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Up  
The  
Canyon  
By TOM  
RUSSOM

Early Monday morning we had another inch of rain in the Canyon. When it rains like that — with a lot of thunder and lightning — the farmers who still have wheat to be harvested become a little nervous until the storm ends.

The wheat harvest in our area was well underway until the rain came. A rain always shuts down the harvest for quite a time. Some of the wheat in the Canyon is making from 20 - 30 bushels per acre, which is a pretty good harvest for our country.

Sunday afternoon Ryder Blackburn, his daughter, Mrs. Mari-belle LaFrance of Seymour; and Alvin Mote of Littlefield toured the Canyon with Tom Russom as their guide.

Mr. Blackburn and Mr. Mote have not lived in Merkel for over 60 years. Now 82 years old, Mr. Blackburn was reared in the Canyon and his old home place is near Pioneer Church. His home, still standing where it was when he was a boy, is now owned by Mrs. E. C. Ray. After visiting his old home site, Mr. Blackburn said, "I wish Pa had kept the old place. I like it here."

Mr. Mote's family lived on the old James Place in the White Church community in 1889. The James Place is now owned by Raymond Demere. By request of the visitors, we went to the White Church Cemetery where many of Mr. Blackburn's family are buried. In addition to the tour of the Canyon, we made one stop to see Will Eutman, a boyhood friend of Mr. Blackburn.

## TEC Warehouse Is Now Open

Taylor Electric Cooperative's Warehouse on the corner of North Second and Edwards streets is now open with displays of Westinghouse appliances.

Attending the appliance center are Cooperative representatives B. J. Gist and Mrs. Jane Carson. Merkel area people are invited to "come by the center, enjoy a cup of coffee and see the new appliances on display."



SNEAK PREVIEW—Poised in their swimsuits, Christi Brady, left, and Lisa Shugart model for Lori DuBose and Janay Crain, right, in preparation for the Beauty Pageant Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in MHS auditorium. Approximately 50 girls have entered the pageant in the four divisions.

## At C-C Directors' Meeting

# FHA Representative Seeks Building Sites

Land for construction of new houses for families who want to live in Merkel was the major topic of Chamber of Commerce directors Tuesday night.

Directors meeting at the Merkel Restaurant heard John Wolfe, representative of the Farm Home Administration, explain that he has a number of applicants who want to build homes in Merkel, but need lots on which to build. "We need more people, more housing, more of everything," C-C President Raymond Wilson told a meeting of directors, Mayor Horace Hargrove, real estate and building representatives and representatives of the school system along with members of the long-range Merkel recreation committee.

Besides discussing the housing, directors voted to produce a combination street map and fact sheet for Merkel to be paid for largely by advertising.

Also, Herman Carson, overall chairman of the Recreation Committee, reported that member-

ships in the proposed prestige recreation center and golf course were lagging, mainly in his opinion, because of the \$100 initiation fee.

The recreation facilities would be financed under a program of the Farm Home Administration. Wolfe asked for a proposal from Merkel citing what seemed feasible for the recreation program. He reported a similar project at Clyde now has more than 280 members.

Mayor Hargrove, after hearing of the need for plots for housing, said that while the city "certainly doesn't want to be in competition with any private enterprise, the city has many desirable sites that have become property of the city, school district and county because taxes haven't been paid and this land has been declared delinquent at a sheriff's sale. He asked Wolfe if such land would be acceptable.

Wolfe said that any land for which a title insurance is available would be considered.

The Farm Home representative said the proposed home sites did not have to be in one area, did not have to be curbed and gutted and that a septic tank would be acceptable.

"Mr. Wolfe has quite a few applications for houses," said Wilson. "He has the money and time — he just needs a place to put the houses."

The chamber of commerce president said that he believed that if ten houses were built in Merkel that others would follow. He said Mayor Horace Hargrove and County Commissioner Joe Cypert had assured him that they would do everything possible to aid the project.

Wolfe said the land for new houses could be scattered because loans for the homes would be made on an individual basis. He said the Farm Home Administration program is to aid those in small towns and should not be confused with other Federal programs for metropolitan areas. He

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# Fifty Girls Apply For Beauty Pageant

The Beauty Pageant Saturday night will spotlight 50 Merkel and area girls.

The pageant, sponsored by the Lambda Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, will begin at 8 p.m. in Merkel High School Auditorium. Admission is 25 cents for children and 50 cents for adults.

All contestants are asked to be in the auditorium by 7:30 p.m., said Mrs. Bob DuBose, co-chairman. A picture-taking session will precede the pageant.

A practice has been set for Friday at 7:30 p.m. at MHS auditorium, according to Mrs. DuBose.

Trophies will be presented to beauties by Mrs. Jimmy Leverich, chapter president.

The pageant consists of four divisions: pre-school, primary, elementary and high school. Contestants and their respective sponsors are listed below.

In the pre-school division they are Kimberly Black, Adcock Cleaners; Christi Brady, Ervin Thompson; Cindy Doan, Palmer Mobil Station; Linda Graves, Merkel Locker Plant; Jackie Owens, Cypert Tax Service; Stacy Seymore, Seymore Insurance.

The 14 primary contestants are Shannon Bagby, Shamrock; Kay Butman, Starbuck Co.; Janay Crain, Farmers and Merchants National Bank; Lori DuBose, DuBose Texaco; Gina Farmer, Merkel Grain Co.; Christy Fudge, Marie's Beauty Korner.

Also Kim Mashburn, Conley Barber Shop; Lisa Owens, Hicks Auto Supply; Kim Satterwhite, Glamor Bar; Lisa Shugart, Palmer Motors; Janice South, South Grain Co.; Tammy Thomas, Malone Implement Co.; Becky Watts, Mellinger's; and Linda Williams, Merkel Fina Station.

Seventeen Girls entered the

elementary division: Sharon Allen, Cyrus Pee Insurance; Cindy Beasley, Tessie's & J. V.'s; Lee Ann Butman, Taylor Telephone; Judy Doan, Stuckey's; Vickie Farmer, Merkel Auto Parts; Debbie Fincher, Boney Insurance.

Also Cindy Fisher, Higginbotham - Bartlett Co.; Nancy Fudge, Carson's Super Market; Susie Goodman, Wilson's Food Store; Debbie Mashburn, Merkel Restaurant; Kathryn Murrell, Murrell Chevrolet Co.; Jodie Roddy, Asteroid; Cynthia Steck, West Texas Utilities Co.; Gayla Toliner, Edna's Beauty Shop; Cindy Whisenhunt, Merkel Mail; Debra

White, Barnett's Barber Shop; Donna White, Gene Stewart Ford.

In the high school division are Gail Black, Merkel Telephone; Terry Sue Doan, Cox Tax Service; Karlan Gamble, Merkel Drug; Annie Goodman, Shell Station; Jeannie Fincher, Ben Franklin; Linda Hardy, Hardy Grocery; Pam Mashburn, Bill's Garden Shop; Rhonda Patiganani, Warren Clinic.

Cresta Sipes, Fisher Fina Station; Cindy Wade, Bragg's; Ann Walker, Taylor Electric Cooperative; Carol Whisenhunt, Bullock Hardware; Susie Wilson, Mack's Cleaners.

## WHEAT CROPS NEAR PEAK IN LOCAL AREA

In spite of the rain, the wheat harvest in the Merkel area has reached its peak and is rolling its way to market, according to local farmers and elevator operators.

Tom Russom reports that the wheat in the Canyon is looking good and that the yields will be fairly high.

"Weather and mechanics at the elevators are the only limiting factors of the harvesting," said Booth Warren, president of Farmers and Merchants Bank.

According to Jack LaRoe of the Merkel Elevator last Thursday, "the rains have slowed down the harvesting, but most farmers are getting a good yield, and it is dry and of good quality."

"Although the yield has been better than expected," said Warren, "the price is not so good. It keeps dropping. It started at \$1.20 per bushel and has decreased to \$1.16."

Orville Ely received a \$25 prize for the first dry load of wheat at the Merkel Elevator, said LaRoe.

Last Thursday LaRoe said that he had bought about 15 cars. "We are averaging about the same amount we did last year," he said.

Bearing the first load of wheat to the South Elevator was D. H. Reddin. His load averaged approximately 30 bushels per acre, said Jack South, operator. Last year South gave a prize to his 1,000th customer and may do so again this year.

By Tuesday he had purchased nearly 200,000 bushels of wheat. According to South, "the wheat in our area has reached its peak, but at Tye it is still green. The wheat is pretty good, but is low

in protein, thus it's not good for the miller," said South. "We've been shipping most of ours out."

For the first time since 1962 South has been having trouble moving the wheat from the elevator. On Tuesday afternoon he had a "full house on hand."

## Adams Captures Golf Title Again

Scott Adams, defending champion, again captured the Invitational Golf Tournament here Sunday.

The 17-year-old Abilene golfer beat Paul Burleson of Sweetwater by four strokes (139-143) for a second straight Merkel championship.

In the Sunday match Burleson was running a close race as he birdied Nos. 9 and 11 to move even.

He miscalculated on the 140-yard par - three 12th, hitting an 8 iron into the pond guarding the green. He had to settle for a drubbe bogey. Adams parred, gaining a two-shot lead.

At this point Adams took over and shot two birdies and a par on the next three holes to up his margin to five strokes.

Burleson was then faced with holding off Abilene's Gale Shed to take runner-up honors. Through 11, Shed was three under, but slipped to an even-par 72 and a 146.

Of his win, Adams said, "I hit my drives real good. I missed a lot of greens, but putted real good. I missed only one makeable putt all day — a three-footer on the 17th."



LOCAL CONTENDERS — Warming up Friday prior to the opening of the Merkel Golf Tourney were Scotty Higgins, left, and Danny Doan. Higgins closed out Sunday with a 2 over par 74, and Doan, medalist with even par 72. (Staff Photo)



DR. DON WARREN  
... to be installed president

## STEVENS TO ADDRESS LIONS, LADIES JUNE 17

Dr. John Stevens, president-elect of Abilene Christian College, will be guest speaker at the Lions Club Ladies Night June 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the Merkel Lions Building.

This meeting will replace the noon luncheon, according to Onis Crawford.

Installing new officers will be Deputy District Governor Lion W. W. Griffith, according to Crawford.

Dr. Don Warren will be installed as president.

Herman Carson is chairman for the Ladies Night, and Elaine Brumbeau is in charge of entertainment.

Dr. Stevens will assume his duties as president of ACC on Sept. 1, 1969. He joined the ACC faculty in 1948 as assistant professor of history. Other posts he has held are dean of men, 1950; dean of students, 1952; assistant president of college, 1956.

He is a member of the American Historical Association and the Academy of Political Science.

He has been a member of the Abilene City Council and the City Charter Commission, chairman of

the Abilene Boys Ranch, 1956-57, president of Key City Kiwanis, 1956.

Besides his academic duties, he works with many civic groups such as the chamber of commerce and the United Fund.

He received his B.A. degree from ACC and his M.A. and doctorate from the University of Arkansas.



DR. JOHN STEVENS  
... Lions Club speaker

## Tax Election Set At Noodle Horn

NOODLE — A special tax election will be June 14 in the Noodle Horn School Cafeteria, according to Winfred Dodds, superintendent.

Polls will open at 8 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.

The election is to increase the tax rate from \$1.50 to \$2.50 based on Jones County tax rate, said Dodds.

Mrs. Hubert Sullivan is election judge, and Mrs. Karl Bonneau and Mrs. Henry Ueckert will serve as clerks.

## HEREFORD ASSN. PLANS FIELD DAY

The Texas Junior Polled Hereford Association has planned a Field Day at the Bob Ross Clear Creek Ranch 15 miles south of Brownwood Wednesday, June 18, at 9 a.m. Registration will be from 8-9 a.m.

This Field Day is for any and all interested youth of the West Texas area, said Sam Swann, member of the Association. County agents, vocational agricultural teachers and 4-H adult leaders are invited to bring their judging teams to participate in the judging contests. The contests will feature six classes of Polled Herefords, and plaques will be presented to winners. Divisions have been set up for teams, individuals and adults.

The Field Day will also feature

several demonstrations on feeding, grooming, fitting and showing calves. This information will be presented in group sessions by some of the leading calf showmen in Texas and Oklahoma and should give any youngster a good background for the club feeding program.

Bill J. Helwig of Miles is vice president of the Texas Junior Polled Hereford Association and is the junior in charge of District 3 (West Texas) Polled Hereford Field Day.

Merkel or area students wishing to attend may contact Swann. A schedule of activities is as follows:

- 8-9 a.m. — Registration
- 9-9:15 — Welcome
- 9:15-9:30 — Keynote speech
- 9:30-10 — Type Demonstration
- 10-11:30 — Judging Contest
- 11:30-12:30 — Lunch
- 12:30-1 — Polled Hereford Topics
- 1:2-4:5 — Demonstrations
- 2:45-3 — Showmanship Demonstration
- 3:00 p.m. — Presentation of Awards

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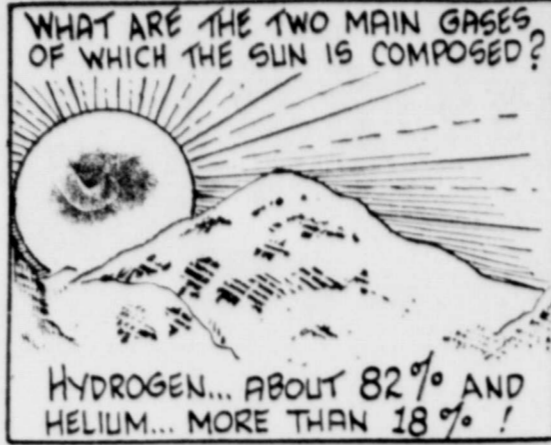
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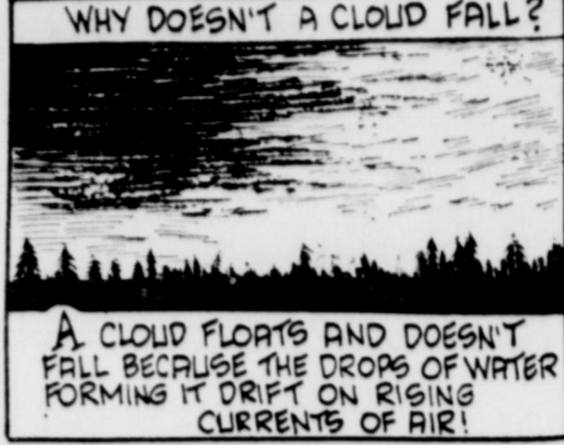
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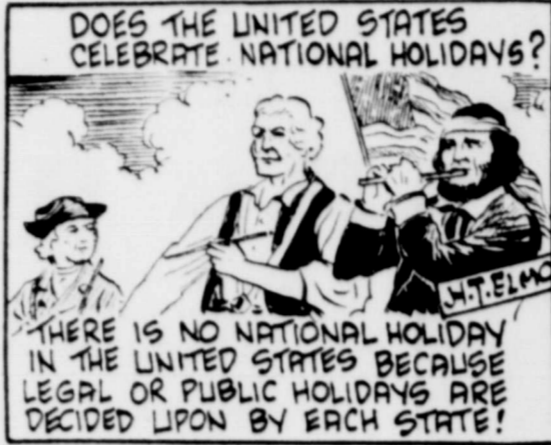
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HYDROGEN... ABOUT 82% AND HELIUM... MORE THAN 18%!



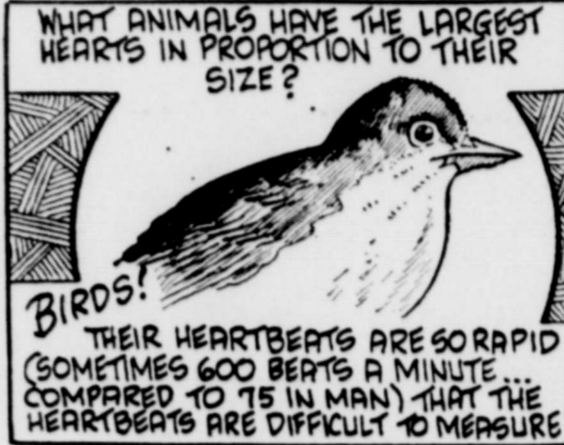
WHY DOESN'T A CLOUD FALL?

A CLOUD FLOATS AND DOESN'T FALL BECAUSE THE DROPS OF WATER FORMING IT DRIFT ON RISING CURRENTS OF AIR!



DOES THE UNITED STATES CELEBRATE NATIONAL HOLIDAYS?

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## HOUSEKEEPING HINTS OFFERED FARMERS

Farm animals, for some unexplained reason, seem to have a liking for small bits of wire, nails, scraps of hardware, screws and bolts. Many owners have been made aware of this fact through the loss of a valuable animal, says County Agent H. C. Stanley.

The damage is usually caused by irritation or puncture from swallowing the object. In most instances the loss could have been prevented by good "housekeeping" practices around the farm, especially barns and corals.

Stanley offers suggestions for preventing future losses.

Remove wire fences which are weak from rust before small bits of the wire drop into the grass and become a hazard to grazing livestock. After a construction job in the barnyard area has been completed, it is worth the time

and effort to sweep the area thoroughly or drag it with a sweep of permanent magnets.

It is difficult to detect and remove trash metal from ground feed and silage. But permanent or electromagnets placed in feed chutes between bins and feeders will remove a major portion of the trash metal, says the county agent. It is also important that some type of magnet be installed in home grinding mills and mixers.

It's the case again, explains the county agent, when an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. In fact, he adds, it is possible to remove almost 100 per cent of the trash metal from feed, pastures and barnyards just by following good "housekeeping" practices as a part of the livestock management program.

## Les Ethetton Aids Conservation

Les Ethetton recently joined the Abilene Work Unit Staff of the Soil Conservation Service.

As range conservationist in Abilene his principal duties will be to administer to the Great Plains Conservation Program and assist farmers and ranches with their conservation problems.

Ethetton, a native of Dublin, is a 1967 graduate of Texas A&M University with a B.S. Degree in range management. After graduation, Ethetton worked in Sweetwater with the Soil Conservation Service for a year and a half as a range conservationist.

The Ethetton family will live at 817 Beechwood Lane in Abilene.

### T-SHIRT SCHEDULE

JUNE 14

Owls vs. Yankees

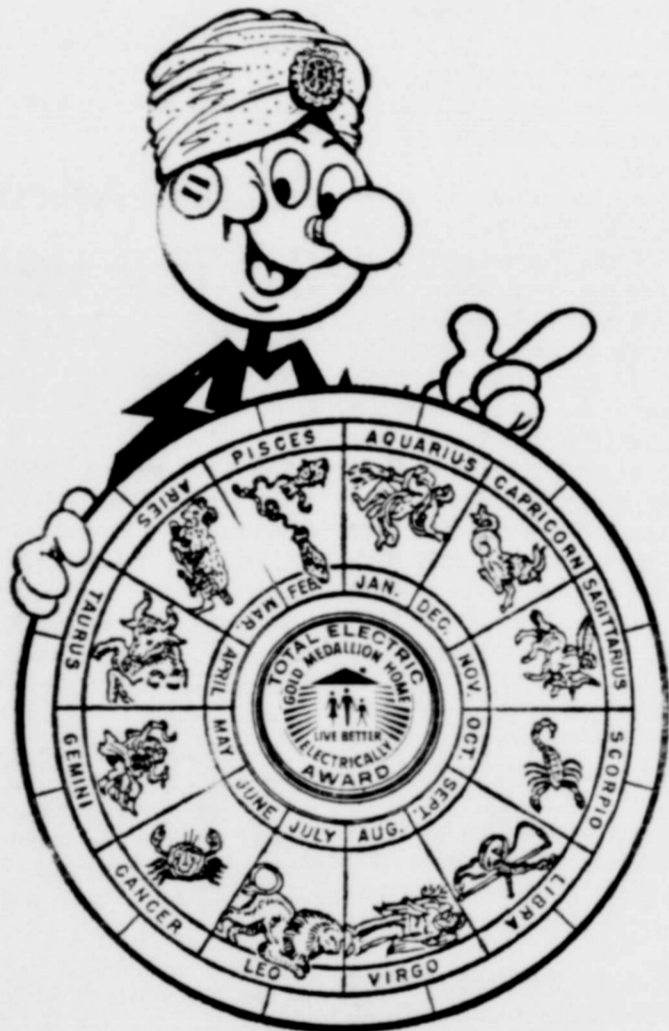
Eagles vs. Mustangs

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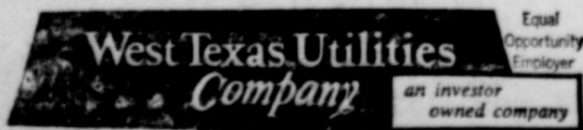
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- ACROSS**
- Biblical priest
  - Wander
  - Flap
  - Falsehoods
  - Volcano
  - Anger
  - Worldly-wise people
  - Collected information
  - Top card
  - Brilliance
  - Direction
  - Vase
  - Him
  - Last part
  - Prefix: Over
  - Pagoda
  - Vestibule
  - Restrain
  - Half an em
  - Soak
  - Overhangs
  - Parent
  - Mineral
  - Suffix: plural
  - Lariat
  - Nigerian
  - Genus of grass
  - Brazilian title
  - Dispatch
  - Turkish governors
  - For
  - Norse god
  - Roman bronze
  - Attain
  - Small island
  - Brazilian title
  - Charge
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  40. Lady
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- DOWN**
- Girl's name
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  - Recolor
  - Tree
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Stith  
News  
By MRS.  
FRITZ HALE

Wheat harvesting is almost over in the Stith Community. The crops were good. Some farmers reported 45 bushels per acre. Both cotton and the feed crops are looking good.

Mr. and Mrs. Frey Perry returned home Tuesday after visiting their daughter, Martha, in Dallas, who had emergency surgery in St. Paul Hospital last week. She is doing fine, says Mrs. Perry. While in Dallas Mrs. Perry visited her niece and family. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sanders, in Richardson.

Mrs. Jay Hancock and Dorothy spent 10 days in Gatesville with Mrs. Hancock's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bragerly, and during their visit attended a family reunion.

Mrs. James Strong and Melinda and Mrs. J. E. Swindell stayed in Athens last week with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Swindell Jr., and family.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Hobbs of Grand Prairie visited Mrs. John Hobbs. Mrs. Ollie Fowler and the Benny Hobbs family a few days last week. The Hobbs also visited Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Smith.

Mrs. Bob Tarpley has been on the sick list for the last two weeks. She is feeling better now. Guests at the Tarpley home last week were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gregory and family from Merkel. Mr. and Mrs. Garth Gregory and children, Mrs. Ella Tarpley and Mrs. Ed Kelso of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Tarpley of Merkel.

The Doug Stephenson and Melissa of Midland, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald and George. Melissa remained with her grandparents for a week.

Mrs. Mamie Hardin, Midland, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burne this week.

Mrs. Roy Mashburn, Mrs. Sonny Hardin and children visited Mrs. Roxie Meeks in Abilene Sunday.

The Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Row and their children Katie and David of Bledsoe, stayed several days last week with Mrs. Row's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley visited a cousin Jack Canon at Hamly Sunday afternoon.

### Trent Graduate Helps USAF Unit

SHERMAN, Tex. — Tech. Sgt. Bill S. Butman, whose wife, Mary, is the daughter of Earnest Douglas of 906 Brickhaven Circle, Merkel, has been recognized for helping his unit earn the U.S. Air Force Flying Safety Plaque.

Sgt. Butman is an aircraft maintenance technician with the 4780th Air Defense Wing (training) at Perrin AFB, Tex. The unit was cited for 80,000 hours of accident-free flying over a 24 month period.

The sergeant, who attended Trent High School, has completed a tour of duty in Vietnam.

He is the son of Mrs. Ada M. Cochran and Ben S. Butman.

### Teenagers Attend Baptist Assembly

Misses Mignon Crawford and Judy Hester returned Wednesday night from Glorieta, N. M., where they spent a week attending the Southern Baptist Assembly.

They traveled with a group from University Baptist Church in Abilene. Rodney Kellew, youth director at University Baptist was sponsor.

They were among 2,500 young people from all over the United States to attend the assembly.

Miss Crawford is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Onis Crawford and Miss Hester is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buster Hester.



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### EDITORIAL

## OUR FLAG — WHAT IT MEANS

EDITOR'S NOTE — "Can We Wave the Flag Too Much" is the reply of S. L. DeLove on the Know Your History Hour, December 30, 1956, to a listener who wrote as follows: "Your programs are wonderful — but you are waving the flag too much."

Dr. DeLove is the author of "The Quiet Betrayal" and president of Independence Hall of Chicago. The editor thinks the article is very appropriate as a reminder of Flag Day June 14, by Sidney L. DeLove.

Is it possible to wave the flag too much? Provided, of course, that you wave it with integrity? Is it possible to study Lincoln or Shakespeare too much? Is it possible to read the Bible too much?

The great, the good, the true, are inexhaustible for inspiration, example and strength. I believe that we are not waving the flag enough, not nearly enough. It seems to me that we are developing a tendency to be timid or even apologetic about waving the Stars and Stripes.

Walk up and down the streets on July 4 and count the flags. It is our nation's birthday, a sacred day in world history, the most important day of America. Why isn't the flag flying on every rooftop and from every home and building? This complacent attitude is strong evidence of cancerous patriotic decay. The flag is a symbol of our national unity. It is the spirit of our undying devotion to our country. It stands for the best that is in us — for loyalty, character, and faith in democracy.

Isn't our flag a synonym of the United States of America? Does it not represent man's greatest, noblest, most sublime dream? It is not the zenith of achievement, the goal to which generations have aspired?

Ladies and gentlemen, I be-

### Russell Coaches Leading Hurdler

Jacky Russell, former Merkel High graduate and a track coach at Lake Highland High School in Richardson, has announced that one of his track boys, Mike Cronholm, has been selected to compete in the Golden West Relays at Sacramento, Calif., this weekend.

Cronholm, a 330 intermediate hurdler, is one of the eight hurdlers in the United States chosen to compete in the relays. He won the Texas State Meet in Austin this year and has one of the top times in the nation.

Russell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Russell.

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lieve it is time for us — for the mad, rushing Twentieth Century American — to stop for a moment and think. Let us arrest our near reverential admiration of material success and return to the spiritual and ethical values. Let us imbue and rekindle in ourselves and our children the so-called old-fashioned way of patriotism, a burning devotion to the principles and ideals upon which our country was founded.

Should not every home own and proudly display the colors on holiday and other such occasions? Isn't the flag Patrick Henry, Jefferson, Franklin, Washington, Nathan Hale, Gettysburg and Valley Forge, Paul Revere, Jackson and other great men and women who have given us our heritage. When you look at the flag can't you see the Alamo, Corri-

dor, Pearl Harbor, The Monitor and The Merrimac? Lest we forget, isn't the flag Flanders Field, Bataan, Iwo Jima, Normandy, Babe Ruth and Davy Crockett? The great events of our past and present are wrapped up in our flag.

It is a symbol of this blessed nation, a giant in industry, education and commerce. Millions of fertile square miles, wheatlands, coal mines, steel plants.

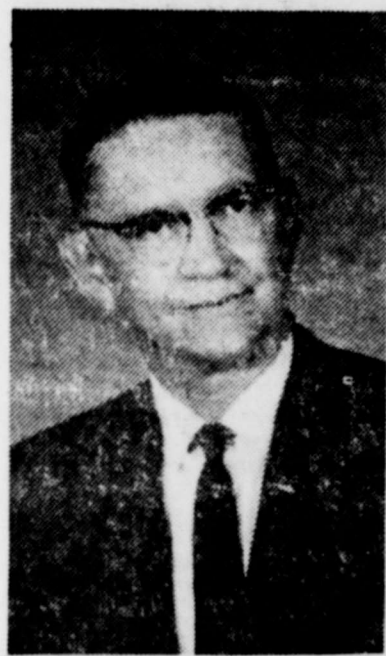
Our great republic, the chosen infant destined to be man's last hope for suffering humanity, a shining beacon of light, noble and glorious, the haven for the oppressed and persecuted and truly God's gift to mankind.

That is what the flag means to me. Can we wave it too much? I don't think so.

### Mrs. W. L. Brown Wins First Place At Garden Meet

Mrs. W. L. Brown of Merkel, member of the Abilene Garden Club, won first place in state award winning publicity and Press Book for District 8 at the State Garden Club Convention in Austin.

She received a letter of congratulations from Mrs. Ingrid Griggs of Sweetwater, district director, for her honor. Mrs. Brown will be Press Book Chairman for District 8 for 1969-70.



TOP SALESMAN — Fred Starbuck, sold the most tickets to the Hamburger Supper sponsored by the Fire Department Saturday night. Fire Chief William Adcock said, "a great deal of the success of the supper is contributed to a citizen, Fred Starbuck, who sold over 300 tickets in approximately three days." Starbuck adds his thanks to "those who purchased tickets to the Fireman Hamburger Supper. Your response was overwhelming and showed your approval and support of a most worthy organization." According to Adcock, 90 pounds of meat were served and \$300.00 cleared.

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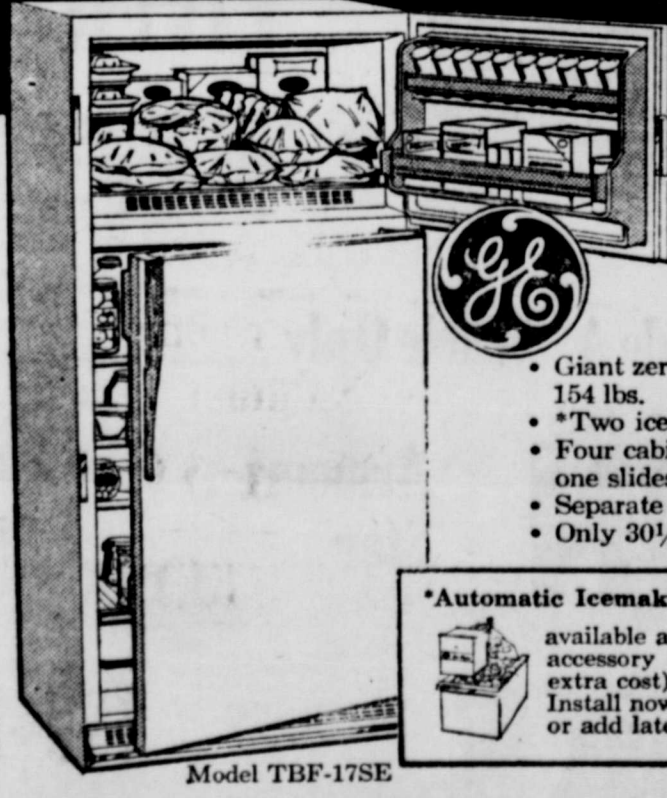
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## Theo Newton Dies After Long Illness

Funeral for Theo Newton, 67 of 906 Yucca, Merkel, was at 2:30 p.m. Saturday in Elliott's Chapel of Memories.

Newton died Friday morning in Hendrick Memorial Hospital after an illness of one and a half years.

Officiating were the Rev. Lyward Harrison of First Methodist Church in Groom and the Rev. Temple Lewis of Broadway Baptist Church in Abilene.

Burial was in Tye Cemetery. Pallbearers were Alton, Bill and Clinton Newton, Leroy and Johnny Teef, Dean and Teddy Bigham and Leo Dixon.

Born Oct. 2, 1905, in Tye, Mr. Newton married Marietta Bigham in Taylor County Nov. 20, 1926. Prior to moving to Merkel 11 years ago, he lived in Tye where

he had operated the Dairy Bar since 1954. He was a member of the Tye Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Weldon of Brownwood and Edgar of Sweetwater; two brothers, Clarence of Merkel and Carl of El Paso; one sister, Mrs. Gladys Newton of 2134 Orange, and four grandchildren.

## Yanks Leading T-Shirt League

The standings of the T-Shirt League as of Monday show the Yanks leading with seven wins and one loss. The Mustangs and Owls are tied for second place with four wins and four losses each; the Eagles have one win, seven losses.

The teams will play Saturday at 6:15 and 8 p.m., said coordinator Roy J. Kimbrell.

## 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.

Dear Editor:

Merkel may be a "Sleepy Little Town," but all the people come to life when their help is needed.

Our thanks is extended to everyone who helped in any way to make our hamburger supper a success last Saturday night.

We cleared \$300.00, and it will all be used to equip the rescue truck with supplies to make our efforts more effective.

We hope we won't need to use it, but if it is necessary, we will be happy to be able to help.

Thanks,  
WAYMON ADCOCK, Chief  
and  
BILLY KING, Assistant Chief

Dear Editor:

Would we do something wrong if we wouldn't get caught? It all depends on what we are DOING! Many people have swiped watermelons from fields and gardens.

But, why does anyone want to break windows out of buildings? Perhaps it was on a dare. Who won it? Did anyone? We, the people of Merkel, must look at these buildings every day.

The bus station on the corner, the bank, the bank, and the old Fisher Gas Station are boarded up and will be around a long time. Pretty soon Merkel will look like a ghost town, but Merkel is far from being a ghost town. It has people, many of whom care.

There are, however, a few immature people who in a fun spree enjoy ruining vacant buildings.

What can we, the citizens, do? Why don't we stand up and look at what is happening to Merkel and see if there might be a way to stop this vandalism?

ALLEN HIGGINS



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**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**  
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: James Ralph King, Defendant, Greeting:

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A brief statement of the nature

## CHAMBER MEET

Continued from Page One

pointed out that a \$10,000 home for a family with an income up to \$7,500 a year would be about \$53 per month, not counting taxes and insurance.

Mayor Hargrove said the city is in the process of compiling a list of sites that have been abandoned and that if the school board and the county concurred they would see if this property could be put back on the tax roster through this program.

Wilson said private citizens "who would be interested in selling land for the project would be welcome."

Director Ben Hicks then made the motion that:

"We extend every aid and cooperation to the community and to the Federal Home Administration to find plots at a reasonable cost for construction of new homes in the Merkel area."

Wilson appointed a committee of Hicks, Cy Pee and Raymond Ferguson to work further on the project.

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## What Does The "Bible" Say About Baptism???

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" . . . baptism doth also now save us . . ." I Peter 3:21.

"Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins . . ." Acts 22:16. (That does NOT say be baptized because your sins are already forgiven!)

" . . . Repent and be baptized EVERYONE of you in the name of Jesus Christ FOR the REMISSION of sins. . ." (There is NO WAY that verse can be RIGHTLY translated or read "BECAUSE OF the remission of sins." That has to be added by man not God!) One better read Galatians 1:6-9 before you try to change that verse to read differently.

The following gifts from God are found ONLY "IN CHRIST" . . . Salvation (2 Tim. 2:10); Spiritual blessings (Eph. 1:3); access into Grace (Rom. 5:1, 2) Redemption (Eph. 1:7); no condemnation (Rom. 8:1); Eternal life (I John 5:11). THERE ARE ONLY TWO VERSES THAT TELLS YOU HOW TO GET INTO CHRIST . . . READ THEM FOR YOURSELVES . . . Gal. 3:26, 27; Romans 6:3-6. It's Baptism.

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## MISS BLACK WEDS MICHAEL CARTER

Debra Elaine Black was married to Charles Michael Carter Saturday.

The Rev. Jack Robertson officiated at First Baptist Church. Mrs. Bruce Henager played the organ and Mrs. Don Riney was soloist.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Forest Black, Rt. 2, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Carter, 1933 Rosewood, Abilene, are the parents of the bridegroom.

Mr. Black presented his daughter in marriage. Serving as her attendants were Ann Walker, maid of honor; her sister, Linda Black, Marylee Noster and Valerie Buntin, bridesmaids.

Best man was the bridegroom's brother, Mark Carter of Abilene. Groomsmen were Charles Long

and Richard Gore, both of Abilene, and O. H. Weaver of Hamlin.

Seating guests were Tommy Anderson, Nick Davis and Gaylon Doan.

The bride's gown with train was of peau de soie. Bodice had overlay of chantilly lace. A pearl crown held her veil. She carried palm leaves on a Bible.

Attendants wore empire gowns of pink peau de soie and veils with matching bows. Each attendant carried a long-stemmed pink rose.

The couple will live at 1518 Parramore, Abilene, following a trip to San Antonio.

The bride was graduated from Merkel High School. A graduate of Abilene High, the bridegroom is a sophomore at McMurry College. He is employed by Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. in Abilene.

His parents hosted the rehearsal dinner.



MRS. CHARLES MICHAEL CARTER  
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### Voters' Guides New Available

"Voter's Guide," containing information about the nine constitutional amendments to be voted on Aug. 5 is being published by the League of Women Voters of Texas.

Services clubs or anyone interested in the proposals may order copies, said Mrs. Robert N. Lee, publicity chairman.

Cost is \$12.75 per 1,000 or \$1.50 per 100, including shipping charges. Guides may be ordered from League of Women Voters of Texas, 1841 Bingle Rd., Houston, Tex. 77055.



### Reeves to Serve Mission in Taiwan

The Rev. and Mrs. Wm. R. Reeves have resigned their pastorate at First Baptist Church, Maricopa, Ariz., and will leave for Taiwan Aug. 1.

Mrs. Reeves is the daughter of Mrs. R. H. Mathews, 412 Orange.

Rev. Reeves will be working in a teaching program for the government as well as in the Baptist missions program.

The Reeves have been working in Arizona for a number of years. He has pastored churches in Eloy, Chandler and on the Gila River Indian Reservation prior to serving the Maricopa church this past year.

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## HUDSON REUNION IN COBB PARK SUNDAY

The descendants of the late Isaac Newton and Peachie Marvel Hudson gathered for the ninth annual reunion with third, fourth and fifth generations present.

Fifty-eight registered for the reunion in the recreation building at Cobb Park, Abilene, Sunday.

Weldon Hudson of Fort Worth presided over the business meeting. The group sang "Happy

Birthday" to Bill Muncy. During this meeting it was decided to meet about the same time next summer.

A special thanks was given to Charles and Peggy Fikes and Louise Hudson for opening the building and having coffee ready when everyone began to arrive.

A short memorial service for James Hudson and Leroy Grissett, who died since the last reunion was held. Bill Wright of Abilene, Mo., gave the prayer.

Following lunch was a picture taking session.

Those attending from Merkel were Louise and Bob Hudson.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fikes and their children, Chuck, Harvey and David, and Mrs. O. J. Fikes.

Out of town guests included the following families:

Bill Wright, Mrs. J. V. Still, Batesville, Miss.; C. A. Fairless of Corpus Christi; Mrs. Joe Fay Alford, San Antonio; the Clark, Leland and Bill Mundys, Weldon Hudson and N. C. Whisenants from Fort Worth; Mrs. Gene Powell and children from Odessa; F. B. Riney, Larry Riney, Bryan Dawn, Slaton; Bobby Riney, Lubbock; Bob Miller, Sheryl Webb, Abilene; and J. E. Hudson of Rising Star.

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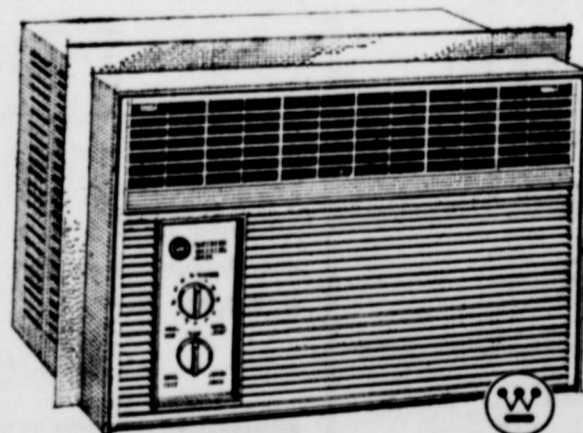
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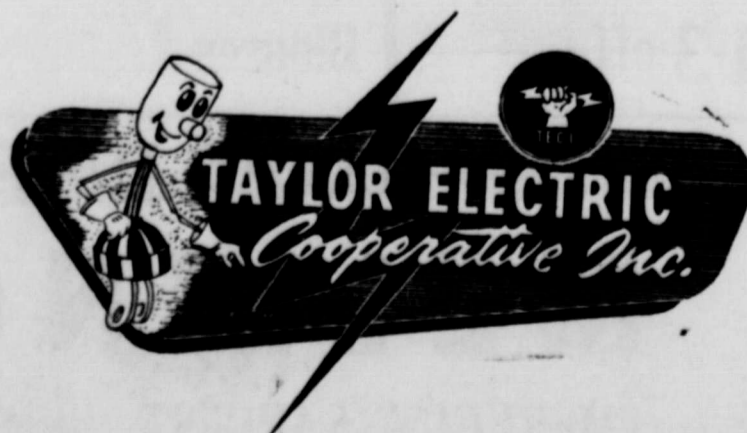


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THE STATE OF TEXAS  
TO: Jimmy B Tindell, Sr., Defendant, Greeting:

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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 7th day of July A.D. 1969, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 5th day of March A.D. 1969, in this cause, numbered 4526 on the docket of said court and styled Nina C. Tindell, Plaintiff, vs. Jimmy B. Tindell, Sr., Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married on November 5, 1966 and became permanently separated July, 1967. 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 the 20th day of May A.D. 1969.

(Seal)  
Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,  
Domestic Relations Court  
Taylor County, Texas  
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Braves vs. Giants

THURSDAY, JUNE 19  
Kilowatts vs. Bankers  
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FRIDAY, JUNE 20  
Willies vs. Braves  
Chevys vs. Giants

First team listed for each game is the home team and will occupy the west dugout.

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A.D. 1969, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 2nd day of June A.D. 1969, in this cause, numbered 10,968-B on the docket of said court and styled In the Matter of Adoption of Holly Dyanne Smith and Lauri Anna Smith, minors.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: in reference to adoption as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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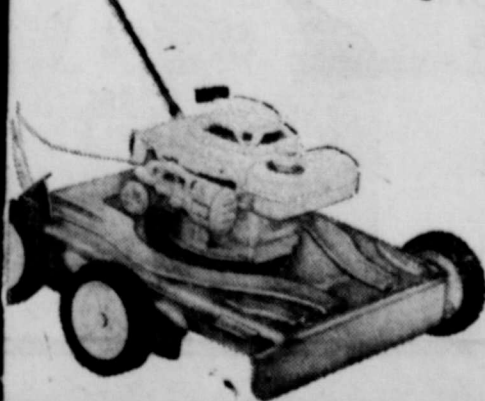


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