

STORMS AND BARGAINS HIT HERE

Importance of Guar Told by Speaker Before Big Crowd

Guar is a two-purpose crop. That was the statement of John A. Esser, plant manager of General Mills, Inc., at Kenedy in his talk Thursday of last week at the Community Center.

MAY PLANT GUAR

As result of the talk by John A. Esser last week at the Community Center a large number of farmers have indicated that they will plant guar if rain is received this year.

Tommy Maddox Is Valedictorian With Twins Next

The second position of salutatorian is gaining first position in interest here in the high school closing schedule.

Carol Ann Corder Wins 2nd Place In State Contest

A Noodle High School student, Carol Ann Corder, took a second place in declamation in Interscholastic League competition in Austin last Friday.

Oscar L. Robinson Dies Here Monday At Age of 68

Oscar Lee Robinson, 68, resident of Taylor and Eastland Counties since 1914, died here at 9 a. m. Monday.

Bill Teague Wins Calf Roping Test At Rodeo Hill

Bill Teague of Hardin-Simmons University won in calf roping from Jack Newton of Abilene by six seconds on 10 calves at Rodeo Hill Sunday.

AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

At 11 a. m. Sunday Ed Jay of Abilene will speak at the Presbyterian Church. Everyone is invited.

Noodle High School Holds Commencement Exercise Wednesday

The Noodle High School held its commencement exercise at 8 p. m. Wednesday night in the high school auditorium.

TO RECEIVE DEGREE

Rev. Cooper Waters, former pastor here of the Baptist Church from about 1940 to 1942, will receive an honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity May 22 at Howard Payne College at Brownwood.

Best Rains Arrive And Best Values For Dollar Day

While ferocious storms struck Waco and San Angelo and unmercifully dealt out death Merkel experienced lightning and electrical displays and disturbing thunder clashes and at the same time received the best rain it has had in five years.

Trent Graduation Exercises To Be Held Tonight

Commencement services for the Trent High School seniors will be tonight, May 15, the day school closes.

Allen King, Jr., Is Valedictorian Of Trent High

Allen King, Jr., has been named valedictorian and Jimmy Winn salutatorian of the 1953 graduating class of Trent High School.

BOY TO DR. MRS. WARREN

Dr. and Mrs. Don Warren are the parents of a baby boy born Mother's Day, May 10, at the Sadler Hospital.

Mrs. S. D. Campbell Sees Crash Of Plane in G. D. McConnell Field

A low-wing plane, Swift 125, crashed into a wire fence in the G. D. McConnell field here at 2:30 p. m. last Friday.

BOY TO WILLIAMSONS

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Williamson Monday, May 11, at the Hendrick Memorial Hospital, Abilene.

The rain started here Sunday but measured only a trace. After that Weatherman J. I. Ford was able to give figures: Monday 2.00 inches, Tuesday .40 Wednesday .35; total 2.75 inches.

Frogs made music in the streets Monday morning. There was hail west of Trent. Trent Monday had .6 inch of rain, south of Trent 1.50 north of Stith 1.3 on Monday and 1 inch Tuesday.

The reports Monday were that the rains were spotted. Southeast of here was extremely light, Blair area had a good rain, farther south it was light. Hodges had a good rain.

Hollis McCoy, near Stith, said water tanks were filled up for the first time since 1943.

At 3 a. m. Tuesday Merkel experienced electrical and thunder storms.

And the good rains have brought out good bargains by the merchants of Merkel for the 12th Dollar Day next Tuesday, May 19.

Paka Newby Gets Highest Rating And Is Drum Major

Paka Newby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Newby, received the highest rating at the Regional Music Competition Festival held at Stephenville May 1 and will be drum major again for the next school year.

A GREAT GRANDDAUGHTER

A daughter, Susan Kim, was born May 6 to Mr. and Mrs. Kimball Guthrie of Big Spring. She is the great granddaughter of Mrs. Gertrude Pee.

METHODIST CONFERENCE

A quarterly conference for the Pioneer Methodist Church will be held on May 26 at St. Paul Methodist Church in Abilene.

everyone to look over the "rainy day" Dollar Day bargains and come to Merkel, the friendly city, next Tuesday.

Fire Destroys Childs Home Early Tuesday

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Childs burned up at 4:30 a. m. Tuesday at Comere. The entire contents of the home and the six rooms were destroyed.

Suit Against City On Oil Drilling Not Ended Yet

The validity of the City of Merkel's oil drilling regulatory ordinance won't be determined until Tuesday.

C. K. Russells Are Honored on 46th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Russell were honored guests on Sunday, April 19, when their daughter, Mrs. R. M. Ferguson and Mr. Ferguson surprised them with a bountiful dinner.

New Scout Troop Organized Here By Local Church

The newest addition to Merkel's Scouting family is a Boy Scout Troop sponsored by the Assembly of God Church.

AT PECOS COURT. Dewey Phillips, Sr., is attending court in Pecos this week.

Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1933 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

TO PRESENT OPERETTA

"Ask the Professor" is the title of the clever operetta in two acts by Clark and Lee to be presented by the High School Chorus on Friday evening of this week at the Grammar School Auditorium.

"PEACH OF A FAMILY"

A three-act play entitled, "A Peach of a Family," will be presented by the Young People's Epworth League of the Methodist Church.

INFANT SON DIES

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon for the little 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Johnson, residing in the Mt. Pleasant community.

MAKES ASSIGNMENTS

In the organization of city government for the current year J. A. Buford was elected mayor pro tempore, Mayor Elliott made the following committee assignments:

INCH RAIN FALLS

Bringing timely moisture for

planting and reviving grain fields, Sunday's rainfall of an inch here changed fears to smiles and prospects over this section were decidedly brightened as a result.

BLOCKING 4,000 ACRES

Much interest centers locally in the preliminary work, nearing completion, looking toward a block of 4,000 to 5,000 acres by the Humble Oil and Refining Company.

RECORD BIRTHS

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Fikes a baby boy May 12, Mr. and Mrs. Huston Clark a baby girl May 14, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Earnest a baby boy May 15, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stover a baby girl May 17.

CLOSING EXERCISES

Closing exercises of Merkel Schools: May 19, operetta, "Ask the Professor"; May 22 and 23, music and expression programs; May 26, senior play, "Adam and Eve"; May 27, grammar school graduation; May 28, commencement sermon; May 29, commencement exercises.

This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1913 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

Wednesday evening at 9 o'clock the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. O'Brian on Elm Street was the scene of a quiet home wedding.

Mrs. W. H. Roach is reported to be very low at her home in South Merkel.

Many friends of Miss Inice Moon will be glad to know that she will be in the graduating class of music at the Britton Training School in Cisco.

W. A. Hellums is in San Angelo this week visiting his aged father, who is very low.

C. L. Barker, president of the Southern National Bank, returned Thursday from a business trip to Dallas.

Mrs. R. O. Anderson entertained Tuesday afternoon in honor of her little son, Jack's seventh birthday. During the afternoon games of nine pins, ball, marbles and catch were played and a merry chase for a ground squirrel was an added pleasure that had not been arranged.

Dr. McMaster left for Temple Tuesday night to attend the State Convention of Dentists.

OIL NEWS

A 5,500-foot rotary wildcat was spotted four miles northwest of Merkel as Howsley, Jacob Swearingen of Albany No. 1 J. B. Wade, Sojourner Drilling Co., Ltd., of Abilene No. 1 B. Reeves, Section 33, Block 19, T. & P. Survey, wildcat two miles south of Trent, was plugged at 5,685 feet in the Ellenburger.

**L. L. L. SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS MET MAY 12**  
 The L. L. L. Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met May 12 in an all-day session at the home of Mrs. T. J. Bird with Mrs. Lucy Ford as co-hostess. Mrs. E. W. King brought an inspiring devotional. A bountiful dinner was served 13 guests.

**KING'S DAUGHTER'S CLASS ELECTS OFFICERS TUESDAY**  
 The King's Daughter's S. S. Class of the Methodist Church met in the regular monthly session Tuesday afternoon in its class room. Officers were elected for the coming year and a short program was rendered. Nine members were present.

**MERKEL HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT WEEK PROGRAM**

**BACCALAUREATE**  
 Cafeteria-Auditorium  
 Sunday, May Seventeenth  
 Nineteen Hundred Fifty-Three  
 Eight o'Clock P. M.

Processional ..... Keats  
 Mrs. Comer Haynes, Pianist, Mrs. Edwin Read, Violinist  
 Invocation ..... Rev. Hugh Hunt  
 Hymn ..... Congregation  
 Music ..... Girls' Chorus  
 Sermon ..... Rev. Sam Tullock  
 Benediction ..... Rev. Hugh Hunt  
 Recessional ..... Kern  
 The audience will stand for the Processional but remain seated for the Recessional.

**COMMENCEMENT**  
 Cafeteria-Auditorium  
 Friday, May Twenty-second  
 Eight o'Clock P. M.

Processional ..... Keats  
 Mrs. Comer Haynes, Pianist, Mrs. Edwin Read, Violinist  
 Invocation ..... Layton Plaster  
 Salutatory Address ..... Carolyn Jane Teaff  
 Music ..... Senior Class  
 Salutatory ..... Marolyn June Teaff  
 Class President's Address ..... Derrell Kelso  
 Music ..... Senior Class  
 Valedictory ..... Tommie Jean Maddox  
 Introduction of Speaker ..... Mack Fisher  
 Address ..... Carl M. Anderson  
 Presentation Special Awards and Scholarships ..... Edwin Read  
 Presentation Diplomas ..... Mack Fisher  
 Benediction ..... Layton Plaster  
 Recessional ..... Kern  
 Mrs. Comer Haynes, Mrs. Edwin Read  
 Audience will stand for the Processional but will remain seated for the Recessional.

**CLASS OFFICERS**

Derrell Kelso ..... President  
 Dale Dudley ..... Vice President  
 Doyle Black ..... Secretary  
 Bruce Knight ..... Treasurer  
 Sue McLeod ..... Reporter

**CLASS ROLL**

Patsy Jean Anderson	Martha Jan Lemens
Doyle Edman Black	Jimmy Earl Leverich
Edwin Earl Breaux	Frances Verneil McLean
Bonnie Ruth Cason	Barbara Sue McLeod
Oda Glynn Clark	Tommie Jean Maddox
Joe Dellie Doan	Martin James Warner
Lemuel Dale Dudley	Shirley Shoemaker Massey
Darlene Bond English	Bertha Lorita Patterson
Betty Laverne Foster	Ransom Willie Price, Jr.
Elbert Foster	Jo Anne Reddin, Jr.
Denta Marie Gibson	Carol Salter
Jerry Preseley Gibson	Glenda Perry Smith
D. C. Hendricks	Carolyn Jane Teaff
Blanche Farmer Hewitt	Marolyn June Teaff
Derrell Kelso	Thomas Wesley Watson
Bruce Knight	Kelton Terrell Williamson

Class Motto: "We Finish to Begin."  
 CLASS FLOWER: Red Rose  
 CLASS COLORS: Red and White  
 CLASS SONG: "Moonlight and Roses."

**DOLLAR DAY SPECIALS TUESDAY, MAY 19th**

BLOUSES... Values to \$10.95  
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 \$ Day Special 39c Yd.

Joyce's

**Personals**

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Tipton and son of Amarillo visited this weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Tipton and Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Ayers.

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Teaff and daughter Vickie Dian, also Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Douglass were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Robbins of Eldorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bland of Marathon, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Morgan of Crockett, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burnham of Dallas and Mrs. A. J. Vickers of Kennard were called here at the death of Alex Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Bishop and children spent their vacation in Cameron and Gonzales.

James Booth Higgins and family of Dallas were home last weekend visiting their parents, Jesse Higgins and especially for Mother's Day and the Warren Higgins of Corpus Christi visited his brother Jesse Higgins and family.

**PAT NEFF F. T. A. ELECTS OFFICERS FOR NEXT TERM**

The Pat Neff F. T. A. held its monthly meeting May 7 in the high school. Officers for '53-'54 were elected and plans discussed for invitations and initiation of new members.

From the newly elected members to be initiated next week there will be selected a librarian, a social committee and a finance committee. New officers will be installed May 21.



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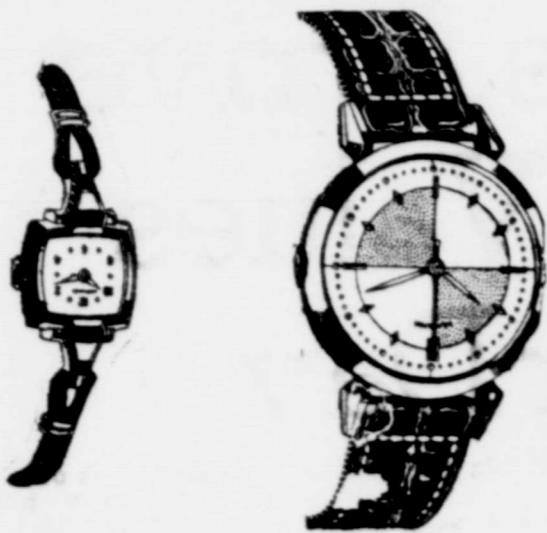
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FIRM GREEN CABBAGE lb. 4c

GREEN TIP BANANAS lb. 14c

GOOD ROUND STEAK lb. 79c

GROUND MEAT all Beef lb. 49c

SLICED BACON lb. 59c

LONGHORN CHEESE lb. 49c

**TIDE WASHDAY MIRACLE 2 Regular Boxes 55¢**

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SUN SPUN Pork & Beans 10 cans \$1

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The recreation leader being absent there were no opening exercises. Roll was answered with an accident that has happened in the kitchen. In absence of the secretary Frances Carter acted in her place. Minutes were read and approved.

Fern Windham was in charge of the program. Bringing the second part of the work simplification program, each member took part. It was decided to have the regular monthly family social night at Carl Carey's. Mrs. Windham served refreshments to six members. Next meeting will be with Mrs. Cal McAninch.

**MR. AND MRS. EARL HUGHES ATTEND FAMILY REUNION**

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hughes attended a family re-union Sunday at the home of Mrs. R. C. Lewis, Abilene.

The children of Mrs. Lewis present were: Messrs. and Mesdames Charles Lewis, Jr., and John Mike of Grand Prairie, Charles Lewis, and sons, Stirling Lewis and sons David and Keith of Abilene; grand daughters Ann and Judy Lewis of Abilene.

Other relatives present were Messrs. and Mesdames R. D. Baker, Sr., R. D. Baker, Jr., and children

of Abilene, Brandon Wade of Wichita Falls and Mrs. N. C. Walker of Orange.

Friends of the family called during the day.

**NEW OFFICERS INSTALLED BY LAMBDA BETA CHAPTER**

The members of Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Mrs. Elma McFarland May 5. The seven pledges were received as new members in the Ritual of Jewels ceremony and the new officers were installed.

Jo Barnett, president, read the ritual as the girls in formal gowns gathered around the candle lighted table with the yellow roses on it. New members are Snooky Toombs, Patty Warren, Mary Hargroves, Sug Springer, Dorothy Nodge, Jane Wade and Marie Ely.

Officers installed were: president, Ruth Horton; vice president, Mildred Barnett; secretary, Lucille Litton; treasurer, Snooky Toombs; reporter, Gloria Dorton. On April 30, members of Lambda Beta Chapter had a Founders Day Banquet at the Wooten Hotel Abilene. The Merkel Chapter was three years old. Breaded veal cutlets, combination salad, potatoes, green beans, iced tea and apple pie were served to the members and their husbands. After the delicious meal Bingo was enjoyed by all.

**P.T.A. INSTALLS OFFICERS AT MEETING OF MAY 7**

Officers for the next year were installed for the local P.T.A. by Mrs. Jack Hutchens of Abilene May 7 in the school auditorium.

Mrs. Homer Newby, president; Mrs. Joe Cypert, vice president; Mrs. John Brown, treasurer; Mrs. W. R. Cypert, secretary; Mrs. Edwin Read, parliamentarian; Mrs. Powell Miller, program chairman.

Mrs. Rhett Eidson presided and called for reports from delegates who attended the district spring workshop at Lamesa. Merkel sent several ladies, including Mrs. Homer Newby and Mrs. Joe Cypert.

Merkel P.T.A. presented Mrs. Judd McReynolds with a life membership in the Texas P.T.A. Mrs. Powell Miller gave a talk entitled "It Is Good to Be An American." After the talk refreshments were served. Mrs. Holland Holt and Mrs. Hutchens were out of town visitors and representatives from the County P.T.A.

**AN ILL WIND . . .**

Jones: "Life is full of trials."  
Brown: "Yes, thank goodness."  
Jones: "Why do you say that?"  
Brown: "I'm a lawyer."

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COUNTY OF TAYLOR

Notice is hereby given that the general partnership heretofore subsisting between Clarence R. Collins and Miles M. Fox, both of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, under the firm name of Fox-Collins Realty and Insurance Agency, with home offices in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, was dissolved by mutual consent on the first day of May, A. D. 1953.

All debts owing to the said partnership are to be received by the said Clarence R. Collins, who is now the sole owner of said business, and all demands on said partnership are to be presented to the said Clarence R. Collins, for payment, and the said Miles M. Fox has no connection whatsoever with said business, and that the said Clarence R. Collins, will hereafter operate under the same name, Fox-Collins Realty and Insurance Agency.

WITNESS OUR signatures this 7th day of May, A. D. 1953.

Clarence R. Collins  
Miles M. Fox

Adv. — May 15, 22, 29, June 5.

**BETH PATTON IS HONORED ON HER BIRTHDAY**

Little Miss Beth Patton was honored at a birthday party given at her home last week on Wednesday

afternoon. She was seven years old. Those attending were: Lucky Patton, Linda and Freda Henager, Elaine Coats, Dolores Barnes, Jeanie Hook, Sandra Randolph,

Charlotte Randolph and Sarah Harris.

Refreshments of cake and punch were enjoyed by all.

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Libby's Deep Brown BEANS 8 for \$1.00	Kuner's Tender Garden SWEET PEAS 5 for \$1.00
<b>Libby's No. 2 1/2 Can PEACHES 4 FOR \$1</b>	
Sun Spun Plum - 2 Lb. Jar PRESERVES 3 for \$1.00	Kimbell's Whole - No. 2 NEW POTATOES 8 cans \$1
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MITZI GAYNOR — DAVID WAYNE  
GLORIA DE HAVEN

Added: Color Cartoon and Pete Smith

FEATURES — 8:00 — 9:55

## First Dry Wheat Cut Near Here Is Possible Record

Possibly the first dry wheat with under 14 per cent moisture content to be cut this year in the nation has been received at Patterson Grain.

The wheat came from a field five and one-half miles north of here in Jones county. It is the earliest wheat ever to be cut in the Merkel territory, said Clesby Patterson, who bought it.

The field from which the wheat was cut is owned by W. O. Hayter, Jr., of Abilene. A little was cut Friday to see if it was ready and the Merkel Firm received 350 bushels Saturday.

Patterson said little wheat has been cut this early across the nation. Some has been cut near Hamilton and San Antonio. Five or six combines expected to begin operating in the Merkel territory Monday. The wheat is expected to run four to 12 bushels an acre and average six or seven bushels.

## Dick Morris Has Appendectomy Last Wednesday

Dick Morris had an emergency appendectomy Wednesday at the Sadler Hospital.

## CEMETERY FUND

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

Byrom Heirs . . . \$10.00  
E. Doyle Garrett, Dallas . . . \$10.00  
Mrs. W. M. Elliott . . . \$5.00  
H. F. Herington, Cisco . . . \$5.00  
Bill Forrester, Trent . . . \$5.00

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

## Trent High School Seniors Make Trip To Austin Recently

Trent High School seniors have returned from a four-day trip to Austin, San Antonio, Corpus Christi, and Aransas Pass. They returned by way of Laredo, Uvalde, and Junction.

Seniors making the trip were L. M. Healy, Leon Dudley, W. A. Dennis, Allen King, Jr., Jim Winn, Bobby Toliver, C. W. Edwards, Leroy Armstrong, Bill Young, and Amelia Martin, the only girl in the class. Sponsoring the trip were Coach Travis Mason and Mrs. Ola Lee Winn, room mother.

## Local Piano Pupils Make Good Average At H.-S. Auditions

Mrs. T. T. Earthman and Mrs. R. J. Miller accompanied a group of 12 pupils to Hardin-Simmons University last week to enter the National Piano Playing Auditions.

Eighty-one pieces, ranging from elementary through preparatory B, including scales and cadences required according to classification, were played for Frederic Libke, Oklahoma City, the judge. He was dean of fine arts in colleges and universities for 18 years and is also a concert pianist and teacher.

The pupils made a general average of 92.

## Urge Participation In Army Reserve Summer Training

Due to the uncertainty of international affairs, employers of members of the U. S. Army Reserve are being urged by the Army to encourage and assist them to participate in the annual 15-day summer training programs from May to September, according to Col. M. E. Jones, Chief of the Texas Military District.

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## PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller Sr. and sons Jack and Jerry were in Midland Sunday, visiting Joe Weston and family, formerly of Merkel.

Mrs. James Benschoff and son of Washington, D. C., will spend about five weeks visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Murray. Also their son Dean and family were here last weekend.

## POSTMASTER, WIFE ATTEND FAMILY RE-UNION SUNDAY

Postmaster and Mrs. Wrenn Durham and family were in Lubbock Sunday, attending a re-union of the Thomas Durham family. They met at the McKinsey State Park. There were about 20 present, including four great grandchildren.

## MRS. E. O. CARSON HOSTESS TO ALATHEAN S. S. CLASS

The Alathean Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church held its regular meeting at 3 p. m. May 6 in the home of Mrs. E. O. Carson with Mrs. Lou Stephens as co-hostess. Meditation thoughts were beautifully brought by Mrs. Fred Baker.

After an interesting quiz on the "Life of Joseph" by Mrs. A. R. Booth delicious pineapple pie, ice cream and coffee were served to 13 members.

## "MENTAL HEALTH" SUBJECT AT BLUE BONNET CLUB

The Blue Bonnet Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Euel Ray for its regular meeting. Mrs. King, president, presided. After roll call and business the meeting was turned over to Miss Loretta Allen, agent. She gave an interesting discussion on "Improving Mental Health."

A delicious refreshment plate of sandwiches, cake and punch with plate favors of "Mother's Day Greetings" with each name and number of years in club work was served to six visitors, Miss Clara Beth Coats, reporter from Abilene, Miss Allen, Mildred Toombs, Lottie Butman, Mrs. Bob McLain, Mrs. Allie Toombs and 10 members. The next meeting will be May 19 with Mrs. Sam Butman, Jr.

## W. E. Fitzgeralds Arrive Here From Tokyo, Japan

Capt. and Mrs. W. E. Fitzgerald and daughter Sandra arrived in San Francisco, Calif., last week. Captain Fitzgerald has been in Korea and Japan since July, 1950, and Mrs. Fitzgerald and Sandra spent a year in Tokyo, Japan.

They are visiting Mrs. Fitzgerald's mother, Mrs. Mattie Addison, for 30 days. Then they will go to Raritan Arsenal, Metuchen, N. J. Other visitors in the Addison home were Mrs. J. C. Horton, Mrs. Madlyn Abbott and Glynda of Wichita Falls. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell, their uncle and aunt.

## Kirby Cook Is Now Foreman of Badger Service Department

Kirby Cook of Midland is now foreman of the Badger Chevrolet Company service department. He has had 25 years of experience. He and his wife and two children have moved here.

## George, Odell Crow Move Here From Uvalde Recently

George Crow, Odell Crow and Willoughby Toombs were in Uvalde Monday and Tuesday. Mr. Crow and son have moved here. They are former Merkelites.

## "Torpedo Alley" Is Powerful Show At Pioneer Theatre

"Torpedo Alley," drama of the United States submarine service in wartime, with a stellar cast will be the next screen attraction at the Pioneer theatre Sunday and Monday.

The picture is one of Allied Artists' most important productions of the year, and was filmed in large part at the United States Navy submarine base at New London, Conn., at the naval training station at San Diego, California, and at sea.

## HOSPITAL NOTES

Admissions to the Sadler Hospital the past week were:

As medical patients — Mrs. Bill Largent, Mrs. R. N. Connell, Doyle Maxwell, S. H. Perrin, Betty Hughes, Mrs. Doc Calloway, George Kegans, Sharon Vancil, Sandra Vancil, Homer Shanks, C. K. Russell, Mrs. W. W. Toombs, Dorothy Lloyd, Mary Elizabeth West.

For surgery — Patsy Farley and William Calvin Rister, tonsillectomy, Kayla Ann Canady, William E. Fitzgerald.

## Three Contracts Are Let For Rural Telephone

The last of three contracts, totaling \$832,157.65, for the construction of a rural telephone system in Taylor, Jones, Callahan, Runnels, Nolan, and Shackelford Counties, were awarded Friday.

Contracts were awarded to Alpha Construction Co., Tulsa, to construct 670 miles of pole lines on a bid of \$389,954.65; and to Graybar Electric, Abilene, for telephone instruments on a bid of \$280,550.

Tuesday the board awarded a contract to North Electric Co., Gallion, Ohio, for installation of 11 central office equipment exchanges on a bid of \$161,653.

Awarding of the contracts was announced by C. O. (Pat) Patterson, Lawn, president of the board of the Taylor Telephone Co-Op, which is constructing the system.

Alpha Construction is due to move crews into Merkel and set up headquarters in the next 30 days and to complete construction of the 670 miles of pole lines within 150 working days.

Central office equipment is due to begin arriving from Gallion within five months from Tuesday. Graybar's instruments are the latest type dial instruments manufactured by Western Electric.

At present, the minimum number of patrons on a party line is four, to be increased to eight as the system is expanded, Patterson said. The equipment will be the selective ringing type so that only the number of the telephone dialled will ring.

## MOVE TO MERKEL

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Phillips, Jr., and their three sons have moved to Merkel from Odessa. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Phillips, Sr., and is employed in Abilene. They will live at 911 Oak.

## Premier Breaks Ground For Big Improvements Now

Officials of Premier Oil Refining Company of Texas participated in ground breaking ceremonies recently at its Fort Worth refinery, site of a multi-million dollar catalytic cracking unit which is expected to be completed and in operation within a matter of months. R. P. Hargis, president of Premier emphasized that this extensive installation will not only include the catalytic cracking unit, but provides for a gas concentration unit and polymerization unit.

The installation of this extensive improvement is another step in Premier's program to add new refining processes for the purpose of making superior quality motor fuels.

In commenting on the addition of this new catalytic cracking unit, together with the other improvements that have recently been made to Premier's refining system, Arch M. Ault, general sales manager, said that Premier gasolines have always been of high quality and during the latter years of extremely high octane rating to meet the requirements of high compression motors. With these new refinery units, Premier will be in a position to maintain gasolines

of a road performance rating above those needed by automobile being planned for the future.

The Merkel Co-op Station, of which Leon Toombs is manager, handles Premier products.

## R. N. Owen Buys Merkel Ice Company From W. B. Thomas

R. N. Owen has bought the Merkel Ice Company from W. B. Thomas.

## Attend Funeral Of Relative Monday In Whitesboro

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Carson and family and Mrs. E. O. Carson went to Whitesboro Monday to attend the funeral of Mrs. E. O. Carson's brother-in-law, Bud Westbrook.

## Isadore and Meyer Mellinger Attend Shoe Convention

Isadore and Meyer Mellinger attended the Southwestern Shoe Convention in Dallas this week.

Most Antarctic explorers have been English.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. R. McKeever left Friday for Hot Springs, Ark., to visit his father, R. A. McKeever. They will return this weekend.

**NEWS ABOUT TOWN**

T. P. McGraw of Dallas was here last week with his brother-in-law, J. A. Kuykendall, and wife. Mr. and Mrs. Leete Jackson of Lubbock visited her brother, J. A. Kuykendall, and wife. They and Mrs. Kuykendall went to Dallas and returned Monday.

Dinner guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wallace were her brothers, Charles Church, of San Angelo, Bonny Church and family of Abilene and also his father, J. W. Wallace, of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hale of Dallas visited her mother, Mrs. E. L. Wilson, and his mother, Mrs. Fred Hale, in Trent.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Dismuke and daughter Debra Sue were Mother's Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Allday of Lubbock visited her sister, Mrs. O. N. Buford, and Mr. Buford.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Patterson are in Temple. Mrs. Hollis McCoy took them there Sunday.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Higgins and Mrs. J. J. McNiece Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Ted Richmond of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Steakly of Novice, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Shotwell of Abilene.

C. B. Rust was in Dallas Saturday on business.

Weldon McAninch and Chester

Collinsworth were in San Angelo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Baze spent Mother's Day with their son Bill and family in Abilene.

S/Sgt. and Mrs. Robert T. Hodge of Lake Charles, La., are here on a two weeks' furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Hodge, and her father, C. W. Edwards, of Trent.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Thomas and family were in DeLeon Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dawkins.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mewborn and family spent Sunday in Comanche with his mother, Mrs. K. M. Mewborn, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Pipes.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy D. Doan and children of McCamey, Mr. and Mrs. John Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hutcheson and children of Trent and Mrs. Jack Collier and children had Sunday dinner with Mrs. Claud Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman King and children of Lubbock spent Mother's Day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley King and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bertram of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwain Jones, Mrs. Florence Jones of Abilene and Doyle Jones of University of Houston were here for Mother's Day with Mr. and Mrs. Oddie Jones.

Mrs. Dave Anderson received a phone call greeting on Mother's Day from her son, Odell, of Ottawa Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Moulder and daughters of Jal, New Mexico were Saturday guests of her brother, J. D. Gentry, and family.

Mrs. Stacy Bird was in Cisco Sunday to see her nephew, Jerry Cade, who is ill. She went along with Finis Cade, his father, and Mrs. M. B. Bell, his grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Crawford of Midland spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Wright Dishman, and family.

Mrs. J. M. Glenn of Breckenridge is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Stockbridge, and Mr. Stockbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sledge and family were in Comanche Sunday.

visiting her mother, Mrs. J. H. Lloyd.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Walker of Lubbock were Sunday visitors of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Cross of Hobbs, New Mexico, spent Mother's Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cross, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cross and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Cross of Abilene were also here.

**SWAN SONG**

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March retail sales in Texas rebounded to high levels from slowed February activities, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reports. With 2,891 stores reporting, March re-

tail sales in Texas were 14 per cent higher than either February, 1953, or March, 1952. Sales for most types of retail stores advanced from February levels by 3 to 52 per cent.

**MEDAL OF HONOR**

Paul J. Thompson, director of the University of Texas School of Journalism, has been awarded a medal of honor by the University of Missouri School of Journalism.

**Commissioner White Warns Texas Farmers About Cotton Seed**

Agriculture Commissioner John

C. White warned Texas farmers to beware of slick-talking cotton seed salesmen who make extravagant claims for their products or offer them at cut-rate prices.

A traveling salesman is known to be operating out of Oklahoma

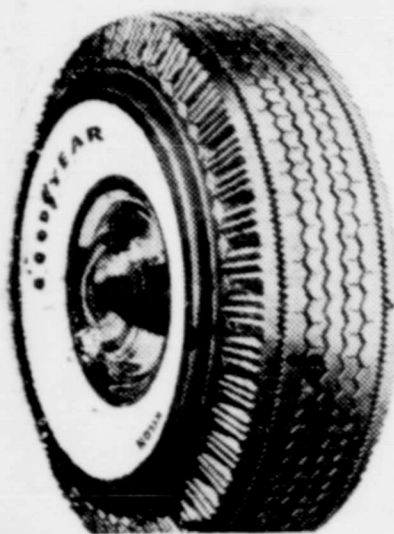
selling seed reportedly treated with a "secret" chemical guaranteed to kill all cotton pests. The salesman is expected to extend his operations into Texas.

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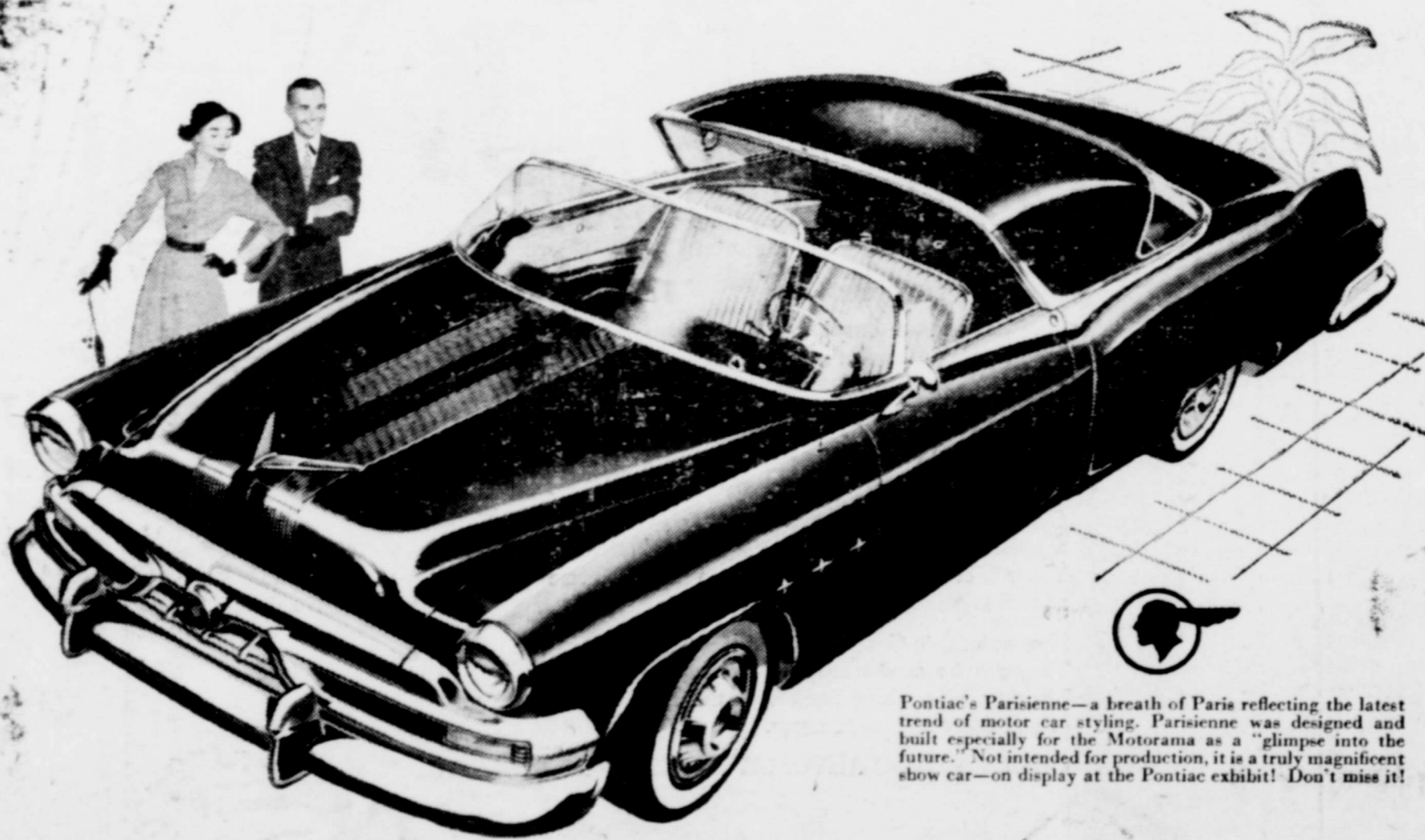
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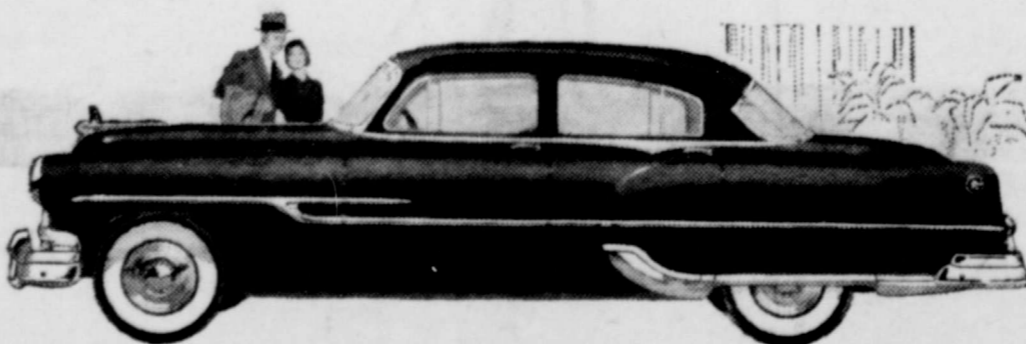


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You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**  
THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Leonard William Liles, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 104th 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 June A. D., 1953, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 30th day of April A. D. 1953, in this cause, numbered 7223-B on the docket of said court and styled Vivian Louise Liles, Plaintiff, vs. Leonard William Liles, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were legally married in Eastland County, Texas on or about January 7, 1950 and lived as husband and wife until about February 13, 1953, at which time they became permanently separated.

Plaintiff alleges they own no community property, and no child was born as issue to their marriage union. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment, 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 30th day of April A. D. 1953.

Attest: J. Neil Daniel, Clerk  
104th District Court Taylor County, Texas.  
By Irene Crawford, Deputy.

Adv. — May 8, 15, 22, 29.

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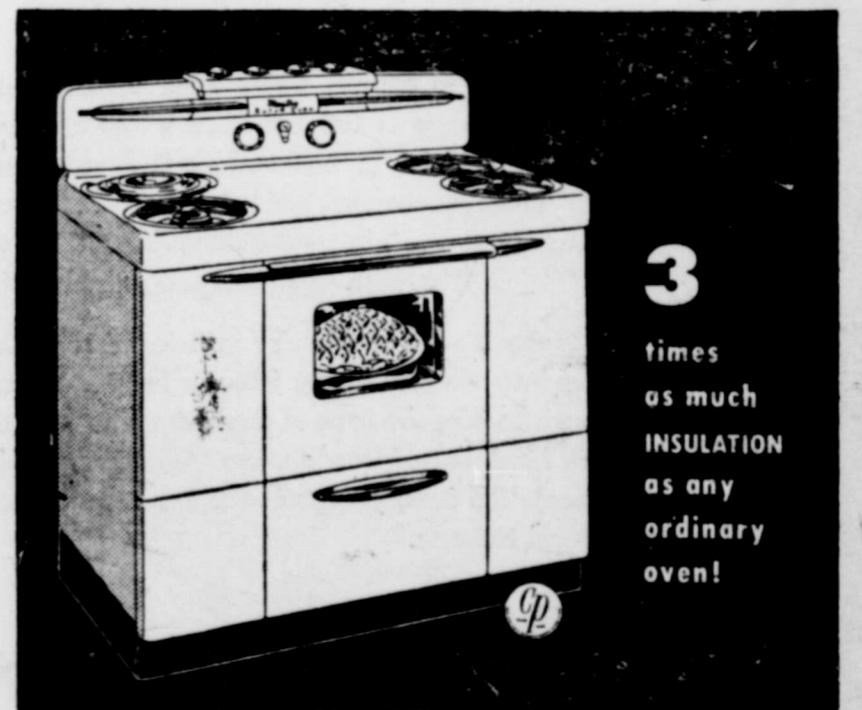


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**Personals**

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Riney had their two daughters and family for Mother's Day. They were Mr. and

Mrs. G. C. Alexander and family of Borger, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Perry and two daughters, Paul Riney, their son, at Artesia, Colo., called his mother and talked to her. Paul said it was cold there and that it had been raining and was snowing at the present time. Other visitors in the Riney home were Dewey Hutchens, Jody, Linda and Vicki Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gregory and family spent the weekend in Odes-

sa with her sister, Mrs. Jack Selman, and family.

Mrs. H. C. Hamner was in Plainview for the weekend, visiting her sister, Mrs. J. S. Armour, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Coenran and daughter of Big Spring visited Saturday night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cochran.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Winter of Abilene spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. R. N. Owen, and Mr. Owen.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe W. Bailey of Dallas brought their mother, Mrs. R. O. Bailey, home to Mrs. Andy Shouse Sunday.

Weekend guests in the home of Mrs. Charles West were her cousins, Mrs. Belle Davis and Mrs. Zephie Benda of Sayer, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Adcock and family visited in Slaton Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Meeks. Mrs. A. B. Rose was also a visitor. Mrs. Florence Berry visited in Slaton Sunday with her daughter.

Those spending Mother's Day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clark were Messrs. and Mesdames Woodrow Clark of Frederick, Oklahoma, Bernard Clark and family, W. J. Clark and Larry, Joe Edd McDuff, all of Abilene, Junior Clark, Mrs. Ethel McDuff of Stamford.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Clark of Fredericks, Okla., were guests over the weekend of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clark, Sr.

Mrs. J. N. Simpson visited her son, Acil Bailey, and wife in Midland on Friday until Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Mosley and family spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hall, at Bangs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hicks were in Lubbock Sunday and were accompanied there by her mother, Mrs. J. R. Stratton, who had been visiting here.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Patton and children, Kenneth, Beth and Lucky spent last weekend at Aimerst, visiting Mr. Patton's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Molder.

Mrs. Lucy Ford returned Saturday from a two-week visit with her daughter, Mrs. Russ Blair, and Major Blair in San Antonio.

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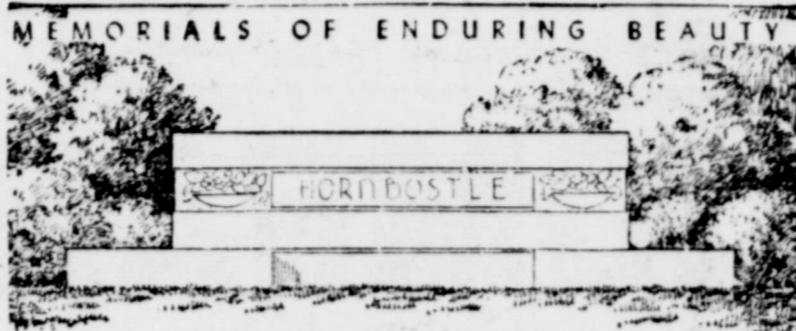
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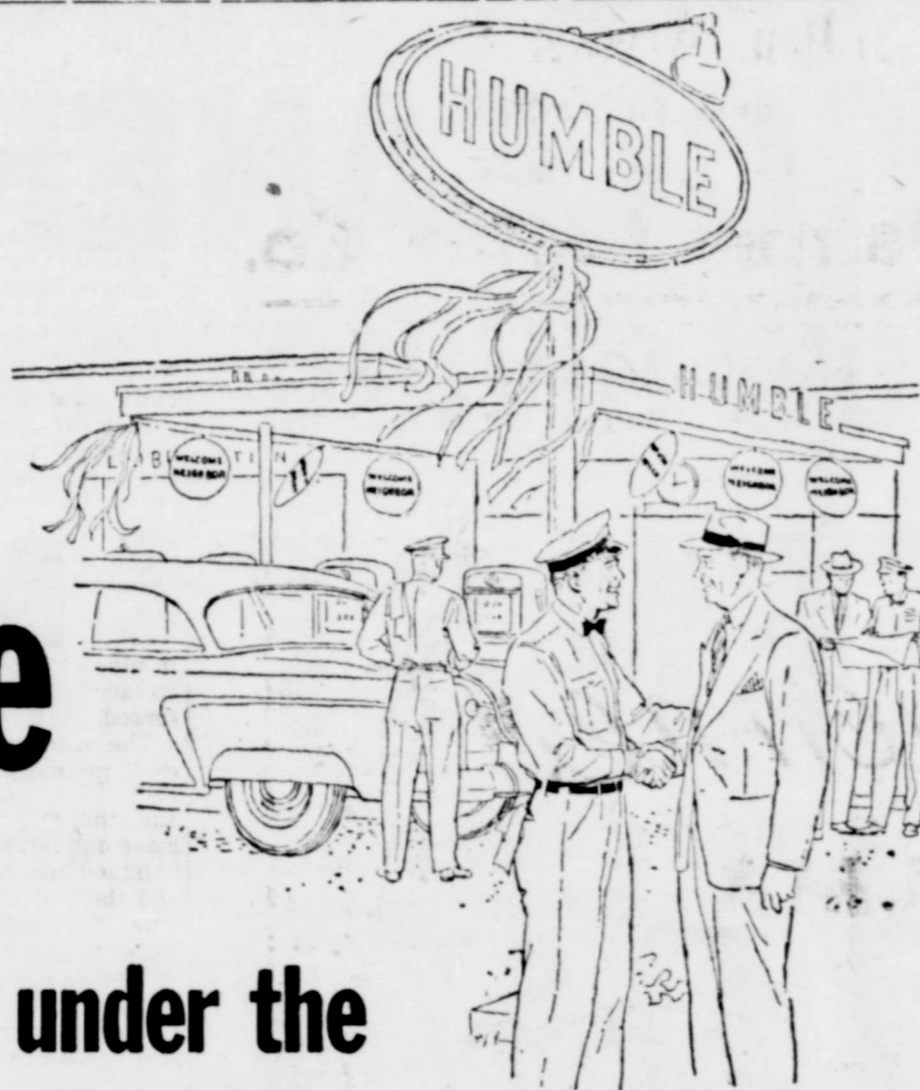
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### Peggy Patterson Is Valedictorian Of Her Class

Peggy Patterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Patterson, formerly of Merkel, is valedictorian for the senior class of 52-53 of Cotton Center School, Hale County.

Peggy, seven-year honor student, 2-year basketball, assistant editor of annual staff, F. H. A. parliamentarian, vice president of the senior class, plans to attend A. C. C. and major in home economics. Peggy is the niece of E. J. Patterson and Julia Lawson of Merkel.

### Bobby DuBose Flies Home Tuesday From England

1/c Bobby DuBose of the Air Corps, stationed in England, flew home Tuesday morning on a 30-day furlough and will visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. DuBose, and his sister, Mrs. Nolan Palmer, and family. His sister, Mrs. Dorothy Lloyd, of Austin is here also. He was in England 16 months.

### Mrs. W. S. J. Brown Returns From Trip To Japan Recently

W. S. J. Brown met his wife and sister, Mrs. J. M. Evans of Chicago, in Midland Tuesday. They are returning from a trip to Japan. They also visited Mr. Brown's brother, Yates Brown, and wife while in Midland. Mrs. Brown accompanied Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Evans to Japan.

### Sgt. John A. Smith Is Transferred To Albany, Ga.

Sgt. John A. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie L. Smith, has

been transferred from Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, to Albany, Ga.

### Washington

"As It  
Looks  
From  
Here"



OMAR BURLESON  
Congressman  
17th District

The Foreign Affairs Committee, of which I am a member, has been holding hearings the past week in connection with military preparedness in this country and nations of the Free World who are our allies.

Testifying before the Committee have been Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, director of Mutual Security Harold Stassen, Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson, Secretary of the Treasury George M. Humphrey, and General Omar Bradley, chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Most of these officials have returned from travels in various parts of the world to acquaint themselves with the present situation. Generally, their testimony is very much the same as that heard in previous years. It adds up to the opinion that we continue to live in dangerous times, that Russian Communism is on the march wherever there is weakness, and that the objective for world domination as announced by Marx, Lenin, and Stalin has not diminished.

All this, taken in connection with world trade, creates a picture which should be a concern to every person in the United States. It is like playing a game when the opponent has the ball, has his own signals and knows ours also. In other words, the Russians have had the initiative

and been on the offensive since World War 2. We have been continuously on the defensive. The Eisenhower Administration has promised the Nation that we would wrest the offensive from the Russians in the "cold war" but it is not easily done as long as there is a "hot war" in Korea. It is not going to be easy under the most favorable circumstances and the Russians will see that those circumstances are made as difficult as possible.

We in this country usually think of ourselves as being self-sufficient but look at these figures.

We occupy 1/19th of the world's land area. We have a population of 158 million people. The Russians today have almost one-half of the world's population estimated at two billion people under their control.

Our deficiencies go much further than this. The scientists tell us that there are actually only fifteen basic minerals in the world, and we are woefully lacking in nine of them. We have plenty of oil, coal, iron ore, sulphur, phosphate rock, and potash, but to build a Sherman tank, we must import from foreign countries 99 per cent of chromium, and 1915 pounds go into the building of the tank. It requires 950 pounds of manganese for each tank, and 92 per cent of it must be imported.

We import 92 per cent of all nickel, and each tank requires 520 pounds. In each tank goes 107 pounds of tin, of which 78 per cent must be imported. Bauxite is raw aluminum, and each tank requires 6512 pounds; we import 65 per cent of all we use.

Likewise, copper is a requirement and we have half the amount. All industrial diamonds, not to mention uranium, which makes atomic bombs, must come from deep Africa.

We could do without coffee and cigarettes, and the ladies could even do without cosmetics, of which 96 per cent of the ingredients are imported, but I would hate to think we would have to do without a tank, an airplane, a ship, or a gun with which to defend ourselves.

These figures show that without imports from all over the world we could only produce 25 per cent of the requirements for National Defense.

So we are not a self-sufficient Nation by any means. Even if the defense of our Nation against military aggression was not necessary, we could not maintain our standard of living without foreign imports. It requires 14



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pounds of manganese to make one ton of steel. Of every 100 pounds of manganese used, 92 pounds must come from outside this country.

Without steel, there would be no automobiles, no large buildings, no bridges, no railroads, and no oil wells.

We're living in a rather small world and in a sad world, because we must think in terms of defending ourselves against a power which has threatened to destroy us. By necessity we must have a global view and cannot say as did Browning, "God's in his heaven: All's right with the world."



By VERN SANFORD  
Texas Press Association

The Legislature worked this week on compromise plans to give public school teachers more pay.

Those who wanted more money for teachers seemed ready to accept something less than the \$600 per year they had originally demanded.

The House lagged behind in committee action on new tax bills to

### THANK YOU CARD

Our heartfelt thanks to all who extended comforting sympathy and help in our recent sorrow in the passing of our beloved mother, Mrs. Lula Walker. For the cards, flowers, food and other kindnesses, we are deeply grateful.  
Mr. and Mrs. Irl Walker and family.

### THANK YOU CARD

The family of Uncle Alex Morgan wish to express our thanks and appreciation to our friends and neighbors, the Trent Methodist Church and Dr. Gardner for their kindness, also the food and flowers sent during the short illness and death of our father and grand father.  
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Holt.

provide the money for teachers.

It would take about \$33 million per year to give the school people an additional \$600 annually.

At the same time, the administration kept up its pressure against new taxation.

The governor asked the legislature to wait and see what would become of a natural gas tax, passed during the last session and being tested in the courts.

There was strength behind movements to adjourn the session—without any new tax. That would mean no pay increase for teachers.

Although both houses have voted \$600 per year pay raises for schoolmarm, Comptroller Robert S. Calvert has said that the money is not in sight to pay the cost.

That means no more money for teachers, unless a tax bill is passed.

After a 26-hour filibuster, the senate finally passed a bill to create a statewide toll road authority.

As originally passed in the House, the bill created a Dallas-Fort Worth turnpike authority. The bill went back to the House for approval of Senate amendments.

Official public business should be conducted publicly, according to a resolution passed by the House.

The Senate had already passed the measure.

The House voted to outlaw cross-filing by political candidates — that is, running as candidate of more than one party.

Passed by both houses, but with different provisions, is a proposed constitutional amendment to permit Texas members of the armed service to vote. . . . A conference committee will have to adjust the differences before the measure can be finally passed.

## CLASSIFIED AD SECTION

### LODGE CALLS

NOTICE MASONS  
Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710, A. F. & A. M., Saturday, May 23, at 8 p. m. All members are urged to attend. Visiting brethren cordially invited.  
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FOR SALE — Pekingese puppies. See Mrs. Clyde Wurst, 408 Lo-Club St. 3t8p.

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4:29 a. m.	5:38 a. m.
7:06 a. m.	8:57 a. m.
11:26 a. m.	1:25 p. m.
11:52 a. m.	5:22 p. m.
3:01 p. m.	6:40 p. m.
8:22 p. m.	11:31 p. m.
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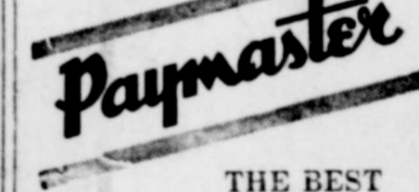
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**DORCAS CLASS MEETS IN HOME OF MRS. W. M. HAYES**  
The Dorcas Class of the First Baptist Church met May 5 in the home of Mrs. W. M. Hayes. Mrs. W. L. Johnson called the meeting to order. Mrs. J. J. McNeice led in prayer. After business Bible questions were asked and

answered, which everyone enjoyed. Refreshment of ice cream and cake was served to one visitor Mrs. Clifford Lee, and 16 members. Distribution of Congressional districts is made every ten years when the Federal Census is taken.

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But not for long. Just as Hitler and his Fascism brought his own downfall by undermining all belief and just as Communism will kill itself for the same reason so will the atomic age bring its own destruction unless it turns from "evil ways" and looks toward spiritual values for its solution of its problems.

Man is great but he is also finite. Man has spiritual ability but he is also the dust of the earth. When he learns his limitations and admits his finiteness in humbleness of spirit and seeks his source of power in the Infinite than he will learn the way of saving himself from utter destruction.

**LITTLE GENTLEMEN**  
It was interesting to note what the speaker at the Lions Club had to say. He remarked that the Little League Baseball made gentlemen

out of youngsters. The speaker was Gene Galbreath of Abilene. It was due to Prof. Mack Fisher's interest in youngsters that the speaker appeared before the club. It is Prof. Fisher's wish to direct the play of the youngsters during the summer time, to give them something with which to occupy their time, to "make gentlemen" out of them.

The idea of the superintendent is a good one, whether it is Little League or not. Directed play of youngsters pays off in big dividends, in making better boys out of them and better citizens.

It is to be hoped that something will come of Prof. Fisher's idea and that the youngsters are given something to do during the summer.

**GOOD NEIGHBORS**

We have remarked time after time of the friendliness of the folks of Merkel and around Merkel. And now an illustration has been brought to our notice that proves our point.

We refer to the story about F. J. (Fat) McDonald's neighbors who brought in their plows and planters and helped him catch up with his farming while he was in the hospital recuperating from injuries received while working on an oil rig.

Here was a demonstration of a true act of friendliness and neighborliness. This is the spirit that has given to West Texas a pioneering spirit that has lasted throughout the years of building up a great civilization.

It has built well. It has built bigger buildings and bigger farms and bigger churches and bigger school houses and too — it has built a finer spirit of friendliness and neighborliness — that has made the fame of West Texas known throughout the land.

**"WHITE-ICISM"**

That's ALL — and the Sage of Figfield adds that where there is friendliness and neighborliness there is a good civilization.

**EDITORIAL**

**NEED OF GOD**

Dr. Frank L. Turner in his sermon on Sunday during the Spiritual Life Crusade at the Methodist Church stressed that some people have "bowed God out of existence." There is a need in a scient-

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**HICKS FAMILY HOLD FAMILY RE-UNION SUNDAY**  
The Hicks family met at Lake Trammell, Sweetwater, to honor Mrs. Minnie Belle Hicks, Sunday, Mother's Day. All the four children with some of the grandchildren and families were present.

The children were Robert Hicks and wife, Vestal Hicks, wife and son Skippie, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hutchens, Sweetwater.

The grandchildren present were Mr. and Mrs. Doc Rhuman, Jimmy and D'Ann, Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Lanier Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brown and son Richard, Mr. and Mrs. Don Brown, Cynthia and Donald, Sweetwater. There was plenty of eats and all enjoyed the day.

sons Michael and Duane surprised Gary Fick when he came in from play. Michael and Duane had all of his gifts arranged on the table where a big cake with candles were. The boys had their record player playing "Happy Birthday" and they were singing.

Gary seemed more thrilled over the big cake and candles than he did over his gifts. Those present to help him celebrate his birthday were S/Sgt. and Mrs. R. G. Palmer, S/Sgt. and Mrs. Wayne Palmer, Mrs. Clona McClure, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Fick and Debra Jean sent gifts.

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**COOKIE JARS**  
Pottery - Regular \$2.00 ----- **98c**  
**HUDNUT EGG-CREME SHAMPOO — \$1.00 ----- 73c**  
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Regular \$9.00 ----- **\$5.95**  
**MERKEL DRUG CO.**  
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**BOYS' SPORT SHIRTS**

Beat the heat with a cool Sport Shirt — your choice of Cotton Plisse, Skip-Dents, and printed Broadcloths. All are Short Sleeves and sizes from 1 to 12. ONLY

**\$1.00**

**MEN'S SHORTS & VESTS**

Men's Shorts — your choice of knitted briefs with elastic tops or sanforized broadcloth shorts in either gripper fronts or boxer type. All sizes. Men's Vests — all combed yarn and either Swiss or Panel ribbed. All sizes. ONLY

**2 for \$1.00**

**MEN'S WORK STRAWS**

Genuine Mexican Palm Straws in the most-wanted style All sizes. ONLY

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**MEN'S DRESS SHIRTS**

One color and one style — men's grey chambray 2-flap pocket shirts. You know the value of this shirt. Sizes 14 to 17. ONLY.

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**Ladies' Purses**

Our entire stock of Summer Purses to choose from — all styles and all colors. ONLY

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(Tax Included)

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Your choice of any summer hat in stock. ONLY

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**COLORED BED SHEETS**

Double bed size — 81x99 — and all the wanted colors. Only

**\$5.00 per pair**

Pillow Cases to match at Only

**\$1.25 per pair**

**Sheer Materials**

One lot of fancy Batiste and Lawn Cloth. Sheer and cool for the hot days ahead. ONLY

**3 yards for \$1**

**LADIES' Nylon Briefs**

One lot of ladies' All-Nylon Briefs. A good value at only

**2 for \$1.00**

**MEN'S DRESS SOCKS**

All our 50c men's banner wrap Dress Socks to choose from. All sizes ONLY

**3 PAIRS FOR \$1.00**

**Children's Dresses**

These are all new summer styles and materials — Sizes 6 months to 6 years. ONLY

**\$1.59**

**CHENILLE BEDSPREADS**

A good heavy weight. Large bed size, and beautiful colors to choose from. ONLY

**\$3.99**

**NYLON SPORT SHIRTS**

The most wanted Sport Shirt on the Market — 100% DuPont Nylon Short - Sleeve Sport Shirts in either puckered or pin-point weave. We have all the beautiful pastel colors. Sizes small, medium, large, and Extra large. Only

**2 for \$7.00**

**SHOE SPECIALS GROUP I**

One big lot of all new summer sandals to select from — Flats, Crepe Soles, and Cloth Sandals with medium Wedges. Colors: White, Tan, Sand, Beige, Yellow. Sizes 4 to 10. Regardless of their value ONLY.

**\$2.98 per pair**

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All of our Beautiful Beaded Hand-Laced Leather Mocassins — Colors White, Red, Pink, Blue, Black, Purple, Yellow, Turquoise, Palomino, and Buttermilk. Sizes 4 to 9. ONLY

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One big lot of imported Milan Straw Sandals with medium and high wedges — Colors Navy Blue, Cocoa, Eggshell, and White. Only

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One lot of Nationally Advertised Lorraine Gowns. An Ideal Gift for Graduation. ONLY

**\$2.99**

**LADIES' NYLON HOSIERY**

These are first quality Vanette and Mojud All-Nylon Hosiery. Another good graduation gift. All sizes and good colors. ONLY

**\$1.00 per pair**

**LADIES' DRESSES**

A great saving for you in our entire stock of nationally famous Dresses priced at \$6.95 and up. All sizes — all new colors — all the new wanted fabrics. Your choice at ONLY

**1-3 OFF**

**MEN'S RAYON SUITS**

Men, do you need a suit at a real bargain? One big selection of all Rayon Suits to select from in both double and single breasted models and all the season's newest patterns. All sizes. ONLY

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(At this low price alterations extra)

**Max Mellinger**

**100% NYLON SLIPS**

One lot of all-Nylon Slips. A real value at ONLY

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**INDIAN HEAD**

A nationally advertised fabric in all the wanted solid colors. ONLY

**65c per yard**

**Seersucker and PLISSE CREPE**

One lot of fancy Seersucker and Plisse Crepe. Just the fabric for summer. ONLY

**39c per yard**

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All are sanforized and mercerized. You know the quality of this item. ONLY

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One big lot consisting of Dress Denims, solid color glazed Chambrays, and permanent finished Krinkelset Broadcloth. Your choice at ONLY

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**Nylon Fabric**

One lot of 45-inch Puckered all-Nylon material. Beautiful colors. ONLY

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**DICKIE**

**Work Clothes**

Genuine Dickie - Brand Army Cloth Type No. 4 Shirts or Pants in either Suntan or Postman grey colors. All sizes Only

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PER GARMENT

**MEN'S**

**All - Nylon Socks**

All colors and all sizes.

2 PAIRS FOR

**\$1.00**

**MRS. HUBERT SULLIVAN HEADS NOODLE P.T.A.**

The Noodle P.T.A. held its last meeting of the year and elected officers for 1953-54.

Mrs. Hubert Sullivan was elected president. Other officers elected were: Vice President, Robert Wyche; secretary, W. A. Alford; treasurer, H. A. Stanford. Mrs. Stevens, school nurse, gave

an interesting talk and showed two pictures.

Eight to ten weeks is the average life of the housefly.



**MORE PLAYTIME WITH THESE MAYTIME MENU IDEAS**



**EASY-FIX FOODS**

**SPECIALS for FRIDAY and SATURDAY, May 15 & 16**

**TOMATO JUICE** LIBBY'S 46 oz. **29¢**

LIBBY'S 16 oz. CAN **BEEF STEW** **39c**

SUNSHINE 8 oz. PKG. **Marshmallows** **15c**

FRANCO AMERICAN **SPAGHETTI** 16 oz. can **15c**

**CRACKERS** 1 lb. box **25c**

KRAFT **DINNER** 2 pkgs. **29c**

**SHORTENING** BAKERITE 3 Lb. Can **63¢**

F A B regular pkg. **29c**

SUN SPUN **CATSUP** bottle **15c**

VAN CAMPS **TUNA FISH** **25c**

CAMPBELL **Tomato Soup** 2 for **25c**

ARMOURS **PURE LARD** 3 lb. ctn. **43c**

DURKEES **OLEO** 2 pounds **58c**

**PRESERVES** APRICOT - PEACH **39¢**  
PLUM - 2 Lb. Jars.

**FROM THE GARDEN**

**FROM THE BUTCHER**

WE HAVE A LIMITED SUPPLY OF VEAL

CARTON **TOMATOES** ctn. **13c**

VEAL, ROUND, LOIN and T-BONE **STEAKS** lb. **49c**

WHITE **ONIONS** lb. **5c**

VEAL **HAMBURGER** lb. **39c**

GREEN **BEANS** lb. **14c**

VEAL **Chuck Roast** lb. **39c**

NEW **POTATOES** lb. **6c**

VEAL **STEW MEAT** lb. **39c**

BELL **PEPPER** lb. **17c**

DENISON **FRYERS** lb. **52c**

—We Reserve the Right To Limit Quantities—

**CAMPBELL GROCERY & MKT.**

Phone 173 We Deliver on Mon. & Fri. Merkel, Texas

**SPECIALS FOR DOLLAR DAY MAY 19TH.**

DIAMOND 7—No. 2 CANS **TOMATOES** **\$1.00** | SWIFT'S PREM 2 cans **\$1.00**

HEARTS DELIGHT — FRUIT **COCKTAIL** 3—No. 2 1/2 cans **\$1.00**

LONGHORN **CHEESE** 2 lbs. **\$1.00** | DIAMOND 12 — No. 2 **HOMINY** 12 cans **\$1.00**



# DEL MONTE BRAND Spring GARDEN SHOW

A grand array of wonderful values!

We want to thank all of you for your splendid response to visit our store last week

DEL MONTE  
**CATSUP**  
2 Bottles 29c

DEL MONTE  
**SPINACH**  
4 -303 cans 49c

DEL MONTE  
**CORN**  
2 303 Cans 33c

DEL MONTE  
**TOMATOES**  
2 No. 2 Cans 49c

DEL MONTE  
**PEAS**  
2 No. 303 Cans 39c

Del Monte — 46 oz.

**TOMATO JUICE** 4 For **\$1.00**

Del Monte — 2 1/2 Can

**PEACHES** 2 CANS **58¢**

Del Monte Crushed — No. 2

**PINEAPPLE** 2 CANS **49¢**

Del Monte - No. 2 1/2 Can

**FRUIT COCKTAIL** 2 CANS **69¢**

**FOLGERS** COFFEE Pound **79¢**

**CRISCO** 3 Lb. Can **79¢**

IMPERIAL — DOMINO

**SUGAR**

10 Pounds **89¢**

TEA GARDEN PRESERVES

**STRAWBERRY**

20 Ounce JAR **39¢**

DEL MONTE — No. 2 1/2 CAN

**PEARS** can 39c

DEL MONTE — 2 1/2 JAR

**SPICED PEACHES** jar 39c

DEL MONTE SLICED

**PINEAPPLE** No. 2 can 29c

DEL MONTE — 303

**FRUIT COCKTAIL** 2 cans 49c

DEL MONTE — 303

**PEARS** can 25c

DEL MONTE — Quart

**PRUNE JUICE** bottle 32c

DEL MONTE — SOUR

**KRAUT** 2 cans 29c

DEL MONTE — No. 2

**STEWED TOMATOES** can 23c

DEL MONTE — 303

**GREEN LIMAS** can 25c

DEL MONTE — 12 OUNCE

**W. K. CORN** 2 cans 35c

DEL MONTE CUT

**GREEN BEANS** 2 can 43c



**CHOICE MEATS**

CHOICE BEEF  
**POT ROAST**

Lb. 45c

READY TO EAT  
**PICNIC**

Lb. 49c

CENTER CUTS

**PORK CHOPS** lb. 69c

FRESH

**GROUND BEEF** lb. 45c

FRESH  
**FRYERS**

Lb. 53c

ARMOUR'S STAR  
**BACON**

Lb. 73c

CHOICE BEEF

**T-BONE STEAK** b. 75c

SLICED

**BACON** 2 lbs. 89c

SKINLESS  
**WEINERS**

Lb. 39c

ALL MEAT  
**BOLOGNA**

Lb. 45c



**SPAM** 43c

**IDEAL DOG FOOD** can 10c

**PET MILK**

2 Cans 27c

BRER RABBIT  
**SYRUP**

1/2 Gal. Jar 49c

**WILSON OLEO** lb. 18c

SEA FEAST PINK

**SALMON**

16 Ounce Can 43c

BETTY CROCKER'S  
**CAKE MIX**

4 KINDS  
ALL FOR \$1.00

SUNSHINE  
**HI-HO** ---- Box 29c

**CANDIES** --cello 19c



FRESH  
**BLACKEYE PEAS** lb. 10c

JUMBO CRISP  
**LETTUCE**

head 10c

FRESH  
**CORN on COB**

3 Ears 19c

FRESH  
**CANTALOUPE** lb. 15c

FLORIDA  
**ORANGES** lb. 8c

Winesap Red  
**Apples** lb. 19c

Hot  
**Pepper** lb. 49c

Fresh  
**Celery** stalk 25c

FRESH  
**GREEN BEANS**

Lb. 15c

Fresh  
**Turnips & Tops** 12c

Fresh  
**Cucumbers** lb. 15c

Fresh  
**Onions** bunch 10c

FRESH  
**SQUASH**

Lb. 8c

WHITE ROSE  
**SPUDS**

lb. 5c

**CARSON GRO. & MKT.**