



STATE CAPITAL  
**Highlights**  
AND  
**Sidelights**  
by Vern Sanford  
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AUSTIN, Tex. — Ben Ramsey's appointment as Railroad Commissioner — after a decade in which his name has been synonymous with the Lieutenant Governorship — carries with it several major political implications.

First, it's a pretty safe bet that the quiet-spoken East Texan will not be in the field of contenders for the Governor's chair. Pre-campaign speculation has had Ramsey in practically every gubernatorial race in recent years.

Second, it leaves the 1962 race for the Lieutenant Governorship wide open. At least a half-dozen likely prospects already have been mentioned.

Third, it puts Sen. Bruce Reagan of Corpus Christi automatically in charge of the Lieutenant Governor's duties. He was elected by his colleagues as President Pro Tempore of the Senate shortly before Gov. Price Daniel's announcement of Ramsey's appointment.

There could be several "Lieutenant Governors" before the election this year. This depends on how many legislative sessions occur between now and then. Texas' Constitution provides that a President Pro Tempore shall be elected at the beginning and at the end of each session.

Governor Daniel has announced that he will call another special session before the end of the year. So it will be up to the Senate to elect a man who will assume the duties of Lieutenant Governor for that session. Then another will be chosen for the interim between its windup and the beginning of the next one. And so on!

Meanwhile, Reagan is first in line of succession to the Governor's office. Ramsey's appointment to the \$17,500 a year Railroad Commission post came as no surprise in political circles.

Appointment is for the unexpired term of the late Olin Cul-

bertson, which runs until January 1, 1963. Then, if Ramsey desires a full six-year term, he will have to stand for election.

Ramsey joins Ernest O. Thompson and William J. Murray, the present chairman, on one of the most important agencies in the state government. The Railroad Commission not only regulates all Texas oil and gas production, but all highway and railroad freight and passenger rates in the state.

ANOTHER SPECIAL SESSION ASSURED — At the close of the called special session which voted a teachers' pay raise averaging \$810 per year, Governor Daniel announced he will call another session sometime before the end of the year, to act on several matters.

He said he will submit such subjects as loan shark control legislation, a law to include banks in the recently-passed abandoned property act, juvenile delinquency legislation, and controls over municipal annexation.

The short session, in addition to the teachers' pay raise, also provided additional money for the operation and maintenance of school buses and for administration.

A law requiring runoffs in congressional elections when one candidate doesn't receive a majority was passed in the dying moments of the session.

Although the major objectives of the Texas State Teachers As-

'SOUND OF MUSIC' STAR



Lovely Florence Henderson plays the starring role of Maria in "The Sound of Music," the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical which will be presented at the 1961 State Fair of Texas in Dallas, Oct. 7-22.

sociation have been reached, there are more to come.

These include a sick leave plan for teachers; provision for assistant superintendent unit for large school systems; using average daily attendance, instead of scholastic census, as the factor for determining distribution of the State's available school funds to local districts; more driver education for all children, six through 16, for the whole school year; and creation of regional film libraries.

Incidentally, the \$810 teacher pay raise doesn't necessarily mean every teacher in the state will get such a raise. Some districts already are paying their teachers more than the state minimum. In such cases it's up to the districts to decide whether a raise is in order.

SALES TAX EXPLAINED — Prime targets of the state's new two per cent sales tax, which become effective September 1, are furniture, household and kitchen appliances, clothing with some exceptions, household supplies, toys, restaurant meals and gas and electric utility bills.

But those are not all by any means, as you'll soon discover. However, groceries, housing, medical and dental bills, insurance, and telephone service will not be covered by the new levy.

One break for the taxpayer came with the new tax bill. The

three per cent tax which was on television sets, radio and air conditioners will be reduced to two per cent. Cosmetics tax will be lowered from 2.2 per cent to two per cent.

It should be some consolation, at least, to know that all sales taxes under the new law are consumer taxes and thus deductible from the federal income tax.

DANIEL ACCEDS TO SALES TAX — Governor Daniel filed the sales tax bill with the Secretary of State, unsigned. This permitted it to become law without his signature.

He said to veto it at this time, when appropriations must be met September 1, "would be disastrous to the State of Texas, its school children, state institutions, old age pensioners, and other programs which are dependent upon adequate revenue and appropriations."

"It is with considerable regret," he said, "that I feel compelled to permit this type of bill to become law. Among other inequities it contains a limited type of general sales tax which I have opposed for 22 years."

There is no time to "re-fight" the tax battle, he added.

SCHOOL BUS PRICE FIXED? — An anti-trust suit has been filed by Atty. Gen. Will Wilson against 16 persons and firms. Suit alleges that bids on school buses sold to the state have been rigged.

Wilson said something like 5, 100 buses costing \$23,000,000 are involved. Allegation is that those named agreed to "fix, maintain and increase the price at which school buses are sold in the State of Texas."

Suit asks penalties up to \$3, 600,000 for price-fixing acts covering a period from January 1, 1955 to August 16, 1961.

DO'S AND DON'TS WITH STATE MONEY — The Legislature says it's all right for the Governor to transfer funds from other appropriations into the Civil Defense and Disaster Relief appropriation if the President proclaims the national safety is in danger.

It also says he can purchase

a \$10,000 limousine for official use — but Governor Daniel quickly announced he would not do so "as long as the state deficit continues."

Legislature says it's NOT all right for state money to be spent on embossed or engraved printing or stationery, except for the offices of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House, members of the Legislature, and for degrees and diplomas from

state institutions of higher learning.

SHORT SNORTS

There will be no more game wardens in Texas after September 1. Thereafter they will be called "conservation officers." "Actually," says Howard Dodgen, secretary of the Game and Fish Commission, "they spend more time on prevention of violations

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Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Barnes will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house for friends and relatives Sunday, Aug. 27, from 2-5 p.m. in their home.

Children of the couple will be hosts.

Mrs. Barnes, the former Margaret Dyess, was born in Ennis on Nov. 17, 1892. Mr. Barnes was born on Feb. 29, 1888, in Blue Ridge.

The couple met in 1907. They were married Aug. 27, 1911, in Trent.

The couple has resided in Calahan County 14 years. Mr. Barnes is engaged in farming.

The couple's children are Mrs. Roy Corley of Kileen, Mrs. Alvin Chastain of Sweetwater, Mrs. D. L. McDonald Jr. of Abilene, Mrs. L. L. Kinsey of Lubbock, J. T. Barnes, Odell Barnes, both of Merkel, Osmo Barnes of San Antonio and Delbert Barnes of Abilene.

They have 28 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

### Home Demonstration Notes

By LOKETA ALLEN

Faylor County Home Demonstration



Summer furnishes ideal conditions for growth of mildew in your home — high temperatures and humidity. And mildew thrives in poorly aired and poorly lighted places.

Your best defense against mildew is to keep things clean and dry, advised the extension home furnishings specialist of the A&M College of Texas.

Soil provides food for mildew growth. This may be on kitchen walls or even materials usually resistant to mildew. Soil areas will support the growth. So keep closets, drawers and basements as clean as possible.

Ventilation, especially of kitchen, laundry and bathroom, helps remove dampness. Use your electric fan in areas that cannot be reached by outside air.

Occasionally you may leave

closet doors and dresser drawers open to keep moisture from gathering.

When the house has been closed or weather has been unusually humid, turn on the heat for a short time with windows closed. The heated air will take up moisture and then can be expelled.

A small electric light burning in a closet furnishes enough heat to prevent mildew. Silica gel, activated alumina or calcium chloride may be used in a small area to absorb moisture from the air. Mechanical dehumidifiers also are available for moisture removal.

Regardless of how closely your food money must be budgeted, milk is one of the best foods you can get into your daily diet, according to extension foods and nutrition specialists of the A&M College of Texas.

And regardless of age — everybody needs some milk. Plan for children to get 3 to 4 cups per day; teenagers, 4 or more cups; and adults, 2 or more cups.

In meal plans one of the following may be substituted for one cup of milk on the basis of the amount of calcium it provides: 1 1/4 ounces cheddar cheese; 15 ounces of cottage cheese; 1 2/3 cups ice cream or 3 cups of milk sherbet.

Smart shopping can help you get more milk for your money. Look at larger containers as a possibility for stretching milk money if the food budget is tight. Price milk in different forms. Plain fluid skim milk, buttermilk and canned evaporated milk are cheaper than fresh whole milk, as a rule. A still greater milk bargain is nonfat dry milk, which can be turned into reconstituted fluid skim milk at less than half the cost of fresh skim milk.

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### CARD OF THANKS

Our heartfelt thanks to all who extended comforting sympathy and help in the sudden death of our loved one, Bernie. For the beautiful service, floral offerings, and other kindnesses, we are deeply grateful.

Leroy Riney and David Mr. and Mrs. Jack Riney The E. M. Dean Family Mr. and Mrs. Roy Riney

### CARD OF THANKS

May we take this method of thanking our neighbors and friends for their kind expressions of sympathy in our bereavement at the loss of our loved one. We are deeply grateful to all of you. G. A. Fisher and Family

### BSP Chapter, Husbands Have Barbecue Supper

Members of Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi and their husbands met for a barbecue supper in the Carroll Benson home Saturday evening.

Hosting the event was the social committee composed of Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Dale Litton and Mrs. Luther Reeger.

The first regular meeting of the sorority will be on Sept. 5 when the program will be on "Definition of Happiness."

### Riggan Family Reunion Held

The Riggan brothers and sisters with their families met Sunday, Aug. 13 at the Abilene State Park for their annual reunion.

Swimming, pitching washers, games of "42" and picture taking were included in the day's program. A watermelon feast was held in the afternoon.

Persons were present from Sweetwater, Lamesa, Seminole, Merkel, Big Spring, Stanton, Houston, Monahans, Roscoe and Abilene.

### VISIT NEW ORLEANS

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Jones visited with their son, Vernon J. Jones and family of New Orleans, La. during the week of Aug. 12. Accompanying them were their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Clark, and their granddaughters, Mrs. John C. Lilly and Pam, all of Abilene. A highlight of their trip, the Jones said, was the crossing of the world's longest bridge (25 miles) across Lake Ponchartrain.

### SEYMORE REUNION

The Seymore family reunion will be held at the Buffalo Gap encampment grounds Thursday and Friday, Aug. 24-25.

### gabby doodle from noodle says

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

Several serious items was took up by the fellers at the country store Saturday night. First off, d Doolittle announced he has discovered accidental a important weakness in our form of Government.

Ed said he's been reading the bank ads in them big Sunday papers and he ain't saw a single one that didn't list four or five vice presidents. Everybody knows, says Ed, that all banks is making money, paying dividends and ain't never been knowed to operate in the red. It's on account of them vice presidents, claims Ed. If a bank needs four or five vice president to operate real good, Ed allows as how the Government will never git the budget balanced with just one.

Then Clem Webster shook up the meeting with the news that this feller James Patton, head of the National Farmers Union, is asking the Congress to make it unlawful to farm without a license. He claims that farmers can't practice law or medicine and it ain't right fer lawyers and doctors to be raising their own vegetables.

All the fellers was in favor of this license business and Zeke Grubb said he was going to write his Congressman right away. A rancher can't run a extension cord to his barn on account of him not having a electric license, and I don't see how come them electric fellers has any right to be raising their own peas and corn without a farm license. In some states a farmer ain't allowed to unstop his kitchen sink without calling a plumber, and a plumber ain't got no right to be hurting the price of beef by raising hisself a steer.

They ought to be certain requirements afore you city fellers can git a license to lift a hoe. I'd say offhand that you ought to have at least two hogs, a silo, two hound dogs, a cow, 40 hens and a rooster that crows fer 20 minutes at daylight. On top of that, you ought to have to fill out them rotating and estimating forms and read all them pamphlets they send out from the farm agencies.

I'm in favor of making doctors, lawyers, plumbers, barbers and all them other perfessions that protects their business with licenses stay out of the farm business. It ought to be a \$10 fine fer a doctor to even raise a blue-top turnip. Us farmers need some protection in this business.

And speaking of protection, it's gitting to be a pritty complicated item in Washington. Fer instant, Bobby Kennedy is aiming to indict a heap of folks fer fixing prices outside the farm and brother Jack is working on plans to fix prices inside the farm. You figger it out, Mister Editor.

Yours truly,  
GABBY

### UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

Sadness has overshadowed our community from the great loss in the death of one of the fine young mothers of this community. The life of Mrs. Leroy Riney was snatched out instantly at her home last Monday and it was such a shock to her family and many friends.

She was better known to all of us as just Bernie, and young and old alike loved her. She was a very talented person and so useful to our community.

First, fine in her home and then in her church work and other fields of service that needed to be done.

In the words of Mrs. Tom Russom, "She was tops in our community." The fine work she has done for this community will live on.

We extend our deepest sympathy to her husband, Leroy, and two sons and daughter-in-law in the untimely death of one so young and so needed.

The young people of Pioneer church met at the Butman Youth camp Sunday afternoon to attend a sub-district meeting of the MYF. Dewell McLean spoke to the group.

Mrs. Joe Swinney and two daughters visited recently in the home of her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Swinney, of Throckmorton.

Well, there is a big project going on on the north side of the Canyon.

Allen King has made a deal with the Sweetwater TV station group to install the station on top of the high range of mountains on his ranch. Construction is well underway. Roads are being completed.

This will be a big thing for our area and we should get some very fine service from the Sweetwater station.

A group of boys working cattle for Tom Russom Sunday killed a rattlesnake with 14 rattlers.

# FOR FAST

# RESULTS

# IN SELLING

# OR BUYING

# TRY OUR

# CLASSIFIED

# SECTION.

## GARDEN CLUB ENDS YEAR WITH DINNER

The Merkel Garden Club closed its 1960-61 year Monday evening with a barbecue dinner honoring husbands of members in the Sweetwater Lake Cabin of Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Sadler.

The dinner was served at four tables centered with arrangements of field flowers.

Mrs. Sadler, president, expressed her appreciation for the cooperation of the members during her two-year term in office. She presented a gold compote to Mrs. John Shannon for being her outstanding "garden-clubber."

Mrs. Robert Hodge presented a copper tray to the outgoing president.

Mrs. Jarrett Williams installed the new club officers, using the Japanese flower arrangement idea to apply to each duty.

The following were installed: Mrs. Mack Fisher, president; Christine Collins, first vice president; Mrs. Charlie Sherrill, second vice president; Mrs. Clyde Bartlett, third vice president; Mrs. Robert Hicks, fourth vice president; Mrs. Ernest Teaff, recording secretary; Mrs. Bryan Dunagin, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Johnny Cox, treasurer; Mrs. Sadler, parliamentarian, and Mrs. Dee Grimes, reporter.

Mrs. Fisher gave a brief report on plans for the coming year and announced that the first meeting will be a breakfast on Sept. 9 at the Merkel Country Club.

Mrs. Jack Miller of Tyler, a charter member of the club, and her husband were present for the occasion. Another guest was Edward Thomas Hodge of Sweetwater.

Mrs. Dale Litton, Mrs. Luther Reeger and Mrs. Carroll Benson assisted Mrs. Sadler with the serving.



MRS. RONALD FLOYD WHITE  
... formerly Judith Ann Reynolds

## JUDITH ANN REYNOLDS WEDS RONALD WHITE

Judith Ann Reynolds became the bride of Ronald Floyd White Saturday evening at 6 o'clock in double ring rites read in First Methodist Church, Brownfield.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther W. Reynolds. The Rev. and Mrs. Aubrey Floyd White of Midland are parents of the bridegroom.

The bridegroom's father, pastor of Asbury Methodist Church in Midland, officiated. Mr. Reynolds gave his daughter in marriage.

Joyce Reynolds, sister of the bride, was maid of honor and Mrs. Bill T. Goza was matron of honor. Both wore pumpkin-colored taffeta dresses with portrait necklines, bouffant skirts and bustle bows.

Headresses were bandeaux of pumpkin organza. They wore short white gloves and carried cascade bouquets of bronze pompons.

The bride chose a gown of cloud white silk mist taffeta. Embroidered atoneon lace formed the yoke with scalloped portrait neckline and the bracelet length sleeves which were complemented by short kid gloves.

A narrow band at the waistline and a flat bow at center front enhanced the bell shaped skirt which featured sprays of lace on either side of an inverted pleat. Gathered fullness at the waistline emphasized the full sweep of the chapel train.

Her shoulder length veil of French silk illusion fell from a tiara of seed pearls. She wore a diamond drop, a gift of the bridegroom, and carried a bouquet of gardenias and stephanotis on a white Bible belonging to her sorority.

Dwain White of Midland, brother of the bridegroom, was best man and William White was groomsmen. Ushers were Eddie Teeter of Odessa and Luther Reynolds Jr. of Albuquerque, N.M., the bride's brother.

Jo Ann Hudson of Novice, organist, and Robert L. Hansen of Brownfield, soloist, presented wedding music.

At the reception held in Fellowship Hall, Patricia Kennedy of Andrews registered guests.

Other members of the house party were Jan Wayne of Abilene, Mrs. Kenneth Miers of Welch, Mrs. Billie C. King of Odessa and Mrs. Will White of Houston.

When the couple left for a wedding trip to New Mexico, the bride wore a checked wool jacket dress in tones of brown, brown shoes and bag and beige hat and gloves.

The bride was graduated from Andrews High School and from McMurry College where she was a member of Delta Beta Epsilon social club and National Education Assn. She is employed by Abilene Public Schools.

The bridegroom was graduated from Claude High School and is a student at McMurry. He is a member of Kiva social club and is employed by Zale's Jewelers in Abilene.

After Aug. 25, the couple will be at home at 1333 Portland, Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Seago have as guests this week their grandchildren, Yancy, Eddie and Wes Seago, of Midland.

W. E. Stevens, who has made his home here for the past year with Mrs. C. P. Stevens, left last week for Seymour to make his home with a daughter there.

Mrs. W. C. Wesson of North Little Rock, Ark., is visiting in the home of her daughter and family, the Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Sawyer and daughter.

Mrs. Effie Rider of Fort Worth is spending a few days here with Merkel friends.

## Veterans Given Time To Apply For Loans

Veterans living in a majority of the 79 counties in the Lubbock Regional Office area may negotiate direct home and farmhouse loans from the Veterans Administration, Robert W. Sisson, manager of the VA Regional Office in Lubbock, Texas said today.

Veterans of World War II and Korea have been given additional time in which to apply for a GI loan by legislation signed recently by the President, Mr. Sisson pointed out.

The new law increases from the present \$13,500 to \$15,000 the maximum an eligible veteran may get from the government as a direct loan. A total of \$1.2 billion over the next six years for use in direct loans by the VA was authorized.

The law provides a phase-out eligibility formula under which a veteran will be eligible for a GI loan for 10 years from the date of his discharge from his last period of wartime service, plus an additional year of eligibility for each three months of active wartime service, Sisson said.

Eligibility of a World War II veteran under the new law may not extend beyond July 25, 1967, in any case, nor beyond January 31, 1975, for any Korea veteran. A veteran discharged because of a service-connected disability will be eligible to apply until these final cut-off dates.

The new law provides that eligibility shall not terminate in any case prior to July 25, 1962 for a World War II veteran, nor prior to January 31, 1965, for a Korea veteran, the cut-off dates under the old law.

The direct loans are limited to specifically designated rural areas, towns, and small cities where the Administrator of Veterans Affairs has determined that private mortgage money is not available for GI loans, Sisson said.

For further information on the direct loan program, area veterans should contact the VA Regional Office, 1600 19th Street, Lubbock, Texas.

## Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Molesbee announced the birth of a son, David Wilton, Thursday, Aug. 10, in Anson General Hospital. He weighed 6 lbs. 2 oz.

Douglas Payne of Guyman, Okla., spent Monday night with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Pick Payne.

Mr. and Mrs. James Strange and Melinda Lee of Odessa visited Mrs. J. E. Swindell and the Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Swindell the past week.

Several from this community attended funeral service for Mrs. Leroy Riney at the Methodist Church in Merkel Wednesday afternoon. We regret to hear of her death and extend our sympathy to her family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry were

weekend visitors at Thalia with Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Sims and Grover Phillips, and in Vernon with Mrs. Effie Nash and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Davis. They report some fine crops up that way.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wallace joined the Baptist church here Sunday night.

We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Willard Hancock and children, formerly of Temple, to our community. They are occupying the M. E. West rent house.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris, Lonnie and Johnny moved to Midland Friday. Mr. Harris was pumper for the Gulf Oil Company and was replaced by John Cordey of Abilene. The Harris family will be missed in this community very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Dalton who recently bought a place here, worked several days the past week putting it in shape.

Mr. and Mrs. John Baker of Anson visited Friday with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Brown and C. E.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Smoot of Anson, Mr. and Mrs. Odell Newton, Kathy and Roger of Monahans, Ethel Canida of Merkel and Charles Hale of Coleman visited Mrs. Fritz Hale and Sandra the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clyburn entertained the young people of the Baptist church in their home Friday night. Visitors were Nancy Evans and Kathy and Roly Newton. Hot dogs and pops were served.

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### 20 YEARS AGO

Misses Mary Faye Johnson and Wanda Douglas, twirlers and majorettes for the Merkel Badger band, are taking a two weeks' course at the Vandercook School of Music at Hardin-Simmons.

In the calf roping contest at the Big Spring rodeo, which closed Sunday, Jimmy Russell, Merkel boy, copped the calf roping contest. Winning time for three calves was 56.7 seconds. Zelma Herrington of Ranger was second in 58.1 seconds.

As co-chairman of the local quilting unit for British War Relief, Mrs. Lucile White and Mrs. W. S. J. Brown report that 20 quilts are now ready to be turned in to headquarters.

W. J. Sheppard has returned to Merkel and accepted a position

with the Bragg Dry Goods company in the sales department during the fall months.

Margaret Berry, of Merkel, will be awarded the bachelor of science degree at the fifty-third annual graduation exercises to be held in the East Texas State Teachers College main auditorium, Aug. 18, at 9:45 a.m. She has completed a major in elementary education with a minor in English.

A party leaving last Thursday for Mexico City included Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cypert and County Tax Assessor-Collector C. O. (Pat) Patterson and wife and Miss Velma Walker of Abilene. They are expected to return Sunday.

### 40 YEARS AGO

Ed J. Leeman, many years ago



Southern grown cotton attracted considerable interest at the annual County 4-H Club fair held recently at Mayfair shopping center in Milwaukee, Wis. Carol Anderson (extreme left), Superior, Wis., Alice in Dairyland for 1961, admired some of the award winning dresses with 4-H representatives. Providing a fitting background for the theme of King Cotton is Allis-Chalmers' cotton picker that mechanizes harvesting of this fiber.

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editor and owner of the Merkel Mail, but now publisher of one of the big daily newspapers in the state of Oklahoma at Duncan, one of the liveliest and growing cities in the state, passed through Merkel this week en route to Pecos for a visit with relatives. While here Mr. and Mrs. Leeman were guests at the Judd Sheppard home. Mrs. Leeman and Mrs. Sheppard being sisters.

T. H. Hess returned from a visit to Earth and Dallas counties recently.

The beautiful home of Mrs. J. T. Warren was the scene of one of the nicest parties extended the Thursday club on the afternoon of August 11th, by Mrs. H. C. Coit of Waco. The house was prettily decorated with golden glow, marigolds and ferns, and throughout the house, the color scheme of yellow and white was carried out. Six tables were arranged for the popular diversion, "42", and on each table were dainty hand-made yellow basket encircled with white ribbon and containing yellow and white mints. Miss Zoe West, in her usual and pleasing manner, refreshed the guests with iced-

water during the games. Mrs. Kirby Beckett and Miss Zoe West assisted the hostess in serving refreshments of orange ice and yellow and white angel food cake.

On Monday afternoon the "Camp Fire Girls" were entertained at the home of their guardian, Mrs. Groene. Delicious cream and cake were served to: Lillie Pratt Sears, Ona Fae Bland, Christine Collins, Iva Bragg, Lola Armstrong, Hazel Harkrider and Evelyn Hamm.

### HIGHLIGHTS -

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than in actually making arrests." Advertising of liquor stores is legal in dry counties as long as the ad doesn't refer to liquor, according to an Attorney General's opinion. In the case in point, the name of the liquor store didn't indicate what it sells.

Big rhubarb is in the making in Texarkana, over the new two per cent sales tax for Texans. When Arkansas levied a three per cent sales tax, Texarkana, Arkansas, was exempted because Texas had no sales tax. There was a provision, however, that when Texas does levy a sales tax, citizens of Texarkana, Arkansas, must start paying the Arkansas tax.

### VETERANS INFORMATION

Q - Who administers the national cemeteries and to whom do burial applications go?

A - These are administered by the Army Department of the Interior, through superintendents of the national cemeteries. Although applications must go to the superintendent of the cemetery in which burial is desired, any VA office will provide information and other assistance in filing request applications for the burial of veterans and the eligible dependents.

Q - When can I expect to receive the "special" GI insurance dividend from VA?

A - The VA began payment of the "special" dividend June 26, and all policyholders should have received their checks by July 31.

Q - I am a World War II veteran, have used my full GI loan guaranty to buy a house some time ago, but my family has increased and I need to add a room. Is it true that I may be eligible for a VA guaranteed supplemental loan for this purpose?

A - Yes, providing the holder of the present mortgage is willing to make the supplemental loan. Veterans of World War II and

he Korean Conflict may be eligible for a VA guaranteed supplemental loan for alterations, repairs and improvements necessary for the protection of their property or to substantially improve the livability or utility of the property.

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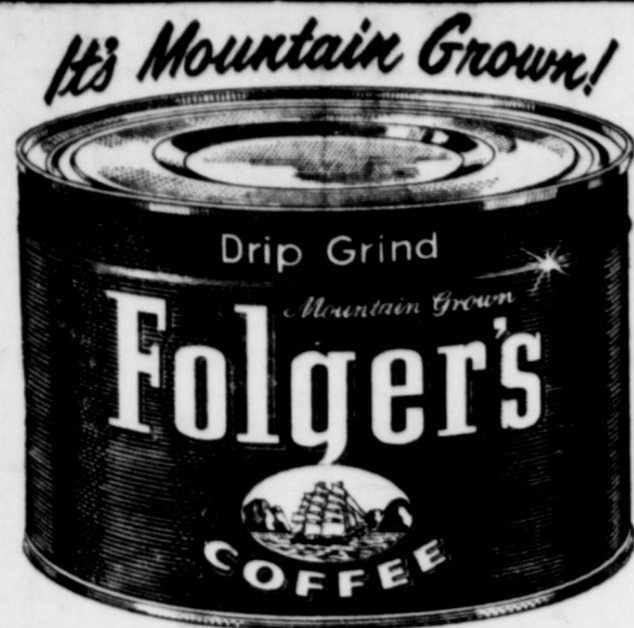
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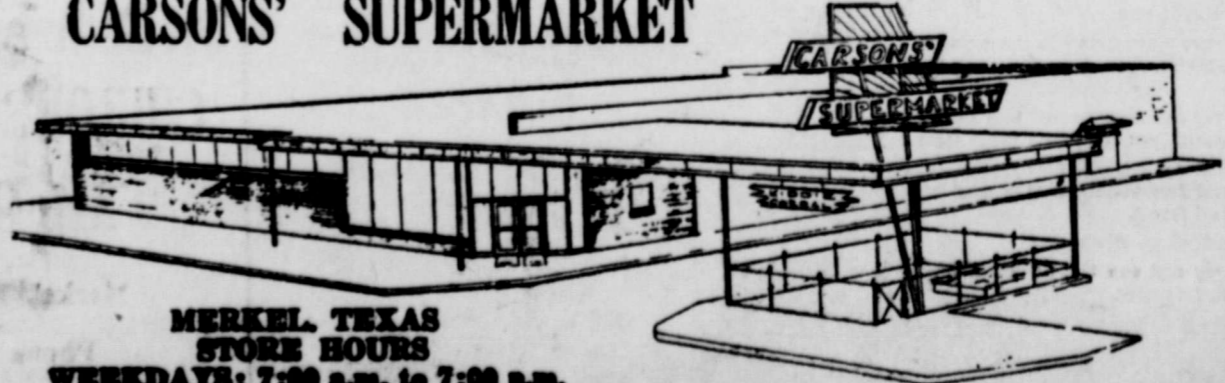
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