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MERKEL'S NEIGHBOR "THE BIRD"

By DAVE BRUMBEAU
Somewhere north of Merkel before you reach Anson is a concrete silo buried in the ground. The top of the silo is marked by a circular slab of concrete, holding two concrete doors that swing slowly open like two gigantic butterfly wings. This is the launching silo for the "bird" an inter-continental missile — Merkel's neighbor. This is one of 12 missile sites that ring Dyess Air Force Base and are under the command of Colonel Harold A. Radetsky, 96th Strategic Aerospace Wing Commander. Col. Radetsky briefed newsmen for a tour of the missile launching complex. The machinery for launching a missile is massive and complex. Merkelites or Abilenians who make additional tours which are planned for the future, according to Col. Radetsky, will find the underground trip one filled with amazing scientific wonderment. A missile complex is something

like the inside of a naval craft, chocked full of special equipment, loaded with fuel and manned by men. According to information supplied by the Air Force this is an Atlas missile. The Atlas Missile was the first operational Intercontinental Ballistic Missile (ICBM) in the arsenal of SAC. It was designed as a deterrent to hostile enemy action and can place a thermonuclear warhead into a ballistic trajectory that will impact on targets more than 5,500 miles away if the need should arise. Effective retaliation requires that the weapon system be operationally ready at all times. The Atlas, which burns a mixture of liquid oxygen (LOX) and a kerosene like hydrocarbon (RP-1), is stored at the launch site with the RP-1 loaded aboard the missile. In this status the missile is ready for launching as soon as the LOX has been loaded aboard the missile and various other countdown sequences have been completed. The Atlas is approximately 92 feet long with the re-entry vehicle and its 10-foot diameter flares to 16 feet at the nacelles. In contrast to its impressive size, the skin thickness is about that of a dime. The missile contains no internal supporting frame work. The Atlas is propelled by a cluster of five engines. The booster engine which consists of two thrust chambers provides a total of 330,000 pounds of thrust. The single sustainer engine develops a thrust of 57,000 pounds. Each of the two vernier engines develop 1,000 pounds of thrust apiece. Thus the total thrust of the five engines is 389,000 pounds. The missile at lift off weighs approximately 265,000 pounds. It weighs only 15,000 pounds empty, so the lift off weight includes 250,000 pounds of fuel. After the missile has been lifted into the first part of its "flight" a substantial portion of the fuel has been burned, and the missile, greatly reduced in weight, is in thin air high above the earth. Then, the booster engines, having performed their function of boosting the missile to high altitude is jettisoned. Thrust from

Heart Attack Claims Life Of Lester M. Blair

Lester M. Blair, 46, died at 8 p.m. Saturday of an apparent heart attack at his home in Merkel. Funeral was held Monday at the Assembly of God Church in Merkel with the Rev. John Curtis, pastor, and the Rev. H. R. Leib, pastor of the Ash Street Baptist Church in Abilene, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home. Born Feb. 3, 1917 in Anson, he moved to the Merkel area with his parents in 1921. He served in the European theater during World War II and married Monnie Fae Thomas April 27, 1946 in Abilene. He was a water well driller. Survivors include his wife; his mother, Mrs. Emma Jane Blair of 873 Peach in Abilene; four brothers, R. L. of Goldsmith, Ted of Midland, Preston of 873 Peach in Abilene and J. D. of Odessa; three sisters, Mrs. Vera Corale of 873 Peach in Abilene, Mrs. Roy Cornutt of Loraine, Mrs. Bonnie Kimbler of Clyde. Pallbearers were H. C. Reid Pat Cypert, William R. Cypert, Jake Holder, Gerald Derrick, Ray Wilson.

Dr. Gardner To Serve Third Term on Board

Dr. Chester B. Gardner, Merkel physician, was notified by Gov. John Connally Tuesday that he has been reappointed to the State Board of Medical Examiners for a six-year term. The term will expire April 13, 1969. Connally is the third governor to appoint Dr. Gardner to the 12 member board. Gov. Allan Shivers appointed him in 1951, with the appointment repeated later by Price Daniel. Dr. Gardner has practiced medicine in Merkel since the fall of 1925. He attended medical school in Cincinnati, Ohio. The State Board of Medical Examiners licenses physicians in Texas.

Merkel Swimmers Take First Place In Swim Meet

TWO TROPHIES AWARDED MERKEL



HOLD THAT POSE — Pictured from left to right are Vickie Farmer, Lisa Suggart, and Coy Bryan. Second row: Sheila Adair, and Johnny and Teddy Holmes; Third row: Melody Myrick, and Ray and Becky Young; Bottom row: David Burfield, Kim Satterwhite and James Shaw.

Merkel swimmers defeated Abilene 452-416 at a swim meet sponsored by the Merkel Chamber of Commerce here Saturday night. The meet was held at the Merkel Swimming Pool. Abilene and Merkel were the only towns represented in the meet. Merkel took both divisions, the boys winning 291-269 and the girls winning 261-147. Four Abilene girls collected all the 147 points. Charles Warford, director of the Merkel group, accepted both trophies for the Merkel winners. Participants placing for the Merkel teams were: Midget Division — 50 yard backstroke: Debbie Martin, second; Kathy Mansfield, third; Glenna Doan, fourth; and Dana Dayton, fourth; Breast Stroke: Kathy Mansfield, second; Susie Wilson third and Dana Dayton fifth; Free Style: Debbie Martin second; Kathy Mansfield, third; Glenna Doan fourth; Zana Mansfield fifth and Dana Dayton sixth. In the high dive it was Dallas Dayton third; Billy Haynes fourth; Glenna Doan first; and Zana Mansfield third. Low Dive: Dallas Dayton second; Billy Haynes third; Glenna Doan first; Kathy Mansfield third; Dana Dayton fourth and Zana Mansfield fifth. Those placing in the underwater distance were Dana Dayton third; Billy Haynes fourth; Dallas Dayton fifth; Glenna Doan first; Debbie Martin second; Kathy Mansfield third; Diana Dayton fourth and Susie Wilson fifth. In the junior division it was Jo Ann Lassiter second; Bobby Stephens second; Del Stephens third; Robert Wilson fourth; and Wally Knight fifth in the 50 yard backstroke; In the breast stroke it was Pam Walla, third; Bobby



Up The Canyon

By TOM RUSSOM

We are still having some hot and dry weather in our area. The one inch rain we recently had didn't help things much. The early milo is almost ready to harvest and the late milo will have to have more rain if it makes it all. The live stock are doing fine, but some pastures are not in good shape. The grass is about gone, and it takes a good rain to make the grass come out. When it goes two or three months without raining things on the farm and ranch become pretty dry. There has been a large run of cattle to go to market from our area the past ten days. The farmers have been breaking some stubble land after the little rain we had a few days ago. Now the ground is getting hard and dry again. There are a few farms up for sale at this time, but land buying has slowed down some. This may be due to dry weather. If you buy a farm for \$100 per acre and pay approximately \$10 per acre to plant and harvest a crop then, before it is over it will run into a lot of money. We had a fine meeting at Pioneer Church. Seven new members came into our church. Mrs. W. R. Johnson of California has returned home after a visit here with her sister, Mrs. Will Butman and Mrs. Renfro of Merkel. Wedding bells will ring again at Pioneer Church this Saturday night when David Scott and Jean Woodard will be married. We are planning to have a singing this Sunday at Pioneer Church. This will be one of the largest singings to be held in this area. Sunday School and church services will be held early with the singing beginning about 11 a.m. At noon we will have dinner on the ground with a continuation of the singing the remainder of the afternoon. The REA will furnish our sound system for the singing. Those of you who enjoy good singing plan to be with us. We are looking for a full house. Mrs. A. R. Toombs of Merkel attended the meeting at Pioneer Church this week. A large number from Merkel and Trent attended the meeting.



TIME FOR A SMILE — Mrs. Verna Jo Corder, cashier for Wilson's Food Store has time for a smile as she checks out a basket of groceries for Mrs. Fred Starbuck.

MERKELITES AT WORK

"I grew up on a farm and the one thing I always looked forward to was swimming in a near-by creek at the end of our day's work, that was the statement of Mrs. Verna Jo Corder, cashier at Wilson's Food Store. She lived with her parents and one sister on a small farm between Abilene and Clyde. She attended Clyde Schools and in 1934 was married to Lewis Corder. Both Mr. and Mrs. Corder attended Abilene Christian College. The Corders have lived in Mer-

SPAGHETTI DINNER TO BE HELD AUG. 11

There is to be a Spaghetti Dinner, sponsored by the Merkel cheerleaders, to be held Sunday, August 11 at the high school cafeteria. The dinner will be served beginning at 11:00 and continuing through 1:00 with tickets on sale at a dollar for adults and fifty cents for children. The tickets will be on sale at the door or can be purchased from any of the five cheerleaders. These five girls, Mary Dunagin, Pat Tate, Sharon Dudley, Joy Lewis and Gayle Gladden have been busy practically all summer trying to earn money to attend cheerleading school to be held in Dallas August 18. A total of \$200 had to be earned to attend the school and \$75 of that amount had to be deposited June 20, stated Miss Dunagin, head cheerleader. The girls have engaged in all types of work including washing cars and windows, waxing floors, ironing, and mowing grass. "We still lack over \$100; with the deadline drawing near we are hoping that enough people

MERKEL COACHES ATTEND SCHOOL

Five Merkel coaches are attending the Association of Coaches held in Houston August 5 to 11. Those attending are J. T. Stubblefield, high school assistant coach, Bob Byerly, high school head coach and Mac Davis, junior high assistant coach, are new on Merkel's coaching staff this year. The other two coaches, Charles Warford, junior high head coach and Bill Tate, high school assistant coach were both on the coaching staff last year. All five coaches are members of the Texas Coach Association. Through this association they receive all of the latest information concerning sports.

Clark to Preach Sermon Series

Marvin H. Clark, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, will begin a series of Sunday Morning Sermons on the Epistle to the Romans. This book deals with the question "How can man be made righteous before God?" stated Clark. He added that he has preached through this book several times previous and while attending college took two courses on the book of Romans, one being in the original Greek. This series is to last several months. Each sermon will be complete in itself yet it will tie in with the previous sermon and also the sermon to follow, Clark said.

CEMETERY FUND

Donations to the Cemetery Association Fund this past week were: J. T. Warren Estate Ben Hicks and family Mrs. J. W. Tiner Jack R. Sublett Bobbie L. Knight Mrs. Bill Stephens Mrs. L. E. Cade Estate Mrs. W. T. Curb Mrs. J. D. Sheppard Mrs. F. G. Sears W. A. Stockbridge.

SWANN APPOINTED TO COMMITTEE

Sam Swann, Merkel, has been appointed to the round-up committee announced C. A. Morris, chairman of the Cattlemen's Round-up for Crippled Children. The round-up is one of the main financial sponsors of the West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene. Each year since its founding, Texas ranches have donated livestock to the round-up which is sold with all profits going to the center. It provides over one-third of funds needed by the Center, stated Morris. He added, the center serves 724 patients, with some 110 patients receiving daily treatment. It is a private, non-profit organization dedicated to the rehabilitation of the handicapped. Most of the patients are victims of polio, strokes, cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy, multiple sclerosis and other neurological or orthopedic disorders. The round-up sale will be held September 28 at the Abilene Livestock Auction, announced Morris.

Air Force Association Meeting Honors Division Commander General Wisman

By LT. COL. ROBERT G. SMITH
Brig. Gen. William W. Wisman, 819th Strategic Aerospace Division commander, was guest of honor at the regular meeting of the Abilene (Tex.) Squadron of the Air Force Association held last week at the Petroleum Club in downtown Abilene. General Wisman has long been a staunch supporter of the principles and aims of the association.

personnel and those other persons who are interested in Air Force-Aerospace matters.

The Association has firmly supported military and civilian pay scales based upon a cost of living index. Strong editorials in the New York Times, the Washington Post and the Washington Star initiated by the Association



BATHING BEAUTY — Miss Aloma Stoddard, 18, of Lindenhurst, N.J. enjoys the sun, sand and cool water as she frolics at the beach.

have supported an annual review of military and civilian pay scales based upon cost of living indexes and adequate on-base housing for junior officers and airmen. These matters should have the support of all Air Force personnel both military and civilian.

The local squadron has a membership of 85 persons, about half of whom have an Air Force background. The remaining members are from civilian fields, but are all persons who are interested in Aerospace matters.

The membership of the National Association has increased from 64,000 to 72,000 since 1 January 1963, when a membership drive was begun by Major General J. B. Montgomery, USAF Reserve, the president of the Air Force Association.

Approximately 250 personnel of Dyess AFB are currently members of the Association but not affiliated with any local squadron. Mr. Tompkins, the local commander is extending the invitation to all these persons to transfer their membership to the Abilene Squadron in order that they may more fully utilize the many benefits of the Association. This can be accomplished very easily by contacting Mr. Tompkins at his office, phone OR 2-6986.

The association has recently extended its membership eligibility to all non-military people who support AFA's work in behalf of adequate Aerospace power. This makes it possible to invite all people who have an Aerospace interest to join. A recent letter from General Curtis LeMay the Air Force Chief of Staff indicates his firm support of the aims and objectives of the AFA and urges all military and civilian personnel to consider membership.

Membership in the Association includes a subscription to the Association's magazine AIR FORCE - SPACE DIGEST, which is well worth the \$6 membership fee. Congress has recognized this publication by placing 30 articles in the Congressional Record during the past two years.

The Association's 1963 National Convention will be held Sept. 11-15 in Washington D.C. Many memberships of the local squadron have indicated their plans to attend. All members are invited. With the recent increase in membership the force and impact of this year's convention promises to be even more effective than in the past.

This writer can testify to the effectiveness of the Association's membership campaign as he has submitted his application for membership this week.

EDITORIAL

PHYSICAL FITNESS IN MODERN AMERICA

During our current government administration there has been much discussion about the growing softness of the American people.

The fact that our ancestors braved many hardships and dangers of a new frontier is undoubtedly true. Our forefathers knew that starting out in a new country would be difficult and they came with the idea of working and fighting to maintain their positions and aspirations for a new life.

What would be the thoughts of these pioneers if they could see our America today with all its mechanical gadgets, fast cars, values, standards, etc.? Would they be proud that they helped bring about our modern country or would they be horrified that we accept these modern conveniences so lightly. They probably would have a combination of both these feelings.

It is true that most of us today would not be able to hold up to the type of life led by our ancestors if the occasion suddenly presented itself. The people of today have conveniences to aid in their work, but had such an opportunity presented itself to our forefathers modernization would have begun many years ago.

Our program of physical fitness would naturally encounter almost entirely different activities.

In direct comparison with our forefathers we are definitely lacking in this program, but through our continued activities and participation in this program, in the near future, the physical fitness of the American people will compare with that of their ancestors.

EDUCATION EMPHASIS NEEDED

The Air Force for a long time has recognized that it must have a thoroughly educated force if it is to maintain its assigned mission at the highest level of capability.

It also realizes that to provide its officer and enlisted personnel with the promotion advantages which add up to a truly professional force, it must provide these members the opportunity to increase their individual skills.

Gen. Curtis E. LeMay, Air Force chief of staff, recently told a Congressional committee that a flexible program of education within the Air Force would serve as a significant retention tool.

"The Air Force must maintain a broad program of educational opportunities, competitive with industry, to meet Air Force educational requirements and to serve as an effective career incentive. Loss or curtailment of this program would severely impair our retention capability," he stated.

To meet increasing demands for officers with technological backgrounds, the Air Force said it must have programs which would be flexible enough to allow its career-minded members the opportunity to study in the scientific engineering fields.

Such a program would improve the promotion possibilities of members and at the same time would serve to give the Air Force an in-house capability to meet the various technological challenges it will have to face as it expands further into the complicated area of push-button operations.

One way to achieve this capability would be through an expansion of the Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT) program which would provide young officers a baccalaureate level in general education and give those with an engineering science aptitude the opportunity to shift to majors in these fields.

Other programs recommended by the Air Force as needing full implementation, are those in off-duty education—Operation Midnight Oil and Bootstrap.

Full utilization of the 75 per cent tuition for the former should be put into effect, the Air Force believes, as well as complete cost of the Bootstrap Program by the government.

These are some of the areas which need immediate action if the Air Force is to compete for the caliber of individual it will require to effectively operate a technologically-oriented aerospace force in the immediate future. (AFNS)

HOSPITAL NEWS

Admission to the hospital July 28 through August 3 include:

- Mary Mosier
- Mrs. Opal Sheppard
- Mrs. O. B. Wade
- Mrs. J. F. Cason
- Mrs. Lee Stanley
- Mrs. W. E. Petty
- Mrs. R. F. Warren
- Dismissed were:
- Mrs. S. L. Rakes, Sweetwater
- Robert Williams
- Clyde Maxwell
- Ruby Warren
- B. D. Bond
- Eleno Quinones
- Mrs. Eugene Daye and baby
- Nathan E. Durham, Coleman
- Mrs. Manuel Biera and baby
- Mrs. Wesley Rister, Tye
- Mrs. M. C. Sissom, Bronte
- Mrs. Faye Brookerson, Abilene.

The earliest evidence of surgery is found in Spain where amputations of the fingers are depicted in s'houettes which date back to 25,000 B.C.

Americans lost an average of 16 days per person through illness and injury in the past year, which included six days of confinement in bed.

Brown Reunion Meets In Merkel

Approximately one hundred attended the Brown reunion held at the Community Center in Merkel.

The Brown family and descendants have lived in Taylor and Nolan counties for almost a century.

It was voted that the next annual reunion would be held the first Sunday in June at Abilene State Park near Buffalo Gap.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Betty Ruth Bramlett, Defendant, Greeting:

YOUR ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Court of Domestic Relations of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in the City of 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 9th day of September A.D. 1963, to Plaintiff's petition filed in the 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas, on the first day of April, A.D. 1963, originally, and thereafter duly and legally transferred heretofore in July A.D. 1963 to the said Court of Domestic Relations of Taylor County, Texas, and filed and docketed in said Court of Domestic Relation in, as and under cause No. 188 and now pending in said last named court and numbered 188 on the docket thereof and styled S. W. Bramlett, plaintiff, vs. Betty Ruth Bramlett, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: a suit by plaintiff against said defendant for divorce based on cruel treatment of plaintiff by

defendant and being of such a nature as to render their living together insupportable, and also for the care and custody (by plaintiff) of four minor children born of the marriage of plaintiff and defendant, namely, Evelyn Bell Bramlett (a girl), Betty Ann Bramlett (a girl), Shev Nathan Bramlett (a boy) and Wanda Lou Bramlett (a girl), all as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in said 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 seal of said last named court at Abilene, Texas, this 26th day of July A.D. 1963.
(Seal)

Attest: R. H. ROSS, Clerk, of the Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By Millie Schott, Deputy.
21 t/c

Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk, 104th District Court, Taylor County, Texas
By Millie Scott, Deputy.
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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 seal of said last named court at Abilene, Texas, this 22nd day of July A.D. 1963.
(Seal)

Attest: R. H. ROSS, Clerk, of the Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By Millie Schott, Deputy.
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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENTION OF THE CITY OF ABILENE TO LEASE LAND OWNED BY IT FOR OIL, GAS AND MINERAL PURPOSES

The City of Abilene, a municipal corporation, having determined by and through its City Council, that it is advisable to make an oil, gas and mineral lease covering all of its undivided interest in the hereinafter described land situated in Taylor County, Texas, hereby gives notice of its intention to lease all of its undivided interest in such land; such land being described as follows, to-wit:

All of the South One-half (S¹/₂) of Section Ten (10), Block Three (3), S. & P. Ry. Co. Survey in Taylor County, Texas, containing 320 acres of land, more or less.

The City of Abilene owns an undivided interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals in and to the above described lands, and therefore, the bonus consideration, the annual delay

rentals, and the royalties to be paid under any lease covering said undivided interest shall be paid in full to the City of Abilene.

The City of Abilene here now gives notice by publication in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Taylor County, Texas, having a general circulation therein, once a week for a period of three (3) consecutive weeks, designating the time and place after such publication where it will receive and consider bids for such mineral lease on the above described lands, as the City Council may determine to make; the time and place for such hearing being heretofore designated by the City Council of the City of Abilene as the meeting place of the City Council in the Abilene City Hall, Abilene, Texas, on the 22nd day of August, 1963, at 8:30 o'clock A.M. On such date the City Council of the City of Abilene shall receive and consider any and all bids submitted for the leasing of the above described lands or portions thereof; provided, however, that if in the judgment of the City Council of the City of Abilene, the bids submitted for the leasing of the above described lands or portions thereof do not represent the fair value of such lease, the City Council may, in its discretion, reject all bids, and provided that any such lease shall retain at least one-eighth (1/8) royalty to the City of Abilene, to be reduced in proportion to its ownership in the entire undivided fee in the event of production.

SIGNED this 25th day of July, 1963.

THE CITY OF ABILENE
By W. LEE BYRD
W. Lee Byrd, Mayor
ATTEST:
LILA FERN MARTIN
Lila Fern Martin, City Secretary
21 3t

150 Attended Pancake Supper

Approximately 150 attended the pancake supper held Friday, August 2 at the high school cafeteria.

The pancake supper was sponsored by the Optimist Club and the proceeds went to aid in boys work.

Mrs. Max Murrel, Mrs. Roy Dalziel and Mrs. Howard Carson cooked pancakes and Bill Woods, cooked bacon.

Max Murrel and Roy Dalziel served pancakes while milk and coffee was served by Ann Carson and Penny Turner.

Others assisting in the pancake supper were Mrs. Joe Morrison, Vincent Barnett, Baxter Fortnerberry, Don Carson, Danny Dalziel, Finley Barnett and Pat Morrison.

Several visitors from the Abilene Optimist Club attended the supper.

Parade To Begin VBS Activities

There will be a parade Saturday morning, August 10 at 9 o'clock announcing the Vacation Bible School that is to begin at Calvary Baptist Church August 12 and continue through the 16th. The school will start each morning at 8:30 said Marvin Clark, pastor.

In the classes the children will study the parables of Jesus. Mrs. Clark will act as superintendent over the entire school. Clark said that he would deliver a series of lessons on "The Wordless Book."

There will be handwork activity for the children attending the school. The group will range from beginner age children thru the Intermediate age.

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WORSHIP TOGETHER THIS WEEK

Somewhere in your town a man you may have never seen waits hopefully for you.

He is a minister. A priest. A rabbi. A man used to speaking out... making decisions... taking action for himself, for his congregation and his community.

But where you're concerned, he can only wait and hope you will come.

He holds something in trust for you—the powerful, crucial first introduction to Faith. And he is anxious to pass it on.

The strength and confidence of Faith can mean many things to many men... and to the families who count on them.

So together with your family start to find that Faith this week.

FOR SALE - Variety of motors for replacements on air conditioners. Call 8-5984 or see at Bob's Electric Shop.

FOR RENT - One 2 bedroom house. Also one furnished house, 3 rooms and bath. Clean and modern. 402 Ash or call 8-5236.
22 t/c

FOR SALE - All-State scooter. Excellent condition. Call 8-5904.
22 1tp

FOR SALE - Dinette table 36 x36 inches \$7.50, bird cage \$2, hall table \$3, and heating stove \$3. Phone 8-5771.
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FOR SALE - Stauffer system, slightly used \$65. Mrs. W. S. J. Brown, phone 8-5551. 22 1tp

FOR SALE - One six foot aeromotor mill and 35 foot steel tower. See Paxton Harp, Rt. 1, Merkel. 20 1tp

FOR SALE - Girls bicycle, almost new; also blond bookcase double bed. Call 8-5797.

FOR SALE - Gas Range in good condition, reasonable. B. W. Merritt, 301 Kent St. Phone 8-5622. 19 t/c

FOR SALE - Large Rock House, garage apartment, water system, storm cellar, 112 Oak Street, Merkel. Phone 8-5113 or 8-5733. P&L Construction Co. 12 t/c

Repossessed Singer sewing machines. Take up payments, \$5.90 Vacuum sweepers. Repairs. Call Mrs. Josie Brooks, 8-5292. Representative L. L. Dennis. 14 t/c

FOR SALE - Two bedroom dwelling. A-1 location. Can be seen by appointment only. Cyrus Pee, agent. Ph. 85613.

USED PIPE for sale. 105 feet 1 1/2 inch galvanized, 105 feet 1 1/4 inch galvanized. In good condition. John West, phone 8-5512. 21 t/c

3 used screen doors. A. A. Reagan, 403 Runnels. Phone 8-5940. 21 1tp

FOR SALE - Large two bedroom house, 2 1/2 lots fenced, all cultivated, pecan, peach and grapes, water well, cellar, place for chickens, can be financed, near schools. T. E. Morrison, 692 Manchester. 22 3tp

FOR SALE - Two bedroom house on lot 100x140, cyclone fence around back yard, concrete storm cellar, large pecan trees, good well plus city water, completely carpeted, new bath fixtures, ducted in air conditioning, 5 car garage. Shown by appointment. Call Fred Starbuck. 22 t/c

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NON - CANCELLABLE HOSPITALIZATION AND LIFE INSURANCE. Phone 8-6833 nights or make appointment at Ben Franklin Store. Mrs. J. W. (Ruby) Hammond. 14 t/c

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LOST - two hereford calves, approximately 600 and 700 pounds. "S" branded on left hip and ear marks in the bottom of each ear. J. D. Sandusky, Rt. 2. Phone 8-5908. 21 t/c

JESUS asked Peter: "Who do you say that I am?" Peter answered, "Jesus Christ the Son of God." Amen. Merko's friends and kinfolks, what is your answer to this question? Radio time 1:45-2:00 Sunday afternoon. Pray for John J. Toombs, KDAD. 18 4tp

FOR RENT

FOR RENT - 3 bedroom unfurnished house. Call 8-5236. 402 Ash. 15 t/c

FOR RENT - 3 rooms and bath. 1006 Oak Street, Phone 8-5336. 17 t/c 1p

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FOR RENT - Three bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, central heating, electric appliances, fenced, 1505 Sunset, Merkel, Abilene phone OR 3-2134.

FOR RENT - Four room house. See Mrs. J. L. Hester, 813 Rose. 20 1tc

FOR RENT - Large unfurnished house. Call 8-5686 or 8-5800. 20 1tc

FOR RENT - 3 bedroom furnished house. \$50 per month with bills. Located at 401 No. Rollins St. See Mrs. Clarence Horton or call 8-6878. 20 t/c

FOR RENT - Modern house. 3 rooms and bath located at 104 Manchester. Unfurnished. Recently redecorated. No pets. Phone 8-5255, Mrs. Mack Hodo. 22 1tp

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FOR SALE - Upright piano \$50. Call 8-5798 or 8-5267. 19 t/c

MERKEL PAGEANT

By DAVE

Procrastination is the curse of the newspaperman.

For instance, you talk with a newspaper man and you give him a pretty good idea for a yarn. And he's going right back to the office and "write the story."

So, when he gets back to the office there is somebody who needs to know where Carson's grocery ad mat is or if Wilson's ad has been proofed and did you write a check for Carroll's paint you're going to use someday.

So the yarn doesn't get written. And then you do write it and what happens? The man who governs your life — the printer — tells you that everything is ready to go unless you want to tear the paper up and start over, your yarn is to late for this week. So . . .

So . . . here are some odds and ends of yarns that have been left out of recent papers.

When shoppers come to town, one of the joys is the feeling of being welcomed — of being in a place that is not hum drum. And that is why Merkel is due for one slam bang clean up, paint up, fix up campaign. The glossy, prissed up downtown area will tell shoppers they are welcome. And the magic of being away from home in a spruced up shopping district will gladden shoppers hearts. Watch for this year's campaign. It'll be one to remember.

E. L. Berry of Route Three was in the shop this week. Said he never liked to miss a copy of the Mail, but that he missed one last week. Hope this doesn't happen again.

Guess who is denying credit for the rain. Fred Starbuck, no less. Fred said he had nothing to do with the rain and couldn't understand the chatter about the rain expert, Fred and Naomi Starbuck just returned from the land of rain — Florida.

But Fred protests muchly that

he has nothing to do with Merkel's rain.

Homer Newby and Cyrus Pee. Can you imagine two men finding humor in watching one fat man change a tire in front of Max Murrell's Chevrolet House? Hymph.

Speaking of Murrell, Mrs. Murrell said the by-line story in Sunday's Reporter - News by Helen Murrell was written by a relation — a cousin.

And here are some things that haven't been written but needed to be mentioned:

Waymon Adecock, Merkel fire chief, tells me the Merkel Mail has been flouting the law as concerns burning of trash. Jerry Ross, man of all work at the Mail, has been lugging paper out in the vacant lot behind the building and burning it. The act was one of those things that seemed logical — the lot is vacant and only a loud yell from the fire station. But logic ain't everything. Chief Adecock says there is a city ordinance against burning trash there. So, the heck with logic.

Picnic Set For WW I Veterans

World War I veterans, their widows or families are invited to a picnic at Baird Thursday, Aug. 8.

A special invitation has been extended to members of the Merkel Barracks.

The picnic will start at 1 p.m. at the American Legion Home. Speaker will be Roger Q. Evans, former state commander of the World War I organization. Supper will be at 7:30 p.m.

Miss McKeever On Honor Roll

Mary McKeever, Merkel, is among 17 students at Wayland Baptist College listed on the Dean's Honor Roll for the first summer term.

Miss McKeever is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. McKeever

4-H Meetings Climaxed With Wiener Roast

A wiener roast marked the final meeting of the Merkel 4-H Club meetings last Thursday, August 1.

It was held at the home of the organization leaders, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Barnett.

Mrs. Veardeon Dobkins and John Holland led games for the 18 that attended.

The 4-H Club meetings will resume September 5 with the election of officers. The meeting will be held in the Taylor Cooperative building.

Holder Serves On USS Lenawee

Cecil A. Holder, machinist's mate second class, USN, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe N. Holder of Merkel, is serving aboard the attack transport ship USS Lenawee, a Seventh Fleet unit, which recently participated in a joint U.S.-Republic of Korea amphibious exercise dubbed "Operation Flagpole" and conducted near Seoul, Korea.

The training exercise involved 67 ships plus numerous Marine air and ground units of both nations.

It ended June 28 as U.S. and Korean Marines secured their last objectives after four days shore combat amid driving rain.

"Flagpole" is similar to other operations periodically conducted to improve proficiency in amphibious maneuvers. It is aimed also at maintaining close working relations between allied nations.

It consisted of a mock invasion force gaining limited control of parts of the Republic of Korea and requiring action by American and Korean forces to destroy the enemy and restore governmental control.

The Lenawee normally operates out of San Diego, Calif.

Jimmie Brown has returned to East Africa after spending some time with his mother, Mrs. J. R. Brown. He is with an exploration company and has spent two years in North Africa.

MISSILE

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the sustainer and vernier engines is then sufficient to continue pushing the missile.

The re-entry vehicle containing the warhead is then separated from the missile and continues on its ballistic path to its target.

The silo concept of the Atlas F system is designed to withstand all but a direct hit by a thermonuclear warhead. The launch complex consists of a concrete silo and launch control center (LCC) connected by a tunnel approximately 100 feet long. This tunnel contains three large steel blast doors. The concrete tunnel which connects the LCC to topside contains two steel blast doors and two entrapment doors. The entrapment doors are used for security and can only be opened from the LCC. They are monitored by closed circuit television.

The LCC is a reinforced concrete, cylindrical - shaped room 44 feet in diameter and 33 feet high, containing a steel crib, divided into two levels, which is supported by an air - cushioned suspension system.

The LCC lower level contains missile launch control equipment, facility control equipment, and communication facilities. The upper level contains a kitchen, latrine, air conditioning and heating equipment and a sleeping area.

The silo is a cylindrical hole, 52 feet in diameter and about 17 stories in depth with a concrete wall varying from 2 feet in thickness at the bottom to 9 feet at the top. Within the silo an octagonal structural steel crib divided into eight levels (numbered from top to bottom) is suspended by a system of mechanical springs.

The total length to the overhead silo doors is 33 feet. They are 22 feet wide and 21-2 feet thick and are made of reinforced concrete. Each door weighs 150,000 pounds.

The following is a brief description of silo equipment by levels.

Level 1—This level contains the Missile Lifting Equipment and

Silo Air Conditioning Equipment. Also the missile.

Level 2—Contains the Primary Power distribution centers and the hydraulic power packages for the missile lifting system.

Level 3—Contains the Launch Control Logic Units. These units automatically control the complete operation for loading and launch of the missile.

Level 4—Contains the water systems for the complex. Here are all the pumps and water chillers units used for LCC and Missile Enclosure Area air conditioning systems.

Level 5 and 6—Contains the power generation equipment consisting of 2 715 HP Diesel engines driving 300 KW alternators. Level 5 also contains the necessary equipment to allow operation of the units in parallel. Primary power is 480 volts, 3 phase AC.

Level 7—Contains the prefabs required to load cryogenics on the missile. These prefabs control gaseous nitrogen (GN2) pressure to load Liquid Oxygen (LOX) and Liquid Nitrogen (LN2).

Level 8 — Contains the storage tanks for LOX, LN2, and Helium outside the missile enclosure and inside are located the units that control loading of helium and fuel on the missile and the unit that controls the missile tank pressures. The launcher platform where the missile is mounted is located inside the missile enclosure area. It has four levels for equipment that must accompany the missile to the top of the silo.

Compere Slates Cemetery Work

A "cemetery working" is slated for Tuesday, August 13, at the Compere Community.

Everyone who is interested is invited to come and participate, however, each individual is asked to bring tools such as rake, hoe, etc., said Ross Merritt, treasurer of the cemetery association.

He further added that the working hours are set from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. with lunch being served at the first Baptist Church.

Each individual should bring a basket lunch, concluded Merritt.

BIRTHS

A son, Manuel Jr. was born to Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Biera of 207 Taylor at 7 a.m. Friday Aug. 2 in Sadler Clinic-Hospital. The baby weighed 7 lbs. 14 ozs.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Eugene Dye, 1950 Sewell in Abilene, are the parents of a son, Harold Eugene, born at 11:40 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 1 at Sadler Clinic-Hospital. The baby weighed 6 pounds and 14½ ozs.

A daughter, Gaylene Francis, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Billy Greenfield in the Big Spring Hospital July 24th.

The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Cal Montgomery of Lamesa and Mr. and Mrs. Jay Greenfield of Merkel. The great-grandmother is Mrs. E. A. Click of Merkel.

Funeral Held For Tye Woman

Funeral was held Saturday in the Tye Methodist Church for Mrs. T. J. Hinds, 76, of Tye, who died at 9 a.m. Friday in Sadler Clinic at Merkel.

The Rev. Bill Wright, pastor, officiated. Burial was in the Tye Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Warren Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were David N. Warner, Marshall Alvord, L. L. Knight, Marvin Holloway, Marion Hufstetler and Beauford Hinds.

Born Jan. 18, 1887, in Cleburne, she moved to Buffalo Gap as a small child. She married R. W. Askins, who died Jan. 10, 1918, in Duncan, Okla.

She married T. J. Hinds in December, 1923 in Abilene.

Surviving in addition to her husband are three daughters, Mrs. Henry Beck of Austin, Mrs. W. H. Rister of Tye and Mrs. W. O. Race of San Angelo; a son, Maurice Askins of Tye; two step-daughters, Mrs. Louis Guentzel of California and Mrs. W. G. West of Waco; a step son Marvin Hinds of Stamford; a sister, Mrs. Charles O. Hnacher of San Antonio; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Merkel Team Wins 2, Loses 2

Merkel Independents played four games in the National Baseball Congress in Lubbock in which they won two and lost two.

In a Saturday night game they defeated Amarillo 6-2. Sunday night they played Seminole in which Seminole was the 8-2 victor. In Monday's game Merkel swept past Hamlin 10-7, but they were eliminated from the State NBC semipro baseball tournament with Amarillo's 5-4 victory Tuesday night.

Amarillo's one point lead in the last game came when Merkel's pitcher Dick Whisenhunt hit a batter with the bases loaded and forced in the winning run.

Billy Higgins, Joe Vick, Manley Denton and Riley Seymore each collected two hits for Merkel.

Other members of the teams are George English, Danny Doan, Ruddy Eddington, Connell Higgins, Connie Mack Seymore, Walter Whisenhunt and Floyd Page, manager.

Gift Tea Honors Sandra Kay Hale

Sandra Kay Hale, bride elect of Bobby Malone, was honored with a gift tea in the home of Mrs. Horace Boney in Merkel Friday night.

The tea table was covered with red net over satin; spider mums were arranged in the center of the table caring out the bride-elect's chosen colors of red and white.

Mrs. Benny Melton greeted guests. Those in the receiving line were Miss Hale, her mother, Mrs. Fritz Hale, and Mrs. Robert Malone, the prospective bride groom's mother.

Mary Jane Horton registered guests and Mrs. Dink Whisenhunt and Carolyn Anderson served.

Hostesses were Mmes Joan Reed, Marie Derrick, Mildred Reager, Ruby Ridale, Liz Eager, Helen Benson, Ann Palmer, Almeda Bullock, Margarette Newby, Lena Dunagin, Medelon Horton, Faye Robertson, Betty Cypert, Ted Wilson and Fannelle Boney.

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Religious Review

"POWER TO BECOME"
Devotional by Howard Marcom

Most of us have longed to be someone we are not. A boy may dream of the day when he can sail around the world, rise to high office, or gain fame in some endeavor. Perhaps this is necessary in our lives. We hope to make a mark in this world.

One of the most devastating experiences so far as a man's pride is concerned is to be treated as if he were an humble or common man — a man that is hardly worth the notice. Many times we have risen above the level of the ordinary because some friend thought we were better than we knew we were.

The Lord saw what man might become. The Scriptures tell us: "—as many as received him, to them gave he power to be-

come the sons of God —" (John 1:12.) Here we have the indication what can be done when the Lord directs and grants power to my life and yours. God's great concern reaches to all mankind, to everyone. In each of our lives there is the need for God if we are to become what we should be. God is as necessary for the happy life as the air we breathe. His spirit can lead us to become His children — this greatest of power to become. To become a true child of God in our lives and dedication is the most noble of achievement.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Howard Marcom, pastor

SUNDAY
Sunday School 9:45
Preaching 10:55
Youth Meeting 6:30

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Sunday School 10:00
Preaching Service ... 11:00
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Bill Williams, pastor

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Sunday School 10:00
Preaching Service 11:00
Training Union 6:00
Preaching Service 7:00
3rd and El Paso Streets

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Kenneth Joiner, pastor

SUNDAY
Bible School 9:45
Morning Worship 10:30
Evening Classes 6:00
Evening Worship 6:45
WEDNESDAY
Bible Classes 8:00

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
W. D. Tanner, pastor

SUNDAY
Sunday School 9:45

Sunday School Broadcast 10:15
Morning Service and Broadcast 11:00
Training Union 6:30
Evening Service 7:30
Youth Council Meeting .. 8:30
TUESDAY
WMU Visitation 9:30
Sunbeams 9:30
Jr. G.A. 9:30
WEDNESDAY
Evening Services 7:30
THURSDAY

Visitation
ASSEMBLY OF GOD
John Curtis, pastor
SUNDAY
Sunday School 9:45
Preaching 11:00
Evening Preaching 7:00
WEDNESDAY
Mid-Week Evangelistic Service 7:30
THURSDAY
Young People Service .. 7:30

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WEDNESDAY
Evening Service 8:00

Turner Reunion To Be Held Aug. 11

The decedents of the late Mr. and Mrs. F. Z. Turner, pioneer settlers of Mulberry Canyon, will meet Sunday, August 11 for the annual Turner reunion. The reunion is to be held at the Merkel Community Center.

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HOME DEMONSTRATION NOTES

By LORETA ALLEN

SAVE MONEY DURING YOUR VACATION

There are ways to save money during your vacation without cutting down on your fun, says Mrs. Wanda Barkley Meyer, Extension Service home management specialist.

The best device is a carefully kept notebook, she emphasized. The record should include:

1. Gasoline and sales taxes. State gasoline taxes can total 20 per cent or more of your gasoline bill during a summer trip. You get full deduction for these on your tax return, so be sure to keep a full record of your mileage and the taxes you pay in each state. Many states have special sales taxes on merchandise, food and hotel lodgings. You can deduct most of these taxes, which in some states are as much as 5 per cent.

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doesn't mean you can't deduct the cost of travel to and the convention and your living expenses there. The only requirement is that your principal reason for attending is business. You must keep an accurate and separate record of your business expenses. Obviously, the costs of sightseeing and other personal items, such as expenses of your wife and children who accompany you, are not business expenses.

3. Conventions of charitable organizations. If you attend these as a delegate of your organization, you can deduct the costs of travel and your stay. The deductions are made as contributions and not business expense.
4. Business entertaining at your summer home or club. Since the Treasury Department will question summer business entertaining and travel expenses to uncover any personal vacation costs, you must keep accurate records of your expenses and the names of business clients you entertain.

5. Bazaars and picnics. You can deduct as charitable contributions the market value of any goods or food you donate to a bazaar run by a church, school or other philanthropic organization.

HOMEMAKING BRIEFS

America's 10 million-plus girls are the most poorly fed group, nutrition-wise, in the nation, nutrition experts emphasize.

Six times as many college graduates earn \$10,000 or more a year as do high school graduates.

With 4,642,000 tons of foreign sugar — either shipped or committed as of the end of last month — and 5,703,000 tons of domestic sugar available, we have about 550,000 tons more than we will use this year, reports the USDA.

Look for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's "shield of quality" on the egg carton to determine quality of eggs you buy. Eggs graded for quality under federal supervision are identified with a shield-shaped grade mark, and are your cue that they have met the designated grade standards.

When the heat and humidity get you down, you'll fare better if you maintain a well-balanced diet, reminds Mrs. Gwendolyn Clyatt, Extension Service consumer marketing specialist.

Don't do as many people do —

try to get by on skimpy, low-protein meals during the summer, she advises.

When the temperatures soar, you seldom eat as much as usual, but it's the choice of foods which is important, not the quantity. Franks, hamburgers, cold cuts and quick cooking steak — so easy to prepare for summer meals — will help keep you feeling fresh and fit.

Poultry counters continue to offer economical menu items. Fryers are abundant and prices edge a little lower. Plenty of turkeys await your selection.

Large grade A eggs rate as exceptional values. They offer an excellent means of adding protein to summer meals.

Summer fruits are arriving at markets in increasing supplies, and prices are moderate to low. Peaches, bananas, limes and lemons, watermelons, cantaloupes and honeydew melons are good choices. Grapes and plums are down a little in price from last week.

Vegetable quality is generally improved and prices are moderate to low. Tomatoes, corn, carrots, cabbage, eggplant, green and hot peppers, okra, cucumbers, squash, purple-hull and crowder peas represent good vegetable buys.

These hot days make you think of salads. Here is a frozen fruit salad that you can make ahead of time.

HEAVENLY FROZEN FRUIT SALAD

1. 1 teaspoon unflavored gelatin
2. 2 tablespoons lemon juice
3. 3-ounce package cream cheese
4. 1 cup mayonnaise
5. 1/4 teaspoon salt
6. 2 tablespoons sugar
7. 1/2 cup heavy cream, whipped
8. 1/4 cup chopped nuts
9. 1/4 cup quartered maraschino cherries
10. 1 No. 2 can crushed pineapple,

drained — or

1 No. 303 can fruit cocktail, drained — or

1 1/4 cups mixed, sliced fresh fruit.

Sofeten gelatin in lemon juice, set in pan of boiling water until gelatin is dissolved. Add to combined cheese, mayonnaise, salt and sugar. Fold in remainder of ingredients. Pour into ice-cube tray; freeze until firm. Slice; serve on salad greens. Serves eight.

For other salad recipes write or come by for "Salads" B-945.

STITH NEWS

By MRS. FRITZ HALE



Floyd Chappel, gin manager, started repairing the gin Monday.

Mrs. Jessie Dillion, Midland, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. M. E. West. Mrs. Dillion is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jones this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn and Rodney have returned from a vacation to Six Flags, Galveston and San Antonio.

Wilbur LoJin is in a hospital at Galveston.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Hobbs of Grand Prairie visited last week with Mr. and Mrs. John Hobbs and Mr. and Mrs. Benny Hobbs and children.

Mrs. Jessie Swindell spent last week in Cushing, Okla., with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fules and a sister, Dr. and Mrs. Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Arval Ely and children attended a family pic-

nic at Coleman Sunday. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Browning at Tuscola.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burns last week were Mamie Hardin, Midland; Mr. and Mrs. T. Burns and daughter, Jacksboro; and Sam and Sammy Burns of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning attended a singing at Potosi Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pick Payne visited Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kelso in Anson Sunday.

The Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Swindell have a new Buick.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale and Ethel Canida visited their aunt, Mrs. Zillah Bright in Trent Sunday afternoon.

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

SHOWER HONORS SANDRA HALE

Sandra Hale, bride elect of Bobby Malone, was honored with a kitchen shower in the home of Miss Louise Hudson in Merkel Monday night.

Mary Jane Horton registered guests; Caryl Anderson and Beth Dunagin served refresh-

ments from a tea table decorated in the bride elect's chosen colors of red and white.

The table was covered with a white linen cloth and the center piece was of red carnations and white Mums. Mrs. Billy Dunagin and daughter, Mary were hostesses.

The average Texas physician practices medicine 60 hours a week, devoting 1/4 hours to patients who are unable to pay for medical care.

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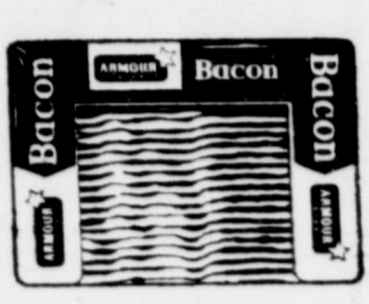
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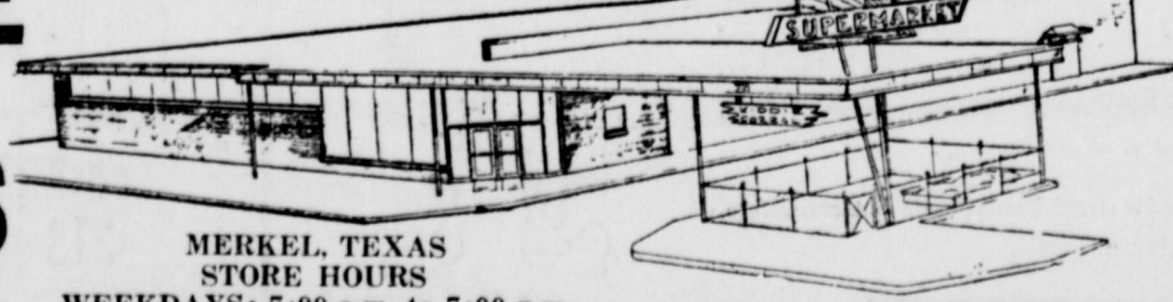
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