

Large Crowd Attends Merkel Homecoming

Mrs. Carlton (Genevieve) King was named Coming Home Queen and Ford Smith Jr., Mr. X. at Merkel's Homecoming activities this past Saturday.

Merkel swarmed with exes.

And exes and guests were treated to a variety of activities during the day-long event. Beginning with the bonfire held Friday evening until the final business meeting Saturday night, the day's

activities were packed.

Bonfire activities included an introduction of both A and B team football members and the presentation by Larry Hewitt of miniature footballs with each player's number on them. Pep talks were given by Vincent Barnett, president of Booster Club, and Mrs. Lawrence Hewitt, secretary. Plus the bonfire—a big, big "smoke."

At the Late-men's Breakfast,

held Saturday morning in the Gold Room of the Merkel Restaurant, twenty-two exes attended. Included in the attendance were Lee Mack Reynolds of El Paso, who played on the Badger team 'way back in '42, Bryan Barnes of Abilene, Gerald Derrick and J. E. Boaz of Anson.

Merkel school coaches who were guests at the Breakfast were head coach, Paul Woodfin, Bill Tate,

Max Hibbits, George Martin, Ronnie Aldridge and David Burson.

"A total of 235 exes registered at the Masonic Hall during the day," said Teddy Byrd, 1971 vice president and 1972 Homecoming president. "However, we know that we had a big crowd of exes attending the events, even though they did not register."

Byrd said that it was the consensus that this "was one of the

larger Homecoming crowds."

A colorful Downtown Parade and Pep Rally in the afternoon laid the mood for the football game to follow.

Prior to the game exes were served supper at the school cafeteria with 161 being served.

During halftime ceremonies at the Badger - Hamlin football game, Merkel High School recognized special students.

Crowned as 1971 Homecoming Queen was Debbi Bowen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bowen.

Band Favorites honored were Cle Juan Douglas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Douglas and Larry Hewitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hewitt.

Jerry Holmes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy E. Holmes was named Football Hero and Debbie Teaff,

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Berneil Teaff, Football Sweetheart.

Officers elected to head the 1972 Homecoming activities are Byrd, president; Mrs. Pat Cypert, vice president; Mrs. Joe McDuff, secretary, and Finley Barnett, treasurer.

A crowd of 1,350 football fans saw the Hamlin Pied Pipers end a 19-game losing streak when they beat the Badgers 31-13.

GRANT JONES WILL RUN FOR SENATE

Grant Jones, State Representative, announced this week he will be a candidate for State Senator in the district representing Merkel.

"Responsibility in state government is the number one issue," said Jones. "With state spending increasing at the rate it is, the needs and demands of the people will require responsible elected officials to determine the necessary programs with equitable funding."

As the campaign progresses, Jones indicated he will issue statements as to his beliefs on important issues presented to him by the voters in the new district.

"I am being told that ethics in state government will be an issue and I shall be working to create the type climate that will give the people of Texas full confidence in their elected officials," he said.

The new 24th Senatorial District is composed of thirteen counties: Brown, Coleman, Concho, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, McCulloch, McLennan, Menard, Mills, Runnels, San Saba and Taylor. Abilene is in the northwest section and Waco is on the eastern boundary.

Grant Jones is an Abilene business man and civic leader. He is married and has a son, Morgan Andrew, in law school at Texas Tech, and a daughter, Janet, at SMU. Jones is on the official board of the St. Paul United Methodist Church. He is serving his fourth term as a member of the Texas House of Representatives.



GRANT JONES
... veteran legislator



WELCOMES EXES — Bobby DuBose, at left, 1971 Homecoming president, was on hand early at Masonic Hall to welcome exes as they registered for the day's activities. Receiving an early welcome were, from left, Mrs. Denzil (Ruth) Cox, Mrs. Hallie Burden, Mrs. Charles (Joyce) Ferguson, and Mrs. Cecil (Doris) Guthrie. (Staff Photo)

LORD'S ACRE SALE IS THIS SATURDAY

Combination for an "old-fashioned good time" will be the 20th Annual Lord's Acre Sale, to be held at Pioneer Memorial United Methodist Church in Mulberry Canyon this Saturday.

The Lord's Acre Sale will kick off with supper being served, beginning at 6 p.m., by the ladies of the church, said Barry Scott, member of the planning committee.

Following supper the Sale will begin with "hundreds of items to be auctioned."

Began in 1951, the Sale has progressed each year until it is now an event that is attended by people from all over the Big Country.

"Everything from plates of candy, pies and cakes to sacks of feed and seed are sold to the highest bidder," said Scott. "We

wish to thank the many merchants and friends who donate their wares and contribute so much to the success of the Lord's Acre Sale."

Women of Mulberry Canyon have completed the quilt which will be sold to the highest bidder. Last year's quilt sold for \$195.00.

Working on the planning committee besides Scott are the Rev. Harley Holloway, pastor; and Joe Swinney, Leroy Riney, Kenneth Ray, Buddy King and Frank Brnovak.

"We extend an invitation to all the people of the Big Country to attend this exciting event," said Scott.

Homemakers

Hear Mrs. Cawley

Taylor County Young Homemakers held their monthly meeting Nov. 11 at the high school home-making department, with Mrs. Katherine Cawley of Lone Star Gas Company, presenting a Christmas program. Mrs. Cawley presented a variety of holiday recipes and decorations that could be made at home.

Members attending were Mmes. Jack King, Roland Pack, Jimmy Jacobs, Billy Bob Toombs and Mack Seymore.

Also Mmes. Joe Gregory, Glenn Bicknell, Charles Jacobs, Freddy Toombs and Jim Allday.

Visitors were Mmes. Spencer Taylor, Carol Benson, Bobby Owens, Allen D. King and Vera West.

A special thank you was extended to all who helped with the Homecoming activities.

Stith Reunion

Stith Homecoming will be this Sunday, Nov. 21 at the Stith Community Center.

Sponsored by the Stith Community and the Baptist Church, guests will hear Leland Martin, of Austin, and a former teacher in the Stith School, speak at the 11 o'clock hour at the church. The Rev. James Wilson is pastor.

A basket lunch will be served at noon and the public is invited.

LIONS HEAR ABOUT 'TELL-A-VIEW'

Members and guests of the Merkel Lions Club heard the first-hand report on Abilene Association for Mental Health's new program of Project - Tell - A - View, to be presented in January.

Wayne Stephens, Administrative Director of Christian Homes in Abilene and part-time instructor, Department of Psychology, Sociology and Social Work at Abilene Christian College, explained the project and said that it was aimed at "involving not only Abilene, but surrounding towns."

Winner Named Las Vegas Trip

R. L. Bland of Cal - Tex Feed Yards announced this week that W. W. Cook of Hodges was winner of the Las Vegas trip for bringing in the largest amount of new crop Milo.

The contest which began in August and ended Nov. 15 offered the expense paid trip for two for three days, to Las Vegas to the farmer who brought in the most Milo.

Other farmers "ruling a close second" were Charles Byers of Noodle and Calvin Cooley, Hawley.

Christmas Parade Saturday, Dec. 4

Santa's first visit to Merkel this year will be Saturday, December 4 when he makes his annual entry riding atop the Merkel Volunteer Fire Department's Santa Claus Float. And all the youngsters lucky enough to be nearby, will grab a piece of Christmas Candy that comes sailing through the air.

The parade date of Dec. 4 was set by members of the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, following recommendations by Bill Button, chairman of the special events committee.

First, second and third place prizes of \$25, \$15 and \$10 will be given to the organization entering floats. Floats will be judged on themes, originality and color.

Trophies will be given for junior winners in the parade, said Button.

The Chamber will also sponsor a home lighting and decorating contest, with all homes decorated within the city limits to be eligible.

"Persons planning on entering the home lighting and decorating contest do not have to officially enter the contest this year, said Button. "A panel of judges will view all homes and yards that are decorated for Christmas, and winners will be announced Christmas week."

Organizations planning on en-

tering the float contest are asked to contact Button or Benny Melton at the Chamber office.

"We plan to have only one theme per entry," said Button,

and organizations turning in their entries first will have priority on their theme."

Deadline for float entries will be December 1.

BY BETA SIGMA PHI

TASTING TEA SET FOR THIS SATURDAY

Members of Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will sponsor a Tasting Tea this Saturday, Nov. 20 in Fellowship Hall of United Methodist Church. Time will be from 2 until 5 p.m.

On display and for "tasting" will be various foods which have been compiled into a cookbook. Tickets currently on sale by members are \$1.00 each.

Co-chairmen for the event are Mrs. Vernon Wade and Mrs. Mamie Steck. Committee members include Mmes. Bobby West, Robert Harris, Larry Justice and George Watson.

"Our members have put in a lot of hours preparing foods from favorite recipes and eating them for the public for this Saturday's Tea," said Mrs. Wade. "And we extend an invitation for all to come out, see the table displays and participate in the Tea."

A large number of recipes have been compiled in the Cookbook which will be for sale at the Tea. The book will include Dill Bread by Mrs. Steck and Shrimp Appetizer by Mrs. John Brady.

Dill Bread

Soak 1 package of dry yeast in 1/4 cup warm water. Heat 1 cup creamed cottage cheese and 2

tablespoons sugar and 1 tablespoon elec. Cool.

To the above mixture add 1 well beaten egg and yeast. Sift in 3 1/2 cups flour with 1 teaspoon salt, 1/4 teaspoon soda, 1 tablespoon instant onion, 2 teaspoons dill seed, Mix well and let rise until double in size. Work down and let rise again. Work down and divide for 2 loaves of bread. Place in well greased 1 lb. coffee can. let rise till nearly to the top. Heat oven at 350 degrees and cook 50 minutes.

This is great for snacks and great. Make very good cheese sandwiches.

Shrimp Appetizer

Melt 2 tablespoons butter in upper part of double boiler over low heat. Blend in 2 tablespoons flour. Add 1 cup milk stirring constantly. Cook till thick and smooth stirring constantly. Add 1/4 teaspoon salt, 1 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese and 1 can shrimp. Mix, cover and cook 5 to 8 minutes or until cheese is melted and sauce is smooth.

Place small amounts of sauce in center of tortilla chips. Place in oven at 350 degrees until sauce is bubbly. Serve hot.



UMMMMM! IT'S GOOD — Little three-year-old Loretta Wade, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Wade, samples mother's recipe for the Tasting Tea to be held Saturday in Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church. Sponsored by Beta Sigma Phi, a variety of foods will be on display for tasting during the 2 until 5 p.m. Tea. (Staff Photo)

COMMISSIONERS APPROVE FOOD SUB-STATION

Distribution of free groceries to Merkel area participants "should begin around Dec. 16," according to Isabel (Easy) Arauza, Program Administrator.

In their regular meeting Tuesday, Taylor County Commissioners approved a request by the Community Action Program made by several Merkel citizens that a sub-station of the county's surplus commodities food program be located in Merkel.

The program has been approved on a six-month trial basis, and storage facilities have been

offered by the Merkel Lions Club. Arauza, Dave Brunbeau, CAP director, and Fred Starbuck, president of Merkel Chamber of Commerce, inspected the Lions' Club facilities last week and Arauza said that "he found the storage area adequate."

Merkel residents appeared before the Commissioners Court on Nov. 9 and requested the sub-station on a six-month trial basis.

110 families (representing a total of 346 individuals) are serviced by the commodity foods, according to Arauza.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Keiko Yamagiwa, Defendant, Greeting:

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Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 13 day of Dec. A.D. 1971, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 28 day of May A.D. 1971, in this cause, numbered 6362 on the docket of said court and styled Hiroshi Yamagiwa, Plaintiff, vs. Keiko Yamagiwa, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Petitioner and respondent were married Nov. 10, 1958 and became separated on or about Nov. 20, 1968. Petitioner asks for custody and control of the minor children. A suit for divorce 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 28 day of Oct. A.D. 1971.

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

Crossword Puzzle

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ACROSS

- Grain
- Earthen pot
- Reddish dye
- Distress
- Poetry Muse
- One on fixed income
- Italian city
- Propound
- Color
- Compass point
- Sandy
- Odin's brother
- Collar flaps
- Pare
- Grassy
- Metal alloy
- Auricles
- Profession
- Bromine: chem.
- Female
- Rules
- Panay native
- Girl's name
- Thin slab
- Royal seats
- Greek letter
- Spirit raisers
- Reliever
- Council
- Vestibule
- Relaxes
- Pastry
- See
- Notices
- Prefix: before
- First
- Repayments
- Worldly
- Franklin
- Overlay
- Wrong
- Abyssinian
- Poker stake
- Declined
- Chinese
- Change
- Rabbit fur
- Exhausted
- Furrow
- Persia
- Death notice
- Comparative
- Splits
- Sioux Indian
- Seeds
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Stith News
By MRS. FRITZ HALE



The Annual Thanksgiving Dinner will be held at the Stith Community Center Sunday, Nov 21 for all the community and for those who were once residents of the community. Leland Martin of Austin, and a former teacher at the Stith School will speak to those attending.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones spent the weekend with their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Truett Jones in Gateville. The four toured the hill country, visited the L.B.J. State Park and also the L.B.J. Library in Austin. They spent Saturday in Brenham, home of Anson Jones, attended services Sunday morning at the Independence Baptist Church there. This church is the oldest Baptist Church

in the state. They were dinner guests in the home of the pastor, the Rev. and Mrs. Earl Allen. Mr. and Mrs. Billy Harris and Kathy of Midland, spent the weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burns and also Mamie Hardin. The Harrises were here for the Merkel Homecoming. Mrs. T. C. Burns and Martha and Sam Burns of Abilene were visitors in the Burns' home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wayne Berry, Annette and Gary of San Antonio, were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley over the weekend. The Berrys attended services at Stith Baptist Church Sunday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Bradley and the Berrys visited Sunday afternoon at Hendrick Hospital with Boyce Banard. They

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FLOUR Gladiola 5 Lb. Bag **53c**

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BOOSTER CLUB SALE BRINGS IN \$312.00

A total of \$312.00 was collected at the Booster Club's Auction held Saturday afternoon at the Community Center.

"The biggest sale made was the 1959 Chevrolet 4 door sedan, donated by Nolan Palmer at Palmer Motors," said Alvin Wozencraft, auction chairman. "The car sold for \$51.00 and upped our overall auction quite a bit."

Merchants contributed items and money toward the auction.

"And if we missed anyone who would like to contribute to the club, we're still taking donations," said Wozencraft.

The club is presently undertaking a project that involves approximately \$2,700 and will be stretched out over a period of

two or three years," according to Booster Club president, Vincent Barnett.

"The project involves the purchasing of Universal Gym Equipment for the field house," said Barnett. "And we would like to have at least one third of the amount (\$800.00) for down payment."

Barnett explained that the set could be used by the athletic department for years to come, and that 14 or 15 people could work out at the same time.

"The equipment can be used not only for football players but by the basketball teams, track, and all physical education classes," said Barnett. "The purchase of this equipment will be a good investment for all our young people in the school system."



HOMECOMING CELEBRITIES — Mrs. Carlton (Genevieve) King receives last year's crown from Mrs. Hallie Burden as Bob DuBoise, Exes president performs the honors. At right, Ford Smith Jr. is extended congratulations on becoming Mr. X for 1971 by last year's recipient, Howard Laney.

Long-Range Study of Pill Shows Good Safety Record



If the birth control pill causes any major health dangers to women who take it, they have not shown up in any significant numbers in the first long-range study of the pill.

In fact, birth control pills set "a good record of safety" in a 14-year survey of about a half-million California women.

Women taking the pill tested out about the same physically as women not taking it, according to the survey recently reported in a scientific exhibit at a convention of the American Medical Association.

"Among about 500,000 women surveyed since 1956, we found no major problems in prescribing this form of contraception," said Dr. Edward Tyler, Medical Director of the Greater Los Angeles Family Planning Center.

The study further shows the pill has provided a bonus by clearing up depression and family problems for

many women. "Marital life improved for an overwhelming number of women," said Dr. Tyler. "Many of the women said they were more relaxed because they were free from the fear of unwanted pregnancy."

The family planning units also had no significant number of complaints from women who stopped taking the pill to have children. A detailed study of many of these women showed they all became pregnant within one year of stopping.

Dr. Tyler called the findings "A typical representation of experiences by long-term users of the pill in many family planning clinics. Side effects have been few, and oral contraception has provided excellent effectiveness for the women served by our clinics. When careful patient selection is made and the women are supervised, the pill is the most effective means of birth control, with few dangers."



A HAPPY TIME — Exes share happy memories during registration Saturday at Masonic Hall. "Remembering when" are from left, Mrs. Jack (June) Hogan, Howard Laney and Mrs. W. R. (Mildred) Cypert. (Staff Photos)

MULBERRY CANYON 4-H CLUB NEWS

By JOHNNY GRAY

The regular monthly meeting of the Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club was held November 11 with president, Mark Clemmer, presiding.

The 4-H pledge and prayer was led by Dwayne English and Lesa Swinney gave the American Pledge. Inspiration was given by Beverly Gilmore.

The program was conducted by Curtis L. Jones of the State Parks and Wildlife Department on new hunting rules and regulations.

Council Delegate report was given by Ray King. Recreation was led by Johnny Gray.

Other members present included Theresa Clemmer, Theresa English and Lisa Hughes.

Jacobs-Dominey Engagement Told

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jacobs of Rt. 3, Merkel, announce the engagement of their daughter, Linda Donnell to Mr. Rodney E. Dominey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Demney of Hamlin.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Merkel High School and is attending Abilene Christian College.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Hamlin High School and has attended Cisco Junior College and Angelo State University. He is employed by the Santa Fe Railroad in San Angelo.

Miss Jacobs plans a Dec. 31 wedding at the Merkel Church of Christ.

LITTLE BADGER TRACKS

Last week the eighth grade Badgers played basketball at Trent. The girls won 28 - 29. The boys won 17-10.

This week the Badgers play at Hamlin.

Girl Scout News

By LISA HART

Troop Number 313 met Thursday, Nov. 11 at the Scout House, with leader, Mrs. Melba Glasscock, in charge.

Each patrol studied their Scout handbooks and decided the steps they would take in getting their badge work done.

Plans were also made for the troop to march in the Homecoming Parade on Saturday, Nov. 13.

The meeting ended with the members learning a new song.

Refreshments were served by Gwen Tarply.

Fruits And Tendencies Of Evolution No. 3

4. The doctrine of Evolution Creates an atmosphere tending toward IMMORALITY. When young people are led to believe that man is only a part of the evolution process and that he is nothing more than an advanced beast with no soul, what can we expect of their moral outlook? As one youth said: "If I am the same as a dog or cow, then of what consequence are moral standards?" And this is typical of many of today. With some there is no shame in declaring: "I don't believe in God." Others feel no guilt when becoming involved in premarital relations; no sense of remorse when becoming a parasite on society. The popular cry of the day is: "We don't believe in moral codes... we want to do as we please."

Parents, educators, politicians and theologians panic when some of these young people become so "animal-like," and they are puzzled to find the cause. Then everything is blamed but the real criminal... GODLESS EVOLUTION! When evolution is taught in the classroom and when young people are left with false, misleading impressions, only one fruit will result.

5. Evolution has been instrumental in producing corrupt systems of society. Communism is largely based on atheism and breeds in the atmosphere of atheism. Since the adoption of Marxian philosophy Russia has consistently stressed the hatred of God and all forms of religion; Russia not only denies the existence of God, but makes atheism a necessary premise of the system on which its government is formed. Karl Marx drew heavily on Darwin's concepts of natural selections and survival of the fittest. Read: Matthew 7:16-20.

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NEW EMPLOYEE — Rafer Johnson, left, World and Olympic Decathlon Champion, has joined Continental Telephone Corporation as Director of Community Affairs. Johnson's appointment was announced by J. P. Maguire, Continental president (Photo Courtesy CTC)

CONTINENTAL NAMES AFFAIRS DIRECTOR

Rafer Johnson, World and Olympic Decathlon Champion, has joined the Continental Telephone Corporation as Director of Community Affairs. Johnson's appointment was recently announced in Bakersfield, Calif., by Continental President J. P. Maguire. Merkel Telephone Company is a member of the Continental System.

"We are pleased to have Rafer with Continental," Maguire commented, "as Director of Community

Affairs. He will coordinate our system's affirmative action program and work closely with local and government agencies to develop and expand Continental System Practices involving minority groups throughout our service areas."

Born in Dallas, Johnson moved with his family to Kingsburg, Calif. (near Fresno) where he completed his secondary education. After graduation from Kingsburg

High in 1954, Johnson enrolled at UCLA and launched one of the most outstanding collegiate athletic careers of this age. Johnson's many credits include: Athlete of the Year, Sports Illustrated; Sportsman of the Year, Sports Magazine; Helms Hall Athlete of the Year, North America; Sullivan Award — 1960, as Outstanding Amateur Athlete in the U.S.; Associated Press Athlete of the Year — 1960; Junior Chamber Award, as One of the Ten Outstanding Young Men in the U.S. — 1960; California Associated Press Athlete of the Year — 1959 and 1960; Olympic Gold Medal Winner — 1960; American Flag Carrier on Opening Day of 1960 Olympics; Olympic Silver Medal Winner 1956; Pan American Games Gold Medal Winner — 1955; and Holder of the World and Olympic Record in the Decathlon. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from UCLA in 1959.

Johnson will be headquartered in Continental's Bakersfield facility, but will travel extensively throughout its system. He met recently with officials of the Southwest Division in Dallas to discuss the system's community affairs goal for the region including Merkel Telephone Company serving areas.

Continental Telephone is presently the third largest independent phone company in the nation with service in 42 states and portions of Canada and the Caribbean. It employs more than 16,000 people.

Young Families Booklet Available At SS Office

Social security protection for young workers and their families is described in detail in a new edition of a booklet available at the Abilene social security office at Room 2321, Federal Office Building, North Third and Pine streets, according to R. R. Tuley, social security district manager.

The 24 - page booklet is called "Social Security Information for Young Families." It explains how young workers may get monthly social security benefits if they become severely disabled — and

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how their families may get benefits if the worker dies prematurely.

Single copies of "Social Security Information for Young Families" are free on request at the social security office, Tuley said.

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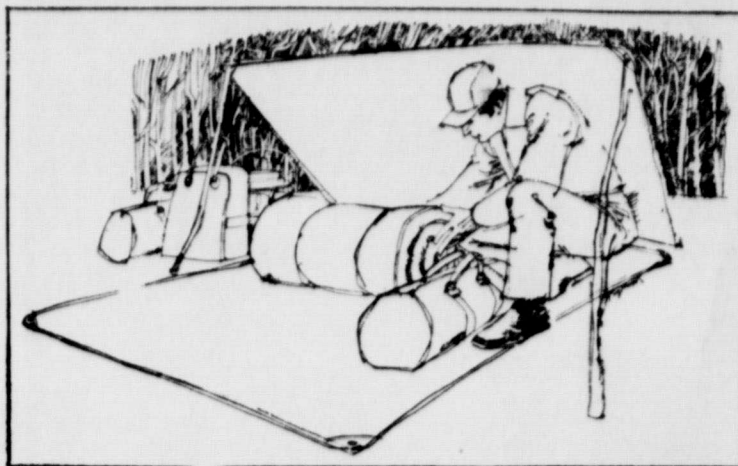
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Sportsmen Take a Tip from the Astronauts



Camper places one Space® blanket beneath his sleeping bag and uses another as a tent fly.

Outdoorsmen are realizing a direct if surprising dividend from space age research in the form of a lightweight super-insulation material which was first developed to protect astronauts and sensitive equipment during NASA moon missions.

The aluminized material was so effective against both sub-zero and hot temperatures that Thermos, a company famous for vacuum bottles and a wide range of outdoor and camping gear, is using it to make what it calls the Space® sportsman's blanket. Completely waterproof and windproof, the 7'x4'8" blanket has found favor among campers and hunters as a poncho, ground cloth, wind-breaker, duck blind or spare blanket.

Skiers use the blankets on wind-buffed chair lifts, and snow mobilers use them as weather covers. Football lovers find them handy in the stands during cold fall afternoons.

They have grommeted, rustproof corners which enable them to be hung up or tied down and clean easily with a damp cloth. A scant 12 ounces, the Space® blanket folds compactly into its own carrying pouch.

The manager of a large sporting goods store recently noticed that many women were buying the blankets. He asked a rather frail looking lady who didn't appear to be the outdoor type what she intended to do with hers.

"It's a gift for my husband," she sighed. "He's a sports nut and this is the only piece of equipment I know he doesn't have."

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Lloyd Ault, 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 27 day of Dec. A.D. 1971, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 9 day of Nov. A.D. 1971, in this cause, numbered 6724 on the docket of said court and styled In Re: Barry Lee Ault.

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.

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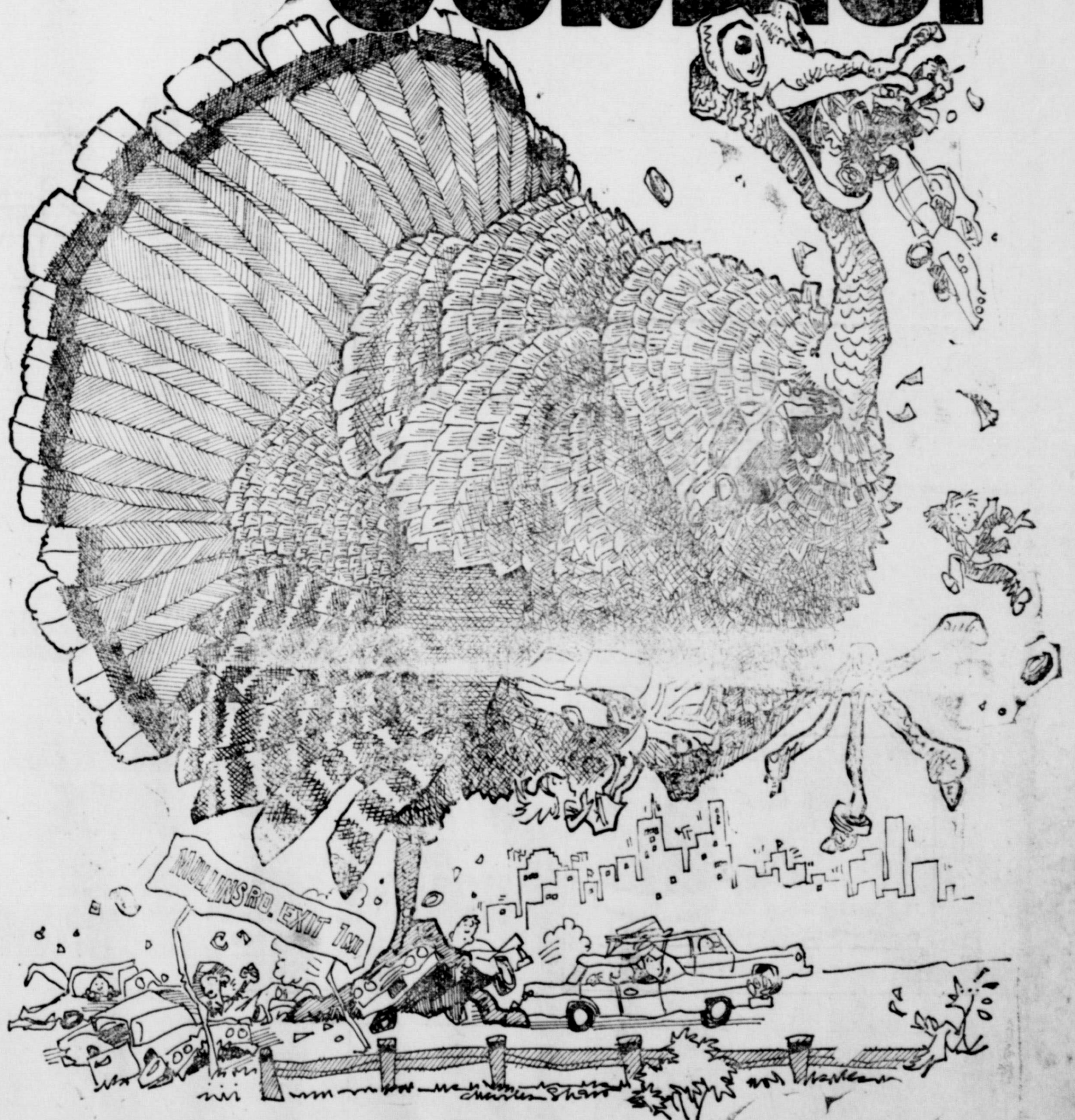
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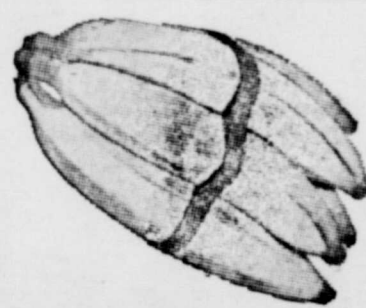
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