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DISTRICT 7 4-H OFFICERS

From Left: Tonya Moore, Kirk Stubblefield, Elizabeth Asbury and Patricia Long.

District 7 4-H Council Elects Officers

Officers for 1977-78 have been elected to the District 7 4-H Council. They are Co-chairman Tonya Moore of Taylor County, Co-chairman Kirk Stubblefield of Mitchell County, Secretary Elizabeth Asbury of Taylor, and Information Officer Patricia Long of Llano.

The quartet will help direct the 4-H program in the 17 counties of District 7 in the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Iris F. Kalich, Extension 4-H and youth specialist, said the co-chairman are also members of the Texas

4-H Council. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moore of Route 3, Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Stubblefield of Route 3, Colorado City; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Asbury of Route 7, Abilene; and Mr. and Mrs. Hudson Long of Llano.

Little League and T-Shirt All Stars Named

The Merkel Little League All-Stars were announced Saturday, July 2. Presentation of awards and trophies was at that time.

First place team in the Little League division was the Vets, sponsored by the V. F. W. and coached by Danny Sanford.

First place team in the T-Shirt division was the Mustangs, sponsored by Wilson's Grocery and coached by Ted Simpson.

Special Awards were given to all those who worked hard to make this year a success. Press Box Awards went to Betty Coker, Kathy Leverich and Winona Wolf. Umpire Awards went to Larry Johnson, umpire-in-chief, Ted Hallford, Walter Harris, Obie Coker, George English, Teddy Hallford, Jr., and J. C. Sims. Vice-President plaque went to Calvin Wolf.

Officers serving this year for the auxiliary were honored as follows: Peggy Gibson, president; Beverly Johnson, vice-president; and Audra Horton, treasurer. Jeanett Pursley was honored as secretary-treasurer of the Little League.

New officers were elected for the 1978 season. Elected were Jimmy Leverich, president; Gary Smith, vice-president and T-Shirt co-ordinator; Ted Hallford, 2nd vice-president; and Betty Coker, secretary.

Elected to the Auxiliary were Audra Horton, president; Beverly Johnson, vice-president; and Sandy Laird, secretary-treasurer.

After the awards were presented, there was a Mama's and a Papa's game. Several parents were present and everyone who played, (or even watched) had a lot of fun.

We are planning to have another parent's night on Friday, July 22. Dads will

play at 6 p.m. and Moms will play when the men's game is completed. Entry fee is \$1, so come and support the Merkel Little League and have a lot of fun.

The Little League All-Stars were presented as follows: Ed Herra, Ed Sparks, Sammy Tumblinson, Donald Tutt, Mike Haggard, Al Green, Gregg Dickerson, Freddy Fortune, Bickey Bierra, Eddie Harris, Ronnie Williams, Carl Jowers, Chris Mashburn, Billy Williams, Russell Lucas, Toby Brook, Roy Johnson and Randy Leverich.

The following were presented as T-Shirt All-Stars: Todd Yaddow, Ricky Doan, Ramone Moreno, Russel Morgan, Chris Simpson, Dean

Congressman Announces the Approval of Grant

Congressman Omar Burleson announces the approval of a \$17,064 Community Services Administration grant to the Central Texas Opportunities, Incorporated, with headquarters in Coleman. The grant is effective June 1, and will run for 4 months.

The delegate agencies are the Community Action Program, Inc. and the People for Progress, Incorporated.

The funds will be used for providing summer recreational opportunities for low income children between the ages of 8 and 13.

Toombs Speaks at Farmers Union Meeting

Disgusted by continual low prices and high production costs, some farmers are beginning a formal protest action.

Billy Bob Toombs said during a meeting of the Taylor County Farmers Union Tuesday, June 28th that a protests action by farmers—possibly a strike or moratorium on supplies, purchases, rallies and demonstrations—has been announced by Texas Farmers Union.

Toombs recently attended the Panhandle meeting where the TFU executive board formed the official resolution of protest.

"We are calling for major amendments to the four-year omnibus farm

bill now before Congress," Toombs reported TFU president Jay Naman as saying.

Toombs said the TFU finds certain provisions in the bill intolerable, particularly the importation of raw cotton, grain reserve systems which would assure constant surpluses and result in low prices, inadequate disaster programs and the destruction of the peanut and rice programs—just to name a few.

Toombs said if Congress does not rewrite the farm bill, the TFU is asking President Carter for a veto and reversion to previous permanent farm legislation.

At the meeting here, Toombs said the cotton importation is the main factor making area farmers dismayed. Toombs said the proposed new farm bill would allow for cotton imports when domestic raw cotton hits 62 cents or when domestic raw cotton is in tight supply.

As far as what the Taylor County Farmers Union plans to do, the monkey will be on Rep. Omar Burleson's back. The Farmers Union is sending a petition to the long-time Anson Democrat asking him to extend his influence to have the cotton provision, and the other objectionable farm

bill features mentioned, withdrawn.

Coincidentally, the petition to Burleson comes only days after Abilene attorney Dusty Rhodes indicated he might be a candidate for the Anson congressman's seat.

Burleson comes from Jones County, which historically raises 60,000 acres of cotton, and even

more is expected this year.

The Farmers Union even discussed not planting at all—taking the keys from their tractors and parking them if the farm bill passes as such.

Taylor County Farmers Union president Joe Montgomery of Hamby presided over the meeting.

Senior Citizens Enjoy Monday Night Singing

The Senior Citizens enjoyed a very good singing Monday night. Out of town singers were present. Everyone is invited to attend the singing each first Monday night.

A large crowd is expected to attend the luncheon

next Tuesday. A good program has been planned. New members will be welcome. If any new residents or anyone who would like to join, please call 928-5074 for more information. All Senior Citizens of this area are urged to become a member.

Tejanitos Victorious over San Isidro, Mexico

The Merkel Tejanitos returned home with a victory over the Aguilas from San Isidro, Chih, Mexico, winning by the score of 7-4. Trailing 4-3 going into the top of the 9th, the Tejanitos scored four runs on three walks, two base hits and an error to take the win. The Tejanitos collected 14 hits, while the Aguilas collected

only two hits.

Richard Hernandez pitched a fine game through six innings giving up the two hits, five base on balls and striking out three men. George Slaughter pitched the last three innings and did not allow any hits nor any batters to reach base. He was credited with the victory.

Leading the attack for the Tejanitos were Don Moreno and Jimmy Moreno collecting four hits and three hits respectively. One of Jimmy's hits included a triple. Raymond Moreno and Frank Rodriguez each had two hits.

The Tejanitos will travel to Snyder this coming Sunday, July 10.



News and Thoughts

by Martha Sue
Justice

COLLEGE STATION—The recent outbreak of botulism poisoning from home-canned peppers in Michigan underscores the necessity of using scientifically developed processes for safe home canning, emphasizes Al Wagner, food technologist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. "The natural acidity of a food is one factor affecting canning," explains the food technologist. "Some foods are naturally more acid than others, and this higher acidity makes the bacteria which produce poisons in canned food easier to kill. For example tomatoes (a high-acid food) can be successfully heat processed in a boiling water bath (212 degrees F.) while string beans (a low-acid food) must be processed in a pressure canner at 240 degrees F. These natural acids have the ability to inhibit or prevent the growth of many microorganisms which produce spoilage and disease." Recent publicity about "low-acid tomatoes" has led some home canners to question whether they can safely be processed in a boiling water bath, notes Wagner. Recent research by the U. S. Department of Agriculture shows that the varieties Garden State, and to a lesser extent, Ace, Ace 55VF and Cal Ace, were found to be undesirably low in acidity and are not suitable for home canning. (These varieties are not normally grown in Texas.) However, a further study by the University of Minnesota showed that NONE of the supposedly low-acid tomatoes were

4-H Gold Star Tour

The 1977 4-H Gold Star Tour began June 28 at 10 a.m. at the County Extension Office.

Participants visited:

Michelle Willis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Willis. A 6-year member of the Potosi 4-H Club.

Tonya Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moore. An 8-year member of the Merkel 4-H Club.

The Gold Star is the highest award a county can give a member. Judging is on the basis of projects, activities, personal development, service to others, community

contributions. Judges for the event were Jean Holland, Sharon Gorham and Scott Darr.

The winner will be announced immediately after the tour. She will also be recognized at the County Awards banquet in October, and the District 7 Gold Star Banquet in November in San Angelo. Mrs. Guy McCarty, a long time supporter of this program, will present \$100.00 and a diamond dinner ring to wear for a year. This is the 26th year Mrs. McCarty has sponsored the event.

truly low enough in acid to permit the production of poison from botulinum bacteria. Such tomatoes can thus be safely canned in a boiling water bath. "The scientists did find that the acidity of tomatoes drops as they pass ripeness, and that canning of OVER-RIPE tomatoes could lead to serious problems," Wagner points out. The food technologist also emphasizes the necessity of killing temperatures reaching all of the food in a container, including the very center. Factors that affect the rate at which heat penetrates the container include the size and shape of the container, the ratio of solids to liquid, the type and size of the pieces, and the amount of fat. "Since only a fraction of the original microorganisms die during each minute of processing time, the number remaining alive at the end of the process will depend partly on the number present at the beginning," cautions Wagner. "Thus, cleanliness at all stages and the use of sound, undamaged produce will help insure a safe processed product." (SINCE THIS TIME OF YEAR IS RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF CANNING SEASON, I WILL BE HAPPY TO USE ANY OF THE REFERENCE BOOKS ON CANNING OR FREEZING IN MY POSSESSION. IF ANYONE HAS ANY QUESTIONS OR ANY PROBLEMS ARISE IN PREPARING YOUR FOODS CALL THE OFFICE, 928-5712 OR MY HOME, 928-5017.)

The directors of the Blair Area Reunion will meet soon to make plans for the next meeting. The time and place will be announced soon. (Price Melton, President)

EVERYONE SHOULD EAT CARROTS - The orange-yellow pigment abundant in carrots is scientifically known as carotene, a substance that becomes Vitamin A when used up by the cells of the intestine. (Carotene is absent in such root vegetables as parsnips and turnips.) IMPORTANT - When we have consumed more carotene or Vitamin A than is required for immediate needs, it is stored in the liver in quantity sufficient for three months. When we have learned that a deficiency of carotene in our bodies may cause NIGHT BLINDNESS, (which I have), and may make one susceptible to infections of the epithelial tissues of the eyes, the digestive glands, the kidneys, the respiratory system and the alimentary canal, we can understand not only its great importance but will prize more highly the successful results of our efforts in the culture of our carrot crop. The highest content of carotene is found in varieties with bright golden orange flesh. Red Chantenay is still one of the best.

Surprise of the Week - Waymon Adcock and Robert Harris actually washed dishes at the wedding reception held for Cathryn and Ikey Garrett. According to reliable sources - both Waymon and Robert are now suffering with dish pan hands due to the strong detergent they used. - Isn't that just awful!

The Merkel Mail crew showed up in fair shape Tuesday morning. Ann Doan and her family attended a movie and set off fireworks over the 4th of July weekend, so she was really quite rested. Tommy Jones said his main event was enjoying bar-b-que and homemade ice cream at his home with family members. He was in pretty good shape, but still a little bloated from over-eating. Lillian Pack and her family enjoyed a good old fashioned picnic, however—they did have a tragedy or I should say casualty. They were the proud owners of three hamsters, Larry, Mo, and Curly Jo. Well, it seems that a big fat, (he is now for sure) ugly cat must have eaten poor Curly Jo. Lillian was a little upset over the situation, but she said it did not ruin their weekend. They still enjoyed their picnic and are very thankful that they still have Larry and Mo. Salinda, my daughter, didn't seem too bright eyed Tuesday morning. As a matter of fact she enjoyed two days at the coast (Port O'Connor) visiting with her grandmother and grandfather and did not arrive back in Merkel until 4 a.m. Tuesday morning. Needless to say—we had to turn up the office radio full blast, fill her full of coffee, and I even threatened to fire her three times in order to keep her awake and working.

Truby will have a Country and Western Musical Saturday night July 9th. The Musical will start at 7:30 p.m. until the last band plays. It will be held at the old Truby school house. Bands playing are: John Rays and the Ropers, Roland Smith and the Roadrunners, Ray Maxwell and the Star Dusters, A. D. Glover, and others. The concession stand will be open. There will be no admission charged and everyone is welcome.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY - If you cannot see beyond material riches—you are blind in many ways as to God's love and his teachings of caring for others with love, compassion, and total unselfishness. God's love is our guiding light.

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. -Ephesians 5:2



Mrs. Garrett
...formerly Cathryn Crouse

Crouse-Garrett Exchange Vows

Miss Cathryn Lorraine Crouse became the bride of Ikey Vernon Garrett in a double ring ceremony Saturday evening, June 25 in the First Baptist Church, Merkel.

The Rev. G. Frank Estes of Bethel Temple Assembly of God in Abilene, brother-in-law of the groom officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. Crouse. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. I. V. Garrett of Abilene.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a formal gown of traditional white bridal satin overcast with white tulle lace. Her veil was held with a crown of lace sprinkled with pearls. The bride carried her Bible with a cascade of white roses and pink sweetheart roses.

Mrs. Paul King, the bride's sister was matron of honor. She wore a long dress of yellow batiste with a flocked overlay and a matching hat.

Bridesmaids were Debi Schultz, Carolyn Crouse cousin of the bride, and Traci Watson. The flower girl was Christi Marshall. They wore long dresses of blue, pink, mint green and orchid with matching flocked overlays and matching hats. They each carried a matching carnation.

Debbie Williams and Frankie Austermann were candlelighters. She wore a long dress of apricot batiste with a flocked overlay. He wore a matching apricot colored shirt.

Best man was Roy

Schultz. Groomsmen were Jerry Horton, uncle of the groom; Mike Crouse, brother of the bride; and Ray King, brother-in-law of the bride. Their pastel colored shirts matched those pastel colors of the bridesmaids dresses.

Doug Ramsey was ring bearer.

Ushers were Keith Austermann and Tony Hollis, cousin of the groom.

Sharen Austermann registered the guests.

Soloist was Ivalene Estes, the groom's sister, and Virginia Estes was organist.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at the Big Country Inn.

The reception was hosted by the bride's parents in the fellowship hall.

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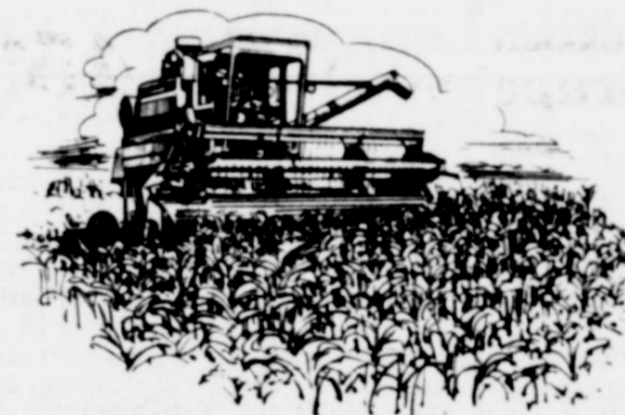


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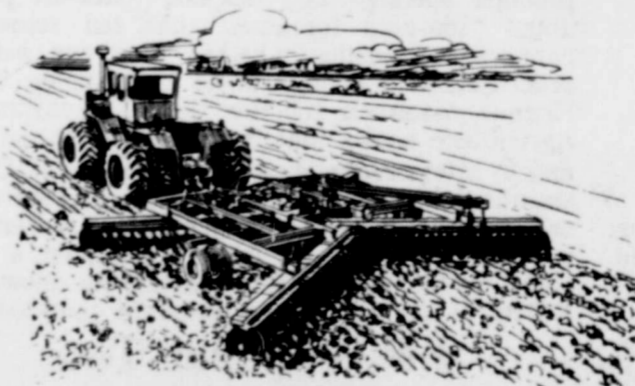
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The basic premium rate will go from \$7.20 to \$7.70 a month, according to Glyn Hammons, social security district manager in Abilene.

Medicare medical insurance helps pay doctor bills and other medical expenses and is funded by individual premiums and Federal general revenues. The protection is offered to people 65 and over, to disabled people under 65 who have been entitled to social security disability benefits for 24 consecutive months or more, and to many people under 65 with permanent kidney failure.

The Medicare law requires an annual review of

the cost of the medical insurance program. Based on this review, an estimate is made of the cost of this coverage for the following year. "Under that provision," Hammons said, "the Medicare beneficiaries' basic premium rate would have been increased by more than 70 percent to \$12.30 a month because of rising costs of medical services covered by Medicare's medical insurance." "But the law also limits any increase in the basic premium rate to the percentage that social security benefit payments increased in the previous year. Social security payments increased 6.4 percent in 1976, so the Medicare medical insurance basic premium rate was limited to an increase of 6.4 percent starting July 1 to \$7.70 a month." The premium is about one-third the cost of this protection. The Federal Government

pays the remainder from general revenues. Hospital insurance protection is extended without premium charge to people 65 and over who are eligible for social security benefits, to disabled people under 65 who have been entitled to social security disability benefits for 24 consecutive months or more, and to many

people under 65 with permanent kidney failure. More than 24 million people have one or both parts of Medicare.

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STARR NURSING HOME NEWS

Everyone is feeling fair at this writing. We welcome Lula Rister of Tye into our home. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Crocker had out of town relatives visit her during the weekend; Mrs. Vera Koen (daughter), Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Ray and family (grandchildren) of Jacksonville; Bill Suber (grandson) of Trinidad; Mr. and Mrs. James Benedich and family of College Station. She went to her home in Trent Sunday where her son Kyle lives and ate lunch. You remember Mr. Crocker passed away in the nursing home a short time ago at the age of almost 101 years.

Rev. and Mrs. Clay of Abilene who pastor the Hebron Baptist Church conducted the services Sunday and there was good singing. The residents of the home really enjoyed the singing and especially the duet by Marisha who is four years old and Philip who is 7. They are two of the four children of Rev. Clay.

We have been freezing tomatoes and we wish to thank the ones who brought fresh apricots to the home.

We miss Mr. John Reese from our midst. He was a real nice fellow and he had been here several years when his Lord called him home. He cared for the flowers and watered them

and the grass and was always ready to play dominoes with the ladies.

We also miss little Mrs. Jessie Spurgin. She was so sick for so long, now she suffers no more. Our sympathy goes to her children and in-laws who were so faithful to care for her, especially Mr. Justice who she loved dearly.

Our sympathy goes to the family of E. A. Conley. It was such a shock to hear of his death. He was so nice when we took our residents to the barber shop and he was always ready to come to the home to cut their hair.

We would like to thank Woody Wilson for the many times he repaired our peoples' glasses. We hope somebody will repay him in a nice way someday for the good deeds he has done.

We still receive the afternoon paper sent by David Gamble. He knows how much the people at the home appreciate it.

Thanks goes to The Merkel Mail for their papers they send each week to our residents.

We appreciate Larry Gill and all the Church of Christ people for their church services each Sunday morning at nine. It is an effort to get up and come and sing Sunday after Sunday in rain, heat or snow. They never miss. Church of Christ members you have a wonderful

minister. He not only visits his members but everyone here in the home.

Mrs. Rutledge was 77 Sunday. Her family all came and brought cake and divided with some of her friends. Hope you have better health and many more birthdays to share with your family.

Mrs. Kay Davis is back working. She is one of our L.V.N.s. She has been away in Michigan where her relatives are very ill. Kay's husband is pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church in Merkel.

Several have been away on vacation. Bonnie Fariello took 2 weeks and visited in other states. Her husband is stationed at Dyess Air Force Base.

We welcome back Grace Ingram on the staff. We are glad she is back. She is good and also dependable.

Thanks to all the churches who have filled their appointments. Every church has been so nice to the home and to our people. We appreciate each church.

Brenda, Rob, Pam and Ricky are on a two week vacation in Arizona and California. They report a good time.

We express our sympathy to Bena White over the loss of her grandson who was 2 months old. He was such a cute baby.

Thanks goes to my husband J. H. Wimberly

for having the piano tuned. Before it was Ash Street Baptists time, where he leads singing, to come to the nursing home to help sing, he had it tuned.

The friends of Addie McDonald receives letters wanting to come back. They would like to have her to come back to stay.

We wish to thank W. L. Massey for taking his station wagon for a group of ladies to attend the revival at the Ast Street Baptist Church. We couldn't take all who wanted to attend.

We would like to thank Lambda Beta for the birthday parties that they have provided for each resident who had a birthday and for the decorations they brought the home on different occasions.

We wish to thank Mr. Pribble and Rev. Harrison, Mrs. Higgins and others who come in and play the piano for the home. We don't want to forget Mrs. Ruby Sanders, who lives with us who also plays each day and Mrs. Brookerson who is almost 98 who still plays.

Will write more news maybe next week. Just wanted the people who are shut in to get what was happening at the nursing home.

Mrs. Russell Sneed and Sharon of Route 1, Wingo, visited Lula Rister Sunday.



Bridgett Vaughn, Starr Nursing Home Representative

Bridgett Ann Vaughn represented the Starr Nursing Home in the Beauty Pageant that was held here.

She is a pretty little blonde who was six years old April 29th. She loves horses and birds. She rides in the Merkel Riding Club and also participates in the flag event.

She is the daughter of Oscar and Levena Vaughn who live on Route 3. They also are members of the Merkel Riding Club.

We are very proud that she won first place in her age division, kindergarten thru 1st grade.

Social security pays monthly benefits to more than 33 million people. The payments are funded by social security contributions from employees, employers, and self-employed people.

Employees and employers contribute 5.85 percent each of the first \$16,500 of yearly earnings from jobs covered by social security. Self-employed people contribute 7.9 percent. "Those figures remain unchanged," Hammons said.

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The increase is based on the rise in consumer prices from the first 3 months of 1976 to the first 3 months of 1977.

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Saturday Night Play Night Results

The Merkel Riding Club held their regular play day Saturday night July 2nd. Results are as follows:
Barrels (8 and Under) 1. Denise Pursley and 2. Candice Henslee.
(9-12)-1. Dayne Pursley.
(13-17)-1. Vicki Campbell and 2. Penny Hatfield.

(18 and Over)-1. Patti Shotwell, 2. Cindy Sipe, 3. Charles Hatfield and 4. Barbara Whisenhunt.
Flags (8 and Under)-1. Denise Pursley and 2. Candice Henslee.
(9-12)-1. Dayne Pursley.

(13-17)-1. Buddy Stout, 2. Penny Hatfield and 3. Vicki Campbell.
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Cost-Of-Living Increase in Social Security

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Social Security checks are usually delivered on the 3rd of the month. When the 3rd falls on Saturday or Sunday, the checks are delivered the preceding Friday. July 3 is on a Sunday this year, so the checks will be delivered Friday, July 1.

Boot Race-1. Dawn Henslee.
Calf Roping-1. Charles Hatfield and 2. Patti Shotwell.

Ribbon Roping-1. Alvin Powers and Dayne Pursley and 2. Charles Hatfield and Candice Henslee.

There will be a Jack Pot Roping Friday, July 8 beginning at 8 p.m.

There will be a Wiener Roast Saturday night, July 9, 6:30 p.m. at the Merkel Riding Arena.

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World War I Veterans and Auxiliary Meet

The Merkel-Trent Barracks 2248 to the Veterans of World War I and the Ladies Auxiliary met at 12 o'clock noon June 18, in the R. E. A. Building for their regular meeting.

After a covered dish luncheon they met in separate meetings.

Jewell Criswell, president presided at the short business meeting of the ladies.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Dee Poland, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Baze, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Kidd, Mr. Karl Bonneax, Mrs. Jewell Criswell, Mrs. Joe Hartley, Mrs. Dewie Fleming, Mrs. Mary Mosier, Mrs. Maggie Renfro, Mrs. Ruth Cox, Mrs. Trula Cox, Mrs. Vallie McLauren and Miss Mable McRee.

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Dear Editor:
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Banks use this \$400 million (which belongs to the people of Texas) without paying 1 cent of interest. Why should the banks benefit from this money rather than the taxpayers?

Fortunately, something can be done about this scandalously inefficient money management. But it is up to the Governor to include appropriate legislation in the July 11th Special Session of the Legislature.

Texas who want to stop this senseless waste should write Governor Dolph Briscoe at the state

capitol in Austin and insist that this money management legislation be included in the Special Session. If this revenue does not come from interest, then it will come from the taxpayers' pockets.

During the regular session I introduced H. B. 1984, which would have saved the taxpayers \$42.6 million each biennium. Although the bill passed overwhelmingly (127-5) in the House, it died in the Senate.

Incompetent, inefficient investment can cease, if you are willing to invest your time in writing a letter.

You have the choice of saving now or paying later. Voice your support to the Governor now.

Yours truly,
Frank Hartung
State Representative

Exception Granted for Home Day Care Service Providers

A tax provision which denied a business expense deduction to persons providing child care service in their homes has been lifted.

This exception to the law, part of the tax bill signed into law on Monday, May 23, 1977, eliminates the exclusive use requirement if the residence is used to provide day care services to children, handicapped persons, or persons age 65 or older.

Previously, the law specified that deductions for business use of the home for child care services would be allowed only if the part of the home claimed was used exclusively and regularly for business. For example, a taxpayer could not deduct a family room used for child care by day and for family entertainment

by night. The exception applies for tax years after December 31, 1975. However, the IRS cautioned, after September 1, 1977, the exception applies only to day care service which comply with any applicable state licensing, certification, or approval requirements.

Taxpayers who wish to claim the deduction for 1976 should file an amended return using Form 1040X, available from IRS offices.



The South American country of Brazil derives its name from the reddish tree the Spanish and Portuguese call *brasil*, and which we call Brazilwood.

STITH H-D NEWS

The program for the Stith Ladies Home Demonstration meeting on June 22 was "Know Your Floor Covering," given by Mr. Carl Giles of Abilene. He had lots of samples to show and to give a talk about them.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Vada Hudson. Hazel Lay brought our devotion and a number game was given by Daisy Mashburn.

Those attending were Vada Hudson, Louise Hudson, Daisy Mashburn, Lenora Wilburn, Hazel Lay, Margaret Dickerson, Tricia Newson, Mae Jones and Mary Walker. Our guests were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Giles and daughter of Abilene.

Our next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Lenora Wilburn on July 13.

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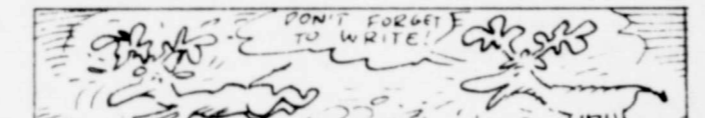
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"Not only will such a project help make the community a better place in which to live, but it can also lead to some income to support certain community activities," adds the specialist.



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DEATHS & FUNERALS

Grant Riggan Dies

Grant Riggan, 78, of Big Spring died at 4:15 a.m. Wednesday, June 29 in a Big Spring hospital after a lengthy illness. Services were at 2 p.m. Friday, July 1st at Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel.

B. R. Howze, an elder of Primitive Baptist Church officiated. Burial was in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Born November 26, 1898, in Salem, North Carolina, Mr. Riggan married Annie Lee Martin November 6, 1921, in Trent. They moved to the Big Spring area from Trent in 1937. They farmed in the Knott Community until 1943.

Mr. Riggan worked for

Coca-Cola Bottling Company before working 25 years for Ideal Laundry. He was a member of Primitive Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Gene Bishop of Shreveport, Louisiana, and Wanda Faye Haney of Brownfield; two brothers, M. G. of Lamesa and N. L. of Stanton; three sisters, Mrs. Lloyd Harris and Mrs. Jessie Conley, both of Houston, and Leona Conley of Merkel; three grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, George, in 1950, and by three brothers and a sister.

Mary Reed Dies of an apparent heart attack

Mary Joyce Reed, 47, of Merkel was dead on arrival at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene at 12:58 p.m. Wednesday, June 29 after an apparent heart attack. Services were at 10 a.m. Friday, July 1 at First Baptist Church.

The Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor, officiated. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery, directed by Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born August 19, 1929, in Oklahoma, she married

Robert Reed May 1, 1952, in Fort Worth. They moved to Merkel in 1972.

She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Paul Reed of Carswell Air Force Base, Fort Worth, and Roger Reed of the home; a daughter, Gayle of the home; a brother, Dolphe McConnell of Los Angeles; and her stepfather, G. D. McConnell of Fort Worth.

Funeral Held for Alyce Oliver

Mrs. John (Alyce) Oliver, 70, of Merkel died at her home at 3:15 p.m. of natural causes. Justice of the Peace Henry Guenther pronounced her dead. Services were at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, June 30 at First United Methodist Church.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born December 2, 1906, in Rowena, she was raised in Kaufman County. She married John Oliver April 18, 1924, in Elmo. They moved to Mulberry Canyon in 1942 and have lived in the Merkel area ever since. She was a Methodist Church member and Woodman of the World.

Survivors include two sons, John D. of Midland and Jimmy W. of Abilene; two daughters, Mrs. Sammy Doan and Mrs. Bobby Owen, both of Merkel; two brothers, James C. M. E. (Buck) Nelson of Snyder; three sisters, Mrs. May Kelly of Stephenville, Mrs. Grace Cranfill and Irene Nelson of Snyder; 11 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Her husband preceded her in death in 1971.

Pallbearers were Truss Farquhar, Harold Nichols, W. K. Choate, Ron Montgomery, Jesse Drake and Charles Long.

Last Rites Held for Mary Frances Allamon

Mary Frances Allamon, 59, of Lubbock, formerly of Merkel, died at 5:45 a.m. Wednesday, June 29 in Reese Air Force Base Hospital in Lubbock after a lengthy illness. Services were at 2 p.m. Friday, July 1 at Merkel Church of Christ.

Billy Patton of Odessa officiated and burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery, directed by Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born Mary Frances Harris April 13, 1918, in Merkel, she grew up in Blair and was graduated from Merkel High School in 1936. She married

Olympus D. Allamon in 1940 and returned to Merkel in 1958, when he retired from the Air Force after 22 years. She had worked at Merkel Telephone Company, West Texas Medical Center in Abilene and at state schools in Abilene and Lubbock.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Brian and Bruce, both of Lubbock; two half-sisters, Lala Cox and Ann Osborn, both of California; a half-brother, John Harris of California; and four grandchildren.

Funeral Held for Garland Teaff

Garland Webster Teaff, 86, of Route 1, Tye, died at 5:30 p.m. Saturday in the Hendrick Medical Center. Services were at 2:30 p.m. Monday in the Elliott-Hamil Chapel of Memories in Abilene.

The Rev. Temple Lewis, retired Baptist pastor, officiated. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery in Merkel.

Born November 10, 1880, in Ruth in Coryell County, he moved to Taylor County in 1901 and married Lou Della King De-

ember 7, 1913 at Route 3, Abilene. She died February 3, 1937. He was a member of the Baptist Church and was a stock farmer.

Survivors include a son, Glenn Teaff of Merkel; three daughters, Loucell Teaff of Dallas, Loneta Teaff of Route 1, Tye and Nettie Lee Hay of Abilene; three brothers, Walter Teaff, Rev. A. L. Teaff, Sr. of Orange and Ernest Teaff of Route 1, Merkel; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Louis James Fisher Dies

Louis James Fisher, 71, a 10-year resident of Abilene, died at 5:45 a.m. Tuesday, June 28 at Central Nursing Home. Services were at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 30 at Elliott-Hamil Chapel of Memories in Abilene.

Born January 30, 1906, in Lee County, he married Bessie Viola Hibbs May 8, 1927, in Elgin. He worked as an operator for Col-Tex Refining Company in Colorado City for 27 years. He

moved to Abilene in 1967 from Colorado City.

Mr. Fisher was a member of Westgate Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Mrs. Hubert (Leatrice) Watson of Abilene; three brothers, Mack of Merkel, Leon of White Oak and Homer of Calemesa, California; two sisters, Gertrude Nance of McDade and Edith Barker of Kermit; and three granddaughters.

M. J. Shaw Dies

M. J. Shaw Jr., 66, of Abilene, died at Hendrick Medical Center at 10:45 a.m. Saturday, July 2 after a short illness. Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 5 at Elliott-Hamil Chapel of Faith, Highway 277.

Chaplain Don Cauble of Abilene State School officiated. Burial was in the Elmwood Memorial Park.

Born March 4, 1911, in Stith, he served in the Navy during World War II.

Survivors include three sons, Glen of Abilene, Jackie of Humble and Stanley of Brownwood; three sisters, Daisy Mashburn of Merkel, Maple Mashburn of Kennewick, Washington and Roxie Meeks of Abilene; two brothers, Warren of Kingdom, Arizona, and Wade of Gainville; seven grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

A daughter preceded him in death in 1959.

A daughter preceded him in death in 1960.

Pallbearers were Michael Berry, J. R. Mashburn and Rodney Mashburn all nephews; and Michael Gaunt, Ronnie Scott and Roger Smart.

Funeral Services Held for J. J. Russell Jr.

Services for J. J. Russell, Jr., 73, of 2207 Wenonah, Wichita Falls who was dead on arrival Tuesday, June 28, at a city hospital, were at 10 a.m. Thursday June 30, in Hampton-Vaughn Funeral Home.

The Rev. Ron Salfen, associate pastor of First Presbyterian Church, officiated. Burial was in Crestview Memorial Park.

Born June 2, 1904 in Jones County, Mr. Russell was a geologist, member and former president of the north Texas Geological Society. He was a former president of the Boys' Club and a member

of the Board of Directors. He belonged to Joseph A. Kemp Lodge Number 1287. He was a member of Maskat Shrine Temple and of Grace Presbyterian Church in Merkel.

Pallbearers were Harrel Sullivan of Iowa Park; T. C. Anthony, Woody Allen, Roy Hogan, R. L. Gohlke, John Moorhead, Wayne Ferguson and Orin Daniel all of Wichita Falls.

Survivors include his wife, Ada; a sister, Mrs. Carl Hughes of Merkel; a niece, Gloria West of Abilene; and a great niece, Leslie West of Venice, Florida.

Henry Hord Dies in Ballinger

Henry Hord, 73, of Winters, died at 5:56 p.m. Sunday, July 3 in Ballinger Memorial Hospital following a lengthy illness. Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Spill Memorial Chapel.

The Rev. James Bridges, pastor of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Abilene officiated. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery, directed by

Spill Funeral Home.

Born April 16, 1904, near Winters, Mr. Hord married Elda Maas December 28, 1935, in Abilene. He had lived on a farm seven miles west of Winters.

Survivors include his wife; a stepson, H. B. Maas of Rowena; a stepdaughter, Wilma Higgins of Merkel; four brothers, Louis Hord, John Hord, and Wesley Hord, all of

Winters, and Joe Hord of Comanche; three sisters, Mrs. W. B. Reeves, Mrs. T. O. Williams, and Mrs. Joe Nitsch all of Winters; and seven stepgrandchildren and seven stepgreat-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Pat Gray, Michael Dieke, James Brown, Bob Gilmer, Dennis Poe, and Sherman Hord.

Funeral Held for Nadyne Allen Dear

Nadyne Allen Dear of Fort Worth, born January 7, 1931 at Vero, Texas departed this life July 2, 1977.

Survivors are her husband, Orville Dear; two sons, John A. and Charles W. Dear of Fort Worth; one daughter, Mrs. Beckey McChristy of Lake Worth; and two granddaughters. Also her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Allen of Noodle; four sisters, Mrs. Paula Nixon of Alton, Mrs. Linda Brown and Mrs. Janet Searcy of Abilene and Nancy Allen of Tulsa, Oklahoma; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Monday July 4th at First Baptist Church,

Lake Worth. The Rev. C. W. Dixon of Lake Worth L. Stanley of Duncanville, officiated. Burial was in Bro. W. E. Nowell of Azleland Memorial Park Noodle and Rev. George at Azle, Texas.



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