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Tell-Tale Fe-Mail

By M. L. G.

Is now Tell-Tale Fe-Mail. Sorta catchy, don't you think? Bet it's the only one like it anywhere. Wayne Adcock sent it in. He is now \$5 richer—or will be tomorrow when we give him his prize.

What a time we had selecting one out of so many clever entries. They came in from all over—from as far away as California. Merkel Mail sleuths are now investigating one anonymous entry from Fort Worth. From the clues uncovered so far they think it came from someone on Leith Avenue.

One unofficial suggestion had an ugly word in it—Chewing The Fat. Far be it from me to use a word such as that—in anything I am connected with.

The Garden Club flower show slated for Nov. 8-9 sounds not only interesting but educational. For instance, a table will be shown correctly set for a stag party. That fascinates me and I can hardly wait to see it. Seems like something everyone should know. The old fashioned dinner sounds like the type we might have at our house or didn't they put pots on the table way back when?

The Fall Festival here on Thursday nights gets more exciting all the time. If a body could win all the prizes they have registered for, they wouldn't have to buy any Christmas gifts.

About 267 persons voted in Merkel Tuesday. There would have been 268 but the boss in this place has been sick and wasn't able to make it to the polls. I didn't dare go home all day for fear he might suggest being taken on a stretcher. I thought it would be fun to have my vote count for a change.

Holland Teaff just about ruined my fun, though. I was already seated and scratching like mad when he tapped me on the shoulder and told me my name wasn't on the poll tax receipt list they had and asked to see my receipt. Since I had never gone alone before I didn't have it with me. How foolish I felt! Even after I produced proof that I had paid. I felt all eyes were on me as I finished scratching, and just hope that in my embarrassment I didn't scratch the wrong thing.

It has been fun this week with the boss down and out. Just one coffee break after the other (ha!) and I could talk all I wanted to for a change without him bellowing, "Less talk and more work, please." That's one reason (the talk) we are going to press so late—or so he will say.

Did you hear about the time Horace Boney was traveling by plane? He was seated beside the window, idly watching the passing clouds, when a parachutist suddenly floated past. "Going to join me?" he yelled, waving his hands and pointing downward. "No, thanks," Boney yelled back, "I'm quite comfortable here." "Just as you like," answered the parachutist, "but I'm the pilot!"

Thanks all of you who sent in entries for a name for this column. They were all good and we appreciate your interest. Congratulations, Wayne!

James Simpson Gets Parachutist Wings In Army

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky. (AHTNC) Army Pvt. James H. Simpson, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Simpson, 412 Locust St., Merkel, Tex., recently was graduated from the 101st Airborne Division Jump School at Fort Campbell, Ky.

Simpson received his parachutist wings after completing a two-week course which included five training jumps.

The 20-year-old soldier is a 1956 graduate of Merkel High School and a former student at the A & M College of Texas.

P-TA Talent Show To Award Prizes In 3 Divisions

A talent show sponsored by the Merkel P-TA will be held in the school auditorium at 7:45 p.m., Nov. 13.

Three divisions will be featured: (1) children through 12 years of age; (2) 12 years of age thru high school; (3) adult division.

First, second and third prizes will be awarded in each division with the first prize \$6, second, \$4, and third, \$2.

The contest is open to anyone from any community, not just the Merkel school district, according to Mrs. Sam McLeod, talent show committee chairman.

Entry fee is 50 cents per person, but if one person does two different acts at different times on the program, it will be counted as two entries.

Merchandise has been donated by Merkel merchants to be used for door prizes with everyone buying a ticket eligible for the prizes. Price of tickets will be 50 cents.

Proceeds from the show will go to help support the paving project being undertaken by the P-TA. Paving is to be done around the school buildings.

Tye Man Will Be Honored By TFB In Corpus Christi

J. Walter Hammond of Tye, former president of the Texas Farm Bureau, will be honored at a special appreciation program here Nov. 9 at the farm organization's silver anniversary convention.

Hammond was leader of the state Farm Bureau from 1938 until last November. He was succeeded by J. H. West of Bishop, former sec.-treasurer and vice-president of the farm organization. During Hammond's 19 years in office the membership grew from less than 5,000 to 72,681. During this period, the TFB has been credited with many notable achievements on behalf of agriculture.

At the appreciation program, the Texas Farm Bureau will present Hammond with its Distinguished Service Award, inaugurated only this year as a special honor for the former president. A gift, yet to be announced, purchased by contributions to the "J. Walter Hammond Appreciation Fund" will be given to him. A bust of Hammond, also purchased by the fund contributions, will be unveiled during the appreciation program ceremonies.

The Appreciation Fund was started earlier this year by many of Hammond's friends over the state. John I. Bowling, Hale Center farmer and chairman of the state-wide Appreciation Fund Committee, will present the gift. B. J. Gist, Abilene, District 7 director will preside at the unveiling of the bust. Loyd D. Barbour, I-twa Park, District 3 director, will act as master of ceremonies for the event and will introduce special guests who are coming from all over the United States for the occasion.

Trent Homecoming Set For Nov. 15

The Trent School Homecoming has been slated for November 15 with invitations extended to all ex-students, patrons and teachers of White Flat, White Church, Sylvester, Goodman and Trent school districts.

Lunch will be served by the Trent seniors from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Lunch tickets will be \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

Visitation will begin at 1 p.m. and a program is on schedule from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Class meetings will be held from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Supper will be served by the juniors in the cafeteria from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

A football game between Trent and Hermleigh beginning at 7:30 p.m. will climax the day's activities.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stockbridge were Sunday visitors with Mrs. Stockbridge mother and sister, Mrs. Nannie Glenn and Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Collins.

Badgers Wallop Cross Plains, 47-0, On Halloween Night

The Merkel Badgers trampled the Cross Plains Buffaloes on a chilly Halloween night.

The Badgers scuttled the Buffaloes 47-0 for the second district 10-A victory in as many outings.

Merkel quarterback Manley Denton passed for three of his team's tally's and ran for a fourth. Left halfback Joe Neill also did a yoeman's chore with three touchdowns.

The Badgers tallied twice in the opening period. Denton hit end Lanny Perry for 27 yards to draw first blood. Neill ran for Then Neill knifed thru left tackle for two yards and Denton passed to end Pat Patterson for the

two points to make it 16-0 at the quarter's end.

Neill circled right end for 25 yards and Denton booted the point in the second quarter. The halftime score was 23-0.

Neill went 10 to score to open second half action. Fernando Moreno ran for the points.

Denton stuck to the ground for a 12-yard keeper and another Badger tally. He went to the air to end Jerry McLeod for the two points after.

Denton passed for the final quarter score. The pass was to left halfback Ronnie English for 25. English picked up two points on a fumble recovery.

1959 Pontiac Coast-To-Coast Trip Costs \$35.79; Averages 21.7 M.P.G.

A 1959 Pontiac Catalina sport sedan has just completed a 2,442.7 mile coast-to-coast trip at a cost of \$35.79, averaging 21.7 miles per gallon with an average speed of 40.2 miles per hour for the entire trip.

Driven by Tom McCall, famous automotive writer and noted car tester and under the supervision of NASCAR officials, the 1959 car was equipped with a regular production 215 horsepower Tempest 420-E economy engine designed to use regular grade gasoline. The use of regular fuel, coupled with higher gas-turbine mileage, gave the 1959 Pontiac a savings in operational costs of well over 20 per cent.

Tom McCall, well known for high performance testing, drove the car under normal conditions from San Diego, California, to Savannah, Georgia. On some portions of the trip Pontiac's Tempest 420-E engine turned in an amazing 23.3 miles per gallon. Travelling over U. S. Highway 80 the Catalina sport sedan encountered all types of terrain: mountains, deserts with tempera-

tures up to 110 degrees, rolling plains, roads under construction and crowded streets of large, cities like Fort Worth and Dallas, Texas.

Strong head winds were encountered on several days and on one long afternoon a drizzling rain cut deep into the car's mileage performance. In order to maintain an average speed above 40 miles per hour it was often necessary to drive at a rate of speed upwards of 60 miles per hour. An average speed was maintained each day of the trip by checking miles traveled against elapsed time. A clock in the car was set in motion by starting the engine, and continued to operate as long as the ignition switch was on, whether the car was in motion or not. All driving was done during daylight hours.

The \$35.79 spent on gas and oil for the 2,442.7 miles of travel represents a cost of 1 1/2 cents per mile to operate the car from coast to coast under conditions experienced by the average driver. Regular grade gasoline was used and was purchased from major oil companies without the benefit of any type of discount advantage.

Developed to provide a high level of economy without any significant loss in Pontiac's famous flashing V-8 performance, the special low-compression engine is available as a no-additional-cost option on all Hydra-Matic equipped Pontiac cars. The 389 inch engine, rated at 215 horsepower, has a compression ratio of 8.6 to 1 and is designed specifically for regular grade gas. The result of 18 million miles of actual testing, the special power plant has a smaller carburetor, special manifold and camshaft and a low axle ratio of 2.87 to 1.

Merkel High Honor Roll

To be eligible to be placed on the Merkel High School honor roll the student must have made 90 or above in each academic subject and in citizenship.

The following is the honor roll for the period ending Oct. 10, 1958: Senior class — Dana Durham and Katy Hunter; Junior Class — Mike Farley, Carole Perry, Kay Teaff, Bitsy West, Janice Omoro class — Sharon Cyfert, Windham and Edith Bagby; Sophomore class — Phil Seymore, Carolyn Windham and Don Williams; Freshman class — Mary Jane Horton, Farris Neil and Larry Windham.

The above list represents approximately 8 per cent of total high school enrollment.

Leaders Chosen At Pack Meeting

Merkel Cub Scout Pack 20, sponsored by the Merkel Lions Club, gained new leaders and new boys at their first pack meeting of the fall Monday night in the school cafeteria.

The new den mothers are: Mrs. Woodrow Wade, den 3; Mrs. Vincent Barnett, Den 4; Mrs. Johnny Hammond, Den 1; Mrs. R. W. Shields, Den 2. The new cubmaster is Johnny Hammond and his assistant is R. W. Shields. Members of the pack committee are: Woodrow Wilson, J. C. Carson, E. G. Collins, Blake Davis, Vincent Barnett, H. R. McKeever, Donald W. Warren, Ford Smith and E. L. McLeod.

New Cub Scouts are: Danny Wade, Finley Barnett, Lawrence Bird Jr., Steve Williams, Tommy Leon Harvell, Walter Ray Tomlinson, Ronny Ray McKeever, Ronnie Bigbee, Dale Lee Shields, Tom Beasley, Ronnie Luke, Mike McLeod and Patrick Warren.

The various dens will meet each Monday afternoon with their den mothers. The pack meeting was set for the first Monday of each month and the next pack meeting will be on December 1 at which time the above Cub Scouts and Leaders will receive their pins and membership cards. Any interested boy of Cub Scout age (8-9-10 years of age) is invited to bring his parents and attend the next pack meeting when he will be given a chance to join the pack.

N-O-T-I-C-E

There will be an all day cemetery working at the White Church Cemetery Tuesday, November 11.

A chili supper and musical will be held at the Stith Community Center Saturday night, Nov. 8.

The Merkel Youth Club will be open after the football game Friday night.

The Merkel Post Office will be closed Tuesday, Nov. 11. There will be no city or rural delivery on that day.

Garden Club Show To Feature Types Of Table Settings

The horticulture division of the Merkel Garden Club Fall Flower Show is open to anyone desiring to enter, according to Mrs. Charlie Sherrill, horticulture chairman.

The annual flower show will be in the school cafeteria on November 8 from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Nov. 9 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Horticulture specimen entries may be made from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., Nov. 8. Specimens must be grown by the exhibitor with potted plants in exhibitors possession for at least three months.

"Tables—For All Occasions" is the theme of this year's show. Types of tables on display will be Breakfast, Patio, Christmas, Thanksgiving, Child's Party, Stag Party and an Old Fashioned Dinner Party.

There is no charge for the show and it is open to the public. Chairmen for the occasion include the president, Mrs. John Hughes, who is in charge of classification; Mrs. Dale Litton, flower show chairman; Mrs. Alma Collins, properties; entries—Mrs. A. H. McElmurry; Mrs. Lige Gamble and Miss Christine Collins; Mrs. Charlie Sherrill, horticulture; hospitality—Mrs. W.S.J. Brown; Mrs. Ross Ferrier and Mrs. Carroll Benson; Mrs. Jack Wallace, publicity; clerks—Mrs. Carroll Benson, Mrs. Luther Reeger, Mrs. Alma Collins, Mrs. John Shannon, Mrs. Herbert Patterson and Mrs. B. H. Jones, and Miss Norah Foster, junior exhibit.

Hospital Patients

Oct. 29 through Nov. 4, 1958

ADMITTED
Mrs. A. L. Cunningham
Gerald Willis
Mrs. J. L. Casady
J. I. Ford
E. B. Barnes
J. D. Spinks
Mrs. Mary Bradford
Ira Stanley
Andy Pruitt

Mrs. Mabel Dorton
David Wayne King
Mrs. W. D. Hudson
A. H. McElmurry
Mrs. Carlton Brooks
Mrs. Lorine Enos
Mrs. D. N. Warner
Mrs. D. W. Williamson
Marge McPeak
Dudley Jones
Mrs. L. A. Coats
R. C. Braune
Robert James
Joyce M. Brown
Mrs. Lilly Watts
L. J. McCall
Mrs. Lois Shedd
Bill Patterson
Lester Cox

DISMISSED
Mrs. A. L. Cunningham
Gerald Willis
Mrs. J. L. Casady
J. I. Ford
E. B. Barnes
J. D. Spinks
Mrs. Mary Bradford
Ira Stanley
Mrs. Mabel Dorton
David Wayne King
A. H. McElmurry
Mrs. Lorine Enos
Mrs. D. N. Warner and baby girl
Marge McPeak
Robert James

TAYLOR GOES 3-1 FOR YARBOROUGH IN DEMOCRATIC LANDSLIDE

Sen. Ralph Yarborough defeated his Republican opponent, Roy Whittenbury of Amarillo, by more than a 3-1 margin in Tuesday's general election voting in Taylor County.

Taylor Countians also voted down six of nine proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution, including the much-publicized No. 1 which would set annual sessions of the Legislature.

Total vote was 5,602, with all boxes in. The total vote went above as predicted, but it was well above the 3,457 who voted in 1954, the last non-presidential year.

In 1956, when voters were giving President Eisenhower a second term, the Taylor County vote was 15,873.

Yarborough rolled up a 4,120 total to 1,177 for Whittenburg. In the governor's race, the GOP support was not as strong. Gov. Price Daniel received 4,808 votes to 554 for Edwin S. Mayer, his Republican opponent. Constitution Party candidate Bard A. Logan received 14 votes.

Democrat John C. White got 4,594 for Commissioner of Agriculture, with Stamford's Grover C. Carothers receiving 711 and Constitution Party candidate H. W. Vogan, 21.

In the race for Place 1, Supreme Court of Texas, Democrat Robert W. Hamilton outdistanced Republican John Q. Adams, 4,851 to 570.

Whittenburg ran his strongest race at two Abilene boxes. The Amarillo man came within 10 votes of Yarborough at the S. 11th St. voting box located at the Boy Scout office, Yarborough polling 192 votes to Whittenburg's 182. At the Dr. Pepper Bottling Co. voting box, No. 6, Whittenburg polled 213 votes to Yarborough's 309.

Only a handful of Whittenburg votes were noted outside of the city, 14 at Merkel compared to 251 for Yarborough and 17 at Wylie as compared to 62 for Yar-

borough. Closest vote on the amendments was for No. 7, authorizing appropriation of state funds to advertise Texas' assets. It carried 2,508 to 2,369.

Other amendments approved were No. 3, for the appointment of county judges and justices of the peace only until the next general election, 3,666 to 1,269; and No. 5, authorizing hospital districts for certain counties, 2,876 to 1,907.

Starr Rest Home

By MARY OUTLAW

Everyone is feeling better after the weather got cooler.

Rev. Wayne Davis, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church filled his appointment Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. There was a large crowd who came to help sing. Everyone reported a good service.

The Carr's filled their appointment Sunday morning. We all enjoy them. Mrs. Brooks Patterson, Mrs. Callie Mashburn helped them sing.

At ten o'clock Sunday morning Mrs. Burley Bonds, Mrs. Aliene Knight, Mrs. Ollie Fox, Mrs. Mack Fisher, and Mrs. Holloway's classes of the First Baptist Church came to the Rest Home and sang for the old folks. Supt. Mrs. A. L. Cunningham also was present. We enjoyed the singing and hope that they will visit us again soon for not only did the patients enjoy them, the staff did also.

Mrs. Dillie Mashburn of Ft. Worth visited Mrs. A. J. Hartley Sunday.

We want to thank Sue Smith, Jackie, Sammie and Billy Jean Cranfield of San Antonio for the turnips that they brought the Rest Home Sunday. They use to live at Merkel before moving to San Antonio. They also remembered each patient last Thanksgiving with fruit. It was very thoughtful of them.

Jerry Miller, Jimmy Jacobs, Lester Dorton, Mike Farley and Gary Reeger came into the Rest Home Sunday and sang and brought the Sacraments to Margaret Eason. It was really appreciated.

Hamilton Coats of Knox City visited Margaret Eason Sunday. Mrs. B. T. Brown of Trent visited her mother, Mrs. Sarah Carr, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bullock of Abilene visited Mrs. Meeks Sunday.

Mrs. Roy Baird and son of Lorraine visited her mother, Mrs. Meeks Saturday.

We have a new patient, Uncle Joe Allfin of Baird. He is a retired railroad man also was constable of Baird. He is a very nice person and we hope he will be happy here.

We want to thank the former Carlia Rays for the beautiful white glads she sent from her wedding. We wish her much happiness.

We want to thank Mr. and Mrs. Warren Price for the nice mustard greens, tomatoes and milk they brought the Rest Home. We can't part of them.

Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cannon for the nice turnips and greens they sent the Rest Home Saturday. They were really enjoyed by the patients.

We have been canning pear preserves and mustard greens.

We want to thank Mrs. Ella Morris for the nice tomatoes she gave the Rest Home.

Thanks to Joyce Doan for the flowers she brought to the home.

Mrs. Virgie Stapleton of Selma, Calif., visited G. C. Smith on the weekend.

We want to thank the Jr. Red Cross for the nice candy and the plate favors they brought the patients. Thank the four children that brought them.

We also want to express our thanks for the nice Goblin Cup Cakes that Mrs. G. D. McConnell and Mrs. Lucy Ford brought to the patients. They were all loved and decorated up so nicely, it made the trays look pretty.

Ernest Fowler of Anson visited his mother Frankie Fowler Friday.

We want to thank Mrs. Roy Baird of Lorraine for the tomatoes she sent the Rest Home.

Mrs. Aron Vaughn of Abilene visited Margaret Eason last week.

Stores Open 'til 8:30 Tonight --- See Page 5

Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent



This summer when I went to school, I took a course in Money Management. It has made me more careful than ever when I spend money now. It seems that one needs to be sort of a detective to the "best buys" for the money. First you must know what you are looking for and how much you can or want to spend. "Impulse buying" is usually costly.



THE ULTIMATE in family shelters is represented by this large and luxurious unit built by steel contractor Earl W. Reichert of Battle Creek, Michigan. The \$10,000 structure has a 98-foot well, private electric generating plant, electric and hand-operated blowers for the filtered air system. Its steel reinforcement prepares it for use as a blast as well as fallout shelter. However, a small family fallout shelter may be built for a fraction of what this shelter cost. (Battle Creek Enquirer and News Photo)

Then gather evidence that helps select the just-right things out of all of the many, many offerings in the stores today. Evidence may come from various sources:

- * By studying advertising — radio, television, newspapers, magazines, store window displays.
- * By inspecting and trying them — keeping eyes and ears open.
- * By reading labels — will give additional clues as to features or quality that inspection does not give.
- * By enlisting help of clerks or salespersons — ask questions, a good clerk will give help and accurate information.
- * By checking on the price — provides another clue in narrowing search for best possible choice.

Not all of these stages of detective work will occur in every transaction or in any set order. Piecing together fragmentary bits of evidence, following up a lead until it proves false, then switching to another, slowly singling

out the one wanted article from dozens or hundreds—this process of the young shopper hunting the "best buys" is very much like that of a detective—And it pays to follow the above clues carefully.

There are many kinds of canned meats on your grocer's shelves. These canned meats are entirely cooked, bones and seasoned. There is no waste, no trimming, no shrinkage. Specially developed linings protect and preserve the color, full flavor and firm texture of these meats in the can for storage on your pantry shelf.

Canned hams and some other meats of three pounds and over have been processed long enough to be adequately cooked and ready to eat but not enough to be kept without refrigeration. Look for label directions.

Chill canned meats before slicing for appearance and better yield. Count on four servings to the pound of canned ham when served cold, or three to the pound if heated. To remove solid meat from the can, open both ends completely and push out the

meat. Treat opened canned meats like other cooked meats: use in two or three days. Unused portions may be left in the can, covered and refrigerated.

Create interesting flavors with herbs, seasoned salt, sour cream, chopped chives, celery or onions, relishes and sauces.

Try this for a quick main dish—**Luncheon Meat and Bean Casserole**

2 cans (about 1 pound each) pork and beans or baked beans

1/4 cup catsup or chili sauce; 1 tablespoon prepared mustard; 1/3 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce; 1 can (12 ounces) luncheon meat or chopped beef.

Combine all ingredients, except meat; turn into 1 1/2 quart baking dish. Slice meat in fourths lengthwise; cut each fourth in 7 slices, cutting almost through; arrange on top of beans. Bake at 375 degree F. 25 minutes or until beans are bubbling hot and meat is browned. Serves 4.

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gabby doodle from noodle says:

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:
I see by the papers where a Congressman from Virginia is recommending that the Government require schools getting Federal lunch money to put cane syrup back in all school lunches. That's the first sensible suggestion that has come from a Congressman since them boys left Washington in August.

if I live to be a hundred and these newspaper fellers ask me how I did it, I'm going to give 'em an answer they ain't had before. I was brung up on a corn shucks mattress. There's a heap of the old timers around now that won't admit it, but I ain't ashamed of it. I was 20 year old afore I knowed they made mattresses out of anything but corn shucks.

Back in my school days syrup was the backbone of the educational system, and when a boy didn't have a big piece of bread he could pour syrup on, he didn't have no lunch. Now they give 'em lettuce leaves, tuna fish and alphabet vitamins and hope fer the best. School ain't as rugged as it used to be, and that's why we're getting so many rock 'n roll graduates. When I went to school it took up at 8 in the morning and lasted until 5 in the afternoon. The teacher put all the juvenile delinquents like me on the front row so's she could reach 'em with a yardstick without getting up, and when school let out at 5 everybody knowed it had been a full day put in fer the sake of solid education. What this generation needs is more cane syrup and longer yardsticks.

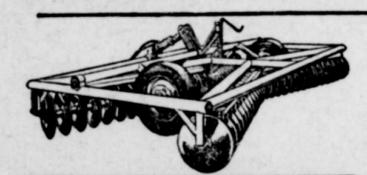
We used to git a bed tick and fill it with shuck combings and it was always comfortable fer a few nights. Then the shucks started humping up and from then on it was like sleeping on a pile of rocks.
I used to git up in the morning and put on my clothes very careful on account of being twisted up so's it was dangerous to dress too fast. Then I'd limber up by walking down to the barnyard where I'd chin the limb on a mulberry tree about a dozen times to git the rest of the kinks ou. A feller that can stand this fer 20 year gits a constitution that's hard to wear down. And if I live to be a old man I'll always attribute it to them corn shuck mattresses—and plenty of cane syrup in my lunch pail.
Yours truly,
uncle gabby

JACK POT WINNERS and LOSERS THIS WEEK

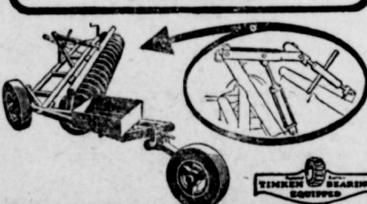
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| TUESDAY—LOSER | Dutch McLeon | 25.00 |
| WEDNESDAY—WINNER | Mrs. C. O. Burks | 30.00 |
| THURSDAY—LOSER | Fena Gladden | 35.00 |
| FRIDAY—LOSER | Nell Clay | 40.00 |
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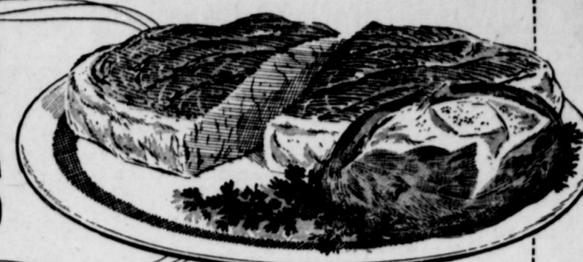
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Lottie Butman, Oswald Everett Are Married In Church Ceremony

Lottie Butman, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sam Everett, became the bride of Oswald Samuel Everett at 4 p.m. Saturday at the Pioneer Memorial Church.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. E. H. Phillips, pastor of the First Methodist Church in Wolforth and first pastor of the Pioneer Church.

The altar was decorated with bronze and yellow mums and palm leaves flanked by lighted tapers.

The bride, given in marriage by her oldest brother, Will Butman, wore a beige virgin wool sheath dress with brown accessories. Her flowers were brown cymbidium orchids which she carried on a white Bible. She wore a 50-year-old Eastern Star pin given to her by a friend, Mrs. Effie Martin, and carried an Irish linen handkerchief belonging to another friend, Mrs. Nettie Goree of Portland, Oregon.

Thomas Marvin Swinney, nephew of the bride, was best man. Ushers were Joseph Swinney and Barry Scott.

Miss Becky Ann Ray was her aunt's maid of honor. Her dress was a brown satin sheath.

Pamela Newby, great-niece of the bride, was ring bearer. She wore a rose corduroy dress. Karen Ray and Beverly Ann Ray, nieces of the bride, were candlelighters. Their dresses were of gold corduroy.

Traditional wedding music was played by Mrs. Andy Shouse who also accompanied Mrs. Brandon Wade as she sang "I Love You Truly" and "The Lord's Prayer." The bride attended school at Abilene High and Simmons University.

The couple left immediately after the ceremony for Crosbyton where Mr. Everett manages a ranch. Mrs. Everett will also maintain her home in Merkel.

Out of town guests who attended the wedding were from Portland, Oregon, Sweetwater, Blackwell, Bronte, San Angelo, Abilene, N. Jan, Ovalo, Tuscola, Plainview, Matador, Crosbyton, Spur, Post, Lubbock and Merkel.

Y A W's Are Busy In Baptist Work

Young women of the First Baptist Church had an initiation supper for their opening meeting this season with fifteen girls representing the Y W A Dedication.

Officers of the year are: Virginia Criswell, president; Sue Bond, vice president; Annette Boney, secretary-treasurer; Sarah Salter, program chairman; Donna Riney, social and music chairman; Kay Teaff, publicity chairman; Mary McKeever, prayer and Bible chairman; Jane Lollar, community missions chairman; Donna Scott, library and book club chairman; and Betty Parker, stewardship chairman.

As a Community Missions project the girls have taken costume jewelry and clothing, given by W.M.U. and Y.W.A. members, to the State Hospital.

The girls are now teaching Missions. Donna Scott and Sue Bond are teaching the Sunbeam Book, and directing the hand work for the Study of the Philippines. Sarah Salter and Jane Lollar are making special posters for the teaching of Ming Li—the story of Malay, to Junior Royal Ambassadors and Junior Girls Auxiliary. Other girls are planning to teach and work with these organizations following the football season.

Pep Week Slated At Merkel High

The Student Council of Merkel High School is sponsoring a Pep Week beginning Monday, November 10, and ending on Friday, November 14, the day of the big game between the Merkel Badgers and the Albany Lions.

Each day at noon the cheerleaders will lead the student body in a few short yells, and students and faculty members will be called on to make pep talks. Everyone is invited to come to these pep rallies and to the senior bonfire on Thursday night to help make Pep Week a big success.

Geraldine Trammel, Herbert Swinney Exchange Vows In Pioneer Church

Geraldine Williams Trammel of Amarillo, became the bride of Herbert W. Swinney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Swinney, at high noon Saturday, Nov. 1, in the Chapel of the Pioneer Memorial Church.

Mr. and Mrs. William Trammel of Amarillo are parents of the bride.

The Rev. E. H. Martin, pastor of the Pioneer Church, performed the double ring ceremony before a candlelit altar banked with yellow and bronze mums and palm leaves.

The bride, given in marriage by Tommy Marvin Swinney, wore a white wool suit with a black mink collar. Her head dress was a halo of small white chrysanthemums. She carried a Bible, loaned to her by the bridegroom's mother, and a bouquet of white mums tied with streamers of white satin ribbon.

Harold Swinney was his mother's best man. Maid of honor was Nancy Evelyn Swinney, sister of the bridegroom. Candlelighters were Beverly Butman and Karen Ray. Ring bearer was Pamela Newby.

Wedding music was by Mrs. Dorothy Ray who played "I Love You Truly" and Becky Ray who sang "Because."

The bride's attendant wore a rose color dress of celanese and a corsage of bronze mums. Mother of the bridegroom chose a light blue lace dress and a white corsage.

Mrs. G. D. McConnell Leads Circle Study

Mrs. G. D. McConnell led the mission study for the Dale Moore Circle at the meeting in her home Tuesday, Oct. 28.

Mrs. C. G. Sewell, president, presided.

Present were Meses. George T. Moore, Howard Carson, A. D. Pulton, Ted McAninch, Sam Swann, C. S. Carey, Josie Shanks, Sewell and McConnell.

A Bible study and business session will be held at the next meeting of the circle in the First Baptist Church.

Roy Elliott of Dallas spent Wednesday night with his mother, Mrs. W. M. Elliott.

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Judy Lyn Price, William Wheeler Wed In Smyer Baptist Church

Judy Lyn Price of Smyer and William Alfred Wheeler of Reese Air Force Base were married at 3:30 p.m. Friday in the Smyer Baptist Church. The Rev. Vic Allen performed the double ring wedding ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Price, Smyer, and Mr. and Mrs. John Wheeler, Merkel.

Dale Wheeler, Merkel, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Matron of honor was Mrs. Sherry White, sister of the bride. Miss Billie Altman of Smyer and Miss Karen Hooper were bridesmaids. Robert Robertson and Ed Poe, both of Reese Air Force Base, were ushers and candlelighters.

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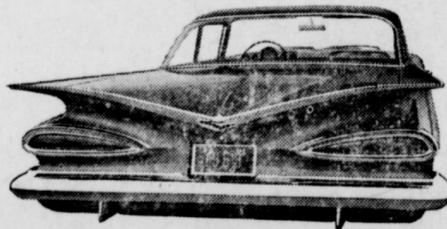
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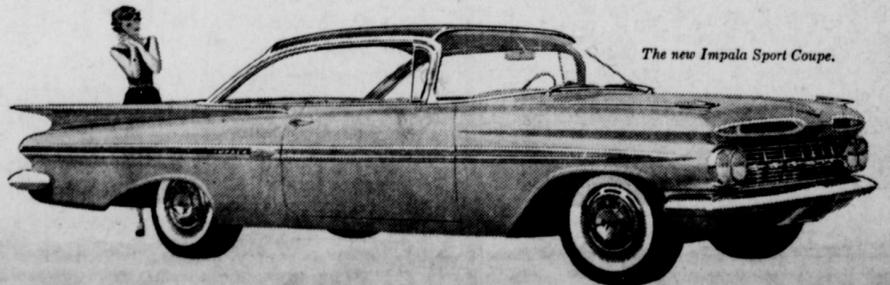
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UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

With the sunshine we have been having the farmers have had another break in getting their crops harvested. We are way behind with our harvest. Lots of fields of cotton have not as yet had a hole pulled, and there is lots of feed unharvested.

W. T. Perry, stockman in the mountain pass area, reported a

light frost at his place Saturday night and 38 degree weather. He reports everything in good shape at the ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seymore and family have just returned home after attending the funeral of Joe's brother, Bill Seymore, who died Friday night of last week. On the behalf of the community we want to express our sympathy to all of the families.

Well, two weddings and the Taylor County singing convention brought over five hundred people to our community over the weekend.

We had the wedding of Herbert Swinney and bride at 12 o'clock Saturday and at 4 p. m. Lottie Butman and Oswald Everitt were married. The Rev. E. H. Phillips of Wolforth performed the wedding of the Everetts and the Rev. E. H. Martin, pastor of Pioneer Church, performed the wedding of Herbert Swinney.

We had a real singing Sunday at Pioneer Church, with good singers coming from Abilene and San Angelo and other parts of the area.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bicklev of Abilene visited Sunday night in the Tom Russom home and attended church Sunday night.

Joe Seymore and a brother, Boyd, of Calif., and a sister of Abilene left this week to visit a sister, Minnie, of Little Rock Ark. Minnie's health has not been too good for a year or so.

F. H. Horton is not doing too well at this time. Some days are good and some bad.

The former Nettie Ensminger and a niece of Mrs. F. R. Demerie is visiting friends and relatives here.

Two Merkelites Enroll At TSC

Gus Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Jackson, and Bobby Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd M. Jones, have enrolled at Tarleton State College.

Goodman HD Club

A program on "Lines and Color" was given by Agent Mrs. Newberry when the Goodman Home Demonstration Club met on Oct. 24.

Mrs. D. R. Butler opened the meeting with a prayer and Mrs. Jennings Winter led the recreation.

Roll call was answered with "What I would like to receive for Christmas."

Mrs. Karl Bonneaux, president, presided at the business meeting when Mrs. H. H. Windham gave a council report.

Refreshments were served to seven members and two children by the hostess, Mrs. C. H. Butler.

Attends Church Meet

Mrs. Virgil Patterson is in Nashville, Tennessee this week attending a conference on Christian Education of the Methodist Church. Leaders from all over the nation will be gathered in Nashville to study and plan the program of Christian Education for children.

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YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 15th day of December A. D. 1958, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 9th day of September A. D. 1958, in this cause, numbered 23,306-A on the docket of said court and styled Margie Lee McPeak, Plaintiff, vs. Claborn Weldon McPeak, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: plaintiff and defendant were married on or about the 12th day of April, 1958, and became separated on or about 18th day of May, 1958.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of harsh, and cruel treatment.

Plaintiff alleges that there was no child born as issue to their marriage union and no community property to be adjudicated, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 28th day of October A. D. 1958.

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20 YEARS AGO IN MERKEL

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Ginnings for the season, as tabulated Wednesday night by The Mail from plants here and those at Stith, Blair and Noodle, lack only 28 bales of reaching the 6,000 mark to date, the exact total, as shown, being 5,972 bales. Figures from these same plants at this time last year were 11,438.

Miss Juanez Jones of Merkel was presented recently in a program at a meeting of the John Tarleton Fine Arts Club. Miss Jones, a piano student of Charles W. Froh, played "Valse Arabesque" by Lack, and "Pompons and Fans" by Dett.

Included among the newly elected members of Cowgirls, coed organization at Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, is Miss Pauline Tiner of Trent, sophomore.

Monday morning the High School student body was honored by having Rev. John Weathers, the new Baptist pastor, make a very inspiring talk. He talked on "The Bible and Why He Believed in It." He says he would like for all students to confide in him: come to him with all problems except those in mathematics.

Mrs. R. E. Neal and daughter, Margaret Rebecca, arrived Saturday morning from Hugo, Okla., for a visit with her aunts, Mrs. Ada Heeter and Miss Sadie Woodrum, and other relatives.

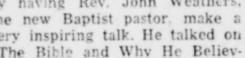
40 YEARS AGO IN MERKEL

Miss Selma Hendrix of Noodle has gone to Roscoe, where she accepted a position with the R. S. T. Railway.

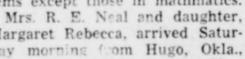
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sad news Wednesday that her brother, Homer Burkett died of bronchial pneumonia in France on October 1. He had only been in France a short time. Mr. and Mrs. Howard left immediately

taking a year to fully regain it. He is in the very pink of health. Asa Sheppard has purchased the residence of P. L. McClary, known as the old Parton home, and will move there at once.

Roscoe Sharp, somewhere in France, has been made first class private and corporal. He belongs to the signal staff at the artillery department. Parker Sharp is

saftly arrived in France also. The friends of L. N. Perkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Perkins, were shocked almost beyond measure when news came stating that he had died at Camp Travis on Sunday, Oct. 20. The body arrived Thursday. Elder Price Bankhead officiated for funeral services at Rose Hill cemetery.

Capt. Nixon, accompanied by his wife, who went to New Jersey to meet him on his return to America, arrived at the home of Mrs. Nixon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Haynes, on Monday. The Captain has fully recovered from wounds received in fighting about Chateau-Thierry, with the exception of his eye sight. Surgeons tell him that he will entirely regain his sight, though it will be a slow gain, probably

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Dr. Takuo Matsumoto To Be Speaker At Missionary Institute In Stamford

The Rev. Dr. Takuo Matsumoto, dean of the School of Religious Studies at Aoyama Gakuin, Tokyo,

Japan, and a graduate of two American Universities, will speak at St. John's Methodist Church, Stamford, Texas, on Monday evening, November 10th, 7:30 o'clock, at a Missionary Institute sponsored by the Stamford and Abilene Districts of the Methodist Church.

Dr. Matsumoto, who was president of the Hiroshima Girls' School in August, 1945, when the first atomic bomb fell on that city, is in the United States on a six-month speaking tour. He will be telling the story of five noted Christian schools in Japan, which Methodists support financially through the Division of World Missions of the Board of Missions.

Aoyama Gakuin, the school with which Dr. Matsumoto now is associated, has more than 10,000 students from junior high school through university. For many years, Dr. Matsumoto headed the department of New Testament at the Aoyama Seminary, which later merged with the Union Theological Seminary in Tokyo.

Dr. Matsumoto attended Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware and while there lived in the home of Bishop and Mrs. Herbert Welch. Bishop Welch, now the senior bishop of the Methodist Church, then was president of Ohio Wesleyan. After graduation there, Dr. Matsumoto attended Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J. In more recent years, he has done graduate study at Union Theological Seminary and Columbia University in N. Y.

Prior to World War II, Dr. Matsumoto was vice-president of Chosen Christian University in Seoul, Korea. Later he became president of the Hiroshima Girls' School. He was at his post when the atomic bomb fell in 1945. Dr. Matsumoto's wife and more than 300 students of the school were killed.

After World War II, Dr. Matsumoto was one of three Japanese scholars appointed to make a new translation of the New Testament. The translation was subsequently published by the Japan and American Bible Societies. In 1958 Dr. Matsumoto went to London to serve as a chaplain among the Japanese community in that city.

The five schools about which Dr. Matsumoto will be speaking to American Methodists are: Aoyama Gakuin, Kwansai Gakuin in Nishinomiyu, Ghinsei Gakuin in Isahaya, Nagoya Gakuin in Nagoya and To-O-Gijuku in Hiro-saki.

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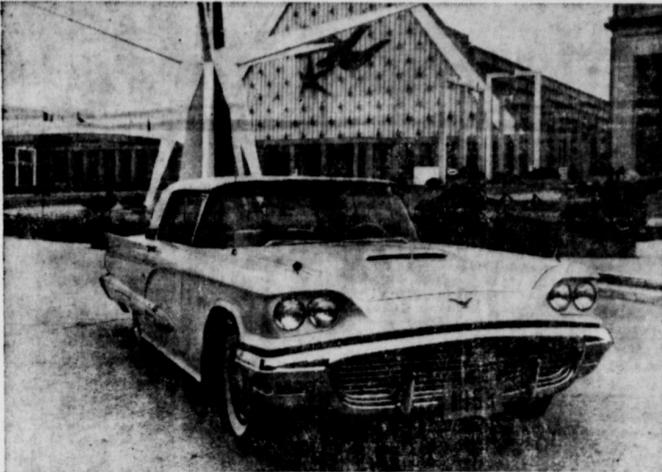
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Designed to supplement the officer output of the Naval Academy, the NROTC program makes it possible for a young man to earn a regular commission while studying at the civilian college of his choice which has an NROTC Unit. All tuition, fees and books are furnished by the Navy, and the student receives an annual retainer of \$600 for four years. During the summers the student goes on fascinating training cruises to many parts of the world. After completing the usual four year college course, he is commissioned in the Regular Navy or Marine Corps and goes on active duty as a prospective career officer with the Navy's far-flung fleets.

High school seniors and graduates between the ages of 17 and 21 may apply for the NROTC aptitude test. Those who make a qualifying score will be given a rigid physical exam early in 1959. From the pool of qualified young men remaining in competition, approximately 1800 will be selected to begin their naval careers next September.



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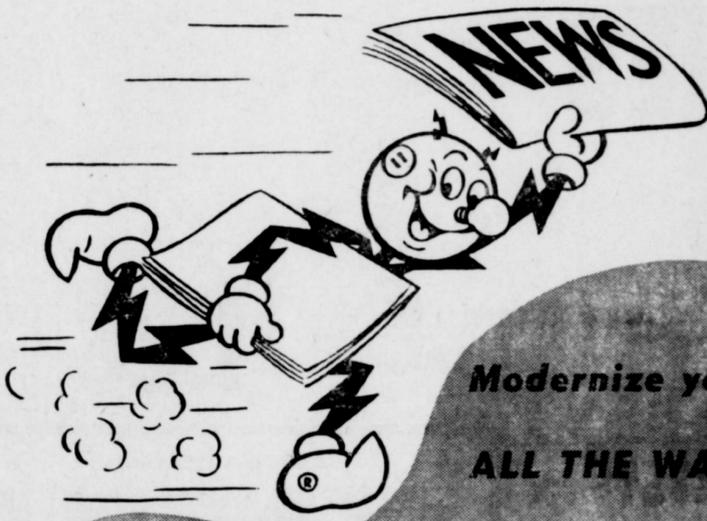
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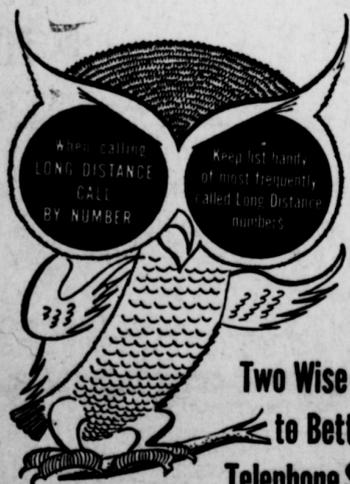
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If you have a good crop of apples and want to store them for winter use, put them in a plastic bag, then fasten with a rubber band before adding another cup. Fasten with a rubber band after adding each cup until the bag is filled. This way you can remove the nuts in one-cup units without reamassing or disturbing the contents when you use the nuts.

Fall is also canning time. To avoid mold and fermentation of canned foods without boiling the jars or bottles, dissolve 4 rounded tablespoons of household lye to each gallon of water used and rinse the jars thoroughly with this solution. Rinse with clear hot water for sparkling canning vessels.

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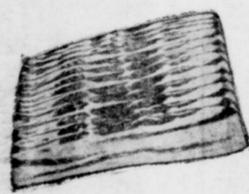
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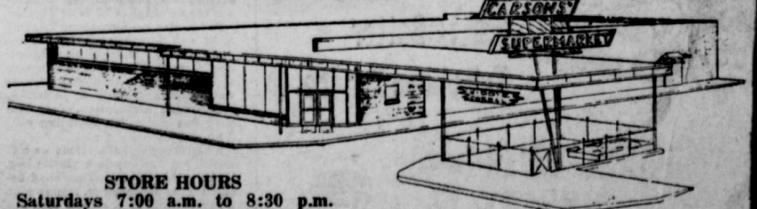
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