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## Up The Canyon

By TOM  
RUSSOM

My, oh me, talk about rainy weather — the Canyon received up to 2½ inches of rain in places. The order for livestock water was filled this time.

There is already danger expressed by farmers that continued rain might cause severe rust to develop in the wheat. Then, too, this cloudy weather could play a big part toward rust developing; more so in the wheat. Anyway, a few weeks will tell the story about the wheat crop. It looks real good now, just coming to head.

Last week there appeared an article in our column concerning the grazing period. I stated that there was unhappiness among the farmers over the decision that Taylor County received. Donald Saverance, ASC office manager, called by phone, explaining the difference in the grazing period in the counties. He explained that Taylor County would be off of the retired acres May 1 and back on them Oct. 1. Other counties off May 15, and back on Oct. 15. I overlooked the difference in my newsletter. Personally I like the off May 1 and back on Oct. 1 grazing period.

Due to the oversight in the newsletter I want to make my correction of the article in last week's column. However, some of the farmers so stated that "one bird in the hand was worth more than two in the bush," saying they needed the grazing so badly now.

Mrs. Sam Butman Jr., who spends most of her time living with a daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brnovak, here in the Canyon returned home this week after spending several months in California visiting another daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Polk. She also dropped by Russell, N.M., on her way home for a short visit with another daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Everett Powell.

This Sunday afternoon, in the home of another daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Scott. Mrs. Butman will be honored as "Lilly Daw," her name being Lilly.

Mrs. Butman's children will be party host and she and the children extend an invitation for all friends to come by for a visit. Party time is 2 until 5 p.m., and Mrs. Butman will enjoy seeing all of her friends.

Recently Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seymore had all of their children home and all reported a very fine time.

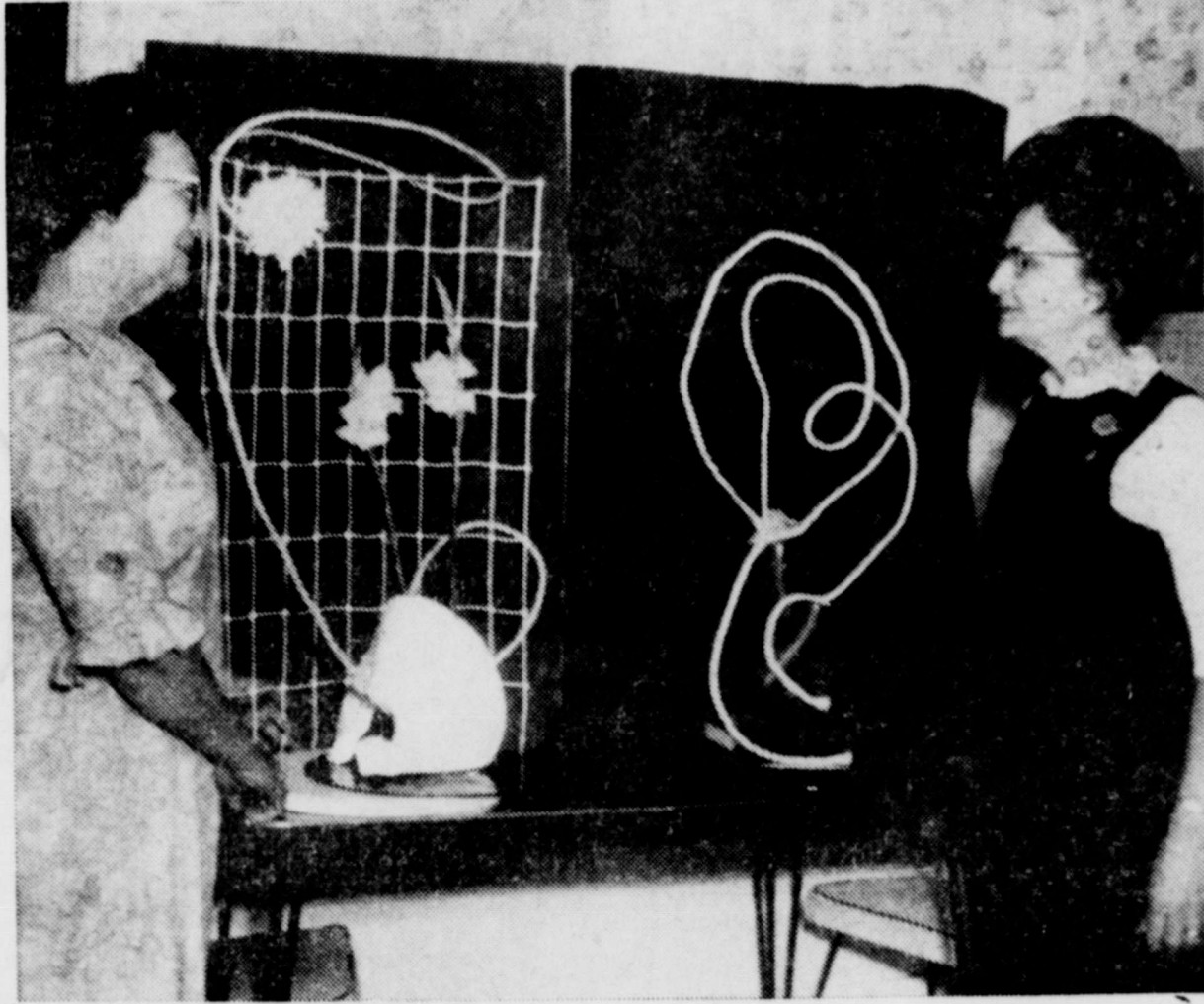
## DANIELS HONORED ON "SPECIAL DAY"

The Rev. and Mrs. Newton Daniel, were honored Sunday, May 4, with a "Special Daniel Day," held at the First Methodist Church.

The special services gave recognition to Rev. Daniel, who will be retiring in June as a minister in the Methodist Church, and also to Mrs. Daniel for "her unselfish service for others."

Rev. and Mrs. Daniel have purchased a home at 606 Edwards and will be living in Merkel after their retirement.

Sunday's "Special Day" services were conducted by Max Murrell. Mrs. Don Dudley presented a talk on "Down Memory Lane," depicting experience in the Daniels' lives. Dan Allen



**ARTISTS EXPERIMENTATION** — Two local garden clubbers put minds and fingers to work recently and entered some unique arrangements in an Abilene Art Show. Pictured here are Mrs. Odell Freeman, left, whose arrangement (a blue ribbon winner) was entitled "Mental Gymnastics," and Mrs. W. L. Brown's "Bypass," a creative interpretation of the traffic circle north of Abilene on Interstate 20. (Staff Photo)

## DEADLINE IS NEAR ON CENTER PROJECT

Dr. Don Warren, chairman of the proposed Merkel Recreational Center, reminded persons today that "decisions on a center for Merkel are fast drawing near."

"We must have a definite commitment of 100 signed memberships in order for our loan to go through," said Warren. "Funds are relatively limited as to time they will be available."

Warren also pointed out that "present members of the Golf Association must sign up with the 100 membership application."

"It is not anticipated that we will actually collect membership funds until such time as we have at least 100 families indicating an interest in becoming members," explained Warren. "However, we must have these applications in as soon as possible if we plan to continue our request for a loan."

John Wolfe, area Farm and Home Administration supervisor, earlier told committee members that "receipt of application for a loan has been acknowledged."

"However," he said, "the original application has come up with modified guidelines."

Initial application was in the amount of \$176,732 and Wolfe

pointed out that "modified guidelines stipulate that no more than \$750 can be loaned for each active member."

In an earlier release members of the Recreational Center committee mentioned the possibility of a swimming pool, fencing in a patio area, picnicing area, lighted tennis courts and croquet courts, and acquiring and improving the present golf course.

Persons in Merkel and the area who are interested in a Center and who desire to become a member of the 100 membership club, are urged to contact Warren or Herman Carson "within the next few days."

"If sufficient interest isn't shown by the receipt of at least 100 applications the Recreational project will be discontinued for lack of support," added Warren.

## Victory Baptist To Present The Payne Family

Victory Baptist Church will feature the Payne Family, gospel recording artists, in a revival, beginning Sunday, May 11 and to continue through Sunday, May 16.

The Rev. W. G. Richardson, pastor, said that services will be held each evening at 7:45 p.m. and the "public is invited to attend."

The Payne Family Gospel singers consist of Vernon, the father; Dorothy, the mother; Judy, age 18; David, age 15; and Kenny, age 7. This family has been singing together for the past eight years.

The Payne Family's purpose is to "fulfill the ministry that Christ has given them: to go through every door that is opened, proclaiming the gospel in song and testimony that Jesus is man's redeemer."

The Paynes, whose church affiliation is Baptist have participated in "almost every part of the United States."

## AT TRENT Commencement Friday, May 16

Trent High School Commencement Exercises will be held Friday, May 16 at 7:30 p.m. at the school auditorium.

Dr. Cleo Tartar of the Department of Education at McMurry College, will be commencement speaker.

The Rev. James Sellers, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Trent, will deliver the Baccalaureate sermon Sunday, May 11, also at the school auditorium.

High School valedictorian is Dana Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Thompson of Rt. 1, Sylvester. She has a grade point average of 97.09.

Salutatorian is Gaylon Brnovak, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brnovak, Rt. 2, Merkel, with a grade point average of 92.08.

Eighth grade graduating exercises will be held Thursday, May 15 at 7:30 p.m. Judy Brnovak is valedictorian and Allen Gregory, salutatorian. Judy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brnovak, and Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Gregory.



DANA THOMPSON  
... THS valedictorian

## Veterinarian Here May 17

Merkel Optimist Club will have a licensed veterinarian at the Merkel Fire Station Saturday, May 17 to give dog and cat rabies shots, according to Optimist president, Bill Button.

Hours are 1:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m.

## Summer Recreation To Begin June 9

Merkel's Annual Summer Recreation Program will be held this year and beginning date is June 9.

In a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, co-sponsors of the program, William (Bill) Tate was named Recreation supervisor.

Assisting Tate will be Merkel's head coach, Wendell Robinson and Mrs. Bill Tate.

Something new on the recreation agenda will be "swimming every morning," with the Merkel Metal swimming pool facilities being donated by owner, Tommy McAlister.

"We are most pleased that the pool is being offered to the program and to the Merkel and area youngsters," said C-C president, Ray Wilson.

Heretofore the recreation agenda included swimming "only three mornings a week."

Along with swimming, will be supervised indoor and outdoor games, track and field events, baseball, badminton and shuffleboard.

"We also plan other supervised games," said Tate, "and they will be announced at a later date."

Prices for the summer program are \$1.00 per child per week or \$8.00 for the entire 8 week program.

"However, we are offering family rates this year," said Tate. Family rates for the eight-week program are two children \$15.00.

## PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
City of Merkel, Texas

WHEREAS, the Lions Club is holding its Annual Sale of Blind Products on Thursday, May 8, 1969, to support its deserving project, Crippled Children's Camp and other needy projects; and

WHEREAS, members of this organization are going from door to door in our city selling these quality articles, all of which are manufactured by skilled blind craftsmen, to raise funds for their projects; and

WHEREAS, this effort in behalf of an important and worthy cause merits city-wide attending.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Horace Hargrove, Mayor of Merkel, Texas, do hereby proclaim the day, Thursday, May 8, 1969, as "BROOMS AND MOPS SALE FOR NEEDED CHILDREN DAY"

HORACE HARGROVE  
Mayor

## Onis Crawford's Honor Seniors

Fifty-two Merkel High School graduating seniors and guests were present for the Annual Chuck Wagon Party, hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Onis Crawford last Monday.

Held in the Crawford's backyard on Stewart Street, seniors and guests were served a western style dinner and entertained by a singing group, "Poor Richard's Almanacs" of McMurry College.

Following the entertainment hour, the Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor of the First Baptist Church, presented an inspirational talk.

Adult guests attending were Superintendent of Schools, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Alf Walla, Mrs. Judith Blankenship and Rev. Jones.

This is the eighth annual party hosted by the Crawford.

3 children, \$21.00; 4 children, \$26.00 and family with five children, the fifth child may enroll free.

Children who do not enroll on or before the June 9 date for the 8 week program will be charged \$1.00 per week or twenty

five cents per day," said Tate.

Persons who wish to enroll before the June 9 date may contact either Tate or Robinson.

Tate stressed the point Wednesday that the program will be strictly supervised.

## NHS COMMENCEMENT IS FRIDAY, MAY 16

Noodle - Horn High School's Commencement Exercises will be Friday, May 16 at 8 p.m. at the school auditorium.

Dr. W. O. Beasley, vice president of Hardin - Simmons University will be the commencement speaker.

Evelyn Cook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Cook is the valedictorian of the 1969 graduating class.

Clint Byers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Byers is salutatorian.

Miss Cook, recipient of many honors while in high school, was chosen class favorite, 4 years; most popular, 1 year; best all-around, 1 year; most likely to succeed, 2 years; outstanding student, 1960 and 1969, and has lettered in basketball, volleyball and track.

In addition to school honors, Miss Cook is church pianist at the Noodle Baptist Church and also teaches music. She plans to attend Hardin - Simmons University, and major in secondary education.

Byers' honors include basketball, track, football, class president; and one act play, 3 years. (He was on the District All-Star

One Act Play Cast this spring.)

Other honors include FFA president, 1 year; annual staff, 2 years; class favorite, 1 year, most likely to succeed, 1 year and Mr. N.H.S. He plans to attend San Angelo State University.

Baccalaureate services will be May 11 at 8 p.m. in the high school auditorium, with Ancil Jenkins, minister of the Noodle Church of Christ, delivering the sermon. Don Wilks will be soloist.

Graduating seniors will leave Monday, May 19, for their senior trip to Bar K Dude Ranch and San Marcos. They will be accompanied by Supt. and Mrs. Winifred Dodds and Mrs. Frank Codington, senior advisor.

## TC Homemakers Meet Tonight

Taylor County Young Homemakers, meeting at Taylor Electric Cooperative this evening, will hear Mrs. Jack Boone and Mrs. Luther Reeger present a program on Antiquing.

Meeting time is 7:30.

## WTU OPEN HOUSE THURSDAY, MAY 15

Open House at West Texas Utilities in downtown Merkel May 15 is designated as a space-age treat for homeowners. Refreshments, favors, door prizes and a close-up look at the new automatic conveniences making their appearances on the market is the treat in store for guests.

Two West Texas Utilities home economists, Mrs. Linda Caton and Mrs. Jonnie Beasley will be on hand to demonstrate the various appliances and answer questions concerning their use. These two ladies travel far and wide in pursuit of their chosen profession, and offer homemakers invaluable tips and information concerning use and care of their electrical appliances.

Linda Caton, Abilene District home economist, is a graduate of Abilene High School and received her Bachelor of Science degree in Home Economics from North Texas State University in 1964.

For the past four years, Mrs. Beasley taught school in the El Paso Public Schools. Her husband John F. Beasley, is a teacher at Madison Junior High School in Abilene.

The Beasleys have one daughter, Jacinda Jaye, and make their home at 801 Walnut in Abilene.



MRS. LINDA CATON



MRS. JONNIE BEASLEY

... WTU home economists



**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Proposed **CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**  
**NUMBER ONE ON THE BALLOT (LIRS)**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: Section 1. That Sections 42, 46, and 48 of Article III, Sections 2a and 7 of Article VII, Section 12 of Article VIII, Section 3 of Article IX, Sections 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 of Article X, Section 10 of Article XI, Sections 3, 4, 5, and 7 of Article XII, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 of Article XIII, Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of Article XIV, Sections 3, 4, 7, 10, 20, 22, 24, 33, 36, 38, 42, 45, 46, 54, 55, 57, 58, and 60 of Article XVI, Constitution of the State of Texas, be repealed, it being specifically understood that the repeal of these sections shall not in any way make any substantive change in our present constitution.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in August, 1969, at which election the ballots shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment to repeal the obsolete, superfluous and unnecessary sections of the Constitution."

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Proposed **CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**  
**NUMBER THREE ON THE BALLOT (SIRTS)**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: Section 1. That Section 24, Article III, Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended to read as follows: "Section 24. The Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each receive from the Public Treasury an annual salary in an amount to be fixed by the Legislature, not to exceed one-half the annual salary of the Governor. Each member of the Legislature shall receive from the Public Treasury an annual salary to be fixed by the Legislature, not to exceed the annual salary paid to a district judge from state funds. Members of the Legislature shall also receive a per diem of not exceeding Twelve Dollars (\$12) per day during each regular and Special Session of the Legis-

lature. No Regular Session shall be of longer duration than one hundred and forty (140) days.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at an election to be held on August 5, 1969, at which election the ballots shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment providing that the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall receive a salary fixed by the Legislature, not to exceed one-half the salary of the Governor; providing that the Legislature shall fix the salary of the other members, not to exceed that received by a district judge from state funds; and removing the twelve dollar per diem for regular sessions."

## LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
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: Charles Wayne Stump, 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 2nd day of June A.D. 1969, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 10th day of April A.D. 1969, in this cause, numbered 4685 on the docket of said court and styled Joyce Lee Stump, Plaintiff, vs. Charles Wayne Stump, Defendant.

### T-SHIRT SCHEDULE

MAY 10  
Owls vs. Eagles  
Yankees vs. Mustangs  
MAY 12  
Eagles vs. Mustangs  
Owls vs. Yankees  
MAY 17  
Eagles vs. Yankees  
Owls vs. Mustangs  
MAY 19  
Mustangs vs. Yankees  
Eagles vs. Owls  
MAY 24  
YANKEES vs. Owls  
Mustangs vs. Eagles  
MAY 26  
Owls vs. Mustangs  
Eagles vs. Yankees  
MAY 31  
Eagles vs. Owls  
Mustangs vs. Yankees  
JUNE 2  
Mustangs vs. Eagles  
Yankees vs. Owls

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about June 7, 1965 and became permanently separated on or about March 7, 1968. 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 15th day of April A.D. 1969.  
(Seal)

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

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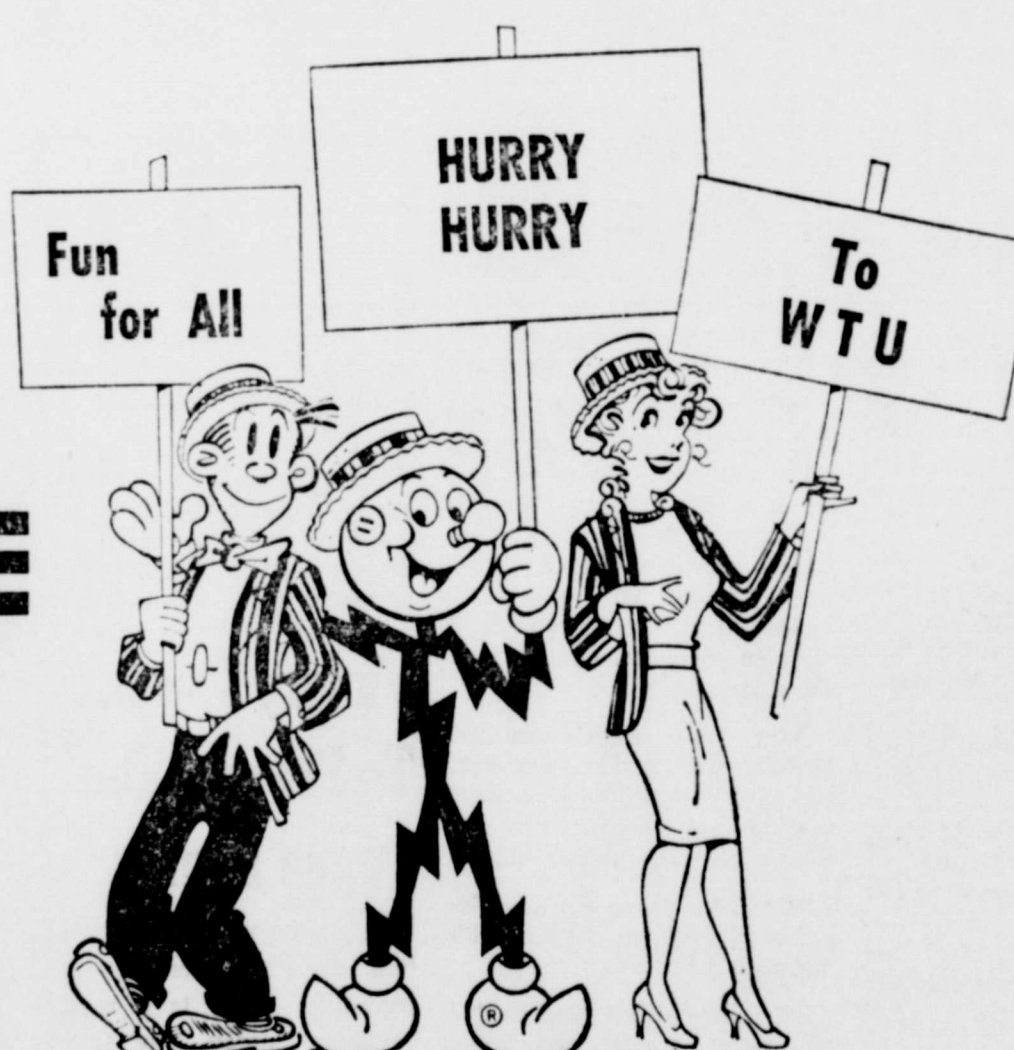
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- Miscellaneous -

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NOTICE — Lawnmower and small engine repair. See T. J. Bird, one mile east town, 928-5486. 10 21p

STRAYED — Black steer, weighing about 400 pounds. Has an N-Brand on right hip. Gone about 1 month. Dink Whisenhunt, Rt. 3. 9 21p

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WANTED — Any kind of yard work such as pruning trees and cleaning lots and plowing gardens. Go anywhere in 30 mile radius. Cecilio Hernandez, Rt. 3. Phone 928-5104. 5 11p

WANTED — MHS Cheerleaders want odd jobs to earn money to go to Cheerleaders School. If you have any kind of job, please call Dayna McAninch, 928-5609 or Glenna Doan, 928-5779. 6 1fr

HOUSEWIVES are making \$50 to \$120 week advertising products of National Corporation. If you can spare 10 hours or more a week, write D. W. Hughes, personnel manager for Division of Consolidated Foods for details. P. O. Box 2816, Abilene, Texas 79604. No investment. 8 4tc

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FOR RENT OR SALE — 3 bedroom, completely refinished, water well, large garden spot, 6 lots, reasonable. Mrs. Gordon Pursley, Rt. 2, Merkel, 928-5346. 9 2 ct

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION  
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: The following persons, if living, Elmira E. Hubbard, Hardy Hubbard and wife, if any, Maude Hubbard Liskow and husband, John C. Liskow, Thomas Z. Hubbard, Eugene Hubbard and Clara Ileta Hubbard, children of Thomas Z. Hubbard, and if any of the named persons not be living, the heirs, unknown heirs and personal representatives of such deceased person or persons, Defendants, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas, 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 14th day of June, 1969, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court on the 1st day of May, 1969, in this cause, numbered 22-234-A on the docket of said Court and styled Edward D. Barfield, Individually and as Independent Executor of the Estate of Tessie Mae Barfield, deceased, Plaintiff, vs. Elmira E. Hubbard, Hardy Hubbard and wife, if any, Maude Hubbard Liskow and husband, John C. Liskow, Thomas Z. Hubbard, Eugene Hubbard and Clara Ileta Hubbard, children of Thomas Z. Hubbard, and if any of the named persons not be living, the heirs, unknown heirs and personal representatives of such deceased person or persons.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows: Plaintiff has filed a trespass to try title suit against the above Defendants, their heirs, unknown heirs and personal representatives (who may have a claim to an undivided one-half interest) to recover title to the following described property:

Let 10, Block 90, Original Town of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, 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 unreserved.

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, Taylor County, Texas, this 2nd day of May, 1969.

(Seal)  
R. H. BOSS, District Clerk,  
42nd District Court,  
Taylor County, Texas  
By Marie Gill, Deputy.  
10 4tc

The Dorcas Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church visited the Starr Nursing Home April 29 and brought a program for the patients.

Mrs. T. T. Earthman played several hymns and the class sang. Mrs. Lynn Barnes led the singing and then brought a devotional, ending with prayer.

Mrs. Shanks also played the piano with group singing. Prayers were asked by Mrs. Dave Anderson and Mrs. Eunice Massey.

These present were Meses. Callie Price, J. W. Tiner, W. A. Mc-Candless, Cordelia Schere, Earthman, W. M. Hayes, Shanks, Ira Moore and Bessie Jackson.

Also Meses. Massey, R. H. Matthews, Oma Robertson, Petty, R. Y. Buchanan, Anderson, Mary Jones, Emory Wilburn, Clara Driver, Myrtle Walker and visitors, Lynn Barnes and Jack Huffman.

## Dorcas SS Class Visits Rest Home

## LITTLE BADGER TRACKS

By MES REPORTERS

Just think! Six more days of school!!!

The 1969-70 Cheerleaders were elected. They are Judy Donn, head cheerleader; Tonja McAninch, Cindy Whisenhunt, Danna White and Jan Beck.

Twirlers for the '69-70 season are Debbie Fincher, Lee Ann Butman, Debbie Mashburn, Cynthia Steck and Danna Bowen.

The eighth grade is really busy with graduation coming up May 19. There are 43 graduating students.

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## Three Candidates File for Vacancy

With the deadline for filing for city council post this past Tuesday at 5 p.m., three persons filed for the one year vacancy.

They are Roy Davis, John Lozano and Ted Smith. Election will be May 27 at the City Hall. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. and Mrs. Pat Cypert will be election judge.

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Services are held each evening at 8 o'clock.

## Baptist Revival Now Until May 11

TRENT — A Revival at the Trent Baptist Church, which began May 4, will continue through Sunday, May 11.

Evangelist is Charles Whitlock from Lueders; guest singer is Jim Power.  
Services are held each evening at 8 o'clock.

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When you last called the doctor . . . was one just as good as another?  
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GIRLS' TRACK

WINNERS NAMED  
IN REGION MEET

Merkel High School's girls' track team came out in sixth place with an overall score of 96 1-3 points in the Region IV, Division A Track Meet held this past weekend at Winters. Students plating in the regional meet were:  
Long Jump — Marylee Noster, first, 15.11½; Ann Walker, third, 15¾.  
High Jump — Karlen Gamble, sixth, 4.4.  
40 yard relay — Merkel, second, 53.8.  
220 yard Dash — Karlen Gamble, second, 28.6.  
60 yard dash — Noster, first, 7.4.  
80 Meter Hurdles — Sandra Cox, third, 14.3.  
800 Relay — Merkel, second, 1:56.0.

Mle Relay — Merkel, third, 4:48.8.  
Schools competing besides Merkel were Abilene, Anson, Clyde, Haskell, Lake View and Winters. Winners will compete in state this weekend at Abilene.

James S. Hale  
Dies at Age 44

Funeral services were held at the Nooney Ellis Funeral Chapel in Midland Saturday, May 3 for James S. Hale, 44, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale of Merkel. He died in a Midland hospital Thursday, following an apparent heart attack. Masonic rites were held at the graveside in Cedar Hills Cemetery in Abilene.

The Rev. Charley Jones, pastor of the West Side Baptist Church in Abilene, officiated.

He was born February 15, 1925 at Anson. He was a member of the Baptist Church and a graduate of Hawley High School. He married Myrna Lee Davis July 17, 1944 in Abilene. They lived in Abilene until moving to Midland in January, 1952.

Hale was a 22 year veteran with the National Electric Company.

Survivors include his wife; one son, Mike; one daughter, Shirley, all of the home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale of Merkel; one brother, Charles of Merkel; two sisters, Mrs. Jean Newton of Lubbock and Mrs. Sandra Kay Malone of Taylor. He was preceded in death by an infant son, Jimmy Don.

Babe Ruth Work  
Outs Next Week

Babe Ruth Baseball League will have work outs and try outs on Monday and Tuesday, May 12 and 13 at 7:30 p.m., according to president, Lawrence Hewitt.

Activities will be held at the Babe Ruth Baseball Park. "All boys ages 13, 14 and 15 who are going to play baseball are invited to try out," said Hewitt, "and all boys returning from last season are asked to report for workouts."

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Stith  
News

By MRS.  
FRITZ HALE



EDITOR'S NOTE — The Stith News is written this week by Mrs. Benny Hobbs and Mrs. Orval Ely, in the absence of Mrs. Fritz Hale.

To the Fritz Hale family we extend our sympathy in the death of their son, Jame Hale of Midland. He died after suffering a heart attack Thursday morning. Funeral services were held in Midland, with burial in Cedar Hills Cemetery. He is survived by his wife, two children, one brother and two sisters and his parents.

The Stith Community received 1.6 inch of rain Sunday afternoon and night. Some maize is up and looking good; some yet to be planted. No cotton planted at this date but there should be plenty of moisture and good season when time prevails.

Several attended the Jones, Cox and Sloan Reunion this weekend in Waxahachie, including the Clyde Jones, Norman Sloans, Elbert Wests and Maurice Coxes.

Hugh Taylor was showing off some 10 and 12 pound catfish this week. We tried to get him to reveal his fishing spot — all he would say was "over on the river."

Visiting recently in Eastland Hospital with Mrs. G. C. Bond, were Mrs. Orval Ely, Mrs. Orin Higgins and Mrs. M. H. Ely. Mrs. Bond is very ill. The Orval Ely family visited Mrs. Ely's brother, Billy Bond, in Sweetwater Hospital Sunday. He was injured Monday when he caught his hand in a skill saw.

The Elementary Band Concert at Merkel was held Monday night at the high school auditorium. Those participating from Stith include Scott Tarpley, Don Clyburn, Becky Ely and Mike and Debra Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Perry and Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Perry visited in Graham with the Melvin Bachhofer family last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Craig Jones are the happy parents of a brand-new baby boy, Keith Mark, born April 28. He weighed 6 lbs., 12 ozs.

The Benny Hobbs family attended the Rister Reunion at Ella Neeb's in Merkel on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Canon of Stephenville visited the Paul Bradleys this weekend. The Bradleys visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Davis of Abilene on Sunday.

DISTRICT CONTEST  
WINNERS NAMED

The District 7 4-H Elimination Contest, held Saturday in San Angelo attracted 850 4-H boys, girls, adult leaders and parents from all over the district. Merkel area winners in senior division were:

Electric team demonstration — Katie Neill and Suzie Wilson, first place.

Fruit and vegetable group — Judy Brnovak, third.

Foods and nutrition educational activity — Margo McAlister, first.

Horse demonstration — Dayna McAninch and Betsy Johnson, first.

Natural resources demonstration, Div. B, Individual — Robert Boyd, first.

Public speaking, boys — Mark Dudley, third.

Senior Safety demonstration — Leslie Reddin and Andy Stephan, second.

Senior Share the fun contest — Pam McElmurray, first.

Senior Vegetable production and use demonstration — Gail Boone and Kathy Mansfield, third.

Senior vegetable production and marketing — Kathryn Criswell and Mike Dudley, first.

Winners in the junior division were:

Public speaking, girls — Christy Boone, second.

Quarter Record  
Set by Area Banks

Merkel and Trent bankers expressed optimism concerning conditions for an "excellent business year" this week as the two banks set "first quarter records for 1969."

Booth Warren, Merkel's Farmers and Merchants National Bank president, said Wednesday that "conditions are almost perfect in our area for this season of the year."

"Range conditions are wonderful," said Warren, "and we have a promising wheat crop."

J. G. Wilks, president of the Home State Bank at Trent also expressed optimism.

"The fine rains we've had makes everything look real good. The cattle business as well as farms in the area are in good condition."

Deposits in the F&M Bank for the first quarter totaled \$3,979,961 as over the first quarter's total in 1968 of \$3,685,569.

Deposits in Home State Bank for the first quarter of 1969 were \$602,563, and \$549,790 total for 1968's first quarter.

Vegetable production and marketing demonstration — James Allison and Larry Toliver, first.

Junior civil defense demonstration — Cathy Holloway and Mary Carter, first.

Cooperative demonstration — Jodie Roddy and Beverly Gilmore, first.

Junior farm and ranch management — Patricia Boyd, second.

Winners with first two teams in the senior division are eligible to compete in state contest at College Station.

TTC 'Upgrades'  
Party Service

Taylor Telephone Cooperative Inc., has completed up-grading to maximum 4-party service their facilities in the rural areas of Hawley and Buffalo Gap, according to manager, John Hardesty.

This has reduced the number of phones on each party line from a maximum of 8 parties to a maximum of 4 parties which will result in improved telephone service to the members. This has previously been done in the Potosi exchange, said Hardesty.

It is planned to let contract this fall to accomplish the same purpose in the Lawn and Tuscola communities, and the Board of Directors "is making application to the Rural Electrification Administration for funds to accomplish the same up-grading of service in all other exchanges operated by the Taylor Telephone Cooperative."

Piano Recital Set  
Friday, May 9

Mrs. Susan McClintock is presenting her piano students in an annual recital May 9, at 8 p.m. in the Grace Presbyterian Church in Merkel.

Students to be presented are Marsha Clyburn, Karlen Gamble, Steve Walker and Patricia McDuff, all of Merkel.

Also Stacy Stanley, Noodle, and Shelia Nix, Belinda Apperson and Steven, Kim, Brenda and Linda Blackwell, all of Abilene.

The public is invited to attend.

CLASSIFIEDS  
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BADGER  
TRACKS

By WALLY KNIGHT

Paul Thames, sophomore, won second place in the state UIL spelling contest. Congratulations!

The annuals are in this week. Everyone is going mad signing names, pictures and writing paragraphs about how cute, smart or nice everyone is.

The football boys are off on a trip to Lake Brownwood this Friday. The squad and the coaches will leave Friday afternoon and return (hopefully) Saturday afternoon. The coaches hope to pull some big fish out of the lake and the team hopes to put some big coaches in the lake.

The seniors will be honored at a bar-b-q Thursday night at the First Baptist Church. All seniors are urged to attend and bring guests.

The Junior Senior Banquet will be held Monday, May 12 at Old

Abilene Town. Names for the banquet should be turned in to Mrs. Davis or Mrs. Wiggins as soon as possible.

The new twirlers for the 1969-70 school year are: Donna Diltz, Kay Tipton, and Katherin Criswell, all seniors next year. Also Suzie Wilson, junior next year, and Jan Beasley and Cle Juan Douglas, both sophomores next year.

T-Minus 7 days and counting.

Noodle 8th Grade  
Exercises Sunday

The Eighth Grade Graduation exercises of Noodle - Horn School will be held Friday, May 9 at 8 p.m. at the school auditorium.

Mr. J. R. Hitchcock of Knox City will be the speaker.

Named valedictorian is Ernest Wayne Tate, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tate, and Joyce Hogan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hogan, salutatorian.

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**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**  
THE STATE OF TEXAS  
TO: G. C. Hardy and his unknown heirs and assigns, Defendant, Greeting:  
YOUR ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the

Honorable 42nd District 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 May A.D. 1969, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 8th day of April A.D. 1969, in this cause, numbered 32,243-A on the docket of said court and styled Norman Boggs, Carl Webb, and Johnny Jones, Trustees for and in behalf of the United Pentecostal Church, Plaintiff, vs. G. C. Hardy, his heirs and assigns, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

All that certain lot, tract or parcel of land situated in Taylor County, Texas, and described as: Lot No. Sixteen (16), in No. Two (2) of the Campus Addition adjoining McMurry College, Abilene, Texas, as shown by the plat of said addition, of record in the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, Plat Volume No. One (1), page No. Sixty - Six (66); and as shown in a certain warranty deed wherein K. B. Legett conveyed this property to G. C. Hardy, dated January 1, 1924, and recorded in Vol. 143, page 78, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas; being one lot and known as 1501 Portland Street, Abilene, Texas, 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 8th day of April A.D. 1969.

(Seal)  
Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,  
42nd District Court  
Taylor County, Texas  
By Faye Terry, Deputy.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS  
TO: VERNON L. ELLIS, Defendant, GREETING:  
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appear before the honorable Court of the Domestic Relations of Taylor County, Texas at the Courthouse thereof in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10:00 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 8th day of June, 1969, A.D., to Plaintiff's Original Petition filed in said Court on the 21 day of April, 1969 in this cause, numbered 4723 on the docket of said Court and styled MARY W. LAGRANGE ELLIS Plaintiff, vs. VERNON L. ELLIS, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: The Plaintiff and Defendant

were duly married and subsequently became separated and the Plaintiff is suing Defendant for divorce.

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

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to the 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 Court at Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, this 21 day of April, 1969 A.D. (Seal)

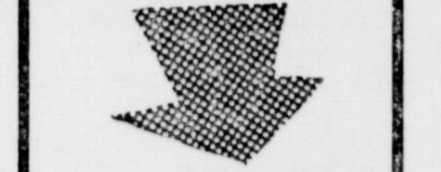
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MAY 18 — Winters vs. Merkel (here)  
MAY 25 — Merkel vs. Winters (there)  
JUNE 1 — Merkel vs. Stamford (there)

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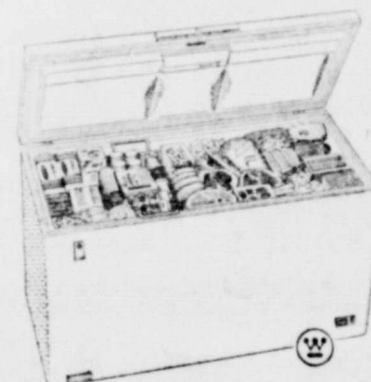
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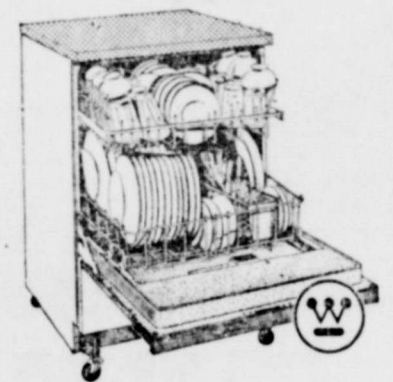
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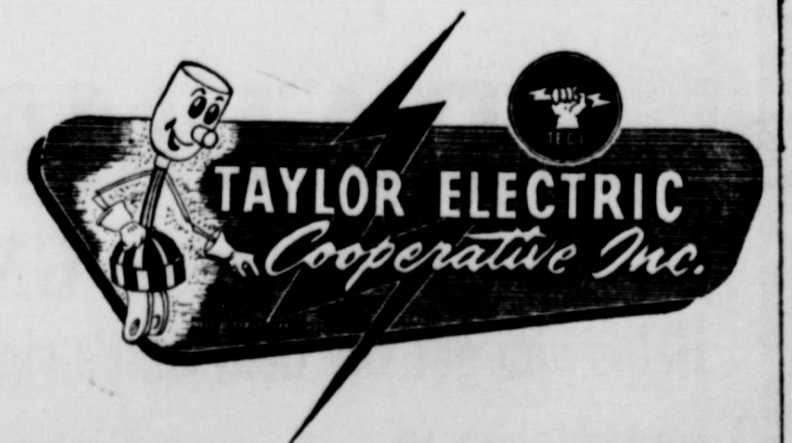
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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE  
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County of Taylor

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain Execution issued out of the Honorable 80th District Court of Harris County, of the 7th day of March 1969, by District Clerk of said County for the sum of One Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-

five and 14/100 (\$1,685.14) Dollars and costs of suit, under a Execution, in favor of Schlumberger Well Surveying Corporation, in a certain cause in said Court, No. 466,979 and styled Schlumberger Well Surveying Corporation vs. C. D. Branham, placed in my hand for service, I, George Maxwell as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the

25th day of April 1969, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: 013672 Royalty Interest on 20 acres Sec. 447 George Hancock 4-J Lease, Arrett Weeks Gene McCutchin Operator, 013672 Royalty Interest on 80 Acres Sec. 447, A Lease George Hancock 4-J Arrett Weeks Gene McCutchin Operator.

And levied upon as the property of C. D. Branham and that on the first Tuesday in June 1969, the same being the 3rd day of said month at the Court House door, of Taylor County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., by virtue of said levy and said George Maxwell, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for each, to the highest bidder, as the property of said C. D. Branham.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Taylor County.

Witness my hand, this 25th day of April 1969.

GEORGE MAXWELL  
Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas  
By Robert H. Alexander Deputy.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Eunice M. Cherry, 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 2nd day of June A.D. 1969, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 11th day of April A.D. 1969, in this cause, numbered 4700 on the docket of said court and styled Arthur E. Cherry, Plaintiff vs. Eunice M. Cherry, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were legally married on or about July 15, 1954, in Carlsbad, New Mexico. Lived together until or about February 27, 1955; No children were

born, and no community property either real or personal. Plaintiff ask for an absolute divorce from defendant 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 16th day of April A.D. 1969.

(Seal)

Attest: R. H. ROSS, District Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas  
By Faye Terry, Deputy.

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- FRIDAY, MAY 9  
Chevys vs. Willies  
Braves vs. Giants
- TUESDAY, MAY 12  
Chevys vs. Bankers  
Kilowatts vs. Braves
- THURSDAY, MAY 15  
Chevys vs. Braves  
Willies vs. Giants
- FRIDAY, MAY 16  
Giants vs. Kilowatts  
Bankers vs. Willies
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Bankers vs. Kilowatts
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RESOURCES	
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Overdrafts	1,074.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	9,000.00
Banking House	50,000.00
Furniture & Fixtures	10,000.00
Other Real Estate	2.00
AVAILABLE CASH:	
U.S. Government Bonds	\$ 964,322.50
Municipal Bonds and Warrants	956,288.03
Cash and Due from Banks	1,205,020.26
Total Available Cash	3,125,630.79
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,527,182.47</b>
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	150,000.00
Surplus	150,000.00
Undivided Profits and Reserves	247,221.15
DEPOSITS	\$3,979,961.32
	\$4,527,182.47

The Above Statement is Correct.  
BOOTH WARREN, President  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NUMBER SEVEN ON THE BALLOT (HJR4)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 51-d, Article III, Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended to read as follows:

"Section 51-d. The Legislature shall have the power, by general law, to provide for the payment of assistance by the State of Texas to the surviving spouse and minor children of officers, employees, and agents, including members of organized volunteer fire departments and members of organized police reserve or auxiliary units with authority to make an arrest, of the state or of any city, county, district, or other political subdivision who, because of the hazardous nature of their duties, suffer death in the course of the performance of those official duties. Should the Legislature

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Proposed CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NUMBER FOUR ON THE BALLOT (SJR6)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 2, Article VIII, Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended to read as follows:

"Section 2. All occupation taxes shall be equal and uniform upon the same class of subjects within the limits of the authority levying the tax; but the legislature may, by general laws, exempt from taxation public property used for public purposes; all real and personal property owned by a nonprofit water supply corporation which is reasonably necessary for, and is used in, operation of the corporation in the acquisition, storage, transportation, and sale of water as authorized as its sole legal purpose; actual places or (of) religious worship, also any property owned by a church or by a strictly religious society for the exclusive use as a dwelling place for the ministry of such church or religious society, and which yields no revenue whatever to

bonds or mortgages, that such exemption of such land and property shall continue only for two years after the purchase of the same at such sale by such institutions and no longer, and institutions of purely public charity; and all laws exempting property from taxation other than the property above mentioned shall be null and void."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in August, 1969, at which election the ballots shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the Legislature to provide for payment of assistance to surviving spouses and minor children of governmental officers, employees, and agents, including members of organized volunteer fire departments and certain organized police reserve units, who have hazardous duties and are killed in the performance of those duties."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for the election, and this amendment shall be published in the manner and for the length of time required by the Constitution and laws of this state.

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