

BARGAINS FOR FOOTBALL TIME

Badgers to Meet Ballinger Team There Tonight

The Merkel Badgers open the football season at 8 o'clock tonight against the Ballinger Bearcats at Ballinger.

Ballinger is picked to win their AA District by the coaches and sports writers of this area. Ballinger has eight regulars back from last year's team. Heading the list is Jerry Bell 180-pound senior, 3-year letterman at quarterback. The line is well fortified around 215-pound left tackle Ferguson.

In spite of the fact that the Badgers will be doped to lose their first game of the year Coach Carroll Benson's lads are going to Ballinger with the idea of up-setting the dope and try to revenge the 6-2 licking Ballinger handed the local lads in their first game last year.

The band, pep squads, student body and a host of Merkel boosters will be there to cheer the boys on to victory.

The probable starting line-up is:

Corky Cox, LE, 162
Ralph Bartlett, Lt, 180
or Garth McLeod, LT, 205
Billy Mack Gilbert, LG, 155
Sessions Hammond, C, 162
Troy Dean, RG, 150
or Wesley Morton, RG, 195
Billy Wayne Dye, RT, 170
Jackie McAninch, RE, 150
Bobby Mayfield, LH, 142
or Billy Fisher, LH, 160
George English, BB, 195
Freddie Boone, QB, 153
or Dink Whisenhunt, QB, 150
Richard Chaney, RH, 155
or George Starbuck, RH, 152
or Ralph Bartlett, RH, 180

Others who will see a lot of action are Jack Miller, E. Jerry Cunningham, E. Jimmy Kingsbury, G. Philip Pursley, B. Terry O'Brien, B.

ARE RAIN-MAKERS Tye School Is Fighting For Survival

The drouth, which moved many tenants and workmen and even landowners off farms on the school district, cut enrollment so that last year the school fell below the average daily attendance of 47 which is required to keep three teachers.

(Tye school teaches only elementary grades. High schoolers transfer to Abilene.)

Tye residents feel that if they drop to only two teachers, the school is "gone" and soon they won't have any classes in the community. They look upon this as the time to make a determined stand.

The enrollment is 52 now. When the air base begins the picture will improve.

That, however, is in the future and has little bearing on the immediate problem. If the daily attendance does not meet the mark, the state won't pay that third teacher and that salary will fall back on the local district.

Last week the Tye trustees decided to take the gamble. One trustee volunteered to pay one month's salary of the third teacher to keep her. The board decided it could scrape up the other two months' pay somewhere if it had to.

With a school that small, the third teacher makes a big difference. Supt. Aubrey McAuley pointed out, so every effort will be made to keep her.

Dollar Day Comes In Splendid Time For the Kick-Off

The football season opens and in time for this occasion comes the Dollar Day specials. Dollar Day will be next Tuesday, Sept. 15. It is the 16th Dollar Day in the friendly town of Merkel.

The savings offered are tremendous.

The department store will be found savings that run from one-third to one-half.

Grocers are offering excellent savings on foods. These offerings are timely.

The filling stations are making offerings that are tempting. Prestone is being again offered at a great saving, just in time for the football season.

It will pay to look over the Dollar Day ads, making a list of desired items and shop speedily and early and wisely.

The time to think of things for

Women Are Named Who Gave Help At X-ray Program

The women who helped Mrs. Andy Shouse in working at the X-ray program were:

Hostesses: Mrs. W. T. Sadler, Mrs. Clyde Bartlett and Miss Christine Collins.

Clerks: Mesdames, Horace Bonney, Grif Barnett, Mrs. Weston West, C. O'Brien, C. E. Mewborn, Ted Windham, Ross Pratt.

Mesdames Paul West, Paul Honeycutt, Ben R. Hicks, Vincent Barnett, Truett Thompson, Wm. R. Cypert, Woodrow Wilson, Holt Vaughn, Chester Collinsworth, Carroll Benson, Norman Winter, Elmer Herring.

W. H. Baucum, 43 Claimed by Death Last Sunday

Weaver Hampton Baucum, 43, member of a pioneer Jones County farm family, died Sunday in Anson General Hospital after becoming critically ill on Wednesday a week ago while driving from Abilene to Anson.

He was born Oct. 9, 1909, in Anson and was reared on a farm west of Anson. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Baucum of Anson.

He was married on August 17, 1928, in Anson to the former Lola Mae Montgomery. The family had made their home here since then except for a few years on the plains where he held farm interests.

Mr. Baucum was seriously injured and paralyzed from the waist down in 1945 at Seagraves, when he tried to help a utility worker who had come in contact with high voltage electric wire. The electrical shock knocked the two men off a building and broke Mr. Baucum's back.

However, he had continued to be an active farmer able to drive his car and tractor. He was operating a watch repair shop at Merkel when he was last stricken ill.

Funeral was held at 10 a. m. Monday in the First Baptist Church in Anson with the Rev. W. H. Magee of Amarillo and the Rev. H. S. Earp of Merkel, both Assembly of God ministers, officiating. Burial was in Mount Hope Cemetery in Anson.

Survivors include his wife; his mother, Mrs. Walter Baucum of Anson; two daughters, Mrs. Ann Parkinson of Phoenix, Ariz., and Janis Baucum of Anson; two sons, Denton and Don Baucum, both of Anson; four grandchildren; four brothers, Joe Baucum of Anson, Walter of Sweetwater, Tom of Plainview and Shelby of Seagraves; two sisters, Mrs. J. B. Goza of Anson and Mrs. Weldon Smith of Dimmitt.

1st. P.-T.A. Meet Will Be Held Next Thursday

Open house by rooms will be the feature of the first P.-T.A. meeting of the year to be held next Thursday night, Sept. 17, at 7:30 in the school cafeteria, according to Mrs. P. W. Miller, program chairman.

Eilis Harris a member of the local school board, will speak briefly on the subject of "The Structure of Our Society — the Home, Church and School."

After Supt. Mack Fisher introduces the teachers, each parent will be requested to go to the room of his child where the teacher will talk about her plans for the year, her goals and objectives, methods of teaching, materials of instruction, rules of the school, etc. Parents will have an opportunity to ask questions of the teacher.

At each of the P.-T.A. meetings this year, a prize of \$2.50 will be given to the room or class in each building which has the greatest percentage of parents present, mothers counting one point and dads two points, according to Mrs. Homer Newby, president.

The annual P.-T.A. membership campaign is now underway and will continue to Sept. 18. The room or class which has the greatest percentage of parents to join will receive a prize of \$2.50. Dues are 50 cents per person.

Roping Contest Will Be Held Here Saturday

A keen contest is promised when Jack Newton, Abilene and Lester Forest of Maryneal meet at 8 p. m. Saturday, Sept. 12, at Rodeo Hill Arena, 1 1/2 miles northwest of Merkel, in a matched roping contest.

They will each rope eight calves. There will also be a jackpot roping on two calves. Admission will be charged. Kids will be admitted free.

D. B. Bowen Now At Cosden Station On W. Highway 80

D. B. Bowen has moved and is now operating the Cosden Filling Station on West Highway 80.

H. W. Lemens has taken over the Cosden wholesale agency.

Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1933 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

The Mail is glad to pass on the information from Will F. Butman that his father, Sam Butman, Sr., one of the oldest pioneers of this section is steadily improving although his progress is slow at best.

RE-ELECT TRENT MAN
A. C. Terry of Trent was re-elected president of the Taylor County Carriers' Association at its regular meeting Saturday at the post office building in Abilene.

RAINS ON WEDNESDAY
Wednesday afternoon's rainfall measured one-half inch, according to the gauge of Volunteer Weather Observer Grover Hale. This brings the total for the year to 9 1/2 inches.

"LOOK UPON TEXAS"
The W. M. S. of the First Baptist Church will have a "State Mission" program Tuesday, Sept. 19. The theme of the program will be "Look Upon Texas."

WIN 11 FIRSTS AT KENTUCKY
A telegram from Willie Joe Largent was received Thursday morning by his father, C. M. Largent, advising that the Largent show cattle had scored heavily again at the Kentucky State Fair at Louisville this week, winning 11 firsts, senior and grand champion bull, and also junior champion female. At Indianapolis last week they won senior grand champion bull, junior champion female, 8 firsts and 4 seconds.

Last Rites Held For G. N. Cook Last Saturday

Funeral for G. N. Cook, 69, resident of Jones County for 67 years, was held at 2:30 p. m. Saturday in the First Methodist Church. Mr. Cook died at 10 p. m. Thursday night of last week in Hendrick Memorial Hospital.

Rev. Arthur Jones, retired Methodist minister of Abilene officiated, assisted by Rev. George Coffey, Baptist minister at Truby. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born Oct. 13, 1883, Mr. Cook was married to Etta Ely of Noodle Nov. 24, 1909.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, W. L. and Howard E. Cook, both of Abilene; and five daughters, Mrs. D. R. DeRusha and Mrs. Hyram Caffey, both of Abilene, Mrs. Floyd Watts and Mrs. Leo Mellyroy, both of Hamby, and Mrs. O. S. Gilbreath of Anson; four brothers, Sam Cook of Coahoma, Wyo., and Mrs. Sanford's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Long, of Buffalo, Wyo. Norman was a buddy of Mr. and Mrs. Ensminger's son Wade Jr., who was killed during World War II.

M. L. Douglasses Are Honored On 40th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Douglasses were honored on their fortieth wedding anniversary Tuesday, August 27, with a surprise party in the home of a daughter, Mrs. Deverl Teaff.

Mrs. Jay Robbins and Mrs. J. C. Clarkson were co-hostesses to their sister.

A beautiful four-tier cake and punch were served to the relatives and friends who were present.

Grif Barnett Is Now Active Conoco Agent

Grif Barnett has taken over the retail dealership and the wholesale agency of the Continental Oil Company here. The Conoco Service Station will be located on East Highway 80.

Full Color Movie By Jack Millers To Be Shown Free

A full-color travelogue movie of the West Indies will be sponsored at the First Methodist Church Monday at 7:30 p. m. by the Wesleyan Service Guild.

A 16-MM educational movie of one hour and twenty minutes, the travelogue was made by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Miller during their tour of the Indies in March. The Millers went to some expense to make their movie a top-rate travel film, inserting explanatory word passages between the various scenes.

Seen will be the National Rain Forest at San Juan, Puerto Rico, as well as native and street scenes there and at Port-Au-Prince, Haiti. Other features will be views of Kingston, Montego Bay, Hope Gardens, Tower Isle and the Caeston Gardens of Jamaica.

The public is invited. There is no charge.

Mary Craddock Dies at Osage At Age of 86

Funeral for Miss Mary Craddock, 86, former long-time resident of Merkel, was held at 3 p. m. Tuesday in Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel.

Miss Craddock died at 2 p. m. Monday of last week at Osage, near Gatesville, where she had been living with a niece, Mrs. Vera Martin at Merkel, she had lived with a sister, the late Mrs. J. W. Bland. She was the last surviving member of her immediate family. She was born in Tennessee the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Craddock.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery at Merkel.

The pallbearers, all great-nephews, were A. C. Bland, Jr., Pat Bland, and R. V. Clark, all of Abilene, Oscar Bland, Dorman Clark of Wichita Falls, and Billy White.

Survivors besides the niece at Osage include two other nieces, Mrs. J. L. White and Mrs. Vera Clark of Wichita Falls; and five nephews, J. M. Bland of Post, Dee and R. L. Bland of Abilene, J. A. Bland of Sweetwater, and A. C. Bland, Sr., of Wichita Falls.

This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1913 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

The Merkel Public Schools opened Monday morning with a grand total of 430 pupils present. During the electric storm Wednesday afternoon lightning struck the south side school building. There was little damage except to the roof and stampe of the pupils into the rainstorm as the shock was distinctly felt.

C. E. Whitake, Dr. J. H. Warnick, W. R. Bigham and M. D. Ussery were visitors to Abilene Monday.

Parker Hendrix of Abilene was a social caller in Merkel Sunday.

Miss Katherine Anderson returned to Merkel Tuesday after a few days in Abilene visiting relatives and friends.

A jolly ride was given to the teachers Friday afternoon. Prompt-

Former Merkelite Dies in Phoenix Last Saturday

Mrs. Carrie Warnick the former Carrie Baker, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. A. A. Baker, died Saturday at her home in Phoenix, Ariz., and was buried Tuesday in Phoenix. She left here about 1916.

Mrs. Bob Hicks Attends Clinic, Is Now in Hospital

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hicks returned Tuesday of last week from Galveston where Mrs. Hicks went through the clinic at St. Mary's Academy. She is now in the Sadler Hospital.

WAS WAR BUDDIE

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Ensminger the past week were Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sanford of Thermoplis, Wyo., and Mrs. Sanford's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Long, of Buffalo, Wyo. Norman was a buddy of Mr. and Mrs. Ensminger's son Wade Jr., who was killed during World War II.

BOY TO LEALS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Nick Leal a baby boy Sept. 8.

HENAGERS HAVE GIRL

A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Henager at the Sadler Hospital Sept. 5.

SINGING AT PIONEER

The regular second Sunday singing for Sept. 13 will be held at 2 p. m. at the Pioneer Memorial Church. Visitors are welcome.

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One of the prettiest and daintiest home weddings of the season was witnessed last Wednesday evening when Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Christopher gave in marriage their daughter, Gladys Belle, to Mr. Leonard Sublett. Rev. R. A. Clements read the beautiful and impressive marriage ceremony.

ONE BULL FIGHT IS ENOUGH SAYS KIT AFTER SEEING HIS FIRST SPECTACLE

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Carson were in San Angelo Sunday, visiting her sister and nephew. Mr. Carson went on to Villa Acuna, Coah., Mexico, where he saw a bull fight.

A woman from Big Spring killed two bulls and a matador from Spain also killed two bulls.

This was the first time he had seen a bull fight. When asked casually whether he would care to see

Skating, Watermelons - Um, Um! Betty Knows How to Treat Victors

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Mrs. Henry C. West Is Improving After Illness

Mrs. Henry C. West is improving after her recent illness. She is in the Sadler Hospital.

ALWAYS LATE
"Say, you've really got the latest thing in stenographers."
"She is certainly that. She never gets here 'till ten."

DOLLAR DAY SPECIALS

1 Group HOSE \$1 pair

54-Inch All Wool COATING Reg. \$2.95 yd. Dollar Day Special \$1.95 yd.

Springmaid BROADCLOTH Reg. \$1 yd. Dollar Day Special 69c yd.

1 Table PLAID GINGHAM 2 yds. for \$1

1 Table Fabric Including Printed Broadcloth and Calico Prints. Values to 69c yd. Dollar Day Special 3 yds. for \$1 or 35c Yd.

MANY OTHER BARGAINS JOYCE'S

NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. Cressie Stevens and daughter of Buckeye, Ariz., came here Friday and left Sunday after visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bartlett.

Leonard Norris Boden, Jr., of the Air Corps is home on a 15-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Boden, Sr. He will report back to his base in the state of Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Morris and girls of Wichita Falls visited over the weekend in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Boden, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Baze. Mrs. Boden returned home with them.

Isadore Mellinger spent the holiday in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Mellinger with their sons, Meyer and Sylvan, visited his brother Victor in Big Spring. He is now at home and improving after his operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bingham spent Sunday in Weinert, visiting Rev. and Mrs. J. Temple Lewis and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hobbs and son Bennie of Grand Prairie spent the holiday weekend with their daughter, Mrs. Bob Fowler, and family.

J. Parker Sharp was a guest at the West Texas Firemen's Association convention in Munday on Monday.

Mrs. J. H. Scarlett and two daughters, Darlene and Debrah, Mrs. Nora Dykes and Mrs. W. P. Billingsley of Wichita Falls were weekend visitors of Mrs. J. T. Johnson, Miss Delia Kuydendall and Mrs. Bob Malone. They all went to Big Spring Monday visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Berryman of Midland visited Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Berryman, and her sister, Mrs. Pete Rutledge, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Adeock, Jr., and family of Fort Worth spent the holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Adeock, and brother Waymon and family.

Pvt. Bobby Campbell of Fort Bliss, El Paso, was here over the weekend visiting his parents, Mr.

and Mrs. S. D. Campbell. Their daughter, Mrs. W. C. Lay, and family of Fort Worth were also here at the same time.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Steele and son Randall of Houston and Mrs. Lucian Rudd of Fort Worth were visitors in the home of Mrs. E. C. Ray on the Butman Ranch. Mrs. Steele and Mrs. Rudd were the former Joyce and Peggy Ray, Mrs. E. C. Ray's daughters.

Mrs. Jay Robbins of Eldorado recently visited a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Douglas and a sister, Mrs. Deverl Teaff, and Mr. Teaff, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Clarkson of Batesville, Miss., have returned to their home after a week of visiting with them.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McWilliams and son Chester and family attended a birthday party Sunday at Big Spring honoring Oneda Thompson, daughter of J. A. McWilliams, and sister of Chester. She received many nice gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Horton and family of Pearidge, Ark., are moving back to their farm here.

Wild Adventure Packed in Show At Queen Theatre

For pulse-stirring adventure few pictures have come along with more impact than "White Witch, Doctor," which opens Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at the Queen Theatre. The strange beauty of lush jungle atmosphere, masterfully photographed in color by Technicolor, and the glimpses into the secrets of the Belgian Congo are breath-taking. The human conflicts of greed, sacrifice, smoldering emotions and love add much to the gripping power and fascination of this Twentieth-Century-Fox production, which turns out to be thrilling entertainment.

Susan Hayward, as an American nurse who is determined to forget a broken heart by helping to heal jungle natives, and Robert Mitchum, a white hunter, who uses her as a dupe to get into forbidden native territory where gold is hidden are the chief protagonists in this pulsating story.

DOLLAR DAY SPECIALS

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Reg. \$1.00 Manicure or Eye Lash Brow Dye 75c

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FRESH TOMATOES lb. 15c	ALL MEAT BOLOGNA lb. 39c
YELLOW SQUASH lb. 10c	BEEF ROAST lb. 49c
JONATHAN APPLES lb. 19c	LONGHORN CHEESE lb. 49c
OLEO SUNSPUN 2 LBS. 39c	
CHURH'S — 24 Oz. Grape - Apple Juice 29c	MRS. TUCKER'S — 3 Lb. Carton SHORTENING 69c
AUSTEX BEEF STEW can 33c	RED & WHITE — No. 2 1/2 CANS PEACHES 3 for \$1.00
AUNT JEMIMA MEAL 5 lb. bag 49c	OUR VALUE — No. 303 CANS TOMATOES 2 for 27c
POST — 12 Oz. Pkg. TOASTIES 20c	SUN SPUN — No. 303 CANS CORN 6 for \$1.00
TUNA VAN CAMP'S 4 CANS \$1	
LIPTON'S TEA 1/4 lb. pkg. 33c	PETER PAN — 12 Oz. Peanut Butter 33c
SUPREME CRACKERS 1 lb. box 23c	PURE CANE SUGAR 10 lb. bag 89c
LIBBY'S CATSUP 12 oz. bottle 23c	ALL FLAVORS JELLO 2 pkgs. 15c
HILL'S DOG FOOD 2 cans 27c	NORTHERN TISSUE 4 rolls 35c
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At a few minutes before seven a. m. in the back booth of Charley Marshall's North Side Cafe in Comanche, comes this column for the week. Rains and the prospects for a good crop make the Comanche area look a lot different than when I was here in April. This is generally true over the entire Congressional District, but there remain a few dry spots yet.

The National Farm Loan Association of Callahan County held its

Annual Stockholders' Meeting in Baird on Last Friday night. Leslie Bryant, the secretary-treasurer of the organization, extended me the invitation to speak several days in advance, and of course, I was glad to accept.

Another meeting of National Farm Loan Association Stockholders offered me a most appreciated opportunity of addressing them. This was at 2 p. m. Saturday in the District Courtroom here in Comanche.

From the NFLA Stockholders' Meeting in Comanche, I went immediately to Dublin, where it was my very great honor to lead the down-town parade preceding the last performance of their nationally famous rodeo.

At the rodeo performance, my assistant, Zeno Phillips and I were guests of my friend, Bill Gaines.

This reminds me to announce that Mr. Phillips has just come with me as my secretary. He was Assistant to Congressman Ed Gossett of the Wichita Falls District before Mr. Gossett resigned from Congress. Mr. Phillips is a very fine man and all my constituents will find him eager and willing to be of any possible service.

Mr. Phillips will manage my office in Washington when the Con-

gress is in session. In the meantime he will be in my Anson office in the basement of the post office building and can also be contacted at the Drake Hotel in Abilene, where he will spend a part of his time.

CEMETERY FUND

Since the last report the following have donated to the Cemetery Maintenance Fund:

- R. E. Solomon \$10.00
- E. D. Wortham, Abernathy 7.00
- Mrs. Lucy H. Russon 5.00
- Mary E. Johnston, Est., 5.00

Trent 5.00

Mrs. R. H. Kingston 5.00

Anyone wishing to contribute to this fund may leave checks or donations at the teller's windows of the Farmers and Merchants National Bank, Bragg's or at The Merkel Mail office.

Gives Seven Steps To Growing Older Successfully

There are seven sensible steps to growing older. That is, if you want to age successfully.

Mrs. Eloise Johnson, family life education specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, says looking forward to later years can be done pleasantly by planning to include these seven steps in growing older. For healthier and happier years ahead eat properly, see your doctor regularly, get enough sleep, balance your exercise and rest, wear comfortable, attractive and becoming clothing, keep busy and cultivate a sense of humor.

A well-balanced person looks back upon his life and profits from the lessons he has learned. He enjoys pleasant memories. But he also looks into the future to make plans for what he intends to do tomorrow. What are we going to be like in 10 or 15 years? What kind of a 65 or 70-year old will we be?

If we are self-centered and withdrawn now we will be even more isolated when we are old. If we are interested in other people and get pleasure in doing for others we will get increasing pleasure and satisfaction in relations with people as we get older.

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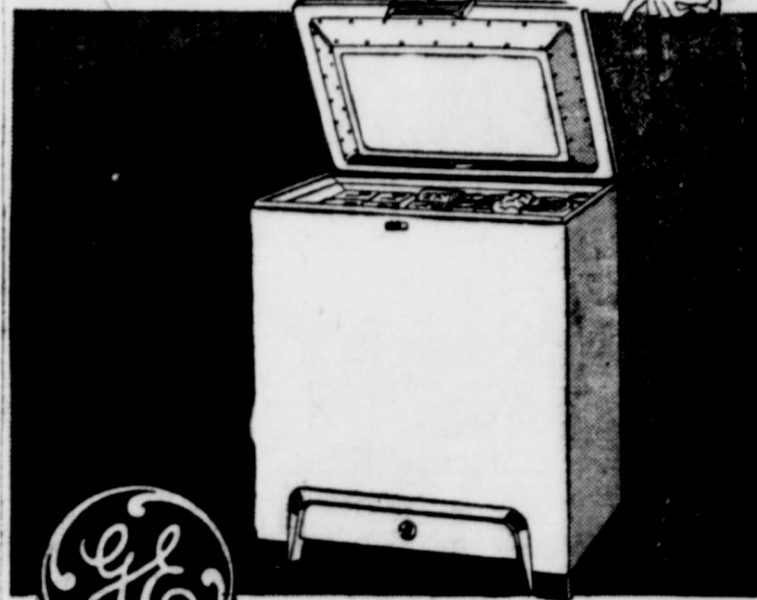
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Sammy Scroggins is now attending Junior College at Cisco.

A. J. Greenfield, Jr., Arrives in Korea,

Pvt. Andrew J. Greenfield, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Greenfield, has arrived in Korea. He would be glad to hear from home. Any of his friends who would like to write him may address:

Pvt. Andrew J. Greenfield, Jr. US 54100922 Co., C. 1092 Engr. C. Bn. APO 358, Unit 1, PM San Francisco, Calif.

Continental Will Spend Million Dollars on Ads

A million-dollar advertising campaign to introduce Continental Oil Company's new Conoco Super gasoline with TCP, described as "the biggest improvement in gasoline week as Conoco's new premium in 31 years," is being launched this fuel goes on sale at 500 Conoco service stations and other outlets in 23 states. TCP, the addition that gives car engines more power and greater fuel mileage, is being added to Conoco's new gasoline by special arrangement with Shell Oil Company, it was revealed by Harry J. Kennedy, vice president in charge of marketing.



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HOSPITAL NOTES

Admissions to the Sadler Hospital the past week were: As medical patients — Mrs. W. P. Mashburn, J. Cal Hamner, Mrs. John Patton, Jimmy Russell, Mrs. Hugh Campbell, Clovis McElmurray, Paul Bojevick, hit by auto, Pete West, Clyde Lewis, Mrs. C. C. Bond, Gerald Willis, Mrs. C. C. Bond.

Woody Wilsons Attend Gift Show Over Weekend

Mr. and Mrs. Woody Wilson attended the Gift Show in Dallas Sunday and Monday.

Patricia Butman Chosen President

Mrs. Joe Barnett's eighth grade room held its first class meeting Sept. 2. They elected officers. They were: Patricia Butman, president, Linda Winter, vice president, Barry Scott, secretary, Riley Seymore, treasurer and Mena Lou Stallo, reporter.

They decided to hold two meetings each month with a class room program each month. With the idea of giving more pupils a chance to serve as class officers it was decided that new officers be chosen each month.

F. J. McDonald Has Major Surgery

F. J. McDonald underwent major surgery at the Sadler Hospital Sept. 6.

Jack W. Brown Expected to Land

A/2C Jackie W. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willard R. Brown, and brother of Glenn Brown, will land at San Francisco, Calif., around Sept. 17. He left the Far East on Sept. 3. He has been stationed on Okinawa, Kadena Air Force Base, with a Rescue Squadron for two years. He is expected to arrive here around Sept. 20 by plane from San Francisco, Calif., to Abilene. After a 30-day leave at home he will be stationed at Larson Air Force Base in Washington. He will serve 1 year and 3 months more in the Air Force.

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SHRINE CIRCUS PLANNED

Abilene Shriners receive materials for a ticket sale campaign for the Shrine Circus which will be in Abilene Sept. 20 to 22. At the extreme right sitting is Isadore Melinger and standing is Sylvan Melinger. Isadore is a member of the committee that handles children's ticket sales while Sylvan is a member of the committee that handles general ticket sales. Several thousands children are expected to receive donated tickets to the circus to be held at Blue Sox Stadium in Abilene.

NEWS' ODDITIES

A Blackwell City, Okla., attorney Bruce Potter was nearly unnerved by a tiny Edmond, Okla., resident Potter and City Clerk Carl Randall were driving to Oklahoma City. As they passed through Edmond they heard desperate cries of "help, help, help!" It sounded like a little girl's voice. Potter brought the car to a

screaming halt and looked wildly around, asking, "I didn't hit anyone, did I, Carl?" There was no one in sight — but Randall spotted a parrot on a line near the street continuing his distress call.

Oklahoma City post office employees received a chuckle from a package which arrived here from San Antonio.

Attached to the outside was a transparent bag containing oatmeal cookies and a note reading:

"Last Christmas I mailed a doll insured for \$25, and the doll was broken when it arrived. They would only pay me \$5 for the broken doll, so please handle this package with care — it isn't insured. And help yourself to a cookie."

In Los Angeles, Calif., a liquor store proprietor, Harry Weiner, 53, found a good way early Sunday to foil a holdup. He fainted.

He told police later that when he looked at the pistol the holdup man held he gasped and fainted.

He came to in a moment to find the would-be thief trying to open the cash register.

Weiner fainted again. When next he regained consciousness the man was gone. The only loot: 7 pints of whiskey.

In September 1951 a passenger drove a car into the parking lot at Logan International Airport Boston, Mass. He boarded a plane and never returned for the vehicle. At \$1 per day the parking fee is now \$700 — and all the tires are flat.

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SUNSHINE — 8 Oz. Bag
Marshmallows 15c

canned JUICES
LIBBY'S — 46 Oz. CAN
TOMATO JUICE 29c
DONALD DUCK FROZEN ORANGE JUICE can 19c
CHURCH'S — 24 Oz. Bottle
GRAPE JUICE 35c
PUREX qt. 19c
BAKERS COCONUT 4 oz. pkg. 17c

BAKERITE SHORTENING 3 b. can - - - - - 69c

TIDE REGULAR BOX 29c
DOVE BRAND BLACK PEPPER 1 Oz. CAN 20c
AZALEA OLEO 2 LBS. 45c

QUALITY MEATS
ROUND STEAK lb. 59c
LOIN OR T-BONE STEAK b. 45c
CHUCK ROAST lb. 39c
VEAL HAMBURGER lb. 32c
DENISON FRYERS lb. 52c

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Merkel First Methodist Church
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 Sunday School.....9:50 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....10:50 a. m.
 M. Y. F.6:30 p. m.
 Evening Worship.....8 p. m.

Merkel Grace Presbyterian Church
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Worship Service.....11 a. m.
 Evening Services.....8 p. m.

Compre Baptist Church
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship, 2nd and 4th
 Sunday.....11 a. m.

Amity Baptist Church
 Morning Service — 11:15 a. m.
 Sunday School—10:30 a. m.
 Evening Bible Class 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Services.....8 p. m.

Merkel Church of Christ
 Sunday:
 Bible Study.....9:45 a. m.
 Morning Service.....11:00 a. m.
 Young People's Bible Class
 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Services.....8 p. m.

Merkel First Baptist Church
 Sunday School.....9:45 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 Training Union.....6:30 p. m.
 Evening Worship.....8 p. m.
 Wednesday Prayer Service 7:30
 p. m.

Merkel Assembly of God
 Sunday school.....10 a. m.
 Morning Service.....11 a. m.
 C. A.'s (Young People).....7 p. m.
 Evening Worship.....8 p. m.
 Tuesday W. M. C.2 p. m.
 Wed. Prayer Service.....8 p. m.

Merkel Calvary Baptist Church
 Sunday School.....9:45 a. m.
 Morning Service.....11:00 a. m.
 Evening Bible Class. 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Worship.....8 p. m.

Tye Baptist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School.....9:45 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 Training Union.....6:45 p. m.
 Evening Services.....8 p. m.

Church of the Nazarene
 Services at the Merkel Church
 of the Nazarene are as follows:
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00
 Training Union.....7:00 p. m.
 Evening Services.....8 p. m.
 Wednesday:
 Prayer Service.....7:30 p. m.

Primitive Baptist Church
 Saturday Night Service
 Sunday Service.....11 a. m.

New Live Oak Baptist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11 a. m.
 Training Union.....6:45 p. m.
 Evening Worship.....8 p. m.

Merkel Catholic Church
 Sunday Mass.....10:30 a. m.

Tye Methodist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School.....10 a. m.
 M. Y. F.7:00 p. m.
 Prayer Meeting.....8 p. m.
 Morning Service.....11:00 a. m.

Noodle Church of Christ
 Sunday:
 Bible Class.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship Service 11:00
 Young People's Service 6:30
 Evening Worship.....8 p. m.

Pioneer Memorial Chapel
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Service.....11:00 a. m.
 Evening Services.....8:00 p. m.
Wednesday:
 Evening Prayer Service ..7:30

Noodle Baptist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 Young People's Class 6:30 p. m.
 Evening Service.....8:00 p. m.

Trent First Baptist Church
 Sunday:
 Sunday school.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship.....11:00 a. m.
 Training Union.....6:45 p. m.
 Evening Services.....8 p. m.
 Tuesday:
 U. M. U.9:30 a. m.

Wednesday:
 G. A.'s and R. A.'s.....6:30 p. m.
 Prayer Services.....7:30 p. m.
 Brotherhood, 1st Thursday of
 month, "You are a stranger here
 but once."

Hebron Baptist Church
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship .. 11: o'clock.
 Training Union.....7:00 p. m.
 Evening Worship 8:00 p. m.
Wednesday:
 Evening Prayer Services
7:30 p. m.

Trent Church of Christ
 Sunday:
11:00 o'clock
 Bible Class.....10:00 a. m.
 Morning Worship. 11:00 a. m.

Evening Services 8:00 p. m.
Thursday:
 Ladies Bible Class. 4:00 p. m.

Trent Methodist Church
 Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
 Evening Worship 8:00 p. m.
 Morning Services.....11:00 a. m.
 M. Y. F. Services 6:30 p. m.
Wednesday:
 Prayer Services 7:30 p. m.

GERMS ON THE RUN
 "It is true," said the famed specialist, "that exercise kills germs. However, up to the present time, we have been unable to discover how to make them exercise."

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 "Yes, sir," she replied. "Sheer?"
 "Oh, no. She's at home."

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New Conoco Super Gasoline

with TCP

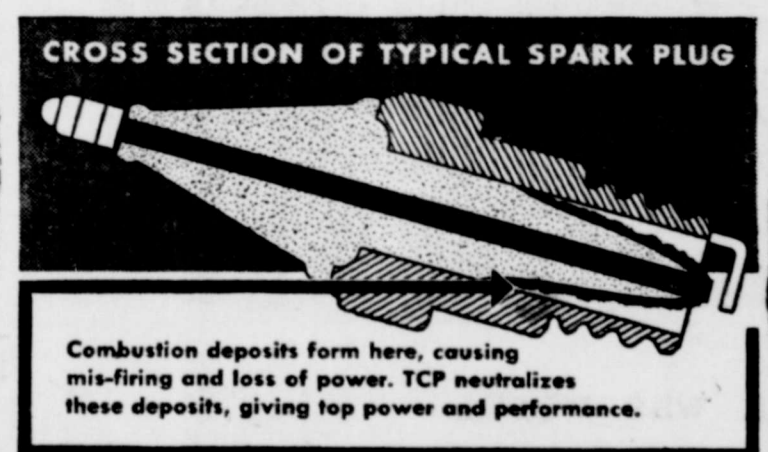
Boosts power as much as 15%! Increases spark-plug life up to 150%! Gives you extra gas mileage, too!

Here's the most revolutionary advance in motor fuels since the introduction of tetraethyl lead in 1922—new Conoco Super Gasoline with TCP, brought to you by special arrangement with Shell Oil Company. TCP is Shell's trademark for the remarkable additive originally developed for aviation fuels.

Now you can actually enjoy the benefits of an engine tune-up—just by changing to new Conoco Super Gasoline. Chances are, by the time you've finished your second tankful, you'll feel the increase in power. And you'll keep that extra power just as long as you use Conoco Super.

For Conoco Super with TCP is a new kind of gasoline. It overcomes the greatest single cause of power loss affecting most of the cars on the road today. Now, you can enjoy all the power that was built into your car.

Why you need Conoco Super Gasoline with TCP
 In the average automobile, the by-products of fuel combustion constantly build up deposits on spark plugs and in combustion chambers. These deposits can "cheat" you of power in two ways. First, they actually short-circuit your spark plugs. This causes mis-firing. Second, deposits in the combustion chamber get red hot and cause the fuel to ignite before it should. This is called pre-ignition or "wild ping." The effect of fouled spark plugs and pre-ignition is a loss in power and a waste of gasoline.



How TCP works
 TCP is a special chemical additive which is added to Conoco Super Gasoline. It was specifically developed to overcome the loss of power and fuel caused by combustion deposits. TCP neutralizes harmful deposits on spark plugs—your plugs spark as they should. It prevents deposits in the combustion chambers from causing pre-ignition—"wild ping" is controlled. Thus, every time you fill up with new Conoco Super, it's like getting your spark plugs cleaned and your engine tuned-up.

TCP helps your car, whether new or old
 If you are driving a new car, with a high-compression engine, you need Conoco Super Gasoline to keep your car delivering all the power that was built into it. It will actually increase spark-plug

life up to 150%. If you drive an older car, with tens of thousands of miles on the speedometer, Conoco Super can restore much of the "new car" performance and power you've been missing.

Yes, a great new era in motoring is here for you! Drive into your Conoco station today and fill your tank with new Conoco Super Gasoline with TCP! You'll feel the difference by the second tankful!

Questions and answers about New Conoco Super Gasoline with TCP

- Q. What is TCP?**
Answer. It is a cresyl compound, originally developed for aviation gasoline and used with great success in both military and commercial aircraft.
- Q. Has TCP been tested?**
Answer. Yes, for millions of miles, in all kinds of cars, under all kinds of driving conditions.
- Q. What does TCP do?**
Answer. It overcomes the power loss caused by deposits on spark plugs and in combustion chambers.
- Q. What does TCP do for new cars?**
Answer. It helps them keep their original power.
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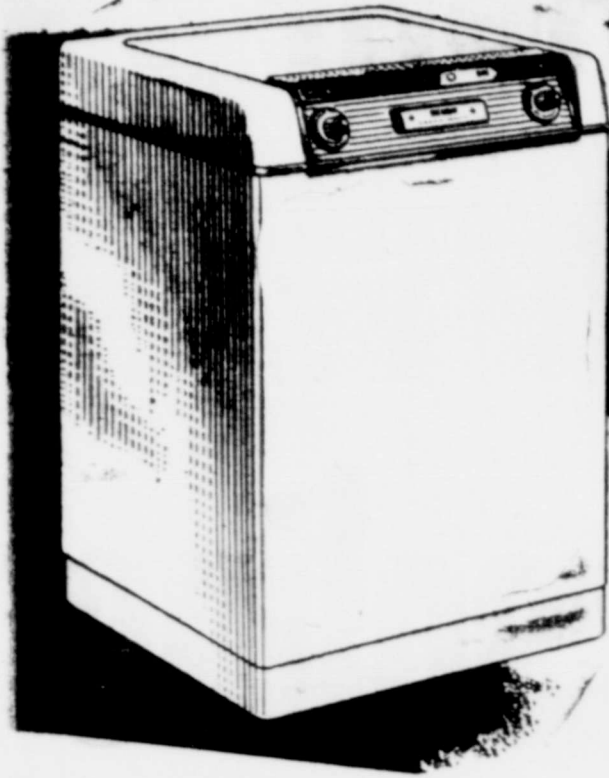


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NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Buford visited his cousin W. A. Buford, and family last week.

Jimmy Bourn of Ft. Worth recently visited his grandmother, Mrs. J. P. Sharp.

Jimmy Haggard of Palo Alto, Calif., was here last week, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Haggard.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Gentry and daughter of Midland were Sunday and Monday visitors of his brother, J. D. Gentry, and family.

Mrs. W. A. Dishman spent 10 days with her aunt, Mrs. Oma Po-tet, of Sipe Springs. She returned Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Fox returned from Lubbock where they visited their children. Mrs. Fox had been there for a week. Mr. Fox went there Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dickey Denison and baby of Houston spent 10 days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Toombs. They left Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ferrier, Jr., and family of Fort Worth spent the holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ferrier, Sr., and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bryan.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Betram and son of Abilene, J. B. Eaton of Sweetwater and Miss Lee Watkins of Lubbock were holiday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Norman King.

Mr. and Mrs. Ocie E. Day and daughters of Chandler, Okla., spent their two weeks' vacation with their grandmother, Myrtle Boden, for a few days. She accompanied them to El Paso where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Airl Sharp.

After a few days there they all went for a visit to Old Mexico after which Myrtle Boden returned to Chandler, Okla., with the Days for a three months' visit. She returned home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Crawford and J. C.'s mother of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Washburn and children of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Odis Bagby and children of Merkel visited their parents during the Labor Day holiday. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lee Martin of Abilene were Sunday afternoon visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hutson Moore and daughter Susan of Ft. Worth were holiday visitors in the homes of C. K. Russell and W. Clyde Reid.

Mr. and Mrs. Clovis J. Harrison of Monahans visited her sister, Mrs. L. J. Renfro and family and his mother Mrs. W. A. Harrison, over the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. James McDonald Wood and family of Edna visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Wood, over the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Elliott and sons Bobby and Dickey of Dalhart were holiday visitors of Mr. and

Mrs. Weldon McAninch and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Rust visited his brother E. F. at the Legion Hospital in Kerrville Sunday. His brother is improving.

A/3c Bill Butman of Perrin Air Force Base, near Sherman, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Butman.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ferguson Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Russell and Mrs. Elizabeth Latham visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Morgan and Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Knox in Dallas over the weekend.

Pvt. Bobby E. Owens was home over the weekend from Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Owen and family and friends.

T/Sgt. D. S. Howell of Laredo Air Base was a visitor recently of his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Owen.

Cpl. Dale Fletcher who is home on a 30-day furlough from Korea, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Fletcher, of Abilene, formerly

of Merkel, was a visitor in the R. N. Owen home recently.

visited Sunday in Lubbock with his uncle, A. L. Geer, and Mrs. Geer.

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Missing Chapters in the Schoolbooks

A high-school teacher writes us: "Please send me 50 copies of your booklet, *Adventures Inside the Atom*, for use with my students." Another wants material on new inventions. Or booklets on jet planes.

New things happen in science faster than textbooks can be revised.

New words puzzle our ears and eyes before these words are in dictionaries . . . atomic-pile reactors, silicones, jet engines with "afterburners," UHF television. Some problem for teachers, that.

Last year over 100,000 letters from schools hit our desks at General Electric asking for things in print on "what's new."

Just to give you an idea of how this adds up, one booklet, *Adventures Inside the Atom*, has been requested to the tune of five million copies since 1948.

Adventures in Jet Power, also handled in comic-book treatment, has since 1946 gone into eight printings.

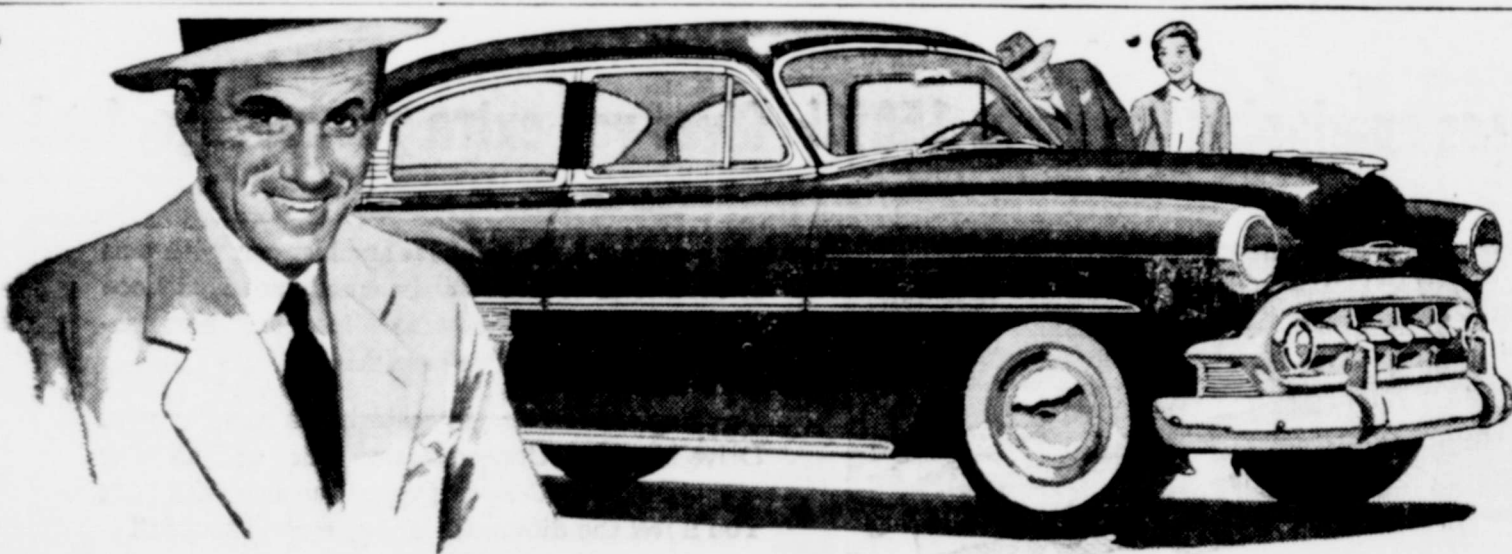
This may surprise you: a new booklet, *Why Study Math?*, will run over a million copies this year. (It answers that question Junior is always raising.)

Nobody is happier than we are to know teen-agers have a lively appetite for what's buzzing in the world around them.

After all, whether they know it or not, our young people in school today will be the scientists and engineers of tomorrow. They can't know too much.



THE G-E DEALER IN MERKEL IS
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This demonstration was worth many hundreds of dollars to me!

I thought only a higher-priced car would suit me. But then I found out how much more Chevrolet offered for how much less!



Chevrolet's field — the new 115-h.p. "Blue-Flame." Gear-shift models offer the advanced 108-h.p. "Thrifty-King" engine.

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It's heavier for better roadability
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rolet. One reason is that, model for model, Chevrolet will weigh up to 200 pounds more than the other low-priced cars.

You get greater getaway with the new Powerglide*

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A demonstration will show you that Chevrolet offers just about everything you could want. Yet it's the lowest-priced line in the low-price field.

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BILLY GLENN BOWEN MARRIES FT. WORTH GIRL

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Bowen were in Fort Worth on Tuesday of last week where they attended the wedding of their son Billy Glenn to Peggy Bunch of Fort Worth. They will make their home in Fort Worth where he is employed by Armour and Company.

RUSSOM REUNION IS HELD LAST SUNDAY- SEPT 6

A Russom reunion was held Sunday, Sept. 6 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Russom. A basket dinner was served at the noon hour to about 35 persons. All reported a very enjoyable day and hope there will be many more.

MANY FOLKS FROM MERKEL ATTEND SMILEY REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Riney were in Roaring Springs last weekend for the annual Smiley family reunion. There were 82 present. Others attending from Merkel were Messrs. and Mesdames Robert Riney and family, Don Riney and family, D. J. Richie and family, Leroy Riney and sons, and R. G. Toombs.

MRS. JAMES CANADY HONORS DON WITH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. James Canady entertained her son Jimmie with a party on his fourth birthday. Games were enjoyed after which gift packages were opened. Cake and ice cream were served to 23 children. Assisting Mrs. Canady were Mesdames Nita Rakes, Thelda Hutchingson, Joyce Clark, Inez Purser, Betty Bigbee and Joyce Purser.

MRS. RALPH RUSSELL IS HONORED WITH SHOWER

Mrs. Ralph Russell was honored with a stork shower on Thursday evening, August 27, in the home of Mrs. Nolan Palmer. Hostesses assisting Mrs. Palmer were: Mesdames Andy Shouse, Holt Vaughn, Aubrey F. White, Mac Springer, Tommy Diltz, Don Dudley, Sammy Doan and Miss Betty Tittle. Mrs. Vaughn led in playing several games after which the gifts were viewed. A refreshment plate of pink and blue cookies and frosted punch were served to about 28 guests.

MRS. J. M. SPURGIN ATTENDS MOORE FAMILY REUNION

Mrs. J. M. Spurgin spent last week with her sister, Mrs. J. B. Hilburn, and husband of Pampa. She also visited her niece, Earlene Angel, of Amarillo.

She attended the Moore reunion at Lubbock last Sunday. All the Moore children who are living were present for the first time in many years. There were about 40 of the grandchildren and great grandchildren of the late Mrs. M. A. Moore present.

Mrs. Spurgin returned Sunday evening with her daughter and husband Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Justice.

TRENT INTERMEDIATE G. A.'S DISCUSS "STEWARDSHIP"

The Trent Intermediate G. A.'s met Sept. 7 at 4 p. m. in the First Baptist Church. Eight members attended with two visitors, who joined. Three members, Colleen Stowe, Hilda Hutcheson and Barbara Washburn were appointed officers of the club.

The program, carried on by Judy Steadman, Sharon Terry and Jane Williams, was based on "Stewardship."

Refreshments, consisting of tuna fish sandwiches and lime kool-aid, were served by Neleta Hale and Nelda Sue Heatly.

MISS MABEL McREE HOSTESS TO UNION RIDGE H. D. CLUB

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration Club met Friday, Sept. 4, in the home of Miss Mabel McRee for its regular meeting. The President, Mrs. Beauford Bumtin, presided. Minutes were approved. Roll call was answered with "Why I'm Glad I Live in America."

Mrs. J. H. Clark led in prayer. The treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Pee. Miss McRee gave the

council report. Talk on "Freedom" was given by different ones.

Refreshment was served to seven members and two children. The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Don Riney Friday, Sept. 13. The agent, Miss Allen, will be present.

KING'S DAUGHTERS CLASS MEETS TUESDAY AFTERNOON

The King's Daughters' Sunday School Class held its regular meeting Tuesday afternoon at the Methodist Church. The meeting opened with singing "Love Lifted Me," led by Mrs. C. K. Russell with Mrs. Tom Coats at the piano.

Mrs. Aubrey F. White led the prayer. Mrs. L. A. Watts gave the inspiring devotional from the last chapter of Revelations. Mrs. R. B. Johnson told a story. There were 13 members and one visitor present.

WHISENHUNT-WHITSEL REUNION LISTS 212 PERSONS

The first reunion of the Whisenhunt and Whitsel families was held at the State Park at Buffalo Gap Sunday, Sept. 6. There were 212 members of the families who attended and 30 visitors. A basket dinner was spread out on the tables during the noon hour. Visiting and talking over old times was enjoyed by all. All were in favor of having another reunion next year, the fourth Sunday in August. There was 14 out of 18 of the children of the original Whisenhunt and Whitsel families at the reunion.

BLUE BONNET H. D. CLUB HAS INTERESTING PROGRAM

"Working Things Out Together" was the program at the Blue Bonnet Home Demonstration Club as the club met in the Fellowship Hall of the Pioneer Memorial Church with Mrs. Swiney as hostess. Vice president, Mrs. Brnovak, called the meeting to order. Woman's collect was read by the group. Prayer was given by Mrs. McLean.

Miss Loretta Allen, the agent, brought the interesting talk on "Working Things Out Together in Our Homes With Our Family." Ice cream and cookies were served three visitors, Miss Allen, Mrs. McLean, Mrs. Edith Powell and ten members.

The next meeting will be Sept. 15 with Mrs. Marie McConnell. Election of officers will be held and everyone is urged to be present.

GARDEN CLUB ENTERTAINS WITH FASHION SHOW

The Merkel Garden Club began the year's work with a guest luncheon and fashion show at the Community Center Saturday, Sept. 5.

The luncheon tables were attractively decorated with colorful autumn flowers and polished ivory. The menu consisted of congealed chicken, green beans, fruit salad, ice cream pie, rolls and tea.

Following the luncheon Mrs. Carroll Benson, Mrs. Helen Barlow, Mrs. John Shannon, Mrs. W. S. J. Brown, Mrs. Homer Patterson, Mrs. Dale Litton, and Mrs. Sammy Doan delighted the group as they modeled famous name brands of clothes from Bragg's. Clothes suitable for evenings at home, television parties, garden work, clubs, football games, church and street wear were shown by these charming models.

Mrs. Paul Honeycutt, guest artist, furnished the background music and Miss Christine Collins graciously presented each model to the appreciative audience.

The next meeting of the club will be a flower arrangement workshop under the direction of Mrs. John Shannon at the Community Center, Sept. 17, at 4 o'clock.

Denta Gibson Enters School For X-Ray Work

Miss Denta Gibson entered the school for X-Ray technicians at Hardin-Simmons University and Hendricks Memorial Hospital. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dent Gibson.

THANK YOU CARD

We wish to gratefully acknowledge the kind words, deeds and floral offerings extended by the people of Merkel during the loss of our loved one. May God's blessing rest on you always. Mrs. R. L. Adcock and family.

CARD OF THANKS

We are very grateful for the words of comfort and sympathy expressed by our friends for the loss of our brother, R. L. Adcock; the flowers you gave and the dishes you brought for the dinner Wednesday evening. May God's richest blessing be with you all. O. J. Adcock and Family.

TRENT M. F. T. ASSOCIATION MEETS MONDAY NIGHT

The Trent M. F. T. Mother, Father and Teacher Association met Monday night, Sept. 7, at 7:30 o'clock in the high school gym.

New officers and committee chairmen were elected for the 1953-54 term. They were: President, Ned Bright, vice president, Dene Seago, second vice president, Wray Williams, secretary, Helen Duncan, treasurer, Lena McWilliams. Committee Chairmen are: program, Edith Rudd, publicity, Ima G. Williams, recreation, Opal McLeod, goal, Lois McRee, membership, Bertie M. Halbrooks, finance chairman, Lonnie Halbrooks.

It was decided that the M. F. T. would meet twice a month. The first Monday night of each month would be "Fun Night" and refreshments would be served. The third Monday night of each month would be "Program Night" and a short business session would be held.

The members present Monday night enjoyed a "Back to School Program" in which each member had to participate. Coffee, punch and doughnuts were enjoyed by all. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p. m.

Highlights and Sidelights FROM Your State CAPITOL

By VERN SANFORD

Texas Press Association

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover turned loose a verbal barrage in the direction of Texas Governor Allan Shivers.

Gov. Shivers had accused the FBI of gestapo methods in probing civil liberties cases in Texas. The governor said the bureau had been guilty of secret snooping into state institutions without informing the local authorities about these investigations.

Not so, said Mr. Hoover. On the contrary, he charged, the FBI had been requested by Gov. Shivers' own office to delay a probe of the Gainesville State School "until after the Democratic primary" last year, "to avoid unfavorable publicity."

Maurice Acers of the governor's staff made the request for a delay, according to a five-page letter addressed to Gov. Shivers, but the inquiry was not postponed.

Political activity surged over the state this week, with all eyes focused on Mineral Wells, where the Democratic State Executive Committee will meet Friday, Sept. 11.

Democratic National Committeeman Wright Morrow of Houston has indicated his intention to be present, and his announcement to that effect points up the conflict between the Texas or Shivers Democrats and the national party's organization.

Mr. Morrow last year lined up with Governor Shivers and others who supported Eisenhower. As a result Mr. Morrow's status as a committeeman has not been recognized by the National Democratic Party.

Observers here view the Mineral Wells conference as a kickoff for the political struggles of next year, to be fought out among the Shivers Democrats, the Loyal Democrats who adhered to the Adlai Stevenson candidacy last time, and the Republicans.

Jockeying for positions continued with respect to next year's political races.

Representative George T. Hinson of Mineola was the latest to list himself as a likely candidate, saying that he "quite possibly" will run for lieutenant governor.

Mr. Hinson's announcement was refreshing in one way: he said that his candidacy will not depend on what anyone else may or may not do.

Most of the other prospective starters are waiting around to see how the field shapes up.

Of great significance in the news were drought-breaking rains in the most parts of the state that brought some relief to parched West Texas.

While some towns were worrying about floods, Governor Shivers said that he may call a special session of the Legislature to consider help for small cattle owners.

The governor said that the issues of teacher pay and state hospital and medical construction might also be handed to the legislators.

Despite recent rains, the drought situation is still acute, Shivers commented.

Texas has just made a quick \$18 million in sales through the General Land Office.

It came about as the result of joint sessions of the Texas Veterans Land Board and the School Land Board. Membership of both groups is identical: Land Commissioner Bascom Giles, chairman, Attorney General John Ben Shepperd, and Governor Allan Shivers.

Bonds totaling \$15 million were sold under the Veterans Land Program. An additional \$2 million was obtained for leases on 235 tracts of state land only four of which included tidelands tracts.

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EDITORIAL

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

The school enrollment is up. That was the report of Supt. Mack Fisher last week. He stated that there were 691 enrolled while the year before the number was 675.

However, the high school students this year were less in number than last year while the grammar school students were greater. The high school was down four while the grammar school was up 20.

It looks like the younger generation is holding up the older generation.

REV. JOHN N. RUSSELL

The resignation of Rev. John N. Russell is noted with regret. But his failing health made it imperative that he lighten his load. The Grace Presbyterian Church, of course, bowed to his request.

In the short time that Rev. Russell was active here he made himself a part of the life of Merkel, not only in church activities but throughout the different spheres.

Rev. Russell is a man who has been filled with energy, driving energy, all his life and he was unable to pause and rest when his health failed. Before coming here

he had been forced to rest but when he arrived here he tackled his pastoral work with new vitality. And when his health failed again he continued to fight on. He is the kind of man who never knows when to quit.

His splendid humor was contagious. Personally we always felt lifted in spirit whenever we exchanged badinage with him.

He and Mrs. Russell are now with their son where he can get the rest he so sorely needs. We earnestly hope and pray that his health will improve rapidly.

LAYTON PLASTER

By this time Layton Plaster, former minister of the Church of Christ here, is now well on in his new pastorate up in Misosuri. He is doing the ministry he feels should be done, where youth is needed to enlarge the work of the church.

Mr. Plaster was here around a year. He was very active, as we can witness by the new church that he started to build while here.

Personally, we regretted that he left. He was an easy young man to know and easy to like. His friendly

smile and easy banter drew friends to him.

We like his philosophy that he once told to us. We asked him, "How do you get along with the public?" "Easy," he replied, smilingly, "I have a soft heart and a thick skin. With that combination you can get along with everyone."

We know we voice the sentiment of everyone here when we express the hope that he and his family are happy up in Missouri. We know that he will be a happy addition to any church and town he is in.

FREE X-RAY

Mrs. Andy Shouse and her helpers did a wonderfully fine job in getting the folks to come out to take the free X-ray pictures. All of them and the Fortnightly Study Club that sponsored the activity are to be thanked for what they did. They helped to better the health of the whole community.

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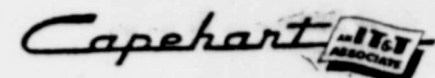
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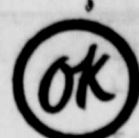
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FEATURES — 7:45 — 9:45

Corky Cox Heads Officers' List Of Voc.-Ind. Club

The Vocational-Industrial Club of Merkel High School met in the shop building Tuesday night at 7:30 p. m. and elected officers for the 1953 school year.

The new officers are: Corky Cox, president, Bobby Deen vice president, Charlie Beaird, secretary, Jacky McAninch, treasurer, Colonel Wallace, reporter, and Eugene Dye, sergeant-at-arms.

A social committee was organized to plan for future meetings and social events; Jacky McAninch,

Donald King and Billy Wayne Dye make up this committee. The queen was elected but will not be disclosed until a later date.

After the meeting refreshments were served to the 28 boys and J.

E. Thomas, the new vocational shop teacher. The next meeting will be held in the shop on Oct. 6.

ARRIVES FROM GERMANY Mrs. Mary Risinger has received word from her grandson, Robert Ashley Jinkins, of San Francisco, Calif., that his wife's mother, Mrs. Hildegard Gerasch-Kroll, of Berlin, Germany, had arrived and was now living with them. His wife

is a German girl, born in Berlin. Robert is the son of Mrs. Ruth Jinkins.

By trade, St. Paul was a tax-maker.



No fish story . . . see me for up-holstering.

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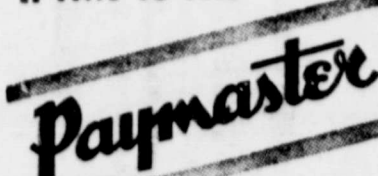
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NEW LARGE
SURF
2 boxes 55c

GIANT
BREEZE
box 59c

KUNER'S
CATSUP 2 bottles 29c

VELVEETA
CHEESE 2 lb. 89c

PETER PAN — 12 OZ. GLASS
Peanut Butter 33c

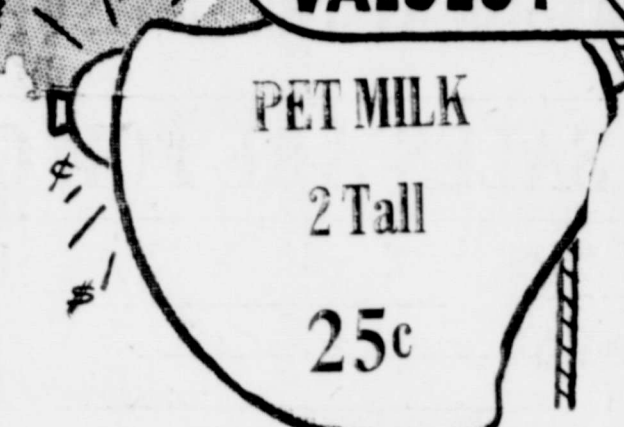
DROMEDARY — 4 OZ.
PIMENTO 2 for 29c

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DEL MONTE — 46 Oz.
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25c

FROZEN FOODS

COLD KING
STRAWBERRIES box 25c

THOMAS
ORANGE JUICE 2 cans 33c

DONALD DUCK
WHOLE OKRA box 19c

DONALD DUCK
BLACKEYE PEAS box 23c

DONALD DUCK
CUT CORN box 23c

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ALL MEAT
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FRESH
BEEF LIVER lb. 35c

FRESH
GROUND MEAT lb. 29c

DENISON — WILSON
FRYERS lb. 52c

SALAD DRESSING
MIRACLE WHIP
Pint 29c

KIMBELL'S
CHERRIES No. 2 Can 23c

DIAMOND
PICKLES SOUR or DILL Quart 25c

DEL MONTE
SPINACH 303 can 2 cans 25c

DEL MONTE
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DEL MONTE
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