



The Christmas season is here, and Santa Claus is visiting Merkel every Saturday. The stores are full of good merchandise, so if you haven't had an opportunity to get around to look over the new Christmas merchandise in Merkel, do so today. The stocks won't be complete in a few days, and already some items are short.

Not many people realize what a straightjacket the railroads have been operating under the powers of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and maybe those strong regulatory powers are more harmful than they are helpful. Hardly a concern pays more taxes into each community where they transverse than the railroads, and in our own case the Texas and Pacific. Yet, many of its operations are hampered through strong regulatory powers.

Last summer President Eisenhower appoints a special committee on Transportation Policy and Organization, which included two members of the president's cabinet. This commission urged a return to the free market principles in interstate transport.

For instance, the ICC sets the rates charged by the railroads, and if a competitive firm lowers its rates, the railroads cannot. If this restriction should be withdrawn, in our opinion, it would create free trade and traffic. Did you ever stop to think just what ICC "does" for railroads?

Here are a few: Fixes rates; sets standards of services; passes on methods of accounting, employee hours, safety measures, consolidations, security issues, plus forms for bills of lading, decides on time zones, use and exchange of rolling stock, charge payments, reorganization proceedings, contracts for pooling of traffic, service or earnings. And it can examine and report on the management and controls of companies.

The ICC has been treating the railroads like they were a monopoly, but with the use of trucks, planes and other forms of transportation, it is no longer a monopoly, and they should be left free to meet the growing need for competition. We believe that rail service and freight service would be greatly improved with less regulation.

Patterson Named By State Coop

C. O. Patterson, of Hamby, president of the Taylor Telephone Cooperative, Inc., Matt Ely, C. T. Myatt, vice president; and John Hardesty, manager of the cooperative, attended the annual convention of the State Wide Telephone Cooperative association in Fort Worth at the Texas Hotel. Patterson was reelected vice president of the association.

The Taylor Telephone Cooperative, Inc., has 150 miles of new time at Dudley, Potosi, Lawn, Goldsboro and other communities.

Merkel schools will turn out Wednesday for the Christmas holidays, and will resume Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1956, Supt. Mack Fisher said today.

WILLING WORKERS WITH MRS. WALLING

The Willing Workers Sunday School Class of the Grace Presbyterian Church met in the home of Mrs. J. R. Walling for its Christmas program, Tuesday afternoon. The meeting was opened by song. Mrs. Jim West brought an interesting devotional from Luke 2:14-30. The sweet story of the first Christmas was told, closing with song "Blest Be The Tie That Binds."

THANK YOU

On the behalf of my father's parents, sisters, my mother and myself, I want to express our deepest gratitude and appreciation for everyone's sympathy and extreme kindness during our hour of need and sorrow.

Gratefully yours,
Leonard N. Boden.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hartley have returned from Truth or Consequences, New Mexico, where they spent two weeks taking treatments. They also visited Mrs. Dennis Hartley in Plainview and SPfc. and Mrs. SoRolle and Cickie in El Paso.

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Boney Named President of Chamber Group

Horace O. Boney, Merkel insurance man, was elected president of the Chamber of Commerce for the coming year at a meeting of the board of directors Tuesday afternoon.

Lester Dorton, REA executive, was named vice president, and Isadore Mellinger, local merchant was picked as secretary-treasurer. Boney succeeds W. D. Gamble, who served as the first Chamber of Commerce President.

Mellinger, Chester Collinsworth and Ray Wilson are the new directors, and the hold overs are Gamble, Dorton, Earl Hughes, H. J. Carson, Boney, and Booth Warren.

Plans are being made for an annual Chamber of Commerce banquet early next year at which time a dinner and a prominent speaker will be on the program.

Persons having suggestions for the Chamber of Commerce projects next year should submit them to the chamber office, and they will be passed along to the board members.



HORACE O. BONEY



LESTER DORTON



ISADORE MELLINGER

NEW OFFICERS — Of the chamber of commerce are Horace O. Boney, president; Lester Dorton, vice president; and Isadore Mellinger, secretary-treasurer.

Elbert Dean Jr., of Sterling, is visiting his sister, Boston Hester, John Hister, Leroy Roney, Quano Dudley, and his father Elbert Dean Sr. of Abilene.

We wish to express our appreciation and sincere thanks to the members of the Merkel Masonic Lodge, and to the many other friends for the many kind expressions of sympathy, numerous acts of kindnesses, and the beautiful floral offerings shown during the illness and death of Mr. R. E. McClure.

The R. E. McClure Family.



The Car — and the Train — Mix
But the aftermath is the picture above.

TWO TUSCOLA MEN NARROWLY ESCAPE DEATH IN TRAIN MISHAP

Two Tuscola men early Tuesday morning narrowly escaped death when their car stalled on a Santa Fe grade crossing 8.3 miles south of Merkel and was hit by a 75-mile per hour passenger train.

Thomas Dewey Rippey, 57, escaped by jumping from the car. J. P. Yoes, 38, stayed with the vehicle. The speeding train sheared off the front end just ahead of the windshield. The impact whipped the car around and the

train then sheared off the rear end.

Yoes was knocked from the car and suffered only minor bruises, according to Highway Patrolman Jack Shields of Abilene.

The car, driven by Rippey, stalled just as it got onto the crossing on the country road.

Wreckage from the car, a 1941 Buick sedan, was scattered 100 yards down the right-of-way.

The speeding westbound train stopped and picked up the pair and took them to a Sweetwater hospital.

Yoes was still under examination Tuesday night in the hospital. Rippey was not hospitalized.

Damage to the train was estimated at \$100 as the result of a few dents and a severed air hose.

Shields was assisted in the investigation by Sgt. C. A. Cockrell Jr. and D. R. Womack, both of Abilene; and Rip Allen of Sweetwater, all members of the Highway Patrol.

Shields said Tuesday night his investigation into the grade crossing crash was still incomplete.

HODGES

MRS. NORMAN SLOAN
Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Mason Barker, Alfred and Larry Sloan spent the weekend at Pearsall, Texas on a deer hunt. They didn't bring any back with them.

Hawley grade school boys and girls, coached by M. S. Cox, attended a ball tournament at Elmdale on Friday and Saturday. The girls came away with second place trophy and the boys a first place trophy.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Anderson of Mercedes, Texas visited Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Vantreese last week and friends at Hodges, Hamlin and Anson.

Jewell King of Abilene visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Vantreese on Sunday.

Leon Kelso visited with Derrell Sloan on Sunday.

The Community Club held its annual Christmas dinner on Tuesday, December 13th. All members were present and each member mingles, a short program was presented and gifts exchanged.

Visiting at the Hope Church of Christ Sunday were Mrs. Tennie Sloan and Lizzie Williams of Abilene and Mr. Jack Pierce of Corpus Christi. Jack is the son of Mrs. Williams.

Jimmy Vick of ACC visited over the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Cox.

Hawley Junior boys won another tournament Saturday night at Denton Valley. They are adding quite a few trophies to the collection at Hawley. The Hawley senior boys won out in the tournament over Noodle, but the girls lost first place to Wylie.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene McCoy of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Smith on Sunday.

We wish to express our gratitude to all our many friends who expressed their sympathy during our late bereavement of our dear Brother and Uncle, Sincerely, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Thompson and families, Mrs. Ada Higgins and families, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Allen and families, Mr. J. E. Wheat and families.

Robert McLeod Only Badger To Make 8-A Team

The Merkel Badgers, although failing to become a title contender last Fall, placed Robert McLeod, an outstanding end, on the district 8-A team announced this week.

It was the second year in a row that McLeod had been honored by making an area team. Last year he scored when he rated the area all-star team, and this year he proved to everyone that he was one of the top-ranking ends in the country.

McLeod, a 199-pounder whose kicking and pass-catching were outstanding for the Badgers, has another year of high school play, and since the Badgers, with almost a complete team returning, expect to be contender, McLeod may have a great year next Fall.

Coaches and sports writers alike had praised McLeod as college football material, and it is expected that all major teams will be after him next year.

The 8-A team was dominated by Haskell and Albany, and one-two teams in the loop. Haskell, the runnerup, placed five on the team, with Albany getting three. Quarterback Glenn Amerson of Munday and Back Wyman Tidwell, also of Munday, were picked.

Compared to the material of other teams, Merkel was pretty well fortunate to do as well as they did, because the boys were game enough, but lacked weight and experience.

As far as Merkelites were concerned, they probably wondered why Albany's Bobby Allman wasn't on the team, but he didn't make it. The fans all remember that first second touchdown play that rocked Merkel.

Haskell's line, often considered the best in the league, was well represented on the all stars with Center John Holt, guard David Strickland, and Tackles Wayne Connor and Oris Gibson.

HIGH SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

On Monday night in the auditorium of the First Baptist Church, two Merkel High School groups, the Girls Chorus and the Players Club presented to a responsive audience their traditional Christmas pageant, "Joy to the World." The program was directed by Mrs. Comer Haynes, sponsor of the two clubs.

Mrs. Edwin Read, violinist, and Mrs. Norman Winter, organist, played the prelude while four boys lighted candles: Bill Wheeler, Garq Smith, Jackie Harris, and Ronny Toombs. The musicians accompanied the chorus throughout the program.

The story of the pageant took place beneath a tableau of Mary and three angels. Linda Winter portrayed Mary; Marilyn Kelso, Kay Lynn Perry, and Barbara Reece enacted the angels. Betty Chaney was the narrator.

Telling of the joy which comes with truly "keeping" Christmas in the home were these students: Clydene Eager as Little Sister; Jerry Russell, Little Brother; Sharon Pair Jones, Mother; William Etallo, Father; George English, Grandpa; Iris Pair, Becky; Homer Payne, Joey; Minto McAninch, Memories; Joe Cunningham, the Shepherd; Errol Rutledge, the Wiseman; Imogene Thomas, Faith; Elsie Ward, Love; Twyla Jo Moore, Hope; Bettie Smith, Prayer; Stella Mae Russell, Home; Margie Holmes, Dreams; Chera Corder, Homes; Larry Joyce, Vinson of the Future.

Appearing as choir-members were these girls: Annette Boney, Lorene Horton, Barbara Morgan, Sarah Salter, Norma Stephen, Sue Mewborn, Kay Chaney, Johnnie Tipton, Sue Carr, Jane Harris, Betty Reddin, Conita Bagby, Bobby Windham, Lois Reese, Loreta Henry, Linda Leach, Margaret Chaney, Janice Rutledge, Jo Ann Malone, Carolyn Rister, Barbara Sylvester, Janell Seymore, and Lane Anderson.

Serving as ushers were Eddie Higgins and Maxwell Carey.

Mrs. Mary Carey have returned home after spending several weeks with her daughters, Mrs. Blanche Cockerell and Mrs. Alice Walters who are living in Fort Worth.

PLANS ARE MADE TO CELEBRATE WITH PAGEANT

Plans are moving forward for the pageant production in the spring to depict the 50th anniversary of Merkel.

The Chamber of Commerce is assisting in the promotion of the festival, but the festival itself will be a promotion of a separate corporation especially established for such an event.

Merkel's festival will come off two weeks prior to the one in Abilene, and it will be staged by the same company, the John F. Rogers Production Co.

There is a need for old pictures to help gather material for the program, and also several pictures will be needed for a souvenir plate.

Hospital Notes

The following have been admitted to Sadler hospital-Clinic during the week:

Herman Askins, Tye
Mrs. Willie Mae Derrington, Abilene

David Tarpley, Merkel
James Isbell, Trent
Mrs. L. R. Brazz, Abilene
Mrs. H. A. King, Tye
Floyd Davis, Merkel
Mrs. Ella Neeb, Merkel
Tommy Gottschalk, Abilene, surgery

NEW ARRIVALS

The following babies were born at the Sadler Clinic Hospital:

Connie Dianne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Armstrong, Tye, 6 pounds, 5 1/2 ounces, born Dec. 10.

Nancy Kay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Keese, Abilene, 7 pounds, 6 1/2 ounces, born Dec. 11.

Mrs. Etta Tucker visited her daughter, Mrs. George Burris of Dallas, for Thanksgiving. She stayed ten days. Mrs. Tucker said she had a fine, enjoyable visit.

Anyone having such old pictures should take them to the Chamber of Commerce office.

Also needed will be stores and antidotes concerning the early days in Merkel. Persons having such stories should make them available to this newspaper or the Chamber of Commerce.

Shortly after the first of the year, an organizational meeting will be held to set the date when beards will be grown. Several booster trips to advertise the festival will be planned.

The celebration is planned during the month of June (June 4-9). The Corporation will be empowered to raise all funds and to promote the celebration.

Included in plans for the gala affair various pageants, exhibitions, contests, parties, shows and other civic projects.

Much historical data is needed to base the story of this celebration. Persons having authentic information or stories regarding the growth and life of Merkel and this immediate vicinity are urged to contact the Chamber of Commerce.

Those present for the organization meeting were Howard Carson, Herman Carson, Ray Wilson, Lester Dorton, Mrs. Margaret Hunter, Mrs. Clyde Bartlett, Clyde Bartlett, H. O. Boney

Parent-Teachers Meet Thursday

"The Life of Our Lord" will be depicted in story, song and pictures at the P.T.A. meeting tonight, December 15, at 7:30 in the school cafeteria.

The grade school girls' chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Norman Winter, will sing appropriate songs. Prin. C. A. Farley will give the narration and show pictures of the Holy Land taken last summer.

Refreshments will be served.

ALL-DISTRICT 8-A TEAM

FIRST TEAM				
Pos.	Player, School	Wt.	CL.	
E	Robert McLeod, Merkel	199	Jr.	
E	Jody Beal, Albany	150	Sd.	
T	Wayne Connor, Haskell	178	Sr.	
T	Oris Gibson, Haskell	180	Sr.	
G	David Strickland, Haskell	170	Sr.	
G	Glenn Macon, Albany	149	Jr.	
C	John Holt, Haskell	182	Jr.	
QB	Glenn Amerson, Munday	172	Jr.	
B	Frankie Don Mullins, Haskell	150	Sr.	
B	Jerry Atwell, Albany	138	Sr.	
B	Wyman Tidwell, Munday	170	Sr.	

HONORABLE MENTION

GUARDS: Roland Ray, 171, Roby; Billy Don Davis, 150, Throckmorton.

BACKS: Billy Nemir, 150, Roscoe; Max Hibbits, 192, Throckmorton; David Mitchell, 142, Albany.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
To any Sheriff or any Constable
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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-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Alfred A. Smith and L. C. Lingle d/b/a Smith and Lingle Construction Company, Defendants, 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 2nd day of January A.D. 1956, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 13th day of July A.D. 1955, in this cause, numbered 20,669-A on the docket of said court and styled Central Texas Machinery Co., a Partnership, Plaintiff, vs. Alfred A. Smith and L. C. Lingle d/b/a Smith and Lingle Construction Company, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

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for materials and parts and for work, labor and services furnished by plaintiffs for the defendants at their special instance and request during the months of June, July and September, 1954, said verified account being attached to plaintiff's petition and plaintiff's suit being for the sum of \$2,313.70; the suit is also for reasonable attorney's fees in the amount of \$750.00 and for costs of suit; 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 November A. D. 1955 (SEAL)

Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk,
42nd District Court,
Taylor County, Texas.
By C. Bower, Deputy.

NO. 5422

ESTATE OF

BRICK P. BRADSHAW,
DECEASED

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF
TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS
NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF
THE ESTATE OF BRICK P.
BRADSHAW, DECEASED:

Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration upon the estate of Brick P. Bradshaw, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 7th day of December, 1955, by the county court of Taylor County. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and post office address are Post Office Box 66, Bradshaw, Texas.

Thelma Bradshaw Ledbetter
Administratrix of the estate
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Taylor County Home Demonstration Club women are getting everything in order to start the new year January 1st. The presidents and vice-presidents of the clubs met this week to look the new yearbook over and discuss the programs for next year. Those attending were: Mrs. J. L. Farr, Mrs. James Denny, Mrs. G. C. Cross, Mrs. C. A. Fomby, Mrs. Lela Reid, Mrs. Frank Landers, Mrs. Herman Hamon, Mrs. W. B. Reed, Mrs. L. A. Groene, Mrs. V. B. Reeves, Mrs. J. M. Foster, Mrs. F. K. Antilley, Mrs. D. I. Davis, Mrs. Edgar Holly, Mrs. Henry Drummond.

Mrs. Leroy Riney was selected Conservation Homemaker of the Blue Bonnet Club at its last meeting. Mrs. Riney will compete for County Homemaker with other contestants in the county. The county homemaker will be selected the last day of January.

LET'S HAVE TURKEY

Roast turkey is as American as Plymouth Rock, corn-on-the-cob, and apple pie. Its festive look and delicious flavor make it a logical choice for holiday meals. It can transform everyday dinners into special occasions. Here are some suggestions for cooking and carving your holiday turkey.

Combine stuffing ingredients and stuff turkey just before roasting.

Start roasting bird 30 to 40 minutes ahead of schedule to avoid delay would turkey take longer to roast than estimated time. Roast at 325 degrees F.

Turkey is done when drumstick moves up and down easily and when the flesh part of the drumstick feels soft.

Allow turkey to stand 20 to 30 minutes before it is served. This reabsorbs juices and makes carving easier.

Remove all trussing equipment, such as skewers and cord before starting to carve.

Place the bird on a warm large platter at serving time.

Use a simple garnish; too much garnish handicaps the carving.

Carve at the table; make it a special occasion that all can enjoy. Use a very sharp, thin-bladed knife and a fork with a guard for professional carving.

Refrigerate cooked turkey, stuffing and gravy as soon as meal is over. It is wise to remove stuffing and wrap separately. **THIS TASTES GOOD IN TEXAS**

Turkey Creole

2 cups diced, cooked turkey meat
1 table spoon shortening
1 table spoon flour
2 small onions (little garlic may be used if desired)
1 green pepper
2 teaspoons chopped parsley
3-4 cup chopped celery
2 cups canned tomatoes
1 small can mushrooms
2 teaspoons Worcestershire Sauce
Salt and pepper.

Put shortening, flour, onions, green pepper and parsley in skillet and cook until onions are brown. Add tomatoes, chopped celery and mushrooms. Season with salt and pepper. Add cooked turkey meat and cover. Let cook very slowly for one hour. One-half hour before serving, add Worcestershire sauce. **Serve over cooked rice and sprinkle with chow mein noodles, or serve rice and creole separately.**

LET'S EAT THIS FOR ONE DAY ...

Breakfast
Grapefruit Cream and Sugar
Oatmeal Baked Eggs Bacon
Buttered Whole Wheat Toast
Milk Coffee
Dinner
Turkey Creole
Tossed Vegetable Salad
French Bread
Baked Apples
Supper
Braised Pork Chops
Baked Sweet Potatoes
Buttered Asparagus
Hot Cole Slaw
Biscuits Butter or Margarine
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MRS. GEORGE COOPER
Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Hervey Latham had as their guests her parents, Mr. and Mrs. McMinn, of Texon, Texas. Mrs. Latham returned home with them. Mr. Latham will join her when school turns out for Christmas.

There will be a church supper at Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jacksons Saturday evening at six o'clock, the ladies will have a tree, everyone is welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Beuels and daughter of Abilene visited in the home of their daughter and son-in-law Rev. and Mrs. Leverts Sunday.

While visiting her brother-in-law in the Hendrix hospital Friday Mrs. Lile Code had a heart attack, and was taken to the St. Ann hospital.

Mrs. Ted McAninch and babies of Big Spring visited their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper Sunday evening.

Mrs. Gorvis Tarpley of Big Spring brought her son Mike to his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Calloway Sunday after Mike visited his parents last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones Santelben of Abilene visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Spurylon Friday night.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Cox Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. David S. Richardson of Killeen, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lovelitt of Sylvestor.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Martin and



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two children of Ludras, and Mrs. J. L. Lontrip of Anson visited in the home of their niece and cousin, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caldwell.

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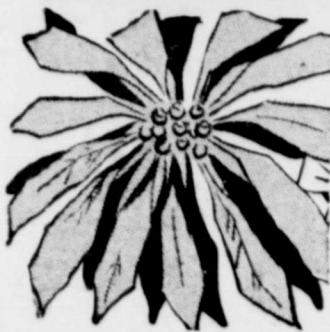
Mr. and Mrs. Dois Milton, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Clement were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dock Caloway Monday. The Caloways attended Miss Leona Sasse and R. E. Tonners wedding in

Anson Saturday night, Mrs. Sasse is Mr. Caloways niece.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Morton visited in the Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper home Sunday.

Mrs. Stanley Toombs, who recently underwent surgery at San Angelo, is getting along nicely. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Toombs visited their son, Stanley, and Mrs. Toombs recently.

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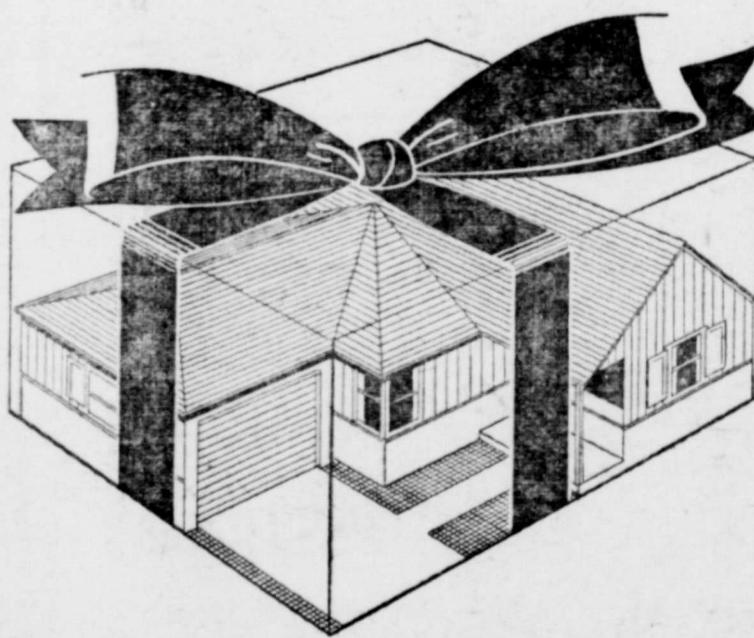
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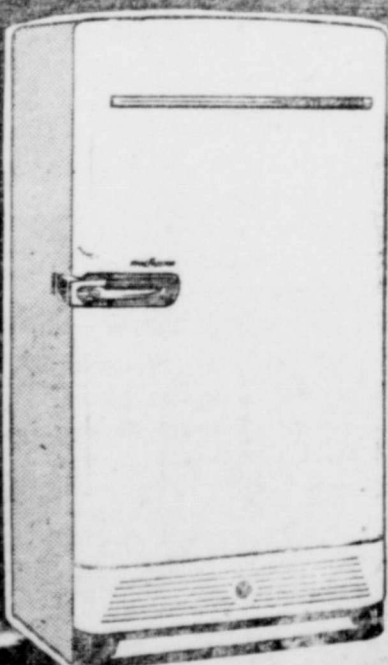
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You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County Texas, the accompanying citation,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

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Tolbert Arledge, 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 22nd day of January A. D. 1956, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 26th day of November A.D. 1955, in this cause, numbered 20,980-A on the docket of said court and styled Patsy Arledge, Plaintiff, vs. Tolbert Arledge, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff & Defendant were married on or about 1950 and lived together until on or about September, 1953.

Plaintiff shows there is no community property to be adjudicated and that there are 2 children, names of Gerry Hayes and Billy Don Arledge.

Plaintiff sues for Divorce on grounds of cruel treatment and prays that she have custody of two children and defendant pay child support as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If the 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 by hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 8th day of December A.D. 1955.

(SEAL)
Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk,
42nd District Court,
Taylor County, Texas.
By Clayrene Long, Deputy.

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TO: J. H. Phillips and wife, if married, whose name is unknown; A. C. Walker and wife, if married, whose name is unknown; and S. V. Isenhour and wife, if married, whose name is unknown, Defendants, Greeting:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court 42nd Judicial District of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 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 23rd day of January A.D. 1956, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 7th day of December A.D. 1955, in this cause, numbered 21,008-A on the docket of said court and styled J. A. Jennings & wife, Lora Jennings, Plaintiffs, Vs. J. H. Phillips and wife, if married, whose name is unknown; A. C. Walker and wife, if married, whose name is unknown; and S. V. Isenhour and wife, if married, whose name is unknown; if living, and if dead, the legal representatives of each of said named Defendants and the unknown heirs of each of said named defendants, the legal representatives of the unknown heirs of each of said named Defendants; if the unknown heirs of said names Defendants are dead; the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit in trespass to try Title to establish the ownership of the following described property, situated in Taylor County, Texas: All of Lot No. 3 in and to Block No. 131 of the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas 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 by hand and seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 7th day of December A.D. 1955.

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(SEAL)
Attest: R. H. Ross, Clerk,
42nd District Court,
Taylor County, Texas
By C. Bower, Deputy.

CONSTABLE'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale No. 20,657-A issued out of the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, on the 23 day of November 1955, by District Clerk of said 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas for the sum of Thirty nine thousand seven hundred fifty dollars and no/100 Dollars (\$39,750.00) and costs of suit, under a Judgment, in favor of R. C. Lillard in a certain cause in said Court, No. 20,657-A and styled R. C. Lillard vs R. S. Griswold et al, placed in my hands for service, I J. D. Woodard, Constable of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the 23 day of

November 1955, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

Lots 1, 2, the north 75 feet of Lot 3, Lot 6, Lot 7 and Lot 8 in Block No. 7, Replat of the Country Club Addition to the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas and levied upon as the property of R. S. Griswold, Etta Mae Griswold, Tom C. Lillard and that on the first Tuesday in January 1956, the same being the 3rd day of said month at the Court House door, of Taylor County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale and Constable's Notice of Sale, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendure, for each, to the highest bidder, as the property of said R. S. Griswold, Etta Mae Griswold and Tom C. Lillard.

And in compliance with law, I the English language, once each week for three consecutive weeks

immediately preceeding said day of sale, in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Taylor County.

Witness my hand, this 23 day of November 1955.
J. D. WOODARD

Constable Taylor County, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bail visited several days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Sloan.

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MISS CAMPBELL AND JAMES YOUNG MARRIED NOV. 3

Miss Shirley Ann Campbell daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Campbell, Sr., of Wilson, Lynn county became the bride of James Young, son of Mrs. Mary Young of Goliad, Thursday, November 3, at 10:50 a.m. in the First Baptist Church, at Lovington, New Mexico, with the Rev. Chester T. Watt officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Petty of Wilson and the bride's parents were the only attendants.

For the occasion the bride chose a charcoal brown suit with black velvet and suede accessories.

noon dress with a corsage consisting of yellow carnations.

Mrs. Louis Thigpen registered the couples who came, and the large array of lovely and useful gifts, in a white moire covered wedding book.

The lace covered refreshment table was centered with an arrangement of yellow mums and yellow tapers in sterling holders. The white wedding cake was topped with sugar-spun yellow roses, green leaves and a miniature bridal pair. Mrs. Joe Williams served the wedding confection. Mrs. R. L. Johnston presided at the sterling coffee service.

Mrs. Claude Taylor, Mrs. J. V. Cunningham, Mrs. Ralph Young and Mrs. Herman Young alternated in hostess duties.

The members of the reception party all had yellow carnation corsages.

The bride is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell, of Merkel.

The newlyweds stopped at Lamesa for their wedding dinner and traveled in the Panhandle country, with Abilene as one of the other points of interest on their wedding trip.

The bride attended the Wilson High School and the bridegroom attended the Goliad High School. They will reside at Goliad where he is a deputy in County Sheriff Claude Taylor's office.

On Monday evening, November 7, from 5 to 7 o'clock, Mrs. Young was named honoree at a tea show given by Mrs. Claude Roper, at her home at Wilson.

The honoree, her mother and the hostess received the guests. Miss Marcia Stenderfer was in charge of registering the guests.

The tea table held an arrangement of white carnations and yellow mums. Refreshments consisted of cookies, mints, nuts, and punch.

Mr. and Mrs. Young were complimented with a reception at the home of his mother, Mrs. Mary Young, from 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 13.

T. E. L. CLASS HOLDS CHRISTMAS DINNER

The T. E. L. class of the First Baptist church met Wednesday, December 7, in the Junior department for a lively Turkey dinner which was served to 18 members, and special guests, Mrs. L. B. Howard, of Stephenville, Texas, the Rev. and Mrs. Sam Tullock, Mrs. Lige Gamble.

There was a song by Aneta Boney and Linda Leach, accompanied by Mrs. T. J. Earthman.

There were several special Christmas numbers and a composition by Mrs. Howard. Mrs. Clyde Bartlett presented a reading, "The Little Mixer."

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STITH H. D. CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. FIKES

The Stith Home Demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. O. J. Fikes on December 7.

Christmas songs were sang by the group, and a prayer was repeated by the club.

Mrs. O. B. Leach reported on the annual Jones County party.

Plans were made for the club Christmas party to be held Tuesday night, December 20, at the Community center at 7 p.m.

There were nine members and one visitor, Mrs. Jessie Lenoir, present.

UP THE CANYON

By TOM RUSSOM

Well no rain, no wheat grazing, and not much activity, makes Jack a dull boy. The dough is still holding on and its awfully dry in our section of the county.

We understand we will have to sow 75 percent of our wheat allotment in order to hold our allotment. Farmers are waiting as long as they can before sowing the wheat. We hate to throw a lot of money into the dry soil.

Farmers have been receiving their cotton allotments this week. The cut in acres didn't please anyone. This winter farms 400 acres of land and can't get an acre of cotton. He is having a lot

ANNUAL STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

Notice is Hereby Given:

That the annual meeting of the stockholders of Farmers & Merchants National Bank of Merkel, Texas, will be held at the office of said Bank on Tuesday the 10th day of January 1956, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

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of fun listening to some of the boys talk that have a hundred acres or more and how unhappy they are over the cut in acres.

Jimmie Oliver son of Mr. and Mrs. John Oliver is at home for the Xmas holidays. Jimmie is stationed at San Francisco.

Mrs. E. H. Cordill is in the hospital. We hope she will be well soon.

The fourth annual all night singing will be held at Pioneer Church on New Year's Eve night. The night of Dec. 31. Singers from as far away as Snyder and Lubbock have sent word they will attend. Listen next Sunday morning over Sweetwater for more about the singing.

Mrs. R. E. Clemmer Jr. was a gracious hostess to the Blue Bonnet Home Demonstration Club

annual Christmas party, Dec. 6th. Mrs. Clemmer is the former Gwendell Smith of Abilene and Mr. Clemmer is a young farmer boy from the Hamby community. They own part of the W. H. Emminger estate. Our hats are off to the young couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace O. Boney and Mr. and Mrs. Lige Gamble attended the Abilene-Sunset football game in Abilene Saturday.

Mrs. Irene Barnes of Abilene visited with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Barnes and family Sunday.

Mrs. W. M. Elliott visited her brother, Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Shelton in Cisco Thursday. He had a serious operation early in December, but is improving now. His son, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Shelton and children, of Walla Walla, Washington, are visiting in Cisco to be with his father.

INCOME TAX PAYERS

If your books are closed for 1955 and you need my services in making your Tax Return, I have plenty of Forms and can make return now and mail after January 1st. Avoid the rush. Farmers will make their Social Security-Self Employment returns when filing tax return. If you Farmers do not have Social Security numbers, I have information cards to get same. Come early.

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APPLES --- lb. 12c

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Fresh
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