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AT OPEN HOUSE - Merkel Post Office officials got together this past Thursday during Postal Service Day for a short visit. From left, are D. H. (Doc) Vaughn, former assistant postmaster, Wrenn Durham, former postmaster, Truett Thompson, postmaster, and Joe Alves, acting assistant postmaster. Open House was held in observance of National Postal Service Day. (Staff Photo)

### **Band Rehearsal** Tonight at 8:30

Members of the Merkel High School band will have their second rehearsal for this year on Thursday evening from 8:30 until 9:30, according to director, Glenn Reed.

Merkel voters, if the new districting law passed by the legislature holds up, will find themselves in a district shaped something like a dumbell.

# SPEAKER DESCRIBES **VOTING DISTRICT**

There & Just

# Six Immunizations Now **Required For All Schools**

Texas law now requires that be eligible to enroll in the fall,

"The new law requires that all pox, rubella (German measles) tetanus, polio and small pox. and "red" or nine day measles." said Mack Fisher, Merkel school that shot will also be required. superintendent, "Kindergartners" All children under 12 years of must also be protected for whooping cough."

If the vaccinations require a series of shots (as does polio) munizations is fewer for junior the child may enroll if he can high, and high school students," show proof that the series has al- said Fisher, "Junior high and ready begun, Fisher further ex- high school requires immunizaplained.

The Texas State Department of io, tetanus and small pox. Health now has authority to set have begun.

great impact on the immuniza- versities, schools for the blind, tion level of the school population deaf, mentally ill and mentally and, eventaually, all the popula- retarded. The only children extion of Texas," says Dr. J. E. Peavy, State Health Commission- conflicts, or medical problems er. "We are delighted with the those that a phsician determines new law."

The immunizations previous' cases

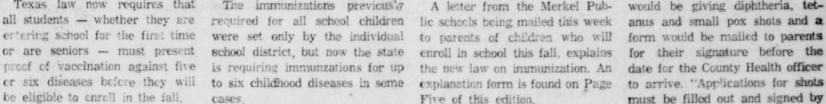
Merkel Elementary school stu-

If there is no history of measles, age must also be immunized acceptable." against rubella.

"The number of required imtions against only diphtheria, pol-

Nearly every student in the the rules and regulations for im- state will be covered by this plementation of the compulsory broad new law. Immunizations immunizations. The Board of will be required of students in Health has set January 1, 1972 as kindergartens that are associated the date by which all the chil- with elementary schools, all the dren's immunization series must elementary or secondary public schools, private or parochial "This new state law will have schools, academies, colleges, uni-

empted are those with religious would be injurious to health.



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"Signature validation of per- parents before their children can students must be vaccinated dents will now be required to be sonal records by parents is recom- receive them," said Fisher. against polio, diphthera, small immunized against diphtheria, mended for this school year," said Fisher. "A new standard concerning the new immunization Certificate of Immunization form Jaw, they are urged to contact is being developed; however com- Edwin Read, principal of the patible documents will always be Merkel High School, or Leon

Fisher also said that the schools and Elementary Schools.

#### FOR AREA

# MAIL PROCESSING **EFFECTIVE TODAY**

according to Merkel Postmaster, lene. Truett Thompson

plan was made to Thompson by processing program. "no office Abilene postmaster Civde Grant, will lose its local postmark." cility which processes mail for the Merkel Post Office has been 17 smaller associate post offices changed from 5:15 p.m. to 6:50 cluded in the area which Abilene On Saturday, Sunday and holidays

Area Mail Processing will begin keep the mail addressed for their operation at the Abilene Post Of- offices, said Thompson. "Other fice and Sectional Center today, mail will be forwarded to Abi-

must be filled out and signed by

If parents have any questons

Walker, principal of the Primary

The Merkel postmaster explain-Announcement of the new mail ed that under the new area mail

The Abilene Post Office, under New Schedule for out of town Grant, is a Sectional Center Fa- mail for the mailing box outside in the Ablene area. Merkel is in- p m., Monday through Friday. Sectional Center serves, said the schedule has been changed

"We're eager to get all our our members out to rehearsal." said Reed, "and any new students are urged to attend this evening's rehearsal."



NOLAN PALMER ... on TADA Board

### Local Auto Dealer Named Director

AUSTIN (Spl.) - Nolan Palmer, Palmer Motor Company, Merkel, has been appointed to the key post seum. of Area Director of the statewide Texas Automobile Dealers Association. TADA is a 54 year old organization of franchised new car and truck dealers dedicated Mrs. Jess Slaughter will repreto selling and serving the motor vehicle buying public and improv- delegate, ing the automobile industry in this this state. state.

Mr. Palmer will serve with the TADA Board of Directors in studying all phases of activity concerning the automobile industry.

is of ever increasing importance," stated TADA President, Finley Ewing of Dallas, Mr. Palmer in the State Talent Contest and will work closely with Federal, state and local officials in the studies of pollution, safety and law enforcement problems.

The bells will be the more than 25,000 voters in portions of Abilene and Midland. The handle of the district will be voters stretched between Mitchell, Coke, Sterling and parts of Taylor and Midland counties.

This is a physical description of the new district as described by Grant Jones, who is one of the "encumbents" in the new district. Jones spoke to members of the Merkel Lions Club Tuesday.

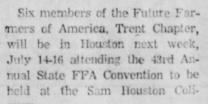
Citizens of Midland County are not very happy with the new division, said Jones, adding "and I don't blame them."

Jones said a court test is underway by some of the dissatisfied voters in the western end of the new district.

court case) with interest," said Jones.

met by the Legslature this season, Jones enumerated a number

### TRENT CHAPTER



Mark Williamson Jr. will be a candidate for State FFA president and will be there early handing out cards and tacking up posters

Jay Slaughter, son of Mr. and sent the Chapter as a voting dele-

Other Trent FFA'ers who will attend will be Bill Hamner, Abilene FFA district president, and Bill Griffith, Ty Martin, Calvin Brown and Mr. Jon Henderson. advisor

Mark is the 18 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Williamson, "The position of Area Director and holds the Greenhand, Chapter Farmer and Lone Star Farmer degrees. He has participated

> was named Outstanding Swine Showman at the local livestock .: Mark, who plans a career as dent's speech, election of State show. His FFA leadership has in- a lawyer or a professional enter- FFA Sweetheart and installation cluded being chapter president, tainer, enjoys playing the guitar, of new student officers,



GRANT JONES . . . speaks on redistricting

of other thorny issues met at Aus-

The session started with builtin spending problems, he said, "I will be watching this (the Then, he said, there was the problem of welfare legislation. Welfare legislation, he pointed out, Besides the redistrictng problem must meet standards set by the Phi?"

See Story ONE, Pg. 4

# FFA'ERS TO ATTEND CONVENTION



MARK WILLIAMSON JR. . . . state candidate

vice president of Area IV Vice president. His project program under the direction of Henderson, includes breeding swine and beef cattle.

# SMALL SPUT OF LAND **NEEDED FOR SIGN**

Merkel's Beta Sigma Phi mem- Beta Sigma Phi is Merkel - al- office," said Thompson, bers are looking for a "spot" of most. land.

Just a very, very small "spot," will do. To build a sign and erect on that "spot."

And on that sign will be in large, bright, bold letters "Welcome to Merkel."

Since the sign will bear the welcome insignia, it needs to be on some land that is along Interstate 20.

Anyone have just a small spot they would like to let them erect a sign on - for free?

You say "what is Beta Sigma

Only a newcomer to Merkel would ask such a question - for

An active civic club for ladies, Beta Sigma Phi contributes to almost every worthwhile activity that comes our way.

They sponsor a Little League Rehabilitation Center, a mighty working force for Merkel's Community Fund project that rolls around every fall, and has their purse open for many, many worth-

while community requests. Mrs. Billy Lucas, current presi-"We won't need but just a tiny spot of land to erect our welcome sign." and it should be near our busy Interstate 20."

Thompson

"The program is intended to speed the delivery of the mail and to gain maximum efficiency through the use of Abilene's modern and recently mechanized post

Area Mail Processing is a plan where all almost all mail originating within a Sectional Certer Facility (SCF) area, will be conse'idated at the SCF for comple

preparation and precessing for team - donate to West Texas outgoing dispatch, Thompson explained.

The five First Class Associate Offices in the program are Colorado City, Haskell, Snyder, Stamford, and Sweetwater, Anson, directors of the Merkel Chamber Baird, Clyde, Soahoma, Hamlin, of Commerce will have their reg-Knox City, Merkel, Roby, Roscoe, ular meeting Tuesday, July 13, dent of Beta Sigma Phi, says, "Rotan, Rule and Winters are the Second Class Post Offices in the plan and will postmark both "local" and "out of town" mail. All 17 of the post offices will tend,

Board of directors and associate at the Merkel Restaurant, Meeting time will be 7:30 p.m.

Chamber president, Fred Starbuck, urges all members to at-

A GIFT FOR YOU - Mrs. Johnny Cox, right, was presented a carved head of her father, the late Dr. Marvin Armstrong, by artist Jess Salter, center, at a coffee held Thursday. Christine Collins, left, hosted the coffee in her home. Wood used for carving was taken from Mrs. Cox's yard. Dr. Armstrong practiced here from 1905 until 1942. He was a graduate of Tulane University. (Staff Photo)

from 2:45 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Thompson stressed the fact that patrons should put their letters in the outside box anytime the post office is closed.

"By placing mail in the outside box after the post office is closed and before the deadline for pickup persons have a better charce of getting their mail picked up the same day."





#### public speaking and meeting people.

Convention speakers include Denald N McDowell, National FFA Foundation; Jim Beard, National FFA vice president, Oklahoma; John McCulley, National FFA secretary, Oregon; and Reagan Brown, Texas A&M University.

Candidates for Public Speaking Contest, Lone Star Farmers, Star American Farmers, and Area Star Greenhands will also be featured on the program.

Registration is scheduled to begin at 7 a.m. Wednesday with the first general session to begin at 9 a.m., and second session at 1:30 p.m.

On Thursday the third general session will begin at 8:30 a.m. and Friday, fourth general session also at 8:30 a.m.

Friday's activities will include the electon of natonal delegatons. presentation of student vice president of the year, retiring presi-

#### **Baptist Men's Rally**

#### At Lueders July 9

The Baptist Men's Rally will be July 9 at Lueders Encampgram to begin at 7:30 ment Grounds beginning at 4:30 p.m. with recreation and fellow- (Bob) Harris, pastor of the First ship. The evening meal will be Baptist Church of Killeen and



#### RX FOR AILING FLOORS

A beautiful floor is an important decorative asset for any room, while a nondescript floor fades into oblivion. But a floor that's neglected is a glaring detriment to even the most magnificent decor.

Genuine hardwood floors, be they maple, oak, teak cherry or pecan, add elegance and charm anywhere in the house. But to use them to full visual and decorative advantage, they should always be kept clean, smooth, and shiny. Because hardwood floors are really so easy to care for, there's no excuse to keep them in anything but tip-top

shape. Just as no well dressed person would think bleach stand two or three minutes, then wipe off with of going out without his or a damp cloth. Refinish her shoes shined, no well clad room puts its best foot bleached area to blend with forward either, with scuffs the balance of the floor by and stains in full view. wiping on a wood finish until it matches.

A luxurious wood floor should never bear the marks of even normal everyday abuse. It's easy to remove telltale blemishes yourself with very little effort. Here's how to keep your floors in top-notch condition:

•Most stains and marks can be removed by rubbing lightly with steel wool, then deeper scratches. cleaning with a cloth dampened with vinegar, turpentine or mineral spirits. Apply solution, let stand for a few minutes, then wipe dry. Repeat the cleaning process if necessary. For stubborn to level surface. marks, try sanding lightly

water, rub with fine steel with fine sandpaper. wool and rewax. • More difficult stains can be removed with an application of wood bleach. Do this

Any questions on wood? carefully, wearing rubber gloves. Apply directly on Write to Rhonda Racz, Hardthe stain only with a damp wood Institute, Suite 1422, cloth to avoid discoloring 551 Fifth Ave., New York, mounding word. Let the N. Y. 10017.

#### THE MERKEL MAIL, MERKEL, TEXAS Thursday, July 8, 1971 Page Two

Walter Counts, Brotherhood Diserved at 6:00 p.m. with the prorector of Haskell - Knox Asso-Guest speaker will be Robert ciation as Master of Ceremonies. A delegation from the First Baptist Church plans to attend according to pastor, the Rev. Kenneth Jones.

# Mrs. Lige Harris **Dies at Age 84**

Mrs. Lige Harris, 84, a pioneer resident of Merkel, died at 9 p.m. Sunday, July 4, in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene after a long illness.

Funeral services were held Tuesday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor, officiating, assisted by the Rev. Bill Tanner of Stratford, and the Rev. N. S. Daniel, Methodist minister.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home

Mrs. Harris was born March 19, 1887, in Sulphur Springs and married Lige Harris in 1904 in the home of the bride's parents in Taylor County. Her family settled in Merkel in about 1904. Mrs. Harris was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors are three sons, Leo of Merkel, Bill of Ballinger and James of Amarillo: two daughters, Mrs. S. G. Russell and Mrs. Don Riney, both of Merkel: one brother, Oscar Miller, Modesto, Calif.: 15 grandchildren, 23 greatgrandchildren and one great-greatgrandchild. One son, Thomas, died in 1942.

Pallbearers were Robert Leo Harris, Jimmy Harris, Buddy Haris, Tommy Riney, Jacky Russell and Jerry Russell.



VO-AG WORKSHOP - Vocational Agricultural teacher, Chester Collinsworth of Merkel is pictured with his host Curly Hays, WTU Farm and Ranch Representative during the recent Texas Education Agency-West Texas Utilities sponsored electrical workshop at Lytle Shores in Abilene. Collinsworth has been teaching vocational agriculture since 1936. He says the enrollment in Merkel vo-ag classes is increasing. with 65 students enrolled during the 1970-71 semester - a 15% increase over the previous year.

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ing part of a damp towel and

pressing a hot iron against

the towel until wood fibers

expand. Then sand lightly

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•For stains from standing

fine steel wool.

**Robert F. Reeds Merkel Visitors** 

M.Sgt. Robert F. Reed and family are presently in Merkel visiting Mrs. Reed's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. McConnell. The Reeds, Robert, Mary Jo, Gayle Marie and Roger Allen recently returned from a three - year assignment in Hof, Germany.

lis new assignment is Offutt Air Force Base, Omaha, Neb, where he will report July 14, Mas Reed and children will remain here until they get housing in-Omalia. They are presently rent. ing a furnished aparenment from Mis. E. B. Barnes.



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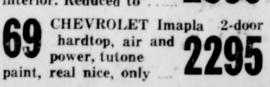
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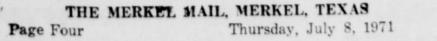
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#### Miscellaneous -

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#### MASONIC MEETING

Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710 on 2nd Saturday and 4t4h Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome. Members urged to attend. JOHNNIE BARNES, W.M. ROY MASHBURN, Sec'y.

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ton. Thursday and Friday, Lots of "goodies." 19 1tp GARAGE SALE - Three families - at 1403 Heath Street. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Itc GARAGE SALE - 1001 So. Locust St. Mettel, Friday and Saturday, 8 a.m. til 7 p.m., antiques, guns, keys and lock, record

players and records, 2 G.I. folding beds, dishes, glasware, etc. 19 1tc

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NOTICE - We are now carrying a complete line of JET STREAM P.V.C. plastic pipe. All sizes 1/2 to 2 inch water pipe, 4 inch sewer line and water well casing and a complete line of fittings. Higginbotham - Bartlett Cc., Merkel. 16 rtc

TO BE MOVED - 4 houses with Butane Tanks, 2 and 3 hundred dollars, Haines Street, Merkel. 5789. See John Campbell, 860 Mulberry, Abilene, phone 673-6033. 18 2tp KIND of tree work done city water, 104 Manchester, Call Free estimates, Call 928-5211. Mack Hodo, 862-9114 Trent 51 2tc FOR SALE - Pick up payments PAINTING done, inside and outside, references, free estimates, new 348 motor, 10 yd, Lufkin tfc Call 928-5942. on 1964 Chev. - tractor truck, trailer. See at 1203 No. 3rd or CUSTOM HAY BALING - Phone 928-5251, A. E. Jackson, 17 tfc NOTICE - I will not be responsible for any debts other than my own, D. L. Bowen. 17 1tc

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401 Runnels, concrete cellar. pump and well, H. C. Reid, 710 Yucca. 18 2tp

FOR SALE - Garden vegetab!~ Also hay delivered, \$1. 904 So. 3rd, 928-4968. 18 2°p FOR SALE - Rollaway bed and mattress; Maytag washer, wringer type: also white leg-

17 4tp

FOR SALE - 5 rooms and bath house, 3 lots, good well, also

MRS. ELLEN MCREYNOLDS 4th Speciacular" events held in takes time off on her American that city.

And speaking of "spectaculars."

Small world after all - and the

their vacation. Betty C. reports He'den,

Heward Carsons and Pat Cyperts

found this out recently while on

Heritage Trip to write the Mer-'It was a most impressive cele. kel Mail about her travels in bration," sad Mrs. Adoock, "with Toledo, New Jersey, Philadelphia old . fashioned patrictic music. It and Trenton. reminded me of those patrictic

"This is a valiant effort to inevents we used to have several form myself in my teaching field," years back." she writes. "I am now in New Jersey (written July 2) cnly thirty those of you .who attended the minutes out of Philadelphia, I am going for History and Our one in Abilene Saturday evening will attest to the fireworks, crowd U. S. Government." and rows and rows of cars lined

Mrs. Mc, took a tour to the up and down any available street Gettysburg Battle Ground, went or highway. to Morris Town, and on over to Toledo, Ohio.

Some of the sights she covered include the Amish Villages, the Colonial Iron Mines and Ship Village of Batstow.

that when they pulled up on the "I've really visited the Pennsylparkway at the Arlington Cemevania Dutch in Lancaster and tent they noticed right off a car Hershey," she said. "West Point in front with the Badger sign on and New York has been very edit. And proceeding on they disucational. We've taken tours, and covered the Howard Carsons were heard lectures about the customs, the owners of the car with the traditions, and the background is sign. Pat and Betty toured Arso very interesting for a history kansas, Tennessee, went through teacher. the "Great Smokies," on to North Accompanying Mrs. Mc, are Carelina and through Virginia to

her nephew and wife who have lived in the area for 10 years. We expect to hear more about this American Heritage tour

when Mrs. Mc. returns to Merkel. -----The H. N. ODUMS have had their son and wife, Tommy and Annabelle from Guam visiting them and the visit will last through the middle of August.

While visiting his parents, Tommy is also attending Hardin-Simmons University, taking a refresher course. ------

Mrs. Charlene White of Fort While the WAYMON ADCOCKS Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Bob were in Amarillo over the 4th Greybeck and son, Jim of Pittsholidays, they took in the "July burgh, Pa.

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magnolias."

#### WEST TEXAS



# ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR NAMED FOR RED CROSS

ermointed to serve as acting exec-

appointment was made by Del-

bert Allred, vice chairman of the

board of the chapter, in the ab-

sence of Board Chairman, Jack

Chambers retired from the U.

S Navy in March of this year.

His last assignment before com-

ing to Abilene was as command-

A native of Albany, Chambers

is a veteran of the Vietnam War,

where he was an executive cf.

ficer on a minesweeper and where

he won the Bronze Star for valor,

er of an LST for 22 months.

Ollie Lena Olsen.

ginning July 1.

Lt. Cmdr. (Red) Thomas Dan- was an electrone officer for 21/2 fel Chambers of Lawn has been years,

Mrs. Chambers is a nativa of utive director of the Taylor Coun- Abilene and the couple have three ty Chapter of the American Red children.

Cross in the absence of Miss Allred said he regretted that Miss Olsen was having to leave. Miss Olsen, who has served the "She's done a tremendous job chapter as executive director for with the Red Cross," said All-14 years, has been granied a yed, "and we're looking forward leave of absence with leave be- to working with her again," Miss Olsen gave personal reasons for The announcement of Chambers' her leave.

A recent resolution passed by the board extended its warmest commendation to Miss Olsen for "her kindness, understanding, tenacity of purpose, devotion, dedication and for the wonderful job she has done in supervising portivities of the Chapter."

Loan Approved For Merkel TEC

During World War II he was WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Congressman Omar Burleson announcel today approvel of a \$255,000 Rural Electricitation Administration loan to the Taylor Electric Cooperative Inc., at Merkel, Texas, serving Taylor, Callahan, Coke, Eastland, Fisher, Jones, Nolan and Shackelford counties.

This loan, together with \$310,531 of the borrower's general funds and supplemental financing from the National Rural Utilities Corperative Finance Corporation which the cooperative proposes to obtain is for the following purpose: "> finance 119 miles of distribution lines to serve 870 new custom: 1 and to finance extensive systen improvements including 3 miles new tie line and conversion of miles of existing line to a hig . capacity. Mr O. S. Moore of Nolan is

president of the Cooperative, Mr. Don J. Hart at Merkel is manager.

Washington, D.C., They came based on Guam and afterward on back down through West Virginia, a destroyer, During the Korean Kentucky, Missouri and Oklaho-War he was with the Task Force 95 in special operations. After the Korean War Chambers Betty reported that the flowers participated in Navy athletic prowere beautiful, "especially the grams prior to his entering the

#### field of electronics in 1960. He MRS. LOTTIE B. EVERITT en-**Research Center** tertaned guests at her ranch place, former'y called "Lo Camp" To Be Dedicated for the holidays. They were Mrs.

Formal dedication of the Texas A&M University Vegetable Research Center will be held Frid ?? July 16, in Munday.

"Ceremonies will begn at 10 a.m. and a vegetable dinner will be served at the noon hour," according to Philip Homer, president of the Munday Chamber of Commerc.e

The public is invited to the 10 a.m. dedication

rinting, 928-5712, 14 ----

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NOTICE - I will baby sit in your home - day or night. Call Cindy Fisher, 928-5559. 18 tffr WANTED - A good used wheel

chair. Call after 5:30 p.m., 18 2tp Trent, 862-2684.



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FOR SALE - 1964 Chevrolet Impala, good condition, reasonable. After 6:30 p.m. call 923-18 2tp 5248

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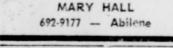
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The West Texas Polled Here- Hereford breeder in the world ford Association will be sponsor- has a herd of 150 cows with coming a tour of area ranches this plete performance records. He is Saturday, with more than 200 currently serving as president of cattlemen expected to attend, the West Texas Polled Hereford Meeting place will be the Alamo Association, 17 2tc Plaza (Thunderbird Lodge), East

> U.S. 80, Abilene, First stop will be the Circle R who have a herd of 45 cows. Ranch at Abilene, owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rose

Abilene Christian College will group of 30 bred heifers have been selected for exhibit. The heifers will be used by the college as a tool in teaching a modern course in livestock breeding, management and evaluation of perform-

ance records. Stop No. three will be at the Swann Ranch, Swann, the oldest continuously operating Polled

## Vets, Auxiliary To Meet July 20

Veterans of World War I and the Ladies Auxiliary will meet Tuesday, July 20 at 7 p.m. at the Taylor Electric building.

"The meeting is one week late so that delegates who attend the Department Convention in son. The beautiful service and 'Dallas may give their reports," expressions of sympathy of many said commander, Karl Bonneaux. The presidents ask that all ed with deep gratitude. God Bless members be present to "enjoy recreation and refreshments of sandwiches and pie.'

### Monday Singing

The regular Second Monday Night Singing will be held July 12 at the Victory Baptist Church,

"Our attendance is growing each meeting.

The public is invited to attend.

CARD OF THANKS OUR SINCEREST THANKS for grateful. Mrs. P. B. Cooper mer

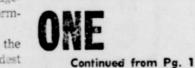
Lucile Snow Cypert of Abilene

and Mrs. Snow's two daughters,

Hosts at the next stop will be Mr. and Mrs. Ivy Jones of Hobbs Mr. and Mrs. Huse Narrell will

host stop number five. The last stop on the tour will be at the Michaelis Ranch ownhost the second stop where a ed by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Michaelis of Wingate.

> Chairman of the event is Dr. Edwin Dubois of Abilene Chrstian College.



### Federal Government. They must

pass legislation that will meet the requirements and stand up in federal courts - and the courts keep changing the rules - he said

Jones said the welfare problems will likely have to be taken over by the Federal Government. But, he said the takeover by the Federal Government won't completely solve the problem because there or y local taxpayers whether to the state or national government,

He said the state legislature faced more than 3,000 bills in the past regular session a n d passed more than 1,600 bills not all of which affected the state as a whole.

In the good old summertime Texans' thoughts turn to the swimming hole, suntans, and may-

be watermellon, vacations, and lots of things, but most Texans don't think about keeping income tax records. Keeping tax records is a year 'round job and while you are enjoying the good old summertime you oughta remember how cold it will be next Janthe numerous ways our friends uary when you try to rouge mher helped us during our recent ill- how much that tax deduction was ness. For cards, flowers, visits that you should have made a and your prayers, I am so very record of or put up the receipt on way back in the heat of sum-

# **Questions** Answered

(I shall begin today, Lord willing, with an effort to answer various questions that have been asked on different religious problems. If you would like to ask questions and have them answered in this article please feel free to send them in . . . anonymous requests will be honored as well.)

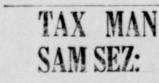
"The Bible says that God created the world He is supposed to be the ultimate in truth, love and fairness. Why then did he ever create earth and man with all the hell, torment and problems? Why, if he is so just, will he condemn billions of people to hell? Why could he not have created heaven in the first place and saved every soul from torment?"

ANSWER: These questions are very challenging. Our querist is concerned with what he thinks to be an outright contradiction with the Bible and the condition of the world.

This problem exists because our querist does not know the teachings of the Bible. First, the charge that God created the earth and man with all its "hell, torment and problems" is a false one. When God created the earth and gave man the dominion over it, everything was very good (Gen. 1:31). Man was placed in the Garden of Eden which was a Utopian paradise (Gen. 2:8-25), and God gave him the liberty to eat of every tree of the garden except one. the tree of knowledge of good and evil. Man had the ability to enjoy the blessings and to obey or disobey God. When the serpent (devil) beguiled Eve she was tempted and disobeyed God. This sin is responsible for the torment and problems of life. If our querist desires to blame someone for the pains of life, let the blame be placed where it belongs, WITH MAN, and not God who made everything "very good.'

in the second place, God is not unfair in reference to Hell. Despite the fact that all have sinned (Rom. 3::23), God so loved us that he gave his only begotten Son (would you do that?). Christ came not o condemn the world but to save it (John 3:17). To be just means to "conform to the principles of justice: impartial: equitable" (Funk & Wagnall's Dictionary). This is exactly what God does in rendering to man according to his life on earth as a free moral agent. God could not have kept man from sinning and being lest without making him a machine which was totally incapable of enjoying right as well as doing wrong. Such a being would not have been in the image of God, thus would have benefitted nothing, including no glory being received from man. A man must "rean what he sows or there can be no justice." May God help us all to realize how unworthy we are and how grateful we should be for His saving grace.

> BILLY PATTON CHURCH OF CHRIST "COME VISIT WITH US"



Time is 7 p.m.

FUL to friends and neighbors for meeting," said president, F. E. their many kind acts of sympathy Sipe, "and along with attendance during our sad bereavement. Our is some very good singing. There appreciation cannot be adequately were 140 attending at our June

# **Find the strength** for your life...

Does it seem to you sometimes that the world has sotten so crowded and complex that you just don's count at all in the grand scheme of things? It's not uncommon, that feeling. We feel helpless .... unable to alter or even really to understand ourselves and the world we live in.

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Faith is missing-and because of that, spiritual strength is.

But faith and spiritual strength can be found, nourished. Then they grow within you through regular worship. This week go to your church or synagogue. Start to build a fuller, more mean Ingful life. Cherish your faith and keep it strong so that it may strengthen you.

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# **REGIONAL DIRECTORS ANSWERS OUESTIONS**

Questions posed by veterans to VA offices frequently show the for the policy to one of the nearfactor of applying for some benefits, according to Jack Coker, VA Regional Office Director in Waco. "Our office has prepared this time table on benefits to asgist veterans and their families."

Coker added. ..... The countdown for the veteran starts from the dry of his separation from the service. days to notify any local Selective

30 days to register if he did not do so before enterting military service.

ployment.

condition does not change, to convert his insurance.

**6** Scholarships

In either case, he must apply veteran is in doubt about the time ly 600 private companies participating in the SGLI program. A veteran with a service - connected disability has one year building, Abilene, according to

from the date he receives his coordinator, Clarence Hunnicutt. The second session will be held apply to VA for Service - Disabled Thursday, July 15: the third, Tuesday, July 20, and the fourth two . hour session will be on

**Course to Begin** 

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Purpose of the course will be

To Go to State

Cindy Whisenhunt and Patricia

Thursday, July 22. for VA dental care, or to request Theme of the course will be unemployment compensation from "Learn to watch out for the Other Guy, but be sure he doesn't have to watch out for you."

Veterans have eight years from date of separation to apply for to update the driving habits oldand receive educational asistance sters learned thirty, forty and benefits, which terminate after even fifty years ago, said Hunnithat time

For a veteran with a serviceconnected inju , or disease, there is no time limit for applying for

There is no time limit for a veteran to be assisted by his local state employment service in finding a job or job - training program.

Nor is there a

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# TAXES AND MORE TAXES SEEN FOR **MONTH OF JULY**

bill take effect, but property owners got notices of hikes of up to 25 per cent in their insurance rates. And just recently the State moving traffic violators \$2.50: Insurance Board staff recommended an average 2.8 per cent increase in private auto insur- victed of felony \$10. ance coverage effective September 1. **Defensive Driving** 

Tax bill raises the general sales tax from 3.25 per cent to four per cent statewide (five per cent in Merkel and many other Texas cities which levy a local sales A Defensive Driving Course, the second for the year, will be tax); adds three cents a pack to cigarettes taxes: increases liquor offered to those 55 years old and tax about seven cents a fifth; over, beginning with the first twohour sessions Tuesdar, July 13, raises beer tax a fraction of a

AUSTIN - July 1 turned out cent a bottle: jumps sales tax on to be a costly date for Texans. new cars to four per cent (bring-Not only did the nearly \$1 million ing in car rentals) and jacks up a day (\$604 million bienia", /) tax corporate franchise levy \$1.25 per \$1,000 of capital.

A new kind of "surtax" takes effect September 1 It will cost other misdemeanor violators tried in county court \$5, and those con-

Raises in homeowners' and other kinds of property insurance came without formal announcement other than notices to local agents, and fire insurance coverage increases 5.2 per cent or 7.1 per cent for dwellings.

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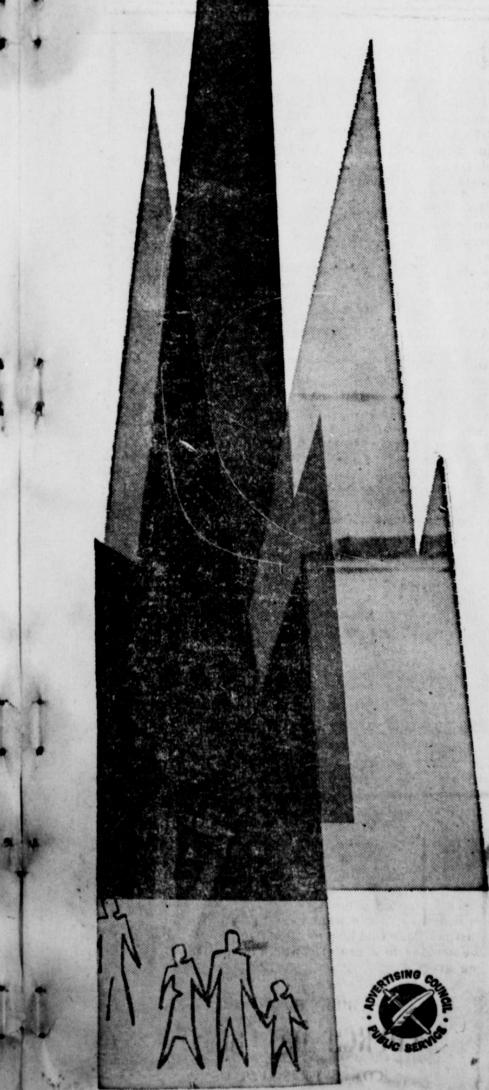
He has 120 days to convert his VA disability compensation, but in Servicemen's Group Life Insur- order to receive payments dated ance (SGLI) to an individual pol- from the time of his separation icy without examination. If to- from military service, he must fally disabled at separation, a vet- apply within one year of separaeran has up to one vear if his tion.

### notice of service - connection to Veterans Insurance, He also has one year to apply

Coker said a veteran has 10 his local state employment service.

cutt" "giving them training instead for becoming defensive drivers." Local 4-H'ers

Boyd brought home "first place winnings" in the District 7 4-H Horse Show held Tuesday at the Nolan County Coliseum in Sweetwater.



**Available at WTC** 

Six scholarships are still available at Western Texas College for those who can qualify, Mrs. Wilma Crawford, Financial Aids Officer announced recent'

Mrs. Crawford said that there are two \$50 scholarships in art; a \$200 and a \$250 scholarship in nursing, and two \$50 general scholarships.

She said that even though there are only six scholarships left, a student may qualify for other finncial aid if he is unable to who are registered to vote can chtain a scholarship.

There are seven types of financial aids for which a student may apply. They are a National Defense Student Loan, the Work-Study Program, The Texas Opportunity Plan, an Educational Opportunity Grant, a Guaranteed Loan, the Law - Enforcement Program, and the Vocational Rehabilitation Aid,

Mrs. Crawford emphasized that those who are interested in further information should write to the Financial Aids Office, Western Texas College, Snyder, Texas 79549.

## Ybarra-Acuna

# **Engagement** Told

Mr. and Mrs Lee Ybarra anrounce the engagement and approachng marriage of their daughter, Carlotta, to Mr. Si Acuna, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pascual Acuna of Trent.

The bride - elect attended Merkel public schools and the bridegroom elect is a graduate of Trent High School.

Wedding is set for July 24,

tain hespital care, or to obtain a GI hoan to buy, build, or improve a home or to buy a farm. For more details, veterans

should contact their local VA office, local veterans service organization representatives, or County Service Officers.

## **18 Year Olds Eligible to Vcte**

Texas' 18-19-and-20-year olds participate in any election startng this month. Secretary of State Martin Dies Jr. ponts out,

Ratification by the 38th state of the teen . age voter constitutional amendment placed it into effect immediately, Dies said.

Any election which is now in progress "must allow those 18, 19 and 20 year olds to vote if they are presently registered." Dies, chief election officer for Texas, advised.

Young voters not now registered must wait until registration period reopens October 1.

#### Another Contributor

In listing contributors for the Taylor County 4-H Livestock Judging Team, the Merkel Mail unintentionally left off the name of contributor, Mansfield Farm and Ranch Supply.

Contributors besides Mansfield included Cal-Tex Feed Yards, Farmers and Merchants National Bank, Ed's Feed and Seed, Johnson 9th St. Grocery, H. W. Lemens Inc., Jack LaRoe Feed and Seed, Merkel Mail, Taylor Electric Cooperative and Farmers

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Miss Whisenhunt, a Mulberry Canyon 4 - H'er, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whisenhunt was named first in polebending. Miss Boyd, a Merkel 4 - H Club member, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Boyd won a blue ribbon with a first in barrel racing. Both winners will enter the State 4 - H Show to be held in Fort Worth July 29 - 31.

Johnny Gray, Mulberry Canyon 4 - H. won second place in Western Pleasure and fourth in halter and reining. Son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Gray, Johnny will also participate in State.



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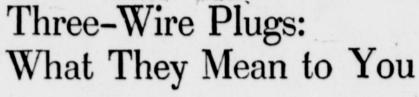
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passed since Thomas Edison introduced the phenomenon of his electric light to an amazed world. In many ways electricity remains a mystery to man, yet it is an essential part of our contemporary so-ciety. However, at the flick of switch electricity can be come a killer. Perhaps the figure of approximately 1000 lives per year being taken by electric shock is not so staggering, considering that over 200 million people live in this country. Nevertheless, it is still a wanton and needless waste of human life. Many means are being employed to reduce shock fatalities and one such method is the 3-wire plug. The third wire of this plug acts as what is called a ground conductor and

to force the fuse or circuit

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serves as one of the protective means for the device. Such protection is accomplished through the ability of the wire

breaker to "blow", thereby eliminating any shock hazard. Though originally found primarily on power tools, 3-wire plugs are now used on many appliances.

When a situation arises re-garding "blowing" fuses or circuit breakers, it should be emphasized that this happens for your protection. There is nothing wrong with the fuse. The fault lies elsewhere; either with the appliance which forces this reaction or because the circuit has been overloaded. In either case, the fuse is ing you and warning that something is wrong. Should an instance occur wherein there is a fault in an appliance but a fuse doesn't "blow", the appliance becomes an extreme hazard as it remains "live". Therefore, if one were to contact the "live" metal enclosure of that appliance and sometining which is grounded (radfator, refrigerator, water pipe, etc.), shock and possi-ble electrocution could result. Perhaps your home is not equipped with grounding type receptacles. If this is the case, an adapter is available to ac-commodate the 3 wire plug. But always make sure the green grounding lead of the adapter is connected to the

faceplate of the receptacle. Another point to be remembered is never to remove the ground pin from a 3-wire plug. This would allow the plug to be used in a 2-hole receptacle, but the protective capability is rendered useless.

In offering the above infor-mation, Underwriters' Laboratories sincerely hopes you gain a better understanding of some of the many ways electricity can become your master. Through such understanding it will be possible to maintain this phenomenon in its proper, subservient role.

# LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS To any sheriff or any Constable

within the State of Texas -GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to June A.D. 1971. cause to be published once each (Seal) 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.

make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 11 day of

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

17 4tc

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DRIVE FRIENDLY—Gov. Preston Smith is joined by two other state officials in urging drivers to DRIVE FRIENDLY during the summer when traffic is heaviest. On the left is A. Ross Rommel, the state's traffic safety administrator, and on the right is

Col. Wilson E. Speir, director of the Depart-ment of Public Safety. The Governor said the state is doing everything possible to cut down on traffic accidents. "But, we need the full support of the driver himself," the Governor said.





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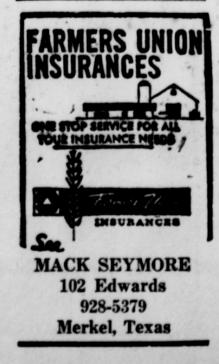
CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Harry Blackburn Taylor, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COM-MANDED 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 26 day of July A.D. 1971, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court on the 11 day of May, A.D. 1971. in this cause, numbered 6323 on the docket of said court and styled Mary Louise Taylor, Plaintiff, vs. Harry Blackburn Taylor, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: A suit for Divorce . Plaintiff and Defendant were married July 3, 1969 and became separated Aug. 6, 1969. There were no children born and no community property owned, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this within ninety days after the date suit.

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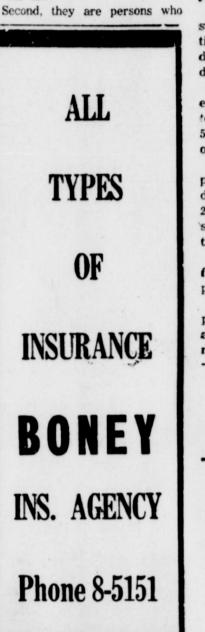
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# WHO GETS MONTHLY DISABILITY BENEFITS?

EDITOR'S NOTE - This is the first in a series of three articles prepared by R. R. Tuley Jr., District Manager of the Abilene, Texas, Social Security Office. Who are the 2,217 persons in

this area who get monthly disability insurance benefits from Social Security? First off, they are under age 65, and so severe'y disabled that their impairment (s) prevent them from being "able to engage in any substantial gain. ful activity," to use the wordage of the law.



have been covered by work or self - employment long enough to be "insured" under the Social Security Act for Disability Insurance Benefits. That length of time varies according to the age of the person. If under 31, then half the time after age 21 will

insure him, with an absolute minimum requirement of 11/2 years of social security credits.

Third, the disability must be expected to last at least 12 months or result in earlier death. No benefits are payable for the first six full calendar months of a period of disability.

Before getting to some local statistics, let's look at some national data about the 21/2 million disabled persons and their dependents who got checks recent'?. The median age for those awarded disability benefits due to arterios-clerctic heart disease is 58; for emphysema, 59; for schiz, ophrenic disorders, 42. In the last ten years the pro-portion of disability allowances

due to emphysema has gone up 25 per cent, with California, Pennsylvania and New York heading the percentages. The number of award actions

following accidents increased 70 per cent since 1963 Women now comprise about 25

per cent of all disability allowances (More on this subject next week)

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