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Up The Canyon

By TOM
RUSSOM

This is the Monday, May 29, and more smiles were on the faces of farmers and stockmen due to the early morning rain, giving our area one - half inch, falling slowly and all going into the ground. Native pasture has changed so it is almost unbelievable. Our area is fixed for the summer as for water for the livestock.

Farmers have been handicapped as far as planting crops, due to the lack of moisture — until now, and hopes are that many seed will be going into the ground in a few days.

The children of the late J. D. Jones had their regular annual reunion at the Butman Community Center last Sunday. There was a good turnout of relatives and friends. One daughter, Mrs. R. W. Johnson of California, flew here by plane and returned Tuesday of this week to her home.

Guss and Charlie Brandon of Baird and Putnam were here for the reunion. They are cousins to the Jones.

Perhaps there was never a tougher cowboy anywhere than Guss Brandon when he was a young man. He told us of how he used to work on the ranch of the late Sam Butman for fifty cents per day.

We delivered our wool down to San Angelo last week. Just visited a round at the huge warehouse for a little while. The owners were glad to see us and took us on a tour through the warehouse, where there were 1,000,000 pounds of wool stored. We were told that the wool would be stored there until fall, and then it would be shipped to Boston — and other points to the wool mills.

The owners of the warehouse told us they plan to sell a lot of mohair soon and to tell our banker, Booth Warren, we are hoping to sell his three clips too.

Mrs. Newton Daniel of the Merkel Methodist Church spoke at Pioneer Church Sunday morning. She brought a fine talk.

CUB SCOUTS HOLD BACKYARD COOKOUT

A backyard cookout was held by Cub Scouts of Den 4 at the home of Den Mother Mrs. Clyde Bunch Thursday, May 19.

The cookout was also a farewell party for Mrs. Bunch, who will be "retiring from scouting" this year.

"There comes a time in every den mother's life when she must retire for some reason or another," said Mrs. Bunch. "And it is not a completely happy time.

"The 'Cubs' you have hiked with, laughed and cried with are quickly growing into citizens, alert and progressive.

"My hope is that each 'Cub' I have lead has become more aware of tohers, of nature, and most important of all, of God."

Mrs. Bunch, who has been a den mother for approximately two and one half years, plans a five year vacation. "Then," she says, "I will probably get back into the business again. Since I will have a little 'cub' ready for action."

Cubs attending the cookout were Gaylon Boone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Boone; Scott Tarpley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Tarpley; Donald Dye, son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wayne Dye; Darrell Bunch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bunch; Duane Pack, son of Mrs. Hazel Pack, and Johnny Frazier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Frazier.

All the Cub Scouts will be eligible for Boy Scouts next year, said Mrs. Bunch.

Summer Recreation Days To Begin Monday, June 5



READY FOR SUMMER RECREATION — When the "doors open" Monday morning, these youngsters will be waiting for the planned activities awaiting them at Summer Recreation. They are, back row, from left, Grant Murrell, Garth Doan, Gregg Doan and Kathryn Murrell; front row, Johnny Raglin and Christie Hewitt. (Staff Photo)

Program Slated For All Ages

School's Out!
Vacation time is here!
And that calls for Summer Recreation.

And Summer Recreation is here... almost!
Beginning Monday morning, June 5, a summer of fun - packed activities await Merkel area boys and girls.

Program supervisor Bill Tate said that activities are planned to interest all who enroll.

Sponsored by the Merkel Chamber of Commerce and the Merkel Independent School Board, the program is designed for all age groups.

Registration fees for the summer program will be \$6.00 if paid on or before the program's opening day. After June 5, the fee will be \$7.50 or \$1.00 per week per student.

Tate said that parents who are interested in enrolling children before the opening day to call him at his home, 1502 South 3rd, or Johnny Cox at the Merkel Chamber of Commerce office.

Registration beginning June 5 will be done at the High School Gym.

The full five day week of activity will include planned indoor and outdoor games, track and field (all ages) and intermediate age and up weight lifting and also baseball.

"Saturday's will be open," said Tate, "and no activities will be scheduled because of the regular track events held on that day."

Age groups that will be participating in special events are 10 and under, 11-12 age group, 13-14 and 15-17 age groups.

Tournaments will also be held in badminton, tennis and shuffleboard.

The schedule of activities Monday through Friday will be:

9 a.m. - 10:30 outdoor games, track and field, all ages.
10:30 - 11:30 — indoor games, intermediate weight lifting and up.
11:50 - 12 — Check in and clean up.

12:00 - 2:00 p.m. — Noon break.
2:00 - 3:30 — indoor games (badminton lessons, 10 and under).
3:30 - 5:00 — outdoor games.

ASTEROID UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Roddy are the new owners and managers of the Asteroid Restaurant and Motel on Interstate 20.

Business transactions were made with Mr. and Mrs. Lawton Finch, former owners this week, said Mr. Roddy.

The Roddys, who have been in the restaurant and motel business approximately seventeen years, came to Merkel from Canyon, where they were in the cafe business, and were members of the Canyon Chamber of Commerce.

They have three children, a son, 20, who is presently at Fort Sam Houston, doing National Guard medic training, another son, 18, who will be a senior at Merkel High School this fall, and a daughter, 9, who will be in the fourth grade at Merkel Elementary School.

The Roddys are members of the Methodist Church.

CUB SCOUTS VISIT WHITE HAT RANCH

Members of Cub Scouts, Pack 20 were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Deen at the White Hat Ranch in Blackwell Friday, May 26.

Cub Scouts were accompanied by Mmes. Bill Tarpley, Bob DuBose, Ernest Walters, Danny Bob DuBose, Cliff Smith, Scott Tarpley, Ray King, Charles Knight, Charles Williams, Roger Grayson, Bobby Webb, Mike Henry, Steven Tarpley and Gwyn Tip-ton.

Den Chiefs are Tommy and Wayne Walters.

Midway Cemetery Assn. to Meet

The annual meeting of the Midway Cemetery Association will be held Sunday, June 4 at the Midway Cemetery Tabernacle, according to association president, W. H. Cook.

"This is also a reunion of Hodges residents and ex - residents," said Cook.

A memorial service will begin at 11 a.m. followed by a basket lunch noon meal. Following lunch a short business session will be held and the remainder of the time will be spent with visiting friends and "reviewing accomplishments made by the association in our cemetery," said Cook.

Benefit Show

The Merkel Jaycees have scheduled a Benefit Show to be held Saturday, June 3 at the High School Auditorium.

The benefit show is being planned for the McWilliams - Adcock Appreciation Fund, and will begin at 8:30 p.m.

The musical will feature the Black Mountain Boys, and Ann Dye, Ben Greathouse and the Country Gentlemen, and other area entertainers.

Jaycee president, Tommy Cutler said there would be no admission charge for the three hour show.

Merkel Merchants Attend Fall Show

Several Merkel merchants attended the Ladies Fall Market in Dallas this week.

Attending were Sylvan Mellinger from Mellinger's Dry Goods, Mrs. Dee Grimes, and Mrs. Ethel Pee from Bragg's, and Mr. and Mrs. Onis Crawford of Crawford's.

A SUMMER TIME OF FUN



BICYCLE BRIGADE — These Merkel youngsters are ready to take off on a bicycle hike, and they're prepared even down to a "protector" — Todd, the long-eared dog belonging to the Bowen children. They are from left, Debbie Bowen, Sandy Hogan, David Bowen, and Steve Shugart. The crowd in background are, from left, Pam, Debbie and Kim Mashburn, and Danna Bowen. (Staff Photos)



READY FOR BOOK BROWSING — "Each to his own tastes," these youngsters agree. And they choose a comfortable place to read. They are, from left, Danna Bowen, Pam, Kim and Debbie Mashburn. After their bicycle hike, Sandy Hogan, left, and Debbie Bowen, in background, look forward to joining the "bookworms."

Merkel Scouts Honored at Meet

Alan Reed and John Dixon were among the thirty - five Boy Scouts who were honored at Camp Tonkawa Saturday, May 27.

Kotso Lodge 330, Order of the Arrow, a national brotherhood of honor campers of the Chisholm Trail Council of Boy Scouts, conferred the Vigil Honor on Alan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Reed.

John, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Dixon, became a member of the Order of the Arrow at the Saturday activity.

Alan is presently on the staff at Camp Tonkawa for six weeks.

Buddy Poppy Sale

The annual Buddy Poppy Sale, conducted by Merkel Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5683 and its Ladies Auxiliary netted \$142.11 last weekend.

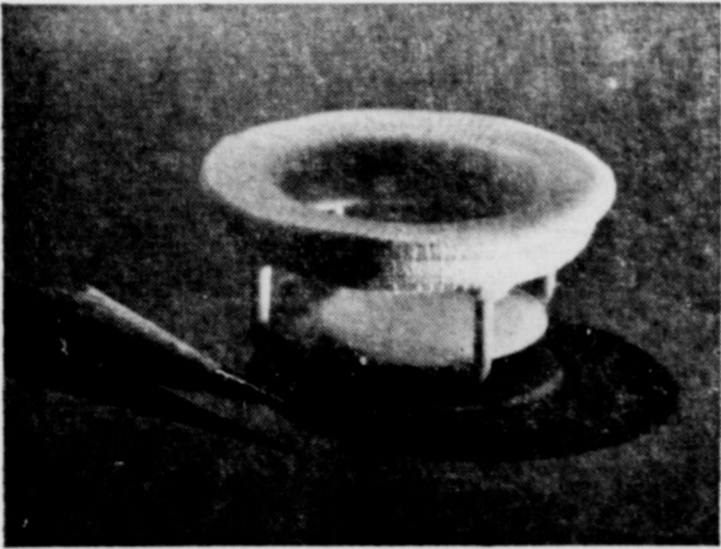
Post and auxiliary members were assisted by the Merkel Boy Scouts.

Funds are used for disabled veterans work, the Post's National Home, and rehabilitation work. Co-chairmen were Mmes. Wanda Tittle, Viola Ensminger, Louise Dean, and Faye Crenshaw.

PUGGY



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HOUSTON, TEXAS—New man-made heart valve developed by a Baylor University School of Medicine researcher working with research grant of the Texas Heart Association offers great promise for surgical correction of diseased heart valves. Former minimal problems of resultant blood clotting appear to have been corrected by this new device which has no exposed metal-plastic junctions considered to have been the cause for blood clotting in from 5 to 10% of the cases formerly corrected by other valves. Research on the new valve covered two years.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
 1. Essential
 6. High peak
 9. Wipe up
 12. Silly
 13. Also
 14. Anger
 15. Cared for the sick
 17. More frigid
 19. Erbium: chem.
 20. Creases
 22. Withered
 24. Falsehood
 25. Flower cluster
 28. Seed covering
 30. Act
 32. Cow's cry
 33. Body part
 35. Baseball term
 37. Length measure
 38. Printer's measure
 40. Bird
 41. Uncovered
 43. Japanese sash
 45. Accordingly
 48. Spectator
 51. Above
 52. In shadow

DOWN
 1. Creeping plants
 2. Accustom
 3. Sailor: slang
 4. Replies
 5. Sly glance
 6. Near
 7. Fastened with key
 8. Pond
 9. Time of year
 10. Metallic rock
 11. Through
 16. Pickle
 18. Permit
 21. Nickel: chem.
 23. Means of transportation
 26. Enemy
 27. Rocky hill

ANSWER TO PUZZLE

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Rev. Bill Tanner To Pastors' Workshop in June

The Rev. Bill Tanner, pastor of Merkel's First Baptist Church, will attend the Pastors' Conference at Southwestern Theological Seminary June 26-30. Rev. Tanner said the conference will consist of Old and New Testament studies. Dr. David Garland will conduct a study on Ezekiel and Dr. Virtus Gideon, the New Testament studies. Dr. Jesse Northcutt will lead a workshop on sermon building, and Dr. James F. Eaves of Memphis Tenn., the chapel and workshop services. Rev. Tanner also plans to attend the Bible Conference at Baylor University to be held later this summer.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COUNTY COURT TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS ESTATE OF CARROLL W. ROGERS, DECEASED NO. 8787 NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST ESTATE OF CARROLL W. ROGERS, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration upon the ESTATE OF CARROLL W. ROGERS, were issued to me, the undersigned, on the 25 day of May, 1967, in the proceeding indicated below my signature hereto, which is still 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 respectfully at the address below given before suit upon same are barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law. My residence and post office address are: 1833 South First Street, Abilene, Taylor County, Texas.

DATED this 26 day of May, 1967.
 CARROLL R. ROGERS
 Administrator of the Estate of Carroll W. Rogers, No. 8787
 in the County Court of Taylor County, Texas.

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The Road Report . . . BY ARBA

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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: Julius Fonseca, Defendant, Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty - two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 26th day of June A.D. 1967, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 17th day of October A.D. 1966, in this cause, numbered 2924 on the docket of said court and styled Janie Fonseca, Plaintiff, vs. Julius Fonseca, Defendant. A brief statement of the nature

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JAYCEE INSTALLATION — Carl Giles, left, outgoing Jaycee president, presents incoming president, Tommy Cutler, with the president's pin and a "goodluck" handshake, at their recent installation services. 1967-68 Jaycee-ETTE officers are Mrs. Jack Brown, center, and from left, Mrs. Carl Giles and Mrs. Joe Mashburn. (Photo Courtesy Taylor Electric Cooperative)

The Casualty Count by Jerry Marcus



Carelessness and inattention are prime causes of accidents.

Mrs. Hamilton Dies at Age 87

Mrs. Seth Hamilton, 87, a pioneer Merkel resident, died Friday, May 23, in Wilcox, Ariz., after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services for Mrs. Hamilton were held Monday, May 29, in the Merkel Methodist Church with the Rev. Newton Daniel, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

She was born Celestine Everitt Feb. 11, 1880 in Homer, Tex. She moved with her parents to Merkel in 1907 and married Seth Hamilton in 1908. He died in 1929.

Mrs. Hamilton owned and operated the Merkel Hotel from 1929 until 1953 and since that time made her home in Dallas and in Wilcox.

She was a member of the Merkel Methodist Church.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Ethel Shafer of Dallas and Mrs. Elanor Mae Collins of Wilcox; six grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and three nephews.

The hardest American softwood is longleaf pine. The hardest hardwood is bois d'arc. Both trees grow in Texas.

Six Flags Begins Summer Schedule

ARLINGTON — Beginning Saturday, May 27, Six Flags Over Texas commenced its summer schedule of operating seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. through Labor Day, Sept. 4.

Angus G. Wynne Jr., founder of Six Flags and president of Great Southwest Corporation, owner and operator of the Park, called the 1967 Spring operations "the best ever. In 1966 we opened on April 16 and drew 162,468 visitors through May 22. This year we opened on April 29 and, despite six days of rain and six less operating days, we still drew 158,315 visitors through May 21."

Baby Girl Born To Burl Dillard

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Burl Dillard of St. Louis, Mo., Thursday, May 25.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dillard of Noodle, and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crawford of Miami, Fla., presently in New Delhi, India.

Mrs. Dillard of Noodle said that she received the news within ten minutes after the little girl was born.

The young arrival, named Marina Mayes, has a brother, David, 6, and a sister, Nancy, 5.

Steck-Campbell Vows June 24

Mrs. Mamie W. Steck has announced the approaching marriage of her daughter, Honey Ann, to Dennis Dwain Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Campbell of Stamford.

The wedding will be June 24 in the parsonage of the First Methodist Church in Merkel.

The bride-elect is a 1966 graduate of Merkel High School and has attended Ranger Junior College.

Campbell is a graduate of Stamford High School and also has attended Ranger Junior College. He is employed with General Dynamics of Fort Worth.

TRENT 4-H'ERS HOLD ACHIEVEMENT TEA

The Trent 4H Girls' Club held its annual Achievement Tea in the school cafeteria May 16, with Pam McElmurray as mistress of ceremonies.

Inspiration was given by Cheryl Irwin, Tina Hamner, Cindy Beasley, Gayla Heatly, and Marie Warren.

Judy Brnovak gave a demonstration on "The Label Tells the Story," and Tina Hamner presented her demonstration on "Good Grooming and Proper Posture."

A skit was presented by Theresa McElmurray and Pam McElmurray spoke on "What 4-H Should Mean to You."

Pins were presented to the members by Miss Carolyn Gilbert, assistant Home Demonstration Agent.

Hostesses for the Tea were members of the Goodman Home Demonstration Club, Mmes. C. H. Butler, Dennis Butler, Frank Carter, H. H. Windham and Karl Bonneaux.

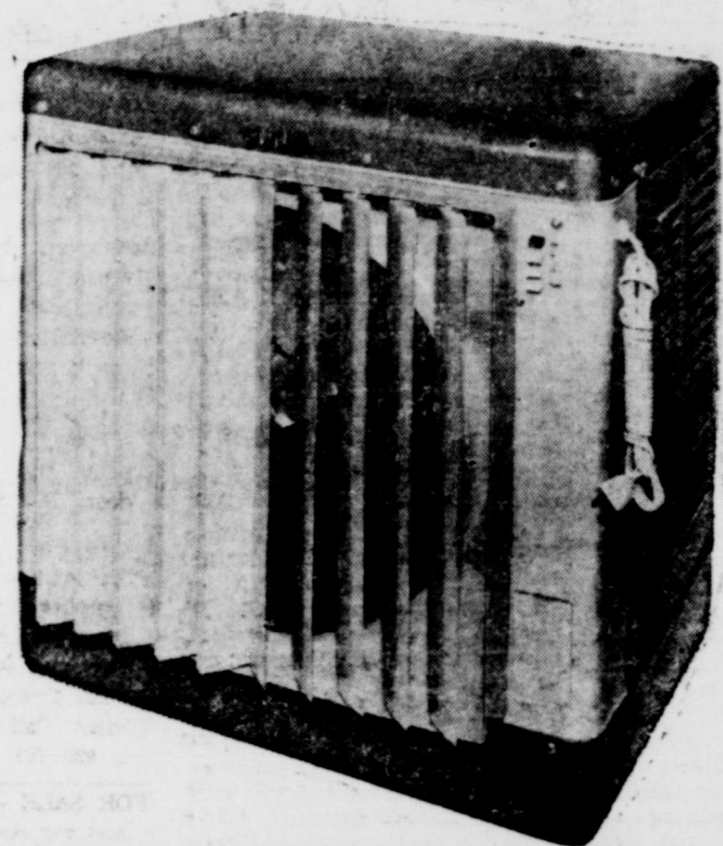
TSCRA Directors To Meet June 2-3

An opportunity for an inside look at the Renner Farming System and the Renner Pasture System will highlight the quarterly directors' meeting of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association June 2-3.

These farming and ranching systems will be shown and explained during a June 3 (morning tour) of the Texas Research Foundation at Renner, Texas. The Foundation north of Dallas, has contributed greatly to the progress of North Texas ranching.

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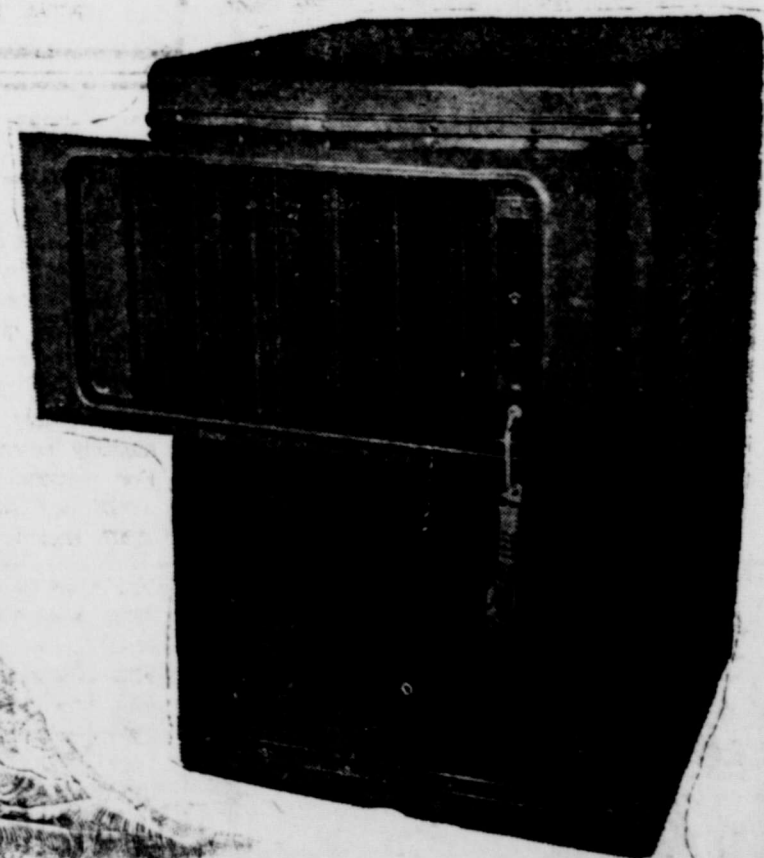


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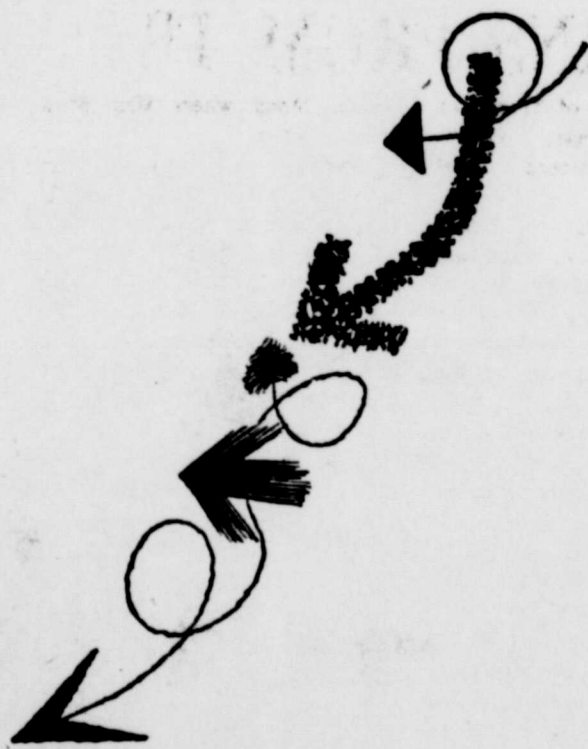
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CARTER-HINDS VOWS EXCHANGED

Miss Caron Kay Carter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alice B. Carter of Rt. 1, Merkel, and Ronnie Dale Hinds, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard A. Hinds of Joshua, were married Saturday, May 27, in the First Baptist Church at Ranger. The Rev. Avery Sullivan, pas-

tor, officiated. Verganna Goswick was organist and soloist was Sue Dickerson of Trent. Mrs. Paul T. Hinds was pianist.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was attended by Gloria Goolsby, of Spanish Fort, maid of honor. Bridesmaid was Patricia Kay Meinzer of Benjamin.

Best man was Johnny McGee of Ranger, and Joe Bob Taylor of Dallas was groomsmen.

Ushers were Jodie Watts of Arlington and Chuck Crow of Fort Worth.

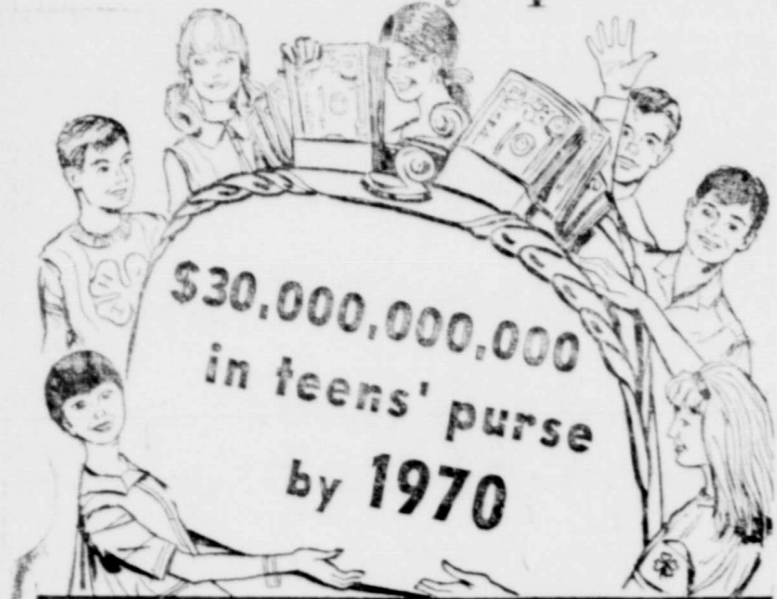
The bride wore an empire A-line gown with lace cover. Her train was formed by her coat. She wore a short veil caught by roses on a pillbox hat. She carried glamelias on a Bible.

The bride's attendants wore apricot whipped cream and lace dresses. They carried single white carnations.

A graduate of Noodle Horn High School, the bride attended Baylor University. She holds an associate in arts degree from Ranger Junior College where she was a member of the Rangeans' basketball team, the Debs and the College Choir.

The bridegroom is a Ranger High School and Ranger Junior College graduate. He is a student at Texas Wesleyan College where his activities include baseball. He was listed on the dean's honor roll. The couple will live in Fort Worth.

How Will They Spend It?



A new emphasis has been added to one of the oldest programs for 4-H Club members. The 45-year-old national 4-H Home Economics program this year features consumer education, according to the National 4-H Service Committee.

The reason for introducing the consumer section in the program is because of the need for more guidance in this field in view of the tremendous buying power of American teenagers, a committee spokesman says.

By 1970 teenagers will spend from \$21 to \$30 billion. This compares to \$11 billion spent in 1963.

An informed shopper is further underscored by the fact that today's teens will suddenly become tomorrow's homemakers.

Club members who highlight consumer emphasis in their projects will be rewarded by Montgomery Ward, the program sponsor.

Awards are six national \$500 scholarships, a trip to the National Club Congress in Chicago for the state winner, and honor medals for four top members in the county. Winners are named by the Cooperative Extension Services which directs all 4-H programs.

To help 4-H leaders and members carry out program goals, the National 4-H Service Committee has published a brochure entitled "4-H Home Economics with Emphasis on Consumer Education."

This educational aid will show 4-H girls and boys, who contribute a sizeable sum to the nation's economy, how they can get the most for their dollars.

Among things to do are (1) become familiar with stores in the community (2) examine quality of merchandise and services (3) check brands, labels, utility (4) compare impulse buying versus planned buying. The young consumers also are urged to study ads, take advantage of seasonal sales, and learn about cash, credit and installment buying.

In less than three years, it is estimated that more than one-fifth of the total U.S. population will be between 10 and 19 years of age. The purchasing power of this young generation will exceed anything in the past.

Today approximately 1.3 million 4-H youths are engaged in home economics projects involving some purchasing. Most of the members are girls, but with the emphasis on consumer education 4-H leaders expect more boys to participate.

Their reasoning is that boys buy clothing, grooming aids, food, furnishings for their rooms, record players, records, televisions and radios.

Girl members buy the same things plus small appliances, sewing and interior decoration items. The importance of being

AMERICAN RED CROSS WATER SAFETY TIPS

The following are water safety tips that Red Cross suggest you read and follow:

Always swim with a companion — never alone.

Swim in a safe place. The presence of lifeguards usually indicates the area is safe for swimming. Stay away from the area immediately in front of the diving board and do not swim near piers or pilings.

Before diving, make sure the water is deep enough and there are no hidden objects such as submerged rocks. In pools look for depth markings before entering.

If you have not been swimming since last summer, take it easy at first. Recognize your limitations and stay within them.

Wait at least an hour after eat-

ing before swimming and don't swim when overheated or over-tired.

Be sure rescue equipment such

as buoys and reaching poles are readily available at all swimming areas.

Don't depend on a tube or inflated toy to hold you up. They can slip away from you.

Whenever a storm approaches, get out of the water — it is a conductor of electricity.

NEW ARRIVAL

A.I.C. and Mrs. Clarence Harris, former Merkel residents, announce the birth of a son, Michael David, May 24 at Reece Air Force Base in Lubbock.

Mrs. Harris is the former Kay Stallo of Merkel.



OPEN MEETINGS NOW MANDATORY—Gov. John Connally signs Senate Bill 94 in the presence of Garth Jones, Associated Press; Sen. Chet Brooks of Pasadena, sponsor of the bill; Stuart Long, Long News Service, Austin; and Don Scarbrough, Williamson County Sun, Georgetown. All are members of Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalism fraternity, one of several groups that urged the bill's passage.

Jones is president of the Austin SDX Chapter and Capitol Correspondent for AP. Scarbrough is a member of Texas Press Association's legislative committee. Rep. Bill Rapp of Raymondville, House sponsor, was unable to be present. Under the terms of the bill all meetings of official public bodies must be open to the press and to the public. Connally proclaimed the law "a great step forward for the people of Texas."

TAX MAN SAM SEZ:

During the summer thousands of students find jobs and become taxpayers through our income tax withholding system. The Internal Revenue Service reminds these students that they should be sure to file an income tax return next January 1, even though they make less than \$600. Students who work only during the summer are usually entitled to a refund. Unless they file an income tax return, the Government has no method of giving them a refund of the taxes they do owe.

Nephew Killed In Vietnam War

Army Sgt. Lonnie L. Smith of Terrell, Tex., and nephew of Mrs. Will Butman and Mrs. L. J. Renfro and Mr. John D. Jones, all of Merkel, was killed in Vietnam Saturday, May 19; notification was received by his parents in Terrell Wednesday.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Richard Smith of Terrell.

Sgt. Smith had completed training at Fort Benning, Ga.

Funeral arrangements will be made at Terrell upon arrival of the body from Vietnam.

His survivors include his wife and two children of Terrell; his parents; a brother, Don Smith of Terrell; a sister, Mrs. Andrew Jackson of San Antonio; and his aunts, Mrs. Butman, Mrs. Renfro and Mrs. Clovis Harrison of Menahare, and Mrs. R. W. Johnson of Hawthorne, Calif.; and uncle, John Jones of Merkel.

LITTLE LEAGUE STANDINGS

	Won	Lost	Tied	Avg.
Killowats	4	1	0	.800
Chevies	4	2	0	.667
Willies	3	3	0	.500
Supers	3	3	0	.500
Bankers	2	3	0	.400
Braves	1	5	0	.167

Degrees Awarded Merkel Graduates

Roger Moore and Kenneth Don Ray received their Bachelor of Science degrees from McMurry College at their May 22 commencement.

Roger is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Moore of Rt. 2, Merkel, and is a 1963 graduate of Merkel High School.

A 1962 graduate of Merkel High School, Ray is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Don Ray, also of Rt. 2, Merkel.

Ray's major is elementary education, and Moore's is English.

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By LONNIE WATSON
Soil Scientist

In the 1700s, when the U.S. was uncultivated, topsoil was nine inches deep; today, 200 years later the topsoil is only six inches thick, which is a loss of one third. What will happen in the next 200 years?

Our problem now is to conserve what we have left. We must use the soil and not abuse it. Conser-

vation of soil means using it in such a way that future generations may continue to enjoy its benefits.

How can we successfully do this? STOP EROSION! The methods for doing this are the following: (1) careless stock - grazing; use the rotation stock - grazing method to prevent over grazed land. (2) wind and rain; keep some type of cover crop on the soil year round. (3) Terracing: Terrace all land that can be terraced. (4) rotation: rotate crops every second or third year. (5) ditches: make water - way where it is necessary. These are some of the methods to save the soil in Taylor County.

A percentage of you who read this article are not farmers, and perhaps will never become farmers, ask why should this concern Me? Soil and its conservation are of vital importance to you because your food and a large percent of your clothing are grown by farmers. You will never be independent of green plants or the soil in which they grow. Therefore, "Saving the Soil" should be very important to you.



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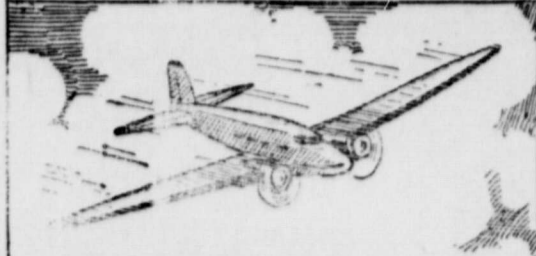
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WHAT ARE THE HARDEST AND SOFTEST MINERALS?



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TALL TEXAS TALES



Spinach fans of Crystal City, Texas really have something to look up to. In March, 1937, during the Second Annual Spinach Festival, a six-foot tall, colored concrete statue of Popeye was unveiled—the first monument ever erected to a comic character.

In the Texas tradition, even mother-in-laws are bigger and better. In Amarillo, they have their own special day started in 1934 when newspaperman Gene Howe decided to honor his own mother-in-law.



Watching the clothes go round and round in the washing machine became a popular pastime in Fort Worth when the first public "washateria" was started in 1934. More facts about Texas landmarks and innovations can be found in a two-part series in Life Magazine's July 1 and July 8 issues.

Merkelites' Kin Is Ribbon Winner

Miss Vickie SoRelle, daughter of M.Sgt. and Mrs. Bill SoRelle, Sandia Base, N.M., was a winner in the 1967 Humanities Fair, held in Albuquerque, N.M. She won two grand prize ribbons: one on her poster entered under English.

Vickie's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hartley, Rt. 1, Merkel, and Mr. and Mrs. E. K. SoRelle of Abilene. She is an 8th grade student at Van Buren Junior High in Albuquerque and has attended schools in Oklahoma, Alaska and Europe.

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fore such estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law. My residence and post office address are: 1833 South First Street, Abilene, Taylor County, Texas. DATED this 26 day of May, 1967.

CARROLL R. ROGERS
Administrator of the Estate of Gladys V. Rogers, No. 8786 in the County Court of Taylor County, Texas.

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration upon the ESTATE OF GLADYS V. ROGERS, were issued to me, the undersigned, on the 25 day of May, 1967, in the proceeding indicated below my signature hereto, which is still 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 respectfully at the address below given before suit upon same are barred by the general statutes of limitation, be-

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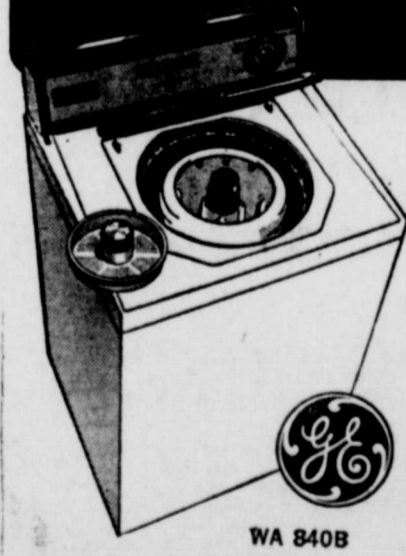


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Stith
News

By MRS.
FRITZ HALE

Stith community received .40 of an inch of rain Monday morning. It will be of help. Some of the farmers had planted cotton but some of them didn't have enough moisture.

The Rev. Bill Wright of Dallas and a former pastor of Tye Methodist Church visited Mr. and Mrs. Orval Ely and children Thursday.

Neilon and Becki Ely are attending the Vacation Bible School at Hodges Baptist Church this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry visited at Anson Care Home Monday with Mrs. Ina Kelso and Barney Berry.

The Rev. James Williams visited Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Malore and Monica of Taylor are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robert Malone in Merkel and Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn visited Mrs. John Shaw and Mr. and Mrs. Wade Shaw at Hawley Sunday. Mrs. Senny Hardin and James of Lawton visited the Mashburns Monday.

This community was made sad Friday evening over the death of Mrs. Vergie McCoy. Several of the community attended the funeral at Elliott Chapel of Memories Monday afternoon. Burial was in Elmwood Park in Abilene. We extend our sympathy to the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Stanley and Mr. and Mrs. John Browning attended a singing at Sweetwater Sunday afternoon.

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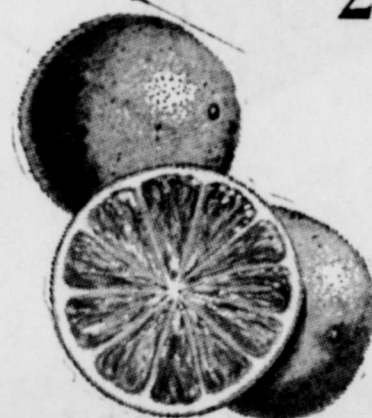
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