



IT WAS NOT A SWING AND MISS — Not by 2 bags full, this hefty batter, Donny Doan lined a smash hit to center field, and collected a second base stop. Catcher, Billy Webb for the Cardinals was waiting. (Staff Photo)

The Little Mail

By E. S. CHASTAIN

Lest we forget, Sunday, May 12 is Mothers Day. The nation, and people all over the world will pause and pay tribute to the best person in the world, their mother. Remembering her on this day with a gift, flowers or just about any token will certainly bring happy smiles from that wonderful person. It's a good day to attend church, and take her with you.

A LOCAL YOKEL has the Mothers Day gift solved. He bought himself a shirt, the no-iron kind, so she won't have to iron it. How about that?

BAD BETS ON THE BOOB TUBE — I predict the doctor series will fold during the summer. Shows like these might be good tonic for once in a while, but a steady diet of such is too much. They all have the same theme — the problem doctor to fight with.

There are still a good many TV shows to watch, but about three-fourths of them are such that you don't want your children to see. Unless advertisers force programmers to clean up their shows, TV will slide backward to the Hollywood category.

When Lyndon B. Johnson was senate majority leader, he was described as the most powerful man in the United States. Regardless of Goldwater's statement that Johnson is buried in Washington, I am waiting eagerly to hear the comeback that Johnson will make when he answers Barry. Men like Johnson don't take things sitting down. Instilled Texas good humor may be a bit hard to rile, but I'm staying with the old adage, "When you see a bulldog lying by, don't stop to argue."

FROM A CURRENT broadcast commercial jingle: "missing in your instant coffee." No how in the heck could anything be missing IN something.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADS TO HEAR DR. RAMSEY

The Baccalaureate service will be held in the high school auditorium on Sunday evening, May 19, at 8 p.m. The Rev. Howard Marcom, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Merkel, will deliver the sermon. The Rev. Wendell Leach, pastor of the Pioneer Memorial Methodist Church of Butman, will give the invocation and the Rev. John Curtis, pastor of the Assembly of God Church of Merkel, will give the benediction. Mrs. Norman Winter, a teacher in the Merkel Elementary School, will be the organist, and Cyrus Fee will be the song leader.

The Commencement program will be held in the school auditorium on Friday evening, May 24, at 8 p.m. Invocation will be given by the Rev. William D. Tanner, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Merkel.

The Commencement address will be given by Dr. Howard Ramsey of McMurry College. The Salutatory address will be given by Douglas Gladden, and the Valedictory address will be made by Keith Wilson, president of the senior class.

Presentation of awards and

LITTLE LEAGUERS START SEASON

Little League Baseball opened the season Tuesday night at the Little League Park when the Kilowatts, sponsored by West Texas Utilities, and managed by Dewey Whisenhunt, defeated the

May 14 Named As Gaslight Day

National Gaslight Day will be observed across the nation May 14, by Lone Star Gas Company and some 75 natural utility companies. F. L. Breaux, Lone Star representative here announced.

As a feature of this special day, Lone Star Gas will offer a wide variety of gaslight models for sale at a substantially reduced price. Mr. Breaux said.

These tastefully designed appliances are finding new applications in home and business. Gaslights are now being used by airports, restaurants, shopping centers, and other commercial establishments for outdoor illumination. Builders by increasing numbers are installing gaslights as standard landscaping fixtures, and a number of new home developments are lighting streets with natural gas.

The new popularity of the gaslight has become so widespread that the American Gas Association estimates there now are more outdoor gaslights than there were during the fabled gas-lit turn of the century. AGA estimates that there are approximately 750,000 gas lights glowing outside homes and businesses throughout the country today.

Bankers, sponsored by Farmers and Merchants National Bank, managed by Don Allen, by the score of 9 to 7.

Second game of the evening was played by Carson's Supers, sponsored by Carson Super Market and managed by Jack Whisenhunt, and the Cardinals, sponsored by Hicks Auto Supply and managed by Ray Mashburn. Victorious in this game was the Cardinals by the score of 12-11.

A large crowd was on hand for the opener and the boys played excellent ball for the first time out.

The field is in fine shape and many good games are in store for the months of May and June. The schedule for the month of May is as follows:

- Tuesday, May 7: Kilowatts vs Bankers; Cardinals vs Supers
 - Thursday, May 9: Willies vs Starbucks; Supers vs Kilowatts
 - Friday, May 10: Bankers vs Willies; Starbucks vs Cardinals
 - Tuesday, May 14: Kilowatts vs Cardinals; Supers vs Bankers
 - Thursday, May 16: Starbucks vs Supers; Willies vs Kilowatts
 - Friday, May 17: Cardinals vs Willies; Bankers vs Starbucks
 - Tuesday, May 21: Supers vs Willies; Starbucks vs Kilowatts
 - Thursday, May 23: Cardinals vs Bankers; Kilowatts vs Supers
 - Friday, May 24: Bankers vs Willies; Cardinals vs Starbucks
 - Tuesday, May 28: Bankers vs Supers; Willies vs Kilowatts
 - Thursday, May 30: Starbucks vs Kilowatts; Supers vs Cardinals
 - Friday, May 31: Cardinals vs Willies; Bankers vs Starbucks.
- June schedule will appear in the May 16th edition.

Soil Stewardship Week May 19-26

Soil Stewardship Week, a nation-wide observance which places emphasis on man's obligation to God as Stewards of the soil, water and other related resources, will be celebrated throughout the Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation District May 19 to 26, 1963.

This year's observance, with the theme, "We Turn Our Eyes to the Future," underscores the responsibilities of soil conservation. The Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation District and some 2,930 companion Districts throughout the nation and Puerto Rico, through their State and National Associations, are sponsoring this event for the ninth consecutive year.

Holland Teaff, Secretary Board of Supervisors of the Middle Clear Fork District, urges churches of all faiths to join in the observance of Soil Stewardship week.

James Cook Rites Held Thursday

Funeral was held at 4:30 p.m. Thursday in Nolan Methodist Church for James Addison Cook, 73, longtime Divide community resident, who died at 4:45 a.m. Wednesday in Sadler Clinic Hospital here after a two-month illness.

The Rev. Bill Hainer, Nolan Methodist minister, and the Rev. E. H. Phillips, Methodist minister at Hart, Tex., officiated in Slater's Chapel in Nolan County. Starbuck Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Born Nov. 14, 1889, in Hamilton County, he moved to Divide with his parents in 1898. He married Lydia Pearl Perkins Dec. 28, 1913, at Dora. She died in 1959.

A farmer, Mr. Cook was a long-time member of the Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include his father, A. W. Cook of Divide; three sons, James Leon of Nolan, John Parker and Louis Glen, both of Abilene; one daughter, Mrs. G. F. Crawford of Abilene; one brother, L. A. of Rt. 2, Merkel; one sister, Mrs. W. P. Powers, Rt. 1, Abilene; and six grandchildren.

Nephews were pallbearers, and close friends honorary pallbearers.

4-H Talent Show Set May 10

The Merkel 4-H Club will present their talent show Friday, May 10, in the high school auditorium starting at 7:30 p.m.

Scheduled for the evening's entertainment are singing, dancing twirling, band music, piano and organ music, skits and pantomime. Also on the program will be some surprise entertainment provided by many prominent citizens.

The 4-H Club promises an evening of great entertainment. They urge you to attend.

Curtain will go up on the first act promptly at 7:30.



BILL WOOD
... heads chamber committee

Works Committee Suggests Ideas

If the Program of Works Committee headed by Bill Wood with Isadore Mellinger and Kent Suterwhite as laymen assisting, has anything to do with the promotion of good ideas for the chamber this year, the board of directors are going to have a hopper full of plans and ideas to start on.

At a brief meeting held last Thursday evening the committee tossed several excellent ideas into the hopper for the chamber to mull over. Among them were the following: A general clean-up campaign, in which the chamber hopes to make a complete clean up of vacant lots and will ask the citizens and merchants to participate; a playground and picnic park within the city limits that would be desirable for children to meet and play and which could also be used for families as a park and outing grounds. A location at the stand-pipe was suggested; Some sort of program to welcome new comers to the city.

Isadore Mellinger came up with a good idea when he suggested that Merkel invite more Military Base families to live in Merkel. This would, of course, necessitate more housing, and at present the housing authority has just such ideas in the making for lower rent housing. A few more families living in the city would bolster the economy considerable.

The program of Works Committee meets each Thursday with Bill Wood.

City Takes Look At Future Expansion

To Support Clean-Up Project

Anticipating the possible growth of Merkel, the city dads, in a meeting held Monday night discussed in detail the probabilities of equipping physical properties to gear with growth that is expected in the next ten years.

To cope with population growth, the city must first be prepared in physical specifics to properly facilitate expected usage of services the city will have to offer, said Merkel Mayor H. O. Boney.

The city is a member of Texas Municipalities League and are working closely with the league for projected ideas and suggestions for cities of like circumstances, geographically located close to larger metropolitan cities have followed a prescribed program that have solved their problem in interesting new industry, business and families to locate, Mr. Boney said.

In other business, the city council offered full cooperation in a city-wide clean up program, by offering extra machinery and help to conduct a "first-rate" clean up job. With further discussion on this subject, the city dads offered their help to coordinate with the chamber of commerce or any other civic group.

The also studied the possibility of an ordinance concerning dog licenses. However, no positive action was taken.

WILSON, GLADDEN TOP MERKEL STUDENTS

Honor students for the class of 1963 have been announced by officials of Merkel High School.

Valedictorian is Keith Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson. His average is 93.5.

He is class president, a member of the band and one of the outstanding athletes in Merkel High School.

Douglas Gladden is Salutatorian. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Gladden and has an average of 91.81. He is vice president of the senior class.

Highest ranking girl of the class is Malinee Seymore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seymore. Her average is 89.82. Miss Seymore has been a member of the cheerleaders and girls basketball team.



KEITH WILSON
... valedictorian

DOUGLAS GLADDEN
... salutatorian



MALINEE SEYMORE
... top ranking girl

HUNTER, CARPENTER TOPS AT NOODLE

Margaret Hunter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ab Hunter Jr., of Route 1, Merkel, has been named valedictorian of the graduating class of Noode High School. She has maintained a four year grade average of 94.97.

Dolores Carpenter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Carpenter of Route 1, Merkel, is the salutatorian of the class. She has maintained a grade average of 91.76 for the four years.

Both girls have been very active in all phases of school life. They are officers of the local chapter of the National Beta Club. They were active in athletics, dramatics and yearbook publication.

Margaret holds the State Degree in FHA. Dolores has been chosen by the faculty as the best citizen.

Baccalaureate services for the class will be held at 11:00 a.m., May 12, in the High School Auditorium, Norman Hogan, church of Christ Minister, will deliver the sermon.

Merkel 4-H Makes Final Show Plans

The Merkel 4-H Club met May 2 with Finley Barnett, club president, calling the meeting to order. Christine Lucas, reporter, carried the roll in the absence of Garry Smith, secretary.

Final plans concerning the 4-H Talent Show to be held May 10, were completed.

Being recreation night, each member was responsible for leading a game. Connie McCarthy dismissed the group with the club prayer.

CEMETERY FUND

Donations to the Merkel Cemetery Fund for this week are as follows:

- John R. West
- Mrs. H. H. Spears
- Mary E. Johnston Estate, by C. B. Johnston, Trent
- Mrs. C. M. Lyles, Floydada, Texas
- Emmie L. Herron
- Merkel Co-op Gin, by Morris B. Smith, Mgr.
- Ina Ross, Trent

Merkel Lobos Set For Season

The Merkel Lobos, men's baseball team, soon to be on the field and promising a good brand of baseball, wish to thank the following firms for their contributions needed for necessary equipment to start the team: Merkel Telephone Company, West Texas Utilities Co., Carson Super Market, Wilson Food Store, Sadler Clinic Hospital, Taylor Electric Co-op Inc., Taylor Telephone Co-op., DuBose Mobil Station, B&D Garage, Cladys Food Store, Starbuck Co., Fisher's Co-Gen Stations, Bob Stone Tire Co., Abilene, Bullock Hardware, Bill Wood, Adcock Cleaners, Mack's Cleaners, Weather's Cafe, Abilene, Merkel VFW Post, Merkel Drug Co., and Farmers & Merchants National Bank.

Commencement exercises will be conducted at 8:00 p.m., May 17 in the auditorium. E. M. Connel, County Supervisor, will be the speaker.

Annual Mailbox Improvement Set

The week of May 20-25, 1963, has been designated as Mailbox Improvement Week. Rural route patrons are required to provide mailboxes of the standard approved type. They should be kept in good serviceable condition and should be easily served by the carrier from his vehicle.

Names of the owners should be shown on the side of the box visible to the carrier as he approaches, or on the door if the boxes are grouped. Boxes and supports should be painted. Boxes that are not kept in good condition retard the delivery of the mail and may expose it to the weather. Unserviceable boxes must be replaced.

Mailboxes on rural routes must be located on the right side of the road in the direction of travel of the carrier. It is violation of the state law for the carrier to drive to the left in order to serve the box.

Boxes that are properly erected and maintained contribute to efficient, speedy delivery of the mail. It is urged that all boxes which have not been moved to the right side of the road be moved at once stated Postmaster Wrenn Durham.



Mr. and Mrs. Bonnie Green are parents of a son, Rocky Wayne, born Thursday, May 2, at 10 a.m. in Sadler Clinic Hospital. The baby weighed 8 pounds 4 ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Burkman, Abilene, announce the birth of a daughter, Roxy Michelle, weighing 6 pounds 15 ounces at 9:55 a.m. Tuesday, April 30, in Sadler Clinic Hospital.

A daughter, Leslie Jan, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ned Newsom at 7:20 a.m., Saturday, May 4, in Sadler Clinic Hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds 9 1/2 ounces.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Admissions to the hospital for the week of Saturday, April 28 through Sunday, May 5 were:

- Mrs. Ennis Reidenbach
- Mrs. Ernest Teaff
- Mrs. T. J. Knight
- Mrs. B. D. Doan
- M. H. Ely Sr.
- Tommy Cutler
- U. T. Smith
- Mrs. Pear Crocker, Trent
- Dismissals for the same period were:
- Mrs. F. E. Allyn, Trent
- Mrs. Edna Belle Horton
- H. G. Miles
- Mrs. Rosa M. Baird
- Mrs. A. B. Harris
- J. B. Gladden, Abilene
- Mrs. Herman Hyatt, Abilene
- Mrs. J. M. Heatley, Trent
- Mrs. Winston Burkman and baby, Abilene
- Ernes C. Dixon, Abilene
- Mrs. Zola Teague
- Mrs. Charles E. Beachy, Abilene
- Mrs. Pauline Franklin, Abilene
- Mrs. Ronnie Green and baby
- Mrs. Ned Newsom and baby.

Editorial

Strong U. S. Depends On Good Leadership

LEADERSHIP—what is it? It is the art of convincing others to willingly follow you. This quality is probably the most important of all those necessary in the military.

The organization of the Armed Forces is predicated on the idea that some men will follow others for the purpose of organized action. Those who are followed are leaders. The possession of leadership is as vital to successful military organizations as the weapon the serviceman fires. Without it absolutely nothing can be accomplished.

Regardless of his job, whether it be as platoon leader or fleet admiral, the serviceman must accept the responsibility of developing his qualities of leadership and using them well. Upon this ability can depend the lives of his men and the success of his mission. And upon the success of his mission can depend the freedom of many others.

Totalitarian states have no desire to develop leadership in their military personnel. It wants those who obey from fear and NOT those who obey from a sense of responsibility. It wants those who lead by fear and NOT those who lead with a sense of responsibility.

If we are to win this cold war, if we are to see our freedom and the freedom of those who trust us survive, we must develop within ourselves the true quality of leadership, that we may recognize it and follow it willingly and possess it ourselves should the need arise.

Whatever responsibility we may have we must learn from it and prepare ourselves for the greater responsibility to come. Without that strange free spark of leadership, tended and encouraged, no nation can live. (AFPS)

Editorial

Savings Bond Campaign Is Easy Way to Save

The 1963 United States Savings Bond Campaign will be held May 1-31 at this Strategic Air Command installation.

Personnel can expect visits from "key workers" from their respective units concerning participation in the campaign sometime in the near future. Key workers will not be seeking contributions—participation in the program is on a strictly voluntary basis. Although no dollar quota is involved in the drive, a definite linkage between thrift and stability should be considered when contact is made between a key worker and a potential participant in the campaign.

One of the more popular ways to participate in the campaign is to sign up for the payroll deduction program, in which a specified amount of each paycheck is deferred toward bond savings. Should an emergency arise, the money is available to the participant but his country as well.

Savings bonds, as advertised, do help to "underwrite your country's might." Personnel should think twice about this painless way to save — a way that benefits not only the participant but his country as well.

EDITORIAL

A "BANKRUPT" TAX SYSTEM

"It almost appears the makers of our tax policies had set out deliberately to restrict growth and penalize effort and enterprise," said Dr. Norris O. Johnson of the First National City Bank of New York.

With no mincing words he continued: "Our present federal tax system is bankrupt. Not only has it failed to balance the budget but it has also become a drag on individual effort and economic growth. It needs to be revised and the time for that revision is right now."

In the area of specifics, Dr. Johnson finds that the main trouble is an excessive reliance on individual and corporate income taxes. In a recent year 83 per cent of federal tax revenues had an income tax source. That is a larger proportion than is taken by any other central government. The result: "Our steeply progressive income tax rates encourage a slackening of productive effort, or even complete withdrawal from the labor force by some of our ablest people," said Dr. Johnson.

A solution of the problems connected with tax reduction, balancing the budget and constructive tax reforms would really pump money in a lagging economy. Solutions aren't simple but they must be found if we're to keep our position in the most competitive and explosive period of history the world has ever known.



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Awards Plentiful During Past Week

By SSGT. DEL HENSON
Last week was one of a awards for SAC's 96th Strategic Aerospace Wing:

- Best Base Exchange in Strategic Air Command for 1962, a repeat of the 1961 announcement.
- Selection by Fifteenth Air Force of Base Supply for the Jay Zercher Award, named in honor of a deceased master sergeant and a recognition for overall efficiency the first quarter of 1963.
- Award of the 819th management control support award for the January-March quarter.
- Presentation of the 819th Accident Prevention Award for the first time to Dyess, for the first quarter of 1963.

Still ahead, in May, was presentation of the Daedalian trophy for having the best base supply Air Force Worldwide in 1962. Also during the same month Dyess will be the site for three top bowling tournaments offered in the

A. K. Griggs, Baltimore, Md., spent the past three weeks visiting his mother, Mrs. David Tarpley. Mr. Griggs is employed with the Social Security Administration in Baltimore.



TINY TINA—Pretty Tina Cole was studying to become a school teacher until a California movie company decided she ought to have a bigger audience than a classroom. Tina's first motion picture role is that of a teen-age party giver in "Palm Springs Weekend."

Air Force, having won its host role bid.

A great deal of evidence was available that the host SAC wing had recognition for its work.

"We appreciate any and all awards," commented Col. William L. McDowell, Jr., 96th Strategic Aerospace Wing Commander.

Then, lifting a ponderous combination of wood and metal, bearing the inscription: Accident Prevention Award, he went on to say: "this one is especially good, not only for its meaning of accomplishment but also for the fact that it is indicative our people are alive, well, and working safely."

The comment-producing trophy was the 819th Strategic Aerospace Division's recognition for the most-safe wing under its jurisdiction for the January-March quarter. Colonel McDowell had just received the trophy and congratulations of Brig. Gen. William W. Wisman, division commander.

There were a few stipulations in winning the prize. As summed up by the general in a personal note to Colonel McDowell: "the criteria was purposely made rather stiff."

The competition had included prevention of injuries, and extremely low rate in the occurrences of vehicle accidents, both privately owned and military.

Safety is still the big-inter-



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OJT Trainers Complete Course

The following personnel successfully completed the five-day twenty-hour OJT offered by the 417C Field Training Detachment (ATC) in support of the base on-the-job training program:

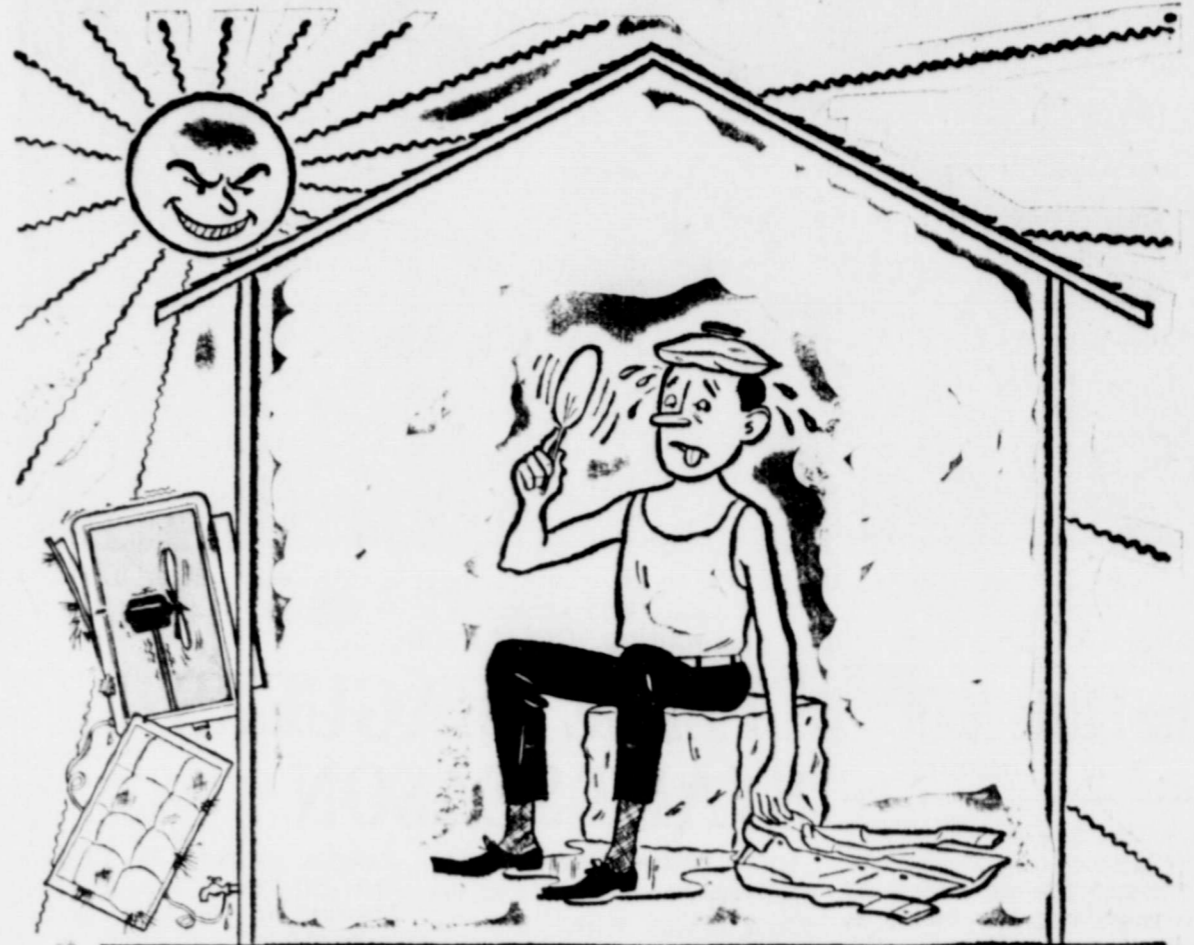
The graduates are: SSGT. Donald L. Cubine, and A2C Larry G. Johnson, 96th Organizational Maintenance Squadron; and SSGT. Thomas J. Schmitt, 96th Field Maintenance Squadron.

A1C James Head, and A2C Charles M. Brewer, 96th Civil Engineering Squadron; A1C

Stanley E. Vasser, Hq. Sq. Section 96th SAW; A1C Duane A. McLean, 96th Supply Squadron; and A3C Donald A. Davidson, 96th Transportation Squadron.

The OJT Trainer Orientation Course is designed to familiarize Section Supervisors and personnel who do the actual training, with the appropriate methods and techniques necessary to effectively accomplish On - The - Job Training.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Howard was Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hill of Tahoka. Mrs. Hill is a sister of Mrs. Howard and Mr. Hill is editor of the Lynn County paper.



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PEANUT BUTTER 18-Oz. Jar **43c**

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DOLES - 46-OZ.

PINEAPPLE JUICE 46-Oz. Can **29c**

SUPER SUDS
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 Reg. **25¢**

DELSEY
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To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas - GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published on each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy:

(CITATION BY PUBLICATION)
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Wanda Joy Sheeler, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Court-house thereof in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 27th day of May, A. D. 1963, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court on the 27th day of March, A. D. 1963, in this cause numbered 978-B on the docket of said court and styled Mary Peach Bolte, Plaintiff, vs. Wanda Joy Sheeler, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married on the 11th day of May, 1927, and became permanently separated in 1942. Plaintiff is for divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment and the Plaintiff and defendant have lived apart for more than seven (7) years as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 12th day of April, A. D. 1963.

Attest: R. H. ROSS, Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Irene Crawford, Deputy.

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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIM AGAINST THE ESTATE OF JESSE M. MOORE, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration, With Will Annexed, upon the Estate of Jesse M. Moore, were issued to me, the undersigned, on the 18th day of February, 1963, in the proceeding indicated below, in which my signature hereto, which is my pending, and that I now hold such Letters. All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in the county below named, are hereby required to present the same to me at the address below given before suit against same are barred by the general statutes of limitation; before such Estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law. My residence is 718 High Street, Abilene, Texas, and my Post Office address is Box 282, Abilene, Texas.

Dated this 30th day of April, 1963.

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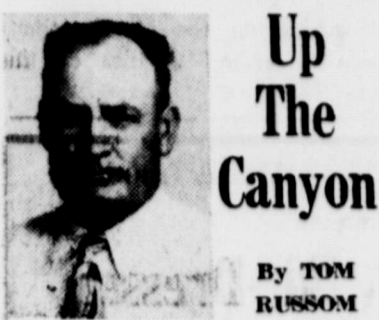
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Up The Canyon

By TOM RUSSOM

The Canyon received up to another inch of rain Sunday afternoon. That put things in good shape for planting.

The rains will be a big boost to the range land as well as for farming.

Sheep shearing will be well under way as soon as things dry up so the sheep can be worked. Then the wheat harvest will be coming up. So you can see our job is never done. As the late Sam Butman said one time, "This world is a workshop for man to work, and we should take part in it."

Joe Seymour reports 1 and 1/4 inches of rain Sunday at his place on the east side of the Canyon.

Frank Brnovak reported a very high wind at his place that took the top off of one building.

We lost another fine man last week in our area. Jim Cook passed away. Jim had many good friends here and in the Nolan Community. I said to my wife after the funeral: "I don't see how on earth anyone could have that many good friends." She replied, "He had a wonderful personality."

Mrs. Dewell McLean has been real sick at her home the past few days, but is better at this time.

Mrs. Grover Blair is still in the hospital.

The Rev. and Mrs. Wendell Leach of Pioneer Church had his parents of Colorado City and a number of other relatives in their home Sunday. They all attended services at Pioneer.

We understand that Mr. and Mrs. John B. Hughes has returned home from California after a short stay. John B. was never a singer, but some one said he had been singing Beautiful Texas since he came back home.

The Rev. E. Phillips, Hart, Texas, was over night guest in the Tom Russom home. Rev. Phillips was here to preach the funeral of Jim Cook.

Horace Miles is back home after a few days in the Sadler Hospital. He is doing better.

We dropped in for a few minutes visit with Uncle E. H. Cordill. He is nearing 95 year old and said he was doing pretty well for a child of that age.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Neill were in Winters on business this week.

We would like to say hello to my sister and family of Wintersboro, Texas, this week. She is Mrs. Bradshaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Denton and daughter, Sandra Sue of Midland were week end guests of Mary Collins, Mrs. Denton being a niece of Mary's.

G-Club Installs New Officers

The Merkel Garden Club held their May 4 meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Cox.

A picnic supper held on the lawn honored husbands and friends. Hostesses were Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Mack Fisher.

Club president, Mrs. Mack Fisher discussed "Evaluation of the Year's Work".

Installation of officers for 1963 was held in the garden with Mrs. Clyde Bartlett as installation officer; Mrs. S. D. Gamble, president; Christine Collins, vice president; Mrs. Charley Sherrill, and vice president; Mrs. W. T. Sadler, program chairman; Mrs. Mack Fisher, recording secretary; Nora Foster, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Jarrett Williams, treasurer; Mrs. Johnny Cox, parliamentarian; Mrs. O. B. Leach, press reporter.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hartley, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Odum, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Leach, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. McElmurray, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Cox, and Mrs. A. B. Allen, Clyde Bartlett, Mary Glick, Lucy Ford, Robert Hicks, Dee Grimes, Eunice Massey, Charley Sherrill, John Shannon, Jarrett Williams, S. D. Gamble, Nora Foster and Miss Christine Collins.

Guests were Mrs. Kirksey Coats of Abilene and Mildred Hamm.



WASHINGTON, D.C. — Texas' Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow, Mary Lois Wilson of Abilene, visits with her school advisor, Mrs. T. W. Colby and Congressman Omar Burleson at a reception in the historic Caucus Room of the Old Senate Office Building in Washington. Each of the girls scored highest in her state in a written homemaking examination given last December, and will receive a \$1,500 scholarship from General Mills, sponsor of the program.



STITH NEWS

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

Mrs. Gamble Tells Of European Tour

The Fortnightly Study Club met April 23, in the home of Mrs. Bob Goodwin with Mrs. Alan Armstrong as co-hostess.

Mrs. S. D. Gamble presented a delightful program on her recent trip to Europe to visit Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs. Doyle R. Seifried.

Among the customs of Germany discussed by Mrs. Gamble was the presentation of flowers to guests arriving by plane, train or other modes of transportation. Another interesting custom was the meeting of American club women in German homes and German club women in American homes. Christmas customs in Germany were also discussed.

Mrs. Gamble spoke of her visits to forests in Germany and to the Vatican in Rome, Italy.

The president, Mrs. Don Dudley, presided over the business session. It was decided that the last meeting would be a patio supper in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hughes honoring the husbands and friends of members on May 18.

Those present were Mrs. Alan Armstrong, Christine Collins, Johnny Cox, W. R. Cyfert, Roy Daziel, S. C. Dixon, Don Dudley, Mack Fisher, David Gamble, S. D. Gamble, Bob Goodwin, Comer Haynes, Earl Hughes, Howard Marcom, Homer Patterson, W. T. Sadler, Andy Shouse, Fred Starbuck, Ray Wilson and John Young.

Stith Community received 1 1/2 inches of rain Sunday afternoon. There is plenty of moisture for the farmers to plant. A few had started planting cotton last week.

J. E. Swindell Jr. of Athens, spent Wednesday night with his mother, Mrs. J. E. Swindell.

Mrs. Jim Burris was painfully burned Thursday under her arm and on her side when her jacket caught fire from a burner. She has been going to the doctor, and is getting along alright now. Mrs. Minnie Hardin, her daughter of Midland, is here with her.

The Rev. and Mrs. T. E. Moore and Fay were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones Sunday.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vantress last week were Mr. and Mrs. Pete Walsh and Bud, Mrs. Hazel Hobbs, of Rogers, Ark., and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Munday and Lynn of San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Walsh and Bud, and Mrs. Hobbs visited in Abilene with his mother, Mrs. C. S. Childress.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Hobbs, and Mr. and Mrs. Benny Hobbs, last week end were Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Hobbs of Kerrville, and Mrs. Hazel Hobbs of Rogers, Ark.

Supper guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Burton, Monday night were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jones, Glenn Beckner and Sam Mashburn. Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hudson visited Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Williamson at Albany Saturday. Mrs. Jessie Lenoir returned home with them.

Announcements

The Band Parents Club meeting has been postponed to May 11. You are encouraged to attend this meeting as the decision will be made whether or not to purchase band uniforms.

The Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club will give away a decorated Mother's Day Cake Saturday, May 11. Tickets may be purchased on the cake for 25c. The proceeds will go to decorate the Community Center. You do not have to be present to win. The ticket sale will be held in front of Mellingers.

An all-day cemetery working has been called for White Church Tuesday, May 14. You are urged to be on hand. Committee.

The Baptist Church of Trent will hold a singing Friday night starting at 7:45. A number of interesting visitors will be on hand and you are cordially invited to attend.

All Cub Scouts and their families are invited to a skating party Thursday, May 9, in Sweetwater. They will meet at the Scout Hut between 4 and 4:15 p.m. and leave for Sweetwater to the Roller Rama. Each person is to bring a sack lunch, 10 cents for a drink and 50 cents for skating.

VFW Names New 1963 Officers

Claude Childress will head a new list of officers for Merkel Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5683 for the coming year.

Fred C. Stevenson of Sweetwater, past commander of District Eight, will administer the oath of office Thursday, May 9, at 8 p.m. at the post home.

Other officers for the coming year besides Commander Childress include:

Juan Berra, senior vice commander; Kenneth Pursur, junior vice commander; Neely Tittle, quartermaster; Cecil Hernandez, chaplain; Bill Perry, three-year trustee; Jesse Mareno, judge advocate; Vaughn Doan, surgeon; A. D. Barnes, two-year trustee and Dub Hudson, one-year trustee.

Out-going officers included: Neely Tittle, commander; Jack Hendricks, senior vice commander; Justo Hernandez, junior vice commander; Clayton Barnes, quartermaster; O. R. Gladden, judge advocate; John Duran, chaplain; D. B. Shugart, sergeant; Bill Perry, one-year trustee; A. D. Barnes, three-year trustee and Dub Hudson, two-year trustee.

Star Nursing Home News

By MARY OUTLAW

We didn't have services here Sunday on account of the rain, which we were glad to see.

Mr. and Mrs. George Groene, from Old Mexico, visited his mother, Mrs. Hester, recently. Since their visit she is doing real well.

Mrs. E. P. Hurd, Abilene, visited her husband Sunday. John and Frankie Bow of Reno, Nev., visited their grandfather, Mr. Bow, Saturday.

Emma Ray Niff visited with her sister, Mrs. Jones, in Abilene two weeks ago, and while there they visited their sister in Hamlin and when they started home, Ray fell and crushed her arm. She was taken to the Hamlin Hospital, then transferred to St. Ann's in Abilene. She is back at our home now.

Mr. and Mrs. Cross, Noodle, visited her mother, Mrs. Kelley, this past week.

Mrs. Jennie Lott celebrated her 82nd birthday last week. Her granddaughter, Mrs. Don Brooks, Odessa, came down and made movies of her and brought a large cake to serve to all the patients.

We wish to thank Mrs. H. C. Reid for the nice things she brought to the home. We are very happy she has moved in her beautiful new home.

We have two new patients that we haven't mentioned. Mrs. Howell and her daughter, Mrs. Etta Pearl Sterbens. They are local people. We hope they will be happy here.

Guess who is back from their vacation? Mrs. Birdie Pippin. Everyone was glad to see her.

Mr. and Mrs. John Oliver visited in Midland with their son, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Oliver, and family over the week end.

Mrs. D. Cox Hosts WSCS Ladies

The WSCS of the Methodist Church met Tuesday, May 7, Mrs. Denzel Cox was in charge of the program, "When Your Family Worships God Every Day." Mrs. Pat Dudley read the scripture, Mrs. Cox gave a poem, "So Long as there are Homes."

Others on the program were Mrs. Howard Marcom, Jarrett Williams, Mildred Cyfert, Herbert Patterson, Vernon Hudson and Miss Louise Hudson. A covered dish luncheon was served at noon. There were 21 present.

Lambdas Study Art of Thinking

The April 16th meeting of the Lambda Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi was held in the Taylor Electric Co-op building with Mrs. Hobb Robertson as hostess.

After a brief business session, Mrs. Horace Hergrove presented the program "The Art of Thinking" using St. Paul's letter to the Philippians as the opening illustration. In closing Mrs. Hergrove told the members that "thinking is exercising the mind in anyway" and urged them not to be sponges or parasites but to always think for themselves.

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Workshop Slated For Garden Clubs

A workshop on garden club activities will be held in Abilene at Abilene Garden Center, North Third and Westwood, on May 13. "Wise Planning for Smooth Sailing" will be the theme for the meeting of members of northern division of District 8.

Mrs. W. H. Buchanan, general chairman, has announced that registration and coffee will begin at 9:00 a.m. No advance registration is necessary. All members of District 8 clubs are welcome.

The assembly will be welcomed by Mrs. Clifford Kyker of Abilene Garden Club. Mrs. Buchanan will introduce the district governor, Mrs. Don Starnes of Coleman.

Mrs. B. S. Huey of Cisco will moderate the discussion on "Progress With the President as Leader." Appearing with her will be Mrs. Maurice Brooks, Abilene State Legal Advisor; Mrs. Dave Walker of Stamford; Mrs. Charles Jacobs, Albany; and Mrs. Dale Litton of Merkel, State Chairman of Standard Scrapbook Chairman of Standard Scrapbooks.

The topic "Growth Through Beauty and Service" will cover flower shows, schedules, garden therapy, headquarters projects, with Mrs. H. C. Bowdry of Stamford as moderator.

Blue Bonnet HDC Learns Weaving

The Blue Bonnet Home Demonstration Club met Tuesday, April 30, in the Community Center for a lesson on chair seating, with some beautiful weaving taking place.

Several ladies taking their lunch spent the day painting and redecorating the Center. Extensive plans for improving the center is on the agenda.

Members present were Mrs. R. E. Clemmer, Sam Butman, Frank Brnovak, Jimmy Riggan, Adrian Farmer, Mrs. Glen Bryan, Tom Russom, Maruice Johnson and Charles Mignery and a number of visitors and callers.

General Power Confirms SAC's Role In Nation's Future Space Operations

HO SAC (SAC PSI)—will the Strategic Air Command have a future role in space? The answer to this question was suggested by SAC's Commander in Chief, Gen. Thomas S. Power, when he addressed the second manned space flight meeting at Dallas recently. The meeting was sponsored by the American Institute of aeronautics and astronautics.

"Space potentially offers unique military advantages," General Power said, "and we must anticipate that some or to exploit such advantages

to help them attain their political objectives. This leaves us no choice but to protect ourselves against such a contingency, and our military space effort is, therefore, essentially a matter of self-defense which is the right and duty of all sovereign nations."

General Power also cautioned against viewing a possible military space threat as a static problem. "Just as we are now witnessing gradual proliferation of nuclear capability," he said, "there is the possibility of future proliferation of space capability. This would enable a growing number of countries to use space for aggressive purposes unless we are in a position to prevent them from effectively doing so."

The importance of military space was underlined by General Power when he said, "If this country should suddenly be confronted with a 'space Cuba' and have the wrong or perhaps no means to deal with such an emergency, our very survival might be at stake."

General Power emphasized the difficulty of predicting the nature of future space weapons. However, he did suggest some possible military applications for space systems. The first major requirement for man in space, General Power said, could be for a "spaceborne command post."

Man's place in space was underscored in this proposal when he said, "It is inconceivable to operate such a central command post especially one in deep space, without a skilled crew to operate and maintain its complex equipment and without competent officers fully qualified to assume command of the strike forces whenever necessary."

Other potential military space systems, described by General Power, included an anti-ICBM defense and maneuverable satellite inspection system.

Mixed Force

Most important in the future as well as today, General Power reminded the audience, was the requirement for a mixed deterrent force. "At this moment and for some time to come," he said, "the bombers still carry the bulk of the deterrent load." A possible future role for combat aircraft was suggested when General Power predicted that "manned aircraft may have to serve as a penetration aid to our missiles by seeking out and destroying an enemy's missile defenses."

General Power underlined the readiness of the Strategic Air Command to expand its operations into space if our national policy should require it. "I am confident," he said, "that if our survival should demand expansion of our strategic capability into space, we will be ready and willing to do so."

"This may require," he continued, "the addition of manned strategic spacecraft to SAC's inventory so as to provide a truly mixed force, capable of accomplishing a wide range of missions across the entire spectrum of strategic operations. No one can predict today what these operations will entail, but I do know that SAC has the competence and flexibility to adapt itself to any new requirement and any new weapon system, no matter how revolutionary. Therefore, I have no doubt that it can meet any future demands of the space age, just as it is now meeting the demand of the missile era."

In his conclusion, General Power reminded the audience of scientists of the importance of man in space. "Regardless of how advanced and complex our weapons system may be, man has already been and will be the only ultimate weapon. Therein lies the real military significance of manned space flight and, therefore, the greatest challenge for the men of the Strategic Air Command."

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Mayhugh and children, Arbon, Phyllis, Sandra and Marilyn, spent April 20 and 21 with an older son, O. D. Mayhugh and family who live at Henrietta, Sgt. Mayhugh of Plattsburg, N. Y. was also a week end visitor with the O. D. Mayhugh family.

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ANNIVERSARY—ARMY STYLE

By PFC CARL WINTER

Organization Day — in itself a solemn occasion was the occasion of some Springtime hijinks by members of the 5th NIKE Missile Battalion, the US Army Air Defense Command component assigned to the defense of this SAC installation. An outdoor, family-style party Saturday at the Picnic Grounds celebrated the third anniversary of this unit's first day in Abilene, although the actual date falls on March 15.

It was decided to postpone the celebration for one month in hopes of propitiating the weather, and while the weekend of the 17th was sunny and clear, fortunately so was last weekend.

The party began at 10 a.m., when liquid refreshment was unsoon started and kept things hopping throughout the afternoon. A full schedule of events capped the day. Steaks and chicken were served hot off the barbecue pits at 1 p.m.

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STILL ANOTHER—One of the more prominent of the many awards made recently was the 819th Strategic Aerospace Division Accident Prevention Award, here being accepted by Col. William L. McDowell Jr., on behalf of the 96th Strategic Aerospace Wing which he commands. Making the presentation is Brig. Gen. William W. Wisman, commander, 819th Strategic Aerospace Wing. (AIR FORCE PHOTO)

Daedalian Trophy Goes To Base Supply Saturday

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — Dyess' Base Supply Unit, along with two other Air Force units, will be presented a Daedalian Trophy May 4 during the annual meeting of the Order of the Daedalian at Kelly AFB, Texas.

The Supply Effectiveness Trophy, presented this year for the

first time, will go to base supply office at Dyess. The award honors the supply office having the best effectiveness record in support of mission aircraft and or missiles.

The Maj. Gen. Clements McMullen Memorial Weapons systems Maintenance Trophy, known as the Daedalian Maintenance Trophy, was won by the 81st Tactical Fighter Wing, Bentwaters, England. The award is given annually to the Air Force organization achieving the best maintenance record.

McDowell to Accept

The maintenance and supply awards will be presented by Maj. Gen. William O. Senter, assistant deputy chief of staff, Systems and Logistics. Col. William L. McDowell Jr., commander of Dyess' 96th Strategic Aerospace Wing, will accept the supply award. Accepting the maintenance award will be Col. William C. Clark, commander of the 81st Tactical Fighter Wing.

Maj. Gen. Henry K. Mooney, vice commander of the Air Training Command, will receive the Daedalian Flying Safety Trophy for ATC as the command having the most effective accident prevention program during 1962. ATC posted a 3.5 accident rate per 100,000 flying hours, which represented a 30 per cent reduction of their 1961 figure. The command reduced its pilot training accident rate by 28 per cent, the most outstanding achievement in ATC history.

Lt. Gen. W. H. Blanchard, Air Force inspector general, will make the presentation.

All three of the trophies are large silver loving cups which remain in the custody of the winning units for one year. The trophies, among the most coveted organizational awards in the USAF, are made available to the Air Force by the Order of the Daedalian, an organiza-

tion of World War I pilots.

Name From Greeks

The Daedalian take their name from Greek mythology. Icarus, son of Daedalus, fled with his father on wings to escape the resentment of Minos, but the sun melted the wax that cemented his wings and he crashed to his death in the Aegean sea. Daedalus arrived safely in Sicily. He had warned Icarus about flying too close to the sun:

"My Icarus," he says, "I warn thee fly Along the middle tracks: nor low, nor high; If low, the plumes may flag with ocean spray; If high the sun may dart his fiery ray."

On March 3, 1937, the Wing Commander (the Late Maj. Gen. H. A. Dargue) of the Order of the Daedalian offered to present to the Air Corps a cup for competition possibly between its major units, as a safety trophy. Today there are three Daedalian Trophies awarded annually. They go to the major air command with the lowest adjusted accident rate for the calendar year and to the Air Force organizations with the greatest achievement in maintenance and supply respectively.

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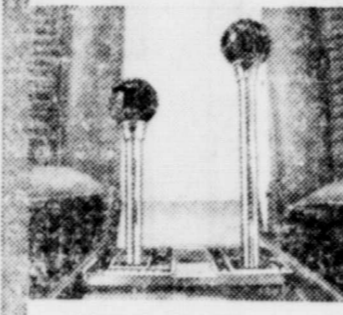
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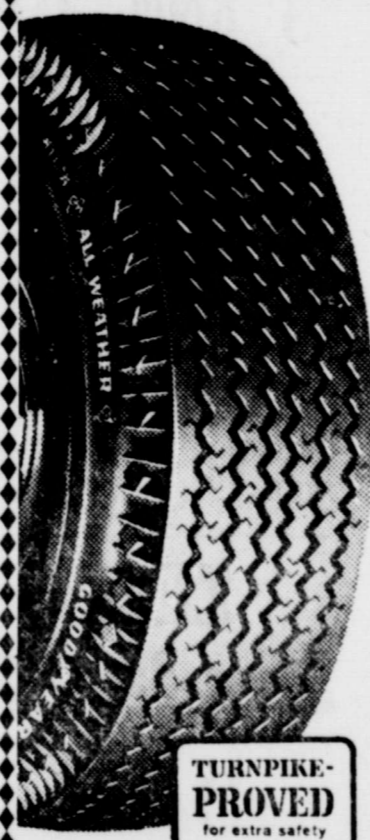
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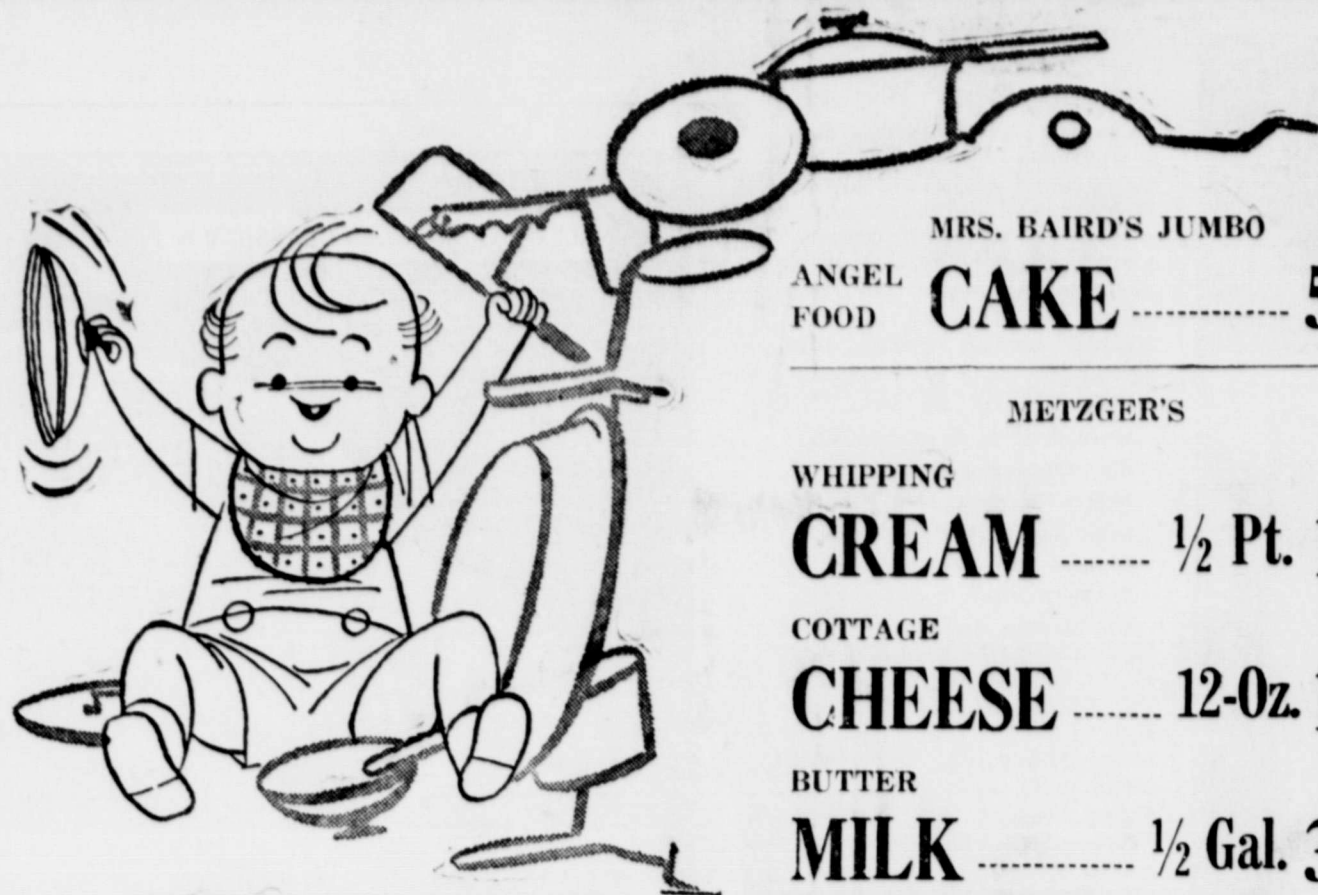
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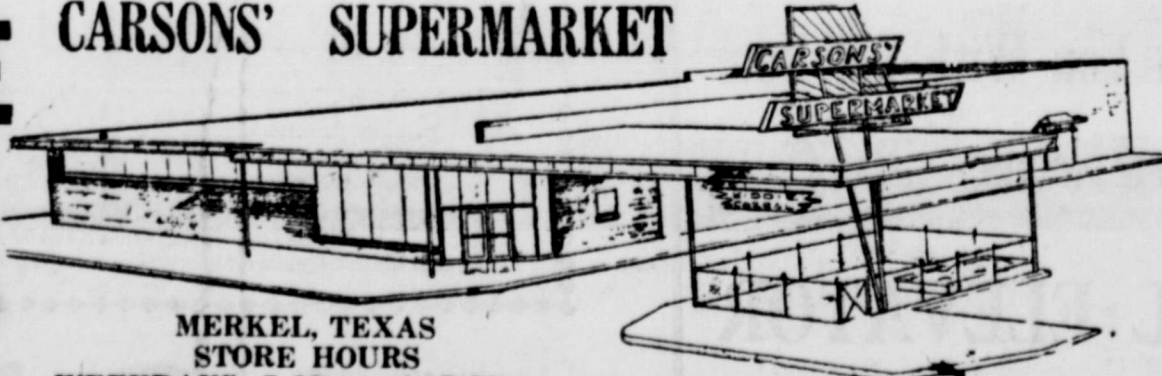
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