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"I'm really disappointed," he

said. He said that he feels that

the government has made a mis-

take in ordering the halt of low

"This part of West Texas is

agricultural oriented," Hart said,

and the economy here depends

on the rural area." He said that

electric cooperatives have done

Hart said that he is uncertain-

what effect the move will have

this year, "but it will definitely

hurt the cooperative program in

He said that Taylor Electric

Cooperative was not planning on

applying for a loan in the near

future. The last loan approved

for the cooperative through REA

was in June of 1971. "Ten per

cent of that last loan was from a

He said that all along the co-

operatives have been trying to

take some strain off the REA

by getting loans from private

Hart said that with problems

similar to this in the past, the

cooperatives have been able to

go to their congressmen for heip.

"They have supported us in the

past." He feels that the coopera-

tives could get some help from

He said "With wholesale pow-

Taylor Electric Cooperative is

about 40 per cent user - owned,

er, labor and everything going

their congressmen now.

up, it will hurt."

according to Hart.

private concern," Hart said,

cost loans by the REA.

a lot for rural America.

the future."

January 13th

gers Take Victory

All Three Games

erkel Badgers brought home

fourth place trophy from H-

s annual basketball tourna-

at hosted by the Cowboy Club.

er defeating Seymour 62-41

irsday, Dec. 28, the young

kel cagers bowed to Abilene

h's Junior Varsity 66-53 as the

V's made their championship

aim. Jacksboro edged Merkel

o 4th slot after a 57-44 victory

Senior Steve Teaff was named

re All - Tournament Team in

v sion I. He also set a record

DATEBOOK

THURSDAY, JAN. 4

turday.

The Men of The West, and the lewers "Rehab '73" Orchestra and Chorus,

This year the color telecast will be seen at 8:00 p.m., Saturday, January 13 on KRBC-TV. Abilene: KACB-TV, San Angelo; KSEL-TV, Lubbock; and KSWO-TV, Lawton, Oklahoma.

"Rehab '73," the third annual lecast, not only spotlights top ntertainers in a fast-paced prouction, but also provides a vele for telling the unique story the West Texas Rehabiliation ster, A private, Non-profit inution serving the handicapped the Southwest.

During the course of the propport for this multi-faceted enter. Special WATS lines will be provided for viewers throughout Texas and Oklahoma,

The telecast is the kick-off for the year-round funding program for the Center which offers a variety of diagnostic and rehabilitation services to the handicapped regardless of race, creed, color, geographical residence or financial circumstance.

Now in it's twentieth year of operation, the West Texas Rehabiliaion Center has served more than 19,000 handicapped persons, and currently has an active patient list of 700.

of 11 free throws in one single

Tuesday, Jan. 2, Merkel's vic-

tory over the Albany Lions was

tested by all three teams. The

Badgerettes won by a 33-28 mar-

The "B" boys had a runaway

score of 20-8 in the first quarter

the A team flashed by the Lion's

The Badgers are gaining con-

fidence and experience and will

be competition in the conference

The Basketmaker Club includes:

with final tally 38-25.

against 33

the State Board of Education is expected to vote January 13 for Lee R. Stanley Rites to Be Held

members, report here January 9

They face a mountain of prob-

lems, the magnitude of some still

Revising the present method of

financing public school education

stands at the top of the list - de-

pending on a U.S. Supreme Court

If the High Court upholds a

three - judge federal ruling in

San Antonio just over a year ago.

lawmakers are under orders to

revise the present system which

is keyed to property taxes. A re-

versal could allow more time, but

ing regular session.

ruling yet to come.

Lee R. Stanley, 83, of Merkel, a retired farmer, died at 12:45 a.m. Tuesday in a Midland hospital after a short illness. Funeral will be at 3 p.m. Thursday in the Nocdle First Baptist Church.

The Rev. Elton Story, pastor, will officiate, Burial will follow in Rose Hill Cemetery at Merkel under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home of Merkel.

Born June 28, 1888, in Sparta. Tenn., he moved with his parents to Bell County at the age of six months and was raised near Sherman. He moved to Taylor County in 1901 and married Mable Coates Sept. 6, 1908, at Stith. She died in 1955. A member of the First Baptist Church of Noodle, he had served as a deacon there for many years

Survivors are two sons, Howard of Midland and Vernon of Merkel; two daughters, Mrs. Buddy Evans of Midland and Mrs. Sherwood Tucker of Richardson; a brother, Joe of Sherman; nine grandchildren and one greatgrand - child

The Purple and White suits of Pallbearers will be M. T. Head. Hollis Irvin, Ross Merritt, Elbert defense to stack up 64 points Foster Neill Newsom and Hubert

AUSTIN - Texas legislators, a complete state financing of bawith new leadership in both houssic education costs spread over a es and a swarm of first - term period of several years, regardless of the Supreme Court decifor their expected history - mak-

Lawmakers are hopeful of avoiding a major tax fight, but again the school finance case may completely upset those hopes.

Among other major items for legislators' consideration are

-Reform of the legislative process itself and state government in general, including a new code of ethics law, a revised lobby control act and revision of campaign finance reporting require-

-Overhaul of state election laws to provide a new method of financing party primaries and possibly moving voting dates for primaries.

-Court reform.

-Redoing the legislative and congressional redistricting of 1971.

POLLUTION MAJOR JOB Atty. Gen. - elect John Hill assigned top priority in his new administration to tackling a heavy backlog of pollution cases.

Hill said he also plans heavy emphasis on consumer protection, including a fresh package of legislation in the field, and combatting organized crime through a special five - member task force of attorneys.

The incoming Attorney General said pollution not only damages the quality of life but is a serious economic factor, especially along the industrialized Gulf

He pledged to seek accelerated docketing of the air and water pollution cases submitted by state agencies and fast prosecution by

CAMPUS TROUBLED - An "extremely volatile" situation on the campus of the University of Texas at El Paso led to sudden appointment of a new president

Dr. Arleigh B. Templeton was dispatched to the troubled campus from the new UT-San Antonio which he had been picked earlier to serve as president.

USDA Announces REA Loan Change

Texas Electric Cooperatives may be in for hard times if the federal order to halt low - cost direct loans by the Rural Electrictrification Administration is car-

The order, announced by the Agricultural Department Friday, is expected to save the government \$279 million this fiscal year, which ends next June 30. It will be effective Jan. 1.

Officials said that REA will continue loaning money, but that funds must be raised from sales of government - insured securities to private investors and not come from tax revenues as in

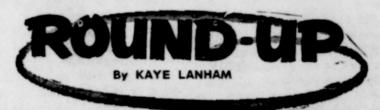
The order will also more than double the interest rates on REA loans made to cooperative electric and telephone facility borrowers; from a two per cent annual rate in effect since 1944 to

Don Hart, general manager of a shock.



DON HART ... TEC Manager

the Taylor Electric Cooperative, said that the Agriculture Department order was a surprise and



MRS. D. W. ASHBY sent in her land Hospital in Dallas. subscription renewal recently a note inside. In the note she said "I have been a subscriber since 1906. It's a dear little paper to me." This is the kind of notes we like to receive.

MISS IVA NELLE BOCKMAN spent the Christmas holidays with her brother and his wife, the Rev. and Mrs. Bockman of Lela, Tex-

MARY COLLINS visited her brother in Wilcox, Ariz, and other family members in Tucson over the Christmas holidays. She flew there for a few days.

LUM GILBREATH'S daughter, Geneva Gilbreath visited him over the Christmas holidays. She is an X-ray technician at Park-

Enjoy Three-Day Trip

MRS. JOHN OLIVER and Dr. Eleanor Weldon of Sweetwater, formerly of Merkel, spent the Xmas holidays at Fredrick, Md., visiting with Dr. Weldon's daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie McHearn. They also visited in Georgia with Dr. Weldon's son, Joe Weldon.

Square Dance Club Lessons Ask

The Levi's and Lace Square Dance Club has had requests to start another session of square dancing lessons. Anyone interested in taking lessons should contact Vernon Wade, 928-4742, Loretta Young, 928-4736 or 928-4902,

Also for further information call 928-4830 or 928-5717,

Tennis Tourney To Be Held Feb. 3

The Abilene Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor a table tennis tournament February 3, 1973 at Rose Park Gymnasium. Age groups will be 12 and under, 13-16, and 17 and over, and everyone is eligible. Entry deadline is February 1, and trophies will be awarded to each division winner. For further information contact Rose Park Recreation Center in Abilene at 673-4937.

New Librarian Is Announced

The Merkel Library board of directors announced Tuesday the hiring of Mrs. Pete Morgan as librarian, Mrs. Morgan will take over the duties due to the death of Mrs. G. D. McConnell.

Mrs. Ray Wilson, chairman of the board announced the library will remain open on Wednesday afternoon 2-5 and Saturday from

Other board members include Mrs. O. H. Griffin, treasurer, Mrs. Darla Mawson and Leon

Senior Citizens Meet January 9

Senior Citizens met Dec. 28 for a meeting. Thirty persons attended.

Then Jan, 1 the Senior Citizens held a singing. There were 23 in attendance.

They will have their regular meeting Jan, 9 for their all day luncheon with everyone bringing a covered dish.

The Senior Citizens are still

functioning real well. The weather has held them up some. They want everyone to come to

Christin Collins is president of the chib for this month.

Four Merkel Students

Boys "B" - Johnny Frazier (4), Larry Toliver (11), Billy Watts crammed a lot of education and (4), Steve Shugart (8), Steve sightseeing into three fun filled days last week. Linda Black, Ka-Peach (2), Doug Hutchings (9). thy Cox, Neilon Ely and Steve Girls "A" - Patsy Button (17), Walker left Merkel Wednesday Linda Black (2), Neta Stephan morning with their sponsor, Mrs. (10), and Jerri Stephan(4). Ruth Windsor, First stop was the Boys "A" - Steve Teaff (19), largest cave in Texas, the Long-Robert Morgan (5), Terry Read horn Cavern near Burnet.

Austin was next and the day (2), David Copeland (3), Darel there was filled with a wide va-Bunch (9), John Gray (2), Jeff riety of activities. The Texas Cox (14) and Jackie Sims (10). State Library, home of Texas Historical documents and several of the libraries of the University of Texas were examined. Being packed like sardines into a tiny elevator in the Main University

Four Merkel senior librarians Library stacks was fun, Rare books (so expensive that it would take hundreds of dollars to buy even one shelf full) were exam-

> The Texas Capital and Stephen F. Austin's grave in the State Cemetery were historically educational. The group was glad to see that the Parks and Wildlife display of all native Texas animals include a big, fat, stuffed badger Climbing 100 steps in the dark

up the side of Mt. Bonnell resulted in a breathtaking view of Austin with Christmas lights, street lights and clear starry skies in a magnificent blend, Notable

was one of the world's tallest artificial Christmas trees, beautifully decorated.

Some time in Austin was saved for shopping in the huge Highland Mall, but the last stop was a fun tour over narrow walks and bridges through the fantastic Japanese Garden in Zilker Park,

The Aquarena in San Marcos was the next interesting visit. Being in a submarine was a new experience and the underwater theater was full of surprises. After a big supper and a short sleep in San Antonio Thursday night, the group got up early to do the town. In Brackenridge Park, the third largest zoo in the world was

covered thoroughly. Photos were taken in the Sunken Garden and a ride on the world's largest miniature railway was scenic and

Downtown was the Alamo and the historic little shops in LaVillita. Last was a visit to the world's largest collection of circus inf rmation and mementoes, which is located in a San Antonio Public Library

Nobody had to be rocked to sleep when the good beds of home were finally reached after midnight Friday. And nobody will ever forget the memorable three days which finished up 1972.



STEVE WALKER



NEILON ELY



KATHY COX



LINDA BLACK

ERKEL 4-H CLUB will meet :30 at Taylor Electric Build-DIES AUXILIARY will meet

e Fire Station at 7:30. MONDAY, JAN, 8

FGULAR 2ND MONDAY night ng will be at Victory Baptist ch at 7:00. Public is invited. Sipes is president.

TUESDAY, JAN. 9

NCE meeting at eroid Restaurant,

IZENS will have eting, with everycovered dish, at izens Bldg.

WAR I VETERANS Auxiliary will meet at he Taylor Electric Co-

GHTLY STUDY CLUB at Mrs. Don Dudley's

EDNESDAY, JAN. 10

H HOME DEMONSTRA-CLUB will meet at 2:00 the Stith Community Cenmembers are urged to

Brownie News By LOYCE BAKER

Brownie Troop 103 met Tuesday, December 9 at the Scout Hut for their Christmas party, Several mothers and younger brothers and sisters attended, in addition to the thirteen members.

The girls exchanged gifts and then presentd the gifts they had made to their mothers. These were canister sets and they made desk pads and a pencil holder for their daddys.

Mrs. Don Glasscock, troop leader, gave each girl a plate with the girl's own personal drawing on them. They were sent off and baked onto the mellmac plates, Our thanks to Mrs. Glasscock for the nice keepsake gift and for her work with the Brownies.

Boll Weevil Eradication Experiment Called Success

RALEIGH - Cotton Incorporated's top pest expert declared here that the two - year long pilot boll weevil eradication experiment, now nearing completion, is showing every sign of proving successful and that total eradication of the billion - dollar pest throughout the U.S. cotton belt is a definite possibility.

Dr. George A. Slater said potential federal funding for a nationwide eradication program likely could come from the rural development act of 1972, which authorizes grants of up to \$50 million a year for pollution abatement and control projects in rural areas.

"We have the weevil on the run and intend to run him all the way back to his native land of tortillas and senoritas," Slater told an audience attending a special "cotton momentum" meeting sponsored by Cotton Incorporated.

Dr. Slater is manager of entomology research for the research, sales and marketing company sponsored by America's 300,000 cetton growers through their dollar - per - bale program,

The scientist said pollution abatement funding for an all-out eradication effort could be justified because eliminating the boll weevil would reduce the amount of insecticides used on cotton by more than half.

He warned that beltwide eradication would demand critical planning and enormous sums of money, which would call into play the combined resources of federal and state governments and the cotton industry

"But I don't believe it would require any more money than it presently costs to live with the .weevil in an average year," he

NOTICE

If your club or organization is having a meeting, we would like to know about it.

Call or write in the time, place and when before noon Tuesday.

This is one of the new features of the Merkel Mail, Pho. 328-5712.

The Merkel Mail reserves the and edit for good taste.

Slater reported that the first 18 months of the two - year pilot eradication experiment have reduced weevil numbers to an all-

"The count is so low, in fact. that it is difficult to find one,"

He predicted that after controls are applied next spring, weevil populations will average less than one per acre.

The piloo eradication experiment covers some 3,000 cotton acres in south Mississippi, with buffer zones embracing another 20,000 acres, which extend outward in concentric circles into portions of Alabama and Louisiana.

The impact of the project is having far - reaching effects, Slater told his audience of cotton producers and representatives of cotton industry groups and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

"The momentum generated by the experiment is being felt by all of agriculture. Other commodities are looking to see how cotton producers have developed such

Cotton Incorporated has put over \$1 million into the eradication experiment, making it the largest single investment of producer funds for agricultural research Other funding has come from the State of Mississippi and USDA,

Slater said many sections of the rural development act of 1972, which is administered by the Farmers Home Administration of USDA, are applicable to beltwide eradication of the boll weevil.

'We urge all cotton interest groups and governmental agencies here to begin now to explore the possibilities for federal funding offered in the act," he declar-

He cited examples of several practical problems that must be solved before any eradication effort is mounted - establishing effective quarantines for each state, educational programs for indviidual growers, and federal registration of experimental chemicals proven successful and safe in the eradication experiment

Slater also introduced the first public showing of a new 20-minlot eradication experiment step-

He said the film will be avaiiable immediately for showing to

AUTO FACTS



Take Care When Buying **Childrens Winter Clothing**

outdoor winter clothing should keep him warm and dry - but not too warm.

Marilyn Brown, consumer education-clothing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University, offered some points on selecting and using winter wear.

'Since he is very active, a child can overheat if dressed too warmly. If then chilled suddenly, his resistance to colds, chapped skin and sore throat may be lowered." For this reason, care should be taken in selecting and buying

Points to consider involve the fabric, fabric and garment desuitability or purpose, and cost," she continued.

"To determine if a garment is ute color film produced by Cotton really warm, examine how the Incorporated, documenting the pi- fabric is put together. Fabric layers give warmth by creating space that traps air around the body.

Wool and acrylic fibers, pile right to limit length of stories producer groupss throughout the fabrics and quilted fabrics provide warmth. The thicker the pile or

COLLEGE STATION-A child's the heavier the quilting, the warmer the garment.

> "Fabrics without bulk aren't as warm. All fabrics should be closely woven and put together in several layers," Miss Brown

> 'Generous hems and securely stitched seams add to the wearing qualities. Lining for the sleeves - and the rest of the garment - should be warm. A cuff on the sleeve also helps keep cold air out."

> For practicality, choose a "child - pleasing" garment from the many colors and designs available - and be sure it's one he can put on and take off by

> "To stay warm and healthy, a child should wear warm clothing with waterproof shoes, dry socks, mittene or gloves, and a good covering for his head and ears," the specialist concluded.

Sergeant Cass On **Duty** in Thailand

U.S. AIR FORCES, Thailand-U.S. Air Force Staff Sergeant Jimmie L. Cass, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray T. Ford of 1412 S. Second, Merkel, is on duty at Ubon Royal Thai AFB, Thailand.

Sergeant Cass, an aircraft mechanic, is a member of the Pacific Air Force (PACAF) which provides tactical air power supporting the U.S. and its allies in Southeast Asia and the Far East. He previously served at Webb

AFB, Tex. His wife, Rosezenia, is the daughter of Charles Brown of 2007 Johnson, Big Spring, Tex.

gifts

A Gift to Warm Their Hearts

Do you have a party-giver, a homemaker, a picnicker, a camper or a boating buff on your Christmas gift list? Chances are they've all had more than their share of cooled down cups of coffee and would welcome a gift of Dinex insulated tableware. Made by the makers of the Thermos brand vacuum bottle, the people who know a lot about keeping things hot or cold, this insulated tableware has a handsome contemporary appearance with the look, feel and style of

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resistant scratches and stains, Dinex insulated ware is dishwasher-safe which makes it ideal for casual dining at home. (NP Features)

3 New Courses Offered by H-SU

ABILENE - Three courses will be offered in the newly approved Language and Learning Disabilities program at Hardin - Simmons University with the spring term beginning Friday, Jan. 19.

Taught by Dr. Imogene Bagwell, coordinator of special education and in charge of the program, the courses are Introduction to Language and Learning Disabilities, Assessing and Teaching the Language and Learning Disabled Child, and Individual Educational Programs for the Language and Learning Disabled. The courses are graduate level courses but may also be taken by seniors.

Scheduled as night classes, the Introduction to LLD course will be at 6:00-8:45 p.m. on Thursday. The Assessing and Teaching course will be at 6:00-8:45 p.m. on Monday and the Individual Educational Program course will be at 6:00-8:45 on Tuesday.

With the State Board of Education's approval of the Language and Learning Disabilities program, Hardin - Simmons University is the only institution in this immediate area which is able to certify teachers under the pro-

Teachers in the Big County have a need for this new program in order to get certification, said Dr. Bagwell. "Most of the people who need this certification are currently employed," explained Dr. Bagwell, "but many others are recognizing the need in Texas for teachers in this field. We expect more and more persons to become interested in the field."

Dr. Bagwell said that projected figures in the Region 14 Education Service Center revealed that about 350 teachers of langue.ge and learning disabled will be needed in this area by 1976.

The H-SU program will be a basic 18 - hour program, Prerequisites for certification will be a bachelor's degree and qualification for a valid Texas provisional teaching certification in elementary or secondary education, said

CEMETERY FUND

Recent donations to the Merkel Cemetery Association include: Ruby Moore Lawrence

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of Marie McConnell Mr. and Mrs. Peck Eager in memory of Marie McConneil

Vet Questions And Answers

O - My wife served in the Marine Corps during World War I. She passed away several years ago, but her illness and death had nothing to do with her military service. I hear there is some kind of new law allowing widowers like me to get a VA pension. Is this true?

itation for the pension.

Q - My husband was killed the Army in Vietnam and I would like to enroll in a well known university in Paris, France. Will VA help me do this?

ed veterans

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A - Yes. This is Public La 92-540. But there is an income lin

A - Yes. If you are eligible for assistance under the Dependents' Educational Assistance Program, you many now attend approved foreign institutions of higher learn-

Q - My brother is blind from a Vietnam war injury. He's home now but we can't seem to get him interested in living again, Isn't VA doing anything about young men like him?

A - VA recently entered into an agreement with the Blinded Veterans Association for B.V.A. representatives, themselves blind, to augment VA services to blind-



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MASONIC MEETING Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710 on 2nd Saturday and 4t4h Thursday of each month

7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome. tembers urged to attend. JOHN DAVIS, W.M. ROY MASHBURN, Sec'y.

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Dear Dolly: My hair is Dullsville. What's a good hair

A: This Fall, the condition and the color of your hair will be more important than ever. Now that fashion's jumped on the camel caravan - with the whole range of beige, tan and sandy shades taking precedence over brighter maple leaf colors - it's absolutely essential that your hair doesn't look

"washed out." A drab, lifeless looking head of hair makes 100 skin look dingy too, which is another reason you might want to consider adding

a little sparkle to your crown-Rather than going to a whole new haircolor, I suggest you try "sunlighting" your present color. Have the hairdresser add a few streaks of paleness, for example, or random glints of red. This subtle color variation looks remarkably natural. It gives hair a soft brightness that sets off all this Fall's camel and gray flannel colors, plus the

new ice cream pastels as well. "Sunlit" hair may be the topper, but a slim figure is still the foundation. If you need to take off a few pounds added over vacation, do it right now - the easy way with Slender diet food from Carnation. Substitute a Slender shake for one or more regular meals as needed, and watch those unwanted pounds disappear. One packet mixed with 6 oz. nonfat milk is just 164 calories. Tastes so good, your disposition will be as sunny as your looks!

Brownies Go Blonde

When is a brownie a blonde? When it's a blonde banana brownie, featuring one of the NFL Training Table Foods.

KICK-OFF SPECIAL 3/4 cup sifted all-purpose flour cup granulated sugar

tsp baking powder tsp. salt cup butter cup fully ripe mashed Chiquita banana (one medium banana)

eggs 1/2 cup chopped nuts Blend dry ingredients. Cream butter-with banana and eggs. Beat until well mixed. Add to dry in-Mix in nuts. Pour into a greased 8 x 8 x 2-inch pan. Bake in preheated 350° oven for 30-35 minutes. Cool and cut into 16

Citizens Two Way Radio . . .

Adds To Enjoyment Of Outdoors

As millions of American families prepare to take to the outdoors this spring and summer, one piece of equipment is becoming more and more common - citizens two-way

In some cases this is in the form of a portable for use in the field, but more often it is a unit installed in a vehicle to communicate from a camper, station wagon, boat or even an airplane. Because of the relative low cost and easy operation of this type of radio, it is ideal for emergency communications as well as an aid to the enjoyment of the outdoors. Presently 1.5 million motorists, nearly one out of sixty, are already equipped with this inexpensive, easy-to-use twoway radio.



Fisherman's Friend

Fishermen can communicate with one another whether on land or by boat to determine where they're biting and what bait is most successful. Many small boat operators, particularly on the inland lakes, find CB radio the only practical two-way system they can afford. While present Coast Guard policy does not provide for universal monitoring of CB channels, help can be summoned on Channel 9 and other channels due to the large numbers of volunteer monitors.

Keep in Touch - Anywhere! When camping, family members can communicate for several miles. The "telephone habit" children have developed in the city carries over into twoway radio to relieve parental anxiety so that everyone has more fun. Sudden weather emergencies or medical needs can



be communicated to avoid serious complications caused by

A recent development has aided the whole process. This is the designation of citizens radio Channel 9 as an official motorists assistance and emergency channel by the Federal Communications Commission. In addition to reporting accidents, disasters and other emergencies, motorists can call for road service, traffic information and travel directions to reach a destination.

The chances are excellent, almost anywhere in the country, that your message will be received by one of the tens of thousands of both volunteer and official assistance stations that are listening to the emergency channel 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to handle just such situations as yours. The monitor in turn telephones the nearest appropriate authority and in a matter of minutes, help is on the way.

One nationwide organization, REACT, has approximately 40,-000 trained volunteers. Many independent citizens radio clubs perform similar services. Growing numbers of police departments, fire departments and civil defense organizations are cooperating. All together, the Electronic Industries Association estimates that nearly 3 million citizens radios al-

are in use in homes. coats, on the farm and in vehicles - not only to help out in emergencies but for personal communication by the aver-

Easy to Own and Operate

Citizens radios are as easy to use as a telephone - flip the selector knob to the desired channel, and push a button on the microphone to talk. Release the button to listen. No tests or special technical knowledge are required, but you do need an FCC license, obtainable on request. The fee is \$20 for five years. The requirements for ownership are very simple. Citizens radios can be purchased at many department. stores, electronic distributors and radio shops.

In addition to the emergency frequency, 22 additional channels are available for personal. or business communications. For considerably less than \$150, a radio may be purchased on which you can communicate on all 23 channels.

The Citizens Radio Section of the Electronic Industries Association has an informative pamphlet available that answers many questions about personal citizens two-way radio. It may be obtained by writing to E. I. A. Service Dept., 21 E. Hubbard St., 7th floor, Chicago, Ill. 60611.

Whether you're viewing the football game from the stadium or from an armchair standpoint, an after-the-action snack is in order.

WARM-UP WONDERS 6 firm Chiquita bananas 1/2 cup butter

1/4 cup tequila (optional) Peel bananas and cut length-wise, then in half. Place in buttered baking dish. Melt 1/2 cup butter and add lemon juice and pour over bananas. Add tequila (optional) and bake in pre-heated 350° oven, 20-30 minutes, until fork-tender. Baste

Post-Game Pleasers

If it's a chilly day, why not bake some bananas? They're

cup lemon juice cup brown sugar

several times during baking. Serves 6.

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indicated on the name

plate. The higher the num-

ers which have been tested by Underwriters' Laboratories and bear the mark "UL Listed." Fires are placed in three primary categories: Class A (paper, wood, cloth or plastics); Class B (com-

· Buy only those extinguish-

bustible gases, fats and greases); Class C (electrical appliances and equipment). Though a variety of extinguishers are available for combating each type of fire, the most useful is the multipurpose dry-chemical extinguisher as this is effective on all three fire categories. The extinguisher name plate is clearly marked as to class or classes of fires on which the

extinguisher is effective. · The size of the fire the ex-

ber, the larger the fire which can be put out. For all-purpose protection in the home look for the marking 2-A: 10-B: C. · The location of your extinguishers is vitally important. Always place them where the probability of fire is the highest: the kitchen; the workshop; the basement; the garage. Make certain the members

location and proper use of each extinguisher. · Be sure to recharge or replace your extinguisher after use. A dead extinguisher is worse than none at all, since it offers a

of your family know the

ULCER FACTS

The gastro-intestinal experts at Smith Kline & French Labora-

1) Ulcers afflict all ages, but less than 5 occur under age 24.

2) They're most frequent be-tween ages 35 and 44.

Ulcers are associated with hyperacidity in the stomach.

With proper medical care, healing takes six to eight weeks, but 80-90% of ulcers

6) To avoid flareups, the victim must learn how to handle stress.

'Ducon', a new pleasant tast-ing antacid helps neutralize excessive stomach acid.

tories report:

false sense of security. No matter how prepared you think you may be for a home fire emergency, UL advises that you first get everyone out of the dwelling and then call the fire department. Then attempt to fight the fire with a portable extinguisher, but always keep an avenue of escape open in case the fire rages out of control.

Be Prepared For A Home Fire Emergency

Over 6000 people have lost their lives in home fires this year and approximately 700 million dollars in residential property has gone up in smoke. These figures are grim reminders that fire re-

Although a home fire extinguisher is not a cure-all for home

fires, it is your first line of defense and can stop a fire before it takes a life or destroys your home. But it must be bought knowl-

edgeably, maintained properly and used correctly. Underwriters'

mains the No. 1 cause of accidental deaths in the home.

DAIRY BAR



MRS. ELWYN MANSFIELD ... formerly Laura Wynn

Couple Exchange Vows Saturday, December 30th

Laura DeAnn Cunningham Wynn candlelabra with white candles and Elwyn Vernon (Mack) Mansfield exchanged marriage vows Saturday Dec. 30 at 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.

The bride's parens are Mrs. Okla, and Larry D. Cunningham, Cklahoma City, Okla. Parents of the bridegroom are Mrs. Vernon Mansfield and the late Mr. Mans-

The Rev. Van J. M. Gauthe, pastor of Central Baptist Church in Italy, Texas officiated.

Maid of honor was Miss Kathy Mansfield, sister of hte groom. Best man was Charles Lynn

Russell of Sweetwater. Ushers were Roger T. Moore of Austin and Tommy Joe Higgins of Hamlin.

The bride wore a floor-length gown of peach colored chiffon, empire style with ivory lace oodice over the chiffen. Her bouquet was nosegay of green, yellow, and peach carnations,

Alter decorations was a basket of salmon colored gladioli, two

POLICE BUSINESS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS Merkel Police

Department

Reception was held at the church. Assisting with the reception was Mrs. Eddie Carter, Merkel: Mrs. Robert Leamon, Austin; Clark F. Gordon, of Midwest City, and Mrs. Charles Lynn Russell

> Tre bride is a 1964 graduate of Midwest City High School in Oklahoma. She is a graduate of Oklahoma City University and did graduate work at the University of Oklahoma. She is a member of Delta Zeta Sorority, Sigma Alpha Iota, Pi Kappa Lambda, Cardinal Key Honor Fraternity, Who's Who Among Students in American College and Universities. The bride is employed by the Austin Independent School District as a teacher.

The bridegroom is a 1963 graduate of Merkel High School. He is a graduate of Cisco Junior College, and a December graduate of the University of Texas at Austin. He was a member of the track team at Cisco Junior College. The bridegroom has served two years in the United States Army. He will begin work in January as a power consultant with the Houston Light and Power Company.

The couple will make their home in Houston.

Achievement ABC's Make 4-H'ers Better Citizens

Early Speech Developments "The medical services a child receives during his first year should include at least one check of his hearing ability," according to David Smith, di-rector of the Beltone Crusade for Hearing Conservation.

The crusade, sponsored by Chicago-based Beltone Electronics Corporation, world leader in hearing aids and electronic hearing test instru-ments, is designed to build public awareness of the vital need for hearing conserva-

Early hearing loss detecchild learns to speak by imitating the sounds he hears, and speech patterns usually start to develop during a child's first year. Also, there is an indication the is an indication the sounds a child hears as early as age three months can affect speech development.

Unfortunately, for many children suffering from con-genital hearing losses, their problems are not identified until poor speech patterns have developed-patterns that can be very difficult to re-

While children less than a year old can not be given hearing tests comparable to those given older children and adults, there are procedures that can indicate an infant may have a hearing problem.

Also, "high-risk" infants including those born prema-turely, those who have a brother or sister with a hear-ing problem, or those whose family has a history of hear-ing impairments – should be given particularly close scrutiny for indications of possible

Plug-in Timer Is New for Holidays

A relative newcomer to the list of household necessities, the automatic timer already shows signs of be-coming the homemaker's best friend.

It will start the morning coffee, wake you to the sound of a favorite radio program and turn the house lights on and off whether you're home or not.

Now, in time for Christmas, General Electric has introduced a new plug-in timer with both manual and automatic settings that not only does all of these things, but plugs directly into a wall outlet without taking up valuable counter space or adding to the maze of wires around the baseboard. Just plug the timer nto an electrical outlet and then plug the appliance or lamp into the front of the

It's ideal for turning on outdoor Christmas tree lights providing the cord is indoors. All you have to do is set the timer and the tree lights go on automatically, day after day, until you change the setting.

The plug-in-timer controls appliances up to 1800 watts and lamps to 840 watts. For added convenience, an override knob on the front of the timer allows one to turn lamps or appliances on or off without disturbing either the automatic or manual settings.



... formerly Carolyn Brady

Miss Brady, Mr. Nichols Wedding Held Dec. 23rd

Carolyn Marie Brady and Dewey Lon Nichols were married Saturday, Dec. 23, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and

Mrs. Henry Brady. Bridegroom is the son of Mrs. J. B. Nichols and the late J. B.

Nichols Sr. O. B. Proctor, minister at 14th and Oak Street Church of Christ. Abilene, officiated.

Elaine Brady was her sister's maid of honor. Ricky Thomas was best man,

The couple will live at 211 Oak Street.

The bride attends Merkel High

The bridegroom, a graduate of Noodle High School, is employed by Coca-Cola Bottling Co, in Abi-

Fresh Blackeyed Peas

Het Rolls, Butter

Oven Fried Chicken

Pineapple Pie

Petato Salad

Green Beans

Hot Rolls, Butter

Gravy

SCHOOL MENU

MONDAY

Turkey Tacos, Ranch Style Beans Whipped Potatoes Corn Bread Muffins

Milk Peaches with Whipped Topping

TUESDAY

Beef Cheese Pizza Pinto Beans Cabbage-Pepper Relish Whole Wheat Bread, Butter Milk

Apple Cheese Crisp WEDNESDAY Salmon Croquettes

Catsup Macaroni and Cheese

Fruit Cup FRIDAY Hamburgers Oven French Fries

THURSDAY

Lettuce, Onions, Pickles, toma-

Banana Pudding

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chievement haracter SPECIAL - "When a the nation's largest national 4-H event will be 51 state young person joins 4-H, he winners in 4-H achievement. takes a giant step toward

becoming an achiever," says Kenneth H. Anderson, associate director of the National 4-H Service Committee, Chicago.

"In every project and activity a 4-H member undermeasure of success - to achieve. It may be learning a new skill, being of service to others, developing leadership abilities or achieving a much sought after goal," the Committee's spokesman explained.

Anderson also noted that the 1972 National 4-H Congress, scheduled in Chicago, Nov. 26-30, will bring together 1,600 of the nation's top 4-H achievers. All will have earned the right to represent their state through achievements in specially designated programs supervised by the Cooperative Extension

Selected by their respective state extension services, the young achievers will receive their expense-paid trips to state. Chicago from Ford Motor Company Fund.

During National 4-H Contakes, he is bound to earn a gress 12 members of the group will be named national winners of \$600 scholarships given by the Ford Fund and two will be designated presidential award winners.

In anticipation of the arrival of this year's crop of young 4-H achievers, Anderson recalled some of the specific accomplishments of the gail Frampton of Ra-

mona, Calif., worked with seeing eye dogs for the blind. Karen Karr, Elmont, N.Y., spent a summer working and living with eight homeless girls at a children's home. And since has found time to fice can provide information do volunteer service in a day care center.

Before being named one of the 1971 4-H presidential award winners, Rachel Koontz of Fort Wayne, Ind., had twice been designated "best girl scientist" in her

Two young men, Robert H. Foree, Campbellsburg, Ky., and Neal Nygard, Minot, N.D., have taken active roles in their home farm operations. Each owns a sizable interest in his family's beef herd. And young Nygard, an accomplished speaker and a 1971 presidential award winner recently narrated the National 4-H Service Committee's new film - National 4-H Congress, a Challenge for Tomorrow.

Anderson also noted that some 8,500 boys and girls are expected to earn county medal awards in the national 4-H achievement program this

The county extension ofon how youth can start becoming achievers in 4-H.



STARR NURSING

By MARY OUTLAW

Christmas is over and a New Year has begun. The patients had a very lovely Xmas thanks to their relatives and friends. It has been a very good year for most of the patients, not much sickness but a lot of hard work for the staff. I am very pleased to have such good people to work for me and take such good care salad good. of the patients.

Each Wednesday afternoon Mr. Norris Lineweaver comes to the Nursing Home and shows movies, which is made possible through federal funds by L.O.V.E., which means Library Outreach Volunteer Effort and comes from the Abilene Public Library, All the patients who can attend enjoy them. We appreciate Mr. Lineweavers interest in bringing the program to the Nursing Home.

Mrs. Callie Newsom and Mrs. Lucy Ford brought the ladies lap robes for Xmas. They were made by the T.E.L. Sunday School Class of First Baptist and Mrs. R. E. Friend. Church of Merkel. We appreciate them very much.

The Trent Elementary 1st and and put it up in the Chapel, Mrs. Frazier is their teacher, Mrs. Raymond Kincaid and Carlton brought it and put it up. Thank you very much. It was very Department of the First Baptist M., during Xmas, We were happy thoughtful of you all to do such a nice deed for the elderly people.

Gloria West of Abilene visited

home during Xmas holidays.

There were many who went home for Xmas and we were very happy to have them go, Miss Ila Mae Hughes went to Mrs. Fen- Also visiting Mrs. Douglas was ton Boyd's for lunch.

We want to thank Quannah and Boots Dudley for the box of oranges they brought the Nursing Home. They really made the fruit

Among those that came to sing carols during Xmas was Mrs. Billy Fisher and her Sunday School class from Calvary Baptist Church, W. L. Massey and John Constable and a group also ited Lucile Burleson at Xmas, from the church. The Merkel Elementary School Jr. Red Cross members, sponsored by Earl Bratcher. The Abilene Girl Scout Troop No. 232 from Abilene came and sang carols and served refreshments to everyone. Those attending were Mrs. Dick Richards, Lori Richards, Lynn Beleel, Debbie Thompson, Sandra Jupina, Debra Friend, Katie Richards Petty and Mrs. Elliott,

There were many more but were unable to get their names, but we wish to thank each one 2nd graders class made Xmas who came and we appreciate the decorations and brought a tree time you spent. The best time to come for the patients is early because almost everyone goes to bed may not get back that soon. with the chickens.

Church of Merkel for the fruit box that he could make this trip. they brought.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Seymore of and also a lot from out of town several of the patients in the Wichita Falls, Texas, visited Ila which we were unable to get reg-

We wish to thank Mrs. Buster Hester for bringing the wash rags. Sorry I forgot who made

LEGAL NOTICE OF HEARING

No. 3090 Notice is given that BILL SEN-

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applicant, seeks a permit from the Texas Water Rights Commission to impound 66 acre-feet of reservoir by direct diversion from Elm Creek, tributary of Clear Fork of Brazos River, tributary Prazes River, Brazos River Basin, for non-consumptive recreational purposes in the J. C. Donley Survey, Abstract No. 466, within the city limits of Abilene, Taylor

County, Texas. The NE Corner of the reservoir îs S 69 degrees 10 minutes E, 1190 Date:: December 27, 1972 feet from the NW corner of the

J. C. Donley Survey Abstract No.

Diversion will be from a point on the right or east bank of Elm Creek S 27 degrees 45 minutes E, 965 feet from the NW corner of the aforesaid survey, by means of a portable pump at a maximum rate of 300 gpm (0.67 cfs),

Application No. 3090 was accepted for filing by the Texas Water Rights Commission on December 18, 1972, and a hearing thereon will be held by the Commission in the Sam Houston State Office Building at Austin, Texas, on January 31, 1973, at 10:00 a.m. water in an existing off - channel Those opposing the granting of here, A and B boys, A girls said application should file written protests with the Commission and the applicant at least five days prior to hearing date, giving their reasons therefor and such A and B boys, A girls other information as is required by Commission Rule 305.2.

O. F. Dent, Chairman TEXAS WATER RIGHTS

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Clarkson of Batesville, Miss., visited her mother. Mrs. Douglas during Xmas. Mr. and Mrs. Jay Robbins of Sonora and Mr. and Mrs. Fats Henderson of Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Reynolds and daughter, Rhonda of Lubbock visited his mother, Mrs. Altha Reynolds last week

Thank you Mr. Gordon Howe of Abilene for bringing the nice books and magazines to the home, Mrs. Homer Laney, Tye, vis-

Visiting Celia Hester during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Billy Young, Mrs. I. B. Bryan and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bryan.

Mrs. Lou Petty and Mrs. Laura Elliott had birthdays this month. Mrs. Robert Harris and Mrs. Bill Whisenhunt brought cupcakes to be served to all the patients. They brought cologne to Mrs.

We miss Ted, my son-in-law around the Nursing Home. Thursday, Dec. 28, he received a call to go to Guam and Friday evening he was on his way. We hope that he will be back soon. His time specified was a month, but he

Foster Watts visited his sons We wish to thank the Junior II and other relatives in Hobbs, N.

We had a lot of local visitors istered during the holidays.

them, but they were sure nice. We say again, thank each of

you for your kindness shown our patients and the Nursing Home and wish you all a prosperous

Basketball Schedule

*Jan. 5 (Fri.) - Roscoe, there, A and B boys, A girls

*Jan. 9 (Tues.) - Jim Ned, Jan. 11, 13 (T, S) - Merkel B

Team Tournament, B boys, B girls *Jan. 12 (Fri.) - Baird, there,

*Jan. 16 (Tues) - Asperment, there, A and B boys, A girls. Jan. 19 (Fri.) - Wylie, here,

A and B boys, A girls *Jan. 23 (Tues.) - Rotan, there, A and B boys, A girls. Jan. 25, 27 (T. S.) - Asperment and Mrs. J. B. Harris, all of

45 2tc B Team Tournament, B boys, B Midland and Mrs. J. T. Burns *Jan. 26 (Fri.) - Albany, there, remained for a weeks visit in the

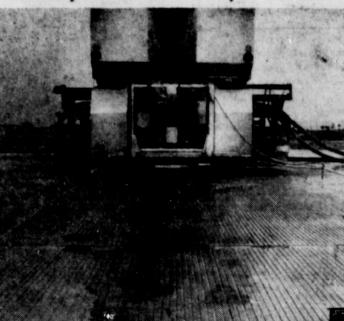
A and B boys, A girls Jan. 30 (Tues.) - Roscoe, here, A and B boys, A grils. *Feb. 2 (Fri.) - Jim Ned, there,

A and B boys, A girls. *Feb. 6 (Tues.) - Baird, here, of Bledsoe, had Christmas din-A and B boys

*Conference Games,



Runway Gets "Groovy" Facelift



Jumbo jet transports dipping out of the air for landing on Detroit Metropolitan's longest runway now have something they can sink their tires into during wet weather. Known as runway grooving, quarter-inch parallel slots cut into the runway's concrete surface have reduced wet weather aircraft stopping distances an average of 40 per cent.

"The decision to groove our main runway was influenced by pilot reports of decreased braking action on wet days," Dan Norton, airport superintendent, said.

Transverse grooving a 150 foot wide by 7900 foot runway stretch of Metro's 10,500 foot airstrip was done with a Safe T-Groover®, manufactured by Cardinal Industries, Conshohocken, Pa. Powered by twin diesel engines generating 1004 hp, the Safe-T-Groover® has a battery of five, 29-inchwide diamond impregnated saw blades. It is this network of 115 blades containing General Electric Man-Made MBS-70 diamond which does the

actual grooving. GE's Speciality Materials Department, Worthington, Ohio, manufactures MBS (Metal-Bond Saws) diamond, which is a tough crystal, larger in size than most industrial dia-

Here it is a brand New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones

Hope everyone has a good yaer.

had Christmas dinner with Mrs.

Olin Potts, and Mrs. Don Wallace

and Ion Damon in Anson, Others

attending were Mr. and Mrs.

Edgar Berry and Mrs. Wayne

Wallace of Abilene. The group

met Mr. and Mrs. Truett Jones

of Gatesville and Mr. and Mrs.

Jerry Jones, Jet and Jason, in

Rising Star Saturday and had

New Year's dinner with Mr. and

and Mrs. Jim Burns during

Christmas holidays were Mr. and

Mrs. Billy Harris and Kathy, Mr.

and Martha, of Abilene, Kathy

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wayne

Berry, Gary and Annette of Scher-

tz. Texas and the Rev. and Mrs.

Herbert Row, Kathy and David

ner with the parents and grand-

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brad-

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley attended

the Fritz Hale's 50th Wedding

Anniversary Celebration Sunday,

Those having Christmas dinner

Visiting Mamie Hardin and Mr.

Mrs. Les Allen.

Burns home.

Dec. 24,

Stith

By MRS.

FRITZ HALE

well suited for concrete and

stone sawing. "Because the groover cuts in 12 foot widths, increased productivity means less time tieing up the runway," Larry Mosher, Cardinal's vice president of sales, said.

Besides providing more traction for braking, runway grooving allows water to drain off rapidly and minimize the chance of hydroplaning giving the pilot more control of the aircraft. Hydroplaning occurs when water collects faster than it can run off the pavement lifting the plane's tires off the surface.

Is runway grooving really effective? NASA and FAA officials say yes, and friction studies prove it. Managers of airports with grooved runways in Kansas City, Chicago, New York, and other cities agree with them and consider the 40 per cent reduction in stopping distance a significant mond abrasives, making it | contribution to aviation safety.

Tarpley, Stephenville: Mr. and

Mrs. Troy Gregory and Mrs.

Gaston Gregory of Big Spring:

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Gregory and

children and Mr. and Mrs. B. R.

Fincher and children, all of Abi-

lene; and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Greg-

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Butler of

Garland spent Christmas with her

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry.

Other visitors in the Perry home

recently were Alvis Parker and

Mrs. Insley Jenkins, San Antonio

and Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Fore-

John David and Ronald Reddin

of Abilene spent last week with

their grandmother, Mrs. Ruby

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Malone, Mon-

ica and Haley of Taylor spent

the holidays with their parents

and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs.

Robert Malone and the Fritz

sythe and June of Abilene.

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FARMCAST

A Good Year for Agriculture Production - Cotton,, Cattle, Citrus Show Good Gains - Pecans Increase - Commercial Vegetable Acres Expanded - Grain Sorghum, Peanut, Soybean Produc-Con Up From 1971.

All in all, 1972 was a very good production year for Texas. Cotton production probably showed the most dramatic increase. Estimated production now at 3,900,000 bales is 1,321,000 bales more than 1971. Yield per acre for 1972 was almost 100 pounds per acre above

Texas continued its dominance in the cattle feeding industry during 1972. For most of the year, it was and still is the number one cattle feeding state in the nation. It apparenly will retain that honor for some time to come.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter in Texas feedlots number 2,225,000 head, up 29 per cent from a year ago, Iowa is the second - ranking state in the nation, with 1,689,000 head, far under the total for Texas.

BASED ON DEC. 1 conditions, the 1972 - 73 crop of Texas citrus is forecast at 17,200,000 boxes. This is 15 per cent above the production of last season.

Grapefruit production is expected to total 10,400,000 boxes, 13 per cent above last year. Early and mid - season oranges are forecast at 4,500,000 boxes, up 18 per cent from last season. Valencia oranges are estimated at 2,300,000 boxes, which is 15 per cent above last season.

PECAN PRODUCTION for Texas in 1972 was set at 71 million pounds, which would have been a new all - time high, Latest production figure, however, is 65,000 .-000 pounds. This still makes it the second largest on record.

It is also almost three times the production of 1971 which was only 24,000,000 pounds

Texas will produce about onethird of the nation's total supply of pecans for 1972.

EXPANSION of the 1972 - 73 six major winter vegetables is forecast. An estimated 57,000 acres will be planted to the six major winter vegteables in Texas. The crops are cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, lettuce, spinach and broc-

· This acreage will be an increase of nine per cent over last season.

CLASSIFIEDS GET QUICK RESULTS

In the Lower Rio Grande Valley, acreage of the six winter vegetables is estimated at 339,200 acres, or 16 per cent above the 33,900 acres harvested last season. Acreage of carrots, cabbage, lettuce and cauliflower all showed significant increases. Acreage of spinach remained the same as last season while broccoli acreage decreased.

In other areas acreage is expected to total 17,800 acres for harvest, which is three per cent below last year.

GRAIN SORGHUM production in Texas at 456,000,000 bushels was more than 550,000 bushels ahead of 1971. Texas produces about 45 per cent of all the grain sorghum in the nation,

PEANUT PRODUCTION was up in Texas this year over 1971 by almost a millien pounds. The 1972 production estimate is 456,000.000

SOYBEAN PRODUCTION in the state in 1972 is almost double the production in 1971. Texas production for 1972 is set at 5,670,000



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MANDED to appear before the rects. Honorable Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, lene, Texas, this the 21 day of Texas, by filing a written answer Dec. A.D. 1972. at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of (Seal) the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 1 day of Jan. A.D. 1973, to Plaintiff's Pe-

7 day of Nov. A.D. 1972, in this cause, numbered 7621 on the docket of said court and styled In Re: Roxan Etoile Beebe.

A brief statement of the nature week for four consecutive weeks, of this suit is as follows, to-wit: the first publication to be at least. Adoption as is more fully shown twenty - eight days before the re- by Plaintiff's Petition on file in

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

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same ac-TO: Norman J. Beebe, Defen- cording to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and YOU ARE HEREBY COM- make due return as the law di-

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Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD Clerk Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas

By Marie Gill, Deputy

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cept of senior musicians orchestras across the country.

"Joyous Christmas" volume six stars top Columbia recording artists: Bing Crosby, Doris Day, Anita Bryant, Danny Kaye, Lynn Anderson and Mahalia Jackson, and E. Power Biggs performing traditional and modern music of Christmas, each in his own inimitable style. "Joyous Christmas" volume six also features the Senior Concert Orchestra and the

Beneficial Singers. Johnny Marks, composer of "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," written the title song "Joyous Christmas" especially for this record series. Mr. "Mr. Christmas of the Music tells him the "Joyous Cary Grant singing, Christmas" song may be as Christmas Lullaby."



This year there is a special surprise star on the World," said his intuition "Joyous Christmas" album, tells him the "Joyous Cary Grant singing, "A popular as "Rudolph". __ (Financial News Service)







THE FIZZLE FAMILY









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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Roland Edward Harrison,

Defendant, Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COM-

Vet Questions And Answers

Q - My busband was totally disabled as the result of an accidnt while he was in the Air Force. With him and the chilhome to go to school so I can get a job. Can VA arrange for me to go to school at night or take correspondence courses?

A - Yes. Women in your situation are eligible for education benefits under more liberal rules under the new ducation law. Please discuss this with the veterans assistance officer at the nearest VA regional office.

MANDED to appear before the Honorable Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty - two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 29 day of Jan. A.D. 1973, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court on the 24 day of Oct. A.D. 1972, in this cause numbered 7580 on the docket of said court and styled In Re: Linda Jenet Harrison

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

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The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law. and the mandates hereof, and dren to look after, I can't leave make due return as the law di-

> Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 13 day of Dec.

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Attest:	IRENE CRAWFORD
Clerk,	Domestic Relations
Court,	Taylor County, Texas
By Ma	rie Gill. Deputy.
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THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST

Let us now examine the evidence for the resurrec-

The life and teaching of the Apostles. Shortly after the crucifixion the apostles began to preach that Christ had been raised from the tomb and that they were witnesses that actually lived again. This testimony they preached in the face of persecution and hardship until finally they were all martyred. What could possibly have motivated them to endure such a life of affliction for a lie which they themselves had invented?

Simon Greenleaf, regarded by most students of law as the foremost authority on the law of evidence, who became Royall Professor of Law at Harvard University, wrote in 1846: "The great truths which the apostles declared, were, that Christ had risen from the dead... This doctrine they asserted with one voice, everywhere, not only under the greatest discouragements, but in the face of the most appalling terrors that can be presented to the mind of man . . .

As one after another was put to a miserable death, the survivors only prosecuted their work with increased vigor and resolution . . . They had ever possible motive to review carefully the grounds of their faith, and the evidences of the great facts and truths which they asserted; and these motives were pressed upon their attention with the most melancholy and terrific frequency.

It was therefore impossible that they could have persisted in affirming the truths that they narrated, had not Jesus actually risen from the dead, and had they not known this fact as certainly as they knew any other fact . . . To have persisted in so gross a falsehood, after it was known to them, was not only to encounter, for life, all the evils which man could inflict from without, but to endure also the pangs of inward and conscious guilt; with no hope of future peace, no testimony of a good conscience, no expectation of honor or esteem among men . . .

IF THEN THEIR TESTIMONY WAS NOT TRUE, THERE WAS NO POSSIBLE MOTIVE FOR ITS FABRICATION." As another observed, "You can not conscientiously preach lies with power like this."

BILLY PATTON

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	VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH
	307 El Paso St.
)	W. G. Richardson, pastor
	SUNDAY
	Bible School 10:00
1	Worship Service 11:00
	Evening Service 7:00
1	WEDNESDAY
	Evening Service 7:00
,	

ASSEMBLY OF GOD John Curtis, pastor

SUNDAY
Sunday School 9:4
Preaching 11:0
Evening Preaching 7:0
Radio Program 12:3
WEDNESDAY
Mid-Week Service 7:30 p.m
SATURDAY
Missionette 2:30 p.m

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Russell McAnally, pastor
SUNDAY
Sunday School 9:45
Worship Service 10:55
Youth Meeting 6:00
Evening Worship 7:00
WEDNESDAY
Prayer Group 7:30
CALVERY DARRIES CHINCH

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH 5th and Runnels

P. T. Stewart, paster	
UNDAY MORNING	
Sunday School	10:00
Worship Service	11:00
UNDAY EVENING	
Training Union	6:30
Worship Service	7:00
VEDNESDAY	
Evening Service	7:30

CHURCH OF CHRIST Billy Patton, pastor

SUNDAY		
Bible Sc	hoo!	9:45
Morning	Worship	10:30
Evening	Worship	6:00

REVIEW

WEDNE	SDAY				
Bible	Classes				7:30
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Morning Worship	11	o m
		a.III.
Training Union	. 6	p.m.
Evening Worship	. 7	p.m.

GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School 10:00

SUNDAY

Morning Worship 11:0
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Kenneth Jones, pastor
SUNDAY Sunday School 9:45 a.m

SUNDAY		
Sunday School	9:45	a.m.
Radio Broadcast	10.15	a.m.
Worship Service	11:00	a.m.
Radio Broadcast	11:00	a.m.
Youth Choir	5:00	p.m.
Training Union	6:00	p.m.
Evening Worship	7:00	p.m.
WEDNESDAY		

OUR LADY OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Father James Bridges, Pri	est
SUNDAY	
Mass	12:00
Confession	11:30
WEDNESDAY	
Choir Practice 7	p.m.
Youth Prayer Meeting 8	p.m.

McAninchs Host **Sorority Party**

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon McAninch were hosts for the XI Nu Chi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi on New Year's Eve.

Guests were served from a table decorated with large yellow candle and daisy centerpiece and miniature whistle plate favors, Game tables were decorated with party hats and noise makers.

Attending were Messrs. and Mmes. Carroll Benson, John Brady, Bobby DuBose, Jimmy Leverich, Edgar Tipton, Mrs. Mamie Steck and Mrs. Almeda Bullock.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Robert Lee Donaldson, De-

fendant, Greeting:

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of January A.D. 1973, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 5th day of December A.D., 1972 in this cause, numbered 7697 on the decket of said court and styled In Re: Adoption of Michelle Quindaro Hughes, A Minor,

A brief statement of the nature Adoption - a Minor 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 Abi-

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas By Rilla Mahoney, Deputy,

Doyle Howell Is Coach of the Year

In just two seasons as head mentor of the Ruidoso High School Warriar football team, Doyle Howell, a 1948 graduate of Trent High School, has led the Warriors to the 1972 New Mexico Class AA High School State Football championship, the 1971 New Mexico Class AA high school States Football Runner-up Crown and two successive 1971-72 District 2AA football championships.

In addition, Coach Doyle Howell was named as the United Press International 1972 New Mexico Class AA High School Coach of the Year. This is the third consecutive year for Howell to be named to the coveted and honored position.

Veterans of WW I Meet Tues., Jan. 9

The Veterans of World War I and Ladies Auxiliary will meet Tuesday, Jan. 9 at 6:30 p.m. at Taylor Electric Co-Op Building.

The meeting will emphasize membership and what it means to all of the members.

Commander Bonneaux says "Let this be our slogan for the year-IF IT IS TO BE - IT IS UP TO

Make this first meeting a good start on a new year. Plans for new programs for the year will be discussed.

The Ladies Auxiliary will meet in regular business session. They will serve Mulligan Stew to start off the activities.

THE MERKEL MAIL, MERKEL, TEXAS PAGE SEVEN THURSDAY, JAN. 4, 1973

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

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TO: Edgar Curtis Threadgill, Defendant, Greeting:

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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: parties were married July 18, 1953 and separated and ceased to live together on April 25, 1972, Two children born of this marriage, Michael Curtis Threadgill, 18 years of age and Nicki Jo Threadgill, age 16 years. Petitioner

KEENEYE'S TIPS

prays that all property owned by parties be divided in an equitable manner as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 14th day of December A.D. 1972. (Seal)

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas By Rilla Mahoney, Deputy.

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