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Community Soup Supper Saturday

A Soup Supper will be held Saturday, April 15 at 7 p.m. at the Butman Tabernacle, according to Mrs. R. D. Scott.

All voters in Precinct 27 are invited to come and bring a bowl and spoon for each member of the family and "something to go in the soup."

"Everyone who plans to attend should be at the Tabernacle by 6:30 p.m. so that cooking preparation can begin," said Mrs. Scott.

A. D. Scott is Precinct 27 chairman. For further information people may call Mrs. Scott at 846-4245 or Mrs. Frank Brnovak at 846-4351.

"Since our Cancer Crusade drive is currently underway in our community, persons wishing to contribute to this cause may do so at the Supper," said Mrs. Scott.

Gilmores to Head Cancer Crusade

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Gilmore, Cancer Crusade drive chairmen for the rural area, and their volunteer workers will be canvassing the rural area this week and through Monday for donations to the Cancer Crusade.

"We will be contacting people in the rural areas," said Mrs. Gilmore; "however, if there are any persons living in Merkel who would like to donate to this cause they may contact us and we will be glad to come by and pick up their contributions."

SCOUTS HAVE JOINED 'RECYCLE' GROUP

The Merkel Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts have "joined the recycling group," according to their leader, Mrs. Don Glascock.

"Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts are asking the people in Merkel to help by collecting recyclable items," said Mrs. Glascock. "Items to save are tin cans — all kinds, lids, aluminum cans, TV dinner plates, pie pans, pot pie pans, snack pack pudding cans and newspaper."

Mrs. Glascock said members plan to get two large barrels and place in front of the Scout building and mark them tin and



DISTRICT WINNERS—Merkel High School girls captured the District 7-AA volleyball championship Thursday evening when they won over Stamford 15-13, 13-15, 16-14. Pictured are, back row, from left, Coach Bill Tate, Gail Boone, Jana Howard, Patsy Button, Linda Black, Marsha Jordan, Lou Ann Dean and Debbie Teaff; front row, from left, Charlotte Dean, Faye Cochran, Stephanie Walker, Mary Cochran and Pam Snowden. Coach's team bowed to Ballinger in Monday evening's Regional play at Jim Ned. (Staff Photo)

SATURDAY'S OIL WINNERS TOLD

Merkel High School students took three first places in the Interscholastic League Contest held here Saturday.

First place winners were Patsy Button, Ready Writing; Mark

Dudley, Poetry Interpretation and Ronda Harrison, Persuasive Speaking.

Schools in District 7-AA participating besides Merkel were Anson, Hamlin, Haskell, Rotan and Stamford.

League Results in first, second and third places are:

Informative Speaking — Leslie Brownfield, Stamford; Cheryl Bennett, Haskell; and Debbie Harrison, Rotan.

Informative Speaking (Boys) — Randy Mankin, Anson and Jessie Garcia, Stamford.

Food Distribution Scheduled Apr. 20

The monthly food commodity program will be in Merkel on Thursday, April 20, according to Mrs. Willie Curtis, Merkel coordinator for CAP.

Persons who are getting commodities may come to the Community Center between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. for their food pickup.

Prose Reading (Girls) — Patty McLaren, Anson; Sandra Cox, Merkel; and Sandra Josslet, Haskell.

Prose Reading (Boys) — Kirk Spurgin, Anson; Steve Walker, Merkel; and Cecil Womack, Rotan.

Typing — Beth Beaver, Anson; Wanda Ogden, Rotan; and Joe Lee Waggoner, Stamford.

Slide Rule — (Three Way Tie for 1st Places) — Steve Jones, Steve Link, and Bruce Wilson.

Ready Writing — Patsy Button, Merkel; Morris Womack, Rotan; and Rodney Rockley, Hamlin.

Debate (Girls) — first team, Pat Allen, Becca Rushing, both of Rotan.

Debate (Boys) — first team, Norville Kennedy and Frankie Klepper, Rotan.

Science — Pat Allen, Rotan; Bruce Wilson, Stamford; and Randy Leavitt, Stamford.

Spelling — Beth Beaver, Anson; Brenda Henson, Rotan; Patsy Button, Merkel.

Number Sense — Karla Hertel, Brent Bolding and Clark Terrell, Stamford.

Shorthand — Karen Pippin, Haskell; Denise Roberson, Haskell; Debbie Teaff, Merkel; and Reba Carter, Rotan.

Poetry Interpretation (Girls) — Toni Escobel, Rotan; Debbie Riddle, Stamford; and Susie Castille, Merkel.

Poetry Interpretation (Boys) — Mark Dudley, Merkel; Zed Bennett, Stamford; and J. R. Tankersley, Rotan.

Persuasive Speaking (Girls) — Ronda Harrison, Merkel; Jacquelyn Southerland, Stamford; and Marri Hammit, Rotan.

Persuasive Speaking (Boys) — Mark Smith, Stamford and Greg Bullock, Merkel.

Cemetery Work

A Cemetery Working will be held in the Compre Community Saturday, April 15.

"The Cemetery working is a semi-annual event," said president, W. D. Ramsey, "and lunch will be served at the Baptist Church at the noon hour. Everyone who is interested in working is invited to come and bring a lunch."

Tools are also necessary for the working of the Cemetery, he said.

Taylor Electric Meet Is Thursday, April 20

Thursday, April 20 at 9 a.m. will open the thirty-first annual members meeting of Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Highlight of the meeting will be registration (to begin at 9 a.m.) prizes, entertainment and business meeting at which time three directors will be elected for another year.

Manager, Don Hart, said the morning hours will be "devoted to a program of entertainment, and the drawing for attendance prizes."

"Following the noon luncheon of barbecue, the business meeting will begin," he said. "Reports of officers, directors and committees will take place at this time" with any other business which may come up.

Members who have been nominated for directors by the Committee on Nominations, pursuant to the By-Laws, are:

Zone I — J. Riley Miller and Leo Chrane, Taylor County.

Zone II — Alton Whiteaker and Ralph McAdams, Callahan, Jones, Eastland and Shackelford counties.

Zone III — Clovis McElmurray and Jack Morris, Coke, Fisher and Nolan counties.

"Additional nominations may be made from the floor," said Hart. "Only one director from each zone will be elected."

In reviewing the year 1971 for Taylor Electric Cooperative, Hart said, "The year 1971 was an eventful year in the operations of Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc."

"Much work was done in keeping the power lines," he said.

Merkel's Cadettes To Attend Event

Cadette Girl Scouts from Troop 397 are making final plans to attend the council-wide Cadette Conference in Big Spring April 14-16.

The Scouts will participate in a series of workshops dealing with ecology, interior decorating, skin care and a variety of crafts. A special feature will be the making of audio-visual aids on Scout ceremonies to be used as adult training tools.

Other high lights of the week-end "Experience '72" will be a banquet and dance Saturday evening. The conference will conclude Sunday morning with a Scouts' Own.

Six Scouts from Troop 397 are planning to attend this event — the first such event this newly organized troop has attended. Mrs. Boyd Baker is leader of Troop 397.

Charge Set For Water Testing

Robert Harris, Public Works Director for the City of Merkel, announced that "anyone having water samples for testing of nitrates will have a \$2.00 charge which will need to be paid at the City Hall when their water sample is brought in."

Harris attended a two-day Municipal Inspectors Seminar for Plumbing and Housing Codes. It was sponsored by the Engineering Extension Service, Texas A&M University, Texas Department of Community Affairs, Texas Education Agency and Buildings Officials Association of Texas.



DON HART
... TEC manager

which brings electric power to your homes and business in a good condition," he said. "The personnel in our Line Department have been doing an excellent job in maintaining the electric system."

4-H ELIMINATIONS IS THIS SATURDAY

Merkel 4-Hers and Judy Brnovak of Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club will represent the area in County Eliminations Contest to be held this Saturday at the Taylor County Court House.

Merkel 4-H members to participate and their projects are: Tayna Moore and Christi Fudge, both in Vegetable Preparation and Use; Tonja McAninch, Public Speaking; Jess Reddin, Teddy Byrd and Wanda Braune, all in Natural Resources; and Janice South, Electric.

Also Cindy Smith, Annetta Stephan and Shon Moore, all Electric; Leslie Reddin and Andy Stephan, Safety; Dwain English and Taresia English, Horse Demonstration; and Mary Beth Boyd, Farm and Ranch Management.

Miss Brnovak's demonstration will be Foods and Nutrition.

Eliminations will begin at 9 a.m. and winners will go to District to be held in San Angelo April 29.

MERKEL'S ONE ACT PLAY WINS FIRST

Merkel High School's one-act play production, "The Diary of Adam and Eve," was named first place in District 7-AA competition Tuesday evening at Stamford.

Members of the Methodist Youth Fellowship will continue their Garage Sale to be held this Saturday in front of Hicks Auto Supply.

Beth Hicks, chairman, said "We will have lots of odds and ends and are adding more to the list for the Saturday's sale." Items of interest that will be on sale are clothing, shoes, baby play pen and bed springs. Proceeds from this sale, along with the \$65.00 earned from last week's sale, will be used for the group's trip to Six Flags in May.

Homemakers To Meet at 7:30

The Taylor County Chapter of Young Homemakers will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Homemaking Department of Merkel High School April 13.

Program for this month will be presented by Roberta Watters, Taylor County Home Demonstration agent. Her topic will be "Charm, Poise and Posture." Hostess for this meeting will be Mrs. Hugh Baker and Don Hart.

"In our Accounting Department, considerable progress was made in the perfection of the data processing system, and during 1971 our Members Services Department carried out an effective lead building program."

Hart pointed out that another significant event was the securing of a joint loan from the Rural Electrification Administration and the new electric cooperative banking institution known as the National Rural Cooperative Finance Corporation (C.F.C.) for the amount of \$395,000.

"Taylor Electric was the second cooperative in the state of Texas to secure a loan from C.F.C.," said Hart.

The Thirty-First Annual Members Meeting is dedicated to Helen Mayfield, "in memory of a devoted employee."

Also included in the program will be the introduction to members of this year's Oratorical winners, Mark Henager and Jan Dowden, both students at Clyde High School.

Jones HD Clubs Plan Luncheon

The Jones County Home Demonstration Clubs are having a Salad Luncheon on Tuesday, April 18th at the Anson Lions Club Hall, according to Mary Y. Newberry, Jones County Home Demonstration Agent. The serving hours will be from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The price is \$1.50 for all the different kinds of salad you can eat, a drink and a piece of homemade pie.

The public is invited to come and eat with the Home Demonstration Club women. The proceeds will go to the Home Demonstration Council Treasury.

NEED T-SHIRTERS FOR SEASON

With selection of team managers of Little Leaguers and T-Shirters coming up this Friday evening, "there's still a need for more players in the T-Shirt League," according to Benjy Melton, League president.

"We just about have our Little

League quota," said Melton, "but we still need around thirty T-Shirters."

Any boy in Merkel or the area who is seven or eight years of age or who will be seven by July 31 may register.

Registration may be done by

going by the Chamber of Commerce office in the Boney Insurance Agency building or by filling out and mailing in registration form on this page. Forms may be mailed to P. O. Box 536.

Melton explained that "all T-Shirt players must register and he asked that parents get registration "done this week."

"With managers selecting their players Friday, we must have this information in by this week," said Melton.

Sponsors for this season's Little League are Carson's Super Market, Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc., West Texas Utilities, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 5683, Farmers and Merchants National Bank, and Boney Insurance Agency.

Managers will be Dick White, Walter Whisenant, Finley Barnett, Danny Sanford, Juan Ybarra, and Randy Carson.

T-Shirt sponsors are Lambda Beta Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, Wilson Food Store, First Baptist Church and Merkel Drug.

First game for Little Leaguers will be Tuesday, May 2, and first game for T-Shirters will be Saturday, May 6.

T-Shirt League Registration

Name Birth Date

Address Phone No.

Date Age League Age

We, the Parents of the above boy, give our approval for his participation in the activities of the Little League for the current season. We release the sponsors, officials, and the Little League Organization from responsibility in case of injury or accident. All boys are covered with insurance for practice, games, and travel by the League.

Father's Signature

Mother's Signature

T-SHIRT AGE — Any boy who will attain the age of 7 years before July 31st and who will not attain the age of 9 before July 31, shall be eligible to play in the T-Shirt League for the year in question.

LEGAL NOTICE

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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: Ira Edward Cheek, 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 8th day of May A.D. 1972, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 25th day of February A. D. 1972, in this cause, numbered 6975 on the docket of said court and styled Eula Lavena Cheek, Plaintiff, vs. Ira Edward Cheek, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about March 14, 1953, continued to live together until about November 1, 1969, One child born, Ranch Cheek, A boy, community property in the form of a 1966 Mustang Automobile, furniture and personal effect, 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 24th day of March A.D. 1972.

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

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TO: Rachel Diana Vaughn, Defendant, Greeting:

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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on the 19th of March, 1971 and separated on or about May 1, 1971. A suit for divorce. There were no children born and no community property acquired, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 17 days of March A.D. 1972.

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

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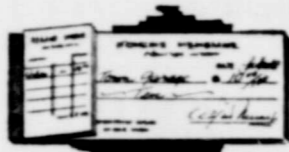


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Perhaps there were no other feats like hers in Germany, but other champion mothers have been reported. One nearly equalled Frau Stratzmann's record, producing 52 children; another delivered 40 sons before she became 40 years old.

But the grand mother of them all was the wife of Fyodor Vassilet of Russia, probably the world's most prolific woman. She bore 69 children in 27 pregnancies: 16 pairs of twins, 7 sets of triplets, and 4 sets of quadruplets. Her record was so remarkable, she was presented at the court of Czar Alexander II.

Though it's unlikely these days that any mother will match such records, today's women can be champions, too. Thanks to their having so many good contraceptive methods—including some like Delfin Foam and Conceptrol Cream, which can be obtained in drugstores without prescription—they can plan their families. Having children by choice, not chance, they can focus their energy on their families—or on other interests—and become real champions in many different ways than playing a numbers game with babies.

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The supporters and friends of Ben Barnes for Governor are having a Big 34th Birthday Rally at the Abilene Civic Center at 7:30 in the evening, Monday, April 17, 1972.

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MASONIC MEETING
Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710 on 2nd Saturday and 4th Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome. Members urged to attend.
CHARLES EAGER, W.M.
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WATCH REPAIR — 1206 South 10th, Dale Shugart. 7 t/c

NOTICE — Roy's Place at Trent will close Saturday, April 15 at 8 p.m., and will re-open April 25 at 11 a.m. 7 t/c

WANTED — Wish to buy 3 bedroom modern home in Merkel. Fred Starbuck. 6 t/c

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING NEW — In Ceramics? Why not drop by the Merkel Mail and see the newest on display now. 5 t/c

For Rent

FOR RENT — One bedroom, furnished apartment, bills paid. Contact at 1203 No. 3rd or call 928-5672. 7 t/c

FOR RENT — Furnished 5 room house at 305 Orange. Want to buy spring and bedstead. 7 t/c

FOR RENT — One bedroom furnished house, water and gas paid. 928-5901, 712 Locust. 7 t/c

FOR RENT — Duplex apartment, elderly couple or older singles, good character, excellent location, 301 Oak. 6 t/c

FOR RENT — Two bedroom, unfurnished house. Also have three room furnished house. Call 928-5236. 4 t/c

For Sale

FOR SALE — Downdraft evaporative water cooler, call Mary Collins, 928-4728 or 928-5746. 7 t/c

FOR SALE — Lovely two bedroom home on three lots, barn and water well. In city limits and reasonably priced. 706 So. 3rd, phone 928-5917. 7 t/c

FOR SALE — 60 gal. butane tank and regulator for pickup. Call 8 a.m.-12, phone 928-5147. 7 t/c

FOR SALE — Hay in the barn and never been rained on. Call Dick Leach, 928-5960. 7 t/c

FOR SALE — Barn, 16'x20', 928-5266. 7 t/c

FOR SALE — Small house on southside, new carpet, walls, floors, everything redone. Large lot. Call 928-5492. 51 t/c

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

For Congressman, District 17
OMAR BURLISON
(Re-election)
For State Senator,
24th Senatorial District
GRANT JONES
For 42nd District Court Judge
CHARLES E. (CHUCK) ERWIN

CARD OF THANKS
THE KINDNESS AND SYMPATHY of neighbors and friends in our recent sorrow will always remain with us as a precious memory. Our sincere thanks and gratitude for all those comforting acts.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Lightfoot
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Peterson
Mrs. P. H. Lassitor

CARD OF THANKS
A SPECIAL THANKS to all our dear friends and neighbors, and loved ones in our families, for visits, cards, flowers and especially words of encouragement, while I was in the hospital at Hendrick. God Bless all of you.
L. E. Ford Jr.
Mrs. (Ruth) Ford and family

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING A CLAIM AGAINST THE ESTATE OF FLYNT PAGE GAINES, A MINOR

You are hereby notified that Letters of Guardianship of the Estate of the said Flynt Page Gaines, a minor, were issued to me, the undersigned, on the 6th day of April, 1972, in Cause No. 10,671 in the County Court of Taylor County, Texas; that the administration of said Estate is pending; and that you are required to present such claims within the time prescribed by law to me, the undersigned, at the following, which is my residence and Post Office address: 1118 Washington Boulevard, Abilene, Taylor County, Texas.
DATED this 7th day of April, 1972.

MARTHA A. MERRELL
Guardian of the Estate of FLYNT PAGE GAINES, a minor. 7 t/c

Gov. Smith Begins 72-Stop Tour

AUSTIN — Gov. Preston Smith announced Tuesday night that a 72-stop campaign tour will begin and run until election eve, May 5.

Smith's first stop was at Marshall, and he will be in East Texas until he leaves on his tour to Odessa Saturday.

GRANT JONES SPEAKS ECONOMY

Voters who believe in economy and honesty in government will vote right if they vote for Grant Jones as State Senator from District 24 in the May 6 Democratic Primary Election.

That's the message in a statement outlining Jones' platform and position issued for release today in the 13 county district composed of McLennan, Coryell, Lampasas, Hamilton, Mills, San Saba, Brown, McCulloch, Coleman, Menard, Taylor, Concho and Runnels counties.

"Economy and honesty in government starts with the man elected," said Grant Jones, pointing out that his spending of expense money, automatically available to each legislator, was the lowest of any member of the House of Representatives at the last audit. His spending of our money for expenses has consistently been with the lowest.

Grant Jones said he thinks "each spending or taxing proposal must be examined as carefully as possible to determine the impact on the taxpayer."

1. An example of his "economy thinking" is the work he did on a bill so that deserving students can receive state tuition money to attend private colleges. Jones said this saves taxpayers money over expanding and building fully tax-supported schools.

2. Jones said he believes Texas must build and strengthen vocational Texas State Technical Institute because Texas has a critical need for technical skills.

"Because I am sensitive to our economy," said Jones, I do not favor a state income tax—corporate or personal. Forty of 44 states that have adopted corporate income taxes have found it necessary to broaden the income tax to a 'corporate and personal' tax within a very short time. Twenty-seven within the same year."

Jones said another reason he is against a state income tax is because it would slow down the growth of business and industry in Texas and the creation of good jobs would be slowed down.

"Of course I am for good job opportunities," Jones said, "and recognize the right of employees to form or to join a union; however, I strongly support the Texas right to work law because I feel that no employer should have the right to enter into a contract that requires workers to pay dues to a union in order to retain or obtain a job."

"I am sure that workers and employers alike, as well as other citizens, are most concerned about the rising cost of insurance," Jones said. "I pledge to you that I will continue to work to improve our insurance policy to provide the needed and necessary coverage at the lowest possible cost."

Grant Jones promised to continue to work for Constitutional reforms and Legislative procedural reforms to improve state government.

Jones said he recognizes the use of alcohol is a fact of life today. "However," he said "I believe Texas must keep drunk drivers off the road, even though I also recognize that drunk drivers and problems drinkers may be sick and need help." During his entire legislative career, Grant Jones has been a supporter of



GRANT JONES
... for state senator

laws to reduced the abuse of alcohol.

Grant Jones was elected to the 59th Legislature and has been re-elected to four terms since then. He has served on State Affairs Committee, Constitutional Amendments Committee, Banks and Banking, Higher Education, Privileges, Suffrages and Elections and as Chairman of the Claims and Accounts Committee and the Urban Affairs Committee. He also has served two terms on the Legislative Council.

As a matter of background, Grant Jones comes from a family that produced Texas pioneer leaders. He is a native of Abilene and educated in the Abilene public schools. His studies at SMU were interrupted by World War II, and he flew as a pilot in the European and South American Theaters.

After World War II he returned to SMU and received his BBA degree. He earned his masters of business administration

School Menu

Monday, April 17

Chicken salad sandwiches, lettuce and tomatoes, green beans with new potatoes, pumpkin pie whipped topping, orange juice, milk.

Tuesday, April 18

Pork steak, oven fried potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, butter, pink spiced apple sauce, milk

Wednesday, April 19

Beef cheese pizza, pinto beans, cabbage-pepper relish, fresh pears, bread, milk.

Thursday, April 20

Beef steakettes, gravy, whipped potatoes, carrots & peas, hot rolls, butter, fruit jello, milk.

Friday, April 21

Hamburgers, oven cooked french fries, onions, tomatoes, pickles, lettuce, oatmeal raisin cookies, milk.

Crowd Attends Briscoe Reception

Dolph Briscoe, candidate for Governor in the May 6 Primary, was introduced to a large crowd at his reception held at the Downtown Hotel in Abilene Wednesday morning.

The crowd, which included "all ages from all over the Big Country," began coming as early as 7:45 a.m. and were still arriving at 10 a.m., when the reception was to end so that Briscoe could leave for appointments west.

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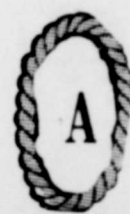
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CONGRESSMAN OMAR BURLESON ANNOUNCES FOR RE-ELECTION

Congressman Omar Burleson has formal, announced his candidacy for re-election to Congress subject to the Democratic Primary on May 6 and the General Election in November. The 17th Congressional District, which he represents, is composed of 31 counties, covering approximately 30,000 square miles. Within this area live about 468,000 people.

Burleson says, "During my tenure of office I have followed two guiding principles: First, to know the views of my constituents and reflect their sentiments to the greatest degree possible in my actions in the Halls of Congress. Second, to inform and advise as closely as I can on those issues which affect our District, our State and our Nation."

Burleson termed his approach to Government as one of "common sense," gained through the years of public service. "I have tried to see that the people's tax money is spent as wisely and as judiciously as you would have spent it had you been in my place," he said.

"The record will show that a greater part of the time I have found myself in the minority in opposing the vast spending programs of doubtful value that have been put into effect in recent years. In every session of the Congress the record will show my votes for expenditures below



OMAR BURLESON
... 17th congressional district

that recommended by the Executive Department and far less than actually appropriated by the Congress, except in the field of National Defense," Burleson said. He continued, "Without meaning to appear boastful, if the Congress had followed those of us who have voted consistently over the years for fiscal responsibility, our financial affairs would not be in the shape they are today."

"In areas providing for the defense of our Country, I have always supported those things to make and keep our Nation stronger than any other in the world," he said.

"I have been discerning in separating those activities which the Federal Government was not designed to do, from those which are truly its responsibility," he said.

Burleson stated that activities of State and local governments, in accordance with the Constitution, should not be infringed and encroached upon by the Federal Government.

"The Federal Government does have specific missions," he said. He gave as examples the conservation of our natural resources, the defense of the Country and its general welfare.

"At the same time," he said, "the Federal Government can not and should not try to take care of everything from Washington. The Federal Government has grown to colossal proportions and centralized power in Washington has increased," Burleson pointed out. "To this, I am opposed and my record is clear in this respect."

Burleson is among the senior members of the U.S. House of Representatives in point of service. He was elected to the 80th Congress from the 17th District and has been re-elected to each succeeding Congress. He is a member of the Ways and Means Committee, considered to be the most powerful and prestigious in the Congress.

Burleson is a former County Attorney and County Judge of Jones County. He was appointed an FBI Agent, and served in a number of assignments over the U.S. He resigned from the FBI to join the Navy in World War II, and saw duty in both the Atlantic and the Pacific.

Burleson ended his formal announcement by saying, "Although not having opposition in this year's election, it is my hope to visit my constituency as opportunity affords. The Congress being in session at this time and expected to be long after the Primary Election, there will be little time to leave duties in Washington. I expect, however, to get back home at short intervals to do the best I can in seeing my friends and to make new ones. I believe it is incumbent upon a Congressman to know people and that they know him, to have the best representation. This is fundamental to our system."

MULBERRY CANYON 4-H

By JUDY BRNOVAK

The Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club was called to order by Mark Clemmer at their monthly meeting on April 6. The American Pledge was led by Jeff Whisenhunt, 4-H Pledge by Cindy Whisenhunt and Inspiration by Judy Brnovak.

News report was given by Johnny Gray and Thersa Clemmer introduced and presented the speaker a gift. Mrs. Marie Mitchell gave a program on Health and Safety.

Members present were Brnovak, Cindy Whisenhunt, Bart Whisenhunt, Jeff Whisenhunt, Ray King, Taresia English, Dwaine English, J. Gray, Beverly Gilmore, Thersa Clemmer and Mark Clemmer and one visitor, Becky Bryan. Refreshments were served following the meeting.

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DEATHS & FUNERALS

Hester L. Brewer Samuel M. Hunter

Funeral services for Hester L. Brewer, 64, and father of Mrs. Ted McAninch, were held Wednesday in the Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel with Billy Patton, minister of the Church of Christ officiating. He was assisted by the Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor of the First Baptist Church.

Mr. Brewer died Monday, April 10 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. McAninch.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born June 7, 1907 in Titus County he moved to Nolan County with his parents in 1925. He had lived in the Trent and Sweetwater area since that time. He was a retired carpenter at the time of his death. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. McAninch; two sons, George and Oscar, both of Houston; two sisters, Mrs. Bertha Yandell of Fort Worth and Mrs. M. C. Miller of Sweetwater.

Gaston E. Taylor

Gaston E. Taylor, 69, a retired farmer, died Monday, April 10 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Young Jr., after a long illness.

Funeral services were held Wednesday in the Smith - Rogers Funeral Home Chapel in Lovington N.M., with burial in Garden of Memories Cemetery at Hobbs, N.M. Starbuck Funeral Home handled local arrangements.

Born July 24, 1902 in Knox County, he married Mary Etta Stanbro in Dec. 1927 in Brownfield. She died in March 1962, and he moved to Merkel to live with his daughter afterwards.

Survivors include his daughter, Mrs. Young; one brother, Ellis of San Lorenzo, N.M.; four sisters, Mrs. Don Pruitt of Milensard, N.M., Mrs. Chester Brown of Odessa, Mrs. George Fuch of DeWingo, Colo., and Mrs. Myra Dickinson of Colorado Springs, Colo.; one grandson, Ray Allen Young of Merkel; one granddaughter, Becky Young of Merkel.

Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE



Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones were surprised Monday evening when Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Sasser and Mrs. Olin Potts of Anson and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Berry of Abilene came to help celebrate Mr. Jones' birthday. Birthday cake and ice cream were served.

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning visited one day last week in Tuscola with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Browning, Fay, Ray and Allen.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Benny Hobbs and children and Mrs. John Hobbs and Mrs. Ollie Fowler were Mrs. Glenda Clemmens and children and Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Hobbs, all of Grand Prairie; and Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Hobbs of Fort Worth. Mrs. Fowler returned to her home in California Sunday after a visit with the Hobbs family.

Ghronda Tarpley of North Texas State College at Denton and Buster Tarpley of Angelo State College, San Angelo, spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Babe Tarpley. The Tarpley family made a trip to Houston and also spent one night in Dallas.

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Barnes' Birthday Party Is Monday

ABILENE — Ben Barnes won't forget his 34th birthday party next Monday.

Several hundred backers in his race for Governor plan to give him the biggest celebration of his life.

The multi-county observance is slated for Abilene's Municipal Auditorium, and some well known personalities are being invited.

One is Congressman Omar Burleson of Anson. Others include Dallas Cowboy football players Walt Garrison and Bob Lilly, both native Texans.

Singers from Abilene area colleges and universities are expected to entertain the guests.

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Results of Saturday's activities are listed in first, second and third place order:

Barrels

13 and under — Cindy Boone, Jess Toombs and Danna Russell
18 and under — Jan Beck, Johnny Gray and Cindy Whisenhunt.

Over 18 — Kathryn Whisenhunt, Lavena Vaughn and Jerry Russell.

Flags

13 and under — Cindy Boone, Jeff Toombs and Danna Russell.
18 and under — Cindy Whisenhunt, Chris Childress and Kathryn Murrell (tie).

Over 18 — Kathryn Whisenhunt, Lavena Vaughn and Jerry Russell.

Poles

13 and Under — Boone, Toombs and David Williams.
18 and under — K. Murrell and Christi Boone.

Over 18 — K. Whisenhunt, J. Russell and L. Vaughn.

Girl Scout NEWS

Day Camp Plans

The Merkel Brownie Troop is planning a trip to Camp Boothe Oaks, near Sweetwater. They will attend Brownie Day Camp, along with other Brownies from "around the Big Country."

On April 22 they will leave the Scout Hut in cars at 9 a.m. and return at 4 p.m. They will carry knap sack lunches, sit-upons, and cups with handles to wear on belts. A day at the Girl Scout Camp will give the third graders a chance to see if they want to attend camp for a week this summer.



BROWNIE NEWS

By CHRISTI BRADY

Twenty-five Brownies met at the Scout Hut April 4 for their weekly meeting of Brownie Troop 103.

Training for the "Flag Ceremony" was held. This is to prepare the third grade girls who will soon be advancing to the Junior Girl Scouts.

Brownies were divided into partners and practiced first aid. Leader, Mrs. Melba Glasscock, showed the girls how to bandage arms and legs for various injuries. The partners then practiced on each other.

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TO: Ira Edward Cheek, 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 8th day of May A.D. 1972, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 25th day of February A. D. 1972, in this cause, numbered 6975 on the docket of said court and styled Eula Lavena Cheek, Plaintiff, vs. Ira Edward Cheek, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about March 14, 1953, continued to live together until about November 1, 1969. One child born, Randy Cheek, A boy, community property in the form of a 1966 Mustang Automobile, furniture and personal effects, 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 24th day of March A.D. 1972.

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

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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on the 19th of March, 1971 and separated on or about May 1, 1971. A suit for divorce. There were no children born and no community property acquired, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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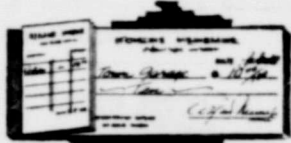
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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

For Congressman, District 17
OMAR BURLESON
(Re-election)
For State Senator,
24th Senatorial District
GRANT JONES
For 42nd District Court Judge
CHARLES E. (CHUCK) ERWIN

CARD OF THANKS

THE KINDNESS AND SYMPATHY of neighbors and friends in our recent sorrow will always remain with us as a precious memory. Our sincere thanks and gratitude for all those comforting acts.
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Lightfoot
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Peterson
Mrs. P. H. Lassiter

CARD OF THANKS

A SPECIAL THANKS to all our dear friends and neighbors, and loved ones in our families, for visits, cards, flowers and especially words of encouragement, while I was in the hospital at Hendrick. God Bless all of you.
L. E. Ford Jr.
Mrs. (Ruth) Ford and family

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING A CLAIM AGAINST THE ESTATE OF FLYNT PAGE GAINES, A MINOR

You are hereby notified that Letters of Guardianship of the Estate of the said Flynt Page Gaines, a minor, were issued to me, the undersigned, on the 6th day of April, 1972, in Cause No. 10,671 in the County Court of Taylor County, Texas; that the administration of said Estate is pending; and that you are required to present such claims within the time prescribed by law to me, the undersigned, at the following, which is my residence and Post Office address: 1118 Washington Boulevard, Abilene, Taylor County, Texas.
DATED this 7th day of April, 1972.

MARTHA A. MERRELL
Guardian of the Estate of FLYNT PAGE GAINES, a minor. 7 t/c

Gov. Smith Begins 72-Stop Tour

AUSTIN — Gov. Preston Smith announced Tuesday night that a 72-stop campaign tour will begin and run until election eve, May 5.

Smith's first stop was at Marshall, and he will be in East Texas until he leaves on his tour to Odessa Saturday.

GRANT JONES SPEAKS ECONOMY

Voters who believe in economy and honesty in government will vote right if they vote for Grant Jones as State Senator from District 24 in the May 6 Democratic Primary Election.

That's the message in a statement outlining Jones' platform and position issued for release today in the 13 county district composed of McLennan, Coryell, Lampasas, Hamilton, Mills, San Saba, Brown, McCulloch, Coleman, Menard, Taylor, Concho and Runnels counties.

"Economy and honesty in government starts with the man elected," said Grant Jones, pointing out that his spending of expense money, automatically available to each legislator, was the lowest of any member of the House of Representatives at the last audit. His spending of our money for expenses has consistently been with the lowest.

Grant Jones said he thinks "each spending or taxing proposal must be examined as carefully as possible to determine the impact on the taxpayer."

1. An example of his "economy thinking" is the work he did on a bill so that deserving students can receive state tuition money to attend private colleges. Jones said this saves taxpayers money over expanding and building fully tax-supported schools.

2. Jones said he believes Texas must build and strengthen vocational Texas State Technical Institute because Texas has a critical need for technical skills.

"Because I am sensitive to our economy," said Jones, I do not favor a state income tax—corporate or personal. Forty of 44 states that have adopted corporate income taxes have found it necessary to broaden the income tax to a 'corporate and personal' tax within a very short time. Twenty-seven within the same year."

Jones said another reason he is against a state income tax is because it would slow down the growth of business and industry in Texas and the creation of good jobs would be slowed down.

"Of course I am for good job opportunities," Jones said, "and recognize the right of employees to form or to join a union; however, I strongly support the Texas right to work law because I feel that no employer should have the right to enter into a contract that requires workers to pay dues to a union in order to retain or obtain a job."

"I am sure that workers and employers alike, as well as other citizens, are most concerned about the rising cost of insurance," Jones said. "I pledge to you that I will continue to work to improve our insurance laws to provide the needed and necessary coverage at the lowest possible cost."

Grant Jones promised to continue to work for Constitutional reforms and Legislative procedural reforms to improve state government.

Jones said he recognizes the use of alcohol is a fact of life today. "However," he said "I believe Texas must keep drunk drivers off the road, even though I also recognize that drunk drivers and problems drinkers may be sick and need help." During his entire legislative career, Grant Jones has been a supporter of



GRANT JONES
... for state senator

laws to reduce the abuse of alcohol.

Grant Jones was elected to the 59th Legislature and has been re-elected to four terms since then. He has served on State Affairs Committee, Constitutional Amendments Committee, Banks and Banking, Higher Education, Privileges, Suffrages and Elections and as Chairman of the Claims and Accounts Committee and the Urban Affairs Committee. He also has served two terms on the Legislative Council.

As a matter of background, Grant Jones comes from a family that produced Texas pioneer leaders. He is a native of Abilene and educated in the Abilene public schools. His studies at SMU were interrupted by World War II, and he flew as a pilot in the European and South American Theaters.

After World War II he returned to SMU and received his BBA degree. He earned his masters of business administration

School Menu

Monday, April 17

Chicken salad sandwiches, lettuce and tomatoes, green beans with new potatoes, pumpkin pie whipped topping, orange juice, milk.

Tuesday, April 18

Pork steak, oven fried potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, butter, pink spiced apple sauce, milk

Wednesday, April 19

Beef cheese pizza, pinto beans, cabbage - pepper relish, fresh pears, bread, milk.

Thursday, April 20

Beef steakettes, gravy, whipped potatoes, carrots & peas, hot rolls, butter, fruit jello, milk.

Friday, April 21

Hamburgers, oven cooked french fries, onions, tomatoes, pickles, lettuce, oatmeal raisin cookies, milk.

Crowd Attends Briscoe Reception

Dolph Briscoe, candidate for Governor in the May 6 Primary, was introduced to a large crowd at his reception held at the Downtown Hotel in Abilene Wednesday morning.

The crowd, which included "all ages from all over the Big Country," began coming as early as 7:45 and were still arriving at 10 a.m., when the reception was to end so that Briscoe could leave for appointments west.

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CONGRESSMAN OMAR BURLESON ANNOUNCES FOR RE-ELECTION

Congressman Omar Burleson has formally announced his candidacy for re-election to Congress subject to the Democratic Primary on May 6 and the General Election in November. The 17th Congressional District, which he represents, is composed of 31 counties, covering approximately 30,000 square miles. Within this area live about 468,000 people.



OMAR BURLESON
... 17th congressional district

Burleson says, "During my tenure of office I have followed two guiding principles: First, to know the views of my constituents and reflect their sentiments to the greatest degree possible in my actions in the Halls of Congress. Second, to inform and advise as closely as I can on those issues which affect our District, our State and our Nation."

Burleson termed his approach to Government as one of "common sense," gained through the years of public service. "I have tried to see that the people's tax money is spent as wisely and as judiciously as you would have spent it had you been in my place," he said.

"The record will show that a greater part of the time I have found myself in the minority in opposing the vast spending programs of doubtful value that have been put into effect in recent years. In every session of the Congress the record will show my votes for expenditures below

that recommended by the Executive Department and far less than actually appropriated by the Congress, except in the field of National Defense," Burleson said. He continued, "Without meaning to appear boastful, if the Congress had followed those of us who have voted consistently over the years for fiscal responsibility, our financial affairs would not be in the shape they are today."

"In areas providing for the defense of our Country, I have always supported those things to make and keep our Nation stronger than any other in the world," he said.

"I have been discerning in separating those activities which the Federal Government was not designed to do, from those which are truly its responsibility," he said.

Burleson stated that activities of State and local governments, in accordance with the Constitution, should not be infringed and encroached upon by the Federal Government.

"The Federal Government does have specific missions," he said. He gave as examples the conservation of our natural resources, the defense of the Country and its general welfare.

"At the same time," he said, "the Federal Government can not and should not try to take care of everything from Washington. The Federal Government has grown to colossal proportions and centralized power in Washington has increased," Burleson pointed out. "To this, I am opposed and my record is clear in this respect."

Burleson is among the senior members of the U.S. House of Representatives in point of service. He was elected to the 80th Congress from the 17th District and has been re-elected to each succeeding Congress. He is a member of the Ways and Means Committee, considered to be the most powerful and prestigious in the Congress.

Burleson is a former County Attorney and County Judge of Jones County. He was appointed an FBI Agent, and served in a number of assignments over the U.S. He resigned from the FBI to join the Navy in World War II, and saw duty in both the Atlantic and the Pacific.

Burleson ended his formal announcement by saying, "Although not having opposition in this year's election, it is my hope to visit my constituency as opportunity affords. The Congress being in session at this time and expected to be long after the Primary Election, there will be little time to leave duties in Washington. I expect, however, to get back home at short intervals to do the best I can in seeing my friends and to make new ones. I believe it is incumbent upon a Congressman to know people and that they know him, to have the best representation. This is fundamental to our system."

DEATHS & FUNERALS

Hester L. Brewer Samuel M. Hunter

Funeral services for Hester L. Brewer, 64, and father of Mrs. Ted McAninch, were held Wednesday in the Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel with Billy Patton, minister of the Church of Christ officiating. He was assisted by the Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor of the First Baptist Church.

Mr. Brewer died Monday, April 10 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. McAninch. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born June 7, 1907 in Titus County he moved to Nolan County with his parents in 1925. He had lived in the Trent and Sweetwater area since that time. He was a retired carpenter at the time of his death. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. McAninch; two sons, George and Oscar, both of Houston; two sisters, Mrs. Bertha Yandell of Fort Worth and Mrs. M. C. Miller of Sweetwater.

Samuel M. Hunter, 83, of Lubbock and formerly of Merkel, died Monday, April 3 in a Lubbock hospital after a long illness.

Funeral services were held Wednesday in the Asbury United Methodist Church in Lubbock with Dr. Ray Johnson, pastor, officiating, assisted by the Rev. Wayne Cook, a Methodist Hospital chaplain. Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park under direction of Sanders Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Mr. Hunter moved to New Mexico in 1916 and to Merkel in 1924 where he lived until moving to Lubbock in 1942. He was a member of Asbury United Methodist Church, taught Sunday School classes for the past 50 years and served as a member of the Lubbock Board of Missions.

Survivors include his wife, Mae; a son, Marvin Hunter of Odessa; three daughters, Mrs. Don Reeder and Mrs. Glenn Woody, both of Lubbock, and Mrs. Edward B. Sneller of Wichita Falls; a sister, Mrs. Laura Balch of Temple; 12 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Tommy Reeder, David Woody, Jack Woody, Glenn D. Woody, Dale Hunter, Joe Reeder, Mike Sneller, Terry Sneller, Bob Moore and Roger Byles.

The family requests that memorials be made in the form of contributions to the American Heart Association.

Gaston E. Taylor

Gaston E. Taylor, 69, a retired farmer, died Monday, April 10 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Young Jr., after a long illness.

Funeral services were held Wednesday in the Smith-Rogers Funeral Home Chapel in Lovington, N.M., with burial in Garden of Memories Cemetery at Hobbs, N.M. Starbuck Funeral Home handled local arrangements.

Born July 24, 1902 in Knox County, he married Mary Etta Stanbro in Dec. 1927 in Brownfield. She died in March 1962, and he moved to Merkel to live with his daughter afterwards.

Survivors include his daughter, Mrs. Young; one brother, Ellis of San Lorenzo, N.M.; four sisters, Mrs. Don Pruitt of Milensand, N.M., Mrs. Chester Brown of Odessa, Mrs. George Fuch of Pueblo, Colo., and Mrs. Myra Dickinson of Colorado Springs, Colo.; one grandson, Ray Allen Young of Merkel; one granddaughter, Becky Young of Merkel.

Mrs. M. R. Hail

Funeral services for Mrs. M. R. Hail, 77, were held Monday, April 10 at the United Methodist Church with the Rev. Russell McAnally, pastor, and the Rev. N. S. Daniel, pastor emeritus, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hail, a pioneer resident of Taylor County, died Saturday at Hendrick Memorial Hospital, following a long illness.

Born Leola Coats Nov. 16, 1894, in Mulberry Canyon, she married M. R. Hail Feb. 16, 1916, in Merkel. She was an early day rural school teacher, a Sunday School teacher and a charter member of the Gleaners Sunday School class of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband; one son, F. Dee Hail of Laredo; one grandson, Guy Reece Hail of Laredo; one brother, John D. Coats of Austin; one sister, Mrs. B. F. Clark of Wichita, Kan.



Stith News
By MRS. FRITZ HALE

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones were surprised Monday evening when Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Sasser and Mrs. Olin Potts of Anson and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Berry of Abilene came to help celebrate Mr. Jones' birthday. Birthday cake and ice cream were served.

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning visited one day last week in Tuscola with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Browning, Fay, Ray and Allen.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Benny Hobbs and children and Mrs. John Hobbs and Mrs. Ollie Fowler were Mrs. Glenda Clemmens and children and Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Hobbs, all of Grand Prairie; and Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Hobbs of Fort Worth. Mrs. Fowler returned to her home in California Sunday after a visit with the Hobbs family.

Ghronda Tarpley of North Texas State College at Denton and Buster Tarpley of Angelo State College, San Angelo, spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Babe Tarpley. The Tarpley family made a trip to Houston and also spent one night in Dallas.

Barnes' Birthday Party Is Monday

ABILENE — Ben Barnes won't forget his 34th birthday party next Monday.

Several hundred backers in his race for Governor plan to give him the biggest celebration of his life.

The multi-county observance is slated for Abilene's Municipal Auditorium, and some well known personalities are being invited.

One is Congressman Omar Burleson of Anson. Others include Dallas Cowboy football players Walt Garrison and Bob Lilly, both native Texans.

Singers from Abilene area colleges and universities are expected to entertain the guests.

Eligible children can get social security benefits until they're 18; in school full time and single they will receive until age 22.



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RIDING CLUB NEWS

"Riders increased Saturday, with a total of 24 horses, according to Jerry Russell, president. "We are very proud of our young people in the Merkel area. They are very fine horsemen and some of the top barrel horses in the Big Country belong to these young people."

Results of Saturday's activities are listed in first, second and third place order:

Over 18 — Kathryn Whisenhunt, Lavena Vaughn and Jerry Russell.

Flags
13 and under — Cindy Boone, Jeff Toombs and Danna Russell.
18 and under — Cindy Whisenhunt, Chris Childress and Kathryn Murrell (tie).

Over 18 — Kathryn Whisenhunt, Lavena Vaughn and Jerry Russell.

Poles
13 and Under — Boone, Toombs and David Williams.
18 and under — K. Murrell and Christi Boone.
Over 18 — K. Whisenhunt, J. Russell and L. Vaughn.

Girl Scout NEWS

Day Camp Plans

The Merkel Brownie Troop is planning a trip to Camp Boothe Oaks, near Sweetwater. They will attend Brownie Day Camp, along with other Brownies from "around the Big Country."

On April 22 they will leave the Scout Hut in cars at 9 a.m. and return at 4 p.m. They will carry knap sack lunches, sit-upons, and cups with handles to wear on belts. A drop at the Girl Scout Camp will give the third graders a chance to see if they want to attend camp for a week this summer.

BROWNIE NEWS

By CHRISTI BRADY

Twenty-five Brownies met at the Scout Hut April 4 for their weekly meeting of Brownie Troop 103.

Training for the "Flag Ceremony" was held. This is to prepare the third grade girls who will soon be advancing to the Junior Girl Scouts.

Brownies were divided into partners and practiced first aid. Leader, Mrs. Melba Glasscock, showed the girls how to bandage arms and legs for various injuries. The partners then practiced on each other.

Cookies and punch were served to the group.

MULBERRY CANYON 4-H

By JUDY BRNOVAK

The Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club was called to order by Mark Clemmer at their monthly meeting on April 6. The American Pledge was led by Jeff Whisenhunt, 4-H Pledge by Cindy Whisenhunt and Inspiration by Judy Brnovak.

News report was given by Johnny Gray and Thersa Clemmer introduced and presented the speaker a gift. Mrs. Marie Mitchell gave a program on Health and Safety.

Members present were Brnovak, Cindy Whisenhunt, Bart Whisenhunt, Jeff Whisenhunt, Ray King, Taresia English, Dwaine English, J. Gray, Beverly Gilmore, Thersa Clemmer and Mark Clemmer and one visitor, Becky Bryan.

Refreshments were served following the meeting.

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THIS WEEK'S SPECIALS

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HAIR CONDITIONER REG. \$1.89	99¢
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Deodorant Spray	83¢
REG. \$1.69	1.08
Alodrox Liquid 12 oz.	1.08
JOHNSONS REG. \$1.29	88¢
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WELCOME

TO

TAYLOR ELECTRIC

COOPERATIVE INC.



31st ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING

Thursday, April 20, 1972

The Annual Meeting of the Members of Taylor Electric Cooperative will be held on Thursday, April 20, 1972, in the Cooperative Annex. Registration of members will begin at 9 a.m. The morning hours will be devoted to a program of entertainment and drawing for attendance prizes. Lunch will be served at noon. Business meeting will begin at 1:20 p.m.

In memory of a devoted employee, Helen Mayfield, the thirty-first annual meeting is dedicated.

- PRIZES
- ENTERTAINMENT
- BARBECUE LUNCH

WHAT IS TAYLOR ELECTRIC

COOPERATIVE, INC?

Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc., is many things to many people. To the rural member it is a relief from drudgery — the emancipation of the housewife and the worker on the farm. To oil and other rural industry, TEC is an artery that brings the life blood of power. To the worker, the TEC is an employer. And to the Merchant, the Taylor Electric Coop is a source of strength for the economy.

The TEC is men, women, buildings, power lines, equipment and an economic benefit and neighbor to all.



A MESSAGE FROM THE MANAGER

The year 1971 was an eventful year in the operations of Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc.

In February 1971, the Board of Directors selected me to be your General Manager. It has been an eventful year for me and my family. The Board of Directors, employees and membership have been gracious to the Harts.

Much work has been done in our Line Department, Our Accounting Department and in our Member Services Department.

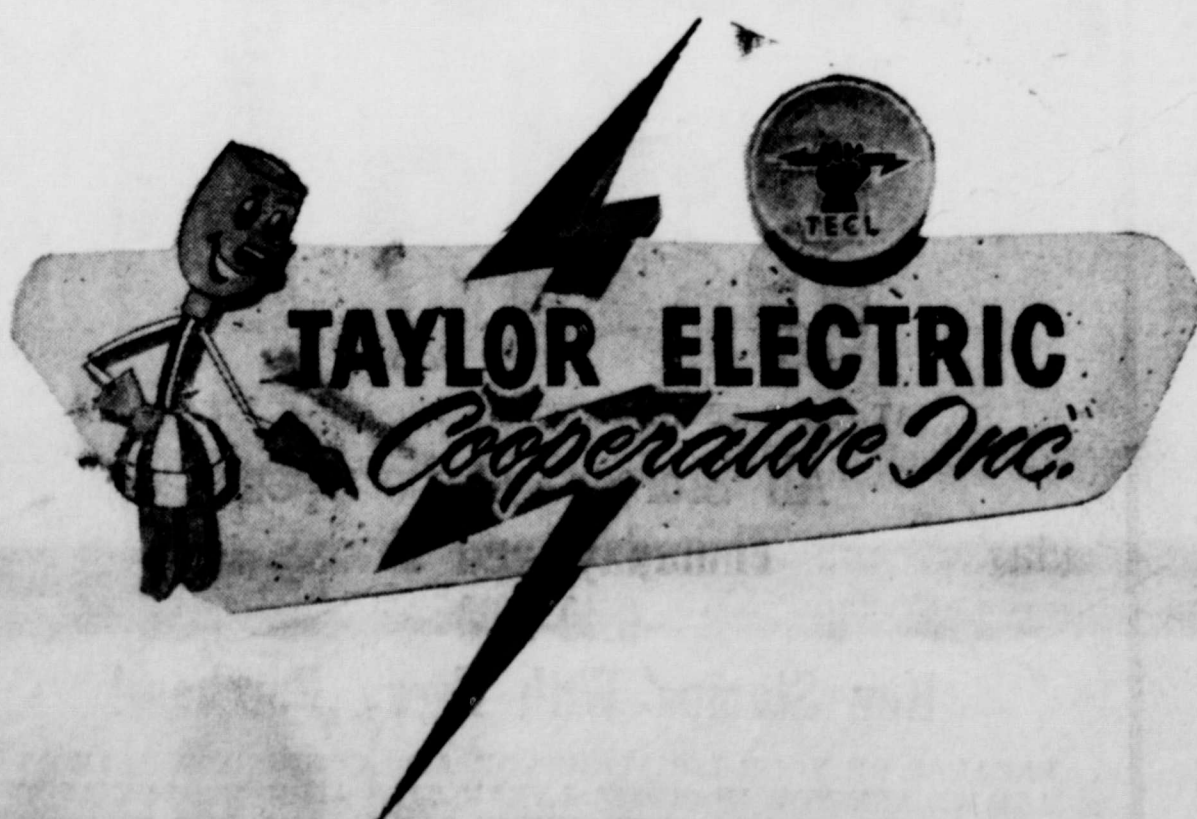
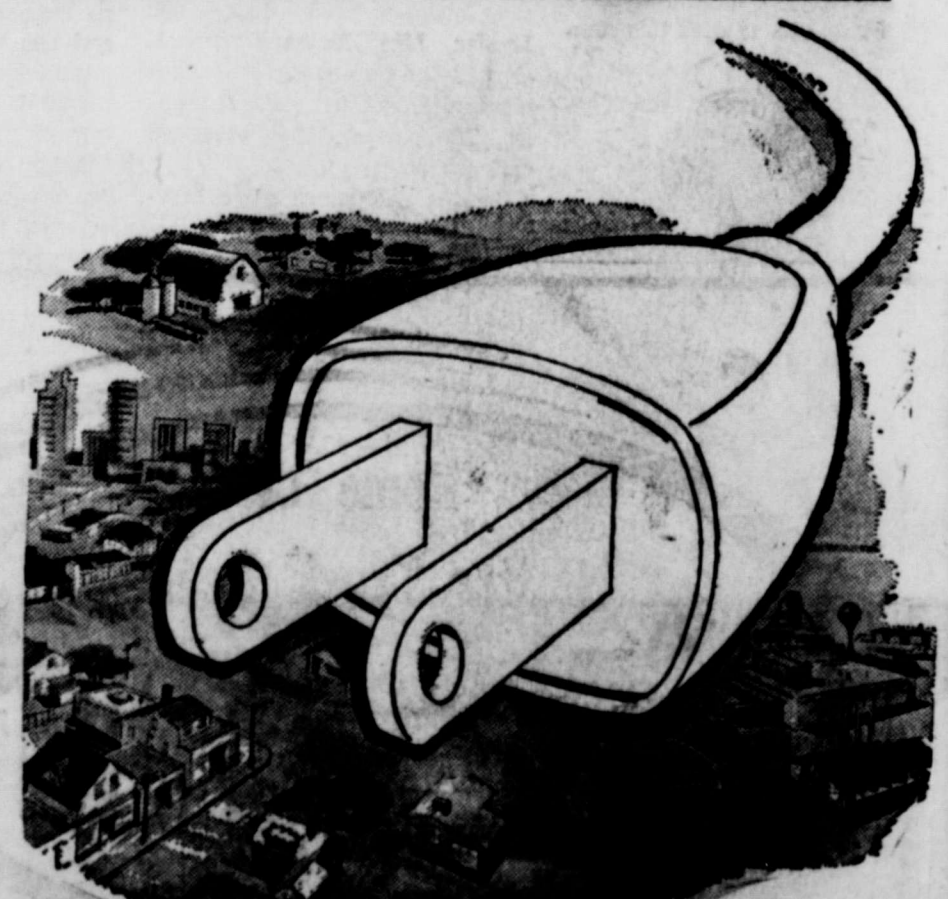
I hope that you will attend the 1971 Annual Meeting — we have planned an enjoyable program and barbecue dinner for you.

For myself and on behalf of all employees, I would like to take this opportunity to say, "Thank You."



SCHEDULE

- 9 a.m. Registration
- Entertainment
- Noon - Barbecue Lunch
- 1:20 p.m. Business Meeting
- Directors Meeting to Follow



LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Sheriff's Sale,
Delinquent Tax Suit
THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TAYLOR
SHERIFF'S SALE

WHEREAS, on the 15th day of
December, 1971, in Cause No.
33,183-A in the District Court of

Taylor County, Texas, wherein
the City of Merkel, Merkel Inde-
pendent School District, the State
of Texas and Taylor County were
Plaintiffs, recovered judgment
against V. O. Balch, Laura L.
Balch and J. L. Tucker, if living,
and if any and all of the above
named Defendants be dead the un-
known heirs of each and all of
said above named persons who
may be dead; and the un-
known heirs of the unknown
heirs of said above named per-
sons; and the unknown owner or
owners of the hereinafter describ-
ed land; and the executors, ad-
ministrators, guardians, legal rep-
resentatives, legatees, devisees
of the above named persons, who
own or claim some interest in
the herein described real property
which is situated in Merkel, Tay-
lor County, Texas, who were duly
served with process by means of
citation by publication, for taxes,
penalty, interest and cost against
the hereinafter described property.

WHEREAS, on the 31 day of
March, 1972, by virtue of said
judgment and the mandates there-
of the Clerk of the above men-
tioned District Court of said Coun-
ty did cause to be issued an Or-
der of Sale commanding me as
Sheriff of said county to seize,
levy upon, and sell in the manner
and form as required by law the
hereinafter described property:

WHEREAS, by virtue of said
judgment and said Order of Sale
and the mandates thereof I did on
the 31 day of March, 1972, seize
and levy upon as the property of
the above defendants the follow-
ing described property, situated
in Merkel, Texas, to-wit:

(Said description showing the
number of acres, original survey,
locality in county, and name by

which said property is most gen-
erally known.)

Beginning at the southwest cor-
ner of Block 2, College Addition
to the City of Merkel, Taylor Coun-
ty, Texas, for the beginning point
of this tract of land;

THENCE North 75 feet to the
northwest corner of this tract of
land;

THENCE East 140 feet to a
point for the northwest corner of
this tract of land;

THENCE South .75 feet to the
southeastern corner of this tract
of land;

THENCE West 140 feet to the
place of beginning; said tract of
land being in the Southwest cor-
ner of Block 2, City of Merkel,
Taylor County, Texas.

And I will on the first Tuesday
in the Month of May, 1972, the
same being the 2nd day of the
month, proceed to sell all the
right, title and interest of the De-
fendants in and to said property at
the Court House door of said coun-
ty in the city or town of Abilene
between the hours of 10:00
a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to the high-
est bidder for cash, provided,
however, that none of said prop-
erty shall be sold to the owner
of said property directly or indi-
rectly or to anyone having an
interest therein or to any party
other than a taxing unit which
is a party to this suit for less than
the amount of the adjudged value
of said property or the aggregate
amount of judgments against said
property in said suit, which ever
is lower, subject also to the right
of the Defendants to redeem
same in the time and manner pro-
vided by law and subject also to
the right of the Defendants to
have said property divided and
sold in less division than the
whole.

DATED at Abilene, Texas, this
31 day of March, 1972.

RAY TRAMMELL, Sheriff
By R. P. Blackley, Deputy Tay-
lor County, Texas 6 3tc

LEGAL NOTICE

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To any Sheriff or any Constable
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You are hereby commanded to
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per printed in Taylor County,
Texas, the accompanying citation,
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TO: Joe Nasario Sanchez, De-
fendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COM-
MANDED to appear before the
Honorable Domestic Relations
Court of Taylor County at the
Court House 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 29th
day of May A.D. 1972, to Plain-
tiff's Petition filed in said court,
on the 10th day of April A.D. 1972,
in this cause, numbered 7070 on
the docket of said court and styl-
ed In Re: Plaintiff, vs. Modesta
Sanchez, et al, Defendant.

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

Issued and given under my hand
and the seal of said court at Abi-
lene, Texas, this the 10th day of
April A.D. 1972,
(Seal)

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
Clerk, Domestic Relations
Court of Taylor County, Texas
By Faye Terry, Deputy. 7 4tc

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County, Texas; that the admin-
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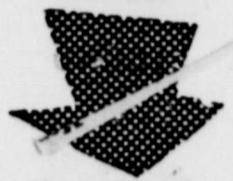
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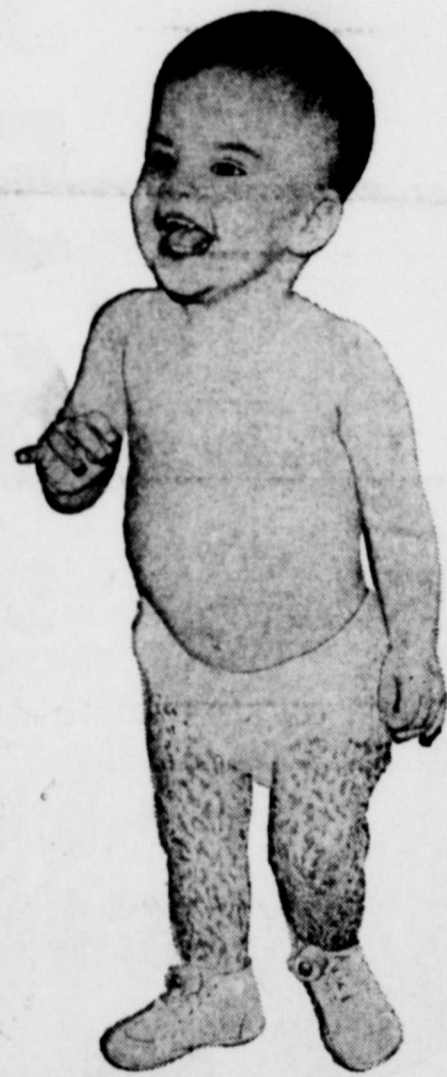
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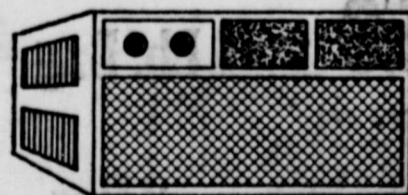
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What Is Salvation (No. 3) ... ITS CONNECTION WITH US

(CORRECTION of mistake in last week's article —
talking about God's wrath, it should have read:
"Numbers 16 not Numbers 1." Sorry.)

If salvation then is the release of the penalty of sin,
the freedom from the guilt of sin, and the establish-
ment of certain spiritual relationships, HOW do we
come in contact with salvation? HOW do we come
to realize and know the release of the penalty of sin,
freedom from guilt etc.? If Jesus died as a propitia-
tion (satisfaction of justice; appeasement of wrath)
HOW do I come to know that benefit? FEELING
alone cannot be sufficient simply because we are to
be judged by the WORD of God not feelings or
opinion (John 12:48).

FIRST let it be understood that God has always
required a "response" in man toward Himself, from
Adam and Eve to Revelation 22:17-19. For one to
say no response is necessary is to say any and EV-
ERY person, "sinner and saint" is automatically
saved and there are too many scriptures to list
which say and teach one cannot be saved living in
sin. So then what response must I give to know sal-
vation? SECOND, let it be understood that this is
NOT a matter of "private interpretation" . . . II
Peter 1:20, 21.

FIRST: John 8:24 "I said therefore unto you, that
ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that
I am he, ye shall die in your sins."

This is given a complete discussion in Acts and Ro-
mans 1-6 as well as many other places. In Romans
the word "faith" in the Greek means and implies
"trust and reliance." One must rely on and trust
in the blood of Jesus to take away the sin not one's
own merit. But faith only will not save (James 2:24)
for the Devil himself believes, James 2:19.

SECOND: One must die to sin. Jesus died because
of sin . . . not his own but ours. He did so to defeat
sin, provide a way for us to be victorious over sin.
We too must die to sin. Luke 13:3; Galatians 5:24.

THIRDLY: Romans 6:1-7. The inspired writer dis-
cusses the relationship of this trusting, relying faith
and death to sin with baptism. Baptism has no sig-
nificance, no meaning without Christ, faith in him
and death to sin. But when its realized that we are
"baptized into his death," and that it is "buried
with him," and a "planted together" one can see the
relationship of baptism and forgiveness of sins as
discussed in Acts 2:38 and one can see:

1 Baptism is a necessary response of the believer
in Christ, "for the remission of sins" (Acts 2:38)
. . . to know salvation — Acts 10:48; 22:16.

2 Baptism as commanded by the Lord and that
meets His approval is a "burial" and a "planting,"
which itself goes back to the meaning of the Greek
word "Baptizo" which means "dip, plunge, im-
merse." Colossians 2:12 makes this clear.

FOURTHLY: I John 1:6-10.

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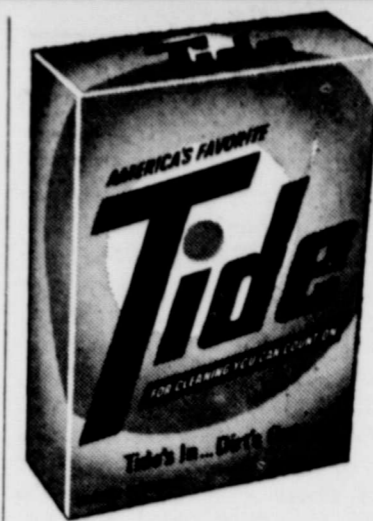
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