



IN TOWN HALL DISCUSSION — Four of the many interested Merkeltites attending last Tuesday's Town Hall Meeting are pictured in a serious discussion concerning the city's betterment. They are, from extreme left, Mike Steadham, Gene Stewart, Margo McAllister, Mrs. G. R. Peachey, and Mike Warren. Another Town Hall Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 9 at 8 p.m. (Staff Photo)

Invitational Tourney To Begin July 12

The Golf Tournament Committee of the Merkel Country Club have announced that an Invitational Tournament will begin at the course Friday, July 12, and will continue through the 14th, according to Norman Winter, publicity chairman.

Tournament chairman is Bob Hooks, and assisting him are Connie Mack Seymore and Horace Childers.

"The \$15.00 entry fee includes the barbecue dinner Friday night," said Winter. "A Pro-Am (\$4.00 entry fee) starts at 1 p.m."

Assisting Winter with the publicity is Danny Doan.

Heading plans for the Friday evening barbecue dinner is Howard Carson.

Ladies of the club will be donating and serving sandwiches and drinks during the tournament. They will serve through the lunch

hour Friday, and all day Saturday and Sunday. Heading this committee are Mrs. Lloyd Robertson and Mrs. Adele Jones.

Alonzo McElmurray, country club president, said that prizes for the Tournament will include McGregor clubs, irons and woods, and a Golf Bag.

Match play will be held Saturday, with Medal play Sunday.

Local golfers are urged to enter the tournament and anyone wishing further information concerning the tournament are asked to call Bob Hooks.

"Deadline for entry is 6 p.m. Friday," said Winter.

TICKETS ON SALE FOR TRACK MEET

The Merkel Chamber of Commerce Recreation Track Meet has been set for Friday, July 12, at Badger Stadium, according to recreation director, Bill Tate.

Field events are scheduled to

start at 5:15 p.m., with running events to begin at 7:20.

Tate explained that merchants were being contacted this week to purchase tickets for the event.

Age groups for the events will be 6-7-8, 9-10-11, 12-13, and 14 and up, said Tate. "Ribbons will be awarded to the first four finishers in each division."

Participants in the events must be members of the Summer Recreation Program, Tate explained.

Persons who can help with the events are asked to contact Tate or Coach Wendell Robinson before July 12.

Mrs. N. Daniel Returns From Mission School

Mrs. Newton Daniel, wife of the First Methodist Church pastor, returned this past week from Mt. Sequoyah, Fayetteville, Ark., where she attended the week long school of Christian Mission.

Mrs. Daniel, assistant dean of this Conference, enrolled in the course, Christ and Crisis in South East Asia. Teaching the course was Dr. Vernon Farnham, a missionary to China for many years.

Recent Visitors

Recent visitors in the home of Mrs. Dee Grimes, were her daughter, Mrs. John (Betty) Cleveland, and Cathy of Dallas.

Mrs. Cleveland and Cathy returned this past weekend to Dallas.

Baptist "Teen Time" July 8-12

First Baptist Church's youth activities include "Teen Time" July 8 - 12 to be held in Fellowship Hall; R. A. Camp, July 15 - 18, at Lueders Baptist Encampment (for boys 9-14), and Youth Camp, July 22-25, also at Lueders Baptist Encampment, ages 13-24.

Mike Steadham, youth director, asks that young people planning to go to either camp, to sign up as soon as possible.

Babe Ruth; Little League All Stars Named This Week

All Stars for the Babe Ruth League and Little League were chosen this week. All Stars for both teams will be playing in district tournaments this month.

Babe Ruth League
All Stars chosen Monday for the Babe Ruth League are Monty Tittle, Mike McLean, Reuben Dela Cruz, Bill Whisenhunt, Don Purser, Tommy Anderson, Paul Thames, Terry Derrington and Mike Allen.

Also Randy Smith, Larry Hewitt, Shelton Casady, Jerry Holmes, Gary Bigbee, Ray Damme, and alternate, Mike Teaff.

Chosen All Star Coach is Danny Doan and All Star Manager is Charlie Russell.

A game is scheduled this Saturday evening between the All Stars and their dads and coaches at 7:30 at the Babe Ruth Park, said Doan.

There will be a charge of 50 cents for adults, children 25 cents or \$1.00 for a carload.

Doan explained that money from this game will be used to help finance the All Stars in the district game at Breckenridge on July 15. "Our All Stars will be playing Breckenridge, and the winner of this game will enter the State Tournament to be held in San Antonio the following weekend."

Merchants sponsoring the Babe Ruth League are Taylor Electric Cooperative, Beta Sigma Phi, and First Baptist Church, with one team without a sponsor.

Officers for the Babe Ruth League are Lawrence Hewitt, president; June Hogan, vice president; Mrs. Jane Carson, secretary; treasurer; and Dan Allen, player agent. The League consists of players from Trent, Noodle, Tye and Merkel.

Little League
Little League All Stars chosen

this week are Junior Asincio, Bobby Barnes, Steve Bland, Dennis Britton Derrell Bunch, Rudy Castillo Glen Davis and Bessie Dela Cruz.

Also Gregg Doan, Mike Edwards, Johnny Frazier, Mendez Moreno, Jimmy Land, Duane Pack and alternates, Billy Beavers and Robert Whitehead.

Little League All Stars will

play in Rotan Tuesday July 16 with Hamlin, said president, Don King.

"Win or lose, our All Stars will also play July 18 at Rotan in a playoff game," said King.

Sponsors for the Little Leaguers are Farmers and Merchants National Bank, Boney Insurance, Max Murrell Chevrolet, Carson's Supermarket West Texas Utili-

ties and Taylor Electric Cooperative.

Final Standings

Team	Wins	Losses	Games Played
Kilowatts	14	1	15
Bankers	10	5	15
Braves	7	8	15
Supers	6	9	15
Chevys	5	10	15
Willies	3	12	15

Noodle Baptists Schedule Revival

A revival meeting will be conducted at the Noodle Baptist Church, beginning July 12, and continuing through July 19, according to the Rev. Bob McLendon, pastor.

The services will be held nightly with prayer meeting at 7:30 and preaching to follow at 8 p.m.

Evangelist will be the Rev. Tom Hiser, pastor of the Hawley Baptist Church, and the Rev. Juan Nix, pastor of the Baptist Mission in Merkel will lead the singing.

Victory Baptist To Begin Revival

An Old Fashioned Revival will begin Sunday July 7 at the Victory Baptist Church, with the pastor, the Rev. W. G. Richardson, doing the preaching.

Subjects for the week long revival will be "God's Plan for the Ages," said Rev. Richardson. "Prayer services will be held each evening at 7:30 and preaching will begin at 8 p.m."

TOWN HALL MEETING

By JOHNNY COX

Our Town Hall meeting next Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. in the Merkel Restaurant is of grave importance to our town. Surely we will not be torn by two opinions, namely: to undertake a project or projects too small to be a challenge or so vast as to scare us to defeat before we start.

"None of us should gloss over the seriousness of our time, neither should we give up in despair. There has never been a time in the history of man when some individuals did not feel that all was lost. Fortunately in all these times the majority kept living and working as if something could be gained.

In 1860 the late president Buchanan said, "Indeed all hope seems to have deserted the minds of men."

More than a 100 years have passed since some of these men foresaw only doom. In spite of its problems the world and even Merkel are a pretty good place to live. Therefore, isn't our job not to predict and bemoan its imminent destruction, but to do all we can to make it an even better world and town for our youth and our senior citizens.

Many of the senior citizens of Merkel have lived here most of their lives. A place for them to meet and reminisce about the (so called good old days) would help brighten and pass their time.

(2) Dozens of Merkel children, white, black, and brown are hesitant to join in a group of those more fortunate whose parents are able to provide entertainment for them. These we feel, especially need a helping hand. Clearing the weeds from some of our many vacant lots with inexpensive back stops for baseball games in various sections of town. Also football and other games would be available to them. We believe that a great

deal of this work could and would be available to them .. would be done by the boys.

(3) In cooperation with the Brushstomper, junior rodeo would be of interest to many. In other towns high school students have almost single handed located places and built open air theaters.

The above are but a few of the many projects that have been suggested that could be accomplished with but little cash.

This meeting next Tuesday night is for the entire town regardless of race, creed or color. May we count on YOU to be present?

Babe Ruth Bake Sale Nets \$122

Saturday's Babe Ruth League Bake Sale netted \$122.00, according to Mrs. Jane Carson, league treasurer.

"We were very pleased with the sale," said Mrs. Carson. "since money is badly needed for the tournament expense."

Another bake sale is scheduled for Saturday, July 13, in front of the West Texas Utilities building. All mothers of Babe Ruth leaguers are urged to help with contributions toward the sale.

Taylor County Singing Sunday

The Taylor County Singing Convention will be held this Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. at the Victory Baptist Church in Merkel, according to convention president, Dewey Niedercker.

"Well known singers from the area will be here and the public is invited to attend," said Niedercker.

SCOUT TROOP 18 TO ATTEND CAMP

Merkel's Scout Troop 18 will leave Sunday, July 7 at 1 p.m. for Camp Tonkawa, according to Scoutmaster Glenn Reed.

"Scouts planning to attend Camp Tonkawa are to meet at the First Methodist Church at 1 p.m.," said Reed, "and are to bring money and physical examination blanks. Boys who are between the ages of 11 and 14 and who are not Scouts, may also attend the camp, if registered before July 7."

Henry H. McGinty, Scout executive, explained that each Scout and leader is required to receive a medical check up prior to coming to camp, and is required to present the form when checking in.

Is There a New Golf 'Champion'?

With Merkel golfers discussing the upcoming Tournament July 12, there has been talk among players concerning Bob Hooks as a "champion."

Overheard here and there this week were conversations concerning Bob, as to "how he manages to hit out in the rough with a driver, winds up on the green, has a nine inch putt for an eagle, and when certain players in town refuse a 'gimmie' Bob nearly misses it."

Taking it all seriously right at the moment are Norman Winter, Horace Childers and "Cracker" Bartlett.

Bob, they say, is noted for his classic swing.



LEARN TO SWIM'S FIRST REGISTRANT — Is pretty little Jan South, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack South of Merkel. Early Friday morning Jan handed her registration slip to Mrs. Larry White, president of Beta Sigma Phi, Learn to Swim program sponsor, and explained, "I am now a minnow and will be entered in the advanced beginners." (Staff Photo)

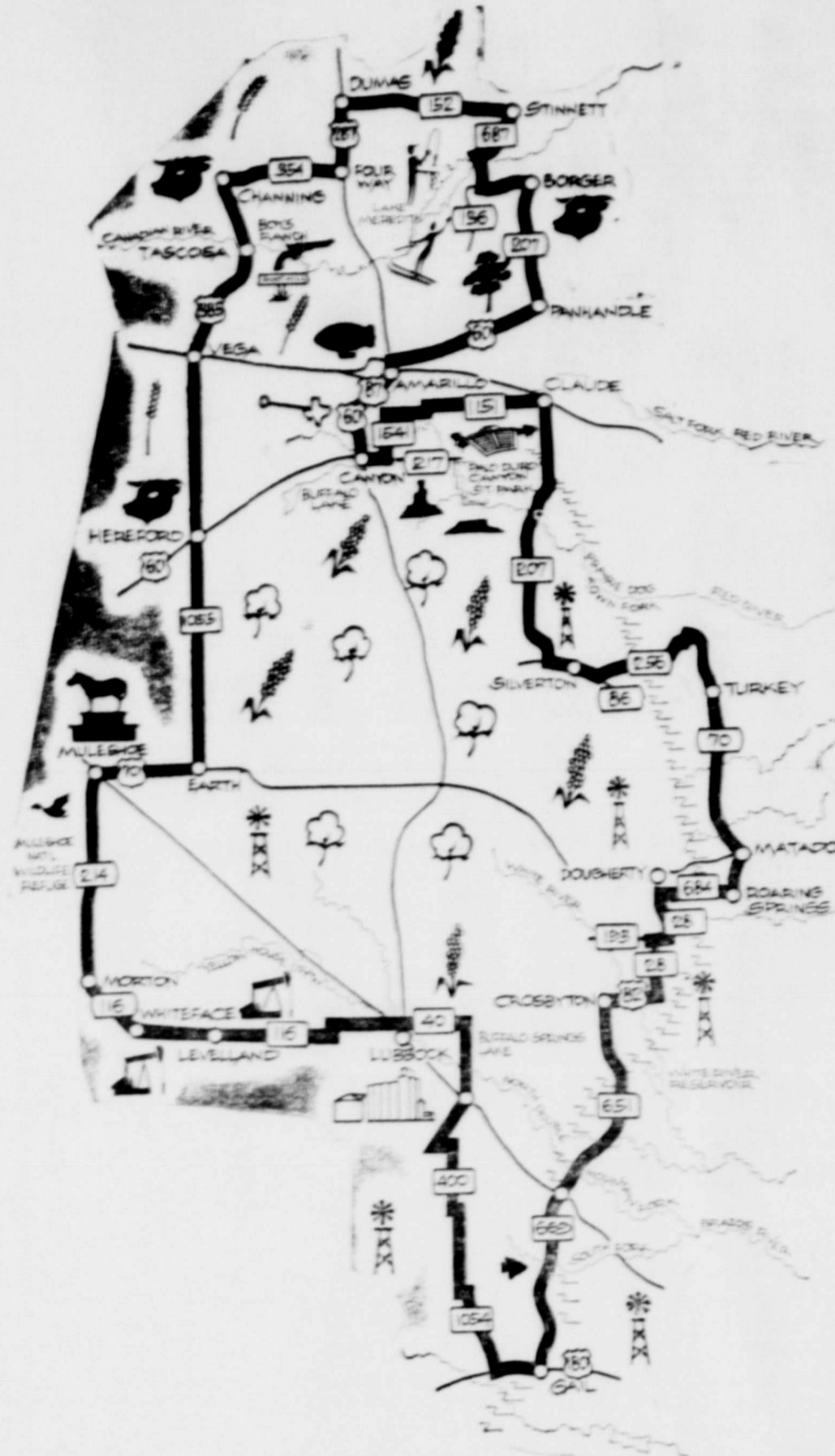
Mulberry Canyon 4-Hers Plan Tour

Meeting at the Lem Dudley home, Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club had a planning meeting this week for their annual club tour with Robert Clemmer presiding.

The tour will be July 20, starting at the R. E. Clemmer home at 12:30 p.m.
 Besides looking at 4-H mem-

bers' projects, the 4-Hers will also judge four different classes of livestock. The final stop will be the Leroy Riney home where the club will have its program and picnic supper will be served. The committee planning the tour included Robert Clemmer, Pam Sandusky, Suzie Riney, Mark Dudley, Mike Dudley, and also the parents of each of these 4-Hers.

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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 once 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: Lupe A. Jimenez, Defendant.
 Greeting:
 YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Domestic Relations 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 5th day of August A.D. 1968, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 26th day of March A.D. 1968, in this cause, numbered 4006 on the docket of said court and styled Johnny Barrents Jimenez, Plaintiff, vs. Lupe A. Jimenez, Defendant.
 A brief statement of the nature

of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married on May 5, 1966, and became permanently separated September 1, 1966. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment 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.

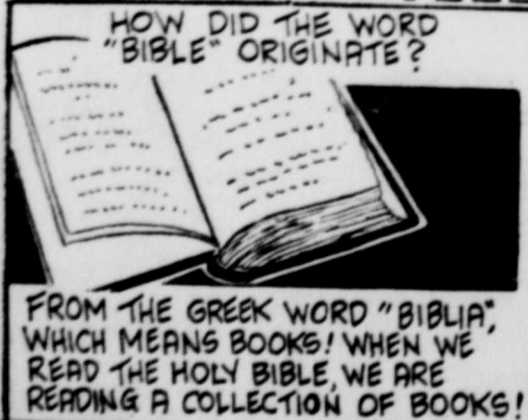
Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 19th day of June A.D. 1968.
 (Seal)

Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,
 Domestic Relations Court
 Taylor County, Texas
 By Irene Crawford, Deputy.
 17 dtc



SIX FLAGS Over Texas, the state's most popular tourist attraction located midway between Dallas and Fort Worth, will introduce a new Mexican section, as seen in this artist's conception, when it opens its 1968 season on April 13. Part of a \$2,000,000 expansion program, the ride includes a 60-foot volcano which explodes and erupts, pouring lava down the mountainside towards the passenger-filled trains below.

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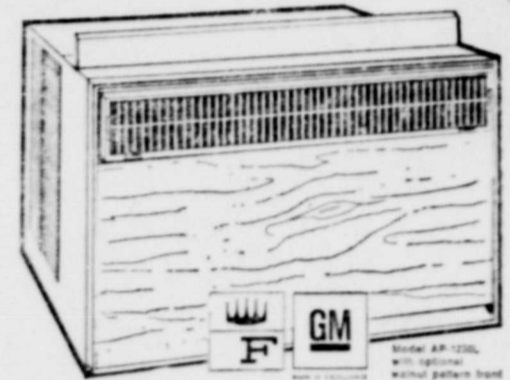


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Cost Figured For Family of Four
(Most thru September—1400 hr. operation)

Capacity	Operating Cost (8 months)	Cost per month (average)
3/4 Ton (6,000 BTU)	18.00 to 30.00	3.00 - 5.00
1 Ton (12,000 BTU)	26.00 to 40.00	6.00 - 10.00
1 1/2 Ton (18,000 BTU)	34.00 to 60.00	9.00 - 15.00

The average cost estimates are based on proper use of new units operating in normal summer temperatures. Actual operating costs will vary according to individual usage, thermostat settings and temperature variations.

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**STATEMENT OF CONDITION
 FARMERS & MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK**

MERKEL, TEXAS

At Close of Business June 29, 1968

RESOURCES

Loans	\$1,230,212.27
Overdrafts	290.11
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	9,000.00
Banking House	50,000.00
Furniture & Fixtures	10,000.00
Other Real Estate	1.00
AVAILABLE CASH:	
U.S. Government Bonds	\$1,077,797.17
Municipal Bonds & Warrants	706,883.46
Cash and Due from Banks	1,318,259.96
Total Available Cash	3,102,940.59
TOTAL	\$4,402,443.97

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 150,000.00
Surplus	150,000.00
Undivided Profits and Reserves	215,364.52
10% Dividend Payable June 29, 1968	15,000.00
DEPOSITS	3,872,079.45
TOTAL	\$4,402,443.97

The Above Statement is Correct.
 BOOTH WARREN, President

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4th OF JULY

FOOD SPECIALS

WEEKEND VALUES
 PRICES GOOD
 WEDNESDAY, JULY 3
 FRIDAY, SATURDAY
 JULY 5 & 6

MAXWELL HOUSE

Folger's 1-Lb. Can **69¢** 2-Lb. Can **\$1.37**

NAPKINS ZEE ASSORTED 60 CT. PKG. 2 Pkgs. **25¢**

TOWELS Zee Tropical Big Roll **29¢**

TUNA CHICKEN OF SEA GREEN LABEL 2 for **59¢**

Snowdrift Shortening 3-Lb. Can **59¢**

VAN CAMP NO. 2 CAN

Pork & Beans 2 for **39¢**

VIENNAS Libby's 2 for **39¢**

MUSTARD French's 9-Oz. Jar 2 for **29¢**

CRACKERS Cracker Lb. Barrel Box **19¢**

FLOUR Light Crust 5-Lb. Box **49¢**



CHOICE CHUCK ROAST Lb. **49¢**

GOOCH GERMAN STYLE SAUSAGE Pkg. **59¢**

MARKET SLICED ALL MEAT BOLOGNA Lb. **49¢**

FRESH GROUND BEEF 3 Lbs. **\$1.00**

BACON Wilson's Crisprite Lb. **49¢**

STEAK Choice Round Lb. **89¢**

KRAFT'S SALAD DRESSING

Miracle Whip Qt. **49¢**

MEAD'S POTATO CHIPS Reg. 49c Size **39¢**

RITZ Nabisco Crackers 1-Lb. Box **39¢**

BAR-B-O SAUCE 18-Oz. Bottle **39¢**

CHARCOAL KIMBELL'S 5-Lb. Bag **39¢**

LIPTON'S TEA 1/2-Lb. PKG. **69¢** 48-CT. BAGS **59¢** 4-OZ. INSTANT **79¢**

FOREMOST 2% HOMO MILK 2 HALF GAL. **99¢**

FOREMOST BUTTERMILK 2 HALF GAL. **89¢**

LIBBY'S CUT GREEN BEANS 303 CAN 2 for **39¢**

AJAX DETERGENT GIANT SIZE **59¢**

Frozen Foods

DONALD DUCK 12-OZ. Orange JUICE Can **39¢**

MORTON'S CHOCOLATE, LEMON, BANANA, COCONUT CREAM PIES Each **29¢**



CALIFORNIA TOMATOES Lb. **19¢**

YELLOW SQUASH Lb. **10¢**

CALIFORNIA PEACHES Lb. **25¢**

ARIZONA CANTALOUPE Lb. **10¢**

SANTA ROSA PLUMS Lb. **25¢**



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HORSE SHOW WINNERS — Bart Whisenhunt and Suzie Riney display their trophies won at the Taylor County 4-H Horse Show held Saturday at the Merkel Riding Club Arena. Bart is owner of the 1968 Grand Champion Mare and Suzie is owner of the Reserve Champion. (Photo Courtesy The Abilene Reporter-News)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

EDITOR'S NOTE — Letters to the editor do not necessarily express the view of the editor nor of this paper. But The Merkel Mail will continue to run letters to the editor as long as same are not liable, in good taste, and they must be signed.

Young Child Cries For His Pet Cat

Dear Editor:

This letter is in regard to something that has been happening quite a lot lately.

There are some people in Merkel who have been putting poison in one form or another, out for dogs and cats.

I wonder how these same people would feel if a small child picked up that poison and ate it. Surely such a thing would make them feel pretty badly.

Maybe they can tell me how you explain to a three year old boy, who is crying for his pet cat, why there are such people around. Or when he makes believe he is playing with his cat that has been dead for a week. It isn't a very happy thing to see.

I will always believe that such people will pay for what they do.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Jimmy E. Leverich

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1-New Cultivator	\$300
4-New Trailer Frames	\$90 ea.
1-New Shredder	\$350
1-Used M Farmall	\$600
1-Used H Farmall	\$400
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Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE



Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kuch of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clyburn and children Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Stanley attended the singing at Pioneer Methodist Church Sunday afternoon.

The Rev. Jesse Swindell made a business trip to Wichita Falls last week.

The Rev. and Mrs. James Williams and children attended the Williams' Reunion at Cobb Park in Abilene Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Chaney and Sandra of Richardson spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Benny Hobbs and children and Mrs. John Hobbs.

James Hale of Midland visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sanders and son of Richardson and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Armstrong of Trent, visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley and Anson Care Home Friday with Mrs. E. L. Berry and Mrs. Ina Kelso.

Martha Clyburn attended a tecky party in the home of Sherie Aiken in Merkel Saturday night.

Anne's Berry of San Antonio is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Berry in Abilene this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley were supper guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Banard in Abilene. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Ford and the Buford Walsh family all in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Buchoffer, Susie and Jo Ann, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Perry recently.

Mrs. Sonny Hardin and James of Lawn, visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn and Rodney Sunday.

Mrs. Fritz Hale visited her sister, Mrs. Ada Newton, at Anson General Hospital Sunday. Mrs. Newton had surgery Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Truett Jones of Gatesville visited over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones.

Masonic Lodge Installs Officers

Members of the Merkel Masonic Lodge No. 710 met recently at the Lodge Hall for the installation of officers.

Officers installed were E. H. Hendricks, worshipful master; Gary Douglas, senior warden; Wiley Noah, junior warden; Johnny Barnes Abilene, senior Deacon; Mack Baggett, junior steward and Gary Rust, junior deacon.

Also Roy Mashburn secretary; Truett Thompson, treasurer; Charlie Seago, chaplain; and E. A. Conley, senior steward.

The Past Master's apron was presented to Pete Morgan at the meeting.

Merkel's Lodge meets the second Saturday and fourth Thursday in each month at 8 p.m. during the summer months and at 7:30 p.m. in the winter.

Miss Wheeler At Library School

DENTON — Miss Sara Elizabeth Wheeler of Merkel is one of 3 school librarians from 12 states and overseas who will be enrolled in a special summer institute at North Texas State University.

The six-week institute on "The Elementary School Library as a Media Center" is supported by a \$40,065 grant from the U.S. Office of Education. It is scheduled July 15 - Aug. 23.

The institute is designed to assist librarians or library coordinators who hope to make their libraries media centers and themselves media specialists, as will be required by the proposed new American Library Association standards.

Miss Wheeler is a librarian in the Overseas Dependents Schools.

Jehovah Witness District Meet In San Angelo

Local Jehovah's Witnesses, along with ten area communities, have been advised that they will act as host to some 5,000 delegates expected to attend their "Good News For All Nations" District Assembly. This assembly will be a four-day training session to be held July 11 - 14 at San Angelo Coliseum.

The San Angelo convention will be only one of some 46 to be held throughout the United States and Canada during the summer of 1968.

First Birthday Is Celebrated

Little Miss Vicky Marie Reamy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Reamy of 1509 Heath Street, celebrated her first birthday Wednesday, July 3.

Even though the little miss doesn't realize it yet, her chances for many more birthdays are great, counting the fact that she has 15 living examples. There are two parents, four grandparents, five great-grandparents, and four great-great-grandparents (fifth generation).

Her grandparents living in Merkel are Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Reamy and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kimbrell. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Eva Horton of Merkel, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Andy Shouse of Abilene.

Her great-great-grandmother living in Merkel is Mrs. Viola Miller.

Mrs. P. R. McLean Dies in Electra

Word was received this week that Mrs. P. R. McLean died June 28 in Electra after a long illness.

A longtime resident of the Merkel area, Mrs. McLean has made Electra her home for the past few years.



RECREATION COMMITTEE — Meeting recently to plan recreation for the Taylor County 4-H Camp for July 15-16 include, front row, from left, Pam McElmurray, Lee Ann Holloway and Carolyn Hutto; second row, Billy Dan Snow, Robert Clemmer, W. H. Blackburn III and Clyde McMinn. (Photo Courtesy Mrs. Clemmer)

Taylor County 4H Little League Camp Planned

A group of enthusiastic 4-H members of Taylor County met Thursday afternoon in the Gold Room of the First State Bank, Abilene, to plan the 4-H camp for Taylor County.

The camp will be July 15 and 16 at Buffalo Gap. All Taylor County 4-H members may attend.

Isometrics, swimming, educational sessions, crafts and thinking stretchers are just some of the programs that have been planned. Adult leaders County agents, and Junior 4-H Leaders will be in charge of all programs.

Camp committee includes W. H. Blackburn III, Clyde McMinn, Robert Clemmer, Lee Ann Holloway Carolyn Hutto, Cathy Mahan, Janet Landers Rusty Holloway, Mark Dudley Kathrine Criswell Kathy Mansfield, Guy McNutt, Ralph Landers, Asst. Agents Dexter Sagebiel and Carolyn Gilbert.

Gov. John Connally is Commissioner General of Hemis-Fair '68.

Little League Batting Averages

AB Hits	Avg
1. Mitchell Williams	29 16 .552
2. Gien Davis	45 26 .444
3. Jr. Asciano	37 16 .432
4. Benzi Dela Cruz	42 18 .429
4. Dennis Britton	49 21 .429
5. Bert McElmurray	52 21 .404
6. Rudy Castillo	47 18 .383
6. James Alexander	47 18 .383
7. Steve West	45 17 .378
7. Johnny Frazier	37 14 .378
8. Robbie Whitehead	42 15 .357
6. Derrell Bunch	42 15 .357
9. Steve Bland	37 13 .351
10. Bobby Barnes	49 17 .347
11. Dwayne Pack	50 17 .340

Clothing Tips Given Hamby Club

The Hamby Home Demonstration Club met Thursday in the Club House with vice president Mrs. W. T. Williams, presiding. Opening exercise was given by Mrs. George Grantham, and roll call was answered with "My Own Nickname."

A report on the 4-H Dress Revue, held in Abilene Tuesday, was given. Several of the Hamby 4-H girls won ribbons for their work.

Tips on Clothing was given by Mrs. C. G. Smith Jr.

Hostess was Mrs. Dee Goch.

The next scheduled meeting is July 11 at 2 p.m. at the club house.

Merkel Scouts On Camp Staff

Alan Reed and John Dixon will be returning next week from Camp Tonkawa, where they have served on the camp staff for six weeks. Alan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Reed, and John, the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Dixon, all of Merkel.

Members of the Order of the Arrow both Alan and John are directing work this summer in the nature department, conservation of natural resources, bird study, astronomy and reptile study.

Alan will be a senior student at Merkel High School this fall and John will be a junior.



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- 66 FORD Galaxie 500. Air, power, 4 door, beige color.
- 64 FORD Galaxie 500. Extra clean, power steering, air.
- 67 CHEVROLET Biscayne. V-8, standard transmission, fact. air.
- 62 CHEVROLET 4 door Impala, V-8, automatic.
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- 65 FORD. 4 door, fact. air, power steering, auto. transmission.
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CHECKUP ON LANDSCAPING—HemisFair workmen are shown planting trees and grass early in April for the opening of the world's fair. Even though final touches have been made on tree planting, workmen keep constant check on growing trees.

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Cure Toothaches Before They Start

In bygone days, some people believed that kissing a donkey would cure a toothache. Others believed that a sprig of parsley hung around the neck would prevent a toothache. While modern dentistry has dispelled odd superstitions, there are still misconceptions about dental health.

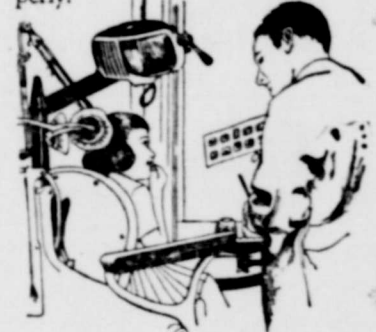
During the week of Feb. 4 through 10, the nation will observe the 20th anniversary of National Children's Dental Health Week. Its purpose is to provide sound dental health information to children and parents, and to remove misconceptions about dental health.

Today, people don't go around kissing donkeys, but some still believe that dental caries (decay)—the cause of a toothache—can be cured. It can't. Dental decay can be removed from a tooth and the tooth filled. And, with proper care—by cleaning the teeth after meals and by cutting down on sweets—the decay possibly won't recur.

Decay can be prevented—not by parsley, but by fluoridation. Countless studies of children in fluoridated communities have proved that fluoride in the water prevents decay by about 65 per cent. And, if fluoride is not in the water, the dentist can either paint a child's teeth with a fluoride substance, or he can prescribe dietary fluorides. The American Dental Association says some fluoride toothpastes are recognized as effective in decay-prevention. Here are some important facts about dental health:

—Baby (primary) teeth are important. They save the proper eruption space for permanent teeth and are necessary for chewing, speech and appearance.

—Milk does not prevent decay, it helps the teeth form properly.



—Sweets are a causative factor in decay and their consumption should be limited, probably to meal times.

—A great proportion of children have some type of gum disease. If untreated, the disorders will become more serious as the child grows. Gum disease is the greatest cause of adult tooth loss.

—Destroyed tooth enamel cannot be repaired. If a tooth stops aching, this means the pulp has been infected—an indication of real trouble.

Very few people are "immune" to dental decay. Approximately 98 per cent of the population suffers from caries. But regular toothbrushing, fluoridation and routine dental care will greatly reduce decay. —4-68

CJC Names Two New Directors

Cisco Junior College has this week designated new directors for the Wrangler Belles and Wrangler Band, according to an announcement Friday by Leland Willis, college president.

Mrs. George Owens of Cisco has been employed as Wrangler Belles director and Mr. Eris Ritchie, currently serving as Public Relations Director for the college, has been designated as band director for the school.

Mrs. Owens is a graduate of Anson High School and Hardin-Simmons University.

In addition to serving as director for the Wrangler Belles, CJC's girls' drill team, Mrs. Owens will be instructor for all of the college's girls' physical training classes.

Mr. Ritchie is a graduate of Troup High School and Abilene Christian College. He taught at Trent two years before coming to Cisco, and has been Cisco High School's band director since 1959. He resigned the position effective May 31 of this year, and has been serving as part-time Public Relations director for Cisco Junior College since January 1 when he joined the college's administrative staff.

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SAFETY TIPS

Playing With Power Windows Can Be Hazardous to Children

AUSTIN — Playfully closing a power window in a car can result in death or serious injury, the Texas Safety Association said in warning parents not to leave small children unattended in cars with such automatic devices.

In spite of extensive publicity given in the past to incidents of strangulation, loss of fingers and other injuries to children and adults from automobile power windows, tragedies of this kind are being reported in increasing numbers, the Safety Association noted.

The greatest hazard from power windows is to small children as they often play with the switches if left alone in an automobile and usually cannot operate the window if they are accidentally caught.

As with all other motor vehicles, care with power windows should be left completely locked when not in use. This not only greatly reduces the chances of theft, but also prevents inquisi-

tive children from injuring themselves with power windows, cigarette lighters and other dangerous equipment, or by releasing the brake.

Harris Reunion Held Recently

The recent P. F. Harris Reunion was held in Mrs. Harris' home, at 904 South 3rd St., with children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren meeting there, attending Sunday services at the First Baptist Church, and having the reunion dinner in the Gold Room of the Merkel Restaurant.

Those attending included Messrs. and Mrs. C. T. Harris, Abilene; W. C. Martin, Cottage Grove, Ore.; Miller Harris, Big Spring; C. S. Harris, Irving, and Mr. O. S. Harris, Merkel.

Also Messrs. and Mrs. Ed Sandusky, Merkel; C. L. Harris, Dumas, Tex.; James E. Harris,

China Lake, Calif.; Fred Johnson, Merkel; and E. B. Boyd, Trent.

Also Messrs. and Mrs. R. M. White, Abilene; Powell Foster, Clovis, N.M.; Jackie Shaw, Merkel; Jim Weaver, Clovis, N.M.; Glenn Sandusky, Merkel; and Mr. Robert White, Trent.

Approximately 48 relatives and guests attended the reunion.

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HORSE SHOW WINNERS — Bart Whisenhunt and Suzie Riney display their trophies won at the Taylor County 4-H Horse Show held Saturday at the Merkel Riding Club Arena. Bart is owner of the 1968 Grand Champion Mare and Suzie is owner of the Reserve Champion. (Photo Courtesy The Abilene Reporter-News)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

EDITOR'S NOTE — Letters to the editor do not necessarily express the view of the editor nor of this paper. But The Merkel Mail will continue to run letters to the editor as long as same are not liable, in good taste, and they must be signed.

Young Child Cries For His Pet Cat

Dear Editor:

This letter is in regard to something that has been happening quite a lot lately.

There are some people in Merkel who have been putting poison, in one form or another, out for dogs and cats.

I wonder how these same people would feel if a small child picked up that poison and ate it? Surely such a thing would make them feel pretty badly.

Maybe they can tell me how you explain to a three year old boy, who is crying for his pet cat, why there are such people around. Or when he makes believe he is playing with his cat that has been dead for a week. It isn't a very happy thing to see.

I will always believe that such people will pay for what they do.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Jimmy E. Leverich

WINNERS ARE NAMED IN 4-H HORSE SHOW

High point girl and high point boy at the Taylor County 4-H Horse Show Saturday were Suzie Riney and Johnny Wheeler, both of Merkel.

Held in the Merkel Riding Club Arena, 28 local 4-Hers were judged by B. F. Yeates of College Station. There were 15 different classes.

Horse Show winners were:

Champion Mare — Bart Whisenhunt, Reserve Champion Mare, Suzie Riney; Champion Gelding, Patricia Boyd; Reserve Champion Gelding, Johnny Gray; high point boy, Johnny Wheeler, and high point girl, Suzie Riney, with Suzie receiving the Showmanship Award, donated by Taylor Electric Cooperative.

Class winners were:

Class I — Registered Mare — 1. Tonia McAninch, 2. Kathryn Criswell.

Class II — Registered Mare — 1. Terry Wade, 2. Robert Boyd.

Class III — Grade Mare — 1. Bart Whisenhunt, 2. Suzie Riney.

Class IV — Grade Mare — 1. Mike Dudley, 2. Betsy Johnson.

Class V — Champions — Bart Whisenhunt, champion and Suzie Riney, reserve.

Class VI — Registered Gelding — 1. Billy Black, 2. Johnny Wheeler.

Class VII — Registered Gelding — 1. Johnny Gray, 2. Mark Dudley.

Class VIII — Grade Gelding — 1. Randy Bond.

Class IX — Grade Gelding — 1. Patricia Boyd.

Class X — Champions — Patricia Boyd, champion, Johnny Gray, reserve.

Class VII — Showmanship — 1. Suzie Riney, 2. Gail Boone, 3. Mark Dudley.

Class VIII — Reining — 1. Mark Dudley, 2. Johnny Wheeler, 3. Johnny Gray.

Class XIV — Pole Bending — 1. Cindy Whisenhunt, 2. Gail Boone, 3. Dayna McAninch.

Class XV — Barrel Race — 1. Jeff Whisenhunt, 2. Kathryn Criswell, 3. Billy Black.

Winners in the Saturday's show will compete in the District Horse Show in Sweetwater at 8 a.m. on July 9.

Clothing Tips Given Hamby Club

The Hamby Home Demonstration Club met Thursday in the Club House with vice president Mrs. W. T. Williams, presiding. Opening exercise was given by Mr. George Grantham, and roll call was answered with "My Own Nickname."

A report on the 4-H Dress Revue, held in Abilene Tuesday, was given. Several of the Hamby 4-H girls won ribbons for their work.

Tips on Clothing was given by Mrs. C. G. Smith Jr.

Hostess was Mrs. Dee Gooch.

The next scheduled meeting is July 11 at 2 p.m. at the club house.

Merkel Scouts On Camp Staff

Alan Reed and John Dixon will be returning next week from Camp Tonkawa, where they have served on the camp staff for six weeks. Alan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Reed, and John, the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Dixon, all of Merkel.

Members of the Order of the Arrow both Alan and John are directing work this summer in the nature department, conservation of natural resources, bird study, astronomy and reptile study.

Alan will be a senior student at Merkel High School this fall and John will be a junior.



Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE



Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kuch of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clyburn and children Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Stanley attended the singing at Pioneer Methodist Church Sunday afternoon.

The Rev. Jesse Swindell made a business trip to Wichita Falls last week.

The Rev. and Mrs. James Williams and children attended the Williams' Reunion at Cobb Park in Abilene Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Chaney and Sandra of Richardson spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Benny Hobbs and children and Mrs. John Hobbs.

James Hale of Midland visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sanders and son of Richardson, and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Armstrong of Trent, visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley and Anson Care Home Friday with Mrs. E. L. Berry and Mrs. Ina Kelso.

Martha Clyburn attended a tecky party in the home of Sherie Aiken in Merkel Saturday night.

Annette Berry of San Antonio is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Berry in Abilene this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley were supper guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Banard in Abilene. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Ford and the Buford Walsh family all in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Buchoffer, Susie and Jo Ann, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Perry recently.

Mrs. Sonny Hardin and James of Lawn, visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn and Rodney Sunday.

Mrs. Fritz Hale visited her sister, Mrs. Ada Newton, at Anson General Hospital Sunday. Mrs. Newton had surgery Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Truett Jones of Gatesville visited over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones.

Masonic Lodge Installs Officers

Members of the Merkel Masonic Lodge No. 710 met recently at the Lodge Hall for the installation of officers.

Officers installed were E. H. Hendricks, worshipful master; Gary Douglas, senior warden; Wiley Noah, junior warden; Johnny Barnes Abilene, senior Deacon; Mack Baggett, junior steward and Gary Rust, junior deacon.

Also Roy Mashburn secretary; Truett Thompson, treasurer; Charlie Seago, chanlain; and E. A. Conley, senior steward.

The Past Master's apron was presented to Pete Morgan at the meeting.

Merkel's Lodge meets the second Saturday and fourth Thursday in each month at 8 p.m. during the summer months and at 7:30 p.m. in the winter.

Miss Wheeler At Library School

DENTON — Miss Sara Elizabeth Wheeler of Merkel is one of 3 school librarians from 12 states and overseas who will be enrolled in a special summer institute at North Texas State University.

The six-week institute on "The Elementary School Library as a Media Center" is supported by a \$40,065 grant from the U.S. Office of Education. It is scheduled July 15 - Aug. 23.

The institute is designed to assist librarians or library coordinators who hope to make their libraries media centers and themselves media specialists, as will be required by the proposed new American Library Association standards.

Miss Wheeler is a librarian in the Overseas Dependents Schools.

JEHOVAH WITNESS District Meet In San Angelo

Local Jehovah's Witnesses, along with ten area communities, have been advised that they will act as host to some 5,000 delegates expected to attend their "Good News For All Nations" District Assembly. This assembly will be a four-day training session to be held July 11-14 at San Angelo Coliseum.

The San Angelo convention will be only one of some 46 to be held throughout the United States and Canada during the summer of 1968.

First Birthday Is Celebrated

Little Miss Vicky Marie Reamy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Reamy of 1509 Heath Street, celebrated her first birthday Wednesday, July 3.

Even though the little miss doesn't realize it yet, her chances for many more birthdays are great, counting the fact that she has 15 living examples. There are two parents, four grandparents, five great-grandparents, and four great-great-grandparents (fifth generation).

Her grandparents living in Merkel are Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Reamy and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kimbrell. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Eva Horton of Merkel, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Andy Shouse of Abilene.

Her great-great-grandmother living in Merkel is Mrs. Viola Miller.

Mrs. P. R. McLean Dies in Electra

Word was received this week that Mrs. P. R. McLean died June 28 in Electra after a long illness.

A longtime resident of the Merkel area, Mrs. McLean has made Electra her home for the past few years.

RECREATION COMMITTEE — Meeting recently to plan recreation for the Taylor County 4-H Camp for July 15-16 include, front row, from left, Pam McElmurray, Lee Ann Holloway and Carolyn Hutto; second row, Billy Dan Snow, Robert Clemmer, W. H. Blackburn III and Clyde McMinn. (Photo Courtesy Mrs. Clemmer)



Taylor County 4H Little League Camp Planned Batting Averages

A group of enthusiastic 4-H members of Taylor County met Thursday afternoon in the Gold Room of the First State Bank, Abilene, to plan the 4-H camp for Taylor County.

The camp will be July 15 and 16 at Buffalo Gap. All Taylor County 4-H members may attend.

Isometrics, swimming, educational sessions, crafts and thinking stretchers are just some of the programs that have been planned. Adult leaders County agents, and Junior 4-H Leaders will be in charge of all programs.

Camp committee includes W. H. Blackburn III, Clyde McMinn, Robert Clemmer, Lee Ann Holloway, Carolyn Hutto, Cathy Manahan, Janet Landers Rusty Holloway, Mark Dudley, Kathrine Criswell, Kathy Mansfield, Guy McNutt, Ralph Landers, Asst. Agents Dexter Sagebiel and Carolyn Gilbert.

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7. Rudy Castillo	47	18	.383
8. James Alexander	47	18	.383
9. Steve West	45	17	.378
10. Johnny Frazier	37	14	.378
11. Robbie Whitehead	42	15	.357
12. Derrell Bunch	42	15	.357
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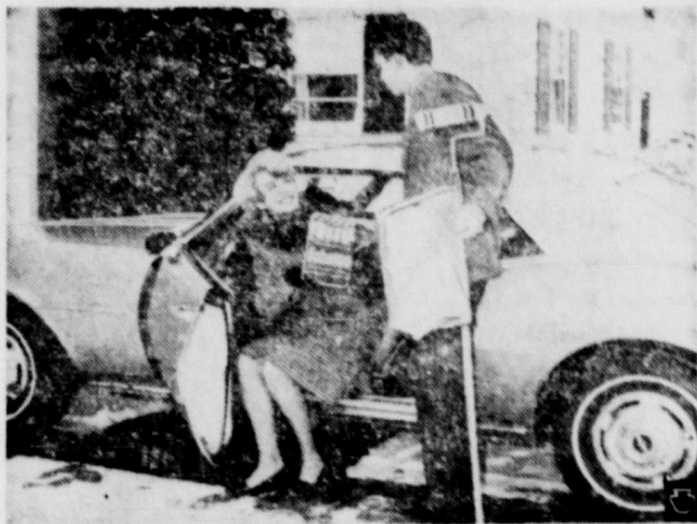
Onis Crawford's Parents to Note 60th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Crawford of 313 North Anson, Stamford, will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary Sunday, July 14. Assisting in the open house

celebration will be their sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. Onis Crawford of Merkel; Clyde Crawford, Corpus Christi; James Crawford of Mount Pleasant; Earl Crawford, Riverside, Calif.; and Ralph Crawford of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford were married at Pinkerton, Texas in 1908. They have been residents of the Stamford area since that time.

Young America Keeps Carefree



Leading the horse to water and making him drink sometimes could be a soft touch compared to trapping a husband into doing things around the house which are generally assumed properly to belong in the male bailiwick.

Reminiscent, some remodeling jobs, painting and similar efforts requiring only a small amount of skill but considerable application and patience can bring out the stiffest resistance men can generate. Every wife knows the standard excuses:

"I've had a hard day at the office" or "You know I'm all thumbs at that sort of thing!"

Wives, however, have more things going for them than they sometimes realize. Industry, broadly speaking, long ago determined that products for the home, must, of necessity, be geared to include the needs and desires of the homemaker.

Refinishing a treasured piece of furniture, a paneled wall or a wood floor under constant assault by the vigor of pets and children cannot always be turned over to the professionals, even in cases, rare as they may be in today's economy, where cost is a minor factor.

and Stevens Chemical Corporation of Buffalo, New York furnishes detailed information in How To Do It Manuals covering proper care of resilient flooring, natural wood finishing and finishing of wood floors. (To get all 3 manuals, plus several product folders, send 25c to the company at Box 1092, Buffalo, N.Y. 14240)

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It's true, wives have more things going for them than they realize when it comes to products for the home and as long as they retain their inherent female skills of persuasion and debate, home will continue to be their personal queendoms.

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5. Ballet step
8. Ages
12. Open space
13. Insect
14. Oxidation
15. Evil spirit
17. Fodder
19. Fruits
21. Ordrains
22. Often; poet
25. Not dense
28. Steamship: abbr.
29. Exist
30. Foot bones
31. Chemical compound
33. Silkworm
34. Toward
36. Hymn
37. Married
38. Blue dye
40. Wetting again
44. Skilled workman
47. Wireless telegraphy

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DOWN

1. Floating platform
2. Opera solo
3. Viewed supports
4. Coat
5. Father
6. Caper
7. Limits
8. God of love
9. Groove
10. Tree
11. Pigeon
12. Crowded conditions
13. Errand boy
14. Girl's nickname
15. Cave
16. Comfort
17. Liberate
18. Limited period
19. Simmer
20. Cut
21. Dry
22. Warehouse
23. Forward
24. Small island
25. Italian poet
26. Clears
27. Thought
28. Island near Sumatra
29. Blood
30. Fuss
31. Corded fabric
32. Printer's measure

Ramby Retires From Texaco, Inc.

C. E. Ramby, who has completed 25 years of service with Texaco, retired from the Midland Division, Producing Department — U.S. (East) of Texaco Inc. at Sweetwater, Tex., effective July 1. It was announced by Mr. M. J.

J. H. Strain, Inc. Given Contract

AUSTIN — Contracts for highway construction in the Abilene District have been awarded by the Texas Highway Commission. The work will be under the supervision of District Engineer J. C. Roberts, and will be in Taylor and Nolan counties.

J. H. Strain & Sons Inc. of Tye was awarded a contract for hot mix asphalt concrete pavement on 6.8 miles of Interstate Highway 20 in Taylor County. Low bid was \$475,507.01.

The project extends from Tye to Cat Claw Creek in Abilene. C. M. Mitchell of Abilene is the Highway Department engineer in charge of the project which will take an estimated 70 working days.

TAX MAN SAM SEZ:

There are still a few people around who feel a real sense of pride in the achievements of our country. Certainly we have a lot more accomplishments to be proud of than all of our critics put together have. The thing that has made our country great is the willingness of the American people to do their share in working for their community or their country, in working for better laws, better health, and better social conditions, and in being willing to die for their country to pay their fair share of the taxes required to support their government. Of course there is a small percentage that may want to place limitations on fighting or dying for their country, but fortunately there appears to be a very large percentage that have no reservations.

Finally, every American can feel a real sense of pride that the Internal Revenue Service collects 97 per cent of our federal taxes through voluntary compliance. No other Nation can. As long as we have Americans who are willing to lay their hard-earned dollars on the line for their fair share of operating our government, we have not lost the "Spirit of 1776."

Investing: A Full-Time Job

Anyone who has ever tended garden knows that it takes more than just "silver bells and cockleshells" to make a garden grow. Similarly, in the world of investment, it takes more than just money to make investments grow.

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Perhaps this explains why so many people today who want to invest have turned to mutual funds. Figures from the Investment Company Institute, the national association of the mutual fund industry, indicate that there are now well over four million Americans with more than \$46 billion invested in mutual fund shares.

The mutual fund idea is a simple one. It provides a means through which people with similar investment goals may pool their money in an effort to achieve these goals. By combining their investment dollars, they are able to engage the services of professional investment managers at a cost which is divided among all the shareholders.

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cisely the same management, the same diversification and the same opportunity for growth and income whether his account represents holdings of \$100 or \$1,000,000.

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HemisFair '68 Housing Good

San Antonio's HemisFair, the Texas World's Fair, appears to be escaping the plague that pestered other world's fairs of recent years — inadequate housing for visitors.

The American Automobile Association, which has been operating a housing bureau in San

HAMBY NEWS

By MRS. WILLIAMS

Mrs. J. E. Deatherage entered the hospital Monday, had surgery Wednesday morning, and latest report is that she is resting well.

Mrs. Alice Williams went to San Antonio Tuesday to visit the HemisFair. Her grandson, Larry Johnson of Caps, went with her. While there they visited in the homes of Mrs. Raymond Beans and Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Mackachney.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Foster returned home this week from Port Arthur, where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Foster's sister in law, Mrs. Jerome Darden.

Mrs. R. W. Barrett of California, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles Box, and niece, Mrs. Bobby Gossett and family.

The Hamby baseball girls went to Wichita Falls Friday to play in a tournament with 10 other teams.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Gist returned home Wednesday from Houston, where they had attended a business meeting.

Bruce Jefferies of Abilene and Denev Parson of California visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walker Williams.

Joe Eddy Gist returned home after a weekend trip to Louisiana with Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Thompson and sons of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shotwell and daughter, Patti, of Tye, visited in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Walker Williams and Mrs. Alice Williams Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Whiteaker went to Wichita Falls Friday to attend the girls baseball tournament. Out of 3 games played by the Hamby girls, they won one.

Mr. and Mrs. Presley Shipley of Garland visited her sister, Mrs. George Grantham over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Gooch attended a birthday party for Mr. Gooch's mother, Mrs. Rosa Gooch, Saturday night.

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CHECKUP ON LANDSCAPING—HemisFair workmen are shown planting trees and grass early in April for the opening of the world's fair. Even though final touches have been made on tree planting, workmen keep constant check on growing trees.

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Cure Toothaches Before They Start

In bygone days, some people believed that kissing a donkey would cure a toothache. Others believed that a sprig of parsley hung around the neck would prevent a toothache. While modern dentistry has dispelled odd superstitions, there are still misconceptions about dental health.

During the week of Feb. 4 through 10, the nation will observe the 20th anniversary of National Children's Dental Health Week. Its purpose is to provide sound dental health information to children and parents, and to remove misconceptions about dental health.

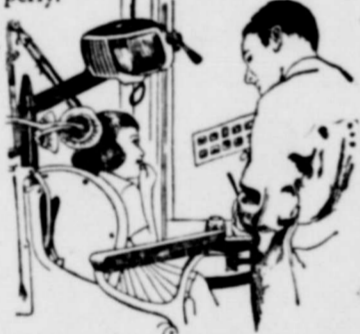
Today, people don't go around kissing donkeys, but some still believe that dental caries (decay)—the cause of a toothache—can be cured. It can't. Dental decay can be removed from a tooth and the tooth filled. And, with proper care—by cleaning the teeth after meals and by cutting down on sweets—the decay possibly won't recur.

Decay can be prevented—not by parsley, but by fluoridation. Countless studies of children in fluoridated communities have proved that fluoride in the water prevents decay by about 65 per cent. And, if fluoride is not in the water, the dentist can either paint a child's teeth with a fluoride substance, or he can prescribe dietary fluorides. The American Dental Association says some fluoride toothpastes are recognized as effective in decay-prevention.

Here are some important facts about dental health:

—Baby (primary) teeth are important. They save the proper eruption space for permanent teeth and are necessary for chewing, speech and appearance.

—Milk does not prevent decay, it helps the teeth form properly.



—Sweets are a causative factor in decay and their consumption should be limited, probably to meal times.

—A great proportion of children have some type of gum disease. If untreated, the disorders will become more serious as the child grows. Gum disease is the greatest cause of adult tooth loss.

—Destroyed tooth enamel cannot be repaired. If a tooth stops aching, this means the pulp has been infected—an indication of real trouble.

Very few people are "immune" to dental decay. Approximately 98 per cent of the population suffers from caries. But regular toothbrushing, fluoridation and routine dental care will greatly reduce decay. — 4-68

CJC Names Two New Directors

Cisco Junior College has this week designated new directors for the Wrangler Belles and Wrangler Band, according to an announcement Friday by Leland Willis, college president.

Mrs. George Owens of Cisco has been employed as Wrangler Belles director and Mr. Eris Ritchie, currently serving as Public Relations Director for the college, has been designated as band director for the school.

Mrs. Owens is a graduate of Anson High School and Hardin-Simmons University.

In addition to serving as director for the Wrangler Belles, CJC's girls' drill team, Mrs. Owens will be instructor for all of the college's girls physical training classes.

Mr. Ritchie is a graduate of Troup High School and Abilene Christian College. He taught at Trent two years before coming to Cisco, and has been Cisco High School's band director since 1959. He resigned the position effective May 31 of this year, and has been serving as part-time Public Relations director for Cisco Junior College since January 1 when he joined the college's administrative staff.

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SAFETY TIPS

Playing With Power Windows Can Be Hazardous to Children

AUSTIN — Playfully closing a power window in a car can result in death or serious injury, the Texas Safety Association said in warning parents not to leave small children unattended in cars with such automatic devices.

In spite of extensive publicity given in the past to incidents of strangulation, loss of fingers and other injuries to children and adults from automobile power windows, tragedies of this kind are being reported in increasing numbers, the Safety Association noted.

The greatest hazard from power windows is to small children as they often play with the switches if left alone in an automobile and usually cannot operate the window if they are accidentally caught.

As with all other motor vehicles, cars with power windows should be left completely locked when not in use. This not only greatly reduces the chances of theft, but also prevents inquisi-

tive children from injuring themselves with power windows, cigarette lighters and other dangerous equipment, or by releasing the brake.

Harris Reunion Held Recently

The recent P. F. Harris Reunion was held in Mrs. Harris' home, at 904 South 3rd St., with children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren meeting there, attending Sunday services at the First Baptist Church, and having the reunion dinner in the Gold Room of the Merkel Restaurant.

Those attending included Messrs. and Mrs. C. T. Harris, Abilene; W. C. Martin, Cottage Grove, Ore.; Miller Harris, Big Spring; C. S. Harris, Irving, and Mr. O. S. Harris, Merkel.

Also Messrs. and Mrs. Ed Sandusky, Merkel; C. L. Harris, Dumas, Tex.; James E. Harris,

China Lake, Calif.; Fred Johnson, Merkel; and E. B. Boyd, Trent.

Also Messrs. and Mrs. R. M. White, Abilene; Powell Foster, Clovis, N.M.; Jackie Shaw, Merkel; Jim Weaver, Clovis, N.M.; Glenn Sandusky, Merke, and Mr. Robert White, Trent.

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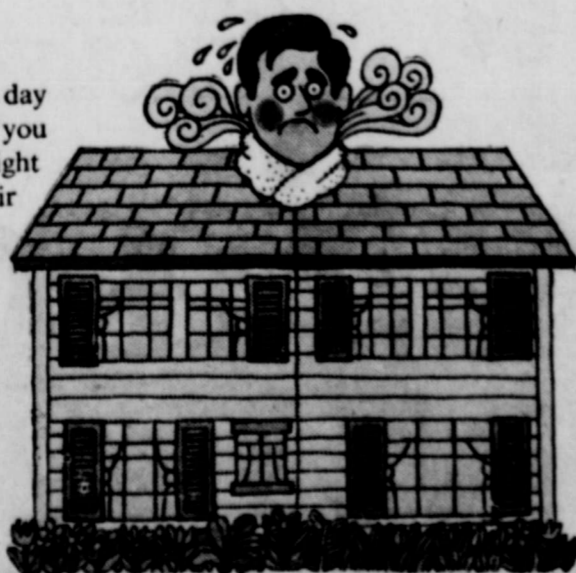
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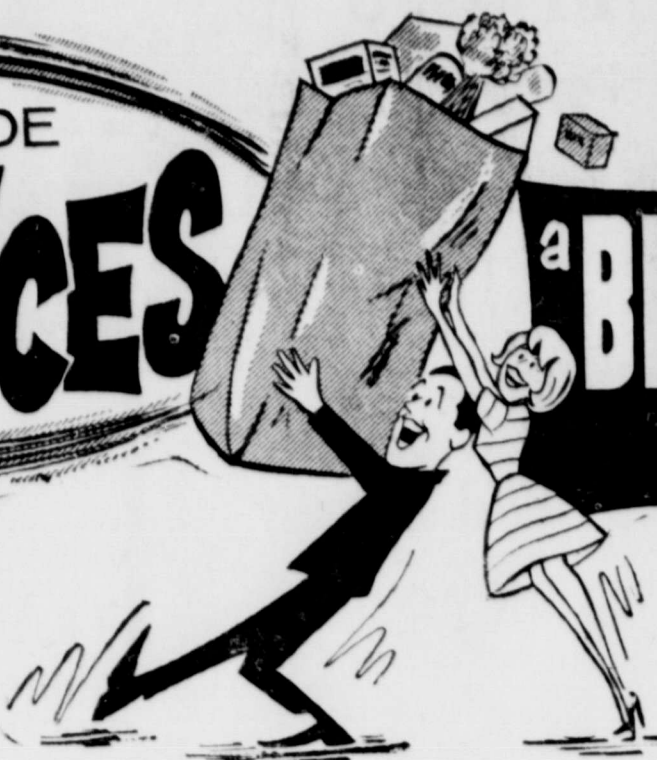
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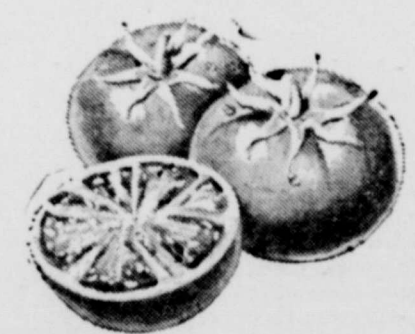
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