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JOE CYPERT NAMED HEAD OF MERKEL C-C

Joe Cypert, county commissioner for Precinct 2, was named president of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce Tuesday when board members met in the C-C office. He will succeed Earle Watts.

Other officers named by the board were Jack South, manager of Patterson Grain, vice president, and Adelle Elkins, assistant to the manager of Taylor Electric Cooperative, reelected secretary-treasurer.

New directors named by the membership recently were Bobby DuBose, South and Paul Woods. Other board members include Mrs. W. H. Bullock, Mrs. W. T. Sadler, Newt Logan and Kent Satterwhite. Retiring directors are Watts, J. W. Hammond and Clyde Bartlett.

The new officers will be installed at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet to be held Feb. 23



JOE CYPERT
... new C-C prexy

at 7:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Tickets for the banquet, which will feature the Rev. Maple Avery, pastor of the University Baptist Church of Abilene, as the principal speaker, will go on sale this week for \$1.50.

Lions Magazine Has Story Of Tye Activity

Efforts of the Tye Lions Club in converting an old church into a combination meetinghouse and community center has gained national attention.

The February issue of "The Lion," publication of the organization, contains a story of the achievements of the Tye unit.

The project was started about nine months ago and is completed except for the installation of restroom facilities. Lucian Gilbreth, club president, has reported.

Money for the work was earned through showing weekly movies at the Tye school gym and operating a concession stand.

All members of the club pitched in to help with the renovation, donating time and work. So far they have installed a kitchen and serving bar, thermostatic controlled heat, new doors and windows, interior and exterior paint, a stage, two lounges and has lowered the floor of the long-vacant building.

When completed, Gilbreth said, the building will be equipped with indoor games attractive to young people and this spring an outdoor miniature golf course will be installed.

Gilbreth said the club is hooking up lights which have been installed at the Little League Baseball park which was built without outside help.

Open house to celebrate the completion of the building will be held sometime in early June, Gilbreth indicated. He said the club is planning for a ladies night affair and Lions and their ladies from the area will be invited. L. D. Ligon of Wichita Falls, district Lions governor, may be the speaker, Gilbreth said.

Billy Beaird On Honor Roll

Billy M. Beaird, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Beaird of Merkel, has made the Dean of Agriculture's Honor Roll at Texas Tech in Lubbock for the third time.

Beaird, a senior horticulture and park management major, is active in the agriculture honorary fraternity, Alpha Zeta, is a member of the Horticulture and Aggie Clubs, is horticulture representative to the board of student organizations and is a member of the American Institute of Park Executives.

He worked with the department of parks and recreation in Detroit, Mich. last summer. While there he made tours of horticultural departments in Montreal, Canada, Niagara Falls and New York City.

San Antonio Firm Gets HW Contract

A contract for 2.8 miles of construction on Interstate Highway 20 in Taylor County has been awarded to a San Antonio firm, it was announced in Austin this week by the State Highway Commission.

The Jarbet Company submitted the low bid of \$918,687 on the project. Lime stabilizer flexible base and asphalt concrete pavement is expected to take 140 working days, according to J. C. Roberts, district highway engineer at Abilene.

C. M. Kitchell, resident engineer at Abilene will be in active charge of the project while it is under construction.

Lone Star Gas Plans Extensive West Tex Project

Lone Star Gas Company and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Lone Star Producing Company, plan to invest more than \$9.3-million in the West Texas area during 1961 to maintain and strengthen natural gas service.

This expenditure is part of a record \$33.6-million initial investment budget approved for Lone Star's service area during the year. The company now serves more than 857,000 residential, commercial and industrial natural gas customers in and around 462 cities, towns and communities in Texas and Southern Oklahoma. Of the \$9.3-million expenditure planned for West Texas, some 1.8-million will go for service lines, meters and regulators; extensions, fortifications and replacement of distribution mains; warehouse and building improvements and numerous other service facilities.

This money will be applied in Lone Star's West Texas Region of Distribution consisting of some 100 towns and cities comprising the Abilene, Ballinger, Brownwood, Childress, Cisco, Colorado City, Eastland, San Angelo, Seymour, Snyder, Stamford, Sweetwater, Vernon and Wichita Falls districts.

About \$4.5-million will be spent on extension and replacement of transmission and gathering pipelines; construction of and additions to gasoline plants, compressor stations and dehydration plants. An estimated \$3-million of this money will be used on construction of a 52-mile 18-inch natural gas transmission pipeline, dehydration plant and compressor station in the West Texas area.

The new pipeline to run from Gordon to Springtown will increase capacity of Lone Star's transmission facilities by more than 100-million cubic feet of gas daily. The pipeline will link at Gordon to a 12-inch pipeline which terminates near the corner of Brown, Comanche and Eastland counties. At Springtown it will link with a 48-mile 20 and 24-inch pipeline to Northwest Dallas County. Construction of the line is expected to begin soon.

Taylor Electric Starts \$89,928 Callahan Project

Lester Dorton, manager of Taylor Electric Cooperative, has announced that work is under way on \$89,928 in construction for new lines and a power substation in the Denton Valley-Clyde area.

D. R. Florence Pole and Construction Co. of Rockwall was low bidder on the project over six other construction companies from five states.

Dorton said that the project includes erecting 10 miles of 69,000 volt transmission line and a 2-500 KVA sub-station to serve consumers in the Eula and Denton Valley area. He said that before the project is completed the cost will run over \$100,000.

Taylor Electric now has approximately 3,000 miles of rural distribution lines serving over 6,000 consumers in an eight-county area.

SWEETWATER TO HOST WEST TEXAS PRESS

Two phases of the hometown newspaper will be considered at the West Texas Press Association mid-winter meeting in Sweetwater February 11-12.

Sunday at 9 a.m. H. A. Tuck, editor of the Hereford Brand, will present a feature on Photography and the Hometown Newspaper. At 9:55 a panel on what women want in their hometown newspaper is slated. Co-chairman will be Cynthia Allgood, society editor, and Leon Fleming, editor of the Sweetwater Reporter.

Francis Perry of Ballinger, immediate past president to WTPA and current scholarship chairman, will discuss press scholarship ideas during the morning session.

WTPA members will also get a look at tax legislation and other legislative problems pertaining to newspapers at 11:15. Vern Sanford, Austin, manager of the Texas Press Association, will discuss these problems.

An address by Zollie Steakley, associate justice of the Texas Supreme Court and former Texas Secretary of State, will highlight the noon luncheon. Judge Steakley will be returning to the place where he began his law practice.

Cemetery Fund

The following persons made contributions to the Merkel Cemetery Association fund:

Julia Lawson
John R. West
Mrs. Gertrude Pee-Est.



DISPLAYING THE SMILE that caused some 190 Texas Tech band members to name her their 1961 sweetheart is Miss Kathryn Hunter, sophomore journalism major from Merkel. She will be official hostess for the band at all Tech functions in which that organization is involved this spring and next fall. Miss Hunter is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gary, 1007 Yucca.—(Texas Tech Photo).

BEAMING SUN THAWS SNOW IN MERKEL AREA

Bright sunshine Tuesday started thawing the snow which had blanketed the Merkel area since early Sunday morning leaving slush and moisture, unwanted by the farmers and ranchers who are in need of open weather to permit plowing and grazing.

The seige of snow, which began early Sunday morning following a heavy rain Saturday night, was called one of the worst in many years. It was certainly one of the most prolonged, with snow falling almost constantly until early Tuesday. A total of five inches fell in this area.

Merkel schools along with many others in the area were forced

to close Monday and Tuesday. Students returned to their class work Wednesday morning.

Hazardous driving conditions brought most activities to a halt. Meetings were cancelled and basketball games postponed.

Merkel FFA Group To Have Entries In Houston Show

Craig Jones and Rodney Robertson, members of the Merkel Chapter of Future Farmers of America, will exhibit three Hereford steers in the Junior Division of the 1961 Houston Fat Stock Show, Feb. 22-March 5.

The Merkel FFA Chapter will also exhibit eight fat lambs in the show. New records have already been established for this year's show, the 29th annual event.

Houston will have the largest steer show and the largest junior livestock show in the nation. It also boasts the largest amount of premium monies paid anywhere, more than \$160,000 to livestock alone.

Latimer Named To Committees

Representative Truett Latimer of Abilene was named this week by Speaker James A. Turman as member of four committees of the House of Representatives of the 57th Texas Legislature.

He will be on the following committees: Common Carriers, Examination of Comptroller's and Treasurer's Accounts, Liquor Regulation and Agriculture.

"Representative Latimer is a respected member of the House," Speaker Turman said, "and we expect him to work with energy and ability to do a good job for the people of Texas. I know he will conduct himself by these responsible assignments."

Representative Latimer is now serving his 5th term in the Legislature.

Jaycee Game To Aid MOD

The Merkel Jaycees will meet the Abilene Jaycees in a basketball game at 8 p.m. Saturday in the Merkel school gym.

Clinton Spurgin, coach of the Merkel team, said all proceeds will go to the March of Dimes.

STATE OFFICIAL LAUDS JAYCEES AT BANQUET

"A Jaycee lapel pin is a badge of courage, leadership and action," State Jaycee President Dick Wadsworth of Irving told members of the Merkel Junior Chamber of Commerce at their charter night banquet in the school cafeteria here Friday night.

"Wear you pin proudly," he said, "because it means you are taking your place alongside hundreds of thousands of young men throughout this country and the world who are striving for world peace, who are striving to create an atmosphere where every young man has the opportunity to become president—where the size of a young man is not measured from his feet to his head but rather from his head to the sky."

Wadsworth described a Jaycee as one who thinks personal happiness depends not on how this world treats him, but how he treats the world. "He thinks the only thing that you can take with you," he said, "is what you have given to others and the only way that you rise in the world is to keep your feet on the ground and stay on the level."

The state president said his organization is working for better government, better communities,

community development, traffic home and water safety.

More than 150 persons, including a host of Jaycee dignitaries, heard the dramatic address.

Ernest Sears of Snyder, state vice president for Region 5, conducted the installation of officers for the Merkel Jaycees.

Officers include Franklin Myrick, president; Buddy Martin, first vice president; Bobby Bose, second vice president; Cannon Bradley, secretary-treasurer.

Directors are Johnny O'Dell, George Fatheree and Billy Gilbreth. Larry White is state director.

Presentation of the club's charters was made by Lewis Timberlake, Stamford, a national director at large.

President Myrick accepted charters from Timberlake, including those from the state, national and Jaycees international organizations.

Among dignitaries present were Dick Gemmer, a national director from Houston, Gordon Mercer, a state vice president from Houston, and Bud Gray, a state director from Abilene.

Master of ceremonies for the banquet was Bobby Jones. Invocation was by Dwight Holland, minister of the Merkel Church of Christ.

Entertainment during the dinner hour was by Charles Curb, pianist, and Kent Denton, vocalist. Organized in early December, 1960, the Merkel Jaycees has 33 charter members.

Special guests were introduced from Tye, Sweetwater, Cisco, Colorado City, Abilene, Stamford and Hamlin.

Social Security Payees Earnings Limits Raised

Beginning last month, many more beneficiaries who work will be able to be paid some of their social security benefits, according to R. R. Tuley, Jr., district manager of the Abilene social security office.

As before, Tuley said, beneficiaries who earn \$1200 or less in a year still get all their social security checks for the year. But, beginning in 1961, a person earning between \$1200 and \$1500 in a year will have only \$1 in benefits withheld for each \$2 earned over \$1200. When earnings are more than \$1500 a year, \$1 in benefits will be withheld for each \$1 earnings go over \$1500.

Until now, earnings of even \$1 over \$1200 could cost the beneficiary not only his entire monthly benefit, as high as \$120.00, but also any benefits payable to his dependents.

To illustrate the new provision, Tuley cited the example of the 68 year old worker who receives social security benefits of \$150 a month for himself and his 66 year old wife. Beginning in 1961, this man could work all year, earn \$3100, and he and his wife will still get at least \$50 in benefits for the year. If he works all year, and earns \$2100, they can receive \$1050 in benefits, giving them an income from combined earnings and benefits of \$3150 a year. Under the former law no checks would have been possible for them, except as mentioned next.

He also indicated that some people who applied for their benefits in years past may have overlooked certain provisions which have been in effect for some time. A beneficiary, regardless of his total earnings for the year, may receive his full benefit check for any month in which he does not earn more than \$100 or do substantial work in his own business. Also, beginning with the month of his 72nd birthday, a beneficiary may be paid all his benefits no matter how much he earns in that month and later.

Tuley urges working people past retirement age (65 for men, 62 for women) who have not yet applied for their social security benefits, to visit their social security office now or meet with a representative of that office when he is in their town. Even though earning fairly substantial annual amounts, many persons may now be able to collect some benefit checks during 1961 and later years. Schedules showing when the representatives will visit the various towns are furnished all post offices.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Coats of Abilene are visiting his mother, Mrs. Bertie Coats.

BADGER TALES

By RUTHIE CORDER

For all of you who are wanting to know why Carol Sue McAninch and Penny Gardner are called sisters—They are both called little Macks.

Has anybody met a Southern drawl with a Yankee accent? Don't miss Betty Bulat in the senior plays.

Who was Mary Dunagin with the other night? History does repeat itself.

Maxine Patterson was caught with a voo doo doll and stick-pin in her purse.—Makes you wonder?

Jerry Don Doan, master mind of the senior class, has come up with a revolutionary idea of how to raise more money for the senior trip. No work involved—If this isn't brilliance, what is?

If anybody else starts a beard the girls are going to equip themselves with razors.

Don Wilson had better expect the silent treatment the next time he comes home. The girls of the community don't like the hairy face fad that he started.

Is it true that the science club is building a galvanometer to be available for all teachers during exam week?

The school spirit was overwhelming when we played Coahoma. Although we lost that game it would still be nice if we kept the spirit. It takes three things to win a ball game—good team, good sportsmanship, and school spirit. We have the team—let's work on the other two.

Someone has finally captured Colette Hull's heart.—She has a new puppy.

Warning Seniors! Friday is the last day to pay for invitations.

Better hurry and get all snapshots for the annual in January 31 was the last day.

The fourth week of the fourth six weeks has almost come to an end! Only fourteen more weeks to go—for the seniors.

Hawley Raps Trent, 63-40

Hawley defeated Trent, 63-40, in District 17-B high school basketball play here Tuesday night.

Ronnie Young led the Bearcats with 17 points. High man for the Gorillas was Jerry Barnes with 12 markers.

Hawley is now 7-1 in district play. Trent is 3-4.

Hawley also took the girls game 36-23. Judy Beasley led Hawley with 18 points. Judy Claborn had 14 points for the losers.

The box score:
HAWLEY — K. Trice 7 1 15; Young 7 3 17; Jim Sellers 5 0 10; John Sellers 5 6 16; Estes 1 3 3; Cooley 1 0 2; Totals 26 11 63.

TRENT — Jones 2 2 6; Barnes 6 0 12; Wilkes 2 0 4; Heatley 5 1 11; Sweeney 3 1 7. Totals 18 4 40.
HAWLEY 16 35 47 63
TRENT 6 18 31 40



Home Demonstration Notes

By LORETA ALLEN

Fairer County Home Demonstration Agent

It is time to begin thinking about your spring garden. I got our garden plowed last week before the cold weather, and rain, and snow. If you have not done that you should the first thing when the ground gets dry enough. These cold snowy days are good times to look at seed catalogues and decide what you are going to plant this year. I have already bought my garden seed so that I will be ready to plant when the time comes. We have a very good garden bulletin giving information on varieties to plant, and how long after planting until harvest. You may have a copy by writing for it or by coming by the office.

The Clothing Workshop has been completed at Potosi and one is going at Pleasant Hill. If you are interested in attending go to the one nearest you.

Merkel—At the REA Building, February 2 - 8 - 10

Tuscola—Tuscola Home Demonstration Building, February 21 - 24 - 28

Lawn—Lawn Home Demonstration Building, March 3 - 6 - 10

FASHION HIGHLIGHT: Patterned and colored shirts are being shown in a much wider and more attractive variety than in many years, advises the American Institute of Men's and Boy's Wear. They make good fashion-sense — blending well with suits and ties for more colorful ensembles and giving a man an appearance of

"individualism" as opposed to the uniformity of a steady diet of white shirts.

CLOTHING OUTLOOK is for slightly higher prices in '61, according to extension clothing specialists. . . There will be greater variety to choose from. Improved blending of manmade and natural fibers will offer more durable, more comfortable clothing that will be more easily cared for.

SEVEN FEBRUARY PLENTIFUL FOODS LISTED

Cabbage pretty well leads the pack of foods expected to be in plentiful supply in February. The winter cabbage crop is moving in volume from an acreage quite a bit larger than a year ago, reports the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

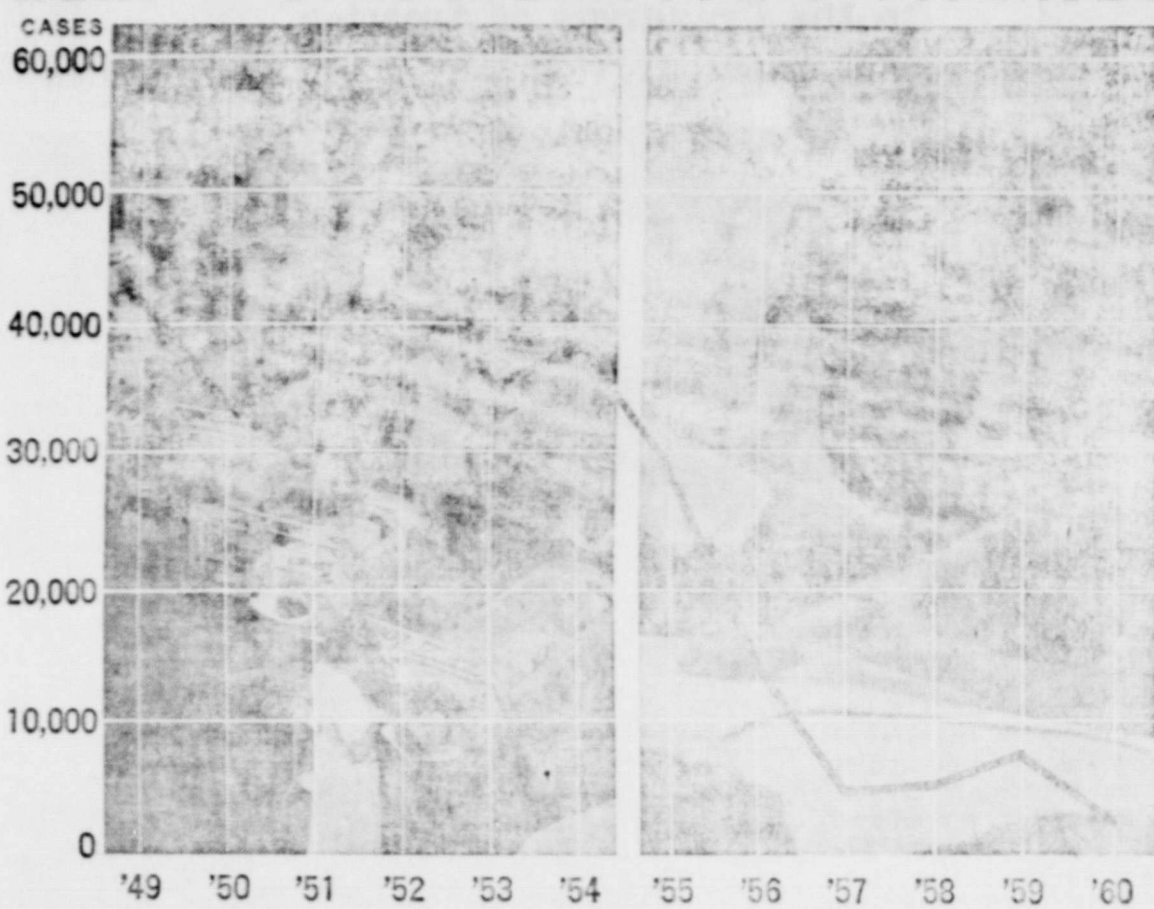
While cabbage is the feature, six other foods will be available in more-than-normal supply this month. These are dry onions, rice, canned ripe olives, peanuts and peanut products, cranberry products and small white beans.

The February plentifuls can provide color, nutrition, flavor, variety and economy to family meals or special occasions.

These foods have been selected for special promotion this month by the food distribution division of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

Grocery stores, newspaper, radio and TV features will make special efforts to encourage wide use of the plentifuls, in efforts

MARCH OF DIMES RESEARCH DID THIS; NEXT — OTHER CRIPPLING DISEASES



AMERICA'S INVESTMENT in medical scientific research through contributions to the March of Dimes paid a huge dividend—the polio vaccine. Now the March of Dimes is working to prevent other crippling diseases—birth defects and arthritis. A further investment in medical research through the March of Dimes may pay even greater dividends. Campaign continues through January.

to reduce the "burdensome" supplies.

Consumers will find it to their advantage to serve plentiful foods often because lower prices usually accompany abundance.

Texas License Plate For '61 Has New Look

February-March is the renewal period for motor vehicle license plates in Texas, announced State High Engineer D. C. Greer this week.

Texans will notice a newly designed license plate for 1961. A different style of letters and numerals have been used to make the plate more readable from a distance. Black letters and numerals on a white background is the color scheme for 1961.

A new numbering system will be used for some classifications such as trailers, truck tractors and buses. These classifications will have a one-letter prefix with from two-to-five digit numerals. For example: A trailer number could be A-10 or A-12345. The numbering system for other classifications will remain the same as 1960. The change in the system was brought about by the ever increasing number of registered vehicles in Texas.

The Texas Highway Department estimated that vehicle registration in Texas for 1960 will total 4,800,000. This places Texas third in the nation in registered vehicles following California and New York.

"Texas should reach the seven-million mark by the end of this decade," Greer said. "There are more vehicles in Texas today than there were Texans in 1920 and the percent of increase in motor vehicles in Texas in the last four decades is twenty times the percent of increase in population. There are two Texans for every Texas-registered motor vehicle."

Greer stressed the importance of registering all automobiles and trucks in the county of the vehicle owner's residence.

"Do not ask the County Tax Collector to violate the law. He is required to demand to see your certificate of title and 1960 license receipt before he can issue your 1961 plates."

The penalty for operating a vehicle without home-county license plates is the same as operating a vehicle with no plates at all. Court fine can be as much as \$200, plus being required to register in the home county with a 20 percent penalty of the annual fee.

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Refunds cannot be granted for the illegal plates.

Owners registering illegally in 1961 can expect to face court charges.

"Don't risk an illegal registration," Greer urged. "Remember, too, that a portion of all registration fees stays in your home county to benefit your local community."

Night Hunters Pay Big Fines, Lose Licenses

AUSTIN—Night hunters fared roughly in the courts during December according to the regular monthly arrest report of the law enforcement division of the Game

and Fish Commission.

During the month 124 hunters were arrested for hunting deer with headlights. Most of them paid fines ranging from \$50 to \$200 and quite a few of them had their hunting licenses suspended for a year.

During the month there were 576 arrests. Fines were paid totaling \$21,339.94 plus \$966 in costs for a grand total of \$22,305.94.

A number of other persons also were arrested and fined for hunting from automobiles. Generally, violations came for exceeding bag limits or shooting game out of season. There were 140 persons also who paid fines for either hunting or fishing without a license.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Horton of Abilene visited in the home of his mother, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason, Friday.

Garden Club Meets In Home Of Mrs. Sadler

The Merkel Garden Club met in the home of Mrs. W. T. Sadler Thursday for a program on "Shrubs and Trees."

Mrs. Joe Hartley, program leader for the meeting, introduced Joe Mankin and D. C. Crawford of Abilene who answered questions on the care and planting of trees and shrubs.

Following the discussion, Mankin and Crawford gave a yard demonstration. Members brought horticulture specimens for study. Announcement was made of the

Junior Garden Club meeting to be held in the elementary school library on the third Thursday in February. Miss Norah Foster will be program leader and Mrs. W. S. J. Brown and Mrs. Herbert Patterson are in charge of the hospitality. Sponsor is Mrs. Robert T. Hodge.

Mrs. Sadler and Mrs. John Shannon, assisted by Mrs. Carroll Benson, served refreshments to 22 members.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Amason and two sons, Rickie and Mike, of Graham, are here for an indefinite visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Watson. On Tuesday, Mr. Amason and Rickie visited in the home of their grandfather, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason.

IS FOR LINCOLN

The name of Lincoln is an instant reminder of many things to us as Americans. It brings to mind moral courage and original patriotism. It also stands for honest toil and labor, for Honest Abe was a hard worker. He respected work, and he respected its just wages. He protected his earnings wisely, for in 1862 he opened his first savings account. "Capital is only the fruit of labor," he said, a reminder to us that work is necessary, as is the regular saving of its fruits. Protect your earnings as did Mr. Lincoln. Open your account and save regularly in 1961.

This Bank will observe Monday, Feb. 13th (Lincoln's Birthday is Sunday) as a legal holiday and will not be open for business.

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voted solidly for Pontiac's newcomer—the Tempest. The one car that will give the car buyer top performance, ride and economy for his nickel. Read what these experts say!

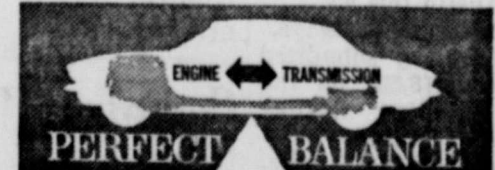
Don Werner—"We studied the design features of 28 American cars. The Tempest pulled ahead of the whole crop of '61 cars. The flexible drive-shaft is a fantastic innovation. It's the most sensible, dependable power train we've seen."

Bob Ames—"Equalizing the weight on the front wheels and the weight on the rear wheels (with the front engine/rear transmission) gives the Tempest great traction and ride. Pontiac engineers scored a great breakthrough with the Tempest."

Jim Miller—"The Tempest 4-cylinder

engine and the triple alloy steel drive-shaft team up as a smooth, going combination. I had to look under the hood to convince myself they hadn't put in a V-8. That 4-cylinder engine should do wonders for gas economy."

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HORMEL PURE PORK

SAUSAGE 2 LB. BAG **69¢**

HORMEL LITTLE SIZZLER

SAUSAGE PKG. **29¢**

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HAM HALF or WHOLE LB. **49¢**

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FRANKS LB. **49¢**

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 AT LAW
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 A. D. 1961

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES OF CALEB DORSEY, IF ANY, WHOSE NAMES AND PLACES OF RESIDENCE ARE UNKNOWN, AND THE HEIRS AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES, IF ANY, OF THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES OF CALEB DORSEY, IF ANY, WHOSE NAMES AND PLACES OF RESIDENCE ARE UNKNOWN, AND MR. G. P. ROBERTS, WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN, AND, IF DECEASED, THE HEIRS AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES OF G. P. ROBERTS, IF ANY, WHOSE NAMES AND PLACES OF RESIDENCE ARE UNKNOWN, AND MR. J. EDWARD COWAN, WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN, AND, IF DECEASED, THE HEIRS AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES OF J. EDWARD COWAN, IF ANY, WHOSE NAMES AND PLACES OF RESIDENCE ARE UNKNOWN, AND MR. DENTON H. PORTER, WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN, AND, IF DECEASED, THE HEIRS AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES OF DENTON H. PORTER, IF ANY, WHOSE NAMES AND PLACES OF RESIDENCE ARE UNKNOWN, AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS OWNING OR CLAIMING TO OWN ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTERESTS IN AND TO THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PROPERTY:

You are hereby commanded to appear at the hearing before the undersigned Special Commissioners heretofore appointed by the Judge of the County Court at Law of Taylor County, Texas, to assess the damages, if any, occasioned by the condemnation of the herein-after described land to be held in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Taylor County Courthouse in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of issuance hereof, that is to say on or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. on Monday the 27th day of March, A.D. 1961, and answer the Petition of the State of Texas, in Cause Number _____ styled, The State of Texas vs. The Heirs of Caleb Dorsey, Deceased, in which the State of Texas is Plaintiff, and the following named persons are among the Defendants, the unknown heirs and legal representatives of Caleb Dorsey, if any, whose names and places of residence are unknown, and the heirs and legal representatives, if any, of the unknown heirs and legal representatives of Caleb Dorsey, if any, whose names and places of residence are unknown, and Mr. G. P. Roberts, whose residence is unknown, and, if deceased, the heirs and legal representatives of G. P. Roberts, if any, whose names and places of residence are unknown, and Mr. J. Edward Cowan, whose residence is unknown, and, if deceased, the heirs and legal representatives of J. Edward Cowan, if any, whose names and places of residence are unknown, and Mr. Denton H. Porter, whose residence is unknown, and, if deceased, the heirs and legal representatives of Denton H. Porter, if any, whose names and places of residence are unknown, and any and all other persons owning or claiming to own any legal or equitable interests in and to the hereinafter described property, said Petition for condemnation having been filed with the Judge of the County Court at Law of Taylor County, Texas, on the 14th day of December, A.D. 1960, and the nature of said suit being a proceeding in eminent domain in which the State of Texas at the request of the Commissioners Court of Taylor County, Texas is seeking to condemn for highway purposes the fee simple title in and to the following described Tracts of land situated in Taylor County, Texas, to-wit:

Tract No. 1 (Parcel No. 7)
 BEING 0.004 acre of land out of and a part of the northwest ¼ of Section 25, Lunatic Asylum Lands Survey in Taylor County, Texas, as conveyed to Caleb Dorsey by patent dated October 2, 1882, of record in Volume G, Page 68 of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, and out of the Northeast ¼ of Section 24, Lunatic Asylum Lands Survey in Taylor County, Texas, as conveyed to Caleb Dorsey by patent dated February 24, 1890, of record in Volume G, Page 290 of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the point of intersection of the east right of way

line of the present U. S. Highway 83 and the north boundary line of said Section 25, said point being 93.77 feet east of and measured at right angles to Master Survey Line chaining station 785 plus 60.01 of a proposed relocation of said U. S. Highway 83, said point also being about 25 feet N 89 degrees 55 minutes E from the northwest corner of the northwest ¼ of said Section 25;

THENCE N 89 degrees 55 minutes E along the north boundary line of said Section 25 a distance of 2.82 feet to a point 97.24 feet east of and measured at right angles to Master Survey Line chaining station 785 plus 59.34 of said proposed relocation;

THENCE in a southwesterly direction along a curve to the right having a radius of 3067.16 feet and a central angle of 19 degrees 27 minutes a distance of 206.43 feet to the end of said curve, said point being 97 feet east of and measured at right angles to Master Survey Line chaining station 787 plus 58.84 of said proposed relocation;

THENCE N 19 degrees 22 minutes E along the present east right of way line of said U. S. Highway 83 a distance of 29.59 feet;

THENCE in a northeasterly direction along said present east right of way line, same being along a curve to the left having a radius of 1492.7 feet and a central angle of 19 degrees 27 minutes a distance of 175.95 feet to the point of beginning and contains 0.004 acre, more or less.

Tract No. 2 (Parcel No. 8)
 BEING 4.956 acres of land out of and a part of the northeast ¼ of Section 24, Lunatic Asylum Lands Survey in Taylor County, Texas, as conveyed to Caleb Dorsey by patent dated February 24, 1890, of record in Volume G, Page 290, of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the point of intersection of the west right of way line of the present U. S. Highway 83 and the south boundary line of the northeast ¼ of Section 24, said point being S 89 degrees 52 minutes W about 1962 feet and N 19 degrees 22 minutes E about 2800.64 feet from the southeast corner of said Section 24, said point also being 23 feet west of and measured at right angles to Master Survey Line chaining station 814 plus 39.03 of a proposed relocation of said U. S. Highway 83;

THENCE N 19 degrees 22 minutes E along said present west right of way line a distance of 2629.48 feet to a point 23 feet west of and measured at right angles to Master Survey Line chaining station 788 plus 09.55 of said proposed relocation;

THENCE N 16 degrees 35 minutes W a distance of 137.36 feet to a point 103 feet west of and measured at right angles to Master Survey Line chaining station 786 plus 96.09 of said proposed relocation;

THENCE in a southwesterly direction along a curve to the right having a radius of 2761.93 feet and a central angle of 19 degrees 27 minutes a distance of 60.49 feet to the end of said curve, said point being 103 feet west of and measured at right angles to Master Survey Line chaining station 787 plus 58.84 of said proposed relocation;

THENCE S 19 degrees 22 minutes W along a line 103 feet west of and parallel to the Master Survey Line of said proposed relocation a distance of 2708.52 feet to a point 103 feet west of and measured at right angles to Master Survey Line chaining station 814 plus 67.36;

THENCE N 89 degrees 52 minutes E along the south boundary line of the northeast ¼ of said Section 24, a distance of 84.87 feet to the point of beginning and contains 4.956 acres, more or less.

AND IN ADDITION THERETO: EASEMENTS for the purpose of opening, constructing, and maintaining a permanent drainage channel in, along, upon and across each of the following described tracts of property with the right and privilege at all times of having ingress, egress, and regress in, along, upon and across such described property for the purpose of making additions to, improvements on, and repairs to said drainage channel or any part thereof, the following two tracts of property being described as follows:

Tract No. 3 (Parcel No. 7-A)
 BEING 0.107 acre of land out of and a part of the northwest ¼ of Section 25, Lunatic Asylum Lands Survey in Taylor County, Texas, as conveyed to Caleb Dorsey by patent dated October 2, 1882, of record in Volume G, Page 68 of the deed records of Taylor County, Texas, and out of the Northeast ¼ of Section 24, Lunatic Asylum Lands Survey in Taylor County, Texas, as conveyed to Caleb Dorsey by patent dated February 24, 1890, of record in Volume G, Page 290, of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the point of intersection of the north boundary line of said Section 25 and the east right of way line of a proposed relocation of U. S. Highway 83, said point being 97.24 feet east of and measured at right angles to Master Survey Line chaining station 785 plus 59.34 of said proposed relocation, said point also

being about 27.83 feet N 89 degrees 55 minutes E from the northwest corner of the northwest ¼ of said Section 25;

THENCE N 89 degrees 55 minutes along the north boundary line of said Section 25 a distance of 100 feet to a point 193.06 feet east of and measured at right angles to Master Survey Line chaining station 785 plus 34.34 of said proposed relocation;

THENCE S 52 degrees 59.5 minutes W a distance of 159.85 feet to a point in the east right of way line of said proposed relocation, said point being 97.06 feet east of and measured at right angles to Master Survey Line chaining station 786 plus 53.01;

THENCE in a northeasterly direction along a curve to the left having a radius of 3067.16 feet and a central angle of 19 degrees 27 minutes a distance of 100 feet to the point of beginning and contains 0.107 acre, more or less.

Tract No. 4 (Parcel No. 8-A)
 BEING 0.172 acre of land out of and a part of the Northeast ¼ of Section 24, Lunatic Asylum Lands Survey in Taylor County, Texas, as conveyed to Caleb Dorsey by patent dated February 24, 1890, of record in Volume G, Page 290, of the deed records of Taylor County, Texas, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point that is S 89 degrees 52 minutes W about 2046.87 feet and N 19 degrees 22 minutes E about 3108 feet from the southeast corner of said Section 24, said point also being 103 feet west of and measured at right angles to Master Survey Line chaining station 811 plus 60 of a proposed relocation of said U. S. Highway 83;

THENCE N 19 degrees 22 minutes E along the west right of way line of said proposed relocation a distance of 35.36 feet;

THENCE S 64 degrees 22 minutes W a distance of 175 feet;

THENCE S 25 degrees 38 minutes E a distance of 50 feet;

THENCE N 64 degrees 22 minutes E a distance of 125 feet to a point in the west right of way line of said proposed relocation;

THENCE N 19 degrees 22 minutes E along the west right of way line of said proposed relocation a distance of 35.36 feet to the point of beginning, and contains 0.172 acre, more or less.

SAVE AND EXCEPT all the oil, gas and sulphur which can be removed from beneath the above said land without any right whatever remaining to the owner of said oil, gas and sulphur of ingress or egress to or from the surface of said land for the purpose of exploring, developing, drilling or mining of same, and that the Defendants heretofore named are among the owners of the fee simple title to the above described real property situated in Taylor County, Texas.

If this Citation is not served within ninety (90) days after its issuance it shall be returned forthwith.

Given under our hands at Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, on this the 7th day of February, A. D. 1961.

SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS
 J. A. Millerman
 Leo Rynders
 Leo Herndon

48-49-50-51

20 YEARS AGO

C. O. (Pat) Patterson, county assessor-collector of taxes, Wednesday reported the final total of poll taxes issued as 6,637. It compares with about 7,200 paid two years ago, the last off-election year.

At a meeting of the Merkel Chapter, Future Farmers of America, last Friday Jean Paine, a senior in high school, was named F.F.A. sweetheart. Jean is a member of the Badger band and active in the Players Club.

Ben Robert Hicks is one of five initiates to begin pledging this semester in the I.H.R. fraternity, oldest organization of its kind on the McMurry campus. Ben Robert is a junior this year.

Three volunteers Tuesday filled out the quota for Draft Board No. 2 for Taylor County (outside of Abilene) for the first February call. There are six volunteers to fill the quota of five. One Merkel boy, Murry Toombs, helped to make up the group of three who volunteered Tuesday.

Among soldier boys home for the weekend were the following from Camp Bowie, Brownwood: Jack Dawson West, Herman Carson, Louis Farmer and Joe Lawson.

Morris Clack, student at Draughton's Business College, Abilene, has accepted a position in the bookkeeping department of Radford Grocery, Abilene. Miss Lucille Crick, another Draughton's student, has accepted a position with the Service Parts Company of Abilene.

Doyle Nutt, a reserve officer, has received notice to report to Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Sunday and will leave Merkel Friday. Mr. Nutt, who came to Merkel April of last year as owner of the Nutt Variety Store, a Ben Franklin Store, holds the rank of first lieutenant, signal reserve, which he attained at A&M College.

THAT'S A FACT



WHAT-NO INCOME TAX?

THE HIGHEST WEEKLY INCOME IN THE WORLD BELONGS TO OIL-RICH SIR ABDULLAH AL SUBAHI, RULER OF THE SHEIKDOM OF KUWAIT—OVER \$5,000,000!!



IMPROVES WITH AGE

WE'RE TALKING ABOUT YOUR OLD U.S. SAVINGS BONDS!! EARN AN EXTRA 3% INTEREST FROM NOW TO MATURITY!! BUY 'EM WHERE YOU WORK OR BANK!!

THE MIGHTY TOOTHPICK!

MAINE PRODUCES OVER 170,000,000 TOOTHPICKS A DAY—OR JUST ABOUT ONE FOR EVERY U.S. CITIZEN!

AND... THE NEW SERIES E AND H BONDS EARN 3 1/4% WHEN HELD TO MATURITY. BUY "BEST EVER" SAVINGS BONDS... BUY THEM REGULARLY AND HOLD ON TO THEM FOR BETTER RETURN!

40 YEARS AGO

U. M. McNeese, who has been in the employ of the government at Petrolia, came in recently for a visit to his parents here.

We are indeed grateful to Mr. Joe Holmes, one of our best citizens, for three subscriptions to the Mail, which he sends to two brothers and one son.

Last Thursday evening, the Seniors were entertained by the Juniors at the home of Miss Rosie Laney. Both Juniors and Seniors were dressed in overalls and aprons. Forty-two, "pig" and several other games were played. Refreshments of hot chocolate and cake were served. Favors were miniature purple paper overalls and gold paper aprons.

Miss Tina Nobles of Fort Worth was here several days first of the week, the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. D. Hutchenson.

Mrs. Nellie Hynes, late of Louisiana, last week purchased the Busy Bee Cafe from Messrs. Latham Brothers and Sanders, and will continue the business.

Sheriff John Bond's automobile, occupied by Herman Bond, Miss Lena Bond and Deputy Sheriff

Jim Rowe, turned completely over at the Rainey Creek Bridge on Elm Dale Road late Tuesday afternoon, after collision with another automobile. Defective brakes were the cause of the accident. None of three was badly injured, escaping with a few bruises.

The bankrupt stock of dry goods formerly known as the Economy Store, has been purchased by Messrs. Freedman, Millinger and Company of Kenedy, Texas, which firm has taken charge of the stock.

Dorcas Class Meeting Held

The Dorcas Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Lon Stephens Feb. 2.

Mrs. Lige Harris, president, presided. Opening prayer was by Mrs. W. A. McCandless and the devotional was brought by Mrs. Josie Shanks. Mrs. W. E. Petty led the closing prayer.

The Valentine theme was used in decorations.

Present were Meses. Ema Wheatley, Howard Phillip, Cordelia Sherer, W. M. Hays, P. F. Harris, Maggie Ervin and Blanche Amason. Mary Howe was a guest.

SENATOR ★ ★ ★
Yarborough's Report

Dear Fellow Texans:

The Cold War Veterans GI Education Bill offers the most responsible and effective single program now before the Congress to help cut down the extremely serious current and future unemployment among young Americans.

Studies by Department of Labor experts show every ten people now hunting work are under 25 years of age and most of these young people are uneducated and unskilled.

Projections by Dr. Seymour L. Wolfbein, Labor Department manpower chief, indicate that 30 percent of the 26,000,000 new workers who will join the labor force in the next ten years will fail to complete high school and that 2,500,000 of them will not even finish grade school.

These statistics point up very clearly and realistically the great and growing need for enactment of the Cold War Veterans Education Bill which I have introduced with co-sponsorship of 36 other senators.

A very high percentage of these young Americans, who for one reason or another do not complete grade or high school, will serve a term in the military under current draft and enlist

ment procedures. Under the Cold War Veterans Education program, these young men would be eligible, after they had honorably served their country, to take vocational training courses.

All of us know that a large number of today's best trained and skilled workers are men who took on-the-job training courses under the GI Bill after World War II. Having such training is invaluable to the individual; for many individuals to have specialized training and better education is vital to economic health and productive capacity of our nation.

As chairman of the Veterans Affairs subcommittee of the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee, I will set hearings on the Cold War Veterans GI Bill at an early date. In view of current unemployment and the projections showing increasing joblessness among unskilled workers when greater numbers of skilled workers will be required, I strongly believe that this is one of the most significant proposals before the Congress.

Don't trust your memory as to your social security number; show your card to each new employer.

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Heater—V-8 Engine—Turn Signals

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\$395.00 Down—Cash or Trade

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New 1961 Ford 1/2 Ton Pickups \$1795

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WANT ADS

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING RATES
Classified ads are 4 cents per word for the first insertion and 1 cent per word for additional insertions. Minimum charge is \$1. Cards of thanks are \$1 for the first 50 words; 4 cents for each word over 50.

MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED — Dirty windshields to clean. K & E Service Center. 5-tfc.

FREE — Wiring with all Electric Appliances purchased at Palmer Motor Company. Phone 159. 30-tfc.

Well and windmill servicing. W. Wade. Call 213-J. 6-tfc.

WANTED: Five, Ten and Twenty Dollar Gold. Pay \$10.00 for Five, \$15.00 for Ten and \$30.00 for Twenty. Must be bright sharp coins with no holes, nicks or scratches. Also pay 6c each for Indian Head Cents, one or a thousand if sharp and clear. Vernon Simpson, Merkel, Texas. 44-tfc.

SEWING Machine, lawn mower repair, yard and garden mowing and plowing. Experienced truck driver. House painting or any kind of work. Also clean rooms and apartments for rent. Merkel Hotel. Call 107. 47-tfc.

SEE us for Sewing machines. Reasonable prices. McCue Drug.

WANTED — FEW MORE MILK CUSTOMERS. Delivery 7 days a week. Higgins & Son. Phone 9011-J1. 44-5tp.

NEED A NEW WELL drilled? An old well cleaned out? Call Robert Higgins 9011-J2. Also sell and install Meyers pumps. 51-tfc.

FOR WATER WELL DRILLING AND CLEAN OUTS see or call Lester Blair 205 El Paso street phone, 234-W or B. T. Sublett, 705 Oak, phone 106. 26-tfc.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—3-room furnished garage apartment. 509 Yucca. Unfurnished 3-room rock duplex. 509 Yucca. 31-tfc.

FOR RENT — Redecorated 2-bedroom home. 903 Ash. See Robert James, Rt. 2. 47-tfc.

FOR RENT — 2-room furnished apartment. Mrs. W. H. Laney, 111 Cherry. Phone 46. 47-3tp.

FOR RENT — 3 rooms and bath on FM Road on school bus line. C. K. Russell. Phone 9013 J 2. 47-tfc.

FOR RENT—Four-room and bath house in Trent. Unfurnished or partly furnished. Call Mrs. W. J. Bicknell at Trent 2-9475. 48-tfc.

FOR RENT — 4-room and bath house. 1 1/2 mile north of Merkel on school bus line. farm to market road. Phone 9013-J2. 48-tfc.

FOR RENT — 4-room house with good garage. Brooks Patterson. 807 Oak. 45-tfc.

Dr. Bennie A. Mann
Dr. James Chaney
Chiropractors
211 Oak
Merkel, Texas
Phone 18
Office hours 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m.
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For Classified Rates: See Want Ad section.

Member of the Texas Press Association and the West Texas Press Association.

FOR RENT — Furnished one & 2 - bedroom apartments. Bills paid. No pets. Call 405-W. E. P. Farmer, 405 W. Kent Street. 47-tfc.

FOR RENT—Apartment. La Sista Motel. 46-tfc.

FOR RENT — 4-room and bath unfurnished house. \$40 per month. Vivian Davis. Phone 78. 46-tfc.

FOR SALE — Bathtub and fixtures. Excellent condition. Dee Moore, Rt. 3. Phone 9008-W2. 47-3tp.

FOR RENT—Furnished 3-room apartment with private bath. 1006 Oak. Call 53-W. 43-tfc.

FOR RENT — 3-room furnished apartment. Private bath. Mrs. Bert Melton. 1412 South 5th. 35-tfc.

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished 3-room apartment with bath. Located at 411 Ash. Merkel. Phone 126 or 447-W. 45-tfc.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—See me for Knapp shoes. Peck Eager, K & E Service Center. Phone 208. 34-tfc.

FOR SALE

16 ft. Crestliner fiberglass boat, trailer and 75 h.p. Johnson electric starting motor. Boat is equipped with cushion seats, padded dash and built-in folding snack table. Like new, only 5 months old. Contact Terry Gardner at The Merkel Mail.

FRUIT Trees, Roses, Shade Trees, Ornamental Shrubs. Landscaping by Ray Campbell. Plans Custom Tailored to Fit Your Home. No Down Payment. Up to 26 Months to Pay. Phone OR 2-6012. Garden Gate Nursery, 2937 So. Treadaway, Abilene Texas.

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White Auto Store
Phone 228

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WHITE AUTO STORE
Merkel Texas

FOR SALE — 8 ft. G.E. 57 model refrigerator. \$75. Good condition. Ronnie Freeman. Phone Trent 2-2791. 44-tfc.

FOR SALE — Two-story, 4-bed. room and den (fireplace) home on 3 1/2 acres of land. Just out of Merkel city limits. Call Cyrus Pee at 171. 35-tfc.

FOR SALE — Norge automatic washer. 3 years old. Two cycles, 2 water temperatures. O. B. Leach, Rt. 1. Tel. 9016-J1. 44-tfc.

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Fast Service High Quality
75 Cents First Line
50c Add. Line up to 3" Long
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FOR SALE — Equity in 3-bedroom, 1 1/2 baths. Four and a half per cent FHA loan established. Call 342-W after 5 p.m. 45-tfc.

FOR SALE—Quilts. Contact me at Starr Rest Home. Mrs. Etta Tucker. 48-3tp.

FOR SALE—Singer sewing machine. Call 9009-R1. Mrs. D. R. Woodard. 45-tfc.

Vigilance Against Surprise Attack

Hoegh Explains Warning Network

The surprise which an enemy achieved in the Pearl Harbor disaster cannot be repeated today, says Director Leo A. Hoegh of the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization.

His job includes responsibility for operating the National Warning System (NAWAS), with its coast-to-coast network of 376 warning points.

A comparison of measures in effect Dec. 7, then and now, reveals preparedness progress:

THEN . . .
The air attack warning system guarding Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, consisted of five mobile radar sets. Their limit of detection, about 180 miles. Liaison with civil defense—none. Personnel—newly-trained in radar operation. Alert status at moment of attack—in midst of training exercise, officially alerted only to possible sabotage. No air attack alert in effect. Contact with public information media—none. Warning time between moment of attack and first widespread public warning—30 minutes.

NOW . . .
In Dec. 1960, the entire North American continent is guarded by thousands of miles of radar nets and continuous air patrols that extend our detection system around the earth. These detec-



OCDD, Air Force officers at work in NORAD headquarters

tion outposts are linked directly to civil defense warning units which are tied to NAWAS warning points by safe communications. An approaching attack would trigger a nationwide CONELRAD ALERT from North

American Air Defense (NORAD) headquarters, activating the civil defense emergency broadcast system comprising nearly 2,000 local stations.

Personnel—warning officers with years of experience. Alert

status—24-hour vigilance against air or sea attack. Contact with mass public information media—instantaneous, through radio-TV national networks and press wire systems. Warning time—90 seconds or less to every State.

Shelter Seen Best Defense For Fallout

Nineteen years ago this Dec. 7, the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor caused all Americans to realize "it can happen here."

Dec. 7 this year will mark the third annual National Civil Defense Day, dedicated to the conviction that vigilance must be maintained night and day because of enemy threats. Against such threats our Nation's vast warning net is designed to be so reliable that the enemy could not achieve a surprise attack, civil defense officials assert.

Most Americans could be saved by taking simple but adequate civil defense measures now.

Director Leo A. Hoegh of the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization points out that "fallout shelter protection is the best single non-military defense measure for the greatest number of our people."

He has called home fallout shelters "the lowest-cost family insurance obtainable." These cost from \$150 for a "do-it-yourself" basement shelter to \$1,500 for a custom-made shelter fixed up to serve as an extra room.

Key to the effective use of such shelters is the National Warning System geared to alert Americans from 376 warning points linked to the North American Air Defense Command.



AUSTIN, Tex.—A proposal that would take the monkey off the backs of the legislators who campaigned on a no-sales-tax, no-income-tax platform has been made by one of the State Capitol respondents.

It is the feeling of many persons in Austin as well as over the state that the public is ready for a definite, long-time tax program, whether it be a sales tax, an income tax or the Governor's proposed payroll tax.

They are convinced that the state has to take some drastic financing steps. And they are ready to foot the bill. Many legislators realize this fact.

Trouble is that a goodly number of them campaigned on a no-sales-tax, no-income-tax platform. Many legislators felt at the time that such was a popular campaign theme: that the public did not want either type of tax; that their resentment to either would be bitter.

It is the opinion of a number of the legislators that the people are far ahead of the lawmakers in this type of thinking; that they understand the problem better than the legislators realize; and that they are willing to face the facts.

But the legislators as a whole are hesitant. They are not sure the people are ready. They are fearful that they will get all the blame.

Richard Morehead of the Austin bureau of the Dallas News suggests that legislators feel the public pulse by ordering a referendum on the April 4 ballot. Voters will be going to the polls anyway to vote for a new U.S. Senator.

Morehead's proposed referendum would point out the state's need for at least \$100,000,000 a year in new revenue. Each voter would be asked to check which of the three tax proposals he preferred...a payroll tax to be paid equally by employer and employee, a general sales tax, or an income tax.

Such a referendum would give the voters a voice in the tax program...an opportunity to express their own preference in the matter. And at the same time it would lift the problem off the shoulders of the legislators.

As Morehead points out, there are other ways to raise money but informed people generally agree that some variation or combination of the three methods outlined herein is going to be passed by the legislature. And by April 4

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
On February 1, 1961, Mrs. Juanita Moreland Harris and Mrs. Linnie Myrl Moreland Jones were appointed Independent Executrices of the Estate of Henry James Moreland, Deceased, in Probate Cause Number 6771 in the County Court of Taylor County, Texas. Anyone having a claim against such estate is requested to present the same within the time prescribed by law to Mrs. Juanita Moreland Harris, 1218 Hickory Street, Abilene, Texas, or to Mrs. Linnie Myrl Moreland Jones, 1601 Lamonte, Houston, Texas. 48-

FOR RENT—5-room house. First house west of Merkel Hotel. David Tarpley. 35-tfc.

FOR SALE—Man's grey suit, 2 pants, waist 40", inseam 31"—\$12; lady's navy jacket, size 16 \$5; brown tone suit, size 10—\$3.50. Good condition and clean. Phone 219. 46-1tp

FOR SALE — Nurse cows. See Goldie Malone. 47-3tc.

CARD OF THANKS
We would like to express to our kind neighbors and thoughtful friends our heartfelt thanks for their many expressions of sympathy. The beautiful floral offerings and food were especially appreciated.
The family of Mrs. H. P. Allen

LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas —
GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-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: Hazel M. Smith, Defendant. Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 6th day of March A.D. 1961, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 6th day of December A.D. 1960, in this cause, numbered 25,538-A on the docket of said court and styled Jimmie E. Smith, Plaintiff, vs. Hazel M. Smith, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on Jan. 24, 1958 and became permanently separated on Nov. 4, 1959.

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 17th day of January A.D. 1961.

Attest: R. H. Ross Clerk, 42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas
By Irene Crawford, Deputy. 46-47-48-49

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and efficiency. It has been dubbed the "Little Hoover Commission."

IOAN CONTROLS URGED — Drive to enact loan company regulations got new push when the State Supreme Court made final its ruling that the "certificate plan" for loans is not legal.

Under this plan a borrower had to buy an investment certificate from the loan firm and pay for the certificate as well as pay off the loan.

Atty. Gen. Will Wilson said it is urgent that the Legislature set up a guide by which loan companies can operate legitimately. Several lawmakers have announced plans to sponsor such bills. One would allow for total charges (interest plus other charges) of 3 per cent per month on the unpaid balance of the loan.

SHORT SNORTS
Sen. Jarrard Secret of Temple is back with his proposal for "flexible rating" of automobile insurance rates. It would allow individual companies to set up their own rating plans rather than following uniform rates set by the State Board of Insurance.

George Corse of Graham, who sought unsuccessfully last session to get his own job of county school superintendent abolished, is back for the same purpose. Corse says

eliminating the county school superintendent in counties with no county schools would save the state \$711,000.

A bill to allow rural electric cooperatives to continue serving an area after it is annexed by a city has been introduced by Senators Culp Krueger and Charles Herring in the Senate and by Rep. Alonzo Jamison Jr. in the House.

Texas' 1961 state highway maps, full color and packed with information, are off the press. Free copies may be obtained from district highway offices or by writing the Texas Highway Department, P. O. Box 5064, Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Russom and children, Mark and Dristi, of Eunice, N. M. visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. McLean, and Mrs. Jess Russom, over the weekend.

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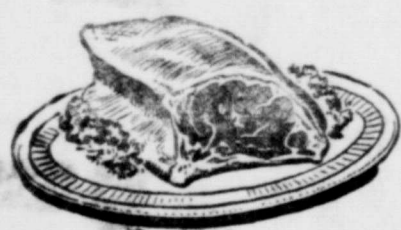
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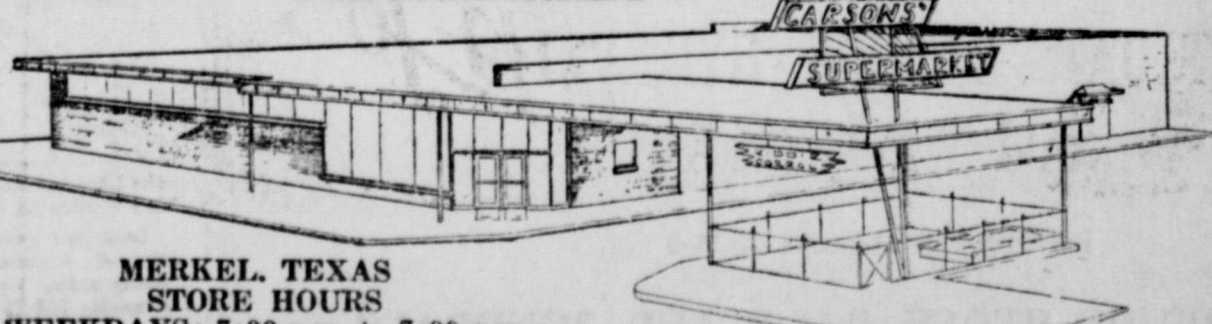
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