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MERKEL DATE BOOK

DECEMBER 13
Open house at the Assembly of God Parsonage from 6:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.
Immunization shots at school at 9:00 a.m.
Junior Boys basketball game 6:30 p.m.
Veterans of Foreign Wars meeting at 7:00 p.m.
High School in Anson tournament. Boys and girls at 5:30 p.m.
Calvary Baptist visitation 7:30 p.m. and teacher meeting at 8:30 p.m.

DECEMBER 14
Merkel High School (in Anson) tournament boys and girls, 5:30 p.m.
Merkel Christmas parade 3:00 p.m.
R. E. A. Christmas party 7:00 p.m.

DECEMBER 15
High School (in Anson) tournament boys and girls 5:30 p.m.
Bookmobile 11:00 a.m. until 3:50 p.m.
Santa will be at the Chamber of Commerce from 1:00 until 5:00 p.m.

DECEMBER 16
NEW LIVE OAK CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:55 a.m.
Youth Fellowship 6:00 p.m.
Christmas Program 7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00
Training Union 6:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
CHURCH OF CHRIST
Sunday School 9:45
Morning Worship 10:35
Sunday night Class 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:45 p.m.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Sunday School 9:45
Morning Worship 11:00
Young People 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00
Morning Worship 11:00
Training Union 6:45 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.

DECEMBER 17
Sewing Club Christmas party 7:00 p.m.
Merkel Elementary third assembly program 8:30 a.m.
Junior Class Christmas party 7:00 p.m.
Jaycees and Jayceettes Christmas party 8:00 p.m.

DECEMBER 18
Merkel High School basketball game with Winters here at 6:30 p.m.
Fireman Christmas party 7:30 p.m.
Jaycees weekly meeting 8:00 p.m.
Lions Club 12:00 noon.

DECEMBER 19
Merkel Elementary popcorn sale at school.
Sophomore Christmas party after church.
Baptist Church Evening Worship 7:30
Methodist Evening Worship and Choir practice at 7:30 p.m.
Church of Christ Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Assembly of God Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Calvary Baptist Church Wednesday Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
New Live Oak Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

DECEMBER 20
Merkel Elementary popcorn sale at school.
Sophomore Christmas party after church.
Baptist Church Evening Worship 7:30
Methodist Evening Worship and Choir practice at 7:30 p.m.
Church of Christ Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Assembly of God Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Calvary Baptist Church Wednesday Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
New Live Oak Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

DECEMBER 21
Merkel Elementary popcorn sale at school.
Sophomore Christmas party after church.
Baptist Church Evening Worship 7:30
Methodist Evening Worship and Choir practice at 7:30 p.m.
Church of Christ Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Assembly of God Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Calvary Baptist Church Wednesday Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
New Live Oak Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

DECEMBER 22
Merkel Elementary popcorn sale at school.
Sophomore Christmas party after church.
Baptist Church Evening Worship 7:30
Methodist Evening Worship and Choir practice at 7:30 p.m.
Church of Christ Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Assembly of God Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Calvary Baptist Church Wednesday Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
New Live Oak Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

DECEMBER 23
Merkel Elementary popcorn sale at school.
Sophomore Christmas party after church.
Baptist Church Evening Worship 7:30
Methodist Evening Worship and Choir practice at 7:30 p.m.
Church of Christ Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Assembly of God Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Calvary Baptist Church Wednesday Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
New Live Oak Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

DECEMBER 24
Merkel Elementary popcorn sale at school.
Sophomore Christmas party after church.
Baptist Church Evening Worship 7:30
Methodist Evening Worship and Choir practice at 7:30 p.m.
Church of Christ Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Assembly of God Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Calvary Baptist Church Wednesday Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
New Live Oak Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

DECEMBER 25
Merkel Elementary popcorn sale at school.
Sophomore Christmas party after church.
Baptist Church Evening Worship 7:30
Methodist Evening Worship and Choir practice at 7:30 p.m.
Church of Christ Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Assembly of God Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Calvary Baptist Church Wednesday Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
New Live Oak Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

Merkel Woman's Father Dies

Funeral services for W. C. Norton of Haskell, father of Mrs. Herman Carson of Merkel, were held December 10 at the First Baptist Church in Haskell.

Mr. Norton, 72, died at 1:15 p.m. Sunday in a Haskell County hospital where he had been a patient for only a week.

The Rev. Ray Nobles, pastor, and the Rev. H. H. Sego, another Haskell Baptist minister, officiated.

Mr. Norton was born on Christmas Day in 1889 in Fannin County and moved to Haskell County 60 years ago. He farmed until 1954, when he retired and moved to Haskell. He was a member of the First Baptist Church and had served as a deacon for many years.

He was married Dec. 3, 1911 in Jones County to Virgie Cury. Survivors are his wife; one son, Clovis of Haskell; four daughters, Mrs. Ray Cottron of Haskell, Mrs. Fletcher Faust of Roscoe, Mrs. Herman Carson of Merkel and Mrs. Clarence Tucker of Abilene; four sisters, Mrs. J. L. Jettison of Cotton Center, Mrs. E. T. Miller of Tyler, Mrs. Vaughn Bailey of Dallas and Mrs. Russell Bowles of Plainview and 10 grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Otis Simpson, Luther T. Giver, V. P. Terrell, R. C. Couch Sr., Jim Alvin Buck Kendrick, F. J. McCurley and Bill Reeves.

Dorcas Members Arrange Flowers

The Dorcas Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church met in the banquet hall December 6, for their Christmas social and business session.

Arrangements of Autumn flowers were highlighted by the Christmas theme.

Opening prayer was read by Mrs. W. M. Hays. Mrs. Wanda McAninch had charge of the program. General and flower fund was collected by Mrs. E. B. Wilburn.

The Rev. Bill Sawyer led the thanksgiving prayer. Turkey and dressing and accessories were served.

Those present were Meses, P. H. Harris, Leona Partin, W. A. McCandless, Blanche Amason, A. R. Booth, Sam Swann, Bessie Jackson, Howard Phillips, E. N. McDonald, E. O. Carson, J. A. Horton, W. C. Burleson, R. H. Mathews, C. P. Stephens, Maggie Ervin, Emma Wheatley, Lige Harris, W. E. Petty, Emory Wilburn, Cordelia Scherer, Ada Higgins, W. M. Hays.

Mrs. A. H. Zolinger, associate member and Mrs. Dent Gibson and Miss Wanda McAninch were visitors.

Jerry Reynolds In Who's Who

ABILENE — Jerry Don Reynolds, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cramer Reynolds, Rt. 4, has been selected to Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges at Hardin-Simmons University.

Reynolds, who is a graduate of Merkel High School, is a member of several campus organizations and is active in Baptist Student Union work. He is captain of Rangers, men's service club. Reynolds is majoring in Bible and minoring in sociology.

Christmas Parade Shaping Up For Children's Enchantment



REPORTING THE SAFETY STORY through the nation's press plays a big part in the home, farm and highway accident prevention programs of the 2,300,000 4-Hers across the country. Here the eight top winners in the National 4-H Safety Program put together an issue of the mythical "4-H Daily Press" to help generate even more safety news. Sitting in as "editor" is Anthony G. De Lorenzo, vice president of General Motors. Each national winner received a GM \$400 college scholarship. In addition, GM gave them and 34 state safety winners all-expense trips to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago. General Motors has been 4-H Safety Awards donor since 1945. Left to right are: Sandra Price, 18, St. Francis, Kansas; Gayle Gillen, 17, Sparta, Tennessee; Jewell Yordy, 21, Morton, Illinois; Bobby Cofer, 18, Forest, Virginia; Jeannette Arbura, 18, Bakersfield, California; Mr. A. G. De Lorenzo; Leeland Alexander, 17, Okmulgee, Oklahoma; James Lowe, 17, Morrison, Colorado; and Phyllis Brooks, 18, Auburn, Massachusetts.

Merkel P-TA Sets Monthly Meeting

The Merkel Parent - Teacher Association will have its monthly meeting Thursday night, December 13, at 7:30 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

Mrs. Comer Haynes, program chairman, announced a very interesting program for the meeting. Roger and Minyon Beaird will begin the program with a piano duet. The three first grades under the direction of their teachers, Mrs. Elsie Nash, Mrs. Jean Hoyleway, and Mrs. Vincent Barnett will present a number of songs.

Mrs. Onis Crawford will be the speaker of the evening with her subject being, "Good Citizenship Through Faith."

Fran Borden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Borden Jr., 1408 Sunset Drive, was recently initiated into LOA, a women's social club at Lubbock Christian College, Lubbock.

Organized in 1959, when the junior college was in its third year of operation, the club participates in inter-campus sports events, competes for the highest cumulative grade average of the eleven social clubs at LCC, and holds special events such as banquets and picnics.

Miss Borden is a freshman speech major at LCC.

Betty Jane Gets Her Buck

Betty Jane Tittle, amiable teller at the Farmers and Merchants National Bank, went hunting on her brother's ranch over at Sonora over the week end.

And not to drag a good hunting story out, here's the results: The mounted head probably w'd wind up on the wall of BJ's cabin at Sweetwater Lake.

Betty Jane got a nice five-point buck.

Deer that is — not dear.

Club Members Study Columbia

The Fortnightly Study Club met November 27 in the home of Mrs. Johnny Cox for a study of Columbia, in the Andes Mountains of South America.

Mrs. Don Dudley, president, welcomed two new members, Mrs. Roy Dalziel and Mrs. Bob Goodwin and a guest, Mrs. Homer Newby.

Members answered roll call with interesting facts from their chosen country in South America.

Mrs. Clyde Bartlett and Mrs. W. T. Sadler presented the program on Columbia through pictures, illustrations and commentary.

4-H Club Hears Tag Shouse Speak

The Merkel 4-H Club met December 6, at 7:30 at the Taylor Electric Co. building.

Larry Tojar gave the 4-H motto, Gary Smith gave the pledge to the flag, Christine Lucas and Terry Wozencraft were the song leaders.

Finley Barnett introduced the speaker, Mr. Tag Shouse, who gave a talk on how to make pictures for the 4-H record book.

Kay Tipton and Kathryn Christwell were game leaders.

Officers and leaders of the Merkel 4-H club met with the assistant Home Demonstration Club agent, Verdena Dobkins, and assistant County Agent, Duery Menzies, and organizational leaders, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Barnett, to plan the year 4-H work.

Some of the programs planned are citizenship, demonstration techniques, record books, horse-manship, photography, achievement tea, plans for fair booth, and cookouts.

Announcements

Thursday, December 13, there will be an open house at the Assembly of God Parsonage from 6:30 until 9:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and see the three new rooms that have just been added. Punch and cookies will be served.

Mrs. Bartlett read a poem and Mrs. Bob Goodwin, in costume, performed a Spanish dance, La Paloma. Accompanying Mrs. Goodwin on the piano was Mrs. Brandon Wade.

LEADERS BUSY WITH DETAILS

Merkel merchants and civic leaders were busy this week putting the finishing touches on a Christmas parade which was shaping up to put the glitter of enchantment in the eyes of youngsters.

And maybe a few, or more, grown ups.

Herman Carson, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce retail trade committee, was slowed down a little due to a broken foot. But he had plenty of helpers.

Jarrett Pinkler and members of the Riding Club were getting the order of the parade lined up. And other members of the parade committee doing work included: Mrs. W. T. Sadler, Mrs. Almeda Bullock, Mrs. Clyde Bartlett, Cyrus Pee, Woodrow (Woody) Wilson, William Cyfert, Mack Fisher, W. G. Reed and the Rev. Markham.

Mrs. Horace Hargroves, professional staff member of the Chamber of Commerce, gave this list of workers and pointed out that there were many more working to make this year's Merkel Christmas parade an outstanding one.

For instance, she said, Santa Claus would make his headquarters at the Chamber of Commerce after the parade and would be at the Chamber of Commerce office from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturdays and Christmas Eve from the time the parade ended until Christmas. On week days Santa Claus will be at the Chamber of Commerce from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays.

President of the Chamber of Commerce Joe Cyfert and Mrs. Cyfert will lead the parade due to start at 3 p.m.

More than three dozen youngsters have registered with the Chamber of Commerce to decorate bicycles or other vehicles and ride in the parade.

Organizations which will have floats in the parade include: Adecock Cleaners, Bagley Conoco Station and Star Skating Rink, Beta Sigma Phi, Brush Stoppers, Bullock Hardware and Hortons Department Store, Chamber of Commerce, Civil Defense (two units), Garden Club, Girl Scouts, Huie Lamb (pony display), Fire Department (two units), McMurry College Callope played by Bitsy West, Band Parents' Club, Merkel High School Band and West Texas Utilities Co.

Pee is in charge of Yule music.

Harris Mark 58th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Lige Harris celebrated their fifty-eighth wedding anniversary Sunday, December 9, at their son's and daughter-in-law's home, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harris at Ballinger.

Family members present were Mrs. S. G. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Harris and family, Mr. and Mrs. Don Riney and family, Donna Riney of Merkel and friend, Evelyn Merritt, of Kermit.

Other starters are Jack Reynolds a fire guard who is only a sophomore and Billy Lucas, a fine forward who made the all tournament team at Hamlin this past week.

To round out the roster are two juniors, Frosty Winters, a one year letterman, and Douglas Barnhart who has only become eligible this year.

Four sophomores who are bidding for starter positions are Charles Dannheim, Weldon Tittle, Tommy South and Johnny Hardesty.

Working with the B team is Coach William Tate who is also the assistant football coach.

So far this year the Badgers have posted a 6-1 record. District play will begin January 8 with Jim Ned there.

LEADERS BUSY WITH DETAILS

Prizes will be as follows:
Large floats — 1st prize \$20.00; 2nd prize \$15.00 and 3rd prize \$10.00.
Small floats — 1st prize \$15.00; 2nd prize \$5.00 and 3rd prize \$3.00.

Pets — 1st prize \$5.00; 2nd prize \$3.00 and 3rd prize \$2.00.
Costume and vehicle — 1st prize \$5.00; 2nd prize \$3.00 and 3rd prize \$2.00.

Up The Canyon

By TOM RUSSOM

Well Christmas has just come all at once hasn't it. Just a few days off and it will be here.

We are needing rain up the Canyon not had but it sure would be a big boost to small grain.

Oats and wheat are still making a splendid growth and furnishing a quite a bit or grazing. Cattle are still high. Some farmers who are wanting to buy cattle are having a hard time doing so. Due to being so high feed is plentiful and it costs a lot of money to harvest it. So farmers want cattle to feed it to.

W. C. Perkins stockman, just stop of the divide reports a wonderful bundle feed crop at his place. Speaking of a bundle feed crop our Merkel banker Booth Warren reported a harvest of 4,300 bundles of feed at his ranch. Booth said it is fine to have but it costs a lot of money to get it in the stacks.

Joe Swinney had a load of sheep on the San Angelo sheep market this week.

Well, it looks like that oil well that has been drilled on the east side of the Canyon on the L. T. Toombs place is like many other dry holes. That is the only well at this time being drilled up the Canyon.

Mrs. F. R. Diermer, of Merkel, a longtime resident of the Canyon, attended church at the Pioneer Church Sunday morning. She said she just got hungry to see her friends. Mrs. Diermer is a longtime reader of the Merkel Mail and she likes our column. Up The Canyon, very much.

The Pioneer Church people are having their annual Christmas tree and program this Sunday night at the church. Everyone will bring a 25 cent gift and draw names. We want all of you to come and have a good time with us. You know there is a song that goes "The More We Get Together The Happier We Will Be."

Mrs. R. E. Clemmer who is a big 4-H Club worker carried some children to the Christmas party in Abilene Monday night. They reported a fine time.

The Taylor County HDC members are having their annual Christmas party at Pioneer Church this week. They are planning a big party and tree.

Uncle E. H. Cordiv just can't understand why he doesn't feel good all the time at the age of 95.

Officers Elected In Fifth Grade

Mrs. Cox's fifth grade room selected new six-week officers on December 3.

President is Glenna Doan, vice president Catherine Baird, secretary Deborah Stalle, reporter Carolyn Gilmore, treasurer Melinda Tipton, room doctor Donna Whisenant, room nurse Alma Luper, straighten tables and library Donna Diltz and Jennifer Hunter, dust boards Jo Nell Lassiter and Wendy Lench, pass out lunch tickets for boys Randy Doan, pass out lunch tickets to girls Elizabeth Ascencio, close windows Terry Derrington and Andrew Rivera, pass waste basket Jerry Collier.

Ninety-five members of the all-district band were chosen at Merkel High School auditorium to climax a day - long band clinic. Merkel Band Director W. G. Reed reported.

Thirteen bands from this area participated in the Northwest District of Region II event, in preparation for the region's band contest January 5 at McMurry College.

Dr. Ted Crager of North Texas University was clinician and conducted the massed all-district band.

The chosen members, in order of selection by instrument, were: Piccolo, Audrey Regan; B-flat clarinet, Johnny Hardesty and Larry Howard; Bass clarinet, Lois Givens; Alto saxophone, David Hammond; Cornet, Tommy South; Trumpet, Hayden Griffin and Shouse.

at Hardin - Simmons University. Jobe called his speech, "Recipe for a Good Team."

Coach Tate reviewed the past Badger football season.

Presentations were awarded the cheerleaders, Football Sweetheart Nancy Johnson, Football Hero Don Parmelty, speaker Jim Jobe, Cheerleader Sponsor Mrs. Manly Denton, Dr. W. T. Sadler and Dr. Don Warren and the coaches.

Entertainment was furnished by Jim Davis, McMurry student. Decorations consisted of fairies on each table, gingerbread men, candy canes, gumdrop trees and balloons.

The menu included sliced ham, sweet potatoes, corn, pineapple salad, coffee, iced tea and par-fait.

A Farewell to Kilroy: Find Him Under 'K'

Kilroy 60 years old? Far worse—Kilroy dead?
Yes, that's the melancholy truth—news to sadden the hearts of millions of WW II veterans for whom Kilroy was one of the war's great legends. Wherever American troops traveled the words "Kilroy Was Here" were sure to turn up—often with the little sketch of a man peering over a wall. To the illustrious names that came out of the war—MacArthur, Eisenhower, Nimitz, King, Bradley—historians are certain always to add the one and only Kilroy. He was the U. S. fighting man—everywhere at once.

How did the Kilroy saga begin in the first place? Well, James J. Kilroy, who died recently in Boston at the age of 60, got a job in a Bethlehem Steel Co. shipyard at Quincy, Mass., two days before Pearl Harbor. As an inspector he began marking "Kilroy Was Here" on equipment so test crews would know he'd checked it.

It wasn't long before the phrase caught on with the troops and from then on there was no stopping it—from Guadalcanal to Murmansk, from Normandy to Okinawa, Kilroy was there. Today you'll find "Kilroy" in Webster's Third New International Dictionary as a "transient soldier."

Mr. Kilroy became known as THE Kilroy after the war when the American Transit Assn. ran a nation-wide contest to learn his identity. Still employed at the shipyard, Kilroy submitted proof that the legend had begun with him. As a prize the ATA delivered a 22-ton trolley car to his home.

And now that Kilroy's gone the war stories won't ever sound quite the same because the veterans who swap them will be feeling so much older! (AFPS)

STATE CAPITAL
Highlights
AND Sidelights
by Vern Sanford
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

TEN-POINT PROGRAM — The governor's committee on children and youth is prepared to make several recommendations to Gov. Price Daniel. They include:

- Expansion of the state juvenile parole program of the Texas Youth Council.
- Creation of a state home for dependent and neglected Negro children who cannot be placed in foster homes.
- Raising from 14 to 16 the age limit for a child's inclusion in the aid to dependent children grant.
- Expansion and improvement of child welfare services to deal with prevention of family breakdown.
- Recommendations are based on reports from several committee members who also are representatives of state agencies.

JUVENILE JURISDICTION — Juvenile courts lose jurisdiction over minor delinquents who come of age before the court can commit them to the Texas Youth Council.

Atty. Gen. Will Wilson said that juvenile court "after judging a minor to be delinquent and placing him in temporary custody of his parents has no jurisdiction once the minor attains the age of 17 in the case of a male, and 18 in the case of a female."

CENTRAL STATE OFFICE — The state's 24 licensing boards may soon be placed under a single administrative agency.

That's the recommendation being considered by a special House interim committee studying operations of the boards.

Now each board has its own administrative office.

The Texas House committee is studying states that reportedly save money by having a central office, thus

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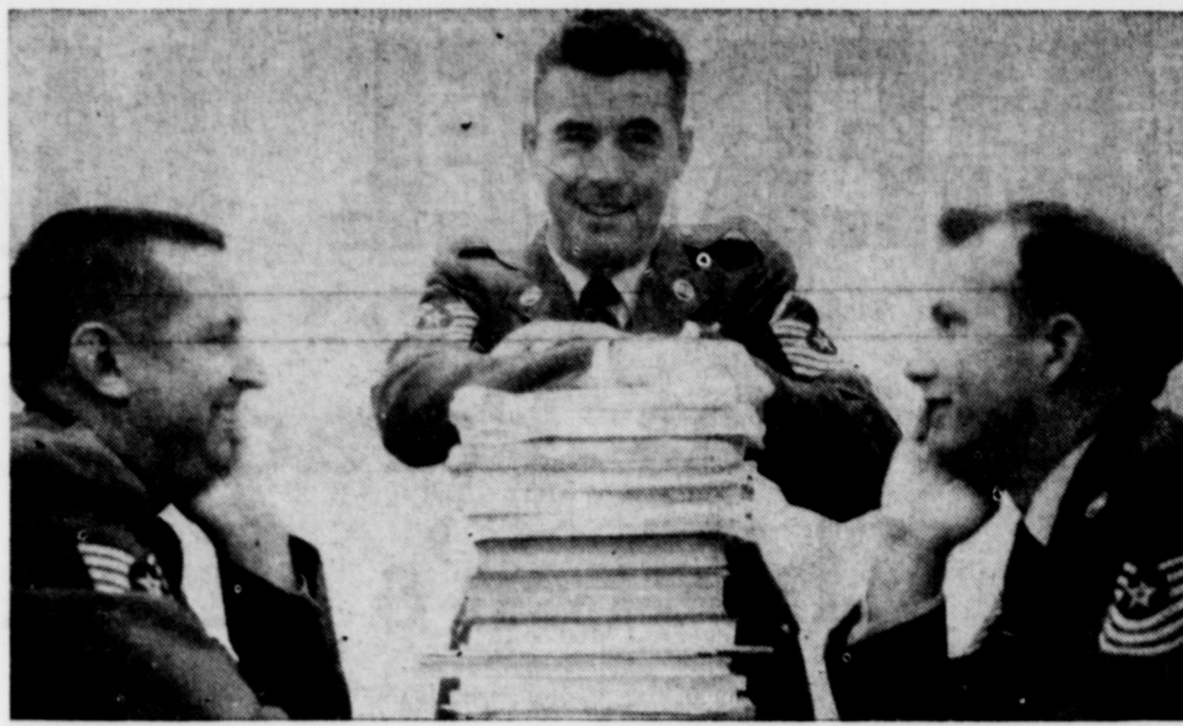
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SERGEANTS THREE — "That's quite a load of book work, but it's worth it," is probably what these three sergeants are thinking. From left are TSgt. Herbert E. Morrow, SMSgt. Kenneth J. Carney and MSgt. Arthur E. Nesbitt. Together the trio has amassed a total of 65 ECI course completions, with Sergeant Carney totaling 38. The three are members of the 2010-4 Communications Detachment, the only organization at Dyess with a 100 per cent enrollment in educational courses. **AIR FORCE PHOTO.**



HIGHEST IN BASE SUPPORT — Brig. Gen. William W. Wisman, commander, 819th Strategic Aerospace Division, presents the Division Support Trophy to Col. Thomas G. Netcher, commander, 95th Bomb Wing, at Biggs AFB, Tex. The award is presented to the wing within the division which scores highest in the base support, personnel, and general areas of the SAC Management Control System for the preceding quarter. **AIR FORCE PHOTO.**

pooling secretarial and clerical help.

Under the proposed plan, each board would continue to conduct its own examination of applicants.

TEXAS STANDS SEVENTH — Texas tied with Georgia, New Jersey and Tennessee for seventh place among the "top 10" states in industrial development for September.

Twenty-five new plants were opened in 21 towns, according to the Texas Industrial Commission. Small towns such as Center, Big Spring, Hallsville, Hallettsville, Knox City, Willis Point and Yantis, as well as big cities, were successful in attracting industry.

CAMPAIGN COSTS TOLD — Democrat John Connally spent less to win the November general election than did his defeated opponent, Jack Cox.

Expense reported filed with the secretary of state show Connally spent \$193,740.

Cox reported spending a total of \$261,072.

EIGHT FIELDS 'SLANTED' — The slant-hole scandal has spread into eight fields in seven East and South Texas counties.

Latest summation by the Texas Railroad Commission indicates 212 illegally deviated wells have been discovered by inclination tests in 127 leases in the eight fields.

Involved so far are the sprawling East Texas field, with wells in Rusk, Gregg and Upshur counties; Coke, Hawkins and Quitman fields in nearby Wood County; Danville field in Rusk County; Friendswood-Webster field in Harris County; Ganado field in Jackson County, and Hopson field in Karnes County.

SHORT SNOTS — The Texas Society to Abolish Capital Punishment has announced that legislation will be introduced in January in a new effort to abolish the death penalty. . . . The House general investigating committee has ordered a contempt of the Legislature citation drawn against former Gregg County Judge Earl Sharp for his failure to appear at a committee hearing.

It's the Law in TEXAS

Alice was taking an afternoon nap. She and her husband, Joe, had spent all last week moving into their new apartment. Today, with Joe back at work, Alice had been trying to do the ironing while

chasing after their young son, and she was tired.

A noise from the front room woke Alice. She went to investigate and saw a man standing in the middle of their living room. Alice was about to call the police when she recognized the man. It was Mr. Irving Snoop, their landlord. He explained that he had let himself in with his passkey to make a routine inspection.

Alice was quite upset and asked Mr. Snoop to leave. She said he could come back another time, but asked that he get permission before entering their apartment.

Mr. Snoop informed Alice that he owned the apartment building, and that he needed no one's permission to come and go as he pleased.

Is Mr. Snoop correct? Can he enter the apartments of his tenants without their permission?

Mr. Snoop is wrong. A tenant has the sole and exclusive right to the occupation and control of his apartment during the existence of his term. Therefore, as a general rule, a landlord has no right to enter the apartment of his tenant without the tenant's consent, unless the landlord has reserved such a right in the lease. An unauthorized entry or intrusion by a landlord on his tenant's premises constitutes a trespass to the same extent as an entry or intrusion thereon by a stranger.

Some courts have held that a landlord has the right, during a tenancy, to enter and make such repairs as are necessary to prevent waste. However, in general, in the ab-

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Buy Children's Toys Wisely, Advises Expert On Safety

The Texas Safety Association today advised Christmas shoppers to keep safety in mind when selecting toys for children.

J. O. Musick, general manager of TSA, advised selecting toys that are sturdy and well-made.

"Cheaply constructed or breakable toys may come apart or be broken under strenuous child play," Musick said. "Broken or jagged edges from toys can cause cuts and infection."

He advised testing the strength of a toy to see how much bending it will take and whether it will last past Christmas Day.

"Choose the toy which is suitable to the strength of the child. A toy which is too heavy for a youngster to handle easily could cause an accident to that child," Musick explained.

He further advised shoppers to beware of toys manufactured with sharp edges or pointed ends, and to check all playthings to make sure there are no parts which may become loose and find their way into the mouth.

"Babies and toddlers invariably follow the 'hand to mouth' rule for everything they touch. See that they do not play with small toys, marbles, coins, beads or other tiny objects," Musick said.

Other things such as stuffed animals with button eyes which may become loose, whistles with removable mouth pieces and pull toys with small removable parts also are dangerous for small children.

The safety director reported sense of express permission or of some agreement to the contrary, the landlord has no right to enter upon the rented premises to make alterations and improvements, to investigate as to the need of repairs, or to make even necessary repairs, and certainly not to "snoop around."

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2 NEW 6-CYLINDER ENGINES

New High Torque 230-cu.-in. Six is more powerful than its predecessor. Standard in Series C10 through C50.

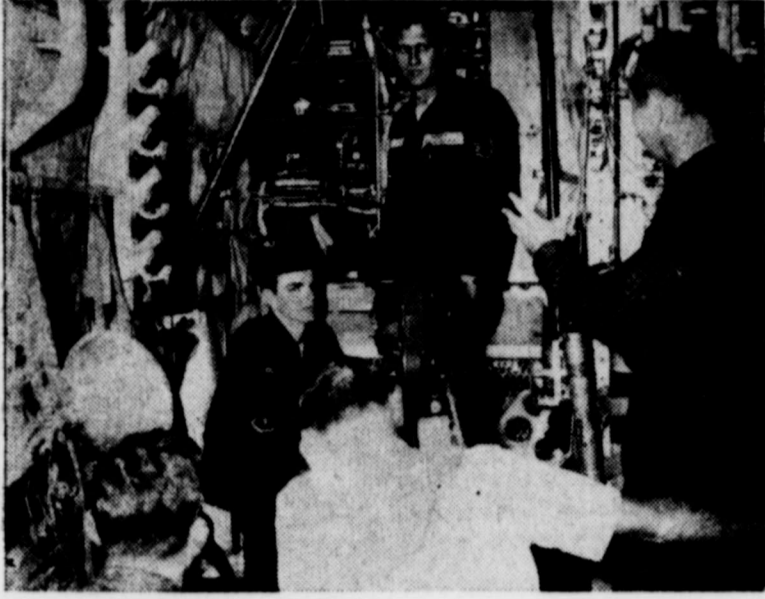
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ACTION, CAMERA — SSGT. Paul D. Rains and A2C Charles W. Haigh, center of attraction, take their places inside a C-130 aircraft during the filming of two movies on tactical air navigation (TACAN). The men assigned to the 64th Troop Carrier Wing at Dyess were the "actors" during the filming of a new training film. (AIR FORCE PHOTO.)

Dyess Goes Hollywood During Making of Film

The flight line at Dyess took on the look of a Hollywood movie set recently while movie crews were shooting two new Air Force training films on the operation and theory of an aircraft navigational aid called TACAN (Tactical Air Navigation).

The 64th Troop Carrier Wing at Dyess was selected by the Air Force as the host for production of these movies because of the desirable TACAN instrumentation in the C-130 cockpit. Facilities of the 96th Strategic Aerospace Wing were also used to provide the

general background shots.

The two films are being produced by a commercial film company under contract with the Air Force. They will present in their film a concise and accurate description of the necessary procedures to be followed in operating and maintaining TACAN sets installed in USAF aircraft.

The film will be available for showings throughout the Air Force by Feb. 1, 1963.

Several Air Force "actors" at Dyess will be awaiting the grand premiere.

Christmas Festivities May Breed Fire Hazards

By W. L. BURKE
Base Fire Chief

The month of December is traditionally a time when homes and offices abound with decorations, friends gather, and parties are a common occurrence. It's no wonder, with this increased activity, the rate of fire incidents and deaths skyrockets throughout the entire nation. You can, however, help to eliminate most of these incidents and unnecessary deaths.

Through the years a definite trend has been determined and the major causes of "holiday fire" may be grouped in three categories; electrical, decorations, and intoxication. For a closer look into these causes they are expanded as follows:

Electrical fires are the most numerous during this season. People invariably overload electrical circuits with both interior and exterior lights, transformers, and other electrical gadgetry. Badly worn extension cords, multiple sockets and spliced wiring is readily used to operate light sets, trains and other appliances which do not bear the Underwriters Laboratories Seal of Approval.

Decorations provide a handy place for fires to start and also are the perfect materials for rapid fire spread. Trees are often placed in homes without proper treatment and no thought to how dry and brittle they will quickly become. Flammable decorations are then placed on these trees and then, seemingly just to provide the igniter, sets of dely strung from branch to

branch.

Intoxication breeds many unsafe acts. Improper disposal of smoking materials and the careless use of these materials (cigars, cigarettes, and lighters), go hand in hand with intoxication. With the many decorations and the gifts beneath the tree, a dropped cigarette can bring a horrible end to a beautiful holiday.

Rules Are Simple

A few simple rules of followed, will help you insure a fire safe holiday season. These are the rules:

1. Place the base of Christmas tree in water or wet sand.
2. Use only UL approved light sets and appliances.
3. Use continuous length extension cords which are not spliced or worn.
4. Decorate only with flame proof materials.
5. Never use "angel hair" and canned snow aerosol together. These two materials react chemically when combined and are then flammable.
6. When you retire or leave your home, unplug the Christmas lights.
7. Never leave small children unattended where it is possible for them to tamper with Christmas lights or electrical wiring.
8. Guard your tree from careless smokers. Never let anyone approach your tree with an open flame.

We sincerely hope you have a fire safe holiday season and we wish each and everyone of you a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year!

Headquarters Battery Cops Marksman Award

Headquarters marksman-ship battery, 5th Missile Battalion, was awarded the battalion small arms marksman-ship trophy in ceremonies held recently at battalion headquarters.

The marksman-ship trophy is given annually to the battery which compiles the greatest number of points during the battalion small arms competition. Team members are chosen through competitive tryouts in which only the best marksmen qualify.

The battalion contest is held over a four-week period during which contestants fire at targets 50 feet distant with .22

caliber rifles.

Members of the winning Headquarters Battery team included 1st Lt. John E. Carroll, Sp4 James R. Jones, Sp4 William R. Hunt, Sp4 Herbert Flanagan, Sp4 Hugh M. Brown and Pfc Charles I. Wood.

1st Lt. Carroll, captain of the battalion team, was honored as top marksman. He scored 762 out of a possible 800 points. He was also captain of the 5th Missile Battalion rifle team which set a new record in winning the 1962 Army Air Defense Command (ARADCOM) Class B Division Small Bore Pistol Matches. In addition Lieutenant Carroll won the ARADCOM Gold Medal as high individual grand aggregate during the matches.

Specialists Jones and Hunt were honored as third and fourth place winners respectively.



1,000-HOUR CLUB — Capt. Richard F. Hollis, commander, 1st Aerial Port Squadron, presents 1,000-Hour Club certificates to AIC Lewis J. Wilhelm and AIC George E. Stewart for accumulating over 1,000 hours of flying time as loadmasters in the

Three More Dyess Men Complete Twenty Year

One officer and two NCOs will complete Air Force careers this month, according to a report from wing personnel's separations and retirements section.

Retirees announced are Capt. George R. Machek, wing training aids officer; SMSgt. Milton A. Patton of the 42nd Munitions Maintenance Squadron, and MSgt. Dempsey D. Richards, first sergeant of the 683rd Air Control and Warning at Sweetwater the past five years.

Captain Machek retires in the grade of major and will complete a six-year, nine-month tour at Dyess Rated as a command pilot with nearly 7,500 hours, he has flown 35 combat missions in C-46 aircraft in the China-Burma-In-

dia Theater, and then completed a 16-month tour in North Africa before VJ Day.

His flying assignments have included piloting C-47, C-97, B-36 and B-47 aircraft, and he was awarded the Air Medal, Captain Machek, his wife, Ruth, and their children, Robert, 10, and Cynthia, 8, have resided at 213 Alabama. They will make their new home in Berkeley, Calif.

Sergeant Patton, a weapons superintendent with the 42nd MMS for the past 27 months, began his military career in the Navy. He served as a training and operations officer during WW II and took part in the Philippine Islands liberation.

A member of the Air Force since 1950, he has served as

NCOIC of an electrical section, fusing technician and as a weapons superintendent.

His Dyess assignment followed tours in England and France. Sergeant Patton, his wife, Margaret, and their children, Mary, 16, Patricia, 12, and James, 10, will make their new home in Warrington, Fla.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Bartlett over the weekend were Franklin Moore and Johnny Chapman of Fort Worth and Mr and Mrs W. M. Dunagin and sons, Dave and Tommy from Jacksboro.

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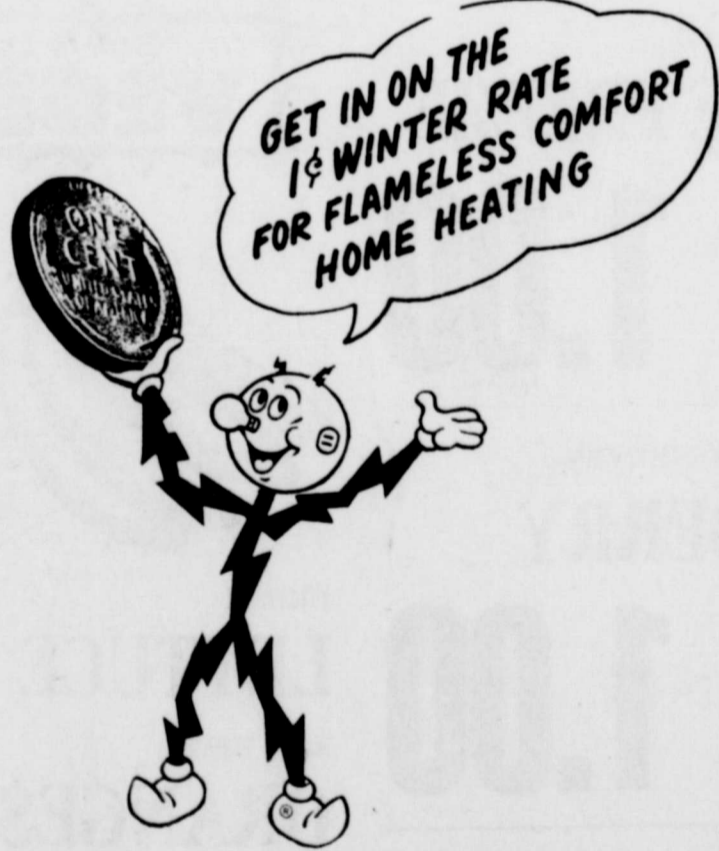
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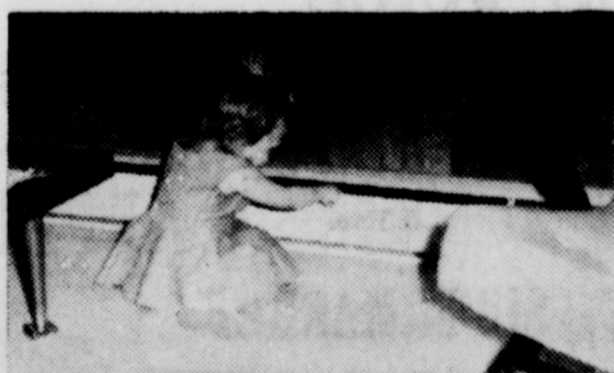
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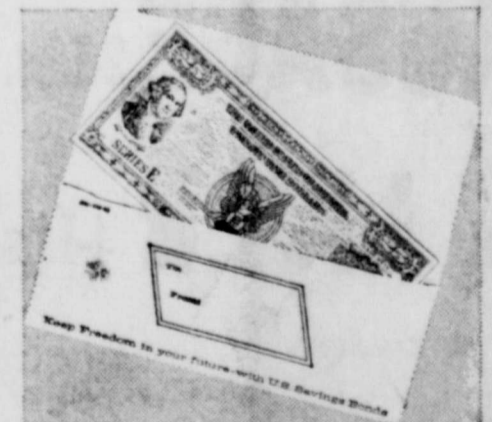
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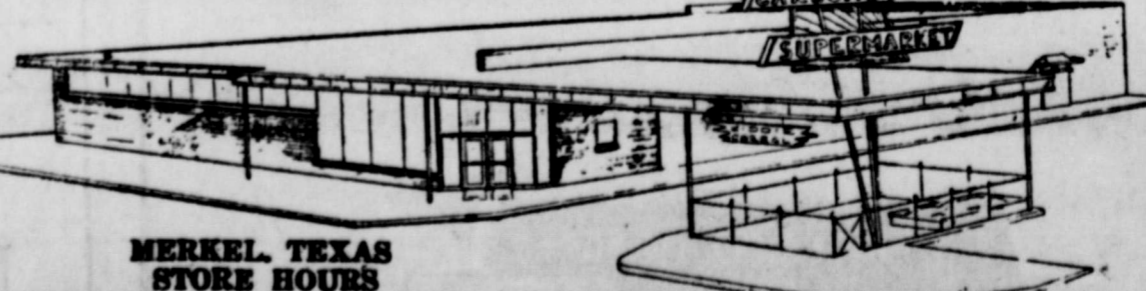
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