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A SHORT REST AFTER A LONG MOVE — Mrs. James D. Allen, secretary for Max Murrell Chevrolet, takes time out for a "break" in her new office. The move has been completed and all employees are in their new location at Interstate 20. (Staff Photo)

COMMUNITY FUND IS TIME CONSUMING

"It is my privilege to speak to you on behalf of the United Community Campaigns of America," said President Johnson on an all television and radio network recently. "In your community, continued the President, "the

campaign may be called the United Fund or the Community Chest, the United Crusade, or the United Give's Fund. But whatever it is called, it represents the reaching out of the American hand of compassion and concern."

Mr. Johnson described the record established by the United Way as "a very proud one." He said it is the story of local men and women mobilizing to help their fellow citizens of every race and of every creed through voluntary health and welfare efforts. The Merkel Community Fund is doing just that. It is the story of local men and women volunteering their time and efforts to reach the \$4,000 goal set for this campaign.

"The Merkel Community Fund deserves our best attention," said chairman Johnny Cox. "It calls for our understanding and our support." Appreciation has been expressed by committee chairman in regard to the response by citizens "who have already been contacted." Committee chairmen are Herman Carson, out of town businesses; Earl Hughes, advance specials of the business section, and Mrs. David Gamble, women volunteers.

Talent Contest Winners Named

Winners in the Talent Contest, sponsored by the Band Parents' Club, were Sherry Pitt, first; Judy Hester, second and Karlen Gamble, third of the Primary and Elementary group. The "Rag Knots" were first place winners in the High School group, with Almer Barnes second, and "The Gubers," third. Judges for the contest were Paul Engelstad, professor of Music at McMurry College and Sharon Goodwin, a Hardin - Simmons University drama student.

Mrs. Glenn Reed, Talent Contest publicity chairman, expressed "appreciation to merchants who donated prizes and participants who gave of their time and talent to make the show a success."

"An extra thank you goes to the 'Rag Knots,'" said Mrs. Reed, "for donating their winnings to the Band Club."

Mrs. Reed said that proceeds would be used to pay for band equipment.

Editorial

We are now in the second week of our Community Fund Drive.

Our goal of \$4,000 is a long way off. May we please urge everyone who has a list to finish it as quickly as possible. We all know, but often do not realize the urgency and need of the great work these agencies are doing.

This is an area - wide project, not just Merkel alone. The Red Cross, the West Texas Rehabilitation Center and the other agencies apply to every one everywhere. People in the rural areas have an equal obligation as those in town.

Please mail or bring your contribution to the Farmers and Merchants National Bank, Merkel Drug or Johnny Cox.

If you live in town and have been missed, please do not wait for someone to call back, they are busy, too.

The need is desperate, the time is short; make a gift to someone in need, you will be glad you did.

Thanks
JOHNNY COX
Fund Chairman

Henry-Owen Ford Was Burglarized

Approximately \$230 was taken by safecrackers when they broke into Henry - Owen Ford agency early Tuesday.

Also taken in the break - in was a new 1966 Mustang, which was found missing shortly after the safecracking was discovered. Office manager, Carl Giles, was sure that the burglars "would not get very far in the Mustang without gassing up."

A quick check of area service stations revealed that no fill-up had been reported and the Mustang was found "about two and one - half miles east of Merkel on Interstate 20 on the south side by Jerry Pinetley's place, around noon."

Burglars entered the east side of the building and peeled back the top of the safe.

The loss was investigated by Chief Deputy Sheriff Bill McCay and Texas Ranger Sid Merchant of Abilene.

Announcement

Grace Presbyterian Church will have Chaplain Kenneth Israel as guest speaker for the Oct. 31 eleven o'clock hour.

Saturday, October 30 is date for the Lambda Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi's Halloween Carnival.

Parade-Pep Rally Highlight Homecoming Activities

Homecoming Date Is Sat., Nov. 6

Homecoming Time is almost here — only one week away — almost. If you happen to see some "exes" traveling a little faster you'll know that they are putting the finishing touches on preparations to make this Homecoming the best!

Committees are going all out to give a big welcome to exes when they start pouring into Merkel Friday, Nov. 5. The Homecoming date is Saturday, Nov. 6 — but ahead of time preparations are being made.

"We are still keeping our list open for merchants and civic clubs who want to enter the Homecoming Parade," said parade chairman Waymon Adcock. "Entries will be accepted up to Thursday, Nov. 4," Adcock said.

Festivities are ready to go and waiting for Saturday, November 6 to roll around.

Registration will begin the day at 8 a.m. at the West Texas Utilities, 123 Edwards Street. "This will be followed by a business meeting at 10 a.m. at the high school auditorium," said Homecoming President Pinkie Cypert.

Lunch will be served at the school cafeteria from 11 a.m. through 1 p.m. at \$1.50 each.

A downtown parade and pep rally are scheduled for 2:30 p.m., with participants assembling on North Second Street.

Participating in the parade will be members of the various graduating classes, local clubs and organizations, the Merkel Brush-stoppers, local high school band, Jim Ned High School band, Trent High School Band, and other floats and cars wishing to enter.

Prizes will be awarded for the best club or organizational float.

A pep rally will follow the downtown parade.

Top highlight of the homecoming festivities will be the Saturday night football game at 7:30 between Merkel and Jim Ned.

The 1965 Homecoming Queen will be crowned at halftime activities.

After the football game there will be a coffee in the school cafeteria, sponsored by the Class of 1945. Recognition of attending classes and the last drawing for door prizes will be held at this time.

Homecoming officers responsible for the planned activities for this year are Pinkie Cypert, president; Erroll Rutledge, vice president; Mrs. Howard Carson, secretary; Mrs. Bobby DuBose, treasurer; and Miss Sarah Salter, publicity.



ALL READY FOR THE SIGNAL—The Powder Puff football game was an eagerly awaited - for event by these senior girls, from left, Sherry Martin, Linda Rutledge, Sheila Holland, and Beverly McAnelly. The outcome of the Friday evening's activities was a win for the freshman and junior classes over the sophomore and senior classes. (Staff Photo)

FLOWER - ARRANGING WORKSHOP THEME

"Practice is of the utmost importance in mastering the art of flower - arranging," said Mrs. Ross Ferrier Jr., to members and guests of the Merkel Garden Club's workshop held Saturday, Oct. 23.

"You have an abundance of flower arranging materials," said Mrs. Ferrier. "Your yards, landscapes, and pastures have a variety of materials to use."

Mrs. Ferrier suggested taking a little child along on outdoor jaunts. "A little child is closer to nature," said Mrs. Ferrier, "and many times can see flowers and buds that grownups miss."

In flower arranging, Mrs. Ferrier reminded the group of the six principals of Design. They are: Balance, Proportion, Scale,

Dominance, Contrast, and Rhythm.

Mrs. Ferrier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bryan, Merkel, is widely known among garden clubs as a National Flower Show judge.

Garden Club members practiced making flower arrangements, with Mrs. Ferrier giving helpful instructions.

The Trent Garden Club was guests at the Saturday workshop.

Graveside Rites Held for W. H. Orr

Graveside rites for William Howard (Bill) Orr, 77, were held Thursday, Oct. 21, in the Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Orr was killed Tuesday, Oct. 19 in a highway accident near Wickert.

Born July 29, 1883, in Huntington, Tenn., Orr has been a resident of Monahans since 1937.

Survivors are his wife; a brother, Henry of Midland and a sister, Sally Orr of Merkel.

MERKEL MERCHANTS TRAVEL TO POST

The Postex Cotton Mills at Post was host to some sixteen Merkel merchants and civic leaders this Tuesday, Oct. 26.

The invitation came from Mr. Louise Burkes, plant manager, who took them on a tour of the mills.

The tour was followed by a noon luncheon with the Rotary Club.

The Postex Cotton Mills was originally founded by the late philanthropist, C. W. Post. Mr. Post's main objective in founding the mill was to provide an outlet, or local cotton market for the West Texas farmers and to enable Post to be self supporting.

The mill has changed ownership several times since its origin. It is now part of B. I. Cotton Mills Division of Burlington Industries. Burlington is the largest textile organization in the world today, operating 125 plants in 16 states. Its overseas operations are located in several foreign countries.

The Merkel group saw a recently completed modernized building and equipment to convert raw cotton into finished and packaged sheets and pillow cases.

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COAHOMA BULLDOGS TRAMPLE BADGERS

The Coahoma Bulldogs scored the first five times they got the ball to take a victory of 57-12 over the Merkel Badgers. The game was a District 6-A competition.

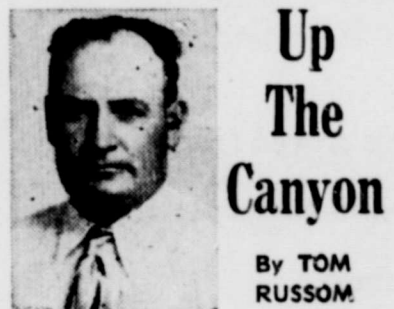
Bobby Pherigo went 80 yards on the opening kickoff to set the stage for the victory. The win gave the Bulldogs a 4-0 district record and left Merkel with a 2-2 mark.

Tony Butler scored three touchdowns, Eddie Torres added a pair and Marshall Williams and Chuck Pherigo each made one and Williams ran one over for Coahoma.

Roy Davis scored both of Merkel's touchdowns in the first and fourth quarters.

	Merkel	Coahoma
First Downs	5	21
Rushing ydg.	97	391
Passing ydg.	20	41
Passes	2-14	3-5
Passes intercepted	0	1
Punts	6-33.7	3-28.0
Fumbles lost	3	1
Yards penalized	4-40	10-69

The Merkel Badgers play Roscoe in a home game this Friday night.



Up The Canyon

By TOM RUSSOM

My, oh my, I am glad to say that the farmers here in the Canyon are having some very beautiful weather for harvesting or doing anything on the farms that has to be done.

The nights are cool and the days are a little warm, enough to still wear an old straw hat in the afternoon or an old gry bonnet.

This is some of the things that has been going on on our farm this week: Cotton harvesting, hay baling, grain sowing, cattle work, sheep work, or just about anything else you could think of on the farm. I love it! I was raised on the farm, married as a farmer, later entered ranching business with my wife's father, the late Sam Butman Sr., and later went into my own private farming and ranching setup of the Tom Russoms' and we love it!

What could be better than to wake up early in the morning after hearing those 5 o'clock roosters crowing and going into the kitchen to smell that coffee and bacon and eggs cooking and eating a fine breakfast, and getting out to take in some fresh morning air?

Perhaps saddling up old Toney or Shorty, our saddle horses, and going out to look over some cows or sheep, back in after a time and getting in the pickup and driving over to see the Latin Americans come in to start the cotton harvest off. Then, back by the grain drill to see how things are going and back home to see how the cook is coming along with dinner. Then, perhaps down in the easy chair for a little nap. Boy, that is what I call "living down on the farm."

That is part of what's going on

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MERKEL GARDEN CLUB WORKSHOP — Mrs. Ross Ferrier Jr., National Flower Show Judge, demonstrates the steps in flower-arranging to members and guests of The Merkel Garden Club. The finished display is called a triangular arrangement. (Staff Photo)

Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE



The farmers are hoping for a lot of sunshine, after the good rains received last week. Cotton harvesting was slowed down; the fields are white and hands are few.

The Halloween Carnival held at the Stith Community Center Saturday night was a success. The proceeds of \$120.00 will go for the up-keep of the center.

Mrs. Nora McDonald is visiting relatives in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones spent the week end in Amarillo visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Mundy of San Antonio, came for Mrs. Mundy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vantress, Saturday, and took them to Rogers, Ark. for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Pete Walsh and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Mundy.

Paul and Don Row of Edmon-

so visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley, the first of last week. They attended services at the Stith Baptist Church on Sunday morning.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Vantress and Jewel, Mrs. Bud Lilly, Mrs. W. L. Lilly, Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale returned home Friday night after a two week's visit with Mrs. Odell Newton, Kathy and Roger of Monahans, and Mr. and Mrs. James Hale of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Ely and children and Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Bond, visited Ronald Dee Bond in Snyder Sunday. Ronald was hurt in an automobile accident Thursday morning. He is improving.

Visitors attending services at the Stith Baptist Church Sunday morning were Mrs. Jessie Dillion and Jana Farmer.

The Rev. James Williams visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry Saturday night.

Jana Farmer of Merkel was a visitor in the Perry home.

Curtis Clyburn escaped serious injuries Saturday morning when a tractor tire he was putting on, fell on him. The accident happened at his home.

Mrs. Thelma Dedmon of Abilene visited her mother, Mrs. A. M. Evans Sunday.

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This balanced approach to the "weightiest" of problems facing both teen-agers and adults is interestingly and practically outlined in her latest book, "A Better Figure for You Through Easy Exercise and Diet", just published by Association Press.

Before embarking on any program of physical or mental self-improvement, you must first analyze yourself carefully, Dr. Vannier insists. Once this is done—and Dr. Vannier outlines simple methods of doing so—you are ready to begin on a program that cannot fail to bring satisfactory results.

Greater physical attractiveness is only one of the benefits to be achieved. The right exercise, for instance, can reduce tension and fatigue; improve circulation, respiration, digestion; develop coordination, muscle tone and physical endurance; benefit heart, internal organs and glands; strengthen bone structure; build resistance to disease; help retard or minimize physical and mental effects of aging; encourage restful sleep.

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to live better and longer, round out this balanced guide to fitness.

Dr. Vannier, who is Director of the Women's Division, Department of Health & Physical Education at Southern Methodist University, has sprinkled her book with humor and practical wisdom, that make it valuable, as well as absorbing reading.

Properly followed, "A Better Figure for You Through Easy Exercise and Diet" can be one of the most important books in your life.

PUGGY



by Horace Elmo



516th COMMANDER BUYS GOLD BRICK — Col. Vernon W. Froehlich, right, acting commander of the 516th Troop Carrier Wing at Dyess AFB, buys Jaycee Freedom Foundation brick. Sale was made by Airman Second Class Cory Lash, left, Airmen First Class Thomas E. Simmons and David R. Gee, all members of the Merkel Jaycees.

OPTIMIST CLUBS NAME YOUNG TEXAN

Ricky McMurray, winner of the Good Citizenship Award, has been named by the Merkel Optimist Club as Young Texas for the month of October.

"Ricky has performed outstandingly in the field of community service," said Optimist president, Truman Belcher, "and it is with pride that we nominate him as Young Texas."

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Clovis McMurray, Trent, Ricky was an honor roll student for the first eight years of his schooling. He has a perfect attendance award, the good citizenship award, and won the Extemporaneous Speaking Award in his junior year.

A graduate of Trent High School, Ricky is working with his father on their farm.

His athletic capabilities include: football, 4 years; basketball, three years; baseball, three years; tennis, four years and golf, junior and senior years. He was tri-captain of his football team his senior year; district honorable, junior year, and area honorable mention, senior year. In tennis, Ricky won district in 1964 and in golf he was first in district in 1964.

While a member of the Eighth Grade Band at Trent, Ricky won first place medal in all areas.

"He has been a leader in all FFA activities, president of Green Hand, and won grand championship prizes in stock shows several times," said Belcher.

A member of the Methodist Church, Ricky has held many offices in the Youth Fellowship or-



RICKY McELMURRAY
... named Young Texas

ganization. He sings in the choir and is featured soloist on many occasions.

Besides athletics, Ricky enjoys playing the piano for a hobby.

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HD CLUB Has Regular Meet

Miss Fern Hodge, district III Home Demonstration agent, was guest of the Jones County HD club meeting Oct. 30.

Annual reports were given by the council officers and committee chairman.

Also delegate reports were given at this meeting.

LEGAL NOTICE

Merkel City Council will receive bids for a dog catcher at the regular meeting Monday night, November 1st, at City Hall at 7:00 P.M.

VOTE FOR AMENDMENT 7

- Exempts private charity hospitals doing at least \$1,500,000.00 in free work per year from ad valorem taxes except those paid to the State of Texas.
- Exempts property only in the home county of hospital.
- Money saved on taxes must go to charity work in the hospital.
- Does not exempt state taxes.
- Helps private hospitals to help Texans.

Vote For
 Vote Against
(Pol. Adv. Pd. by Walter G. Sterling, Chairman)

Compere HD Club Studies Nutrition

"Manager's Road to Good Nutrition" was the program presented the Compere Home Demonstration Club, recently held in the home of Mrs. Eulan Hatfield.

Mrs. W. D. Ramsey and Mrs. Clyde Chancey stressed the four food groups — fruit, vegetable, milk, meat and bread-cereals in their presentation of "good nutri-

trition." They pointed out the importance of "planning your meals to travel the nutrition route for better health."

After a short business meeting, an annual report of the club's work was given by Mrs. Ramsey. Plans were also discussed for a Thanksgiving Supper.

Club members attending were Mmes. Ramsey, Adair, Ab Hunter Jr., Clyde Chancey and Eulan Hatfield. Guests were Mrs. Grady Bishop, Mrs. Harvey Allred, and two children, Shelia Adair and Penny Hatfield.

VOTE TO KEEP THE TRAPPER ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 JONES COUNTY

The farmers and ranchers in the trade territory north of Merkel are faced with the possibility of a disaster, the loss of the services of a valuable Agricultural helper, the predatory animal trapper. Jones County has employed a trapper for many years, paid for jointly by the County and other Governmental agencies. At the election next Tuesday you will be asked to vote on whether or not to continue this important service for the farmers and ranchers of this county.

During recent years many of the people have moved from the country to the cities and towns, and the wild animals, especially the coyotes and wildcats, have increased in numbers.

Unless the predatory animals are kept under control, it is impossible to raise sheep, goats, turkeys and chickens, and the coyotes sometimes even attack young calves. Coyotes and foxes also carry rabies, and are a menace to young humans, especially young children, as well as to livestock.

Our Jones County trapper has kept these animals under control for the past few years, and it would be a disaster to the farmers and ranchers of Jones County to discontinue his services.

VOTE TO HELP THE FARMERS AND RANCHERS BY VOTING TO CONTINUE THE SERVICES OF THE COUNTY TRAPPER

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GARAGE SALE — Saturday, October 30 — Clothing, misc. items. Jerry Gibson, Rt. 1, Merkel. 34 1tc

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UP THE CANYON

(Continued from Page One)

in the Canyon, and if you happen to be driving through our area, stop by for a little chat with us.

Pioneer Church members and pastor had supper at the Butman Youth Camp Sunday night, followed with a fine song service. After that, the preaching service and the get-together ended with games being played.

Dewell McLean, lay leader of Pioneer Church, announced Sunday morning that Tommy Cutler of the First Methodist Church, Merkel would speak at the eleven o'clock service this coming Sunday morning. So, let us all be sure to be at Pioneer Church this Sunday morning to hear Tommy speak. He is well-known in our community. Then, Bob Harris of Merkel, will speak at the Sunday night services. Bob has spoken in our church several times and is also well-known here. Let's all make an extra effort to come and hear these two fine boys who are giving of their time.

Well, an old rural carrier, (not an old man), Joe Nally, was seen riding out through the Canyon this week with Pinky Cyfert, our carrier. Nally said he was enjoying some of the work that he did for twenty five years as a rural carrier. October being his 25th anniversary, Joe said he still knows how to lick those stamps and stick them on letters.

TAYLOR COUNTY FB HOLDS CONVENTION

There were more than 100 Taylor County Farm Bureau members at the annual convention Saturday night, Oct. 23, in Jim Ned High School Cafeteria. The meeting wound up the year's program with a chili supper and an updated constitution and bylaws. The major change in the adoption of the bylaws was an increase in the yearly dues from \$10 to \$15. The members, also, approved five resolutions to the state convention in Dallas beginning November 14, elected 11 directors and eight delegates to the state convention.

The five resolutions approved to be submitted to the Texas Farm Bureau, included a recommendation that county commissioners be encouraged to rid the county roads of blind corners; that the dove hunting season be changed from Sept. 1 to Sept. 15; that use of urea in livestock feed be discouraged, or if used that proper labeling be required; that proper care of and an adequate disposal system be required around commercial feedlots; that a study of financing of rural electric and telephone cooperatives be continued.

Elected directors for three year terms were Dale Bradshaw, J. L. Edmondson, Carl Fozel, O. B. Leach, Loyd Perry, Rex Reagan, Billy Standard, J. M. Stowe, Johnny Teaff and Billy Vinson. Elected delegates to the state convention were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Atkins, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Leach, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Teaff, and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Waldrop. Alternates are Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Edmondson and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bradshaw.

Holdover directors are Rex Reddell, Buster Horton, Dick Atkins, Robert Stephan, Sam Beam, A. C. and R. C. Braune.

Mrs. James died Tuesday afternoon at her home in the Shiloh Community, following a short illness.

The former Mary Annie Burleson, Mrs. James was born July 2, 1892, in Wood County and moved to the Shiloh area with her parents in 1911. She married W. J. James Dec. 20, 1914 at Trent and had lived in the Shiloh Community since.

Surviving are her husband; two sons, W. Joe of Abilene and Robert R. of Merkel; two sisters, Mrs. J. M. Winter of Merkel and Mrs. R. D. Hamlin of Midland; and seven grandchildren.

Palbearers were Andrew Wheeler, Vessie Justice, Troy Sloan, O. D. Bland, Robert Riney and Cal McAninch.

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The Taylor and Jones County Fifth Sunday Singing Convention will be held in the Calvary Baptist Church in Merkel this Sunday afternoon, beginning at 1:30 p.m. Singers from a large part of West Texas will be there, so if you like real good singing, come out to hear them.

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REPORT OF CONDITION OF

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at the close of business October 13, 1965, a state banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District.

ASSETS	
1. Cash, balances with other banks, and cash items in process of collection	\$187,316.01
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	175,000.00
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	3,583.40
5. Corporate stocks (including \$3,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve Bank)	3,000.00
6. Loans and discounts (including 1631.30 overdrafts)	275,539.97
7. Bank premises owned \$500.00, furniture and fixtures \$2,605.00	3,105.00
11. Other assets	18.75
12. TOTAL ASSETS	\$647,573.13
LIABILITIES	
13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$503,957.87
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	683.08
16. Deposits of states and political subdivisions	10,212.71
19. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$514,853.66
(a) Total demand deposits	\$514,853.66
24. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$514,853.66
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
25. Capital: (a) Common stock, total par value \$25,000.00	25,000.00
26. Surplus	75,000.00
27. Undivided profits	32,719.47
29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$132,719.47
30. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$647,573.13

I, J. G. Wilks, President, of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this report of condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

We, the undersigned directors attest the correctness of this report of condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief is true and correct.

DIRECTORS

H. H. McLEOD
DOW WILLIAMSON
J. C. CRAIN

(SEAL)

State of Texas, County of Taylor ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th day of October, 1965.
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KEEPING TAB ON MERKELITES AND AREA RESIDENTS

By JACKIE DOAN

Recent visitors with Mrs. C. F. Stevens were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barrett, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Sandefor Hollingsworth, Stamford; Mrs. Stevens' niece, Mrs. Myrtle Fannin and Mr. Ollie Cohorn, Hamlin.

After spending some time with his mother, Mrs. J. R. Brown, Jimmy Brown left the first of the week for St. Clair, Mich., where

Merkel Student Receives Honor

One student at Merkel High School has been honored with Letter of Commendation for his high performance on the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (NMQST) given last spring. He is among 38,000 students across the nation recognized for scoring in the top two percent of students who will complete high school in 1966. The Commended students rank just below the 14,000 semifinalists announced last month.

Edwin E. Reed, the school's principal, has announced that the commended student is Odys Hayden Griffin Jr.

John M. Stalnaker, president of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation said: "These students are being recognized for their outstanding performance on the qualifying test. Theirs is a notable academic achievement."

"The Commended students have considerable ability, which should be developed through further education. They deserve every encouragement, and their promise is great. They represent an important intellectual resource which our nation needs," said Stalnaker.

he is employed by a Geophysical company there.

Mrs. W. W. Toombs has returned home after a two week visit with her daughter, Mrs. Jim Denison and children, Dianne and Katherine.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Alves are the parents of a new son, William Scott, born Oct. 19 at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. R. (Pinky) Cypert, Merkel, and Mrs. Mary Alves, Walingford, Conn.

Lt. Col. Billy G. Gant, his wife, Betty, and daughters, Debbie and Pam, visited his mother, Mrs. Sally Gant and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pee. Col. Gant is Chief of Medicine at Carswell AFB, Fort Worth. Ed Gant of Mobile, Ala., was also a visitor in the Gant home.

Beverly Butman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Butman of Mulberry Canyon, and Audrey Reagan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Reagan, sophomores at York College, York, Neb., recently attended a Mission workshop at Harding College, Searcy, Ark.

Terry Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil W. Ross, has been inducted into the U. S. Air Force. He left this week for his six-week basic training at San Antonio.

Freddie Toombs, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Toombs, is home now after a two-week stay in Hendrick Hospital. Freddie, a student at Abilene Christian College, still has to remain in bed several more weeks.

You missed a real treat if you didn't see the girls' Powder Puff football game Friday night! It was supposed to be flag ball, but some of the girls threw in what might be called an "innocent tackle" now and then.

Craig Litton of Texas Tech, Lubbock, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Litton.

Mrs. Ralph Russell (Janice) of Bossier City, La., paid several folks a fast visit Saturday. She was on her way home, after attending the funeral of Mrs. Fred (Margaret Hunter) Gary, in Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. Houston Martin attended the Homecoming at Eunice, N.M. this past week end. They attended the homecoming parade and the Coronation Ceremony of the Football Homecoming King and Queen. The football King for the Eunice Cardinals was the Martin's grandson, Skipper Malone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Malone, former residents of Merkel. Skipper is also the grandson of Mark Malone.

Mrs. Dorothy (Davis) Morris is "back in the Beauty Business" again. She is now employed at The Modern Beauty Shop.

Mrs. Dee Grimes and Mrs. Cyrus Pee of Bragg's Department Store, will leave Sunday for Spring Market in Dallas. Short Winter wasn't it?



TEXAS BEEF TO EUROPE — First air shipment of chilled beef to Germany is shown being loaded aboard a jetliner at Dallas' Love Field. Looking on are, from left, Texas Farm Bureau president C. H. De Vaney of Waco; Jack Estes Jr., Estes Packing Co., Fort Worth; and Don Chappell, Dallas, district sales manager, Pan American Airlines. The Texas Farm Bureau, working with Texas Direkt Import of Wiesbaden, Germany, initiated the shipment.

Wedding Plans

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Reamy announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Gayle Reamy Harwell to Mr. Joseph N. Swinney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Swinney, Rt. 2, Merkel.

A December wedding is planned.

Canyon 4-H Club Receives Awards

Eleven members of the Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club received awards at the recent Taylor County 4-H Awards Banquet, held at the Starlite Inn in Abilene. The banquet was sponsored by the Key City Kiwanis Club.

Receiving awards were club members Myrtle Davis, achievements; Betsy Johnson, dress revue; Judy Brnovak, food preservation; Mary Johnson, public speaking, and Katie Neill, the Texas sheep and goats, wool and mohair award.

Also Robert Clemmer, agricultural; Mark Clemmer, conservation of natural resources; Mark Dudley, foods and nutrition; Gaylon Brnovak, poultry; Mike Dudley, swine, and Donnie Russom, wildlife.

The club also won the Purple Seal Award.

Persons past age 65 can get help on their doctor bills through social security next July by agreeing to pay one-half of the \$6 per month cost, with the federal government paying the other half.

Students, aged 18-21 and unmarried, of deceased, disabled, or retired parents should see about collecting social security.



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Pepper and onion rings
Coney buns
Pineapple cake

TUESDAY

Oven cooked steaks, gravy
Buttered rice
Field fresh peas
Beet pickles
Hot biscuits and butter
Fruit jello
Milk

WEDNESDAY

Polish meat balls with rice and tomatoes
Buttered spinach
Buttered corn
Crispy corn bread and butter
Apricot cobbler
Milk

THURSDAY

Ham salad on lettuce
Green beans
Tomato slices
Sliced bread and butter
Sweet potato pie
Milk

FRIDAY

Hamburgers
Baked pork & beans
Lettuce, tomato, onions, pickles
Buns
Banana cup cakes
Milk

HARDESTY NAMED 'TEXAN OF MONTH'

Congratulations are in order for John Powell Hardesty, who has been selected as a co-winner of the North Texas District for the Optimist "Young Texan of the Month."

"Hardesty will compete with four other boys for the title Young Texan for the month of October," said R. L. Hobby, chairman of Young Texan of the Month Committee.

"The North Texas District is allowed to select two nominees to participate," said Hobby, "and John has been selected as one of the participants."

John, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hardesty, was the choice of the local Optimist Club as candidate for the Optimist Young Texan program in September of this year.

Under the Optimist program a Young Texan is selected each month, from nominations submitted by Texas Optimist Clubs," said Truman Belcher, president of the Merkel Optimist Club. "The nominee is given a state-wide recognition," said Belcher, "based on a well-rounded background in school, church and community activities."

The Young Texan Program takes nominations from each zone and district and through a process of elimination the winner on the statewide level will receive a \$2,000 scholarship. Runnersup will get up to \$1,000 each.



JOHN POWELL HARDESTY
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Hardesty, now a student at the University of Texas, will enter in state competition as a result of the North Texas District selection.



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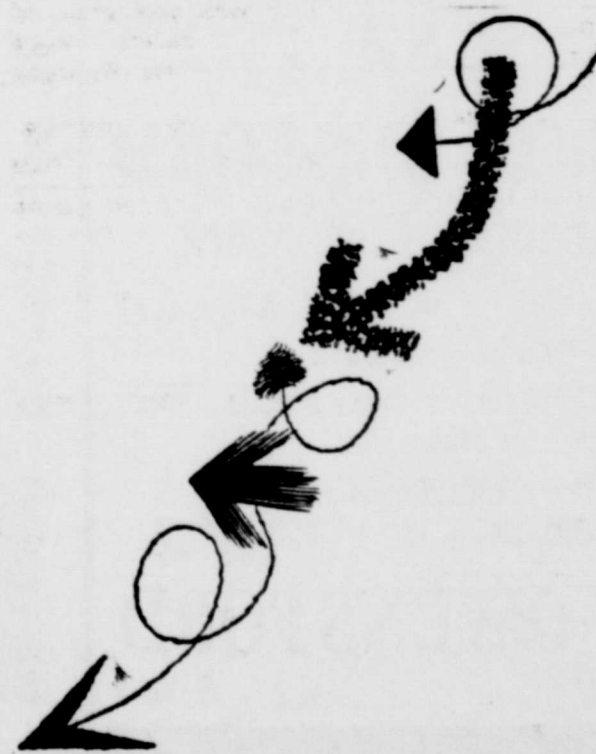
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Gov. Connally Urges Support Of Amendment No. 3

Governor John Connally warned recently that 1,721 aged residents of Taylor County will have their medical benefits jeopardized if Constitutional Amendment No. 3 fails to win passage in the November 2 election.

During the past year, \$365,685 was expended on behalf of these needy aged in this county. Gov.

Connally urged all Texans to support and vote for this crucial amendment.

Gov. Connally also endorsed Amendment No. 4 which extends the two-year terms of statewide officials to four years.

"Texas is one of the few remaining states which has not enacted this far-sighted and efficient legislation," Gov. Connally said.

The governor warned against voter apathy. He pointed out that only 1,436 voters in this county went to the polls last month in another Constitutional Amendment election.

A total of 10 proposed amend-



GOV. JOHN CONNALLY

ments to the Constitution will be on the November 2 ballot.

American Legion Sets Convention

(Special to The Merkel Mail) MINERAL WELLS — Legionnaires and Auxiliary members from the Seventeenth Congressional District will convene here on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 30-31, for their annual fall convention of The American Legion, Miller G. Blue, commander of Farris Anderson Post No. 75, has announced.

Registration will open at 1:30 p.m., Saturday, at the Legion Home and the Baker Hotel Lobby. There will be a social hour from two to five at the Baker Hotel room followed by the convention dance at eight-thirty.

Sunday activities will begin with a breakfast at 7 a.m. in the Baker Hotel.

The joint session of The American Legion and Auxiliary will convene at 9:15 a.m. in the Baker Hotel Room with B. McDaniel, Adjutant of Post 75, calling the meeting to order. M. G. Blue, District Sergeant at Arms, will have charge of the colors. Chaplain Dixon L. Turner of Mineral Wells will give the invocation and Robert Lodal, first vice commander of Post 75, will lead the Pramble.

Abilene Garden Club Host For Fall Meeting

The fall meeting of District VIII Texas Garden Clubs, Inc., will be held in Abilene on Nov. 5 with the Abilene Garden Club hosting the meeting at the Garden Center.

The schedule for the day's activities includes registration at 8:30, at the Abilene Garden Center; General Assembly at 9:30 and business at 9:45.

Also listed on the day's activities will be a message by Mrs. A. M. Aikin, president of the Texas Garden Clubs, Inc., at 10:50 a.m.

Luncheon will be at the Starlite Inn.

The afternoon meeting will be a program presented by the Abilene Garden Club and a pilgrimage to local gardens.

"Texas Garden Club members planning to attend this meeting," said publicity chairman, Mrs. Louise McCuan of San Angelo, "should contact Mrs. Sam Kennedy, registration chairman at 1509 Orange St., Abilene.

Bicknell Reunion Held Oct. 23-24

The Merkel Motel and Restaurant was the scene of the Bicknell Reunion the weekend of Oct. 23-24.

Relatives met at the motel Saturday evening and celebrated Ted Bicknell's birthday and Sunday dinner was held in the Gold Room.

Relatives attending the reunion were Otto and Buck Bicknell and Ted and Mabel Bicknell, all of Odessa; Norman and Jaunez Bicknell, Abilene; Ray and Odessa Spurgin, Dallas; Zelma Herring, Bishop; Elma Nicholson, Lubbock; Modell Eoff, Merkel, and Mrs. W. J. Bicknell, Trent. A brother, Alton, of Tucson, Ariz., was unable to attend the reunion.

In a business meeting Ted Bicknell was elected president and Modell Eoff, secretary. The group voted to have the reunion annually.

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REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE

Farmers & Merchants National Bank

OF MERKEL,

IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON OCTOBER 13TH, 1965 PUBLISHED IN RESPONSE TO CALL MADE BY COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY, UNDER SECTION 5211, U. S. REVISED STATUTES.

ASSETS

1. Cash, balances with other banks, and cash items in process of collection	\$1,072,319.89
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed (Net of any reserves)	1,033,731.27
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions (Net of any reserves)	734,968.55
5. Loans and discounts (Net of any reserves)	1,089,856.12
8. Fixed assets	75,000.00
10. Others assets Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	9,000.00
11. TOTAL ASSETS	\$4,019,875.93

LIABILITIES

12. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$3,437,306.12
14. Deposits of United States Government	24,363.96
15. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	140,758.50
17. Certified and officers' checks, etc.	12,514.57
18. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$3,615,043.15
(a) Total demand deposits	\$3,615,043.15
23. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$3,615,043.15

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

26. Common stock—par value per share \$50.00.	
No. shares outstanding 3,000, Total par value	\$ 150,000.00
27. Surplus	150,000.00
28. Undivided profits	104,832.78
30. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$ 404,832.78
31. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$4,019,875.93

I, Geo. T. Moore, Cashier, of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this report of condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEO. T. MOORE

We, the undersigned directors attest the correctness of this report of condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief is true and correct.

DONALD W. WARREN, M.D.
W. T. SADLER, M.D.
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of all not about Shakespeare, but rather, David Garrick, the 18th Century Laurence Olivier. This book is primarily about Mr. Garrick's jaunty misadventures when he staged in Stratford in 1769 a three-day Shakespearean celebration which was delayed by rain and an overflowing river Aven.

In "The World of Columbus and Sons," Genevieve Foster has written a stimulating and very readable cross-section view of world history for young people of Junior High age. Covering a period in history between 1451, when Columbus was born, and 1539, when his son Ferdinand died, Miss Foster presents important personalities and events throughout the changing, reawakening world of the 1500's.

"The North Wind and the Sun," by Jean de La Fontaine, tells the delightful fable about the contest between the wind and the sun to see which could make a man remove his cloak.



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The bridge playing will begin at 10:00 a.m. and lunch will be served at noon. Bridge tickets are \$1.00 each and lunch tickets will be \$1.25.

"There will be door prizes given and a bake sale held," said Mrs. Paul Melton, publicity chairman.

Capital "Wedding Party" For "Farmer's Daughter"



Perle Mesta, the world's foremost party-giver, will host a celebrity-studded "wedding reception" on November 1 at her Washington home for Inger Stevens and William Windom. In their television roles on Clairrol's "The Farmer's Daughter" (as Katy Holstrom, and Congressman Glen Motley) Inger and Bill Windom will be married that Monday night at 9:30 PM (EST) over the ABC-TV network.

Mrs. Mesta's guests — who will also include Washington notables — will watch the telecast of the wedding show ("TO HAVE AND TO HOLD"). Then Inger in her wedding gown and Bill in his bridegroom attire, will join the other guests in festive fun.

The wedding episode provides a happy reward for the nation's TV viewers who have followed the couple's romantic intrigues for more than two years and have inundated the two stars and Clairrol, Inc. which sponsors "The Farmer's Daughter", with letters urging that the marriage take place.

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FRESH CUCUMBER **PICKLES** jar **25¢**

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CRANBERRY SAUCE can **23¢**

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VIENNA SAUSAGE .. ea. **39¢**

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GANDY'S
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