

FOR CHRISTMAS

'PLEASE MAIL EARLY' POST OFFICE THEME

Postmaster Truett Thompson today urged residents of Merkel to "remember that recommended mailing dates for civilian domestic Christmas mails start now."

"The Christmas 'please mail early' theme this year," he said, "is to have customers remember recommended mailing dates. This will insure fast and efficient delivery of parcels and cards and prevent disappointments for friend and family members."

"Of course, it will also be a big help to your post office," Thompson added.

Thompson suggested latest dates

for which Christmas mails should be deposited are as follows, but the postmaster urged customers to mail earlier wherever possible:

By Dec. 10 — Mail all local packages and out of town cards. Christmas means a lot more when it comes on time.

By Dec. 15 — Mail all local cards.

Deadline for mailing out of town packages was Dec. 1; however, Thompson said that those who had missed this deadline to "get their packages in as soon as possible."

Airmail was suggested for late mailing.

'72 LIVESTOCK SHOW SET FOR JANUARY 8

Merkel's Annual Livestock show will be held January 8, 1972 at the livestock grounds, according to Benny Melton, association secretary.

Show time will begin at 12 noon, and judge for this year's events will be Freddy Mack Stewart, V-A teacher at Roby.

Superintendents named are Teddy Byrd, calf show; Lloyd Gilmore, lamb show, and George English, swine show.

Entry deadline will be Jan. 5, 1972, said Melton.

Chester Collinsworth is chairman for the show.

Members of the Livestock Association will begin contacting merchants "in the very near future" for donations for this year's show, said Melton. Last year's stock show purse totaled approximately \$800.00.

Taylor Electric Cooperative will present their annual Showmanship Trophy to the FFA or 4-H'er entered in the show. Last year's winner was FFA'er Mike Ray.

Schedule of events will be planned and released prior to the show, said Collinsworth.

Burleson Back In Washington

Cong. Omar Burleson is back in Washington, after a tour of five new counties in the 17th Congressional District. Counties visited were Cook, Wise, Montague, Young and Jack. Two remaining counties in the redistricting yet to be toured are Stonewall and Kent.

Burleson spent Thanksgiving at his home in Anson and flew back to Washington this past Sunday.

R. Hernandez Police Trainee

The City of Merkel has employed Richard R. Hernandez as a police trainee due to a Federal Grant (Emergency Employment Act) given to the city.

Hernandez is a 1966 graduate of Merkel High School, a veteran, is married and has one child. They live at 113 Lois Street.

Merkel 4-Hers To Go Caroling

Members of the Merkel 4-H Club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Taylor Electric Cooperative building for the Annual Christmas Program. Gifts will be exchanged (boys will bring boys' gifts and girls will bring girls' gifts with a limit of \$1.00 per gift).

Following the meeting, members will go Christmas Caroling.

Members are also reminded to bring canned fruit for the Rest Home.



MR., MISS MHS — Kerry Thames was named Mr. MHS and Jan Beasley Miss MHS, by the Student body in an election held this past week. Parents of the seniors are Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Thames and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Teaff. (Staff Photo)

FOOD REGISTRATION TO BEGIN TODAY

Registration for those who will receive food at the new Taylor County Commodity substation at Merkel will begin this Thursday at 9 a.m. at the Merkel Community Center.

Isabel (Easy) Arauza, director of the commodity program, said sign-up for those eligible will be from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. and that a state welfare case worker also will be present to aid with the program.

Those who receive welfare checks are to bring their Medicaid cards. "Any others will bring their social security cards, utility bills or other identification," he said.

Arauz emphasized that this Thursday is to sign-up day only. "No food will be given out December 16."

The Commodity Food sub-station at Merkel is the result of a petition to the Community Action Program of Abilene to act as an advocate to the Taylor County Commissioner's Court to seek a branch of the food program for the Trent-Merkel area.

Homemaker Exam Dec. 7

High school senior girls here will be among more than 600,000 in nearly 15,000 schools across the country who will participate in a 50-minute written knowledge and attitude examination Tuesday, Dec. 7. Scores in the test will provide the first basis for judging which will eventually award a total of \$111,000 in college scholarships in the 18th annual Betty Crocker Search for the American Homemaker of Tomorrow. Sponsored by General Mills, the Search is the only national scholarship program exclusively for high school senior girls.

Following grading of the examination, a Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow will be named for the high school here. She will receive a specially designed award charm and will remain in the running for state and national honors.

Last year's Merkel High School senior girl to win the local award was Suzie Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Wilson.

State Homemakers of Tomorrow — one from each state and the District of Columbia — will be awarded \$1,500 scholarships, with their schools receiving a set of Encyclopedia Britannica from Encyclopedia Britannica, Inc. A runner-up in each state will be awarded a \$500 educational grant.

The Brownie News

By CHRISTI BRADY
Fourteen members of the Brownie Troop 103 met Nov. 23 and work was begun on Christmas decorations and Christmas gifts for each member's mother.

Refreshments were served the Brownies by Susan and Sheri Williams.

Christmas Parade 2 P. M. Saturday

By 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Christmas Parade participants will be gathered at North 2nd and Kent and ready for the annual march through downtown Merkel, according to parade marshal, Waymon Adcock.

Parade time is 2 p.m. Santa Claus will lead out the parade and will be riding on the Merkel Volunteer Fire Department's Christmas float.

Float entries as of Wednesday morning include Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, Merkel 4-H Club and Brownie Troop No. 308.

"We feel sure there will be other entries," said Bill Button, Chamber of Commerce Parade and Events chairman. "Be sure and give the Chamber office a call on or before 5 p.m. Friday, if you plan to enter."

Prizes of \$25, \$15 and \$10 will be awarded to the first three floats placing in the contest.

Starring in the Christmas Parade will be the three winners of this year's Miss Merry Christmas contest. They are Carol Whisenhunt, high school; Gayla Toliver, junior high; and Krista Alves, primary. Miss Merry Christmas beauties will receive engraved trophies.

And merchants are ready for the crowds that will be lined up along the streets downtown. Their stores are ready for Christmas and they invite the "crowd" in-

side before and after the parade. Besides float entries, Miss Merry Christmas beauties, local entries from merchants, there will be the Merkel Badger Band and the Taylor County Sheriff's posse riding in the parade.



IN TOP TEN — The Texas State 4-H Livestock Judging Team from Taylor County, placed seventh in competition with 30 state teams entered at the National 4-H Livestock Judging Contest in Chicago Nov. 26. The group and individuals were placed high in several judging events. Members are, from left, Rusty Holloway, Robert Clemmer, Wayne Eaton and Mark Clemmer. (Photo Courtesy Extension Service)

4-H JUDGING TEAM IN SEVENTH PLACE

The Taylor County 4-H Judging Team placed seventh overall in competition with 30 other state teams at the National 4-H Livestock Judging Contest held in Chicago last Friday.

The local team which won its state title in June at College Station totaled 1,633 points with the winning team from Nebraska totaling 1,688. Team members are Rusty Holloway, son of Mr. and

Mrs. T. L. Holloway of Tye; Mark and Robert Clemmer, sons of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Clemmer of Merkel, and Wayne Eaton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Eaton of Lawn.

Accompanying the team were Korky Wise, Taylor County Assistant Agriculture Agent, and Mr. Eaton.

The high overall ranking came as a result of placing fourth high

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WINS LAS VEGAS TRIP — Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cook of Hawley, at right, get brochures and information for their expense-paid trip to Las Vegas from Cal-Tex Feed Yard owner, R. L. Bland. The Cooks will leave by plane on Dec. 9 for Las Vegas and stay at the famed Frontier Hotel. Their trip comes as a result of bringing in the largest amount of New Crop Milo to Cal-Tex. (Staff Photo)



IN ACT'S PRODUCTION — Mark Dudley, left, plays a leading role as Richard in Abilene Community Theatre's production, "Ah, Wilderness," which opened this Wednesday. Young brother Tommy is taking in a scene between Mark and Muriel, played by Vickie Babington, as Richard recites love poetry to his "first love." The production runs through Saturday and again from Dec. 8-11. Curtain time is 8:30 p.m. (Photo Courtesy Abilene Reporter-News)

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
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.

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 9 day of Nov. A.D. 1971.
(Seal)

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

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TO: Jack Allen Gee, Defendant,
Greeting:

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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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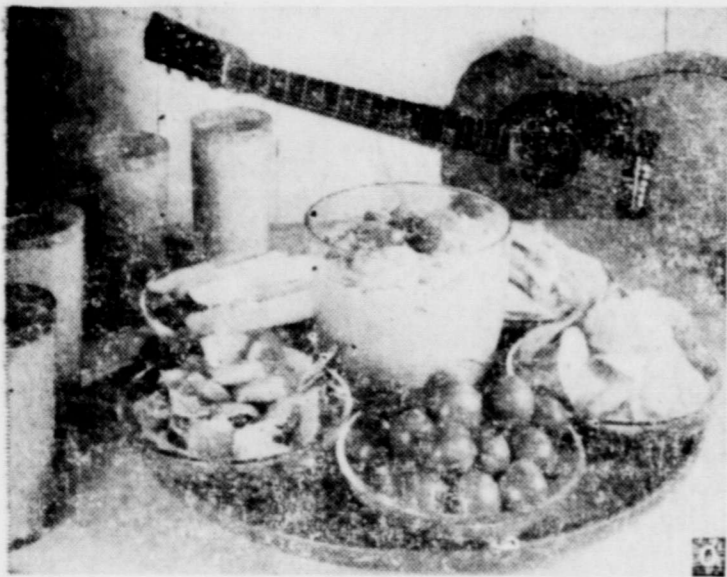
The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 18 day of Nov. A.D. 1971.

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
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Blend together sour cream, prepared mustard and catsup. Stir in the onion soup mix and tuna; mix well. Chill until ready to serve. Serve with cherry tomatoes, cucumber wedges, corn chips, potato chips and celery pieces.
YIELD: 1 quart.

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TO: Bobby Lee Bryan, 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 27 day of Oct. A.D. 1971, in this cause, numbered 6696 on the docket of said court and styled Ellen Eileen Bryan, Plaintiff, vs. Bobby Lee Bryan, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: A suit for divorce. The parties hereto were married May 3, 1968 and separated on or about the 15th day of June, 1970. Petitioner asks for custody of the minor child. There is no community property for division, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 9 day of Nov. A.D. 1971.

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Clerk, Domestic Relations
Court Taylor County, Texas
By Marie Gill, Deputy

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Michael Duane Penn, Defendant,
Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 104th 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 3rd day of January A. D. 1972, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 24th day of September A.D. 1971, in this cause, numbered 11,935.B on the docket of said court and styled Mary Yvonne Penn, Plaintiff, vs. Michael Duane Penn, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about October 21, 1968. Two children born to Plaintiff and Defendant, Jonathan Eugene Penn, a son, and Veta Holley Renay Penn, a daughter. No Community property has been accumulated, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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However, as significant changes took place in the American mode of living it was no longer feasible for all these various tasks to be handled by volunteers. Gradually there emerged specific persons in each community who performed

one or more of these services. They were originally called "layers out of the dead." Then the term "undertaker"—one who undertook to bury the dead—came into popular use. Now such a person is known as a funeral director because—in addition to caring for the dead—he, as his title implies, directs the funeral, and in so doing, serves the living, too.

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The Family of Mrs. C. P. Suber

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score in beef cattle judging and sixth high in sheep judging.

Individually, Mark Clemmer was the only Texan to break into the top 10 in the swine breeding contest. He received a ninth place rating.

Holloway placed in the top ten in beef cattle and scored 16th high individual.

Eaton placed fourth among 124 individuals in the beef cattle judging.

International Livestock Judging insignias and individual award pins were given the winners at a banquet held on Saturday.

H. C. Stanley, Taylor County Agent, this week expressed appreciation to "everyone in the area who had contributed toward the team's trip to Chicago."

"You can be proud of your local 4-H'ers," said Stanley, "and know that you had a part in sending them to Chicago."

IN ABILENE Garden Club Sets Annual Bazaar

The Abilene Garden Club at 359 Westwood Drive is having a Christmas Bazaar on Friday, Dec. 3, from 8:30 a.m. until 6 p.m.

The Bazaar is the club's annual fund raising project, and a large variety of items will be on sale, including holiday decorations, candles, candle holders, pre-wrapped gift boxes, aprons, pot holders, crocheted afghans, purses, gifts for children, dried flower arrangement and antiquated artificial arrangements.
The public is invited.

Mrs. Jones Feted On 88th Birthday

A surprise birthday party honored Mrs. Mary Jones on her 88th birthday Nov. 18 at her home at 803 Brickhaven.

Refreshments were served to Clara Driver, Edna Wells, Mary Hendrix, Bessie Adams, Alice Cooper and Myrtle Dean.


Also to Minnie Howard, Mattie Shaw, Fay Doan and Lora Hale and to the honoree, Mrs. Jones.

Sending gifts were Pearl Haney, Orna Faulkner, Irene Vinson and Doris Vinson.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Burns of Clyde visited Mrs. Ruby Reddin Sunday.

SCHOOLS' OPEN



DRIVE CAREFULLY

DEAL-TAYLOR VOWS ARE READ

Margaret Elaine Deal, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Jack Deal of Merkel was married to Sgt. Donnie Glen Taylor of the U.S. Marine Corps, Nev. 14, in North Island Navy Chapel, San Diego, Calif.

Chaplain Marvin Chamberlain officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Reeves of La Pine, Ala.

Given in marriage by her father the bride wore a gown of satin and organza trimmed in lace and blue chiffon. Her floor length veil was of organza with the same trim as her gown. The bridal bouquet was white roses, stephanotis and an orchid.

Mrs. Richard Markow was matron of honor, and Miss Barbara Schroder was bridesmaid. They wore pale blue double knit dresses fashioned like the bride's gown. They carried bouquets of blue daisies. Shawn Stackhouse was flower girl.

Fernando Scholari was best man and Michael Robinson served as groomsmen. Cpl. Tom Provost and Lance Cpl. Jerry Cleveland were ushers. The Sword Detail

was from Sgt. Taylor's Section.

The military wedding was followed by a reception at the Petty officers Club. The reception table was centered by the three tiered wedding cake decorated in the bride's chosen colors of blue and white and topped by a marine and bride. Mrs. George Potter served the cake. The punch was served by Mr. George Potter.

Miss Lana Dalton of Gouldbusk served as register at the bride's book.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Highland Home High School, Highland Home, Ala. He has served two tours of duty in Vietnam.

The bride is a graduate of Merkel High School and Abilene Commercial College.

For a trip to San Francisco and Reno, the bride wore a yellow double knit dress and coat. Her accessories were bone and her corsage was the orchid from the bridal bouquet.

The couple will reside in Cherry Point, N.C., where Sgt. Taylor will be stationed.

The rehearsal dinner was held at Periconias Italian Restaurant in Chula Vista, Calif.



MRS. DONNIE GLEN TAYLOR
... formerly Miss Deal

THAT'S A FACT

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ROUND-UP

By ELAINE BRUMBEAU

MR. AND MRS. DAVE ANDERSON dropped by the Mail Monday morning for a short visit and to "show what they had in their big brown paper sack." We have never seen such large turnips! And grown in Dave's garden, at that! The largest one measured twenty inches right around its middle. Think Mr. A. wanted to tell how big that turnip was, but he wanted someone to "back him up." So now, you have it, Mr. Dave. . . it really did measure out 20 inches.

Recent visitors in the CHARLIE SEAGO home were Mr. Seago's sisters, Mrs. Leah Dollar of Rogue River, Ore., and Mrs. D. C. Roebuck of Ashland, Ore. Mr. D. C. Roebuck was along for a visit also. Other visitors were Mrs. L. E. Turnbow, Shamrock; Mrs. H. E. Seago, Eastland; a brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Seago, Fredericksburg; Mrs. Vila Nix, Shamrock; Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Seago, Amarillo; and the Charlie Seago's daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Zed Bright of Cross Plains.

MRS. W. A. McCANDLESS went visiting over the Thanksgiving holidays when her granddaughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Tull and Janie came from Lubbock and took Mrs. Mc. to visit in Fort Worth. While there, she visited another granddaughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny McCollm, Mrs. Mc.'s daughter in law, Mrs. Harry McCandless, was in the Hull home for a visit, and also the Tulls' son, Johnny and his wife from Austin.

Merkel's Homecoming for 1971 is a thing of the past but an item of interest is a Reunion for the Class of '51, held in the BRANDON WADE home. Besides the Wades (both '51 graduates) there were Mrs. Larry (Ma) White, Mrs. Junior (Annette) Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Teaff and T. C. Melton. The "Roundup" totaled fourteen, and this included guests of the "reunionites" gathered there.

THE REV. AND MRS. BOB BOCKMAN of Skellytown, Tex., spent the holidays in Merkel with Rev. Bockman's two sisters, Mrs. Howard Beard and Iva Nell Bockman. While here they visited Mrs. Beard's sons and families in Abilene. Mr. and Mrs. Billy Beard and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beard, then returned home Wednesday.

MRS. HOWARD BEARD has returned home from a two-month visit in Los Angeles, Calif., with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jim (Linda) Emerson and children. While there Mrs. B. appeared on the Truth or Consequence Show, which, according to Mrs. B. "turned out to be a very interesting and exciting event."

Trade Area List Is Completed

A mailing list of the Merkel Trade Area has been completed by the Chamber of Commerce and is currently on sale at the Chamber office.

The list includes Merkel, Trent, Tye, and rural areas, with names and addresses for each section. Price is \$3.50 for Chamber members and \$6.00 for non-members.

Mailing list may be purchased at the Chamber office or by calling 928-5722.

Stith HD Club

The Stith Home Demonstration Club met Nov. 24 with Mrs. Ray Perry, who also led the group in singing America. Each member quoted a favorite Bible verse and all repeated the T.H.D.A. Prayer.

Roll call and program was a free choice, with members contributing their favorite topics.

Members planned the Christmas Party, which was set for Saturday, Dec. 11 at the Stith Community Center. Supper will be served at 7 p.m. and each member is to bring a covered dish. Exchange of gifts will follow the program.

Miss Louise Hudson received the hostess gift. Refreshments were served to six members.

"My daughter and I were two of fifty women chosen for this show, and rode a chartered bus to the studio," said Mrs. B. "We offered our services for the YMCA there, and our winnings to the organization was a refrigerator-freezer appliance."

Mrs. Beard said that the show would appear on TV there on Jan. 18, she "was trying to find out when it would appear here."

THE OLLIE FOXES did a lot of entertaining during the Thanksgiving holidays, when several relatives from Lubbock arrived on the scene. Visiting them were their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Walker, grandchildren, Mitchell Dale Walker and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jones, Mrs. B. W. Lane and Mrs. O. D. Thompson from Dickens.

MRS. R. L. DENSON of Fort Phantom Lake (a former Merkelite and we call her the "fisherwoman" around the Mail) came by this week for a short visit. Retired after several years of operating a store at the Lake, she and R. L. have retired — to spend their time fishing.

"Bob fishes every day," she remarked, "and almost every day he comes in with a good catch." Mrs. D. is out there most of the time fishing, but she's mighty proud of being that great-great-grandmother "without a walking cane, yet." She was here in Merkel visiting her aunt, Mrs. Etta Herron and helping her celebrate her 92nd birthday.

Recently the Densons traveled to Falcon Lake at Zepata, Tex., for a fishing outing, but as Mr. D. said, "didn't catch a one — came on back to Phantom and had good luck."

DEATHS & FUNERALS

Mrs. C. P. Suber

Funeral services for Mrs. Charles P. Suber, 63, were held Saturday, Nov. 27 in Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. N. S. Daniel, pastor emeritus of the United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Suber, a longtime resident of Taylor and Jones counties, died in Crestview Nursing Home in Retan Friday, after a long illness.

Born Eliza Nancy Dyess May 30, 1888, in Alabama, she married Charles Suber June 11, 1903 in Ellis County, Texas. They moved to Jones County in 1905 and to Taylor County in 1916. Mr. Suber died Aug. 14, 1957. She moved to

Clairmont in 1957. She was a long-time member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors are two sons, Hilton and Char, both of Merkel; two daughters, Mrs. W. E. (Lois) Dyess of Clairmont and Mrs. George Ballew of Abilene; one brother, Albert Dyess of Alavon, Tex.; two sisters, Mrs. W. S. Barnes of Sweetwater, and Mrs. Amye Callahan of Colinga, Calif.; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; several nephews and nieces. She was preceded in death by two daughters.

William F. Hatley

William F. Hatley, 61, died Friday, Nov. 25 in Hendrick Memo-

rial Hospital following a long illness.

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

Born Sept. 24, 1910, in Dallas, he married Linnie Pittman Dec. 17, 1950 in Texarkana, Ark. They moved to Merkel in 1961. Mr. Hatley retired in 1963 because of ill health. He had been employed with the T. E. Mercer Trucking Company for 27 years.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Bill and Tim, both of Merkel; one stepson, Gene Pittman of Tyler; one sister, Mrs. W. E. Wiley of Alvin; four grandchildren.

Funeralbearers were Henry Brady, Vincent Barnett, Troy Dickerson, Don Dickerson, Cramer Reynolds and W. A. Layday.

Girl Scouts Have 'Good' Bake Sale

The Girl Scout Cadette Bake Sale was termed a "huge success" by Scout members and adults working with them.

"We were able to boost our treasury and will be able to undertake many activities in the near future," said Mrs. Boyd, adult leader. "Our thanks is given to all of those who purchased bake items from us, and to those who helped in so many ways to make this sale a success." A special thank you was extended

to Mr. Hammond at Ben Franklin Store for "sharing his electricity and to Mr. Onis Crawford for giving us permission to have the bake sale in the space in front of the Mellinger building." But most of all we would like to give our thanks to the mothers contributing baked goods.

Parents who helped by baking items for the sale include Mmes. Peggy White, Irene Helmer, Pat Eyrd, Carolyn Fisher, Janell Farmer, Sherlin Bowen, Sue Baker and Pat McNary.

Others donating baked items included Mmes. Billie South, Melba Glascock and LaVonne Bunch.

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BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE DATED November 22, 1971 and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Taylor County, Texas by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 10-474-B, and styled the State of Texas and Taylor County vs. Harvey C. Brown, et al and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on November 22, 1971 Seized, levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday in January 1972, the same being the 4th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 o'clock A.M. and 4 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as

the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Taylor and State of Texas, to wit:

Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, Block D, Shepard 2nd Addition; Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Block A, Lots 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, Block B, Lots 10, 11, 12, Block C, Lot 10 and S½ of Lot 11, Block H, South Park Addition; NW 75 x 140 of Lot 1, Block C, Lots 4, 5, Block F, Thornton Addition; City of Merkel, Lots 8, 9, Block 5, Lot 17, Block 7, Lot 6, Block 44, 92' x 170' of Lot 3, Block 32, Lot 7 and W½ of Lot 8, Block 60, Lot 1, Block 67, Lot 6, Block 71, Original Townsite, City of Ovalo, Lot 11, 12, 13, 14, Block A, N½ of Lot 1, Block-B, Original Townsite, City of Shep, Lot 7, 8, 9, Block 2, Original Townsite, City of Trent. All of the above described property being located in Taylor County, Texas.

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment, interest, penalties and costs; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, at any time within two years from the date of sale in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein, may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, penalties, and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED AT Abilene, Texas, this 25 day of Nov. 1971.
RAY TRAMMELL
Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas
by R. P. Blackley, Deputy.

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: Ruby Ross, 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 3rd day of Jan. A.D. 1972, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 29 day of Oct. A.D. 1971, in this cause, numbered 6703 on the docket of said court and styled D. E. Ross, Plaintiff, vs. Ruby Ross, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Petitioner and respondent were married Aug. 23, 1959 and became separated on or about June 1970. Petitioner asks for a divorce and custody of the minor children. There is no community property to divide as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within thirty 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 22 day of November A.D. 1971.
(Seal)

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

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- California peak
- Riddle
- Lubricator
- Diverse
- Snobbish: slang
- Bearlike
- Dust
- Ancient Persian
- Relative
- Bundles
- She
- Devooured
- Bow
- Conger
- Brag
- Edible seed
- Try
- Scented plants
- Pig pen
- Tatter
- Go astray
- Falsehood
- Hawk's nest
- Gaelic John

DOWN

- Distress signal
- Indian native
- Bitter crystals
- Parch
- Tell secrets
- Some
- Bird
- Regular
- Pronoun
- Move smoothly
- Egyptian king
- Yes
- Sea eagles
- Couches
- Therefore
- Lincoln
- Flinging
- Oriental
- Ornament
- Hug
- Miserables
- Speak
- Cobb
- Interjection
- View
- Network
- Argon: chem.
- Present
- Hawaiian wreath
- Prone
- Silkworm
- Boys' nickname
- Sloth
- One

Answer to Puzzle

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TAYLOR

BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE DATED November 22, 1971 and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Taylor County, Texas by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 10,475-B, and styled the State of Texas and Taylor County vs. C. T. Washington, et al and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on November 22, 1971 Seized, levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday in January 1972, the same being the 4th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 o'clock A.M. and 4 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in hte County of Taylor and State of Texas, to wit:

Lot 10, Block T, J. S. Johnston Subdivision of Lot 1, Block 209, Original Townsite; Lot 4, Block 6, Campus Addition; Lots 1, 1A, 2 and 2A, Block 9, College Dr. Rep. Addition; Lots 15 and 16, Block J, Lots 18 and 19, Block K, W. B. Hale Addition; Lot 14, Block 9, Highland (John Sailes) Addition; N 55' of W 102' of Block A, Northington Addition; N 81 1/2' of E 140' of Lot 8, Block 16, North Park P/Sub Addition; S 100' of E 140' of W 300' of Lot 3, Block 3, Over Place Addition; Lot 9, Block 5, Over & Coil Addition; Lots 8, 9 and W 1/2 of Lot 10, Block 1, Lot 13, Block 2, R. L. Over Addition; Lot 12, Block 5, Lots 10, 11, Block 8, Scott Hwy. Place Addition; all of the above described property being located in the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas.

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment, interest, penalties and costs; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, at any time within two years from the date of sale in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, penalties, and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

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terest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Taylor and State of Texas, to wit:

Lots 10, 11, 12, Block 6, Lot 10, Block 24, Lots 1 thru 5, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, Block 30, Lot 12, Block 51, Original Townsite; Lot 26, Block 11, North Trent Addition; City of Trent, Lots 6 thru 9, Block 3, Graham Addition; City of Tuscola, E 2/3 of Lot 1, Block C, P. M. Morgan Addition; City of Tye, Lot 8, Block 3, Lot 1, Block 86, Original Townsite; City of View, Lot 7, Block 157; Lot 15, B. Hughes Subdivision of Lot 4, Block 186; Lot 18, Block 5, Blackburn Subdivision of Lot 1, Block 201; N 1/2 of W 1/2 of Lot 59, W 1/2 of Lot 60, Watson & Russell Subdivision of Lot 1, Block 208; Original Townsite, City of Abi-

lene, Lot 25, (100' x 140'), Lot 26, (50' x 145'), out of Abstract 73 of the Grimes Co. School Land Survey No. 147. All of the above described property being located in Taylor County, Texas.

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment, interest, penalties and costs; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, at any time within two years from the date of sale in the manner provided by law, and

subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law, Said sale to be made by me to satisfy; the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, penalties, and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED AT Abilene, Texas, this the 26 day of Nov. 1971.

RAY TRAMMELL
Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas
by R. P. Blackley Deputy.

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isfy said judgment, interest, penalties and costs; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, at any time within two years from the date of sale in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law, Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, penalties, and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

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Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas
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Stith News

By MRS.
FRITZ HALE



The Annual Thanksgiving Dinner and Homecoming was held Nov. 21 at the Stith Community Center. Leland Martin, a former teacher at the Stith School, was speaker. Approximately 90 attendees and guests were from Austin, Abilene, Anson, Fort Worth, San Antonio, Clyde, Comanche, Rising Star, Merkel, Noodle and Hodges. Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Hudson, Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hudson of Rising Star spent

the weekend with Miss Louise Hudson. They attended services at the Stith Baptist Church and also attended the Homecoming.

Having a late Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Malone, Monica and Haley and Roger Newton, of Taylor; Mrs. James Hale, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Ray and Christi Rena, Midland, and Mike Tale of Canyon. Other visitors in the Hale home during the holidays were Ethel Canida and Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hill, Anson; Ila Henson, Sweetwater; Mrs. Mary Hargrove and Mary Click of Merkel; and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Garza, Peggy and Norma, Corpus Christi.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Browning during the holidays were Mildred and Lonnie Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Harris,

Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Browning and children, Tuscola; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bedford and children, Arkansas; and Ona Spence, Abilene.

Having Thanksgiving Dinner with the Paul Bradleys were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wayne Berry, Gary and Annette, San Antonio, and the Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Row, Katie and David, of Bledsoe. They spent several days in the Bradley home.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald spent Thanksgiving Day in Midland with their daughter and family, the Doug Stephenson and Melissa.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burns and Mamie Hardin Sunday were Mrs. Woolly, Comanche; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Woolly and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clay McCraw, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cook and Sam Burns, all of Abilene.

Restoration of the Church No. 2

The real cause of religious division has always been a LESSENING OF RESPECT for the Bible, an attitude of SKEPTICISM in the written word. The real question has always been one of Biblical Authority. Once the trusted and infallible authority has been undermined the gateway to unlimited apostasy has been opened.

The RESTORATION of the church we read in the inerrant New Testament must be our objective not as revealed in a tradition or any man-made doctrines or concepts.

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Every word is inspired, if God had wanted another "i" dotted or another "t" crossed, he would have done so. Read I Timothy 3:16, 17; I Thessalonians 2:13; John 16, 13; James 1:21. We MUST base our beliefs and practice upon that word if we are to be approved of God.

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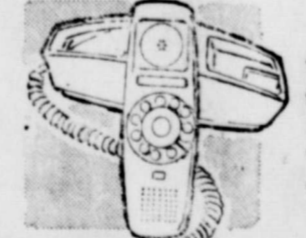
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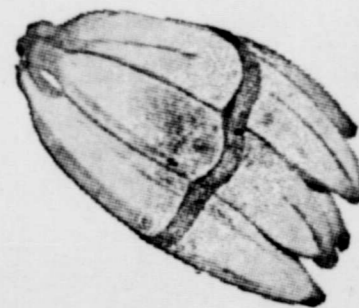
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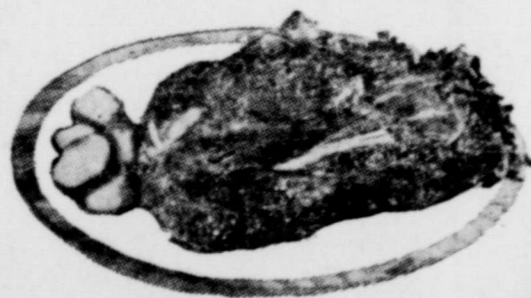
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