannot be done satisfactorily without hiring an additional employ, the credit system has been eliminated, he said.

New Teachers
Five new teachers have been hired, according to Fisher.

Mrs. Mary Jane Wade, a 1961 graduate of McMurry College, will replace Mrs. LaNelle Hodge who resigned to move to Sweetwater. Mrs. Wade, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hughes, completed majors in elementary education. She has been assigned to the primary school.

Robert Dean Bylerly, a 1959 graduate of Howard Payne College, will replace Billy Ray Nail as assistant coach in high school. He is a mathematics and physical education major. During the past two years, he was head coach at Hobbs.

Mrs. David Ashwin, a 1960 graduate of Hardin-Simmons University, will replace Donald Longnecker who resigned to enter industrial work. Mrs. Ashwin graduated from Beuna Vista High School at Imperial in 1956. She majored in mathematics and minored in science. She taught mathematics in the Odessa schools last year.

David Dean, a Hardin-Simmons University graduate, will take Tracy Norris' place as junior high school coach. He graduated from Abilene High School in 1953. After completing his college work, he was commissioned a 2nd Lt. in the U. S. Army.

Replacing Miss Bernice Waggoner as teacher and girls' coach, will be Mrs. Don Loper, a 1961 graduate of McMurry College. Miss Waggoner resigned to move to Colorado. Mrs. Loper graduated from Eula High School in

Mrs. S. E. Pomroy Marks 93rd Year

Friends and relatives of Mrs. S. E. Pomroy surprised her with a party on her 93rd birthday July 15.

Hostesses were Mrs. Irene Pomroy and Mrs. Jennings Winter. Her children present were Ruth and Jack of the home and Mrs. C. P. Rosson Sr. of Taft.

Among others present were Mrs. Fred Barnes of Merkel and Mrs. Cecil Taylor of Trent, granddaughters of the honoree; Claude Rosson Jr. of Taft, a grandson; Laurette Rosson of Taft, a great-granddaughter; Parr Rosson of Taft, a great-grandson, and Cindy Beasley of Trent, a great-great-granddaughter.

Also present were three nieces from Lamesa, Mrs. Lindsey Cox, Mrs. Delma McCloud and Mrs. W. T. Scott, and a sister-in-law, Mrs. W. L. Phillips of Merkel.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Foster last week were her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Mitchell of Alvarado, and her sisters, Mrs. Effie Strickland of Alvarado, Mrs. Ada Lytal of Commerce, and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Spurgin of Venus.

The Rev. C. G. Sewell of Sweetwater, who conducted services at the Merkel First Baptist Church Sunday, was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason.

Brown Reunion Slated
The annual Brown reunion will be held at the Abilene State Park Sunday, July 23.

1957. She is a physical education major and she minored in science.

Faculty Members
Other faculty members are Fisher, superintendent; Edwin E. Read, principal of the high school; Carroll Benson, Chester Collinsworth, Gayle Givens, Mrs. Melba Gooch, Burl McCoy, Mrs. Ellen McReynolds, Joyrene Morton, Mrs. Ruth Perkins, Mrs. Evelyn Read, Winford G. Read, A. J. Walla.

Leon Walker, principal of the elementary school; Mrs. Jo Barnett, Mrs. Helen Benson, Mrs. Lola Cox, Mrs. Lena Dunagin, Mrs. Linnie Fisher, Nora Foster, Mrs. Lucy Haynes, Mrs. Naomi Holloway, Buddy D. McKeever, Mrs. Elsie Nash, Lydia Norcross, Mrs. Elleta Orsborn, Mrs. Hazel Pargament, Mrs. Ouida Reid, Mrs. Anna Belle Shouse, Mrs. Eula West and Mrs. Mildred Winter.

Auxiliary Employees
Mrs. Ida Mae Graham is the school bookkeeper and secretary while Mrs. Maxine Bacus is tax assessor-collector.

Cafeteria employes include Mrs. Lillie Barnett, manager; Mrs. Velma Rutledge, Mrs. Leona McWilliams, Mrs. Docia Melton and Mrs. Dollie Seymour. Part-time workers are Mrs. Ester Luke and Mrs. Marie Beard.

Bus drivers are A. J. Walla, Irl Walker, Mrs. Mary Floyd, George Byrom, M. M. Owen, W. G. Reid. Part-time drivers are Les Thaxton, David Dean and Robert Dyerly. Vacancies exist for a bus driver-mechanic and part-time driver, Fisher said.

Custodians are B. R. Clack, T. G. Hull, T. C. Satterwhite and Mrs. Charlie Gouge.

Members of the Merkel School Board are Ray Wilson, president; Waymon Adcock, vice president; W. R. Cypert, secretary, Lester Dorton, D. L. Moore, Joe E. Lassiter and Ford Smith Jr.

Bronwyn Gamble Home From Camp

Bronwyn Gamble, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Gamble, has just returned from the third session (July 2-13) of Girl Scout Camp at Camp Boothe Oaks in Sweetwater.

While there, Bronwyn, who is an intermediate Scout, engaged in camp craft, cooking, Red Cross junior life saving, and painting. She was also elected to the camp council.

Cemetery Fund

The following persons made contributions to the Merkel Cemetery fund:

Owen Ellis
Tom and Velma Largent
(In memory of W. T. McAninch)

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Patterson
(In memory of W. T. McAninch)

METHODIST DISTRICT HEAD TO PREACH HERE

The Rev. Woodrow Adcock, Abilene District superintendent, will preach at the evening service of First Methodist Church Sunday, July 23.

Following the service, which begins at 7:30 p.m., a fellowship hour will be held.

Rev. Adcock, a native of Haskell, is a graduate of McMurry College and Perkins School of Theology, SMU, Dallas. The faculty and trustees of McMurry College have voted to confer the Doctor of Divinity degree upon him Aug. 24.

Before being assigned to the Abilene District superintendency, he served seven years as pastor of the First Methodist Church at Pampa. He served last year as chairman of the Northwest Texas Conference Board of Evangelism. From 1956 to 1960 he served as Chairman of the Conference Board of Social Concerns. He served as a delegate to the Methodist World Conference of 1956. Adcock is a private pilot and owns his own airplane, which he uses to attend many church conferences. He and his wife, the former Grace Wylie, have four children.

The official board of the church will act as hosts for the church



FREEMAN FAMILY — Ronnie Freeman, one of three Texans cited for the Carnegie hero medal, and his wife, Betty, and daughters, Rebecca, 5, and Robbie, 2, are shown at their home in Trent.

RONNIE FREEMAN GETS CARNEIGE HERO MEDAL

Ronnie Dell Freeman, 24, an employe of Honolulu Oil Corp., has been recommended for a bronze medal and \$500 in cash by the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Freeman, who lives in Trent with his wife, Betty, and two daughters, Rebecca, 5, and Robbie, 2, was among 21 from 12 states recommended for citations for heroic acts by the Commission, which held its summer meeting Thursday in Pittsburgh.

Announcement of the recommendation of Freeman for one of the cherished Carnegie hero medals was made by David B. Oliver, manager of the Fund.

Two other Texans were recommended for citations. They were Laredo peace officers who saved two airmen from drowning.

Sash awards recommended by the Commission Thursday totaled \$21,000 in 20 of the 21 cases. Oliver said. A pension was granted in the other case.

Noteworthy Acts
Four of the 21 heroes cited for recognition of their noteworthy acts lost their lives.

They included Dr. Raymond J. Strawinski, 44, an associate professor and research scientist at

Bake Sale Slated By Jaycettes

The Merkel Jaycettes will sponsor a bake sale at Carson's Grocery Saturday afternoon, according to Mrs. Larry White, president.

Homemade cakes and pies, whole or by the slice, and Kool Aid will be available.

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REV. WOODROW ADCOCK to preach Sunday

service and the entertainment committee of the board will be in charge of the social.

Members of the committee are W. R. Cypert, Virgil Patterson, Walter Earl Whisenhunt and Kent Satterwhite.

The Rev. J. Alvis Cooley, pastor, said this is not quarterly conference time.

Several Persons Help Get Award For Trent Man

A number of individuals, besides members of the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission of Pittsburgh, were involved in the nomination of Ronnie Dell Freeman for the Carnegie hero medal.

Mrs. Carl Edwards, wife of a Trent grocer, was the prime mover. She said everyone in the community who knew Ronnie Freeman and the thing he had done agreed that he was entitled to more public recognition of his valor.

She said someone suggested she get in touch with Bob Cooke, farm editor of the Abilene Reporter-News, who was acquainted with Ronnie.

Freeman, a former Trent 4-H Club boy, had an outstanding record in feeding beef steers. He was Taylor County's 4-H Gold Star boy in 1954, and had better than average record in his 10 years of 4-H Club work.

Cooke contacted Police Chief Warren Dodson and Fire Chief D. C. Musick, both of Abilene, for advice. Finally Thelma Andrews, Abilene city librarian, produced copies of the annual reports of the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission. These provided information on procedures in making nominations.

Some weeks after Freeman's name was submitted, notification was received that a representative of the commission would be in Abilene to check on the nominee.

The latter part of May, Irwin M. Urling of Pittsburgh, special agent of the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission, arrived in Abilene. Agent Urling made visits to the homes of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Gilbert and Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie D. Freeman. A former newspaper editor, he carefully interrogated some of the principals.

Urling visited the pond where the tragedy occurred. He checked the size of pond, depth of water, distances from the bank of certain points acitons occurred and other physical aspects.

He told the Freemans and others that he would present his findings to the Commission. He advised that final decisions were up to that body. He warned against publicizing either the nomination of Freeman for the award or the agent's visit.

The Carnegie hero fund was set up in 1904. Since that time the Commission has awarded 4,438 medals, accompanied by more than \$8,700,000 in pecuniary awards to heroes and their dependents.

There have been occasions where the Commission has "adopted" the children of a hero who lost his life in a heroic act and provided for their education.

Agent Urling, a big, friendly man who likes people and immediately wins the confidence of those whom he is interviewing, has been in West Texas in previous years on the same sort of missions.

ANNUAL LEGION MEET SLATED IN HOUSTON

The Forty-Third Annual Convention of the American Legion, Department of Texas, and its Auxiliary, will convene in Houston on July 28 for a three-day session, Donald I. Peters, general convention chairman, has announced. Department Commander Pete E. Turner of Midland will preside over the convention sessions.

A distinguished group of speakers will address the convention during the three-day session. They will include Senator Barry Goldwater of Arizona, National Vice Commander R. C. Godwin of North Carolina, John Corcoran of Washington, D. C., Director of the American Legion's National Rehabilitation Commission, Past National Commanders Alvin Owsley of Dallas and S. Perry Brown of Austin and Beaumont, and Mrs. Henry Ahnemiller of Wanchess, Washington, National President of the American Legion Auxiliary.

The 3,800 delegates, representing 71,000 members in Texas, will consider reports of the major convention committees whose resolutions will determine the activities of the American Legion for the ensuing year.

Committees to present reports to the convention and their chairmen are: Constitution and By-Laws—H. B. Virgil Crawford, Brownfield; Resolutions—Dr. C. B. Cathey, Hamilton; Awards and Trophies, Julius Weinberg, Houston; Americanism—I. G. Shepard, Brownsville; Rehabilitation—Ralph D. Holman, Joplinville; Foreign Affairs—Rogers Kelley, Edinburg; Internal Organization—L. E. Page, Carthage; and National Security—Nels U. Soderholm of Corpus Christi.

Entertainment scheduled for the convention for delegates and their wives will include the Parade of Champions Contest, composed of Uniformed Organizations of the American Legion, and a barbecue on Friday evening; the Comander's Ball in the Rice Hotel.

Earl Wren, 56, Dies Of Injuries

Earl Ernest Wren, 56, son of Mrs. H. Wren of Merkel, died at 7:20 a.m. Tuesday in Northwest Texas Hospital at Amarillo of injuries received in an accident near Tulia on July 1.

Mr. Wren was working as a flagman for a highway construction crew near Tulia when he was struck by a passing automobile.

Born Feb. 19, 1905, at Hale Center, he had been a resident of Andrews for the past year. He married Jewel Woolsey of Stanton June 14, 1925.

Funeral was held at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Starbuck Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Dewey Jackson, Baptist minister of Midland, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Surviving in addition to his mother are his wife; one son, Loye of Portland, Ore.; one daughter, Janice Elaine Wren, of the home; two brothers, Calvin of Kermit and Homer J. of Leveland; five sisters, Mrs. Larry Smith of Oklahoma City, Okla.; Mrs. R. Q. Eastman of Buckeye, Ariz.; Mrs. Ed Sharp of Clyde; Mrs. Ulys Barber of Midland and Mrs. Clifton Ledbetter of Robert Lee; five grandchildren.

'Ladies Only' Day At Pool

The Merkel Swimming Pool will be open each Thursday morning, at 10 o'clock for women and children only, according to Mrs. Horace Hargrove, manager.

Regular hours for the pool are from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. weekdays and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sundays.

Mrs. Hazel Scaffer of Mason City, Iowa visited in the home of her cousin and husband, Mr. and Mrs. F. Y. Gaither, last week. The Gaithers and their guests went to Oklahoma where they visited Mrs. Gaither's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Davis of Elk City, and Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt Chandler of Carter.

tel on Saturday night, and sight-seeing tours in Houston and to the San Jacinto Battlegrounds and other historical places of interest.

On Sunday morning the Rev. J. Powell Eaton of Greenville, Department Chaplain, will render a Memorial Service. The election of officers for the ensuing year and adjournment will follow.

Junior RA Group To Attend Camp At Lueders

Junior Royal Ambassadors, ages 9 through 12 years, sponsored by the District Seventeen Brotherhood, will be in camp at Lueders Baptist Encampment from July 24 through July 27.

Plenty of fun and recreation, including swimming, has been planned for the boys, long with worship and meditation and special instructions on "What Royal Ambassadors Learn."

These boys will have a special question and answer period with the camp missionary, Dr. W. H. Jackson, missionary to Japan.

Adult sponsors are required to accompany each church group and registration cards should be made out in advance. A small amount of spending money is suggested along with the \$7.00 camp fee.

All swimming and recreation will be engaged in only at the times specified. The life guard will be furnished by the camp and Rev. Jim Hooten of Cisco will be in charge of recreation.

This camp will be directed by Rev. M. D. Rexrode, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Haskell. Rev. Glenn Roenfeldt of Roscoe will be camp pastor. Music will be in charge of camp personnel. The nurse will be provided by Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene.

The Junior R. A. camp will be the sixth camp since Rally Day on June 15. The others have been Intermediate G. A. camp, June 19-22; Junior GA, June 26 - 28; and also July 10-13; Sunbeam day camp in three sessions, July 5-7; YWA Retreat July 14-15; and Intermediate RA, July 17-20.

Others will be Brotherhood Rally, August 1; WMU, August 3-4; and Youth camp, August 7-10.

V. B. Sublett Succumbs At 67

Funeral for V. B. Sublett, 67, was held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel. Mr. Sublett died in Subler Clinic-Hospital here.

The Rev. Alvis Cooley, Merkel Methodist Church minister, officiated. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery with graveside rites by the Masonic Lodge 710 here.

Mr. Sublett was born July 15, 1894, in Lampasas County. He married Betty Estelle Gilman June 24, 1918, in Fort Worth. He was inducted into military service the same day and served at Camp Travis until being discharged in 1919.

He moved to Merkel in 1919 and remained here until 1941 when he moved to Corpus Christi. Ill health forced his retirement in 1957 when he moved to Junction.

Surviving besides Mrs. Sublett are a daughter, Mrs. Odell Crow of London, Tex.; two grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and a brother, B. T. of Merkel.

Column Writer Here On Visit

Mr. and Mrs. Dick West and daughters, Becky and Forrest, of Falls Church, Va., are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry West.

West, who writes a five-day weekly column for United Press International in Washington, has written a book which will be released in October. Based on the columns he has written, the book will be entitled "The Book Ends of Washington."

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE
Farmers and Merchants National Bank
OF MERKEL

IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON
JUNE 30, 1961 PUBLISHED IN RESPONSE TO CALL MADE BY
COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY, UNDER SECTION 5211,
U. S. REVISED STATUTES.

ASSETS

1. Cash, balances with other banks, and cash items in process of collection	\$1,472,337.26
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	1,001,840.27
3. Obligations of States and Political subdivisions	734,017.00
5. Corporate stocks (including \$7,500.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	7,500.00
6. Loans and discounts (including \$1,995.95 overdrafts)	692,812.79
7. Bank premises owned \$75,000.00, furniture and fixtures \$42,500.00	117,500.00
12. TOTAL ASSETS	\$4,026,007.32

LIABILITIES

13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$3,629,968.74
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	28,769.34
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	54,628.05
18. Certified and officers' checks, etc.	2,682.98
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$3,716,049.11
(a) Total demand deposits	\$3,716,049.11
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$3,716,049.11

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

25. Capital Stock:	
(a) Common stock, total par	\$ 100,000.00
26. Surplus	150,000.00
27. Undivided profits	59,958.21
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$ 309,958.21

CAPITAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

30. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$4,026,007.32
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MEMORANDA

31. Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes \$ 156,000.00

32. (a) Loans as shown above are after deduction of reserves of 14,362.12

I, Geo. T. Moore, Cashier of the above-named bank, do hereby declare that this report of condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(s) Geo. T. Moore

We, the undersigned directors attest the correctness of this report of condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief is true and correct.

W. S. J. BROWN
BOOTH WARREN
W. T. SADLER, M.D.
Directors

REPORT OF CONDITION OF
HOME STATE BANK
OF TRENT, TEXAS

at the close of business June 30, 1961, a state banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District.

ASSETS

1. Cash, balances with other banks, and cash items in process of collection	\$ 213,283.53
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	300,000.00
5. Corporate stocks (including \$3,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	3,000.00
6. Loans and discounts (including .34 cents overdrafts)	249,453.98
7. Bank premises owned \$2750.00, furniture and fixtures \$6,430.00	9,180.00
(Bank premises owned are subject to \$ (none) liens not assumed by bank)	
12. TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 774,917.51

LIABILITIES

13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$ 640,633.01
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	862.50
16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	12,445.44
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$653,940.95
(a) Total demand deposits	\$653,940.95
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 653,940.95

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

25. Capital: Common stock, total par value	\$ 25,000.00
26. Surplus	75,000.00
27. Undivided profits	20,976.56
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$120,976.56

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

30. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$774,917.51
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I, James V. Ross, Cashier of the above-named bank, hereby certify that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

s/James V. Ross
We, the undersigned directors attest the correctness of this report of condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief is true and correct.

T. H. WILLIAMSON
DOW WILLIAMSON
J. C. CRAIN
DIRECTORS

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Taylor, ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of July, 1961
BETTY FREEMAN, Notary Public
Taylor County, Texas
(SEAL)

Big Town Folly(s) by Mike Gray & Bob Moore



STATE CAPITAL
Highlights
AND **Sidelights**
by Vern Sanford
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN, Tex. — After years of arguments in Texas, debate seems to have narrowed down to one question.

It is whether to have a sales tax on specified items or one on all but specified items.

First is known as the Pennsylvania-type sales tax. It is favored by Governor Price Daniel as a means of raising \$303,000,000 of the \$360,000,000 he feels is needed. It would list the items on which a 2 per cent sales tax would

be levied. Goal would be to cover all items selling for 50 cents or more except food to be eaten at home, prescription drugs, clothing costing less than \$10, feed, seed, fertilizer, books, farm machinery, livestock and gas and electricity used in manufacturing.

Other approach would be a bill like the Senate passed last session. It does not attempt to list all the items to be taxed but applies to everything except the items exempted, including the usual groceries, drugs and farm needs.

Aim of both bills is the same: to raise a lot of money with a lot of retail sales taxes. There is no serious attempt to raise the bulk of the needed money by any other means other than retail sales taxes.

To some it might seem a Tweedle Dee-Tweedle Dum choice. But not to Governor Daniel and to many legislators. A sales tax that

applies to everything except exempt items is, in the governor's eyes, a "general sales tax," against which he is dead set.

Objectors to the Pennsylvania tax contend it would be one long pain in the neck, both for state tax collectors and retail merchants, to keep up with what is in the long, long list and what isn't. Too, they point out that new products are constantly coming on the market and would be tax-free.

Atty. Gen. Will Wilson appeared at the hearings as one of the critics of the Daniel (Pennsylvania) plan.

IN THE MILL — Legislature is moving swiftly in its short session, trying to avoid re-ploughing the same ground covered on tax bills last session.

Among revenue raising measures under consideration are these:

GOVERNOR'S PACKAGE BILL by Rep. Charles Ballman of Borger. This would include the Pennsylvania-type 2 per cent sales tax, a provision for the minimum levy of 1 cent per 1,000 cubic

feet on gas, a two-factor franchise tax on interstate corporations, a 50 per cent increase in driver's license fees, a transfer of that portion of gasoline taxes allocated for schools at the end of August each year and a leveling of the tax on coin-operated machines at \$10 each per year.

HINSON PACKAGE BILL, by Rep. George Hinson of Mimeoala, frequent sponsor of measures favored by the governor. Hinson's bill would include a sales tax on purchases of \$5 or more, a corporate income tax, real estate transfer tax, a severance beneficiary tax on natural gas, a utilities tax and a 1 per cent transfer from the permanent school fund. Estimated yield: \$368,000,000.

GAS TAX BILL, by Rep. Bob Eckhardt of Houston. Bill is designed to insure that the state would collect a minimum tax of 1 cent on each 1,000 cubic feet of Texas gas. If the present 7 per cent gas production tax did not supply it, the purchaser would have to pay the difference. Estimated yield: \$30,000,000. It is included in the Ballman bill.

SELECTIVE EXCISE TAX, by Rep. Ben Atwell of Dallas. It is similar to the Pennsylvania tax, also, and would yield an estimated \$355,000,000.

ESCHEAT BILL, by Rep. Charles Hughes of Sherman. This is the well-known proposal to provide enforcement procedures so that abandoned property, bank accounts, etc., would go to the state.

BATTLE OF THE POLLS — Two citizens groups are engaged in a duel of poll taking, each trying to demonstrate more public support for its tax plan.

Citizens for the Sales Tax announced that of 11,000 persons replying to its post card poll, 83.6 per cent favored a retail sales tax.

Citizens for Fair Taxation, a group which supports Governor Daniel's tax program, immediately declared that the SCT poll was heavily weighted with Chamber of Commerce members and not a true reflection of public sentiment.

Citizens for Fair Taxation is at work on a poll of its own.

SPENDING BILLS PUSHED — A general appropriations bill and a bill to raise teacher's salaries are moving through both houses with little re-hashing. Senate quickly approved a two-year appropriations bill calling for spending of \$2,469,000. It is essentially the same as the Senate appropriations bill in the regular session. Both Senate and House educa-

tion committees approved bills that would give public school teachers an across-the-board raise of \$810 a year. House passed the teacher's bill on the floor, 141-1. Senate committee also approved education bill providing for educational films, driver education, assistant principals for larger schools, and five days sick leave a year for teachers.

MONEY NEEDS UPPED — State Comptroller Robert S. Calvert had a new revenue forecast for legislators at the beginning of the session that showed an expected revenue from existing sources at \$24,000,000 less than the January forecast.

Part of the difference between the old and new forecasts was due to some \$6,000,000 in additional school and welfare payments authorized during the regular session. Most of the rest of the drop was attributed to a decline in revenue from auto sales taxes and franchise taxes.

Calvert also estimated that the general fund deficit at the end of the fiscal year Aug. 31 will be \$64,000,000. This is \$1,000,000 more than his January prediction.

LOBBY REGULATIONS REFERRED — At Governor Daniel's (See HIGHLIGHTS, Page 7)



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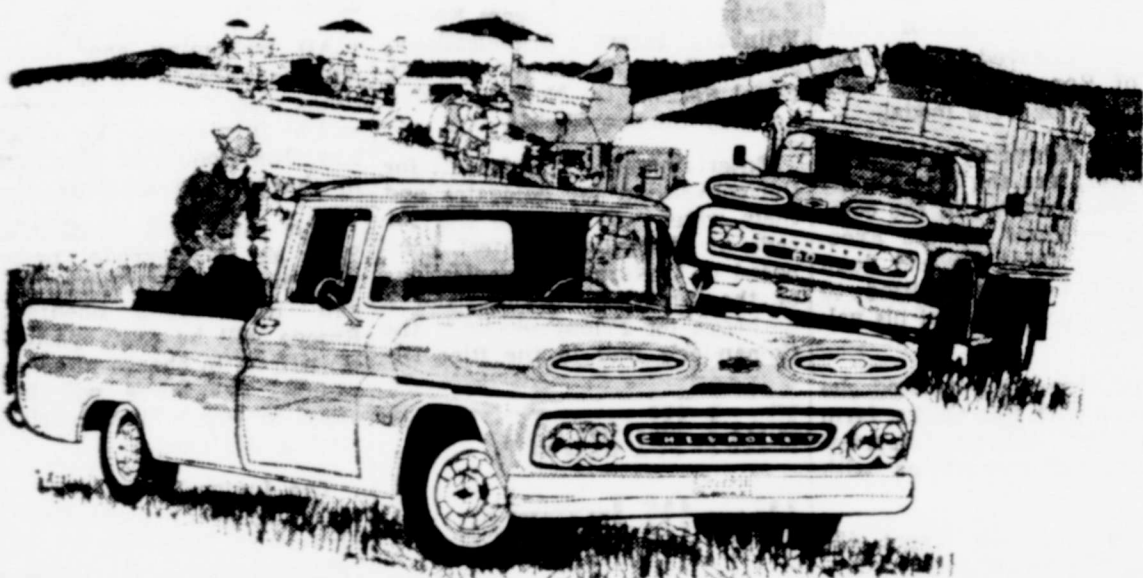
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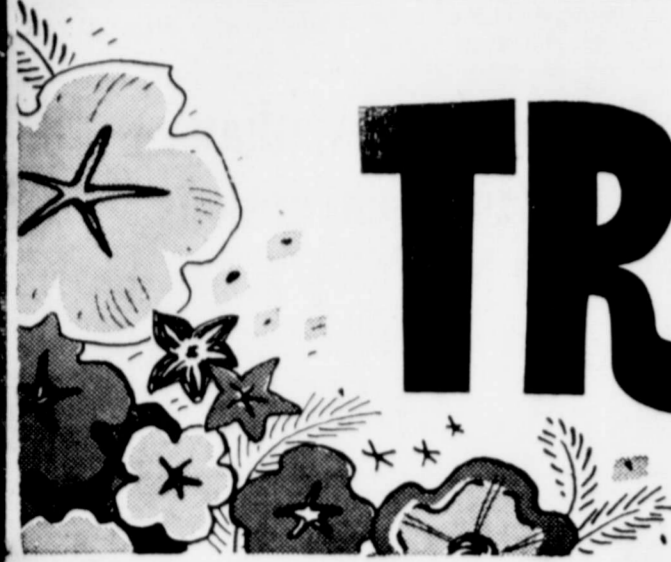
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DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

A feller has to look mighty careful to find anything in the papers anymore that don't keep him shook up and worried half crazy. The headlines is full of boom and doom, stories about how them Russians is closing in all around us and hinting that maybe civilization will get wiped out in the showdown. I recollect reading a while back where the Navy was making all officers spit themselves a sword and wear it at formal affairs. A sword will be mighty handy when it gits to ever man fer hisself, and with the rat race we got going in the world today, I'm thinking about gitting myself one fer civilian use.

But if a feller will skip the big type and read down in the fine print, he can find a heap of items that's help take his mind off'n his troubles. Fer instant, I see where a inspector in the U. S. Mint says our money is meeting the "physical requirements." It's comforting to know there's somepun it's meeting.

And a expert from the Retail Association says more and more folks is going to the smaller towns to shop. A general trend to the small towns would be a big help to a heap of us. It used to be that a feller couldn't see much in a small town, but nowadays wimmen dress about the same everwhere.

Here a while back, I was telling you about this pamphlet from the Department of Agriculture saying onions wasn't very good fer humans to eat. I see in the papers yesterday where two fellers died from drinking a concoction of varnish, shellack, lemons and onions. I reckon they just got too many onions in it.

A note of progress comes from a official of Eastern Airlines. He says they'll have jet passenger planes by 1970 that'll travel 3,000 miles a hour. The piece didn't say, but I figger these planes won't have no seats. A passenger wouldn't git set down good till it was time to git off.

On the Washington front, the

papers is saying them Congressmen is trying to speed things up so's they can adjourn in time fer a summer vacation. Some will be taking all their kinfolks on a big Government tour and some will be coming home to mend their political fences. Them that takes tours, I reckon, is the ones that's got their politics in pritty good shape back home.

On the home front, our preacher is having a hard time separating church and state. He said Sunday that a feller tht don't go to church is abusing his constitutional right to go to church. It's his right to visit Kalamazoo, too, but according to my preacher's doctrine, if he ain't been to Kalamazoo he's abusinig his constitutional right to do so.

But maybe things will look better next week, Mister Editor.

Yours truly,
Gabby

UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

About all we have talked about the last few weeks has been the rain, but if it continues like this, it will be history.

It is still too wet to get in the fields, but the last of this week we will be able to go back to work if the rain doesn't continue.

The farmers have been very active in buying sheep on the San Angelo market. The Clemmer brothers and Tom Russom, Canyon stockmen, have bought approximately 900 head of sheep the past three weeks.

We talked to two cotton farmers from Haskell. They said the lambs would eat the grass, weeds and goat heads, but not the cotton. If you boys want to save a hoe bill, get sheep.

We have seen Cullen Toombs buying sheep the last few weeks. He is putting his boy in the sheep business at Pluvana.

A few are shipping some cattle from our area this week. They are going out in real fine shape and selling fairly well.

We notice that some of the western states are having a bad drought, while we have enjoyed the very finest of rains. Pastures are good all of the way. This makes us wonder if we shouldn't be more grateful for the good things.

Uncle Allen Cook has returned home after several days in the Sadler Hospital.

Mrs. Melvin McCoy of Muleshoe and her two small girls spent the weekend in her parents home, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seymour.

Mrs. McCoy reports crops fine around Muleshoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Garry Rust of Abilene spent the weekend in her parents home, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Perry, and attended church at Pioneer, Sunday.

Mrs. David Taylor of Virginia wrote her mother, Mrs. Odie Clark of Merkel, to tell us how much they enjoyed reading our column. May we say thanks to Mrs. Taylor and her family.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brnovak were in Midland Sunday to visit Mrs. Brnovak's sister and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Palk.

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Scott and Mr. and Mrs. Payton Scott and little daughter visited over the weekend in their parents home, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Scott.

Miss Ida Mae King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen King, was at home over the weekend. She is attending Summer School at Texas Tech.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ray invited a group of relatives and friends to Oak Creek Lake Sunday afternoon for a boat ride.

Mrs. R. E. Clemmer and children and sister of Abilene left this week for Corpus to visit their brother there.

David Seymore and Donald Russom attended Junior Camp last week at the Butman youth camp. They returned with a fine report.

Tom Russom had a very fine calf bitten by a rattle snake this week. The snakes are really on the go. They can be any where, due to the cover of grass and weeds on the ground.

R. E. Clemmer and his hired hand killed three all in one place this week.



MR. & MRS. BUCK HARRIS
... honored on anniversary

Mr. & Mrs. Harris Mark Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Harris of Yellville, Ark. were honored with a tea at the Merkel Community Center Sunday in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris were married July 12, 1911, at Eastland. They lived in the Callahan County area until 1936 when they moved to Borden County. They resided in Merkel from 1939 to until 1945 when they moved to Portales, N.M. In 1955 the Harrises moved to Yellville.

Mr. Harris was born in Admiral on Dec. 16, 1892, and has been engaged in farming and stock farming all of his life. Mrs. Harris, the former Nora Higgins, was born Oct. 1894, in Admiral.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris are members of the New Hope Baptist Church of Yellville where he is superintendent of the Sunday School and a senior deacon.

Children of the couple are Mrs. J. C. (Ora Lee) Brown of Goldsboro, Mrs. Troy (Patsy) Walker of Muleshoe, J. B. Harris of Stith and Aubrey Harris of Yellville, Ark.

The couple has 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Granddaughters of the honored couple served in the house-party. Guests were present from Arkansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma City, Okla., Baird, Admiral, Lubbock, Muleshoe, Rio Grande, Walnut Springs and Colorado City.

Peggy Sue Harwell of Odessa has been visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Harwell. Her mother, Mrs. Charles Harwell, is recuperating from surgery.

Compere Club Meeting Held

The Compere Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Vernon Stanley for their regular meeting July 13.

Mrs. W. S. Allred opened the meeting with a prayer and Mrs. Stanley led the group in two games.

Demonstrations were given by Mrs. Stanley on the planting and arrangement of shrubs on a lawn and the refinishing of furniture.

For the next regular meeting of the club, July 27, members plan to eat lunch and see a movie in Abilene. Secret pals will also be revealed.

Mrs. Hall, Daughter Visit Sam Butmans

Mrs. Fred Hall and daughter, Tamara, of Charlott, N.C. visited Mr. and Mrs. Sam Butman of Mulberry Canyon last week.

The former Inez Seby, Mrs. Hall is one of twin daughters of an early day Abilene contractor. The visitors accompanied the Butmans on a trip to the Post-

Spur area where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Oward Everett. The Everetts operate a 13,000 acre cow ranch just under the Cap Rock of the lower Panhandle of Texas.

Youlinda and Wayne Carey are in Lubbock visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Carey.

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EDITORIAL

FARM SAFETY:

A YEAR 'ROUND JOB

We Americans seem to need an official "week" each year to remind us of things we really should practice every week of every year.

There's nothing wrong with the idea — the official reminder usually proves helpful — but too often too many people will substitute one week's observance for a year's practice.

National Farm Safety Week, to be celebrated July 23-29 this year, is a perfect example of a "week" that should be considered a continual part of rural life. Especially is that true in this area in which agriculture plays such a leading role in our economic life.

Union Ridge HD Club Has Meet

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Andy Baker, Friday, July 7.

Mabel McRee, president, led the group in the opening prayer. Roll call was answered with "My favorite seasoning and why."

Mrs. A. H. McElmurray and Mrs. J. C. Walton gave a demonstration on flower arrangements. Eight arrangements were made.

Mrs. Denzel Cox and Mrs. O. E. Harwell gave the program on "Herbs and Spices."

Refreshments were served to Mrs. A. H. McElmurray, Pattie Sue Harwell, Mable McRee, Mrs. J. C. Walton, Mrs. W. C. Newton, Mrs. Denzel Cox, Mrs. M. L. Douglas, Mrs. O. E. Harwell, and Mrs. Andy Baker.

The next meeting will be a covered dish luncheon in the home of Mrs. J. C. Walton July 20.

Annette Boney Feted At Party

Annette Boney, bride-elect of Benny Melton, was honored with a kitchen shower Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. W. Reed.

Other hostesses were Mrs. Robert Malone and Mrs. Gerald Derrick.

An arrangement of orchid and white asters centered the tea table, which was laid with a brown linen cloth. Cakes were served from a wooden bowl.

Miss Boney is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Boney. Melton's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Price Melton.

The couple will be married August 31 in the First Methodist Church.

It is just plain good sense to avoid the suffering and economic losses resulting from farm accidents.

Co-sponsored on the national level by the National Safety Council and the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture and on the state level by the Texas Farm & Ranch Safety Council, the Texas Farm Bureau and the Extension Service, the 18th annual Farm Safety Week has as its theme, "Safety Is a Family Affair." The Merkel Mail is glad to be among the many newspapers helping in the campaign to draw attention to the need for the year 'round observance of safety practices on the farms and ranches.

Accidents in American farm homes take about 2,700 lives a year, according to the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council, and some 3,400 persons are killed each year doing farm work. This is in addition to the 4,700 farm residents who die on the highways in nonwork accidents.

If we think of safe practices as a means of doing things, rather than as a set of do's and don'ts, accident prevention will become a way of life — a way that will preserve the lives of farm families.

Let's make every week Farm Safety Week.

Mrs. Snider Hosts

Stith HD Club Meet

The Stith Home Demonstration Club met June 12 at the Community Center for a program on "Needle Point."

Mrs. Gerald Snider was hostess.

Four members and three children were present.

The United States actually declared itself officially independent two days before the Declaration of Independence was adopted. World Book Encyclopedia reports that Congress approved on July 2, 1776, a resolution by Richard Henry Lee that "These United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States."

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Yet a jury made up of both sexes, with wide age and educational differences, jobs and origins must all come up with the same verdict. Upon their verdict much depends — the life or liberty of others, and the public good. So it may take them days of talking among themselves, all to agree.

Jury duty calls for insight, common sense, courage, tact, fair-mindedness, patience, (especially toward the jurors who disagree with you), good humor, tolerance, balance, willingness to hear others out and change one's mind, readiness to go over the facts to find something to bring agreement. In short, jury duty demands a "decent respect to the opinions" of others.

More and more women share civic duties, especially as jurors. Time was in Texas when women could not serve on juries. They still cannot in four states.

A jury finds facts. It hears and weighs evidence and then comes to a verdict. It does not make the law — the legislature does; and the judge "charges" or instructs the jury concerning the law applicable to the particular case it is considering.

The judge will tell you not to find the accused guilty until he is proved so under strict rules of evidence. If you have any "reasonable doubt," — not imaginary or far-fetched — acquit the accused.

Civil cases do not demand a moral certainty, merely the "preponderance" of what you regard as reliable and believable evidence.

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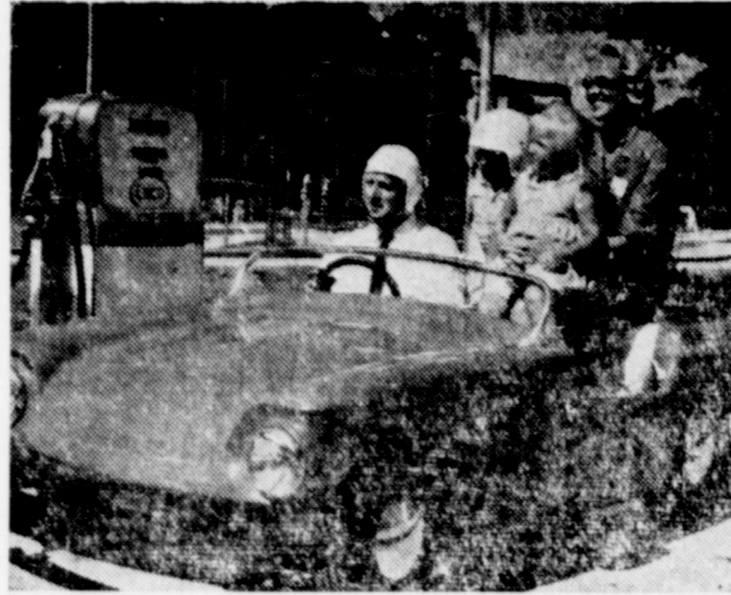
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Spurgin Family Has Reunion

The Spurgin family's annual reunion was held at the Noodle School Cafeteria July 16.

Relatives attending were: Mr. and Mrs. U. E. Spurgin, Bob and Terry, Anson; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Spurgin, Merkel; Missie Spurgin, Midland; E. C. Spurgin, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Spurgin, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Spurgin, Venus; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Spurgin and Clinton, Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Spurgin Jr., Lisa and Kirk, Anson; Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Spurgin and Carroll, Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Spurgin, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Mackey Spurgin, Eddy and Dale; Mrs. C. L. Roertson, Houston; Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Myers and Beverly, Houston; Mr. and Mrs. James Sautlebaum, Kniffia; Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Justice, Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Justice and Terrellyn, Abilene; Mrs. Pete Toliver and Stevie, Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sasser, Barbara, and Jim, Anson; Miss Johnny Warren, Merkel.

Friends who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Ben Adkins, Anson; Mr. Lou Baucum, Anson; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bicknell, Trent; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Adkins and Vida, Lamesa; Mrs. E. R. Joster, Merkel; Mrs. Odell Eoff, Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bicknell, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Justice, Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kelson, Anson.

Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE
We are all hoping for clear weather this week. Weeds are really growing.

Blanton Standefer of the Southside Baptist Church, Abilene, was the speaker at the Stith Baptist Church Sunday night. He showed a film and spoke on his tour of Old Mexico and the mission work the Baptists are doing there. Mrs. Sandefer and son attended the service. Other visitors were the Rev. and Mrs. Dale Windham of Abilene and Mrs. Ethel Canida of Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Berry of Philadelphia have been visiting his brothers, Elvie, Bernie and Johnnie, and a sister, Mrs. Walter Vantrouse. Mr. Hulan Hill and children visited several days the past week with her father, J. C. McGee at Cross Plains. He is seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clyburns returned Thursday from California where they visited the Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Sanders and children, Melvin Barker and children, and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Burns. Mr. and Mrs. Truett Thompson and children of Merkel, and Mr. and Mrs. Mason Barker and children and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ray of Hodges, visited the Clyburns Sunday night.

Patricia Richardson of Abilene and Margaret Gilmore of Merkel spent last week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Mashburn. Other visitors were

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Mrs. Sue Bates of Baytown and Barbara Gilmore of Merkel. Mrs. Jerry Jones of San Angelo, Mrs. Orrick and son, Pat, Mrs. Edgar Berry of Abilene and Sharon Beth Potts of Anson, visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones Thursday.

Several from this community attended the golden anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Buck Harris of Arkansas. All of their children were here. They are Mr. and Mrs. Muleshoe, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brown and family of Tuscola, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Harris and children of Arkansas and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris and family of Stith.

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning visited her father, the Rev. O. B. Tatum on his 83rd birthday Sunday, July 16. Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Browning and children of Tuscola were also present. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hale and Goodwin, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hale and children of Crosbyton, and Ethel Canida visited Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale and Sandra Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Dalton of Truby have bought the Sinclair Oil Company place here. We are sorry they are not moving here now but hope they will in the future. We would be happy to have them in our community.

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Quarterly Report of Taylor County Treasurer

On July 10, 1961, The Commissioners Court met in regular session, compared and examined the report of Mrs. Bob Haile, County Treasurer, for the quarter ending on Dec. 31, 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	\$ 25,100.07	\$ 1,798.66	\$ 9,786.14	\$ 17,112.59
Precinct No. 1 Fund	73,180.85	23,134.81	20,805.03	75,510.63
Precinct No. 2 Fund	75,650.33	19,206.67	20,601.82	74,355.18
Precinct No. 3 Fund	72,638.61	15,654.56	19,731.66	68,561.45
Precinct No. 4 Fund	42,605.34	18,511.96	17,272.58	43,844.76
General Fund	229,078.65	43,108.97	91,639.90	180,547.72
Fauper Fund	1,709.88	27,827.37	26,973.45	2,563.79
Road Dist. No. 1 Fund	230.00	.00	.00	230.00
Bookmobile Fund	7,758.59	6,007.16	2,447.61	11,318.14
Perm. Imp. Fund	16,536.75	532.74	3,772.60	13,096.89
Spec. R. & B. Fund	1,286.00	.00	.00	1,286.00
Co. Wide Mach. Fund	2.70	.00	.00	2.70
Withholding tax Fund	5,107.07	15,537.22	15,413.79	5,230.50
Officers Salary Fund	60,157.38	98,762.19	88,802.27	70,117.30
Rd. Dist. No. 1 Skg. Fd. S.47-53	23,306.02	16,679.25	.00	39,985.27
Perm. School Fund	529.75	80.00	80.00	529.75
Lateral Road Fund	66,890.99	304.50	3,763.93	63,431.56
F.I.C.A. Tax Fund	11,004.40	2,062.09	7,742.99	11,323.50
Road Bond Series 1953	24,607.40	.00	.00	24,607.40
Library Fund	4,782.48	1,135.00	608.80	5,308.68
Perm. Imp. Skg. Fund	25,761.38	1,410.01	.00	27,171.39
Rd. Dist. No. 1 Bond Series 1955	2,186.40	.00	.00	2,186.40
Rd. Dist. No. 1 Skg. Fd. S. 1955	11,453.56	905.32	.00	12,358.88
Ref. Bond Skg. Fund	9,567.13	1,236.06	.00	10,803.19
Road & Bridge R.O.W. Fund	87,445.81	4,883.49	29,378.69	62,950.61
	\$878,577.58	\$304,677.97	\$358,821.27	\$824,434.28

BANK BALANCES AND TIME DEPOSITS

First National Bank	\$315,140.13	Total Deposits	\$824,434.28
Citizens National	236,687.39	Time Deposits	202,824.86
First State, Abilene	134,570.11		
First State, Tuscola	138,036.65	Total Checking	\$621,609.42
	\$824,434.28		

SECURITIES OWNED BY TAYLOR COUNTY — PERM. SCHOOL FUND

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. Fd.	13,492.20	—Buffalo Gap S. Bonds	4,700.00
	\$52,492.20		\$19,500.00

SECURITIES OWNED BY REFUNDING BOND SINKING FUND AS FOLLOWING—

Perm. Imp. Bonds	\$5,000.00
Government Bonds	1,868.00
Buffalo Gap, School Bonds	3,200.00
	\$9,568.00

BONDS AND WARRANT INDEBTEDNESS

Issues	Original Issue	Bonds Redeemed	Bonds Outstanding
Bond Series 1947	\$ 850,000.00	\$ 330,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Bond Series 1953	350,000.00	80,000.00	270,000.00
Bond Series 1954	850,000.00	225,000.00	625,000.00
Bond Series 1955	350,000.00	125,000.00	225,000.00
Bond Series Ref'd S. 1957	397,000.00	130,000.00	267,000.00
	\$ 2,297,000.00	\$ 890,000.00	\$1,407,000.00

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

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suggestion, a bill to impose further lobby controls has been introduced.

Daniel has consistently blamed "lobby interference" for the regular session to agree on a tax plan.

Five House members are co-sponsors of a bill that would require that all contributions of \$50 or more to be used to influence legislation be reported. It would also prohibit lobbyists from being on the floor of House or Senate during sessions or calling members off the floor during debate.

Sen. A. R. Schwartz of Galveston has said he will sponsor a companion measure in the Senate.

INSURANCE INQUIRY SET—House has authorized a special five-member committee to look into the reasonableness of a 15 per cent increase ordered by the State Board of Insurance.

Rep. Will Smith of Beaumont sponsored the resolution to set up the investigation.

that the higher rate might cause many drivers to drop their auto insurance and thus become unable to pay for accident damage.

Resolution expressed concern

TEACHER TRAINING HIT—Member of the Commission on Higher Education looked over a 140-page report on teacher education courses being offered in state colleges and decided that

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Prepared by National 4-H Service Committee, Chicago

A unique privately supported aid-to-youth group, traditionally headed by the President of the United States, has just published a report covering 39 years of service to the 4-H Clubs of America. The National 4-H Service Committee headquartered in Chicago assists the Cooperative Extension Service of the USDA in maintaining and improving 4-H projects in all 50 states and Puerto Rico.

One of the committee's functions is to secure funds for awards and leader training. Today, about 60 industries and private groups contribute to specific 4-H programs. Another dozen or so provide funds for special events, a committee spokesman said. Commitments for 1961 total more than a million dollars.

Three companies, which gave financial and moral support to the fledgling 4-H Clubs four decades ago, still earmark funds to further this learn-by-doing program nationally. They are Armour, Wilson and International Harvester, according to the Committee.

Ten firms have given continuous support for 25 years or more. They are: the Cudahy Packing Company, Montgomery Ward, Sears-Roebuck Foundation, Kerr Glass, Westinghouse Educational Foundation and Livestock Conservation, Inc.

Railroad companies are the Burlington, Chicago & North Western, Santa Fe and Illinois Central.

More long-time backers of 4-H youth are: Coats & Clark Inc., Mrs. Charles R. Walgreen, Firestone, Allis-Chalmers, American Oil Foundation, Standard Oil (Ky.), Standard Oil (Ohio), Sunbeam Corporation, General Motors,

Carnation Company, Simplicity Patterns, American Forest Products Industries, Pure Oil Company, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago Board of Trade and Cities Service Oil Company.

Business Gives Reasons

Why do these firms allocate large sums for 4-H? A look at the report reveals the following reasons given by business officials:

"We support 4-H because, like most forward-looking businesses, we have found that through cooperation with 4-H Club members and leaders, a better understanding is developed between industry and agriculture. This cannot help but strengthen and build an ever better America."

"The 4-H program emphasizes individual initiative, productive enterprise, and character development... If our contribution helps young people grow up to become more useful citizens, we feel it is a sound investment."

The record of continuous support given by industry is in itself sustaining evidence of the effectiveness of 4-H Club work in training youth for the "responsible leadership in the future," says the Committee's director, Norman C. Mindrum.

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In 1960, he reports, 230 top-ranking club members received scholarships ranging from \$400 to \$1,600 each. Seven former 4-H'ers working in Extension were granted \$3,000 fellowships for advanced study. In addition, some \$140,000 was used in training more than 10,500 volunteer club leaders.

There are now 2.3 million girls and boys between the ages of 10 and 21 in 4-H. About half live in non-rural communities.

there was too much folderol.

A number of legislators also have been critical in recent months, both of the content and the amount of time spent on teaching method courses. State Board of education has recently reduced the number of method courses required for teacher certification.

Commission on Higher education members expressed hope that the college administrators could

and would do for themselves the necessary pruning in education course offerings.

SHORT SNORTS

Sen. Preston Smith, Lubbock theatre owner, has been named president pro tempore of the Senate for the special session. As third in line to the governorship, Senator Smith undoubtedly will have a chance to be "governor for a day" sometime during the session.

House of Representatives is reduced to 149 members as a result of the death, just before session opening, of Rep. Marshall O. Bell of San Antonio. Bell, who was serving his 10th term in the House, was known as "dean of the House" because of his record tenure. That designation now goes to Rep. Herman Yezak of Bremond, a lawyer-publisher in his ninth consecutive term as a member of the House.

Texas Railroad Commission has set a hearing for July 25 on the request by 27 bus lines for a

5 per cent increase in fares.

Six members of the House of Representatives are actually at work in hopes of being speaker for the 58th Legislature. They are Reps. Byron Tunnell of Tyler, Alonzo Jamison of Denton, Franklin Spears of San Antonio, Ben Glusing of Kingsville, C. W. Percy of Temple and W. T. Olver of Port Neches.

Lisa Lynn Gardner is in Phoenix, Ariz. where she is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. George Gardner, and her aunts and uncles, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lockwood and Dr. and Mrs. Matthew Cohen.

Mrs. W. M. Elliott visited her sister-in-law, Mrs. D. I. Shelton of Big Spring, last week.

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Mrs. Lige Harris, president, presided at the business session. Mrs. P. L. Harris led the opening prayer and Mrs. W. N. Hays gave the devotional.

Closing prayer was by Mrs. C. P. Stephens.

Ice cream and cake, with miniature flag plate favors, was served to Mmes. Hays, C. P. Stephens, A. H. Jolinger, Lou Stephens, Maggie Ervin, Dent Gigson, P. L. Harris, E. N. McDonald, Lige Harris and E. A. Carson.

Rodena and Leslie Ann Thaxton, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Thaxton of Dumas, are visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Thaxton.

Mr. and Mrs. Angie Glenn of Big Spring were dinner guests of his sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stockridge, Sunday. Accompanying them home was Mr. Glenn's mother, Mrs. Nannie Glenn of Breckenridge, who has been visiting in the Stockridge home for the past two weeks.

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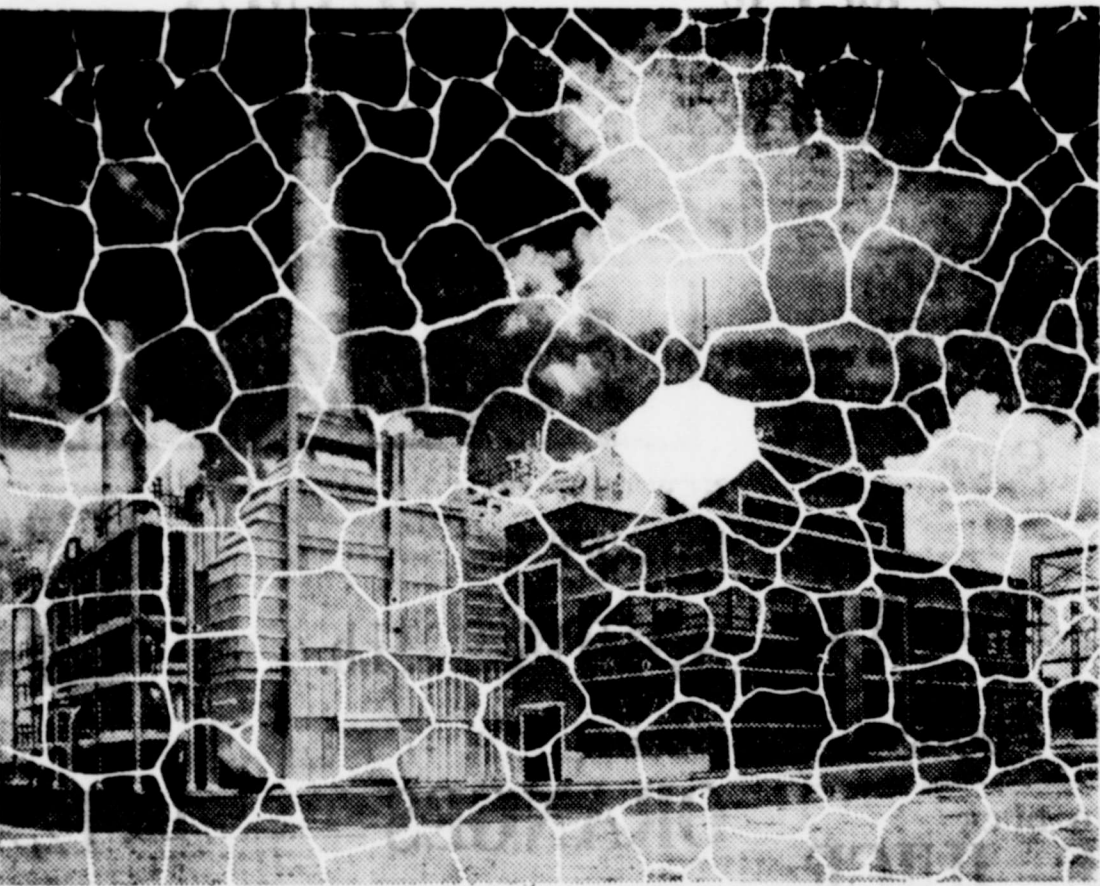
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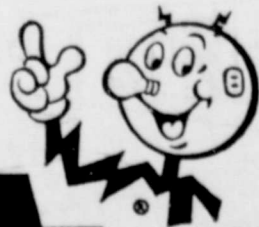
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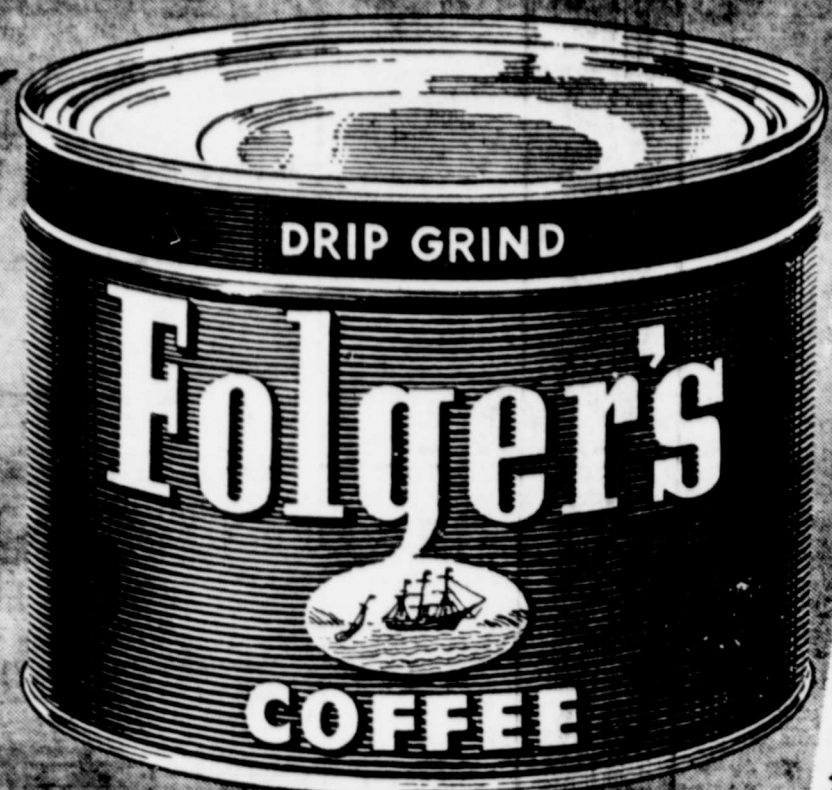
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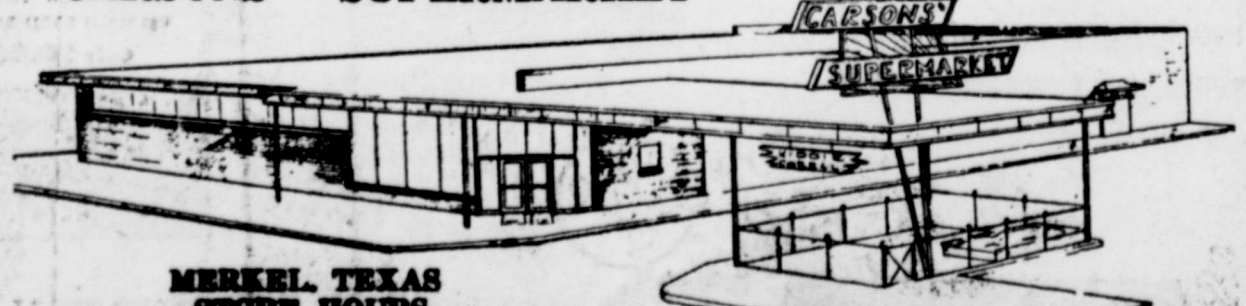
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