

GOVERNOR SETS DATE FOR 'SAFETY SUNDAY'

Sunday, December 10, has been designated by Governor Price Daniel as "Safety Sunday" to mark the opening of the annual State-wide Christmas-New Year's traffic safety campaign.

In a special proclamation, the Governor said that "experience... indicates that the solution to the traffic problem lies in the hands of the individual driver," and urged all citizens "to join in a united effort to awaken the conscience of every driver."

The Governor urged pastors of all Texas churches to "remind their members of their personal and moral responsibility to drive carefully, obey the traffic laws and to protect the sanctity of human life in our State."

"Safety Sunday" has been observed by a steadily increasing number of Texas churches and church organizations since it was first proclaimed by Governor Daniel in 1958.

The idea originated with the Safety Committee of the McAllen

Rotary Club and the McAllen Chamber of Commerce in 1958, both headed by an McAllen civic and traffic safety leader, L. D. (Hoot) Harris. At his suggestions, the Governor designated the annual "Safety Sunday" on the second Sunday before Christmas in each subsequent year.

The special State-wide proclamation was requested by J. Lloyd Evans of Dallas, State vice-president for religious activities of the Texas Safety Association. This year, Mr. Evans will formally present the Governor's proclamation at a series of regional conferences on "Religion and Traffic Safety" to be held in Abilene, Midland, Lubbock and Amarillo. The Association and the Governor's Highway Safety Commission will make a State-wide effort to secure the cooperation of as many Texas churches and pastors as possible.

"Safety Sunday" is an important phase of a year-end campaign designed to hold the 1961 Texas traffic death toll below the tentative



RANGE CONSERVATIONIST — Tom Russom, extreme right, Mulberry Canyon rancher, received a plaque Monday for his contributions to range conservation in the Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation District. With him, from left, are L. D. Ellis, Lubbock farmer, the Rev. Elray H. Phillips, Lubbock Methodist minister, and Hugh Magers, range specialist of the SCS. Ellis and Phillips were guests of Russom for a deer hunt in the Mulberry Canyon area last week. Magers assisted Russom in his range conservation work.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT Covering Receipts and Disbursements

For

Merkel Independent School District

For The Period Of

September 1, 1960 to August 31, 1961

RECEIPTS:

1. Federal Funds	\$4,436.08
2. State Funds	
A. Per Capita	52,600.00
B. Salary and Operation	66,679.00
C. Transportation	14,750.00
D. Vocational	1,191.79
E. Mathematics, Science, and Guidance Program	1,294.14
3. County Available	27.92
4. Local Taxes	125,645.63
5. Miscellaneous Sales	50.49
	\$268,550.65

Sept. 1, 1960 balances budgeted for 1960-61 operational costs	22,207.22
Grand Total	\$290,757.87

DISBURSEMENTS:

1. Administrative and instructional	\$180,033.85
2. Vocational Expenses:	
A. Shop	307.70
B. Travel	1,746.21
3. Physical Education	4,500.00
4. Pupil Transportation	19,684.57
5. Operation of Plant	19,492.39
6. Maintenance of Plant:	
Insurance	5,727.53
Other	1,686.50
7. Food Services	1,200.00
8. Student Body Activities	2,115.45
9. Capital Outlay	1,436.25
10. Debt Services	36,007.10
Total expenses for the year	\$273,937.55
Closing balances budgeted for 1961-62 operational costs	16,920.32
	\$290,857.87

Signed: Mack Fisher, Superintendent, Merkel Schools

estimate of about 2,280 recently announced by the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., DPS director, has just announced an intensified law enforcement campaign throughout the State in an effort to hold down the expected traffic toll during the past two months of the year.

Governor Daniel recently told the Texas Municipal League convention in San Antonio that traffic deaths in the cities have been slowly rising during the past few years while traffic deaths on rural highways have been steadily reduced. He appealed to city officials to put new emphasis on traffic control inside the cities.

The Governor said one of the most intensive year-end traffic safety campaigns ever undertaken is now being planned through the cooperation of the Governor's Highway Safety Commission, the DPS and other State and citizen-support agencies. Full details will be announced in the near future.

STITH NEWS

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

A large crowd attended the annual Thanksgiving dinner at the community center Sunday. The afternoon was spent in singing gospel hymns. Visitors were from Abilene, Merkel and Anson.

The Rev. Howard Churchill of Abilene preached at the Stith Baptist church Sunday, Nov. 19. Visitors attending were Mrs. Churchill and children, Brenda Mashburn, Mrs. Ed Vantrees of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Smoot of Anson.

The Rev. and Mrs. Bob Carter and Angela returned to their home Saturday night from Ozark, Ala., where they attended funeral service for Mrs. Carter's father, Mr. Phillips. Her mother, Mrs. Ada Phillips, died two months ago. We extend our sympathy to the family.

J. R. Mashburn spent the past week deer hunting in New Mexico.

Mrs. Bill Plank and children and Mrs. G. L. Snider and children visited in New Castle Saturday with Mrs. Plank's grandfather, who is reported improving after a serious illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Hudson of Levelland, Mrs. Kenneth Powell and children of Bangs and Louise, Bob and Hollis Hudson met Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hudson for a Thanksgiving dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert O'Conner of Odessa visited Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Snider the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Davton attended a bridge party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kirk of Abilene Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Stanley visited Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Robert Wayne Berry and children left by plane the past Wednesday for the Luzon Islands to join their husband and father, T-Sgt. Berry. They expect to be away about two years.

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FROM OUR FILES 30 YEARS AGO

A trio of deer hunters, Claude Dye, Paul Causseaux and Cotton Owens returned Monday from the Kerrville section, "minus any deer."

Miss Lottie Butman returned home on the T&P Saturday afternoon after a week's visit with friends in Dallas. She accompanied her cousin, Lieut. R. G. Vaughn, in his Knitzer plane as far as Dallas, after a week's stay in Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddie Burks, Mrs. T. G. Hamner, John and Mae Hamner had a pleasant outing Wednesday and Thursday on the Jim Ned, hunting pecans and fishing.

On last Wednesday afternoon Mark Williamson celebrated his tenth birthday by having a few of his little friends over to his home for a party. After several games were played, the guests marched into the dining room where the birthday cake was cut in the center of the table. A wise old owl sat with all the fortunes of the children concealed beneath his wings. Candy, cake and ice cream were served to Wickford and Jimmie Ed Massie, A. C. Terry, Jake Roberts Jr., Luther Warren Ashfor, T. G. Murdock, Billy Jo Bowler, Junior Rutherford of Abilene, Deverle Bishop, Ernest and Claude Stewart, Ellery Smith, Glenn Reeves and Kirby Steadman, Mrs. Roy Stewart and Mrs. C. T.

Beckham assisted Mrs. A. Williamson with the entertaining.

Everybody is happy now! The Badgers won the game for old Merkel High last Friday. It was our last game at home for this season. One reason that the Badgers fought so hard Friday was because the game was dedicated to our beloved captain of last year's team, Joel Darsey. With a picture of Joel's smiling face in the mind of every player, a great victory was obtained.

50 YEARS AGO

The mail carriers, F. C. Sanders, O. J. Adeock, Victor Harris and Price Bankhead made a fast trip on their new motorcycles to Abilene Tuesday afternoon to get a close view of Fowler's aeroplane. On their return two of them broke down and were pulled in by the other two.

Thursday evening Misses Eunice Nesbitt, Elma Sheppard, Venona and Virginia Hamblett, Annie T. Daniel, Lulu Thornton, Clara Moore and Esther Williams, Messrs. Ben Merritt, Ollie Sharp, Carl Evans, Robert Hicks, Burnie Forester, Forest Gaither, Jesse Ferguson, Virgil Touchstone and Otis Barnett were entertained with music and games in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Courney Hunt and as is always the case every one had a splendid time.

The seventh grades organized

their literary society several weeks ago known as the Kribsbaum society. The following officers are carefully looking after affairs of this promising society: John Berry president; Emzy Burroughs, vice-president; Ruth Merritt, recording secretary; George Muzick critic; John Conner, Con V... member of staff. They will hold their meetings at the school building twice a month.

J. E. Taylor and T. H. Christie returned from Post City last week where they have just finished building some fine residences.

It was a couple of months ago that Mrs. R. Conner lost her purse, and the contents were found by a commandant on the Post City road.

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front fender underskirts, n. 1. Sturdy steel linings that are under the front fenders of 1962 Chevrolets to add extra protection against flying stones, mud, slush, road salt and that old bugaboo, corrosion. **2.** One of many ways the Chevrolet is built to stay beautiful.

rich new interiors, n. One of the principal reasons why people step into the 1962 Chevrolets and promptly feel luxurious all over.

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HOME DEMONSTRATION NOTES

By LORETA ALLEN
Taylor County Home Demonstration Agent

Many of you will soon be getting pot plants of poinsettia and wonder what to do with them.

The popular Christmas poinsettia is a native of Mexico and tropical American countries. It is double and single and colors vary from scarlet to creamy white. A less showy poinsettia, hard and wild in the south, is often called Mexican poinsettia.

In the lower Rio Grande Valley, Christmas poinsettias are grown as large shrubs. In Central Texas they thrive as perennials. They die to the ground during the winter but come up from roots and bloom in fall and early winter. In the most northern part of the State, the plants are grown in pots because heavy freezes kill the roots.

Poinsettias should be protected from sudden temperature changes. For best development they should not be exposed to less than 60 degrees F. They should be watered regularly or the leaves may fall off. Changing from one position to another and changing to different light exposures sometimes causes leaves to fall.

To prevent loss of sap and wilting of cut flowers, seal the cut stems. Burn with a match or gas flame or place cut ends in boiling water for one minute. Some people use ice cubes and some press freshly cut stems into loose soil to stop the flow of sap. If cut flowers wilt, put all of the stems into a large tub of water until fresh and crisp. Leaves when not wanted should be cut from stems a day or more before flowers are cut. Sap runs out where each leaf is cut but seals over in a short time.

Garden Club At Trent To Have Bazaar

The Trent Community Garden Club will have a Bazaar from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Dec. 2 in the Trent school gym.

This will be the club's only fund raising project for the year and proceeds will go for beautification at the Trent Cemetery. Work to be done will include planting of shrubs and erecting a name plate arch at the main entrance of the cemetery.

Items to be sold at the Bazaar will include needle work, bake goods, bird feeders, bird houses, flower seeds and plants, containers, dried materials, dried arrangements, permanent and Christmas arrangements.

The public is invited.

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LORETA ALLEN

Poinsettias may drop all leaves and rest for two months or more immediately after blooming. While resting, poinsettias should be kept where they will not freeze. They should be watered barely enough to keep them alive until spring. Some growers believe they rest better in the dark. A cover of heavy dark paper may be used until March or April. Then plants are cut back, watered and placed in the sun. Pot plants may be set in the open ground in early spring when danger of frost is over. New growth generally begins in March, but this varies with climate, soils and exposure.

Green tips cut off in summer can be made into cuttings. The tenderest tips may be difficult to root outside a greenhouse. A fruit jar or other moisture holding covers may help the home grower. Summer cuttings are harder to root than stem cuttings made early in the spring or winter from mature wood. Summer cuttings have the advantage of growing into bushier plants. The cuttings should be six or eight inches long and all leaves should be removed, except for a few at the top. Cuttings root well in pots of coarse sand indoors or in half-shade outdoors. Any unfertilized garden soil may be used if no sand is at hand. Green cuttings made before the middle of August can be expected to bloom at Christmas. Two or three cuttings set in one pot or one place make a better showing at Christmas than single plants.

Poinsettias will grow in most soils. A good garden soil is suitable for outdoor planting. Below are two soil formulas for potting poinsettias and many other plants. Number 2 may be better for newly rooted cuttings than Number 1.

FORMULA NO. 1

- 2 parts loam
- 1 part leaf mold
- 1 part well rotted manure

FORMULA NO. 2

- 2 parts loam
- 1 part leaf mold
- 1 part sand

One-half of one part bone meal may be added to either mixture. In the Lower Rio Grande Valley soil and in some other soils bone meal is not needed. Plants should be potted in the spring after shaking soil from the roots and putting them into fresh soil which is likely to be free from pests. Poinsettias do not thrive in poor soils and grow better in alkaline rather than acid soils.

If you are interested in learning more about the poinsettia ask for B-235 "The Poinsettia." I will be glad to send you a copy.

Big Town Folly(s)

by Mike Gray & Bob Moore



Tickets Being Sold

For Assembly Program

Tickets for a special assembly program to be held Friday, Dec. 1 in the high school auditorium are on sale for 25 cents.

They may be purchased from the following student council representatives: Del Davis, Elizabeth Tuckey, Keith Wilson, Jo Ann Horton, Douglas Barnheart, Velma Orsborn, Tommy South and Aleta Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Cox were holiday guests of Mrs. Cox' brother and wife, Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Armstrong of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sharp of El Paso spent the holidays here with his mother, Mrs. J. P. Sharp, and sister, Mrs. Elsie Nash.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Hughes had as Thanksgiving dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Dave Massey of Hamby.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nutt and children, Roger Allen and Palamann, of Reagan, Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Horton and children of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Toliver and children, Larry Lynn and Galasue, of Midland visited during the holidays with their mother, Mrs. Edna Horton, and grandmother, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason, Mr. and Mrs. Toliver and children were also guests in the home of his parents, Mr and Mrs. D. O. Toliver.

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STATE CAPITAL
Highlights
AND Sidelights
 by Vern Sanford
 TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN, Tex. — Rep. Franklin Spears of San Antonio says that blocking attempts by the Special House Committee appointed to investigate enforcement of the Texas Escheat laws.

Spears claims that officers of the Texas Bankers Association have advised members to ignore a questionnaire the committee sent to every banking institution in the state. But he says hundreds of banks and savings and loan companies are cooperating in spite of the advice.

He points out that while banks and savings and loan companies are exempt from reporting procedures set out by the 57th Legislature, they are included in the escheat laws.

House Committee's questionnaire asked for non-confidential statistical information to try to determine the number of abandoned accounts. Representative Spears says the study will be very valuable, if enough banking institutions cooperate.

Meanwhile, Atty. Gen. Will Wilson filed the first suit under the new escheat act. Suit seeks to recover \$1,094,150 in stock and dividends held for the unknown owner of a missing railroad land trust certificate.

The missing certificate was first

issued in 1888, but Atty. Gen. Henry Braswell says no one has been able to establish ownership since.

Suit was filed in the 101st District Court in Dallas against Mercantile National Bank of Dallas, trustees of the Texas Pacific Land Trust, and various claimants to the missing certificate.

Wilson's suit alleges that the property should go to the State of Texas under provisions of House Bill 5, covering abandoned property, since its owner has been unknown for seven years or more.

RACE IS ON — Kellis Dibrrell of San Antonio told young Republicans in Austin that the Democratic primary no longer will be tantamount to election, now that the Republicans are gaining prominence in the State.

Dibrrell has announced for lieutenant governor on the Republican ticket. He predicted that Texas voters will have a problem on May 5 when they're forced to choose between voting in the Republican or Democratic primary.

A Democrat, former Secretary of State Tom Reavley, was first man to announce for the Attorney General's office. Reavley, an Austin attorney, says he considers that office the largest, most varied and most important "law practice" in Texas.

UP TO THE COURTS — The



RINGS (FINGER AND CASH REGISTER)—Sue King, left, holds the \$100 check she received Saturday for being selected Taylor County Gold Star 4-H Girl. The check is an annual gift from Mrs. Guy McCarty of Abilene. About to present Sue with a ring is last year's Gold Star girl, Linda Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith Jr. of Route 1, Box 415. The ring is passed from winner to winner. Sue is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen King of Route 4, Merkel.

University of Texas Board of Regents has agreed "unanimously" to let the court decide whether they should integrate dormitories.

Judge Thornton Hardie of El Paso, chairman of the regents, says a test case filed by Austin attorney Sam Houston Clinton in behalf of three Negro students has been turned over to Atty. Gen. Will Wilson. In a letter to Hardie, Clinton asked the regents to integrate the facilities and accept the suit.

Hardie has accused Clinton of filing the suit for "purpose of publicity and propaganda."

Regents originally planned to study further integration. Hardie refused to say whether the suit has changed their plans.

Students and faculty have asked the regents for dormitory integration through campus polls. Integration in athletics also has been at issue. The regents chairman says they do not want to do anything that would disturb the "excellent relations" U. T. has had with other members of the Southwest Athletic Conference.

Commission — Texas.

Commission, created by Congress, contains representatives of all the Federal water and soil conservation agencies, plus a representative from each of the eight river basins covered by the study. George H. Brown of Houston is chairman of the Commission.

Comments of the 17 state agencies will be relayed to Gov. Price Daniel, who will add his own comments to the report. The Commission will then meet again to prepare a final report and forward to President John F. Kennedy for transmittal to Congress.

In all, the report suggests that nearly \$4,000,000,000 worth of dams and canals will be needed by the year 2010. Most of the work is for water supplies, which are not federally-financed.

Chief Engineer John Vandertulip of the State Board of Water Engineers has estimated that in the next 20 years, cities and industries will have to spend \$1,000,000,000 for their share of water facilities.

in this country is superior to that in Russia.

Davis said the rural youth program in the United States is 100 years ahead of that of communist Russia. He said 4-H work had enabled him to take a more active part in community and school affairs and that he believed the program would make better leaders of boys and girls.

Leroy Shafer, Trent 4-H member and 1961 Gold Star winner, emphasized what Davis said. He had high praise for the county agent and his assistants, the current one, Duery Menzies, being in College Station for special training, for their work with 4-H Club boys. Through the 4-H program, Shafer pointed out that he has been able to acquire cash and livestock through his winnings in stock shows.

Davis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Davis, Merkel, and Shafer is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Shafer, Trent.

Linda Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Smith Jr., Hamby, Gold Star 4-H girl in 1960,

4-H Programs Discussed At Committee Meet

Taylor County 4-H Club programs for boys and girls during 1961 were discussed at a meeting Tuesday night of the Program Building Committee.

H. C. Stanley, county agent, reported that 327 boys were enrolled during the year in eight boys clubs and two mixed community clubs.

Mrs. Leona Ridens, assistant home demonstration agent, reported that there are 330 girls enrolled in eight clubs and two community clubs.

Sam Beam III and Mrs. Clara Saling reported on the 4-H Club adult leader workshop they attended at Coleman recently. Both emphasized that they are available to help in any way to enlarge the 4-H program in the county.

Del Davis, Merkel 4-H and Gold Star winner in 1959 discussed how the 4-H program enabled the United States to carry out a more productive farm and livestock program than communist countries, and how the farm youth program

TEXTBOOKS ADOPTED — Three "Texans for America," J. Evetts Haley of Canyon, Dr. Don I. Riddle of Paris and Mrs. Joan Slay of Fort Worth, appeared before the State Board of Education this week to protest acceptance of several textbooks.

Organization had previously notified the Board of objections to 25 books on the State Textbooks Committee's recommended list. They spoke out strongly against two history texts, linking the authors to subversive organizations and charging the publisher of one with a "known subversive" in the publication of a World War II booklet, "The Land of the Soviets."

After a three-hour discussion between the "Texans for America" and Board members, and statements from publishers denying the charges, Board of Education voted to adopt all books on the committee's list, except four geography books which Commissioner J. W. Edgar asked them to delete.

The Board of Education also adopted a regulation setting 18 semester hours of education courses as the minimum required for a teaching certificate in Texas.

WATER TALKS — Leaders in water conservation work have been in conferences with the State Board of Water Engineers on the ambitious report of U. S. Study

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Farm Facts

J. A. Hyslop of the U. S. Department of Agriculture in 1938 compiled an estimate of losses caused by some 60 different kinds of insects in the United States. Total damage, including control costs, amounted to more than \$1.6 billion annually.

Hyslop's estimate, however, was based on prices much lower than those of today and did not include all the injurious insects. Even so, these losses would amount to about \$12 for each man, woman, and child in the country—or \$1 per month per person.

The boll weevil alone has nicked farmers to the tune of \$500 million in some seasons, and losses average about \$200 million a year. Destruction of crops by grasshoppers amounted to more than \$100 million in 1936.

Livestock pests take an annual toll estimated at \$500 million, mainly attributed to wasted feed, lower meat and milk production, and damaged hides.

Insects are ranked along with fire as destroyers of forests. They destroy an estimated 5% of the stored grain, \$150 million worth of packaged and processed goods, and clothing and household furnishings valued at from \$200 million to \$500 million.

told how she used profits from 4-H Club work to buy some personal items she would have otherwise done without. She told of her participation in state 4-H activities and leadership training obtained in planning and participating in county 4-H activities.

Sue King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen D. King, Trent, 1961 Gold Star Girl, summarized her projects during the seven years she has been a club member. Through her poultry and sheep projects she has been able to save enough to buy government bonds.

She discussed her participation in the state 4-H Club roundup, the state 4-H junior leadership laboratory at Brownwood and the state 4-H dress review at Dallas last month.

The girls 4-H Club program, she said, will make better leaders of boys and girls.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Warford and children visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Warford and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rountree and son, all of Lawn, during the Thanksgiving holidays. Mrs. Bill Reed, sister of Mrs. Warford, is a guest in their home this week.

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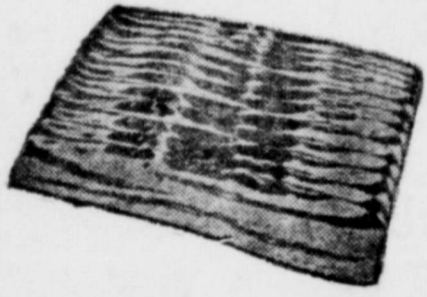
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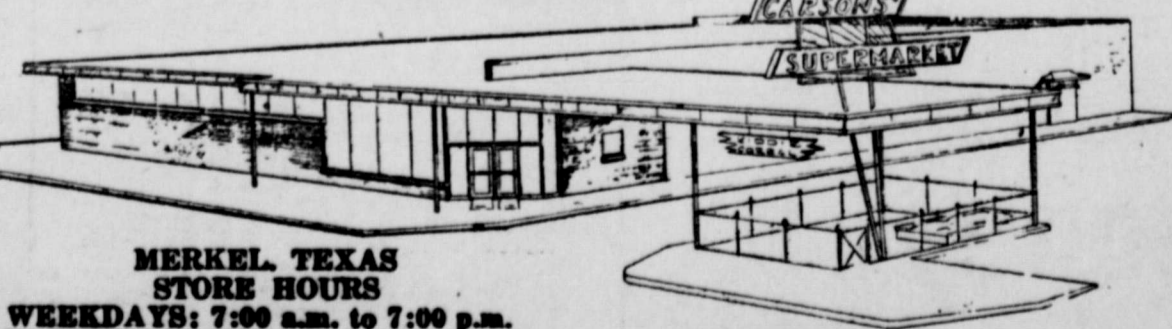
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