

World War I Vets To Meet Tuesday

Veterans of World War I, Merkel - Trent Barracks No. 2248, and the Ladies Auxiliary will meet in regular session Tuesday, June 8 at 7 p.m. at the Taylor Electric Cooperative building.

Highlight of the business agenda will be the election of delegates to the Department Convention to be held at the Baker Hotel in Dallas July 12-15.

Reports from the recent District Convention will be given by those delegates who attend.

Mrs. Maggie Renfro, Auxiliary president, said that refreshments will be served and to "come and bring an eligible person for the organization."

Buddy Poppy Sale Totals \$173.19

Poppy Day, Saturday, May 29, was a success, according to Mrs. Betty Mashburn, president of the Ladies Auxiliary to the VFW Merkel Post No. 5683. Total collected from the sale was \$173.19.

"Saturday was one of our better Buddy Poppy Days," said Mrs. Mashburn, "and we have a lot of people to thank for the financial success."

Members of the Auxiliary extended a special thanks "to all who helped in any way to make the sale such a success."

Teen Center Sets Dance Friday

The Cadillac Band will play for members and guests of the Merkel Teen Center Saturday, June 5, according to Danny West, Teen Center vice president. Time will be 9 until 12:30.

Charges will be \$2.00 per person or \$3.50 per couple. Students in the 8th grade and up through senior year are eligible to attend, said West.

Sponsors will be present.

Hole In One Club Has New Member

Mrs. Lloyd (Faye) Robertson is now a member of the "Hole In One Club," after having made a hole in one on the Lake Sweetwater Golf Course Sunday. Location was Hole No. 5, and was 217 yards long. She was playing with the Horace Boneyes, Mrs. Deen Smith and Betty Jane Tittle.

Just making a hole in one would be enough for any avid golfer, but Faye's golf ball will be sent to the Tittles Co. and made into a trophy.

SCOUTS TO CLEAN LOOP 39 SAT.

Merkel Scouts will be busy participating in the Project SOAR (Save Our American Resources) this Saturday by joining other scouts throughout America in supporting the "SOAR anti-litter pick-up."

"Beginning just east of Stuckey's, Merkel Troop 18 Scouts will work Loop 39, picking up trash and litter," said Scoutmaster Glen Reed.

"Keep America Beautiful Day is part of Project SOAR and will focus attention on cleanup across the land," said Reed. "Our Scouts will be only a part of a large organization of Scouts working throughout our nation on this day."



IN STATE COMPETITION — These Merkel 4-H'ers left Wednesday for Texas A&M University where they will compete in State Eliminations Contest with all District 4-H'ers. Holding poster are Jerrie Stephan, left, and Mary Beth Boyd, and Tonja McAninch, extreme right. Packed and ready to leave are Leslie Reddin, left, and Andy Stephan. (Staff Photo)

AREA 4-H'ERS LEAVE FOR STATE MEET

There was a lot of activity going on among area 4-H'ers this week as they collected demonstrations, exhibits and packed for their trip to Texas A&M University where they will compete with other 4-H'ers in the state in Eliminations Contest.

Winners in the District Elimination Contest held in San Angelo in early May were placed on the state competition level.

Competing this week will be

Robert Clemmer, Mark Clemmer and Rusty Holloway in Livestock Judging; Wanda Braune in Natural Resources Demonstration and Tonja McAninch in Public Speaking Contest.

Also Andy Stephan and Leslie Reddin in Safety Demonstration; Mary Beth Boyd in Farm and Ranch Management Individual Demonstration; Johnny Gray and Cindy Whisenhut in Horse Judging, and Jerrie Stephan in Share the Fun Contest.

WANTED--ODD JOBS SAY CHEERLEADERS

Have any "odd jobs" around the house, yard, store, barn or shed you need attended to?

The Merkel High School Cheerleaders are out on their "annual" search for odd jobs to help earn money for Cheerleaders' School.

"Cheerleaders' School takes quite a bit of money," said Debbie Teaff, senior member of the organization. "Besides our tuition for the two week school, we have to purchase items to take, and there's our board and room."

What about a lawn to be mowed? All five say they are "qualified to mow lawns."

Perhaps you need a good, thorough house cleaning job. They

say they can do that, too.

Then, there's always windows to clean, floors to wax, and ironing to do. Right again — they're "experienced."

As of press time Cheerleaders were undecided as to which school they would attend. Seems schedules have been changed and the girls will be notified on place and time within the next two weeks.

So if you have any "odd jobs" give them a call. Cheerleaders and the telephones where they can be contacted are Debbie Teaff, 692-4618; Suzie Riney, 846-4155; Sandra Cox, 692-7091; Marsha Jordan, 928-5803, and Stephanie Walker, 928-4996.

Garden Club Sets Workshop Tues.

A workshop primarily for officers and committee chairmen of the Merkel Garden Club will be held at the Abilene Garden Center in Abilene on Tuesday, June 15, according to Mrs. O. H. Griffin, Merkel Garden Club president.

All Garden Club members are invited to attend. There will be a registration fee of fifty cents.

No reservations are necessary, said Mrs. Griffin. The workshop will be from 9 until 11:30 a.m.

MHS Spanish Club Elects President

At a meeting held May 25, members of the Merkel High School Spanish Club elected Kay Crenshaw president for the school year 1971-72.

Don Cliburn was elected vice president.

FIRE DEPARTMENT TO SPONSOR SHOW

A Country Music Show will be presented by Billy Webb this Friday, June 4, at the High School auditorium.

Webb, Blackbird Recording Star, will also present Radio and TV Star, Joe Paul Nichols and the "Four Pennies," at the 8 p.m. performance.

Sponsored by the Merkel Volunteer Fire Department, proceeds from the show will be used to purchase necessary equipment for the department, said Fire Chief Waymon Adcock.

Tickets are \$1.00 for adults and fifty cents for students. They may be purchased at Adcock's.

Directors to Meet Tuesday, June 8

Merkel Chamber of Commerce board of directors will meet in regular session Tuesday, June 8, according to president, Fred Starbuck.

"Directors and associate directors are reminded that committee reports will be given at this meeting," said Starbuck, "and a good attendance is requested."

Summer Recreation To Begin Monday

The Merkel Summer Recreation Program begins Monday, June 7, and doors will open at 9 a.m., according to director, Bill Tate.

Underwritten by the Merkel Chamber of Commerce and the Merkel Community Fund, the program will be open for all school age children through July 30. (This includes children who will be six years of age on or before Sept. 1, 1971.)

Only change for those school age children enrolled in the program will be an increase in the casual weekly rate from \$1.25 to \$1.50.

Other rates will remain the same: \$10 for the complete 8-week program for one child; \$17.50 for two children; \$25 for three and \$30 for four or more.

Forms and other information may be obtained from Mrs. Ida Mae Graham at the Merkel High School office, from the Merkel Chamber of Commerce or from



BILL TATE
... recreation director

Tate (after Thursday).

The full five days will include planned indoor and outdoor games, track and field events (all ages), weight lifting and also basketball.

and intermediate age and up. Tournaments are also planned in badminton and shuffleboard.

Mrs. Pat McAlister has made available the Merkel Motel swimming pool for the program and open swim will be held in the afternoons from 2 until 4:30.

Recreation supervisors will be in attendance at the pool, said Tate.

Children who do not plan to swim will be kept at the school gymnasium with an adult sponsor.

Teen Bake Sale

Members of the Merkel Teen Center will have a Bake Sale Friday, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. in front of the West Texas Utilities building.

A variety of cakes and pies will be for sale, according to Danny West, vice president. Proceeds will be used by the Center for financing activities.

FAITH IN FUTURE MHS GRADS TOLD

Graduation ceremonies for Merkel High School seniors spotlighted faith in a better future.

And according to Dr. Lloyd Vincent, president of Angelo State University, the faith is braced with greater ability than any graduating class possessed in the past.

He said members of today's graduating classes are taller, have a greater wealth of facts, have a longer life expectancy and in general a better world on which to build.

However, he said that the graduates of today must build on the heritage given them by their fathers and grandfathers.

The college president spoke at the Friday night commencement services at Merkel High School auditorium, which was filled.

The Rev. James E. Merrell, pastor of the Merkel First Methodist Church, asked the invocation.

Michael McLean presented the salutatory address. He pointed out that "our high school experiences become part of our personality." And he said that just as

many people passing through a forest would carry away different impressions and experiences, so would the graduates of Merkel High School have different impressions. He said the members should be thankful for their teachers who will help graduating members want to make "full use of our potential" in college and life.

John Dixon, class president, said the members were proud to participate in the ceremony.

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SCOUTS TO ATTEND 3-DAY CONFERENCE

Area IX-D Order of The Arrow Conference takes place Friday, Saturday, Sunday, June 4, 5 and 6 at Indian Creek Ranch near Kerrville.

Scouts who will be attending the three-day conference from Merkel are Steve Walker, Terry Reed and Alan Reed.

Order of the Arrow is a fraternity of honor campers "passed on a thing of the individual, a thing of the outdoors and a thing of the spirit."

"Once a year representatives of the lodges in this service area come together for an area fellowship training conference that presents opportunity for learning more about the order," said Alan Reed, vigil member of Kotsko Lodge 330. "The area lodges come from councils from Harlingen, Corpus Christi, San Antonio,

Austin, Brownwood, San Angelo and Abilene."

The conference this year will be headed by Alan Reed.

He is a past Lodge Chief of Kotsko and is now the Indian dance team instructor and a member of the executive committee. Alan is assistant scoutmaster to the local Boy Scout Troop 18. He also works presently at Camp Tonkawa as program director.

Representatives of Kotsko Lodge will leave Friday morning from the Nib Shaw Center in Abilene. The lodge will travel to Kerrville to "promote fellowship and bring back several awards and trophies."

The main goal will be to retain the dance team championship which they won last year.



AREA SCOUTERS — Alan Reed, left, Steve Walker and Terry Reed will leave Friday for a three-day conference to be held by the Area IX-D Order of the Arrow at Indian Creek Ranch near Kerrville. Alan, assistant scoutmaster of Troop 18, will head the conference.

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: Alvin Charles Lucas, 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 21 day of June A.D. 1971, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 3 day of Sept. A.D. 1971, in this cause, numbered 5754 on the docket of said court and styled Patsy Ruth Lucas, Plaintiff, vs. Alvin Charles Lucas, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: a suit for divorce. Petitioner and Respondent were married on Sept. 12, 1963 and became separated on or about July 30, 1970. There were no children born and no community property owned, 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 4 day of May A.D. 1971.

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas By Marie Gill, Deputy.

12 4tc



Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- Pay
- Ointment
- Mistakes
- Oily fruits
- Groom's mate
- Singleness
- Erase
- Terminus
- Silkworm
- Writing fluid
- Mohammedan noble
- Attempt
- Guides
- Color
- Danish weight
- Father
- Craze
- Russian river
- Uppermost
- Careless
- Roman: abbr.
- Document addition
- Place
- Wings
- Dawn
- Bird goddess
- Fruit
- Earth
- Snakes
- platform
- Container
- Bird
- Unbinds
- Cooks
- Snakes
- Printers' measures
- Zeal
- Identify
- Consume
- Barrier
- Illness
- Speaker
- Spanish dance
- Parts
- Thing: law
- Theater usher
- Emphasize
- Girl's name
- Female deer
- God of love
- Goat
- High in pitch
- Fish
- Lone

DOWN

- Rubbish
- Wandering
- Frolicked
- Was borne
- Exist
- Letters
- Deliberate
- Chemical suffix
- Excavation
- Ward off
- Covet
- Tries
- Lone

Answer to Puzzle

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37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Nowzad Ali' Mardan Terzy, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU 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 12 day of July A. D. 1971, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 26 day of May A.D. 1971, in this cause, numbered 33,191-A on the docket of said court and styled in

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

In Re: Adoption 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 25 day of May A.D. 1971.

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD Clerk, 42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas By Marie Gill, Deputy.

14 4tc

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Sammy De La Cruz, 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 21st day of June A.D. 1971, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 29th day of June A.D. 1970, in this cause, numbered 5601 on the docket of said court and styled Julia De LaCruz, Plaintiff, vs. Sammy De LaCruz, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were legally married on January 14, 1966 and became permanently separated on or about February 14, 1966. Plaintiff sues for divorce and custody of the minor child of this marriage as is more full 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.

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SLOPPY JOSÉ (Makes 6 servings)

- 1 pound ground beef
- 1 small green pepper, chopped
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 can (10½ ounces) tomato puree
- ¼ cup catsup
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon each: ground cumin, oregano leaves
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire
- 1/3 cup chopped pimiento-stuffed olives
- 6 hard rolls or hamburger buns
- Melted butter or margarine
- Sliced pimiento-stuffed olives
- Avocado slices

In large skillet brown beef over medium heat, stirring frequently. Add green pepper and onion; cook 2 minutes. Stir in puree, catsup and seasonings. Cover and cook over low heat 45 minutes, stirring occasionally; add chopped olives and cook 15 minutes longer. Meanwhile, split buns, brush with melted butter and broil until lightly browned. Fill each bun with 1/3 cup meat mixture. Garnish with sliced olives and avocado.

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Mrs. Lige Harris and family

Supper Planned By Nugent Center

A fried chicken supper is being held by the Nugent Community Center, Friday, June 4 at 8 p.m. at the Community Center, according to reporter, Mrs. James Lofton.
Members of the Nugent Community are currently raising money to repair the old school building and grounds located in the community.
Following the supper, Forty-two and other games will be played, along with musical entertainment, said Mrs. Lofton.
Charge is .15 for adults and seventy - five cents for children.
"Everyone is welcome," said Mrs. Lofton, "and we would especially like to have any in the area who attended the Nugent school."

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LIBRARY NOTES

By MRS. G. D. McCONNELL

A lot is owed to four or five different cultures - folklore and folktale wise - here in Texas. First the Indians, Spanish, Mexican and the white settlers - some from the "old south," bringing their slaves. Every family has its story - teller - spinner of yarns of the days long past; reasons why the brer Fex has a

Isadore Mellinger Dies in Tyler

Isadore Mellinger, 53, former co - owner of Mellingers Dry Goods in Merkel, died Monday, May 31 in Tyler after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 1 at Lloyd James Funeral Chapel in Tyler with burial in Ahakath Achim Cemetery in Tyler.

Mr. Mellinger was born Feb. 25, 1915, at Johnson City. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army in World War II. He was a member of Masonic Lodge and was a 32nd degree Mason, and a member of the Scottish Rite and Hella Shrine, Dallas.

He owned, with his brothers, Meyer and Sylvan, Mellinger Dry Goods Co. which was sold in February, 1970.

Mr. Mellinger was past president of Merkel Lions Club, past president of Merkel Chamber of Commerce and past president of Miztah Abu Synagogue.

Survivors are two brothers, Meyer and Sylvan, both of Tyler.

COCHRAN-MCLEOD VOWS ARE READ

Wedding vows were read for Martha Lou Cochran and Michael Owen McLeod Thursday evening, May 27, at the home of the bride's grandmother, Mrs. M. H. Ely.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cochran. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. E. L. McLeod and the late Mr. McLeod.

Doug Robertson, youth director and assistant pastor of Corinth Baptist Church in Abilene, officiated.

Attendants were Faye Cochran, sister of the bride and Kenneth Aldridge of Abilene.

Presented in marriage by her father, the bride wore a lace over taffeta dress with lace bell sleeves. She carried pink miniature carnations.

The maid of honor wore a pink knit dress with a carnation corsage.

After a wedding trip to Dallas, the couple will live at 403 Kent Street.

A graduate of Noodle High School, the bride is employed by Lee Optical Co., in Abilene.

The bridegroom attended Merkel High School and is employed by Sojourner Drilling Co. in Abilene.

Chaplain McNary To Preach Sunday

Chaplain David McNary, who filled the pulpit at the Grace Presbyterian Church May 30, will preach again at the eleven o'clock worship hour this Sunday.

McNary is currently home on leave prior to his leaving for Vietnam June 26.



MRS. MIKE MCLEOD
... formerly Martha Cochran

Study Club Meets; Installs Officers

The Fortnightly Study Club met in final session May 22 in the home of Mrs. S. C. Dixon. A salad luncheon was served to members and guests prior to the business meeting.

Mrs. Newton Daniel presided at Installation of Officers.

Officers for 1971 - 72 installed were Mrs. S. C. Dixon, president; Corner Haynes, vice president; Ray Wilson, recording secretary; Lem Dudley corresponding secretary; Daniel, parliamentary; and Miss Christine Collins, treasurer.

RESPONSIBILITY IMPORTANT; TRENT GRADUATES TOLD

An extra R was added to the three-R's in learning in school when District Judge Raleigh Brown told the graduating class and guests that "responsibility is most important in today's world."

A capacity crowd at the Trent High School auditorium Friday evening heard Judge Brown speak on the Challenge of Change.

"The Three-R's in learning - reading, writing and arithmetic - are with you all along your school years," said Brown, "but the Responsibility must be there too. Responsibility to one's self, responsibility to one's country and responsibility to one's God."

"Important to the Challenge of Changes are courage, compassion, commitment and consistency," he said. "Evaluate your past and



Army ROTC Commissions 13,000



Drexel University business major Ceil Palenski of Oreland, Pa., pins gold bars on newly-commissioned Second Lieutenant Wilbur T. Measley III of Philadelphia following commissioning exercises at Drexel's Philadelphia campus.

Some 13,000 men on about 280 colleges and universities across the country are having two graduations this year.

In one of them, dressed in the traditional black cap and gown, they march down the aisle of an auditorium or across an athletic field, receive their diplomas and degrees, hear a talk by a college official, and receive the congratulations of proud parents and girl friends.

There's nothing unusual about this ceremony - tens of thousands of other college seniors will be taking part in similar ceremonies throughout the United States.

But unlike the other graduates, the 13,000 seniors also will take part in special commencement exercises. In this one, they'll be dressed in green uniforms, stand at attention, raise their right hands and take the oath of office in the United States Army.

They are Army ROTC graduates who have completed their Military Science courses and are starting their Active Army service. After the commissioning exercises, girl friends or parents will pin on their gold bars.
And when they leave the scene of the graduation, enlisted men will be waiting for them. Tradition decrees that a new officer must give a dollar to the first enlisted man to salute him. Army ROTC cadets don't mind paying it - it's a small price on the biggest day of their lives.



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SOME RECORDS ARE REQUIRED WHEN YOU FILE SS CLAIM

"What do I need when I go in to file my social security?" This is a question asked daily of the social security office, according to R. R. Tuley Jr., manager for the Abilene district. Most people know they will need their social security number and birth record. However, one record frequently overlooked but usually required is the W-2 form or copy of the income tax return for the last calendar year. Timely advice from your social security office is this: If you plan to file your claim for social security benefits this year, take

your W-2 forms and copy of your 1970 income tax return with you. By having the necessary records with you when you file your social security, you will be assured of receiving your benefits at the earliest possible date. You may be able to handle your claim by telephone and mail your W-2 form or tax return to them. The telephone number for the Abilene office is (915) 677-5262. The office is located at Room 2321 on the second floor of the Federal Building. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.



PHIL SEYMORE
... marketing major

Receives Degree

Phil Seymore received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Commencement Exercises held May 23 at McMurry College. His major is in marketing.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seymore, Phil is married to the former Myron Beard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Beard.

DEATHS & FUNERALS

Mrs. Maude Dees

Funeral services for Mrs. Maude Dees, 79, were held Sunday, May 30 at Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel with Bill Patton, minister of the Church of Christ, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Dees died Wednesday at Starr Nursing Home after a long illness.

Born Oct. 11, 1891, in Arkansas, she married E. D. Dees in 1911 at Arkansas. He died in 1967. Mrs. Dees has lived in Merkel since 1969.

Survivors are three sisters, Mrs. W. O. McDonald Sr. of Abilene, Mrs. J. C. Barnard of Houston and Mrs. Leslie Johnston of Daingerfield; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by one daughter and four sons.

Mrs. Lanham

Mrs. Ludie Bryant Lanham, 91, died Friday, May 28 at Morris Nursing Home in Roscoe, after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held Sunday at Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor, of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born Aug. 30, 1879, in Georgia, she married W. P. Lanham in 1897, in Bell County. She moved to the Merkel area in 1939 and had lived in Roscoe since 1963. Mr. Lanham died in 1951. Mrs. Lanham was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors are two brothers, B. L. Bryant of San Angelo and B. G. Bryant of Winters; two sisters, Mrs. H. B. Poe of Wingate and Mrs. R. A. Lewis of San Angelo; several nieces and nephews.

Robert Butler

The Rev. Robert L. Butler, 80, and a former pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Merkel, died Sunday, May 30 in Kearney County Hospital in Minden, Neb., after a long illness.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at First United Methodist Church in Sweetwater, with the Rev. Darris Egger, Rev. Alvin Cooley and Rev. Weldon Butler officiating. Burial was in Eastland Cemetery.

Before entering the ministry of the Methodist Church, Rev. Butler was a coach and history teacher in the old Scranton Academy.

He was pastor of the Merkel Methodist Church in 1948. Survivors are his wife of the home; one son, Dr. R. E. of Minden, Neb.; one daughter, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Avant of San Antonio; one brother, two sisters and five grandchildren.

Troy Bankhead

Troy Bankhead, 83, and a former resident of Merkel was burned to death in his mobile home in Shreveport, La., May 24. He is the uncle of Mrs. M. M. Owen and taught in singing schools when he lived here.

Funeral services were held in Dallas May 27 and burial was in a Dallas cemetery.

Survivors are his wife of Dallas; three sons; one daughter.

W. L. Dulin

W. L. Dulin, 73, and brother of two Merkel residents, died Monday, May 31 in Overall - Morris Memorial Hospital in Coleman, after a short illness.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at Starbuck Funeral Chapel, with burial in Rose Hill Cemetery.

He had lived in Coleman County since 1969 and was a retired farmer. He was a member of the Baptist Church. He was born May 30, 1898 in Georgia.

Merkel relatives are two sisters, Mrs. Opal Sandusky and Mrs. Cora Scott.

Mrs. M. Jones

Mrs. Mattie B. Jones, 93, and sister of Mrs. Lucy Ford of Merkel, died Monday, May 31 at the Shoel Oaks Nursing Home in Abilene, following an extended illness.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the Thalia Baptist Church in Crowell.

Born May 5, 1878, in Dalton, Ga., she married Martin Harmon Jones June 28, 1896 in White-wright. She was a member of the Thalia Baptist Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Dono Day Jr., of Abilene; two sons, J. Carroll of Crowell and George P. Jones of Houston; three sisters, Mrs. Fay Lyles, Mrs. Ida Campbell of Roby, and Mrs. Ford of Merkel; 17 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

Morris Goode

Morris G. Goode, 53, of 326 Fannin St., Abilene, died Tuesday, June 1 in Hendrick Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

Funeral services are scheduled for Thursday, with burial in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born Oct. 5, 1907 at Noodle, Mr. Goode was a retired farmer and ginmer.

He was married to Lorene Reece at Merkel in 1929. They moved to Abilene from Noodle in 1966. He was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors are his wife; four daughters Mrs. Peggy Roberson of Euless, Mrs. Dorothy Harrison of Abilene, Mrs. Robbie Jennings of Tacoma, Wash., and Mrs. Lynn Brown of Abilene; three sons, Billy Goode of Hurst, Sonny Goode of Abilene, and Jerry Goode of Merkel; three sisters, Mrs. Mabel Riek of Abilene, Mrs. Lois Wornack and Mrs. Frances Carter, both of Noodle; one brother, Kirby Goode of Afton, Okla.; and 18 grandchildren.

MINISTRY DESIGNED TO REACH YOUNG MEXICAN-AMERICANS

A ministry designed to reach the young Mexican-Americans has been started in the Abilene, Merkel and Sweetwater areas.

The ministry is under the direction of radio speaker Frank Rodriguez, C. A. Jr., a graduate of Theological Institute of El Paso, and a native of Abilene. Mr. Rodriguez directs his Spanish language program on issues relevant to today's society. Drugs, the problems of youth, war and social unrest and the significance of Christian faith are major topics of concern in this program.

The special weekly radio program is aired Saturday and Sunday evenings over station KWFA in Merkel. The Ministry and broadcast is called "En Tiempos Como Estos," being interpreted "In Time Like These," and is aimed at bringing the Christian message to the Mexican-American community.

Mr. Rodriguez's mailing address is P. O. Box 1654, Abilene, Texas 79604.



FRANK RODRIGUEZ
... on KWFA radio

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made it more possible for us to study and understand the universe.

Another way of understanding, he said, is through faith.

He said that America was based on a cornerstone of human benefits, gained with great difficulty over many problems.

Today, he said, there are more people, new problems.

"We face for many years a troubled and unstable world — but a great future for America," he said.

"Our future as a nation will depend to a large measure on the grass roots leadership as presented by the members of this graduating class tonight."

He urged the graduates in striving for equality in America not to forget the need for quality.

Presentation of awards was made by Principal Edwin Reed.

Merit Awards are recognitions given students who have earned points throughout their school years which include participation in extra-curricular activities, academic achievement and also in literary events. To receive Gold Merit Awards, students must earn twenty points, Silver Merit Awards, fifteen to twenty points, and the Bronze Merit Award, ten to fourteen points.

Seniors receiving Gold Merit Awards include Vickie Robertson, Suzie Wilson, Judy Hester, Mike McLean, Paul Thames and Gail Gentry.

Also Linda Sanford, Mike Steck Tommy Anderson, Karlen Gamble, Mike Warren, Buster Tarpley and Bill Jackson, Silver Merit Awards.

Bronze Merit Awards were presented to Beth Peachey, LeeAnn Holloway, Annette Campbell and John Dixon.

Others receiving Merit Awards include Sandra Cox, Mark Dudley, Kerry Thames, Gold Merit Awards; and Kathy Cypert, Silver Merit Award.

Also Cle Juan Douglas, Debbie Fincher, Terry Reed, Don Clyburn and Patricia McDuff, Bronze Merit Awards.

Church-related scholarships were presented to Paul Thames, Mike McLean and Gail Gentry for high ranking students in the graduating class.

Billy Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Dickerson, received a \$1,600 per year scholarship from Shriner Institute.

Perfect attendance certificates were presented to Kery Thames, Terry Reed and Kathy Cypert.

Recognition was given to the high ranking students in Junior, Sophomore and Freshman Classes. They are Patricia McDuff and Kerry Thames, Junior Class; Don Clyburn and Patsy Button, Sophomore; and Kathy Cypert and Ronnie Sanford and Jeff Cox (tie) freshman.

The oldest social security beneficiary is now 127 years old.

VOCATIONAL NURSES MEET IN MERKEL

The Licensed Vocational Nurses Division met May 24 at the Taylor Electric Cooperative Building and heard Mrs. Margaret Galey, first vice president of NAPNE of the Licensed Vocational Nurses Association give a report on old and new Senate bills which would affect the organization. Eighteen members and guest attended.

Mrs. Mary Outlaw, who covered the meeting said the report was very factual and most interesting to those who are interested in the Vocational Nursing.

"We are very fortunate to have such a dedicated nurse in our area," said Mrs. Outlaw. "Mrs. Galey has been in the area all of her life, and has been person-

nel director of the Baptist Memorial Hospital in San Angelo many years."

Mrs. Galey recently spoke to members of the Division at a meeting held in Stamford. Representatives from Abilene, Hamlin, Anson, Wichita Falls and Merkel attended.

Refreshments were served at the May 24 meeting by Taylor Electric Cooperative.

Raymond Vanderwerker of 412 Ash, and relatively a newcomer to Merkel, has been promoted to new car sales manager for Jack Chevrolet in Abilene. Formerly a salesman for the company, Vanderwerker's promotion was made effective May 24.

The Vanderwerkers recently moved to Merkel from Abilene and purchased the Ernest Hendrick home on Ash Street. They have four children, three school-age and one child, age 2, at home.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley visited Mrs. Nora McDonald at the Anson Care Home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Johnson of Anson visited the Paul Bradleys Saturday. The Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Row and children of Bledsoe, are visiting the Bradleys and also Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Row of Abilene this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clyburn and children attended the Commencement Exercises in Merkel Friday evening. Congratulations to Don Clyburn for receiving the award for high ranking student in the Sophomore Class. He also won the bronze award.

Mr. and Mrs. Mason Barker of Hodges visited the Clyburn family Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Shaw and Mrs. Sonny Hardin and children, visited Mrs. John Shaw in Merkel Sunday. Roxie Meeks, Barbara Bear, Charlie Meeks visited Mrs. Shaw Monday.

Mrs. Louise Hudson spent the weekend in Rising Star with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Hudson. Ted Hudson, also of Rising Star and formerly of Stith is doing very well in a Fort Worth Hospital, after having surgery on both hips. Mrs. Hudson is staying with him.

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Husbands Guests At Chapter Meet

The Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Saturday, May 22, in the home of Mrs. John Brady with husbands as guests for the last meeting of the year. Mrs. Billy Lucas and Bobby DuBose were awarded for the best program of the year.

Members present were Mrs. Lawrence Hewitt, Brady, Jimmy Leverich, Lucas and Mamie Steck.

Also Vernon Wade, Larry White, Darla Mawson, Phil Seymore, Bob West, Robert Harris and Almada Bullock.

Midway Cemetery Assn. to Meet

Annual meeting date for the Midway Cemetery Association will be Sunday, June 6. Chairman Voy Moore, said meeting would be held at the Cemetery Tabernacle and a Memorial service would be held at 11:30 a.m.

At noon a basket lunch will be served; followed by a short business meeting which will elect directors for the year.

"Come and bring a basket lunch and be with us for a day of friendly fellowship," said Moore.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Jack Goode Ross and all persons in being and all persons not in being having a vested, contingent or possible interest in the lands described, including all children of Jack Goode Ross who may be hereafter born to or adopted by him, Defendants, Greeting:

YOU 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 5 day of July A.D. 1971, to Plaintiff's Amended Petition filed in said court, on the 20 day of May A.D. 1971, in this cause, numbered 33,067-A on the docket of said court and styled O. C. Barnard and wife, Freda Barnard, Plaintiff, vs. Jack Goode Ross, et al, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: This is a suit for declaratory judgment, particularly for the construction of the terms of the Will of Addie W. Ross, Deceased, and the interest conveyed under deeds from Jack Goode Ross as Grantor to O. C. Barnard and wife, Freda Barnard, to the lands described, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Amended 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 20 day of May A.D. 1971.

(Seal)
Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
Clerk 42nd District Court
Taylor County, Texas
By Marie Gill, Deputy.

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DAVID DUDLEY
... outstanding student

Merkelites' Kin Gets Scholarship

David Dudley of Tama, Iowa, has been awarded a Stauffer Chemistry Scholarship for study at Central College Tama, Iowa, according to Dr. Harold M. Kolbenbrander, chairman, Department of Chemistry.

David is the grandson of Mrs. L. A. Dudley and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Thomas, all of Merkel. He is a graduate of Tama High School.

Sponsored by the Stauffer Chemical Company, scholarships are granted each year to outstanding high school seniors who plan to major in chemistry. They are granted on a four-year basis.

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TO: Gerald Lee Hartberger, 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 5 day of July A.D. 1971, to Plaintiff's First Amended Petition filed in said court, on the 19 day of May A.D. 1971, in this cause, numbered 5580 on the docket of said court and styled Carolyn Hartberger, Plaintiff, vs. Gerald Lee Hartberger, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: A Petition for divorce. Petitioner and respondent were married on the 16th day of July, 1966, and became separated prior to the filing of this petition. Petitioner asks for custody of the minor child and for an equitable division of the community property, 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 19 day of May A.D. 1971.

(Seal)
Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
Clerk, Domestic Relations
Court of Taylor County, Texas
By Marie Gill, Deputy

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NELDA RUTH TUCKEY
... plans August wedding

Tuckey-Bardin Engagement Told

Mrs. W. C. Tuckey announces the engagement of her daughter, Nelda Ruth, to Mr. Grady Donald Bardin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grady W. Bardin of Gonzalez, Fla.

A 1970 graduate of Merkel High School, Miss Tuckey is employed at Traders and General Insurance Company, Dallas.

The prospective groom is a graduate of J. M. Tate High School, Pensacola, Fla., and has received a degree from Pensacola Junior College, Pensacola, Fla. He is employed at Skaggs Alberten's in Arlington.

Wedding date has been set for August 7 in Woods Chapel Baptist Church, Arlington.

Adult women make up 51 per cent of the social security beneficiaries.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Ace Lancaster, 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 12 day of July A.D. 1971, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 5 day of May A.D. 1970, in this cause, numbered 5480 on the docket of said court and styled Frances Lancaster, Plaintiff, vs. Ace Lancaster, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: A suit for divorce. Petitioner and respondent were married Jan. 22, 1967 and became permanently separated Aug. 1, 1970. Petitioner asks for custody of the minor children and for a reasonable sum as child support 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 Abi-

lene, Texas, this the 25 day of May A.D. 1971.

(Seal)
Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
Clerk, Domestic Relations
Court, Taylor County, Texas
By Marie Gill, Deputy.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NO. 6227
IN THE MATTER OF
THE MARRIAGE OF
TERRY LEN STEWART AND
MARSHA ELAINE STEWART
IN THE DOMESTIC
RELATIONS COURT OF
TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS
AFFIDAVIT FOR CITATION
BY PUBLICATION

Tom Gordon, Attorney for Plaintiff in the above captioned cause, being duly sworn, says that Marsha Elaine Stewart, Defendant herein, is a non-resident of this state, and the Plaintiff, the party applying for citation for service by publication, has attempted to obtain service of non-resident notice upon the said Marsha Elaine Stewart as provided for in Rule 108, Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, but has been unable to do so.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays that citation be issued for service by publication.

TOM GORDON
Tom Gordon
Attorney for Plaintiff

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME by the said TOM GORDON, this the 28th day of May, 1971, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: John Allen Hogue, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU 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 12th day of July A.D. 1971, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 26th day of May A.D. 1971, in this cause, numbered 33,192-A on the docket of said court and styled Shirley Ann Hogue, Plaintiff, vs. John Allen Hogue, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff & Defendant duly married on March 23, 1964. Permanently separated during the month of June 1964. No children were born as a result of said marriage and no community property was acquired, 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 27th day of May, A.D. 1971.

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Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
Clerk, 42nd District Court
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By Rilla Mahoney, Deputy

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For help in hiring veterans, contact your local office of the State Employment Service; for training information see your local VA office.

DON'T FORGET. HIRE THE VET.



Merkelite Gets Bachelor Degree

Approximately 117 seniors participated in Commencement Exercises at Wayland Baptist College May 15.

Among the graduating seniors to receive diplomas was Thomas Harris Riney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Riney of Merkel. He received his bachelor of arts degree in History and Religion.

Speaker for the ceremonies was Dr. W. O. Trogdon, former Plainview student and now president of Tarleton State College, Stephenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Riney attended the graduation exercises.



THOMAS RINEY
... history major

ROUND-UP

By ELAINE BRUMBEAU

MR. AND RS. HERMAN RUTLEDGE of Red Bluff, Calif., were in Merkel recently visiting the E. A. Rutledge. Herman, while driving around over Merkel, took time out from his visiting to drop by the Merkel Mail to say some kind words about the conditions of our gravel streets. "Have seen a lot of graded streets around the country, but Merkel has some of the best and in good condition," said Mr. Rutledge. "A special note of congratulation goes to Jerry Horton, your street man."

MRS. MYRTLE WALKER returned recently from a four-month visit in Dallas with her brother in law, L. A. Priester. Mrs. Walker's sister, Mrs. Priester, died Jan. 6, and Mrs. Walker has been visiting Mr. Priester, who is an invalid.

MRS. J. S. PINCKLEY was honored by members of the First United Methodist Church on Mother's Day for being the oldest mother present. The orchid corsage presented to Mrs. Pinckley was provided by Mrs. Minta Palmer, Rt. 1, Buda, Texas, "in loving memory of Mrs. Tom McAninch.

RAY AND TED WILSON took a "flying" trip recently to Houston to visit son and daughter in law, Keith and Sherry. They drove over to the Abilene airport, left their car, hopped a fast flying jet and the visiting began in Houston in "no time." They returned same way on Monday

morning, refreshed and ready to go to work. Son Keith, is a Medical student at UT Medical Center in Houston.

CEMETERY FUND

The following made recent donations to the Merkel Cemetery Fund:
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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 21 day of June A.D. 1971, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 3 day of May A.D. 1971, in this cause, numbered 6304 on the docket of said court and styled Margaret Laskowski, Plaintiff, vs. Theodore E. Joseph Laskowski, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Married August 21, 1954. Separated December 24, 1954. No children born or adopted — no community property accumulated 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.

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FARM VEHICLE EXEMPTION BILL

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congressman Omar Burleson of Texas, has recently introduced legislation that would amend Part II of the Interstate Commerce Act in order to completely exempt certain farm vehicles from its provisions. Burleson said there is widespread support for this legislation in the rural areas of the 17th Congressional District.

While there has been a historic exemption for farm vehicle operators in the Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, last year new regulations were proposed to require that all drivers of farm trucks must be at least 21 and have a medical certificate not more than 24 months old. They must pass both Federal written and road tests. These are in addition to state regulations.

While these would presumably be applicable only to interstate commerce, recent interpretations suggest that if the product hauled subsequently ends up in interstate

commerce the hauler would be subject to regulation. Clearly, there is no way for the individual farmer or rancher to determine the final destination of his load.

Burleson said he feels such regulations to be unreasonable because of the nature of farm truck usage, which is different from that of large-scale commercial transportation. "Regulations useful in the latter case would be oppressive for the farmer," the Congressman said. "Most farm hauls are for short trips on an intermittent basis, but would still come under the proposed regulations. Further, farm truck safety records are already dramatically better than commercial haulers," he continued.

Because of protests by Members of Congress, farm organizations and individual farmers, the Federal Highway Administration has drafted some revision to eliminate some of these stringent requirements and attempt to make

the proposed regulations more palatable to farmers and ranchers by extending the exemption date from July 1 to December 1; to exempt from driver qualification rules all drivers of vehicles 10,000 pounds or less; and propose lowering minimum age for those using such trucks on farms. These revisions have not been approved, however, Congressman Burleson said. "I hope this can be settled administratively," Burleson continued, "and that this proposed legislation will be helpful as leverage to accomplish this purpose. As a matter of fact, there appears no justification for any regulation on driving farm trucks, other than that already provided by the State. The legislation introduced is for this purpose."

Merkelite Visits Aunt in Eden

A family get together was held in Eden, Tex., May 23 in the home of Miss Theima Nelson and Mrs. Jim Nelson, honoring Mrs. Alyce Haynes of Bentonville, Ark.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. James Nelson of Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. Don Nelson, San Antonio; and Mrs. Alyce Oliver of Merkel. The visit with Mrs. Oliver and Mrs. Haynes was the first one in fifty years

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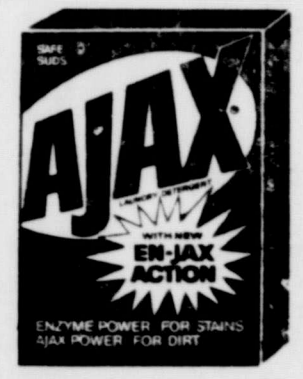
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