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20 Blood Donors Are Asked Now To Sign Pledge

A call for blood donors has been sent out by Lester Dorton, local supervisor for the Red Cross Bloodmobile in Merkel.

At this time 20 donors are needed.

Tuscola has yet to get its quota. Trent has already reached its quota of 10. John Hamner is the supervisor there.

The bloodmobile will be in Abilene at 11 a.m. on Saturday, September 25, at the YMCA buiding. The ages of the donors must be between 18 and 60.

Anybody willing to sign the pledge card to donate a pint of blood is requested to see Mr. Dorton at the Taylor Electric Cooperative or Hy White at The Merkel Mail.

"The blood that is given at this time will be used immediately by the boys in Korea," asserted Mr. Dorton. "The blood is being flown to Korea as fast as possible in order to save the lives of our boys who are fighting there.

"We urge those who are willing to sign to do so as early as possible so we can report at once that our quota is filled.

"Last time our quota was 150. Now it is only 20. We should be able to fill that number speedily," said Mr. Dorton.

SEE GREAT-GRANDSON

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Hamm with their daughter Mildred went to Colorado City Sunday to see their great-grandson, Thomas Edwin, born Aug. 26, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bim Carlock. Mrs. Carlock is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sie Hamm, who used to live here.

NEED VOLUNTEER FIREMEN

Due to some leaving town and others just quitting, our Fire Department is very short of men. At capacity we have 33 members. At present we have ten or eleven. Unless we have more than that number, we stand to lose a 3 per cent credit and probably more on insurance cost.

Too many of our local young business men are "too busy" or for some reason not willing to protect their own property and that of their neighbors against fire losses.

The Fire Department rates next to churches and schools as a civic organization.

They not only strive to save property, but also to save lives from destruction by fire.

Being a good fireman requires two nights a month drill and one night each month for business meetings, then attending all fires possible and doing as you have learned in drill and as directed by the chief or assistant chief in charge.

Young business and professional men and other civic minded friends, think this over and join the fire boys. Help our department one of the best in our area.

JOHN MANSFIELD,
Chief of Fire Department

WANT SOME RAIN? JUST ADVERTISE

Editor Hy White of the Merkel Mail says his want ads really do the job.

On the front page of this week's edition Thursday afternoon distributed about 4:30 p.m.—White ran a want ad for "rain, a good one."

The elements couldn't supply him with the quality desired, but he did get the rain quickly. At 6:30 p.m.

A hard, brief shower fell and again at 9:30 p.m. rain fell for another short period. In all .05 was recorded.

It pays to advertise, White says.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The above item appeared on page one of the Abilene Reporter-News last Friday morning. It was also covered by the Associated Press and radio.

RAIN REPORT

It rained in Merkel early Thursday morning but not enough to measure or even show a trace. The same was true of Noodle. Eight miles northwest of Noodle the rain measured 1½ inches at Golden. Three miles north of Trent it rained .60 inch.

HAVE NEW SON

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Tom Hutcheson of Houston announce the arrival of their new son, Stephen Thomas, born August 21. Billie Tom is the son of Mrs. Hester Hutcheson of Abilene and Mrs. Hutcheson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Paine.

BOY TO PETERSONS

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Peterson announce the birth of a baby boy, named Larry Lee, on August 22 at the St. Ann Hospital in Abilene.

BOY TO DERRINGTONS

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Derrington on August 28 at the Salder Hospital.

School Enrollment Reaches 675 Tues. More Are Expected

The school enrollment here as reported at noon Tuesday was 675. Last year the enrollment was 716. Schools here started Monday.

In the high school there were 185 as compared to 175 last year, stated High School Principal Edwin Read. The different classes were: Freshman 62, sophomore 34, junior 58 and senior 31.

Grammar School Principal C. A. Farley announced the grammar enrollment was 490 compared to 541 last year. The different grades were: 1st 55, 2nd 61, 3rd 70, 4th 57, 5th 64, 6th 64, 7th 63 and 8th 56.

The high school expects to enroll around 200 by the end of the week, stated Mr. Read, while the grammar school expects to have about 500, said Mr. Farley.

Beginning Wednesday on account of the intense heat and the water situation high school classes started at 8 a.m. instead of 8:40 a.m. The buses will run at 2:10 p.m. when school is dismissed instead of at 3:45 p.m.

"The high school is meeting the state requirements of class period length," stated Principal Read. "We will continue this new schedule until there is a definite break in the weather or the water situation changes. Monday there was a lack of water but on Tuesday there was a vast improvement."

BULLETIN!

Tommy Odum, manager of the Merkel Telephone Company, was named on a national small business committee at a meeting of the U. S. Independent Telephone Association held in Waco Wednesday.

In the absence of Supt. Mack Fisher, who is ill in the hospital, Mr. Read spoke for the school.

Fire Destroys Leo Smith Home In Trent Tuesday

Citizens of Trent gave a shower Wednesday for the Leo Smith family, whose home and personal possessions were destroyed by fire Monday night.

Members of the community were at the Trent school building at 8 a.m. Wednesday to receive the gifts.

The Smith home, located west of Trent, burned to the ground after fire broke out about 12:30 a.m. Tuesday.

The parents and their five children escaped injury.

Football Coaches Air Their Views At Lions Club

Coach Carroll Benson said that Merkel would be a little frog in a big pond this football season but it would be a fighting frog. This is the highlight Coach Benson gave in a talk before the Lions Club. This was the first meeting of the club after its summer vacation. Horace Boney, president, presided.

Waymon Adcock reported on the purchasing of Christmas cards by the individual members, the money to go to the Texas League for Crippled Children.

Lester Dorton, general chairman of the bathing beauty contest, reported that about $175 were made from the proceeds of the event.

It was reported that Dr. Jim Carter, who had been invited to come to Merkel to open up his dental office, was going to Longview. The club will continue to look for a dentist to be invited to practice here.

Fred Starbuck, program chairman, introduced Coach Benson.

"The competition is going to be rough," began Coach Benson. "We selected to give you good games instead of games that were easy. And you will see a good scrap in every game. The schedule is:

"Sept. 12, Ballinger, here
"Sept. 19, Winters, there
"Sept. 26, Roscoe, there
"Oct. 3, Roby, here
"Oct. 10, Lakeview, here
"Oct. 17, Hamlin, here
"Oct. 24, Stamford, here
"Oct. 31, Rotan, there
"Nov. 7, Anson, here
"Nov. 14, Colorado City, there

"The last five are conference games.

"There are 45 boys out for football," he continued. "Seven are lettermen: three backs and four linemen. About 80 per cent of the plays will be double wing back formation. We will be short on speed in the backfield, but you will see plenty of scrapping."

Then Tommy Ellis, assistant coach, told about the linemen.

"We will have smaller men in the line," he asserted, "but they too, will be scrappy.

"The non-conference games will be tough," he went on, "but our boys will be fighting all the time. They will be worth seeing. And of course, the conference games will be tougher. Some predict that we will finish in the cellar, but we hope to do better than that.

"Our boys will be in there fighting all the time."

"And we will be in there rooting for the hometown boys, win, lose, or draw," commented Chairman Starbuck.

Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1932 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

HEAVY RAIN FALLS

While not falling all within the month of September, what is believed to be the record for all times for continuous rainfall in this section has been hung up. The entire amount fell within nine days. Last week The Mail reported 5 3-8 inches and since that time the rainfall measured 6 1-8 inches. Total for 1932 now stands at 39.85, practically double the normal rainfall for one year.

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SCHOOLS TO OPEN

Monday morning at 9 o'clock the Merkel Public Schools will begin the 1932-44 session. There will be a short opening program at the high school at 9 o'clock to which interested patrons and former students are invited. Grammar school pupils will report directly to their rooms at grammar school.

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FANS ARE ENTHUSIASTIC

Local football fans are waxing enthusiastic over the coming gridiron campaign of the Merkel High School Badgers. With the assurance of the return of six lettermen and the possibility of eight, and with a large number of veteran squadmen on hand, Coach Briggs Irvin faces what he believes will be the most successful season for the Purple and Gold since 1924-25, when the Badgers went in for bi-district competition.

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POSTPONE SHOW

The revue for the benefit of the Boy Scouts, program for which was announced in full in last week's issue of The Mail, has been postponed on account of the continued and unprecedented rains for the past week.

VOTE UNCHANGED

Taylor County's vote in the governor's race — Sterling 4,559; Ferguson, 2,386 — remained unchanged Saturday in the official canvass conducted by the democratic executive committee.

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RAIN PREENTS SPEECH

George W. Armstrong of Fort Worth, independent candidate for governor in the general election, who was scheduled to make a speech here Tuesday morning, arrived on time, but due to the continued rains and the fact that it was raining hard at the time he was due to speak, he decided to abandon his planned speech.

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RECORD OF BIRTHS

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Rice, boy, Aug. 29; Mr. and Mrs. John Kopp, boy, Sept. 2; Mr. and Mrs. Claud Stribling, boy, Sept. 7; Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Vessel, girl, Sept. 8.

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TO PREACH AT NOODLE

W. G. Cypert will preach at the Church of Christ at Noodle next Sunday at 11 o'clock. All are invited to be there for Sunday School.

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WOODS - SMITH

At 5 p.m. Saturday George Woods and Miss Eme Smith were united in mariage at the Nazarene parsonage, with Mrs. Ola Bolls, pastor, officiating.

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OIL BROUGHT IN

The J. M. Johnson No. 1 on the W. D. Swann place came in on Wednesday of last week, with an estimated production of about 100 barrels.

Trent School Opens On Monday With Assembly

The Trent School opened Monday morning with a general assembly in the gymnasium at 9 a. m. There was a short program after which teachers registered students and issued books. Buses ran about 11. No lunches were served in the lunchroom Monday, but they were served on Tuesday.

Superintendent W. B. Williams announced that he expected a successful school year despite the fact that the system has lost two teachers due to loss in attendance last term. The faculty is complete except for a homemaking teacher.

New teachers employed are a coach, B. J. Everett, who succeeds Ed Cotton who went to Aspermont, and Mrs. J. D. Mills, elementary teacher. Both Everett and Mrs. Mills did their college work at Hardin-Simmons University.

Other teachers are Mrs. W. B. Williams, Sarah Payne, Juanita Rhodes, Mrs. Dene Seago, Mrs. J. O. Young, Mrs. Lee Rudd, Mrs. Lois McRee and O. L. Boyd, vocational agriculture.

Repair work has been done in the school buildings. Floors have been varnished, walls painted, and new windows put in where needed. Two new fountains have been installed in the primary building.

Great Play Comes To Queen Theatre

A great play is coming to the Queen Theatre on Tuesday and Wednesday. It won the Pulitzer Prize on the stage. Fredric March, a great actor, has the star part in the "Death of a Salesman." He plays Willy Loman.

Willy, a salesman all his life, has traded on his ability to be well-liked. This quality, he believes, is the key to success and he grooms his two sons accordingly. Willy's one mistake, seen by a son, unleashes the overpowering surge of the film's emotional drama.

This is a play that everyone who likes good, powerful drama and splendid acting will want to see.

G. H. Johnson Dies At Age of 75 And Buried Sat.

Funeral services for Gainewell Harshaw (G. H.) Johnson, 75, were held at 4 p.m. Saturday in Abilene.

The Rev. E. D. Landreth, pastor of St. Paul Methodist Church, Abilene, of which he was a member, officiated. He was assisted by the Rev. W. E. Peterson, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Abilene.

Burial was in the Rose Hill Cemetery.

He was a member of the Rotary Club and the Excel Bible Class of St. Paul Methodist Church, Abilene.

Mr. Johnson was found dead in bed at his home, 440 Beech, Abilene at 7 a.m. Friday by his daughter, Mrs. J. W. Cole, 1443 North Fifth St., Abilene. Mrs. Johnson is in Hendrick Memorial Hospital for treatment, following a stroke.

Mr. Johnson had suffered a heart condition since 1939.

The Johnsons moved to Abilene from Sweetwater in June, 1949.

Survivors include his wife; an only child, Mrs. J. W. (Bill) Cole, wife of the commander of the Abilene VFW post; and an only brother, W. F. Johnson, Phoenix.

Mr. Johnson was born near New Stirling, Iredell, Co., N. C., Aug. 31, 1877.

He came to Trent in 1898. In 1901 he married Lona Costephens of Mulberry Canyon.

At different times he engaged in various businesses, including the development of oil in West Texas. As a partner of Ed S. Hughes of Abilene, they formed the Hucony Gas Co., struck production and turned down an offer from Standard Oil of $450,000 for 371 acres on the Tiner lease.

On June 3, 1951, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Merchants are requested to have their Dollar Day Ads ready early next week.

PLEASE! PLEASE
What is the number of your house? Please find out. In case of fire it may save your home ad contents, and perhaps life!

Claud Perry Back Home From Hospital Last Saturday

Claud Perry returned home Saturday from the Anderson Foundation in Houston.

Clyde Wurst, Jr. Arrives In Korea With 18th Wing

Airman Third Class Clyde Wurst, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wurst, has arrived in Korea and has been assigned as a radio mechanic to the 18th Fighter Bomber Wing.

The 18th Wing is flying F-51 Mustang fighter bombers and has run up a total of more than 45,000 sorties against enemy troop, supply and transport concentrations in North Korea and against enemy troops in direct support of UN troops in the front lines.

A3-C Wurst attended Merkel High School and worked for the Carson Grocery before entering the Air Force in July, 1951. He received his training as a radio technician at Scott Air Force Base before being assigned overseas.

C. W. Seagos Attend Funeral of Aunt At China Springs

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Seago attended the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. Callie Harris, in China Springs Sunday.

Lt. William C. Cook Damages Red MIG In Action Friday

The Abilene Reporter-News for last Friday carried this story:

Lt. William W. Cook of Merkel was credited with damaging one Russian-built MIG during today's air action. Previously, he had shared credit for destroying one Red jet.

William is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Cook.

Mrs. J. W. Kinsey Passes Away Mon. And Buried Tues.

Mrs. J. W. Kinsey, 65, died at her home at 1:15 p.m. Monday after a long illness.

She had lived in Merkel four years, coming here from View where she had lived for 40 years.

Survivors are five daughters, Mrs. Garth Odom of Stanton, Mrs. E. L. Marton, Mrs. Halbert Rister, Mrs. Dewey Whisenhunt, and Mrs. Lester Rister, all of Merkel; and two sons, L. J. Daniels of Abernathy and C. E. Daniels of Lubbock, and 14 grandchildren.

The funeral was held at 4 p.m. Tuesday at the Baptist Church in View with the Rev. Thomas Young, retired minister of View, officiating. Burial was in the Drummond Cemetery at View under the direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Were You Lucky Enough to Be Washed In The Flood of $2 Bills?

Where does the money go?

That is what Lester Dorton, manager of the Taylor Electric Cooperative and Taylor Refrigeration Cooperative, wanted to find out. So. . .on September 1 he gave out 2 bills only for his entire payrolls and payments of local bills. It amounted to more than $6,000.

He soon found out where the money went. Even on Monday the $2 bills had changed hands a few times in the payment of local bills.

Favorable comments have been coming in in regard to the reaction of the public to this distribution of $2 bills.

"Had a hard time passing them in Abilene," remarked Mr. Dorton, "thought they were counterfeit."

Where did all the $2 bills come from?

Booth Warren, president of the Farmers and Merchants National Bank here, got them from the Federal Deposit Bank in Dallas.

Time was when folks were superstitious about taking $2 bills. Now . . . well, the more one has the luckier he is, asserted Mr. Dorton.

Firemen Set Baird Convention Oct. 2 Said Parker Sharp

The 28th semi-annual convention of the Mid-West Texas Firemen's Asociation will be held at Baird Thursday Oct. 2, J. Parker Sharp, secretary - treasurer, announced.

This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1912 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

Merkel is receiving cotton at the rate of over 1,000 bales per week and giving a price that makes it look all the more good. On Thursday of last week the 1,500 mark had been reached and on Thursday morning at noon the 2,500 mark had been reached. The average per day at the public yard is given in at 140 to 150 by Mr. Tittle, the weigher, and the average at the Gazzoway yard is given at 85 to 90.

Last Friday several of the Merkel people spent a jolly morning with Mrs. Thompson and in the afternoon fished in the McNees tank. Those enjoying the day were Mesdames M. B. and R. E. Bowels, Hill, W. M. Elliott, J. N. Shelton, Miss Willie Hill, Master Roy Elliott and Mr. J. O. Bowels.

Ralph Bigham left for Abilene Monday to enter the Christian college. He was accompanied to Abilene by Miss Willie Bigham, who visited in Abilene Monday and Tuesday.

Elmer Lowe, formerly of Merkel, returned this week to visit his mother. Mr. Lowe comes from Fort Stockton where he has been connected with a sheep and goat ranch for some time.

O. A. Cordell left Tuesday night for Montague County, Okla., in response to a message that his mother was seriously ill.

Misses Minnie and Maude Ferguson and Erma Alsobrook left for Abilene Monday where they will enter the Christian College.

Miss Leno Largent visited Miss Ina Dale Wooten in Abilene Saturday. On returning here Miss Wooten accompanied Miss Largent for a short visit.

SOCIETY

FORD SMITH FAMILIES ATTEND REUNION

A very large crowd attended the fifth reunion of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Ford held Aug. 29, 30 and 31 at Bridgeport Lake. All of Mrs. Ford's living children were present and are: Mrs. Edmond Bayless, Anson; Mrs. Maggie Talley, Corsicana; Mrs. Betty Hamilton, Athens; Mrs. Jerry Bell, Fort Worth; Mrs. Alf Holtzclaw, Dallas; Mrs. Ford Smith, Sr., Merkel; Wade Ford, Anson; Neely Ford, Ponder; and Lawton Ford, Denton. The tenth, Jim Ford, of Anson was killed in an automobile accident in 1946.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford were pioneers of Taylor County. They settled in Merkel in 1890. Mr. Ford came from Alabama. Mrs. Ford was a native Texan.

The first reunion was held at Lovers Retreat, Palo Pinto Co., in 1934. Since the first reunion there has been three deaths in the Ford family. Jim Ford died in 1946. J. T. Ford died June, 1951 at Anson. The most recent was Mrs. Cye (Pauline) Karkalitz, who was killed in a hiway accident August 22, 1952 near Sealey.

Mrs. Ford, 83, was the oldest member present, and Judy Kay Hamilton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hamilton of Athens, the youngest.

Five generations were present; they were: Mrs. J. T. Ford, Ponder; her daughter, Mrs. Ford Smith, Sr., Merkel; her grandson, Merris B. Smith, Merkel; her great-granddaughter, Mrs. E. A. Conley, Merkel; and Kay Lynn Conley, great-great-granddaughter.

Motor boat riding, swimming, fishing, kodaking and dominoes were the diversion of the days. String music was furnished by the Ford Smith family of Merkel. The group enjoyed a fish fry on Sunday.

Those who attended from Merkel were: Messrs. and Mesdames Walter Henslee and son Jonny Ford; Ford Smith, Sr.; Morris B. Smith and Sammy, E. A. Conley and Kay Lynn; Jack Smith, Wilma and Randy; Jack Hogan and Karen; Ford Smith, Jr., Ann and Gary.



MRS. FRANK M. SIMPSON, JR.
. . . a recent bride

MR., MRS. CRAIG HUMPHREYS ON TRIP AND REUNION

After a trip through the mountains of New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, Nevada and California, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Humphreys visited with their daughter and grandchildren in Richmond, Calif. Two of the grandchildren, Jackie and Caren, came back with them for a visit. On returning home a card awaited them to attend a family reunion at Palacious at the Texas Baptist encampment ground. There were 43 attending the reunion which lasted three days. They saw good crops of all kinds in California Colorado and New Mexico.

ANNOUNCING ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Newton, 707 Ash St., are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Annette Ruth to J. H. Clark, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clark, Sr., Rt. 2, Merkel.

The wedding will be Oct. 3 in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Butler of Sweetwater.

LAMBDA BETA CHAPTER MEETS WITH VIOLA ALLRED

Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Viola Allred Tuesday night, Sept. 2, for its first regular meeting of the year. Jo Barnett, president, presided. The resignation of Pat Dunagin, reporter, was accepted and Viola Allred was elected to fill the vacancy. Other officers for this year are: Evelyn Hill, vice president; Faye Robertson, secretary, and Margaret McAninch, treasurer.

The sorority has made new plans for the service project. They plan to furnish a lunch ticket for one child throughout the school term and to contribute as much as possible for the benefit of Girlstown.

Apple pie a la mode was served to the following: Mesdames Lloyd Robertson, Weldon McAninch, Grif Barnett, E. L. Horton, Ralph Russell, Vicient Barnett, R. L. Elliott, Elma McFarland, Hoyt Byrd, W. B. McSpadden, and Viola Allred. Mrs. Byrd and Mrs. McSpadden were guests. They are members of Bete Sigma Phi in Sweetwater.

LOCAL FOLKS ATTEND GREEN FAMILY REUNION

The Green Family Reunion was held Saturday and Sunday at the Abilene State Park. About 40 were present. Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rutledge, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Winter and son W. O., Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Rutledge attended from here.

WESLEYAN GUILD TO MEET

The Wesleyan Guild will meet with Mr. Ruth Vaughn Monday, Sept. 8, at 8 p.m.

BLOW BY BLOW!

Aubrey Shouse, nephew of Andy Shouse and publicity director for Texas Tech at Lubbock, wrote the Merkel Mail:

"I don't remember subscribing to The Merkel Mail; but since I have been receiving it, I would not think of stopping the subscription.

"My family and I enjoy the "newsy" style of the new Merkel Mail, and feel we get a blow-by-blow of home town happenings."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Thanks, Aubrey, for those kind words.

Roy Largent Attends In New Mexico Hereford Tour

Roy Largent returned last week from New Mexico where he attended the Hereford tour and visited his two sons, Rust and David, of Grenville, N. Mex. Mr. Largent is vice-president of the New Mexico Hereford Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Rust Largent have a new daughter, Linda Ann. This is their second daughter.

ABOUT 150 ARE PRESENT AT JENNINGS REUNION

The Jennings Family Reunion was held at Buffalo Gap on August 21 and 22. About 150 were present. Around 10 attended from Merkel.

This reunion dates back to Alija Jennings of Springfield, Mo., who came to Texas in 1882.

ABOUT 100 ATTEND CLEMMER REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Clemmer attended the Clemmer Reunion at Buffalo Gap on Saturday and Sunday. About 100 were present.

NOODLE EIGHTH GRADE CLASS ELECTS OFFICERS

The Noodle eighth grade class organized and elected officers Wednesday, September 3. The officers are: president, Morris Chance; vice president, Bobby Sullivan; secretary, Johnnie Horton; reporter, Beth Adkins.

Room mothers for the year were also elected. They are Mrs. Clyde Chancey and Mrs. Hubert Sullivan.

Herbert Hoover's father was a blacksmith.

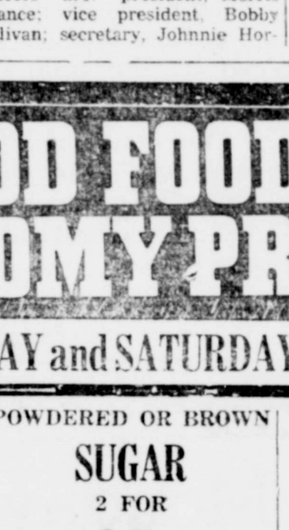
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BEAUTIFUL PATTERNS
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SHAVING CREAM — 53c TUBE
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DEXTRI MALTOSE 59c
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FEENAMINT 17c
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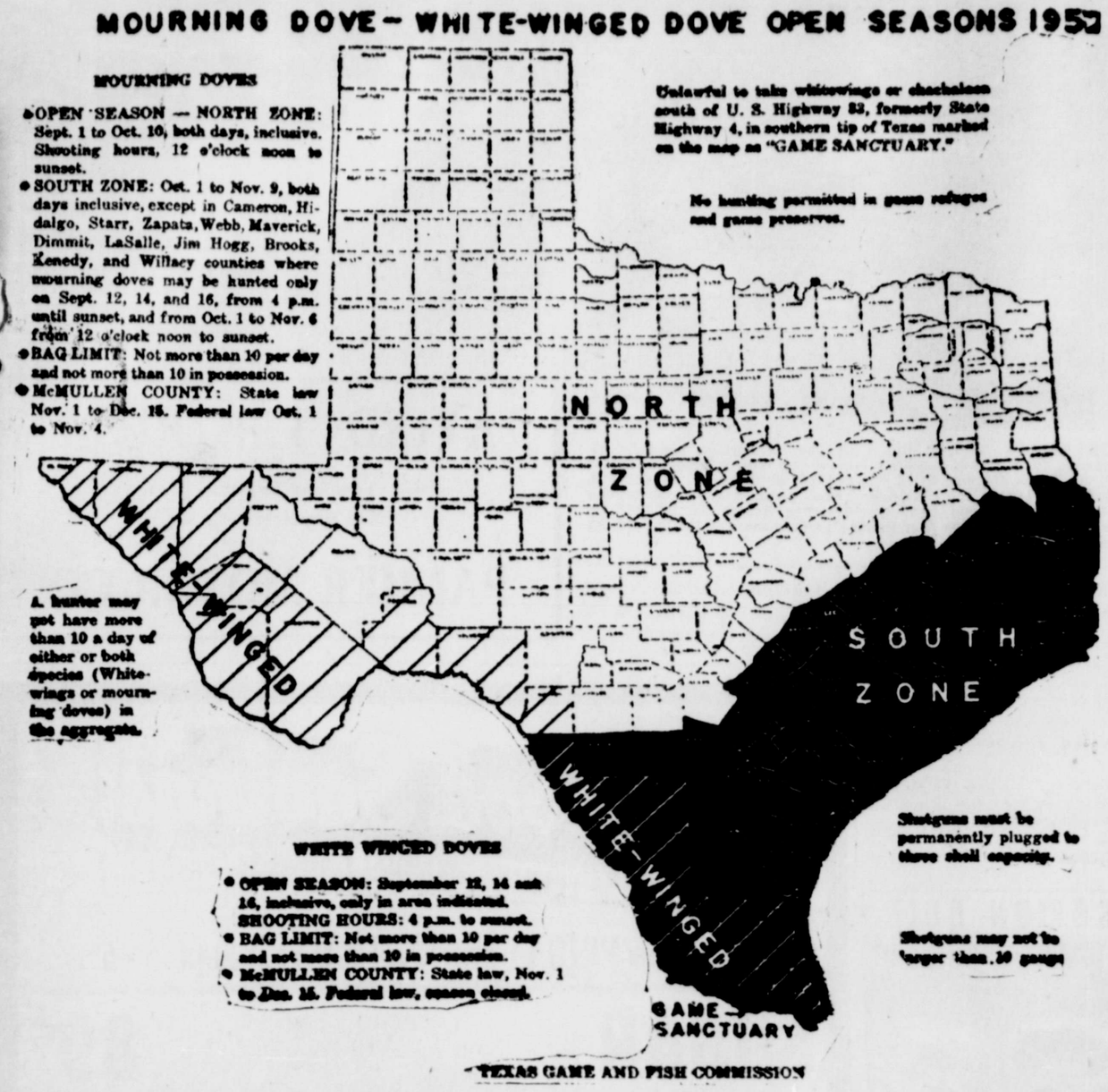
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POWDERED OR BROWN SUGAR 2 FOR 25c
WAXTEX PAPER ROLL 28c
SLICED PEACHES NO. 2½ CAN 25c
AUSTEX MEAT BALLS - SPAGHETTI 300 CAN 27c
ALL FLAVORS JELLO 3 FOR 25c
TIDE OR CHEER REG. PKG. 28c
PET MILK 2 LARGE CANS 28c
STRAINED HOMINY POUND JAR 27c
4 ROLL Charmain Tissue PKG. 33c
WHITE SWAN KETSUP 2 - 14 OZ. BOTTLES 39c
AZALEA OLEO POUND 19c
PRODUCE
YELLOW SQUASH lb. 5c
JUMBO LETTUCE Head 9c
FRESH LEMONS Doz. 23c
FRESH CANTALOUPE lb. 8c
FRESH TOMATOES lb. 17c
MARKET
SLICED BACON lb. 49c
FRESH FRYERS lb. 55c
CHOICE CHUCK ROAST lb. 67c
CHOICE BEEF RIBS lb. 49c
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Legal Notices

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

GREETING:

The following application to cancel a subdivison has been filed in the commissioner's court of Taylor County, Texas, and said application will be heard by the said commissioners court at 10:00 A. M. on Monday the eighth day of September, 1952;

Now therefore any persons interested in any such lands included in the Sub Division described in the below application, then you are commanded to appear in the commissioner's court at the court house, at the above time and protest the closing of the said sub-division should any interested person so desire.

Comes now Mrs. Mary Archer, a widow, hereinafter called petitioner, and would show this honorable court that the Archer Addition to the town of Trent, Texas, which was heretofore platted and subdivided, on November 29, 1926, and filed with the county clerk, of this county, on November 30, 1926, and recorded in Vol. 1, page 470, Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas,has been withdrawn and abandoned by the undersigned, Mrs. Mary Archer, who is the present owner of the Addition and said withdrawal has been made in writing and has been filed and recorded in the office of the county clerk of this county. Petitioner would further show the court that this application is made in good faith and that such cancellation of the portion of the sub-division which has remained unsold herein prayed for, will not interfere with the established rights of any persons on any portions of such sub-divisions.

WHEREFORE PREMISES CONSIDERED, petitioner prays that this Honorable Court issue the proper motion in accordance with the statutes of this petition, and after such notices are posted and due return is made thereon, petitioner prays that said Addition be put back on the tax rolls or into a single acreage tract as it existed before the sub-division was made and not be held on the tax rolls on the lot basis, and further prays that this Honorable Court shall enter an order cancelling such sub-divison and that this Honorable Court shall spread said order cancelling the sub-divison upon the minutes of this court.

ARCHER, BRYANT & OVERSHINER
A. R. Archer, Jr.,
Attorneys for the petitioner.
Adv. Aug. 22, 29, Sept. 5.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Frank Ashley Greeting:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 29th day of September, A. D., 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 7th day of July, 1952.

The file number of said suit being No. 18,325-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are:

Gladys Ashley as Plaintiff, and Frank Ashley as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:

Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about February 17th, 1928, and lived together as husband and wife until final separation July 5th, 1952.

No community property has been acquired and no children born of said marriage are under the age of 16 years.

Plaintiff prays for divorce from defendant on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 14th day of August A. D., 1952.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene Texas, this the 14th day of August A. D., 1952.

J. Neil Daniel, Clerk,
42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas.
By Irene Crawford, Deputy.
Adv. Aug. 22, 29, Sept. 5, 12.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Linda Gay Greeting:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 22nd day of September, A. D. 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 6th day of August, 1952. The file number of said suit being No. 18,401-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are:

H. L. Gay as Plaintiff, and Linda Gay as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:

Plaintiff and defendant were duly and legally married December 31, 1948, and lived together until on or about March 20, 1950.

There was one child born to this marriage. Plaintiff and defendant own no community property.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of cruelty.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 6th day of August, A. D., 1952.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 6th day of August A. D., 1952.

J. Neil Daniel, Clerk
District Court Taylor, County, Tex.
By Dorothy Dickerson, Deputy
Adv. Aug. 15, 22, 29, Sept. 5.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Cloyd J. Ellison Greeting:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M., of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 29th day of September, A. D., 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 11th day of August, 1952.

The file number of said suit being No. 18,411-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are:

Mary Beth Ellison as Plaintiff, and Cloyd J. Ellison as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:

Plaintiff and defendant were legally married on May 9, 1951 and lived together until September 9, 1950 at which time they became permanently separated.

Plaintif alleges that no children were born to this marriage. That parties do not own any community property.

Plaintiff asks that her former name of Mary Beth Orr be restored to her. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of cruelty.

The names of the parties in said suit are:

Gladys Ashley as Plaintiff, and Frank Ashley as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:

Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about February 17th, 1928, and lived together as husband and wife until final separation July 5th, 1952.

No community property has been acquired and no children born of said marriage are under the age of 16 years.

Plaintiff prays for divorce from defendant on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 11th day of August A. D., 1952.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 11th day of August A. D., 1952.

J. Neil Daniel, Clerk.
42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas

By Dorothy Dickerson, Deputy.
Adv. Aug. 15, 22, 29, Sept. 5.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: The Unknown Trustees of the Colony Hill School Greeting:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 13 day of October, A. D., 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable County Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 26 day of August, 1952.

The file number of said suit being No. 10,833.

The names of the parties in said suit are:

THE STATE OF TEXAS as Plaintiff, and the unknown trustees of the Colony Hill School as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:

Condemnation of land for purposed F. M. 1750.

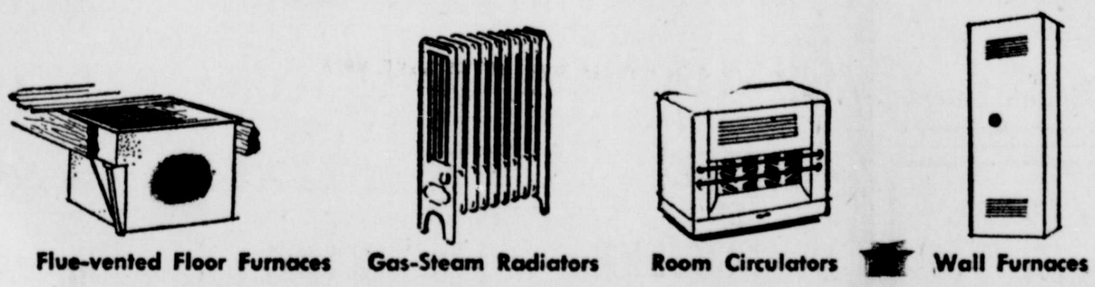
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Issued this the 26th day of August A. D., 1952.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 26th day of August A. D., 1952.

Mrs. Chester Mutcheson, Clerk
County Court, Taylor County, Texas
Adv. Sept. 5,12,19,26

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NEW SCHOOL YEAR

School opened up Monday and the youngsters flocked back to their studies.

There were the tots who were coming to school for the first time. It may be an occasion for fear or it may be a time for great wonder, wondering at the new world that was opening before them. It is really too bad if the entering of school by these new pupils is one of dread. It marks school as something that is not to be liked.

But new times bring new methods and everything is done today to make the tots feel at home and school a place to be liked.

The older youngsters know what to expect when they come to school. They know that there is much fun to be found in school days; they also know there is much hard work ahead of them.

This is as it should be; it is life. Life is not all a bed of roses, all pleasure. There are times when one must work hard and long hours and under strain to accomplish things that must be done. So it is in school. The smart student learns not only how to study hard but also how to play hard.

The student who does not like school in most cases will not like life, he will not be adjusted well.

Another thing, the basis of real joy in life is built in school. The studies we master in school are the groundwork for our culture in later life.

So the youngsters in marching back to school are marching onward to a better way of life.

EARL'S CREDIT

So Earl Hughes takes credit for bringing us some rain. He took a trip to Eagle Nest Lake, N. Mex., and returned by way of the Rio Grande Canyon and Santa Fe. Then he reported that it rained a little bit every day he was gone and even brought a little rain we got here.

Well, Earl, if you want real credit, you'll have to do better than that. A "little bit" doesn't amount to much. What we need is a whole lot, and by a whole lot we mean a great quantity. So, Earl, if you want to win everlasting fame, bring us a torrential rain!

EXTRA HEAVY VOTE

That was interesting to note the heavy vote that was cast in the run-off. A small turnout was anticipated but 515 votes were cast. In the first primary 771 votes were cast.

But heated rivalry brings out the votes. There was a keen fight in the race for sheriff and just as keen a battle in the race for state representative. The people turn out to vote in a hot fight. The run-off proved that.

REVIVAL

"What Is Revival?" Rev. Waymon Rutledge delivered a sermon on that theme in the revival talks. One of the things he said about a revival is that it is a renewal of strength, a recovery of strength, it is the forgetting of the little things of life that upset us.

That is something to think about. It is in fact the little things of life that makes us fret, that upset us. When we gain mastery over little obstacles the bigger ones in most cases take care of themselves.

"WHITE ICISM"

That's ALL — and the Sage of Figfield adds that the happy life is a fine balance between fun and work.

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Bobby Betterton of Midland came Thursday of last week and remained until Monday, visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Adcock, and other relatives.

Judge and Mrs. John Camp of Houston were weekend visitors of Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Gardner. Judge and Mrs. Camp left Tuesday to fly to San Francisco to attend the National Bar Association. Enroute they will visit the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Gardner, Mrs. L. M. Davis, in El Paso.

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NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Visiting Mrs. O. W. Reed recently were a daughter, Mrs. Athol O. Holder, of Tulsa, Okla., a son, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reed and Johnnie, and a grandson, Jimmy Ray Reed, of Van Horn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Crawford of Midland visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bagby, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Toombs and family visited in Winters with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Taylor, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Bragg had as visitors over the weekend their son, W. W. Bragg, and wife and son, Granville, of Chillicothe.

Nolan Palmer was in Ft. Worth and Dallas Friday and Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Eason spent the weekend in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jennings of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jennings over the weekend.

Mrs. J. E. Massey spent Saturday and Sunday in San Antonio with her son, Wiley, who is in the Air Force.

Glynn Clark rturned from Abilene to attend school here. He is the son of Oda Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mashburn and grandson, Tommy Toombs, were in Corpus Christi from Thursday of last week to Sunday.

Mrs. W. W. Webb left Sunday for a three-week visit in Roswell, N. Mex., with her three daughters, Mrs. Lena Ball, Mrs. Mamie Douglas and Mrs. Joyce Brown.

Mrs. Don Barbee and daughter Alyene of Carlsbad, N. Mex., visited over the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Denson.

Mr. and Mrs. John English and son, Mike, of Fort Worth, visited last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. English.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Braswell of Houston and Mrs. Beulah Meredith of Ocean Park, Calif., are visiting in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Glen Braswell for a week.

Annette Boney spent last week in Winters with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Gray.

Betty Ann Odum was gone two months visiting her grandmother, Mrs. H. R. Stanton, in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bright of Midland visited over the weekend with her sister, Mrs. Norma Bond, and her mother, Mrs. E. B. Wilburn.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben R. Hicks and son Gary Don went to Lubbock over th weekend, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. J. R. Stratton, who had been visiting here.

Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Sublett and grandson, Joe Sublett, spent his vacation in Tulsa, Okla., and Albuquerque, N. Mex.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Wilson and children, Tommie, Dick and Carroll of Ada, Okla., visited his mother, Mrs. E. L. Wilson, Saturday on their way to the gift market in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bartlett, Jr. of Baton Rouge, La., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bartlett, Sr., and Ralph over the weekend.

Friday visitors of Mrs. J. T. Johnson and Miss Delia Kuykendall were Sheriff and Mrs. Glen Hunt of Panola County, daughter Patsy, acompanied by her mother, Mrs. J. W. Harris.



SAFETY INSPECTION IS YOUR PROTECTION



The Texas Department of Public Safety records show that 2,546 citizens were killed on Texas highways in 1951. About 13 per cent or 300 of these deaths involved defective cars and trucks. The Texas Motor Vehicle Inspection Law is aimed at reducing this 13 per cent by getting all motor vehicles in safe operating condition. Motor Vehicle Inspection will tell the automobile owner whether or not his car is in safe operating condition. The Texas Safety Association urges you to have your car inspected now—before the September 6th deadline.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bingham visited Rev. and Mrs. J. Temple Lewis in Weinert Sunday.

S-Sgt. and Mrs. T. C. Melton of Carswell Field, Fort Worth are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Teaff and Mr. and Mrs. Price Melton.

Mrs. Lottie Green of Walnut Springs is visiting with her nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Seago.

Wayne McLean left Monday for Amarillo to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Garner.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Fox over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Fox, Jerry and Terry of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Walker, Dale and Betsy of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Thompson, Mrs. LaNell Russell and Randy of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Andru and Sue Ann of Anson.

Mrs. C. B. Rust visited in Odessa last weekend with her mother, Mrs. M. W. Kail.

Mr. and Mrs. Monta Moore of Post spent the weekend with his father, Z. V. Moore.

J. T. Dorsey had as visitors Sunday his brother-in-law, T. C. Jones, and son of Cleburne and Mrs. Ethel Breeding of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond McNiece and children of Santa Fe, N. Mex., spent the weekend with his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Higgins.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Conley of Stanton were here over the weekend visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Clemmer and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Conley.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Stevens of Big Spring, and Mrs. D. C. Johnson and daughter Evelyn and son Billy of Texarkana visited Tuesday of last week with Mrs. J. T. Johnson and Miss Delia Kuykendall.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dickey Denison and baby of Houston are visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Toombs.

Douglas Smith of Fort Worth visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Smith the weekend of Aug. 23, and his parents accompanied him to Fort Worth for a visit of a week with their other sons and families Robert Smith, Calvin Smith, Fry Smith, and Douglas Smith. They also visited Mrs. Smith's brothers, Everett and Joe Batey, and a sister, Mrs. Roy Keith and husband. They found it dry down there and hot.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Hollingsworth of Altoona, Pa., were weekend guests in the John Oliver home. This was their first trip to Texas and they certainly enjoyed our nice breeze.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clark over the weekend holiday were Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Clark, Chickasha, Okla., Mrs. B. C. Tipton, Lawton, Okla., Bernard Clark and family, Willie Joe Clark and family, and Patsy Clark of Abilene, J. H. Clark, Jr., Emmett Newton and Mrs. Charles West.

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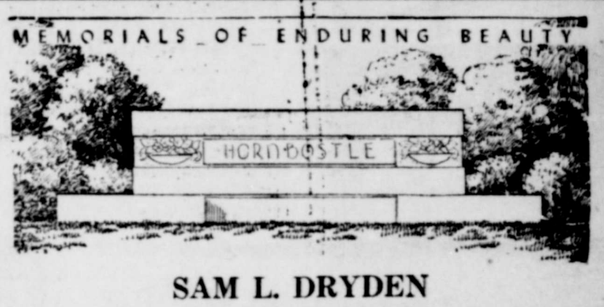
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Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
M. Y. F.....7:30 p. m.
Prayer Meeting ....8:00 p. m.
Morning Service....11:00 a. m.

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Morning Worship..11:00 a. m.
Evening Services ....8:00 p. m.
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Ladies Bible Class..4:00 p. m.

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

Trent First Baptist Church

Sunday:
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship....11:00 a. m.
Training Union.....6:45 p. m.
Evening Services .... 8:00 p. m.
Tuesday:
U. M. U. .....9:30 a.m.
Wednesday:
G. A.'s and R. A.'s....6:30 p. m.
Prayer Services ....8:00 p. m.
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Compere Baptist Church

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

Merkel Church of Christ

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

Merkel First Baptist Church

Sunday School .....9:45 a. m.
Morning Worship....11:00 a. m.
Training Union.....6:30 p. m.
Evening Worship .... 8:00 p. m.
Young People's Service 7:30 p. m.
Evening Services ....8:00 p. m.
Wednesday Prayer Service 8:00 p. m.
W. F. M. S. meets at 2:30 p. m
Wednesday:
Prayer Services .... 8:00 p. m.

Trent Methodist Church

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

Amity Baptist Church

Morning Service—11:15 a.m.
Sunday School—10:30 a.m.
Evening Bible Class—7:30 p.m.
Evening Service—8:15 p.m.

Noodle Church of Christ

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

Merkel Calvary Baptist Church

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

Pioneer Memorial Chapel

Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
Morning Service....11:00 a. m.
Evening Services ....8:00 p. m.
Wednesday:
Evening Prayer Service ...8:00

Merkel First Methodist Church

Sunday:
Sunday School.....9:50 a. m.
Morning Worship....10:50 a. m.
M. Y. F. .....6:30 p. m.
Evening Worship .... 8:00 p. m.

New Live Oak Baptist Church

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

Hebron Baptist Church

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

Merkel Assembly of God

Sunday school ..... 10 a. m.
Morning Service ..... 11 a. m.
C. A.'s (Young People) .. 7 p. m.
Evening Worship ..... 8 p. m.
Tuesday W. M. C. ..... 2 p. m.
Wednesday prayer service 8 p. m.

Primitive Baptist Church

Saturday Night Service
Sunday Service ..... 11 a. m.



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THE STATE OF TEXAS .....
To: The Unknown Trustees of the Colony Hill Baptist Church, Greeting:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 13th day of October, A. D., 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable County Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 26 day of August, 1952.

The file number of said suit being No. 10,834.

The names of the parties in said suit are:

THE STATE OF TEXAS as Plaintiff, and the unknown trustees of the Colony Hill Baptist Church as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:

Condemnation of land for proposed F. M. 1750.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 26 day of August A. D., 1952.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 26 day of August A. D., 1952.

Mrs. Chester Hutcheson, Clerk
County Court Taylor County, Texas

Adv. Sept 5 - 12-19-26

Increase of $5 To Needy Persons Begins in October

All persons receiving Old Age Assistance and Aid to the Blind will get a $5 increase in their grants beginning in October, according to Mrs. Bess de Berry, area supervisor for the State Department of Public Welfare. Exceptions will be those who are receiving both Old Age Assistance and Old Age and Survivors Insurance, since the automatic increase will be received by them through Social Security. A lesser increase will be available for youngsters who are receiving Aid to Dependent Children.

This increase in grants is provided for by recent Congressional Legislation which raised the federal contribution $5 beginning in October. This now makes a maximum grant of $55 instead of $50 available for Old Age Assistance and Aid to the Blind.

Naturally, this does not mean that everyone will receive the maximum grant of $55 any more than they are now receiving the maximum grant of $50. The amount of each grant is determined by the basic recognized needs of the individual less his income, and varies according to the individual situation. It simply means that beginning in October no grant can go higher than $55 instead of $50.

To assure that each eligible person on the Old Age Assistance and Aid to the Blind rolls gets the full amount of the increase the first month it is available, John H. Winters, executive director of the Welfare Department, has ordered that checks beginning in October be written for $5 more than the amount authorized on that date.

Supervisor De Berry explained that since these increases are to be automatically taken care of in Austin, it will not be necessary to get in touch with the local or Austin office of the State Welfare Department.

By way of illustration, Mrs. De Berry explained that an aged person who is not receiving Old Age and Survivors Insurance and has been getting, for example, $34 Old Age Assistance will receive $39 beginning in October.



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RED & WHITE — 1½ OZ. VANILLA EXTRACT	29c	RED & WHITE — APPLE VINEGAR	Qt. 23c
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Taylor Telephone Meetings Will Be Held Next Week

Community meetings will be held next week in three different towns to explain the operation and how the present subscribers of the telephone systems purchased by REA will be affected. G. D. Force, field representative of the REA Telephone System, will be present and will answer questions.

Meetings will convene at 8 p. m. at the school auditoriums in the following towns: Wingate on September 8, Hawley on September 9 and Tuscola on September 11.

These are systems that have been bought out by the Taylor Telephone Cooperative, announced Murry Toombs, manager. Other systems that have been purchased are Bradshaw and Buffalo Gap. The Bradshaw subscribers are invited to come to the Wingate meeting and the Buffalo Gap folks to Tuscola.

Bill Tittle Is At Colorado City As Asst. Coach

Bill Tittle, 28, has been named assistant high school coach in Colorado City to replace Mack Alexander, who resigned recently to coach in Big Spring.

Coach Tittle, a 1950 graduate of Texas Western College, El Paso, is a native of Trent, near Merkel.

Bill Tittle lettered four years at a tackle position with TWC and was named co-captain his senior year.

For the last year, he was B-team football coach and head baseball coach at El Paso High School.

Coach Tittle graduated from Trent High School in 1941. He served two years in the Marine Corps during World War II.

He is married to the former Gerry Meckel of Sonora.

Head coach J. J. Buxkemper said Mr. Tittle will serve as line coach and assist in track coaching.

Coach Tittle is the son of Commissioner and Mrs. C. R. Tittle.

Teachers Hear Field Official Last Saturday

About 50 members of the faculties of the Merkel, Noodle and Trent schools heard Sam Culpepper, director of Field Service of the State Teachers' Association, speak her Saturday morning at the high school at he general faculty meeting.

Mr. Culpepper discussed matters pertaining to the association and its problems.

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C. M. Isenhower, who bought the Baird Star, is the nephew of Mrs. L. J. Renfro.



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Toombses Find Colorado Perfect —With Daily Rain

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Toombs, Kay and Ronny, have returned from a trip to Colorado Springs, Colo. The scenery was beautiful, and the weather seemed perfect as it rained every day.

Woody Wilson Goes To Dallas Saturday For Gift Market

Woody Wilson left Saturday for Dallas to attend the gift market.

Prof. Mack Fisher Is Feeling Fine And Back to Work

Prof. Mack Fisher, superintendent of schools, is well again and back on the job.

Monday of last week he entered the Sadler Hospital, suffering pain. It was revealed that he had a kidney infection. By Wednesday of last week he had improved a little.

At 11 a.m. this Wednesday he went home. Thursday morning he was back at his office at school, feeling perfectly all right.

High School Band Rehearsing Now For Big Show

The new band director, Winford Reed, is putting the high school band through a stiff workout, getting it ready for the half-time show it will put on at the first football game on September 12.

Director Reed reported that there are about 60 in the high school band. He is using seventh and eighth grade students in the high school band. Rehearsals have been going on for the last few weeks. Mr. Reed has been stressing marching practice.

The grade school band is being organized. Director Reed would like to encourage as many as possible from the fifth and sixth grades to see him at the beginning of the band rehearsal period. Band tests will be made to see if students are qualified and what instruments to play.

The director is interested in giving private instruction on any instrument.

Assistance Funds Are Now Available To Needy Farmers

Farmers Home Administration County Supervisor Clarence Symes of Abilene announced that funds are now available through the Water Facilities Program to qualified applicants who wish to improve the existing water supply on their farms or to develop and install new facilities, and who are unable to obtain the necessary credit from other local established sources.

Farmers interested in obtaining this assistance should contact Mr. Symes, whose office is located in the Taylor County Agricultural Building, Abilene, and discuss with him their needs for development or improvement of domestic, livestock, or irrigation water supplies on the farm.

TO DISCUSS DISASTER LOAN

The purpose of the disaster loan program authorized by Public Law 38, said County Supervisor Clarence Symes of Taylor County, Abilene, is to provide a source of temporary or emergency credit to assist farmers in designated areas who have suffered serious production losses as a result of drought or other natural causes, and who are unable to obtain from other established local sources the credit needed to continue their farming or ranching operations.

The Taylor county office of the Farmers Home Administration is located in the Agriculture building in Abilene and applicants may contact Supervisor Symes there for the purpose of discussing their needs.

IS IMPROVING

Mrs. J. H. McDonald is improving. She suffered a stroke.

ANNOUNCING!

The Winner of the V. F. W. Auxiliary Contest Was

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Make Mo' Molasses Cookies



Soft molasses cookies have been fist-hugged ever since they were first offered to children. This claim to fame lies in the distinctive flavor of unsulphured molasses which is both mellow and aromatic.

Round, crinkly-surfaced molasses cookies are excellent just as they come from the oven, or you can make a confectioners' sugar and water icing to guild them for special effect.

Molasses will always win flavor admirers if people are introduced to the old-fashioned, sweet kind. This unsulphured type, the concentrated juice of sugar cane, is also a delicious syrup for pancakes or flavorer of milk drinks.

Soft Molasses Cookies

1 cup shortening
1½ cups unsulphured molasses
¼ cup sugar
4 cups sifted all-purpose flour
1½ teaspoons salt
2 teaspoons baking soda
2 teaspoons cinnamon
1½ teaspoons ginger
½ teaspoon cloves
1 egg

Melt shortening in saucepan large enough for mixing cookies. Stir in molasses and sugar; cool. Sift together flour, salt, soda, cinnamon, ginger and cloves. Mix in small amount of flour; beat in egg. Add remaining flour, blending until smooth. Chill dough about 2 hours. Shape into 1¼-inch balls. Place on cookie sheets about 2-inches apart to allow cookies to spread during baking. Bake in a moderate oven (350°F.) 15 minutes. While warm spread half the cookies with confectioners' sugar glaze. Store in closely covered container.

YIELD: 4 dozen cookies.

NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Mosier of the Merkel Courts have their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Jean Mosier, and grandsons, Darcy and Dale, visiting them this week.

S-Sgt. and Mrs. L. C. Whisenhunt have returned to Tucson, Ariz., after a short visit with their parents, Mrs. Tommie Smith and harlie Whisenhunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Robertson and Theresa Hicks went to San Angelo Monday to see Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Stevens.

Mrs. Will Campbell has returned home after caring for two weeks for Mrs. Ben F. Jones of View who passed away last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Douglas had as guests over the weekend Mrs. R. A. Elder and daughter, Mrs. Robbie Elder, of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bingham Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bingham visited Rev. and Mrs. J. Temple Lewis in Weinert Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben R. Hicks and son Gary Don went to Lubbock over the weekend, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. J. R. Stratton, who had been visiting here.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Johnston of Pampa visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Murray, over the weekend. Also their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Dean Murray, and children of Midland were weekend visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Morgan and Philip returned to their home in Perryton after visiting several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pinckley.

Hunting, Fishing Licenses Must Be Renewed Sept. 16

The chief clerk of the Texas Game and Fish Commission said the new hunting and fishing licenses are scheduled to be in the hands of the approximately 2400 state agents in advance of September 1. They were to be shipped from Austin August 20.

He explained that all hunting and fishing licenses must be renewed by September 1, which marks the beginning of the fiscal year for the state.

The licenses range from the $1.65 individual license for fishing and $2.15 individual license for hunting upwards to $200 for wholesale fish and oyster dealer licenses.

The Chief Clerk advised Texans to consult their game wardens or their licensed deputies or county clerks if they are in doubt about when fishing or hunting licenses are necessary.

He said approximately 325,000 persons got fishing licenses and approximately 350,000 hunting licenses during the present fiscal year.

Watch Out Now For Food Poison Warns Officer

Bacteria grow more readily in warm weather and this increases the danger of food poisoning, warns Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

An important safeguard to prevent food contamination is that the hands of the person who prepares food be scrupulously clean, and free from cuts and sores of any kind.

Usual symptoms of food poisoning are diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, abdominal cramps, and weakness. Whenever you feel these symptoms, be sure to call your physician, aid Dr. Cox. Do not wait, hoping it will wear off; sometimes food poisoning is fatal.

The staphylococcus organism grows best in foods which are slightly fatty, such as fat meats, salads with rich dressings, cream pies, cream puffs, or any food with custard fillings. So if anyone in your family takes his lunch to work during the coming hot mouths, be careful of the foods you put in the lunch, and don't include any of these foods, warned Dr. Cox.

Rita Hayworth Thrills Again In Queen Show

Rita Hayworth—more beautiful, more electric, more impassioned and vibrant than ever—is back. She will appear Sept. 11 and 12 at the Queen Theatre in Columbia Pictures' "Affair in Trinidad."

Starring with Miss Hayworth in "Affair in Trinidad" is Glenn Ford.

It is an entertainment experience of the highest order to see Miss Hayworth dancing her way through the liquid rhythms of a Calypso tune and to hear her torchy chanting. Rita's "Trinidad Lady" number is a breathless, breathtaking thing.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Admissions to the Sadler Hospital the past week were:

As medical patients—Mrs. Tom King, Marvin Mayfield, Billy Joe Hendrix, Mrs. Dow Williamson, Max Hodge (fractured nose), Mrs. Irene Barnes.

For surgery— Herbert Hughes, tonsillectomy, Mrs. E. Hendricks and Mrs. J. M. Stowe.

See Many Sights In 4,000-Mile Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Allen D. King, Ida May, Buddy, Sue and Allen Jr., returned from a two-week vacation trip, traveling some 4,000 miles, touring eight states.

High lights of the trip were: Pike's Peak, Denver, Colorado, Cheyenne, Wyo., Yellowstone National Park, Salt Lake City, Utah, Great Salt Lake, Grand Canyon and Petrified Forest National Park.

Ray Mundys Move To Abilene Where They Are Employed

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mundy moved Monday to Abilene. Both are employed there.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our neighbors and friends for their kindness in helping us whenh our home was destroyed by fire. We went you to know it is deeply appreciated.

The Leo Smith families

CARD OF THANKS

Our heartfelt thanks to all neighbors and friends who extended comforting sympathy and helped in our recent sorrow in the loss of our beloved husband, father and brother.

Mrs. G. H. Johnson
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cole
Children of J. E. and Mary Costephens

To Save Children Is A Job For All At School Time

It's School Time again in Texas and today W. Carloss Morris, Jr., president of the Texas Safety Association, issued an appeal to all Texans to redouble their efforts toward the saving of life and limb in this great state.

A youngster, thinking about baseball or football, will often not see your car and may step off the curb in your path, he said.

By Texas law, motor vehicles must stop for a stopped school bus—whether you are following or approaching.

And here is a word to mothers and fathers: Teach your youngsters these Safety Rules:

1. Where there are sidewalks use them.
2. If they must walk in the street, walk facing oncoming traffic.
3. Cross only at intersections.
4. If riding a bicycle, ride it on the right side of the street and use hand signals.
5. Obey the safety patrols when and where safety patrols are used.

Youngsters, today, have the opportunity for a wonderful education. Send them from home to learn—not to die, said Mr. Morris.

Claude Newborn Is With Carson In Meat Department

Claude Newborn of Ranger is now with the Carson Grocery as butcher. Joe Boone is traveling for Cudahy Packing Co.

Mrs. W. McAninch Is Now Associated With Badger Co.

Mrs. Weldon McAninch is now associated with the Badger Chevrolet Company as bookkeeper.

Lon McDonalds Move To Lubbock To Attend College

Mr. and Mrs. Lon McDonald have moved to Lubbock where he will attend Texas Tech.

About 223,000 Farm Families Served By REA Lines

About 223,000 farm families and other rural consumers received their first electric service from REA financed lines during the fiscal year 1952, the U. S. Department of Agriculture announced. Some 75,000 miles of line were placed in service during the year—an average of about three consumers per mile.

A total of 3,770,000 rural consumers are now being served over 1,209,000 miles of REA financed electric lines.

Two Merkel Boys Are In Germany With 28th Division

Two Merkel, Tex., soldiers recently were assigned to the 28th Infantry Division in Germany. They are: Cpl. Foy G. Fisher, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Fisher, whose wife, Frieda, lives in Abilene, and Cpl. T. H. Russom, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Russom, Route 4.

Corporal Fisher was a stillman with the Texas Natural Gas Corporation and Cpl. Russom was a truck driver before they entered the Army in February 1951.

The 28th Division is now conducting training exercised in the rolling hills of Bavaria in southern Germany.

McMurry College Begins Sept. 12 With Fall Session

Fall session at McMurry College begins Sept. 12. Freshmen orientation and registration is scheduled Sept. 8-10, with upperclassmen registering Sept. 11 and classes beginning Sept. 12. All dormitories will be open Sept. 7.

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CLASSIFIED AD SECTION

LODGE CALLS

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New Closing Hours For Post Office Are Announced

Beginning Monday, September 8, the post office windows will be open from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, and 8 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturdays, announced Postmaster Wren Durham.

The lobby doors will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays.

The last dispatch of mail will be made at 6:45 p.m. instead of 7:45 p.m.

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DECKER — 4 - 8 AVG. PICNIC	lb. 39c
FRESH FRYERS	lb. 59c
FRESH PORK LIVER	lb. 39c
WILSON'S BAG SAUSAGE	2 lbs. 85c
CHOICE BEEF CHUCK ROAST	lb. 69c

SWIFT PREM CAN	43c
PARKAY OLEO LB.	27c
MILK PET 2 CANS	27c
KOCAL PINE-SOL PINT	43c
WHITE HOUSE RICE 2 LBS.	29c
MISSION PEAS 2 — 303 CANS	29c
HARVEST INN CORN 2 — 303 CANS	29c
CLEANSER BABO 2 CANS	25c

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HALE PEACHES	lb. 12c
JUMBO CRISP LETTUCE	Head 12c
FRESH CABBAGE	lb. 6c
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