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**Up  
The  
Canyon**  
By TOM  
RUSSOM

We are having some dry north-west wind here in the Canyon this week. The wheat crop is really taking a beating. Farmers and stockmen are wondering just what to do, whether to open the gates and turn the livestock on the wheat or hold off a few more days waiting and hoping for rain.

The late Sam Butman Sr., who was a successful sheep man, said he always looked for a good rain about April 15. However, we know that sometimes all good signs have failed to bring rain.

When farmers get about \$10 per acre in a wheat crop, they always look forward to trying to get some money out of it, and too, the wheat comes off early and the farmers need the early money at this time of year or in June when harvest time comes.

One wheat farmer said his wheat had changed its color in the last week from a green to a blue.

A longtime pioneer resident of Mulberry Canyon passed away at the Merkel Starr Rest Home a few days ago. He was Uncle Wood Turner. He was a very fine patient to the home, and well loved by everyone who knew him. We extend our sympathy to all of the family.

We regret also the loss of another fine and well loved friend to many. He was Mina Winter. Mina was well known over a wide section of the country around Merkel. And we also extend our sympathy to his loved ones.

Well, we had a wonderful Sunrise Easter Service last Sunday morning high up on the mountain side of our ranch. Some fifty people attended the services. Those from Merkel attending were Mr. and Mrs. Lyn Knight and family and two nieces, and Pat Tate.

We want to thank the firms who contributed to our breakfast — Gooch Packing gave the bacon, Carson's Super Market, the bread, and Wilson's Food Store, coffee, cups and plates.

Other visitors at the Sunrise Services were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Honeycutt of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Polk and family of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maserange of Muleshoe were here for the Turner funeral and also Mrs. J. C. Robertson and son of Lubbock.

Sue King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen King, was home for the Easter holidays and attended church at Pioneer Sunday.

## All-Sports Fete Scheduled April 25

Terry O'Brien, of Abilene's City Park and Recreation board, will be the guest speaker for the Badger Booster Club's All-Sports dinner Tuesday, April 25.

O'Brien, a former resident of Merkel is a graduate of McMurry College, Abilene.

The event scheduled to take place at Badger Stadium will be "highlighted" by the naming of the top athletes.

Booster member Ted Smith is chairman of ticket sales, which are \$1.00 each.

## BEEF PRODUCTION COURSE TO BEGIN AT NOODLE APR. 18

A beef production short course for adult farmers will be held at the Noodle High School vocational agriculture department.

"The course will start at 7 a.m. Monday, April 18 and continue right through April 21," said Ernest Tate, Noodle VA teacher.

W. W. (Bill) Holtzapfle, beef specialist with the Vocational Ag-

riculture division of the Texas Education Agency and the Department of Animal Science at Texas A&M University, will be the instructor for the course.

Holtzapfle is a graduate of Texas A&M University, a former county agent and VA instructor. He joined the Agricultural Adult specialist program in 1963 and has done "outstanding work as beef production specialist."

Course topics to be discussed will include such fields as the meat type steer, selecting bulls and replacement of heifers, and proper range use and supplemental winter feeding.

Cattlemen interested in attending the short course should write or call Ernest Tate at the Noodle VA department. "An entry fee of \$2.00 will be charged," said Tate.

## Library Week To Be Observed April 17-23

(Special to The Merkel Mail) AUSTIN — Governor John Connally has proclaimed April 17 - 23 Library Week in Texas and urged all Texans to become better acquainted with the services and needs of their libraries.

The observance which is marked annually throughout the United States has assumed a unique aspect in Texas this year. It has been closely related to activities surrounding the First Texas Governor's Conference on Libraries which was attended March 23 in Austin by more than 2,000 persons.

Merkel's School Superintendent, Mack Fisher and Mrs. Fisher attended the March 23 Governor's Conference and represented the Merkel area.

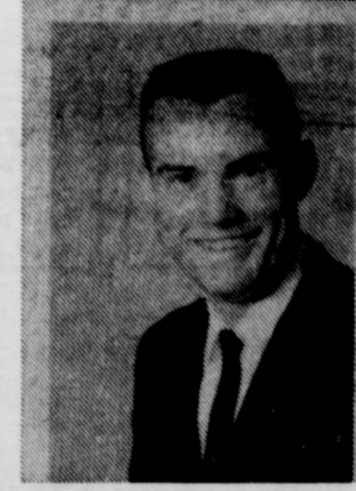
## V-Ag Teachers Will Hear Talk On Beef Cattle

COLLEGE STATION — Area 2 high school vocational agriculture teachers will hear a talk April 19 in Merkel on beef cattle pregnancy determination.

The speaker will be Bill Holtzapfle of the Texas A&M University Animal Science Department. Program time is 3:30 p.m.

Hulan Harris of Big Spring, Area 2 vocational agriculture supervisor, said the meeting is part of an in-service educational program planned by the teachers of Area 2.

About 25 teachers are expected to attend, Harris said.



WAYNE THOMPSON  
... best supporting actor

## Merkel HSS Student Gets Recognition

Wayne Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Truett Thompson, Merkel, was chosen one of the best supporting actors in the Interscholastic League play competition, given recently in Aspermont.

Wayne acted the part of Marcellus in the Robe of the Galilean, under the direction of Mrs. Don Dudley.

## F&M Nat'l Bank On Silver Scroll

The names of Booth Warren, president, and Miss Mary Collins, vice president of the Farmers and Merchants National Bank appear in the Silver Scroll of Service, as a salute to volunteers in the United States Savings Bonds Program.

"Our own state Savings Bonds staff and all volunteers throughout the state join me in this salute to the 25-year volunteers who have worked so long in this truly great cause," said state chairman Ed Gossett. "We also point with pride to the hundreds of volunteers with fewer years of service, but outstanding achievements to their credit."

Statistical records show that some 5,000 companies throughout the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Texas have the Treasury's Payroll Savings plan.

Many groups, including banks, newspapers, radio, television, outdoor companies, theaters, as well as civic, service, veterans, labor fraternal and other patriotic organizations, "have demonstrated their desire to serve the Nation in this vital program," said Gossett.

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH BEGINS SPRING REVIVAL

Dr. Ronald Prince, pastor of the University Baptist Church in Abilene, will be the evangelist for Merkel's First Baptist Church's Spring Revival to begin Sunday, April 17.

Dr. Prince, a graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, holds a doctor of Divinity degree from Howard Payne College in Brownwood.

He is a member of the board of trustees of Hendrick Memorial Hospital, board of trustees of Howard Payne College, director of the Hardin - Simmons University Academic Foundation, and a member of the Texas Baptist Convention Missions.

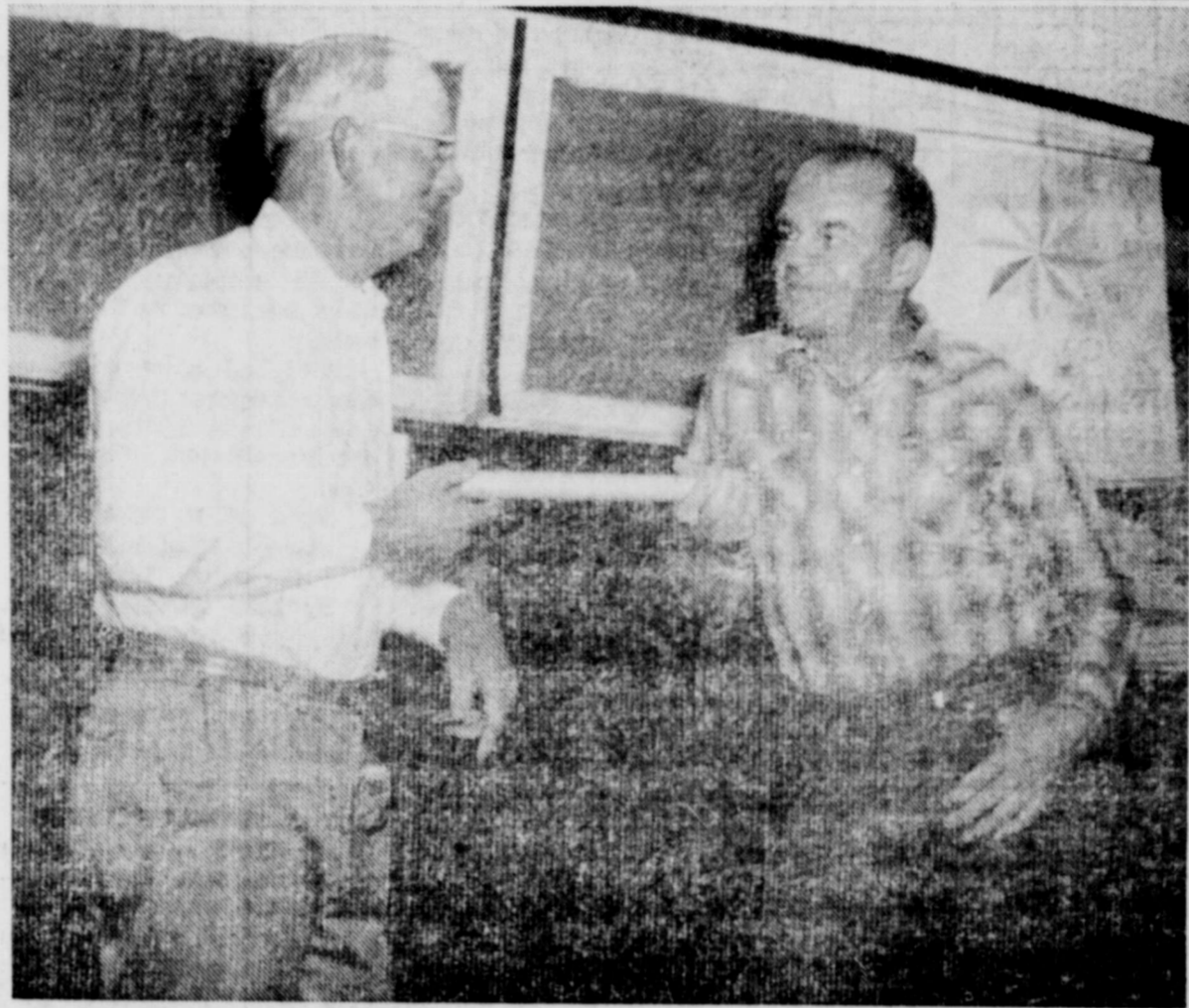
Dr. Prince, who has toured Europe, Asia and the Holy Land, has directed mission work in the Panama and in Africa.

Song services will be under the direction of Ken Mayhall, musical director of Elmwood Baptist Church in Abilene.

Weekday services will be held at 11 a.m. in the Church basement and at 7:30 p.m., "including a Saturday night services."

Regular services Sunday will be Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.,

# Taylor Electric Cooperative Sets Annual Members Meet



OUTSTANDING SERVICE — Trent Mayor Clark Hamner, left, presents a certificate of appreciation to retiring councilman, Onis Graham, for his years of outstanding service to Trent. (Staff Photo)

## TRENT CITIZEN HONORED AT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

"Your outstanding service to the people of Trent are many," said Mayor Clark Hamner to Onis Graham, when presenting him a certificate of appreciation at a recent city council meeting.

Onis Graham moved with his family, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Graham to Trent in 1940, and has lived in Trent since that time except for four years, three and one half of which was spent in the U.S. Air Corps.

After Graham was discharged from the Air Corps he and his

wife, the former Ida Mae Nichols of Abilene, moved back to Trent. He is employed by Skelly Oil Co.

In services to Trent as a councilman, Graham was helpful in getting the water supply to Trent from Sweetwater, and gave of his time in helping to get a city hall for Trent in 1951.

"The people of Trent elected Onis as its constable," said Hamner, "when he did not even run and he held that office until Dec. 31, 1960.

It seems that a city can always know when a good man needs to stay with them, for 1960 Graham was elected to the City Council and has served as a councilman until this year, except for one year's leave.

Graham is a member of the Trent Community Club and was voted an Honorary Chapter Farmer in 1957. "He has given a great deal of his time in promoting Trent's Livestock Shows," said Hamner. "We can always count on him when there is a worthy drive to be made in our city. He has given of his time for the March of Dimes drive, the Red Cross drive, the Heart Fund drive, and many others."

Mr. and Mrs. Graham have one daughter, Mrs. Fred (Carolyn) Kolpin.



DR. RONALD PRINCE  
... spring revival speaker

workshop at 11 a.m., training union at 6:30 p.m., and evening worship at 7:30 p.m.

The revival will close Sunday, April 24.

The Rev. Bill Tanner, pastor of the Merkel First Baptist Church, "invites everyone to come and hear preaching with power."

## American Legion 17th District Sets Spring Meeting

(Special to The Merkel Mail)

ABILENE — Nine American Legion Posts will be honored at the annual Spring Convention of the 17th District of The American Legion, to be held here Saturday and Sunday, April 16-17. Donald C. Crawford, commander, Post No. 57, has announced, by being presented citations for attaining their 1966 membership quota.

Posts and their commanders are: Abilene 565, Henry J. Gladish; Cisco 123, J. D. Collier; Comanche 232, Wm. J. Parks; De Leon 471, Lloyd Sanders; Dublin 219, Grady Land; Eastland 70, J. W. Harper; Gordon 544, George H. Porch; Rising Star 433, J. H. Nunnally; and Roscoe 227, Frank H. Pietzsch.

Registration will open at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday at the Windsor Hotel and the Legion Home.

## CANDIDATE PROGRAM SCHEDULED APRIL 15

Dick Atkins of Tuscola, president of the Taylor County Farm Bureau, this week reminded eligible rural voters that they are invited to attend a "Measure the Candidate" meeting April 15 at the Abilene Auction in Abilene.

The meeting, which will begin at 7:30 p.m. is sponsored by the Taylor County Farm Bureau for the purpose of giving voters an opportunity to learn more about all candidates before election time, Atkins said. The farm leader emphasized that Farm Bureau does not endorse any candidate for any political office.

All of the candidates for 17th Congressional District, 61st Representative District, 62nd Representative District, 62nd Representative District, and 24th Senatorial District have been invited to the meeting to state their positions on various issues of interest in agriculture. This informa-

## Three Directors To Be Elected

Taylor Electric Cooperative will celebrate their 25th Annual Membership Meeting Thursday, April 21, with prizes and entertainment, and the annual report.

Registration of members will begin at 9 a.m. with an assortment of "useful gifts as door prizes to members whose names are drawn and who are present," said Norman Winter, Taylor Electric Cooperative manager.

"A grand prize will be the winner's choice of a range, washer, dryer, refrigerator or freezer."

Entertainment, which begins at 10:00 a.m. will be furnished by the Cross Plains High School Stage Band, Harlan "Cowboy" Blair and the Kendrick Family.

A barbeque lunch with coffee and cold drinks will be served at the noon hour.

The business meeting, beginning at 1:30 p.m. will have the reports of officers, directors and committees, and the election of three directors of the Cooperative.

Members who have been nominated for directors by the committee on nominations "pursuant to the By-Laws," are Riley Miller, Abilene, Elmo Jones, Tuscola, and Noble Touchstone, Merkel, all of Zone 1.

Zone 2 nominations are Blain Odom, Baird, F. J. McDonald, Merkel Alton Whitaker, Abilene, and Zone 3, Clovis McElmurray, Homer Williams and Oma Thomas, all of Trent.

"Additional nominations may be made from the floor at this meeting," said Winter, "with only one director from each zone being elected."

The 1965 reports shows that "there have been 7,418 connected services, 2,683.74 miles of energized line and total margins and capital credits amount to \$273,813.70."

"Patronage capital will be returned to the consumers for the year 1956 in the amount of \$102,481.61," said Winter.

DEATHS IN HOME ACCIDENTS  
NEW YORK — Deaths in home accidents in the United States dropped 2 per cent, from 29,000 in 1963 to 28,500 in 1964, according to the Insurance Information Institute. More than two out of five such fatalities resulted from falls.

**PUGGY**



**Crossword Puzzle**

**ACROSS**

- Actor's platform
- Follows secretly
- Even
- Cure-all
- Investigator
- Groove
- Aural organs
- Stop
- Musical instrument
- Greek letter
- Fully satisfied
- Nothing
- Garment
- Rodent
- Neon: chem.
- Top milk
- Years
- That man
- Acme
- Withered
- Most suffix
- Bitter drugs
- Drink slowly
- Consumed
- Siellian
- volcano
- Hayworth
- Horror story
- Hermit
- Napped
- Earth goddess
- Cereal grain
- Rocky hill
- Shouted approval
- Pacific islands
- Valleys
- Cereal grain
- Rocky hill
- Shouted approval

**DOWN**

- Dormancy
- State
- Greedy
- Jewels
- Biblical
- Exhausted
- Firmer
- One
- Rush
- Large sea
- Impairing
- Specimens
- Tidy
- Prophet
- river
- Not the same
- Unsuitable
- Social gathering
- Identical
- Girl's name
- Follower: suffix
- Pronoun

THE MERKEL MAIL, MERKEL, TEXAS  
Page Two Thursday, April 14, 1966

**LEGAL NOTICE**

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

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks the first publication to be at least twenty-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: Freddie Fuston, 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 issuance of this citation, same being the 16th day of May, A.M. 1966, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 30th day of November A.D. 1964, in this cause, numbered 1567 on the docket of said court and styled Peggy Dolores Fuston, Plaintiff, vs. Freddie Fuston, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were mar-

ried on or about September 29, 1961 and became permanently separated on or about November 3, 1964.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on ground of harsh and cruel treatment as is more full 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 30th day of March A.D. 1966.

Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk, Domestic Relations Court Taylor County, Texas.  
By Irene Crawford, Deputy.

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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married Oct. 2, 1964 and became separated on or about Jan. 15, 1965. No children were born to said marriage and Plaintiff asks for an equitable division of the community property. Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of cruel treatment, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 28 day of March A.D. 1966.

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

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NOTICE OF CITY OF MERKEL'S INTENTION TO RECEIVE BIDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS, REPAIRS, AND ALTERATIONS TO THE CITY HALL OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS, AND TO CONSTRUCT A NEW FIRE STATION FOR THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS, AND TO ISSUE TIME WARRANTS NOT TO EXCEED \$12,000 IN PAYMENT OF ALL OR A PORTION OF THE CONTRACT PRICE

SEALED PROPOSALS addressed to the City Council of the City of Merkel, Texas, will be received until 3:00 p.m. on the 16th day of April, 1966, at the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Merkel, Texas, for furnishing all labor and materials and performing all work in connection with the construction of necessary improvements, repairs and alterations to the City Hall of Merkel, Texas, and to construct a new fire station located in Merkel, Texas, in accordance with plans and specifications on file in the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Merkel, Texas, where they may be examined without charge.

ALL BIDDERS shall submit cashier's or certified check issued by a bank satisfactory to the City Council or a proposal bond given by a reliable surety company au-

thorized to do business in the State of Texas, Payable without recourse to the order of Honorable JOHNNY COX, Mayor, in an amount not less than 5 per cent of the amount of the proposal or bid as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into contract and execute performance and payment bonds within ten days after notice of awarding contract to him. Bids without required check or proposal bond will not be considered and all bids must be submitted on the forms provided.

THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER will be required to furnish a performance bond and a payment bond, each in the amount of the contract, written by a responsible Surety Company authorized to do business in the State of Texas, and satisfactory to the City Council, as required by Article 5169, V.A.T.S.

BIDDERS are expected to inspect the sites of the work to inform themselves regarding all local conditions. Bids may not be withdrawn for a period of 30 days.

ATTENTION OF BIDDERS is directed to the provisions of Article 5159a, Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, as amended, requiring not less than the general prevailing rates of per diem wages for work performed shall be paid all

laborers, workmen and mechanics employed in the construction of public works.

THE INFORMATION FOR BIDDERS, FORM OF BID, FORM OF CONTRACT, PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND FORMS OF BID BOND, PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS may also be examined in the office of City Secretary, City Hall, City of Merkel, Texas. Qualified Bidders will be furnished, upon receipt of a deposit check for \$25.00, one (1) complete set of documents, including specifications. Deposits will be returned upon receipt of all documents in good condition within five (5) days after opening of Bids. General Contractors not submitting a bid shall forfeit their deposit unless notification of no bid, in writing, is in the hands of the City Secretary seven (7) days prior to Bid Opening.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that it is the intention of the City Council of the City of Merkel, Texas, to pay all or a portion of the contract price by the issuance and delivery to the proper contractor or contractors of the interest bearing time warrants of said City, the principal and interest of which are to be payable from ad valorem taxes to be levied out of the City's General Fund, such warrants to bear interest at a rate not to exceed six per cent (6%) per annum, payable annually or semi-annually, and to be issued in the principal sum of not to exceed \$12,000, payable serially, the maximum maturity date to be not later than December 31, 1978; and the successful contractor or contractors shall receive such warrants in installments based upon periodic estimates approved by the City Council. Any portion of the contract price not paid through the issuance of such warrants shall be paid in cash out of funds legally available for that purpose.

THE CITY has made arrangements for the Contractor or Contractors to dispose of such warrants herein mentioned at par value thereof and all bidders shall be governed accordingly.

THE CITY reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to award the contract to the bidder or bidders who, in the opinion of the City Council, offer the proposal to the best interest of the City and to waive formalities.

JOHNNY COX  
Mayor, City of Merkel, Texas

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**MASONIC MEETING**  
Stated Meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710 on 2nd Saturday and 4th Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome. Members urged to attend.  
D. C. HENDRICKS, W. M.  
ROY MASHBURN, Sec'y.

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OUR HEARTFELT THANKS to all who extended comforting sympathy and help in our recent sorrow. For the beautiful service, floral offerings, food, those who sat at the funeral home and other kindnesses, we are deeply grateful.

Mrs. Earl Owens  
The Owens brothers and sisters.

### CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. E. W. Turner and children wish to express their sincere appreciation to all for the kind remembrances expressed during the illness and death of our loved one.

Mrs. E. W. Turner and family.

THE KINDNESS AND SYMPATHY of neighbors and friends in our recent sorrow will always remain with us as a precious memory. Our sincere thanks and gratitude for all those comforting acts, for the beautiful service, floral offerings and other kindnesses we are deeply grateful.  
The Mina Winter family.

### POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT

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## RIDING CLUB NEWS

The nice spring weather brought out around fifty riders in the regular Saturday evening, April 9, Merkel Brushstoppers' activities.

Walter Henslee took first place in the Ribbon Roping, with Ken-fy Hogan second, and Dana Veteto third.

Winners in the barrel races, listed first, second and third places, were:

9 and under - Johnny Gray, Tim Wozencraft and Patricia Boyd.

10 through 12 - Pam Sandusky, Karlan Gamble and Robbie Whitehead.

12 through 15 - Dayna McAninch, Kathryn Criswell and Robert Boyd.

16 through 19 - Shirley Sandusky, Pat Bigbee and Randy Bond.

Open - Jarrett Pinckley, Della Henslee and J. D. Sandusky.

Flag race winners (first second and third) were:

8 and under - Johnny Gray and Tim Wozencraft.

10 through 12 - Pam Sandusky, Karlan Gamble and Mark Williamson Jr.

13 through 15 - Terry Wozencraft, Kathryn Criswell and Bill Hatley.

16 through 19 - Shirley Sandusky, Randy Bond and Felix Boyd.

Open - Jarrett Pinckley, Dana Veteto and Bob Whitehead.

Herman is hypnotized by Gram-pa to help cure a monster case of hiccups and winds up in a fraternity prank, on "The Munsters" Thursday, April 14 at 6:30 p.m.

Funeral services were held for Mr. Elwood Turner, 87, Monday at the First Methodist Church in Merkel. Mr. Turner died Saturday at Starr Nursing Home after a lengthy illness.

Services were conducted by the Rev. Charles Williams, pastor of the Pioneer Methodist Memorial Church of Mulberry Canyon, and the Rev. Newton Daniel, pastor of the Merkel Methodist Church. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery, under the direction of Star-buck Funeral Home.

Born May 16, 1878, in Hunt County, Mr. Turner moved to Mul-berry Canyon with his parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. F. Z. Turner, while a child.

He married Martha Blackburn at Mulberry Canyon in 1897. He was preceded in death by his first wife and four daughters. He married Alice Whisenhunt in 1905.

Mr. Turner was a member of the Methodist Church.

Funeral services for Paul Earl Owens, 71, were held in Starbuck Chapel, Thursday, April 7, with the Dwight Holland, minister of the Merkel Church of Christ officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Owen, a World War I veteran was a retired civil service employe. He had been ill for several months.

Born Aug. 16, 1894 in Gray County, he married Mae Melton Feb. 22, 1957, in San Bernardino, Calif.

Survivors are his wife, five brothers, Marshal M. of Merkel, Melvin of Kingsburg, Calif., Perry of Phoenix, Ariz., Ollie of Amarillo, and Hershel of Lubbock; and three sisters, Mrs. Stella Johnson of Long Beach, Calif., Mrs. Leona Nix of Phoenix, Ariz., and Mrs. Mary Tittle of Long Beach.

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## MINA A. WINTER DIES AT AGE 51

Mina A. Winter, 51, longtime Merkel resident and a local butane dealer, died Saturday, April 9 after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 11 at the First Baptist Church, with the Rev. Bill Tanner, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Winter was born Jan. 12, 1915 in Shiloh Community in the southwestern part of Jones County. He married Frances Diltz Windham March 8, 1944 at Big Spring. They had lived in the Merkel area all of their married life.

Survivors include his wife; his mother, Mrs. M. E. Winters of Merkel; a son, Philip of Merkel; a daughter, Mrs. Gus Jackson of Seminole; two brothers, W. O. of Trent and Lewis of Perryton; a grandchild; and two step-grandchildren. One son, Skip, died in 1960.

Fullbearers were Carlton King, Morris Smith, Bruno Ueckert,

Maurice Johnson, Neely Tittle and Fred Johnson.

## Trent Resident's Grandson Killed In Auto Wreck

Gordon Keene, who was killed in an automobile wreck April 2 was the grandson of Mrs. Bob Spence of Trent.

Mr. Keene, a student at South Plains College at Levelland, was killed when his car overturned near Big Spring.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Keene of Beaumont.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 5 in Beaumont with burial in the Forest Lawn Cemetery.

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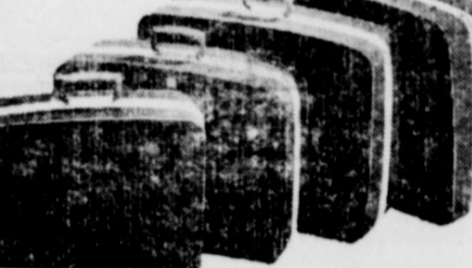


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## CRABTREE - WHITE WEDDING VOWS READ

Hazel Marie Crabtree and Ralph Michael White exchanged wedding vows Thursday, April 7 in the College Church of Christ Chapel in Abilene.

Dr. N. R. Lightfoot, Willis St. Church of Christ minister, officiated. Ed George directed the wedding chorus.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Humphreys, Abilene.

He is the son of Mrs. A. V. Boyd of Trent.

Honor attendants were Mrs. Jonny Lindsey and Bill Hughes, Steve and Lester Humphreys, brothers of the bride, lighted candles.

Dickie Knowell and Johnny Lindsey were ushers.

Reception was in Fellowship Hall of the church.

The bride is a graduate of Abilene Christian High School and is a junior student at Abilene Christian College. She is a member of the American Chemical



MRS. RALPH MICHAEL WHITE  
Society and Campus Service Organization.

The bridegroom was graduated from Big Spring High School and is employed by HCC Credit Company in Abilene.

Rehearsal dinner was in the home of the bride's parents.

## KEEPING TAB ON MERKELITES AND AREA RESIDENTS

By JACKIE DOAN

After receiving his Doctor of Philosophy degree from the University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo., Jimmy D. Neill is now doing post-doctorate and research work at the University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pa. Jimmy, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Neill, Merkel, is married to the former Joan Byrd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Byrd, Tye.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sandusky, Sr. have just received word that their granddaughter, Linda Darlene Latimer has earned the honor of attending the "Top 50 Banquet" in May, honoring the top 50 students of the Abilene High School. She is a senior at Abilene High and is a member of the National Honor Society, president of Future Business Leaders of America and serves on the Student Council.

Another granddaughter, Marilyn Latimer has been elected cheerleader at Lincoln Junior High School for 1966 - 67. She is secretary of the eighth grade and serves on the student council and was elected the most neat and most courteous girl.

They are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Latimer, Abilene.

William R. (Pinky) Cybert is reported resting well in Hendrick Hospital, Abilene, following a heart attack, Thursday, March 31.

Norman Winter is in John Sealy Hospital, Galveston, and is very much improved.

Word has come to the Mail that Mrs. Clarence Horton of Merkel, who had surgery at Cox Hospital in Abilene Friday is doing very well.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Allen and children, Mike, Dianne and Sharon, spent Easter visiting their parents in Nacogdoches.

Mr. and Mrs. Zedick L. Johnson attended the wedding of Mr. Johnson's niece, Deborah Ann Johnson in Lamesa Saturday night. Miss Johnson was married to Michael Oldham.

There was a beehive of cooking activities around the J. C. Riggan

home during the Easter holidays — they had all their children and grandchildren home for the special occasion. Approximately 25 in all!

Quite a lengthy article appeared in the San Francisco Examiner in May of 1965, headed "The Cinderella from Merkel, Texas." The story tells of the acting and modeling career of Pat Montandon, who is now agency manager for the House of Charm in San Francisco.

The article stated Miss Montandon was born in Merkel, Texas, Dec. 26, 1929, and was one of eight children. Her father was a Southern Methodist minister, of French descent, who died in 1943. Thought this might be of interest to some of you if you remembered her or her family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ike Turner and children, Deborah, Susan and Tom of Roswell, N.M., visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Harwell for the Easter holidays.

Clarence and Mrs. Melton drove to Eufaula, Okla., and spent the holiday week with C. J. and Luville Melton.

## LITTLE BADGER TRACKS

By RANDY DOAN

Tuesday, April 15 the Junior Badgers will venture to Rotan to participate in the District 6A Jr. High Track Meet. The schools participating in the meet besides Rotan and Merkel are Coahoma, Wylie, Roscoe, Ruby and Aspermont.

Merkel school entries include Charles Fikes, Mike McLean, Randy Doan, Keith Reeger, Tim Tanner, Randy Smith and Mike Walker.

Also Bill Whisenhunt, Terry Derington, Terry Wade, and Gary Hicks.

Also Nelson Colbert, Tommy Anderson, Lucky White, Kenny Jernigan, Allen Arnwine, Jerry Sandusky and Clem Delaro.

Looks like with all these entries we will come home with some good reports.

The town of North East is in the extreme northwest corner of Pennsylvania.

## BADGER TALES

By DEBI CORDER



Report cards have been passed out and there is only one more little blank left, which of course, means only six more weeks left until good old summer vacation. But — from what I've heard about all the things the teachers have planned for us, (in the way of lessons) its going to be a long six weeks.

Requests have come in that I tell a little more about why some of the biology students sit on the floor when they go to lab. We only do this when we watch films.

Clemma Griffin resorted to almost anything to get out of second period study hall. If she doesn't rip her slacks, and leave to sew them up, she leaves to go downtown and get her mother's wedding ring cut off, which she was playing house with the day before. It was her mother's old one of course.

The homemaking teacher, Mrs. Ryle, must have had a good holiday. She was sick with the four-day measles. Actually, it was the "three day measles," — she just played "hooky" the fourth day. How about that?

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The bride - elect graduated from Hermantown High School, Duluth, and the Duluth School of Beauty Culture. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Modelle Eoff.

Rutledge is a graduate of Merkel High School and Garlands' of Texas Barber College.

The wedding is set for August 29 in the Merkel Church of Christ



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## CEMETERY FUND

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Taylor spent the Easter holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale and also with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Malone. Other visitors in the Hale home were Wendi Jack Whisenhunt, Mrs. Benny Hobbs, E. L. Berry, Walter Vantresse and Jim Burns.

Mrs. Fred Shetwell visited her mother, Mrs. W. F. Powers at Tuscola Thursday.

Martha Perry of Irving spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning attended the singing convention at Anson, Sunday, April 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Pearce of Corpus Christi, Loucile McGinnis, Olin, and Mrs. Bobby Brown and daughter of Abilene, visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vantresse Tuesday.

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

Mrs. Betty Vantresse, sister of Mrs. Henry Holt had leg surgery in St. Joseph Hospital, Houston, recently. She is improving.

Roy Kelso is still in Hendrick Hospital in Abilene. Walter Vantresse and Benny Hobbs visited him Sunday.

Visitors attending services at the Stith Baptist Church Sunday morning were Martha Perry, Surie and Jo Ann Buchhoffer, Mrs. Odell Newton and Kathy, and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Malone.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Ely and children attended an Easter Revival at the Methodist Church in Tye.

### Stith News

By MRS.

FRITZ HALE



Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald were two of the sponsors on the Merkel High School senior trip to the Flying R Ranch, near Bandera last week.

Mrs. Billy Vinson, and Mrs. Ida Mashburn enjoyed a birthday dinner in their honor Tuesday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orval Ely, with several friends attending.

Fritz Hale returned home Thursday, after a two weeks' stay in Hendrick Hospital in Abilene. Those visiting him from Stith were Mrs. Orval Ely, M. E. West, Mr. and Mrs. John Browning, Rev. Jesse Swindell and Mrs. Roy Kelso, R. W. Hill, Pleasant Grove, and Mrs. E. E. Hagler of Anson, were also visitors. Visiting in the Hale home during the weekend were Mrs. Odell Newton and Roger of Monahans, and Kathy Newton, who also spent three days at GA Camp in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Malone of

### NOODLE NEWS

By SIMMONS CALLAWAY

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Landers, Fort Worth, and Mrs. L. A. Johnson, Carlsbad, N.M., visited in the home of their sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Vancil, over the weekend. Mrs. Rogers, mother of the girls, went home with the Landers Sunday, where she will visit for awhile.

Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway visited last Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Edd Womack and family at Hawley.

Mrs. Georgia Best of Coahoma

spent the weekend with her son, Carol and family.

Miss Linda Perkins spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Borden Perkins. Linda is a senior in Abilene Christian College.

Visitors in the Andrew Wheeler home were the following children: Mr. and Mrs. Garvis Tarpley, Mike, Marsha and Collye of Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Wheeler and Mr. and Mrs. Adry Wheeler and Lisa from Denton; and Miss Sara Wheeler from Crane. Other visitors in the Wheeler home were Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Cowen and Linda, Cross Plains, and Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway.

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the first publication to be at  
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the return day thereof, in a news-

paper printed in Taylor County,  
Texas, the accompanying citation,  
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CITATION BY PUBLICATION  
THE STATE OF TEXAS  
TO: Douglas Ray Huddleston,  
Defendant, Greeting:  
YOU ARE HEREBY COM-  
MANDED TO appear before the

Honorable 42nd District Court of  
Taylor County at the Courthouse  
thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by fil-  
ing a written answer at or before  
10 o'clock A.M. of the first Mon-  
day next after the expiration of  
forty - two days from the date of  
the issuance of this citation, same  
being the 16 day of May A.D.  
1966, to Plaintiff's Petition filed  
in said court, on the 18 day of  
March A.D. 1966, in this cause,  
numbered 30,145-A on the docket  
of said court and styled Ramona  
Huddleston, Plaintiff, vs. Douglas  
Ray Huddleston, Defendant.  
A brief statement of the nature  
of this suit is as follows, to wit:  
Collect back child support as is  
more fully shown by Plaintiff's  
Petition on file in this suit.  
If this citation is not served with-  
in 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 di-  
rects.

Issued and given under my  
hand and the seal of said court  
at Abilene, Texas, this the 29 day  
of March A.D. 1966.

(Seal)  
Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,  
42nd District Court  
Taylor County, Texas  
By Shirley Crawford, Deputy.

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turn 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: Milton Leo Moseley, De-  
fendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COM-  
MANDED TO appear before the  
Honorable Court of Domestic Re-  
lations 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 23rd day  
of May A.D. 1966, to Plaintiff's Pe-  
tition filed in said court, on the  
15th day of February A.D. 1966,  
in this cause, numbered 2426 on  
the docket of said court and styled  
Gail Dean Moseley, Plaintiff, vs.  
Milton Leo Moseley, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature  
of this suit is as follows, to wit:  
Plaintiff and Defendant were mar-  
ried on or about the 9th day of  
June, 1959 and became perman-  
ently separated on or about June  
1961.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on  
grounds of abandonment, and for  
custody of two minor children,  
as is more fully shown by Plain-  
tiff's Petition on file in this suit.  
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within ninety days after the date  
of its issuance, it shall be return-

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Col. Tarpley is a group training  
officer at the Officer Training  
School, Lackland AFB, Texas.  
He is a member of the Air Training  
Command which provides the  
flying, technical and specialized  
education programs for the Air  
Force.

The colonel, a graduate of Noodle  
Consolidated High School, at-  
tended Howard Payne College,  
Brownwood, Tex., Hardin - Sim-  
ons University, Abilene, and  
Texas Technological College. He  
has his B.A. and M.A. degrees.

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shall promptly serve the same ac-  
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and the mandates hereof, and  
make due return as the law di-  
rects.

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and the seal of said court at Abi-  
lene, Texas, this the 6th day of  
April A.D. 1966.

(Seal)  
Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,  
Domestic Court  
Taylor County, Texas  
By Irene Crawford, Deputy.

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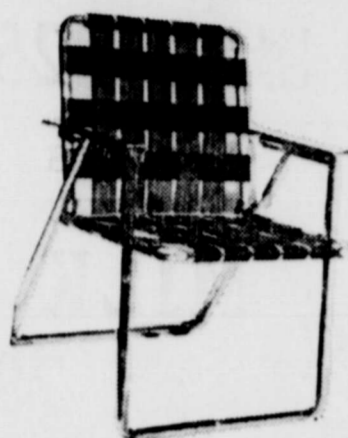
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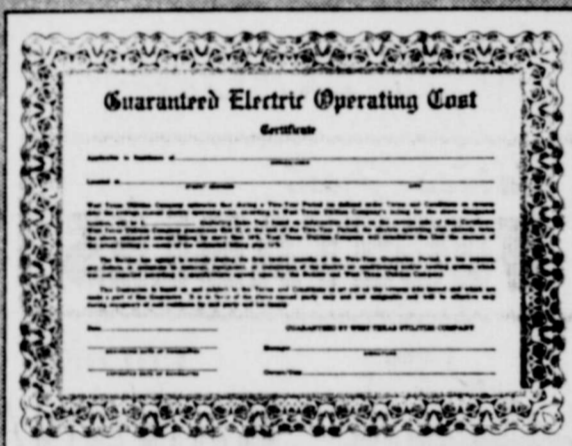
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