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SCHOOL HEADS, COACH GET CONTRACTS

At a recent meeting of the Merkel School Board, new three-year contracts were given to Mack Fisher, superintendent of schools, and Edwin Read, principal of the high school. Leon Walker, principal of the elementary schools, was given a three-year contract last January.

Head coach and athletic director for the Merkel schools, Robert Byerly, was given a two-year contract, and his assistants, William Tate, Jimmie Stubblefield, Charles Warford, and Mack Davis were given one year contracts.

Up The Canyon

By TOM
RUSSOM



Everything in the Canyon is quiet, not too much working going on. We're still having real fine weather. One stockman said the weather was sure saving on the feed bill.

However there is a lot of feeding going on. Wheat grazing is helping out some.

The report on the cattle market is everything but good.

Christmas is just a few days away and I haven't seen anyone ready for Christmas. I was in a store a few days ago and a lady came by me with a bundle in her arms and said, "I am glad Christmas just comes once a year." I said, "Isn't that so!"

Anyway, it's a happy time, a time when 4-H Club boys and girls have their parties. The Mulberry Canyon 4-H members had their Christmas party last Monday. What a time we all had. You'd think Maurice Johnson, Irvin Davis and a number more of us were 4-H boys.

Say, have I told you of you about how we are living at home at our place? Well, we have the family cow and eight hens for home use. I just wanted to see how it was to live at home. We have plenty of milk and butter on the table — but no eggs.

We were feeding the hens just table scraps and getting six eggs a day. Of course, I thought they should lay an egg a day. I went and bought a sack of feed to feed them — and not one egg are we getting now.

Well, I carried our home-raised hog to the locker this week, thinking we should have him for Christmas and they told me it would be 29 days before they could cure the hams. We used to cure them at home in a little while — an hour or so.

This week I was in Loraine eating lunch when a fine looking West Texan walked up to me and said:

"I am Congressman George Mahon."

I arose and said, "I am Tom Russom of Merkel."

He said he was glad to see me so I think it pays to keep our eyes and ears open, even when we are away from home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Scott had his sister and family in their home over the week end — from Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Martin of Abilene visited her parents Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vee White of Merkel were also visitors at Pioneer Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Delton Pentecost of Abilene were visitors in her father's home. He is Ray Orsborn. Ray's other daughter, Velman, was home. She is attending business college in Abilene.

MRS. MELLINGER FUNERAL IN TYLER

Funeral for Mrs. Max Mellinger, 73, was held at 2 p.m. Friday in Loyd James Funeral Home in Tyler with burial in Tyler Cemetery.

Mrs. Mellinger died at 8:45 a.m. Thursday following a brief illness.

Born Sallie Freedman July 16, 1891 in York, Penn., she married Max Mellinger June 15, 1912 in Lockhart. After operating dry goods stores in Johnson City and Kenedy, they moved to Merkel in 1920.

Survivors are her husband; three sons, Isadore, Meyer and Sylvian, all of the home; one brother, Jake Freedman of San Antonio; four sisters, Mrs. M. Rosenwasser of Lockhart, Mrs. Sol Edleman of Tyler, and Mrs. Leah Cosel of Dallas.

The family requested that any



MRS. MAX MELLINGER
... rites in Tyler

remembrances be in the form of contributions to the building fund of the Congregation Mizpah of Abilene.

Dorcas Class Holds Meeting

Members of the Dorcas Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met in the Banquet Hall for a social and business session.

Autumn flower arrangements were on display.

Mrs. Susan Swann received a gift of potted flowers. The meeting was presided over by president, Mrs. J. W. Tiner.

Opening prayer was given by Mrs. Dent Gibson. Devotional was led by Mrs. Charlie Sherrill. Music was by Mrs. T. T. Earthman and Christmas carols were sung by Mrs. Doyle Barnes.

Driver Education Car Furnished

An open note of appreciation to the Max Murrell Chevrolet Co. for furnishing a new Driver Training Car for the Trent School has been written by the fourteen members of the class.

Supt. Wray Williams released the note, which said in part:

"This car is a beautiful, eight cylinder Bel Air. The color is beige."

There are 14 members, all freshmen of the class. They are:

Tony Acuna, Johnny Beavers, Nora Lynn Beavers, Sanvador Borrego, Roy Daniels, Linda Griffith and Larry Hellums.

Also Lonnie Morgan, Wanda Moses, Ronnie Ponder, Dawson Region, Ann Reggan, Betty Sharp, Larry Steadman and Ginger Williamson.

COLORFUL PIONEER

J. K. HIGGINS RITES HELD AT MERKEL

J. K. Higgins, 92, retired Taylor County farmer and rancher, died at 11 a.m. Dec. 13 at his home on Route 1, Merkel.

Born July 31, 1872, in Navarro County, he was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Higgins. When he was four years old, he moved with his family to Lampasas where his father was driver of a stagecoach between Lampasas and Nacogdoches.

Following the death of his father, he came to the Abilene area in 1887 and worked as a cowboy. In 1888, he and 14 other men went on a cattle drive to Abilene, Kan., with a herd of 3,000 head of cattle.

The trail crew delivered the cattle and took a woodburning train back to Merkel. Mr. Higgins told of an incident involving Cole Younger, once a member of the Younger Brothers gang of outlaws, who had been hired as a railway guard.

Announcement

The Bookmobile will not make its usual stop in Tye, Trent and Merkel on Sat., Dec. 26. Books that would normally be due on Sat., Dec. 26, may be returned on Sat. Jan. 9th, when the Bookmobile will keep its regular schedule. A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year is extended to all from the Bookmobile staff.

The Lions Club Turkey Shoot will be held at the Civil Defense Building, Sat., Dec. 19. Firing will be by .22 rim - fire with iron sights.

Santa Claus Schedules Merkel Parade Monday

NAMING OF CONTEST WINNERS PLANNED

BULLETIN
NORTH POLE — Dec. 17
(Special to The Merkel Mail)
— Santa Claus is scheduled to arrive by helicopter in Merkel just prior to the Christmas parade.

Plans have been completed for Christmas in Merkel and Santa will make his grand entrance here Monday at 4:30 p.m. in the downtown parade.

The parade will form at Second and Runnels traveling through the downtown area.

More than 12 floats have been entered in the competition and many others will be participating in the non-competitive portion of the parade.

Known participants in the parade are The Brushstombers, Fortnightly Study Club, Garden Club, Beta Sigma Phi, F&M Bank, Taylor Electric Cooperative, Band Boosters, Future Homemakers of America, Cheer leaders, Cub Scouts, Optimists, Fire Department, Civil Defense Unit, High Steppers, Badger Band, individuals and children.

Boy Scouts will help direct the parade.

Yule Decoration Contest Planned

Plans have been announced for the annual Christmas decoration contest, sponsored jointly by the Merkel Chamber of Commerce and the local garden club.

Deadline for entries is Tuesday, and judging will be held Thursday. The Anson Garden Club will furnish judges.

Winners will be announced and prizes will be handed out following the Christmas parade Monday, Dec. 21, at 4:30 p.m. First place winners in the three categories — door, window and yard — will be electrical appliances. Others will be recognized as honorable mention.

Mrs. Joe Hartley is president of the Merkel Garden Club and her contest committee will be made up of Mrs. Charlie Sherrill, Mrs. W. T. Sadler and Miss Christine Collins.

Funeral Held For Mrs. Davis

Mrs. Kenneth Dale Davis, 21, of 610 Rose St., in Merkel, died about 1 p.m. Sunday in Hendrick Memorial Hospital.

She gave birth to a son, Jimmie Dale, in Hendrick Hospital Friday.

Born Feb. 22, 1943, in Hendrick Memorial Hospital, she was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Woodard of Merkel. The family had been living in Merkel several years and she was married there to Kenneth Davis in 1961.

Mrs. Davis was a member of the First Baptist Church in Merkel.

Funeral was scheduled at 3:30 p.m. Monday in Elliott's Chapel of Memories with the Rev. Verl Cavin, Baptist minister from Mesquite, officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Memorial Park.

Survivors are her husband, her young son; her parents; a sister, Mrs. Jean Scott of Merkel; one brother, Ray Woodard of the home; and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Woodard of Route 6, Abilene.

After the parade Santa will make his headquarters at Merkel until Christmas.

One of the highlights of the parade will be the crowning of Miss Merry Christmas. Thirty-eight high school students have been nominated and voting boxes are located in each of the participating stores. Votes may be cast with each dollar purchase either cash or charge. Deadline for voting is 12 noon Monday, Dec. 21.

Names of those building the winning float will be announced. The residential lighting contest will be judged Monday night.

SOIL CONSERVATION SHOWS HOW RESPONSIBILITY IS DISCHARGED

Participation in the Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation poster and essay contest shows the ability to accept responsibility according to Bryan Bradbury, speaker for the awards banquet.

And, Bradbury said, the acceptance of responsibility is one of the greatest traits of mankind today.

He said the acceptance of responsibility in the field of soil conservation was of special benefit.

The banquet is sponsored by the Taylor Electric Cooperative of Merkel and the Middle Clear Fork SCD.

Norman Winter, TEC manager, gave the awards to essay winners. Harry Holt, farm and ranch editor for KRBC-TV, gave out the awards in the poster contest. Clive Pierce, Taylor County School Superintendent, was master of ceremonies.

More than 200 attended the

Newton Named 'Coach of Year'

Ralph Newton of Trent has been named "Coach of the Year." Mr. Newton has been teaching at Trent since 1962 and has coached both football and basketball.

He has had two good years in basketball, winning at State in '63 and '64.

The girls' team has just won the Dyess tournament, and four of the girls made the all-tournament team. The girls are: Diana Lewis, forward, scoring 28 points; Barbara McAninch, forward with 21 points; Kaye McWilliams, guard; and Sue Dickerson, also a guard. All four girls are seniors at Trent High School.

The Trent High School Boys Basketball team will be in a Stamford Tournament Dec. 18, 19 and 20th.

NEW EDITOR NAMED FOR MERKEL MAIL

Allen Hill, native of Fort Worth, has been named editor of The Merkel Mail.

He replaces Jonnie Hill (no relation) who is going to a newspaper in Irvin.

Hill now lives in Potosi but will move to Merkel with his family after the birth of a child, which is expected in December.

The new editor came to Merkel



AREA WINNERS — These youngsters were among the winners of the soil conservation contest awards banquet. Left to right are Cheryl McElmurray, Trent; Valorie Buntin, Annetta Stephen and Andy Stephen, all of Merkel. Andy was named overall winner. (Staff Photo)

Monday night banquet in contrast to approximately 30 who attended the first meeting five years ago.

Pierce said a Merkel man, Holland Teaff, was outstanding for the service he has given the con-

servations service — the field he loved. Teaff was absent due to an automobile accident. Pierce said he knew that all present prayed that "next year the friend of the soil might be with us."

GOODFELLOWS STILL NEED WORKERS

Letters asking for help at Christmas — the tender time for the unfortunate — are pouring into the Goodfellow Headquarters.

They say:

"I saw your Goodfellow plan in the Merkel Mail and I am writing to you hoping you will be able to help us my husband was lay off his job since July I am the mother of 9 children in all but 7 at home now 5 boys in school ago... a baby needs cloths for winter shoes I appreciate if you goodfellows help us for we have no money to buy cloths — I would like much for have a christmas meal for them — my man get 36 dollar a week unemployment pay —"

and here is another:

"I am asking you for a donation for Christmas. My husband is 65 years old and not able to work and we're not going to have Christmas this year. There are seven in the family from 7 to 17 years of age, going to school. I hope you can help me to make a merry Christmas for my family."

And there is a stack of letters — take your pick.

Money and toys and food and clothing are being turned into the chamber of commerce office and to the F&M National Bank.

However, Dave Gamble, head

of the Goodfellows this year, says there is a great need for workers to repair toys, dolls, dress dolls and help with the program.

Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club Meets

The Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club held its annual Christmas party Monday.

President Mary Johnson called the meeting to order. Leonard Schooler gave the American pledge, and Katy Neill led the 4-H Club pledge and prayer.

Poems were read by Anita Reed, Glen Byran, Judy Brnovak and Robert Clemmer.

Katy Neill and Mark Dudley led in singing Christmas songs, while Myrtle Davis and Donald Russom directed games.

Gifts were exchanged. Organizational leaders, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Russom, received gifts.

Refreshments were served to visitors Larry Orsborn, Lonnie Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Del Davis, Mrs. Sam Butman, Lenel Schooler and Mrs. L. A. Dudley.

Besides the visitors and members, 16 parents were present.

Garden Club Holds Meeting

Miss Christine Collins was the program leader, when the Merkel Garden Club met in her home. Mrs. Hargrove brought word from the chamber of commerce on the Christmas Lighting Contest, and was promised co-operation from Garden Club members.

Members brought miniature Christmas trees for distribution to shut-ins.

Mrs. Tom Largent reviewed the book "Voiceless Lips" by Nell Outlaw, mentioning at least sixteen flowers, and their meanings, ending with the quotation "Each flower has some message for those who look on them with understanding. Truly they are Masterpieces of God."

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Linda L. Brooks, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Court of Domestic Relations 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 28th day of December A.D. 1964, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 21st day of September A. D. 1964, in this cause, numbered 1418 on the docket of said court and styled Thomas E. Brooks, Plaintiff, vs. Linda L. Brooks, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on the 22nd day of May, 1964, and separated on the 30th day of June, 1964. Plaintiff's Original petition states that there were no children born of this marriage; petition further states that there is no community or personal property accumulated during

the marriage; plaintiff sues on grounds of harsh, cruel and unusual 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 11th day of November A. D. 1964.

(Seal)
Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,
Domestic Relations Court
Taylor County, Texas.
By Millie Scott, Deputy.

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TO: Shirley Lee Williams, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Court of Domestic Relations 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 11th day of January A. D. 1965, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 8th day of November A. D. 1963, in this cause, numbered 657 on the docket of said court and styled Wynona Williams, Plaintiff, vs. Shirley Lee Williams, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married 10th day of August, 1962 and became permanently separated on or about 16th day of August, 1963.

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 24th day of November A.D. 1964.

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Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,
Domestic Court
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By Irene Crawford, Deputy.

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OF REAL ESTATE SHERIFF'S SALE

State of Texas, County of Taylor. In the 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas. Betty Munselle, a widow, Plaintiff, vs. Jack Hamilton, et ux, et al. Defendants.

Whereas by virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said Court on the 2nd day of November, 1964, in favor of the said Betty Munselle, a widow, Individually and as Guardian of her minor daughter, and against the said Jack Hamilton, et ux, et al, No. 29,232-A on the docket of said Court, I did, on the 4th day of December, 1964, at 5:00 o'clock p.m. levy upon the following described tract and parcel of land situated in the County of Taylor, State of Texas, being the property on which Vendor's and Deed of Trust Lien was foreclosed in said judgment in favor of Plaintiff, to-wit:

Located in Taylor County, Texas, and being Lot No. Four (4) Anderson's Subdivision of Not. No. One (1), Block No. 208 of the City of Abilene, according to the maps and plats thereof of record in the County Clerk's Office of said County, here referred to for further description. Said property is located in Taylor County, Texas;

And on the 5th day of January, 1965, being the first Tuesday of said month between the hours of 10:00 o'clock a.m. and 4:00 o'clock p.m. on said day, at the Courthouse door of said County, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash all the right, title and interest of John D. Hamilton and wife, Rachel Hamilton, Triangle Aluminum Industries, Inc., North American Acceptance Corporation and Southeastern Fund, a corporation, in and to said property.

Dated at Abilene, Texas, this 4th day of December, 1964.

J. D. WOODARD
Sheriff of Taylor County,
Texas
By Garland N. Ellison

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TO: Jessie Mae Minnitt, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Domestic Relations 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 18th day of January A.D. 1965, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 23 day of June A.D. 1964, in this cause, numbered 1138 on the docket of said court and styled Tommy Jerrall Minnitt Plaintiff vs. Jessie Mae Minnitt, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married June 13, 1959. They were separated on or about September 2, 1959. It is unknown whether or not there were any children born. Plaintiff sues on a three year abandonment. There is no community property.

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 4th day of December A.D. 1964.

(Seal)
Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,
Domestic Relations Court,
Taylor County, Texas
By Marie Gill, Deputy.

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MR., MRS. WARREN HOST REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Warren were host to a family reunion last week end of Mrs. Warren's brothers and sisters.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Flough, Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Flough, Eola; Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Flough, Fort Worth; Mr and Mrs. Sam Hill, Falturrias; Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Warren, Clyde; Mr. and Mrs. Mary R. Hines, Albuquerque, N. M.; and Mrs. Delia McAlister, Abilene.

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ATTENTION MOTHERS — A day nursery is now open. Let us keep your child while you shop, work or attend special events. For further information contact Mrs. Thelma Wade, 207 Orange. Phone 8-6904. 26 tfc

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WANTED — Male. Full time help. Apply at Stuckeys Pecan Shop. 40 2tc

BARBIE IS LOOKING FOR A HOME — She has a large wardrobe and hopes to find a home before Christmas. If you would like to register for Barbie, call 928-6659 or go by Pat's Beauty Bar. Barbie is sponsored by the Tau Phi Lambda of Merkel. 40 1tc

PORTRAIT SPECIAL — One 8x10 matted brown tone portrait for \$1.00. Family groups \$2.50. 1516 Heath. 928-5957. Good until January 1, 1965. 41 2tp

COME BY — The Little Gift Shop. 811 S. 3rd. Phone 928-6963. Ruth Cox. 40 2tp

LOST — 2 Weimaraner dogs. Answer to Gretchen and Hans. Reward. Call 928-5884. 41 1tp

ALTERATIONS — For any of your alteration needs see Mrs. A. A. Reagan, 403 Rummells. Phone 928-5940. 39 2tp

TO GIVE AWAY — Two water spaniel male puppies, 9 weeks old. Call 928-5568 or see at 912 N. 6th. 40 1tp

OPEN — Frank's Fireworks Stand. Will open December 15. One mile north on Noodle Highway. 40 2tp

WANTED — House cleaning by hour. Available Tue, Wed, and Friday afternoons. Call 6102 Noodle. Lorene Voigt. 40 2tp.

SPARE TIME INCOME — Refilling and collecting money from new type high quality dispensers in this area. No selling. To qualify, you must have car, \$540 to \$1440, cash, seven to twelve spare hours weekly. Highly profitable way to increase monthly income. Can expand. For personal interview write P. O. Box 612, Aurora, Colorado. Include phone. 41 1tp

REWARD for bicycle taken from 1417 No. 2nd. Purple and white. Notify Oma Davis Laundry or call 928-5911. 41 2tp

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FOR RENT — Rooms and furnished apartments. Bills paid. MERKEL HOTEL. Phone 8-7671. 45 tc

FOR RENT — House at 804 Locust St. Phone Vivian Davis, 928-6622 or 928-5851. 22 tfc

FOR RENT — Modern 2 bedroom house — unfurnished. \$50. Call days, Carsons, nights, 928-6902. John O. Young. 35 tfc

FOR RENT — Two bedroom house, fenced back yard, car port, plumbed for washer, 403 Edwards, \$50.00 month. Call Fred Starbuck. 39 tfc

FOR RENT — 2 room furnished apartment, private bath, 1311 S. 2nd St. phone 928-5032. 40 tfc

FOR RENT — Modern house, 2 bedroom and den, located 5 miles SW of Hodges. Johnny Devaney. VA 4-2096. 41 2tp

FOR RENT — Large 3 room apartment 7th & Oak. A. B. Patterson, 928-6901. 41 2tp

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FOR SALE — One 3 bedroom house on south side and one 2 bedroom house on north side. See or call Oddie Jones, 928-6906. 37 4tp

FOR SALE — 3 bedroom, 2 baths, carpeted throughout, concrete block fence, nice part of town. Call 928-5773. 39 tfc

FOR SALE — Four male Bassett Hound pups, 6 weeks old. \$15 each. Call 928-5396. 39 1tc

FOR SALE — One car butane tank and one B flat Bundy clarinet. Call Trent 862-2622. 39 2tp

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FOR SALE — 130 acre farm, 15 miles north of Noodle on Clear Fork. It has 3/4 mile of river. 1/2 mineral goes. Will take some trade. W. W. Toombs. 40 tfc

FOR SALE — Bundled hay grazed, 10c per bundle. Curtis Clyburn, Rt. 1, in front of Stith Church, phone 928-5780. 40 1tp

FOR SALE — Gentle riding horse, excellent for children, 1107 S. 1st St. Phone 928-7671. 40 1tc

FOR SALE — Gray Mouton. New — worn one time. Call 928-5712 during week day or call 928-5317 after 5 p.m. and on week ends. 40 1tp

FOR SALE — Girl's bicycle, need tires, \$10. Call 928-5712 during day or call 928-5317 after 5 p.m. and on week end. 40 1tp

FOR SALE — 500 bales of hay. Contact George Denman 928-5819. 41 2tp

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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: Eugene Wood, and wife, if any; J. S. Rice and wife, if any; and W. H. Monk and wife, if any, and if said persons or any of them be dead, the legal representatives of each of said named defendant, and the unknown heirs of each of said named 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 25th day of January, A. D. 1965, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 11th day of December A.D. 1964, in this cause, numbered 29,388-A on the docket of said court and styled Freda West Jones, a widow, W. B. Jones, Jr., Trustee George David Jones, Trustee and John Paul Jones, Plaintiffs, vs. Eugene Wood and wife, if any; J. S. Rice and wife, if any; and W. H. Monk and wife, if any, Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit for title and possession on the property described in Taylor County, State of Texas, to-wit: Being Lot No. Thirteen (13), Eugene Wood's Subdivision of the South 1/2 of Lot 1, Block No. 177, City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, SAVE AND EXCEPT the East 10 feet of said Lot 13, 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 save 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 the 11th day of December A.D. 1964.

(Seal)
Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk
42nd District Court
Taylor County, Texas.
By Janie Brock, Deputy. 41 4tc

type of merchandise is most popular, but in wandering around I found many items that appealed to me, and I'm sure that some of them will appeal to you, too.

If you are interested in riding gear, you will find a complete selection at Bullock's Hardware. Almeda has a top - grade rope, stretched and singed for only \$1.95. This is a great buy for a lasting gift. She also has rope cases that would be ideal for these needing storage for their good ropes. These cases are priced from 14.95. Blankets? She's got some beauties, along with all the other riding accoutrements.

Another item that caught my eye was a convertible flashlight. Converts from 3-cell to 6-cell. If you need a powerful light, this should fill the bill for 5.95 plus batteries.

If you need games, Bullock's has a variety from 1.95 to 4.95.

Across the street at Crawford's you'll want to check his new stock of suits by "Style Mart." These are the newest styles at very reasonable prices. Crawford's also features sport coats by "Style Mart" in a blend of dacron and wool at 19.95. Along with the outer apparel, they have received a new shipment of Jayson shirts, and included in this shipment is the new "Jac" by Jayson. Need some comfortable house shoes? Try their "Daniel Green" brand for men and women.

At Bragg's, while shopping for the wife, I saw a large selection of robes in a full run of materials and colors, at prices from \$3.99 to \$16.95.

"Tex 'N' Jeans," to go along with the riding apparel, were \$3.98 and Tom Boy Stretch jeans were

priced at \$4.98. Mary Grimes has some unusual gifts, too, so if you can't find what you need, try her "gift table." From purse kits to Fieldcrest electric blankets.

Down the street at Wilson's Jewelry, I was amazed at the variety of merchandise displayed, and on hand. First of all, since I like center pieces, I noted the glassed candles. These candles are in various sizes and colors, and would make very attractive centerpieces for the yule season. Just add greenery and imagination.

Wilson's retains a very good line of "Caravelle" watches. These watches are reasonably priced from \$10.95 to \$22.95, and carry a year's guarantee. If you want to rejuvenate your present watch, turn it over to Woody Wilson for an over-haul, and let him add a smart-looking band by "Speidel." Bands range from \$4.95 to \$12.95.

CEMETERY FUND

Recent donations to the Merkel Cemetery Association were: Martha Jane Swafford, Dallas Ernest Old, Abilene Dr. and Mrs. Jarrett Williams, Merkel Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson, Merkel George Bishop, Merkel Mr. and Mrs. Bill Evans, Farmington, N.M.

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Ford-Sobczyk Engagement Told

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Ford Jr., of Merkel, are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Mary Billieruth to A2C David C. Sobczyk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ches-

ter J. Sobczyk of Madison, Wis. Miss Ford is a 1964 graduate of Merkel High School. Airman Sobczyk is a graduate of West Anchorage High School in Anchorage, Alaska, and has attended Alaska Methodist University. He is presently stationed at Dyess Air Force Base. The wedding will be Jan. 8.

SOCIETY



By MRS. T. J. AMASON
Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Moore and daughter, Marijohn of Quannah, were guests of his mother, Mrs. Ira Moore through Thanksgiving holidays. Also visiting Mrs. Moore were Mrs. Verne Terry and grandson, Glenn of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Moore and family of Brownfield.

Dr. and Mrs. Armour and daughters, Gloria and Barbara of Rockdale were visitors in the home of her mother, Mrs. Irene Pomroy, on Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Winter and son, Karl, visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Corder of Huntsville, through Thanksgiving. Miss Rutha Lew Corder of Denton was another visitor of the Corders in Huntsville.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Davis and Mrs. E. W. Dowell of Hobbs, N. M., and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Davis of Amarillo, were house guests of the Rev. and Mrs. W. G. Richardson recently.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Miller were Mr. J. R. Willimon of Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis-Spoon Moore

of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Clyde Horton of Abilene were visitors in the home of his mother, Mrs. Edna Horton.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Thaxton have returned home after visiting in the home of their son, John, in Dumas.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nalley visited in the home of their daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. Estel Hunter and family of Arlington.

Mr. and Mrs. James Winter and family of Mason were guests of his mother, Mrs. Joe Winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Doan and family of Odessa were visitors in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Doan. Also visiting the Doans was their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Shaw, and children of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Doan and son, Mark, of Lubbock, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Jacobs and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dean.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Moore and daughter Marijohn, of Quannah were recent visitors of her mother, Mrs. John Mansfield.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Dunigan and sons of Morringsport, La., Mr. and Mrs. Caly McCrow and son and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cook and daughter of Abilene were recent visitors in the home of Mrs. Jewell Dunigan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Berryman of Clyde were visitors in the home of his mother, Mrs. Bettie Sue Berryman.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carey of Lubbock were week end visitors in the home of his mother, Mrs. Mary Carey.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Bud Toombs were Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Toombs from Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry McWilliams and children from Henrietta and her sister and brother in law, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Armstrong from Big Spring. Also visiting in the home of Mrs. Toombs were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coleman and daughter, Sue, from Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Dye, Byron Patterson and daughter, Diane, and two children from Greenville were visitors in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Patterson.

Visitors in the home of Charles Curb and Bettie Sue Beryman were Mr. and Mrs. John Curb, Mr. and Mrs. George Curb from Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Ward Berryman and children of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Alph Holtzalow of Dallas and Billy and Don Ford of Denton visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ford Smith Sr. They all went deer hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Whitlock and daughter, Mrs. C. L. Woodward of Hico visited in the home of his daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Coop. Also visiting in the Coop home were Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Petrie and sons, Bill and John, of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Y. Buchanan visited in the home of their daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Petree in View.

Mrs. C. B. Knight and Charles visited in the home of her son, Bruce, in Midland.

The Rev. and Mrs. John Ferguson and children of Halfway were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Denzil Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sledge and sons, Ricky and Randy, of El Paso, were visitors in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sledge.

Mrs. Mary Carey visited in the home of her daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Walters in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Farmer and daughters of San Antonio were visitors in the home of her mother, Mrs. Callie Price.

Mrs. Chester Imes of Dallas was a visitor in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lagent, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Foss of Portales, N.M., were guests in the home of her brother and sister in law, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason.

D. A. Hutcheson of Abilene was a visitor in the home of his mother, Mrs. E. L. Goode.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Earthman of Abilene were visitors in the home of his mother, Mrs. T. T. Earthman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Dixon of Andrews visited in the home of his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Dixon.



HOWDY, PARDNER! — Cindy Whisenhunt receives a few words of congratulations from Col. Edward O. Martin, Dyess AFB commander. Cindy won the best all-round cowgirl event for ages 12 and under in the Western Field Day, held at the Dyess riding stables. (USAF Photo)

Gardeners Hold Christmas Party

The Gay Gardeners of Merkel met Tuesday in the elementary school library for their annual Christmas party.

Mrs. Bill Brown, adult leader, was hostess.

Judy Hester acted as Santa Claus and passed out gifts from

the Christmas tree.

Refreshments were served to ten members.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Harris of Snyder were visitors in the home of his mother, Mrs. E. C. Harris recently.

Joe Amason of Noodle was a visitor in the home of his father, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason Saturday.

Mrs. W. T. Sadler Heads Bridge Club

The Merkel Bridge Club held a business meeting to elect officers for 1964 - 65.

Sylvan Mellinger, out going president, conducted the meeting.

Mrs. W. T. Sadler was elected to serve as president.

Other officers are Marka Rowland, vice president and Meyer Mellinger, secretary treasurer.

Directors are Sylvan Mellinger, first director; Pat Dalziel, second director and Stan Sutton of Abilene, third director.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Massey of Tulsa were visitors in the home of his sister, Mrs. Maggie Wilson.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE (Real Estate)

By VIRTUE OF AN JUDGMENT issued out of the Honorable 14th Judicial District Court of Dallas County, Texas, on the 16th day of September A. D. 1964, in the case of Jack R. Unger versus William E. Ausburne and Veri-Metrics, Inc., and Veri-Facts, Inc., No. 86,609-G, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 4th day of November A. D. 1964, and will between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock

P. M., on the first Tuesday in January A. D. 1965, it being the 5th day of said month, at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Abilene, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which William E. Ausburne had on the 16th day of September, A. D., 1964, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property, to-wit: 5137 La Mesa, Abilene, Texas, Recorded in Vol. 653, Page 392, Lot 7, Block 2, Section 4, Alameda Addition to the City of Abilene, County of Taylor, Texas.

Said property being levied on as the property of William E. Ausburne and will be sold to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$2,500 with interest at 6 per cent per annum from Sept. 16, 1964 in favor of Jack R. Unger, and

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J. D. WOODARD
Sheriff Taylor County, Texas
By Robert H. Alexander,
Deputy. 40 3tc

Former Merkel Womans Husband Dies In Lubbock

Services for Oscar K. Pollard, 73, husband of the former Maggie Luckey, formerly of Merkel, was held Dec. 5 in Asbury Methodist Church in Lubbock. The Rev. J. Waid Griffin, pastor, officiated.

Assisting was the Rev. Wayne Cook, Methodist chaplain.

Burial was in the City of Lubbock Cemetery.

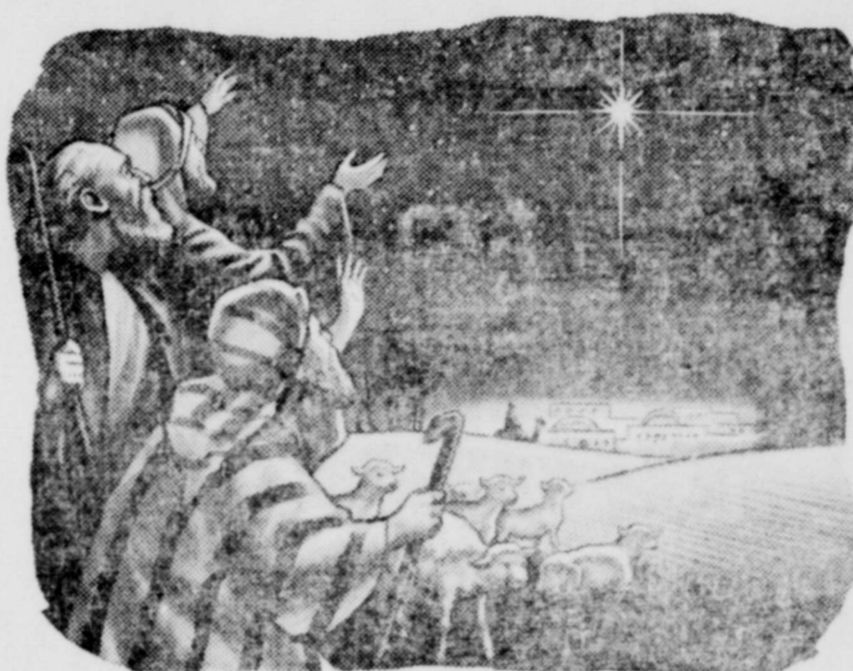
Pollard died Thursday afternoon in the Veterans' Hospital in Big Spring.

A veteran of World War I, Pollard was a member of VA Barracks and Ashbury Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Jack, Fort Worth; a daughter, Mrs. John Underwood, Sudan; a step-son, Bill Hunter, Abilene; a step daughter, Mrs. Charles Lovett, Enid, Okla.; a brother, Floyd Pollard, Phoenix, Ariz.; two sisters, Mrs. Vona Owens, DeKalb, and Mrs. Vina Davis, Snyder, and 11 grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Derrington and daughters, Mrs. Manfred Norster, Mrs. Horace Childress, Mrs. E. C. Harris and Mrs. A. R. Horton were dinner guests in the home of their sister in law, Mrs. Willie P. Derrington in Abilene.

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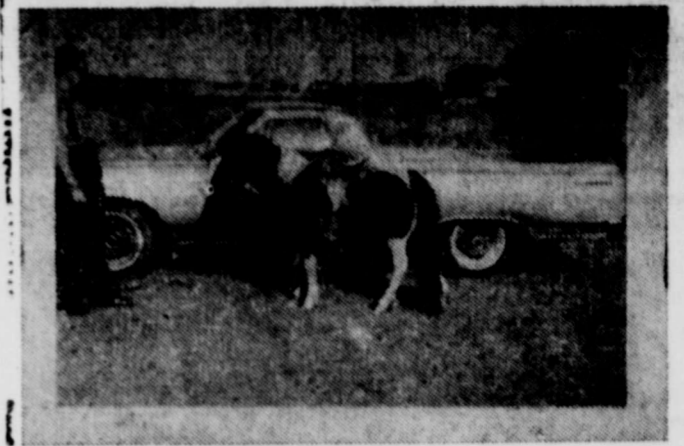
MEN'S WEAR

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THE MERKEL MAIL

One of the joys of the Christmas and New Year Season is the exchange of greetings. One of the happiest ways to display your greetings so that all may be included is with a Christmas or New Year announcement in The Merkel Mail, telling your friends, acquaintances — or even strangers — that you wish them well. Next week will be the traditional greeting edition of the Merkel newspaper, after that will come the New Year edition — with a round-up of the local events that made news during the year. Be sure you are included.

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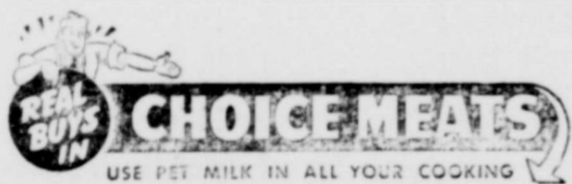
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