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## Up The Canyon

By TOM  
RUSSOM

Here in the Canyon everything is quiet and slow; farmers are just doing jobs around the place, waiting for the ground to dry off so they can get back into their fields. There's a lot of wheat to be sown when the ground dries, and a lot of the farmers are planning to put in oats and take a chance of getting a lot of late grazing for livestock in the spring.

It is reported to us by some travelers on the highway, traveling at night, there are a lot of deer being seen and quite a few being seen in daytime too. The vision at night is closer to the deer, but no night hunting is the law.

Well, recently out around and in our community, there has been a lot of activity gone down in history. About a month ago a large record - breaking crowd turned out for our Lord's Acre Sale, and last Saturday night wedding bells rang again at Pioneer Church, when Robert Wayne Butman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ford Butman, and Linda Ingram, daughter of Mrs. Grace Ingram of Merkel were married, with the Rev. Newton Daniel, pastor of the First Methodist Church in Merkel performing the service. There was a nice crowd of friends and relatives of the families attending. Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ferguson of Waco were here to attend the wedding. Mrs. Ferguson is a sister to Mrs. Ford Butman.

Friday and Saturday were very busy days for the Rev. and Mrs. Newton Daniel while en route to Lubbock to attend the called session of the Northwest Texas Conference. The Rev. Daniel and Mrs. Hutchins of Pioneer Church and myself had coffee and a short visit. After attending Friday evening's session of the conference, the Daniels drove to Tahoka to spend the night with a son and family. They left early Saturday morning for Merkel where Rev. Daniel officiated at the Ford Smith funeral service. Then to Pioneer Church that Saturday night to perform the wedding of Robert Butman and Linda Ingram. It would have taken a good horse, during the circuit rider days to just cover a part of that stretch of territory. They are certainly doing a wonderful job here, and we say to them, "we love you a lot."

Joe Seymore was on the sick role Sunday, being unable to teach his Sunday School Class.

After the wedding Saturday night a group of our people visited the 4-H Club meeting and Christmas Party. We received a real warm welcome and were served refreshments of cookies, candies and drinks. Thanks to the adult leaders and members of the club; you are the kind we love.



**JAYTON HERE WE COME** — Many Trent cars were "decorated" last Friday, as they headed for Snyder and the clash for Regional Champs with the Jayton Jaybirds. Putting the finishing touches to "King Kong" are cheerleaders, Shelia Hamner (atop car) and Danna Thompson. Seeing that it's done just right are from 1-ft. Tex Simpson, Arthur Maberry, and Steve Reddin. (Photo courtesy Abilene Reporter-News)

## GORILLAS 'DREAM COME TRUE'

By CONNIE HARRIS

Those mighty Gorillas have had more than a "dream come true" as they defeated the Jayton Jaybirds 22 - 0 last Friday night in Snyder. And they "made history."

The setting was a nippy night with high - spirited, bundled up fans watching a great team put on a performance "not to be forgotten in a long time."

The King - Kong defense lived up to their reputation of passing, running and holding their opponents to no score and only four first downs.

The Jaybirds' attempt to go into a passing game failed when four passes were intercepted.

Stan Hicks' pass interception on the 45 and drive to the 32 helped the Gorillas within scoring range.

Pat Carriker scored on a 21 yard pass from quarterback Gay-

lon Brnovak with 7:53 left in the first quarter. Gaylon Frazier ran over for the conversion.

With a little luck and a lot of quick thinking boys, Carriker scored when Tommy Gibson made contact with the ball at the one yard line.

The defense of both teams held the other one to a second and third scoreless quarter.

Ted Simpson recovered a fumble on his Gorillas' 42 with less than two minutes showing on the clock. Brnovak pitched out to Frazier who ran around the left end for a 21 yard run to the Jaybirds' 21 yard line.

Frazier took the pigskin one play later to the 9, with the ball moved half the distance to the goal line after a penalty. Brnovak scored on roll around right end for TD. Brnovak passed to Hicks in the end zone for the conversion.

Coach Charles Russell, in an interview Tuesday Morning, said, "We are proud of our boys for their outstanding defense. Every boy on the team surpassed our expectations."

The Gorillas have only had 37 points scored against them in 12 games; twelve of the points running.

Tim Riggan, who leads the defense, plays nose guard, weighs 150 and has played "over or under boys weighing 198 pounds or more."

Carriker, a 150 pounder, back-handed the ball with ease and refused to be brought down at times.

Si Acuna, a 135 pound linebacker, is the smallest man on the Gorilla team.

Although Jayton and other opponents out - weighed the Trent team, the Gorillas never "batted an eye" as they came, played and defeated all of their opponents.

Come next year, the Gorilla team will lose eight players, but "have a fine group to replace the boys they are losing."

Coach Russell said Wednesday morning, "Our appreciation is extended to all the Merkel and area fans who backed the Gorillas, for all of the Merkel coaches who so willingly loaned their equipment, and a special thanks to Coach Bill Tate for his interest in our team."

## COMMITTEE EYES RECREATIONAL SITE

Swimming, golf, indoor recreation, horses — everything for recreation.

That's what's in the planning stage for those in the Merkel, Trent, Tye, Abilene and Sweetwater area if the study being made by Merkel's long - range recreation committee bears fruit.

At a meeting Friday night with a representative of an engineering firm, Herman Carson, overall chairman of the recreation committee stressed that this is not just a Merkel project "because people in the whole area will want the benefit of the facilities."

Tentative plans are for locating the recreational facilities on the site of the old Merkel Country Club, utilizing most of the existing golf course.

Other recreational features being studied include:

1. — Swimming pool
2. — Roping Arena, Bleachers and Parking.
3. — Remodeling and Construct-

- ing Dressing Rooms
4. — Golf Course Improvements
5. — Irrigation System
6. — Casing, Packing and Improving Wells
7. — Picnic Facilities
8. — Playground Equipment
9. — caretaker's House

Work for the recreation facilities is being done by the long-range recreational committee under the direction of Dr. Don Warren.

Cost of the proposed facilities is estimated at \$136,175.

Financing of the project would be with a loan from the Farm and Home Loan Administration. Estimates are that in order to obtain the loan it will take in the neighborhood of 200 members participating in the program with a monthly membership fee of approximately \$7.50 or \$8.50.

## Country Club's Annual Fete Sat.

Merkel Country Club members will have their All Member Christmas Party this Saturday, Dec. 14 at the Country Club, according to president, Howard Carson.

Time will be 7 p.m., and "turkey with all trimmings" will be served. Ladies are asked to bring a covered dish — vegetable, salad or dessert.

For the Christmas Tree, members are to bring gifts — ladies gift for the ladies; a man's gift for the men and "families may bring gifts or their children attending."

## Pioneer Revival

Guest preacher for the Pioneer Methodist Church Revival, which begins Friday, Dec. 13 will be Steve Harper. Ed Robb, evangelist, will also assist with the revival, according to church pastor, the Rev. David Hutchins. Pianist will be Janice Hardaway.

The three - day revival will begin at 8:30 p.m. with singing, and preaching to start at 7 followed by a "Roast the Preacher" activity.

Rev. Hutchins extends an invitation to all to attend the revival.

## Hospital Progress

This week the Merkel Hospital Board of Directors were notified by their architect, Mr. Bob Goyette of Lubbock, that preliminary plans for the proposed Merkel Hospital had been approved by the Texas State Health Department. Plans are now underway for the marketing of sufficient general obligation bonds to take care of the building construction cost.

"A current time table indicates that construction could possibly begin sometime during the first quarter of 1969," said Max Murrell, board chairman.

## Trent's Champions To Be Recognized

An Appreciation Banquet, honoring Coach Charles Russell and his football team, will be held Saturday, Dec. 21, at 7 p.m. at the Trent High School auditorium. The Trent Gorillas won Regional Championship in their game with the Jayton Jaybirds, played this past Friday at the Snyder High School Stadium. The score was 22-0.

Master of ceremonies for the appreciation banquet will be James Lewis Wilks, a Sweetwater attorney and a 1954 graduate of the Trent High School. He is a graduate of Abilene Christian College and the University of Houston Law School.

Curly Hays, West Texas Utilities Farm and Ranch representative, and a longtime athletic official, will deliver the principal speech to the football team and fans gathered for the occasion.

Tickets went on sale this past Wednesday morning and the price is \$2.25. In Trent, tickets may be purchased at Home State Bank, Carriker Food Store, and Aunt Jack's Cafe. In Merkel tickets may be purchased at the Merkel Drug and also at the Merkel Mail.

Of the team and their coach, there were many "words of praise" in behalf of a "fine coaching job and fine team performance."

Said J. G. Wilks, president of Home State Bank, "Coach Charles Russell has done an outstand-

ing job. He has taken 18 boys being out - manned, out - numbered and out - weighed and done what many thought was the impossible. We're proud of our boys and our coach."

"In the face of what appeared to be an insurmountable obstacle, Coach Russell and his boys would not give up," said

Trent School Superintendent, John Young. "And together they built up a record that is unsurpassed in the history of this district. This showed what a well - coached, dedicated team can do."

"The Gorillas displayed team work and a will to win," said Othel O'Kelly, "and we're proud of every one of them."

## \$138.00 IS ADDED TO GOODFELLOWS

"I would like to know if I will be able to get some used clothes and a few toys for my children for Christmas. It don't look like we're going to have any Christmas unless we can count on the Goodfellows."

Such was the above letter received this week by the Merkel Goodfellows.

And many more came in with a "pessimistic note" concerning their children's Christmas this year.

Almost all the letters received have been from parents concerned about their little ones' Christmas — and only asking for necessities, with perhaps "a toy or two" to make it seem more like Santa Claus had been there."

The Goodfellow Fund, established to help eliminate this concern for at least one day, and to assure parents of Christmas food, clothes (especially shoes) and maybe a toy for Christmas for the children, is up to \$138.00.

"I have twelve children at home," wrote one mother, "and their father is away in a hospital. We need most of all some food and clothes for the kids and there won't be much of anything unless we get just a little help. Can you help us?"

"We did not organize a Goodfellows Drive," said chairman, Lawrence Hewitt. "We knew that people, out of the goodness of their hearts, would contribute if they could, and they have."

Mrs. W. R. Cypert, co - chairman with Mrs. Mary Mosier for the Goodfellow Store, said that "good used clothing was needed, and especially shoes."

The Goodfellow Store this year will be located at the old Post Office Building.

Days the store will be open for distribution of clothing and toys to the needy will be Friday and

Saturday, Dec. 20 - 21, according to Mrs. Cypert.

Persons wishing to donate toys or clothing may contact either Mrs. Cypert or Mrs. Mosier and someone will pick up the items if necessary."

Donations to the Goodfellow Fund may be addressed to the Goodfellows in care of the Farmers and Merchants National Bank, Merkel, Texas.

Goodfellows jars, under the chairmanship of the Rev. Newton Daniel, were placed in Merkel stores this past week.

"Any amount you would like to drop in the jars will certainly be appreciated," said Daniel, "and you will know that your contribution will go toward a worthy cause."

### CONTRIBUTORS

Dr. and Mrs. Jarrett	
Williams	\$50.00
Merkel Optimist Club	50.00
Bryan Dunagin	2.00
Joe McDuff	1.00
Total	\$103.00
Prev. Cont.	35.00
TOTAL	\$138.00

## PTA to Meet Tonight at 7:30

A Christmas program, presented by third and fourth grade students of the Merkel Primary and Elementary Schools will entertain Parent - Teachers Association this Thursday evening at the High School auditorium, according to PTA president, Gene Stewart. Presentation will be under the direction of Mrs. Comer Haines, third grade teacher, and time is 7:30.

All members are urged to attend their association meeting.



**FIRST PLACE** — Taking first place in Merkel's Christmas Parade last Saturday, was the Young Homemaker's Float, "Santa's Workshop." Mrs. Billy Patton, in background, is "directing" Santa's helpers, Todd Gregory, Deneen Patton, Loyce Baker, Windi Whisenhunt, and Melinda Robbins. Winning second place in the parade was Beta Sigma Phi's "Happiness." (Staff Photo)

## YOU ARE INVITED

WHERE: Lobby of Farmers and Merchants National Bank

WHAT FOR: To see and hear the Carolers from the Merkel Elementary School

WHEN: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday  
Dec. 17, 18, 19  
9:00-10:00 a.m.  
1:50-2:20 p.m.  
All three days



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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 news-

paper 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: Rudolph Kohl, 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 30 day of December A.D. 1968, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 14 day of November A.D. 1968, in this cause, numbered 4442 on the docket of said court and styled In Re: Adoption of Elke Barbara Kohl and Astrid Gertrud Kohl.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: In Re: Adoption 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 the 14 day of November A.D. 1968.

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

## LEGAL NOTICE

### LEGAL NOTICE

A notice is hereby given that the following is a summary of an ordinance adopted by the City

Council of Lawn, Taylor County, Texas on the 4th day of December 1968, and is effective on the date of this publication.

It is made unlawful for any vehicle to carry a load in excess of 65000 lbs. on any paved street in the City limits of the City of

Lawn, Taylor County, Texas, and providing a penalty for violation thereof.

OCELLIA McADAMS  
City Secretary,  
City of Lawn, Texas  
41 11c

## BADGER TRACKS

By WALLY KNIGHT

The Girls' and Boys' "A" Basketball teams both won third place trophies in the Basketball tournaments at Hamlin and Anson. The Badgers will host the Rotan team here Tuesday night. The boys' "A" team will enter a tournament at Anson this Thursday and the girls' team will enter the girls' invitational tournament at Hardin - Simmons the same day.

Mike Dudley, a senior at Merkel High School had an accident last Thursday at the basketball game here. Mike is recovering from a broken leg at Hendrick Memoria Hospital in Abilene. He welcomes visitors and his room number is 363. The student body gave Mike a gift which was a tape - player and tape - recorder. We all wish Mike a fast recovery so he will be able to return to school to make up all the English tests that he has missed.

## JOHNNY COX

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## BRAGG'S COMMENT:

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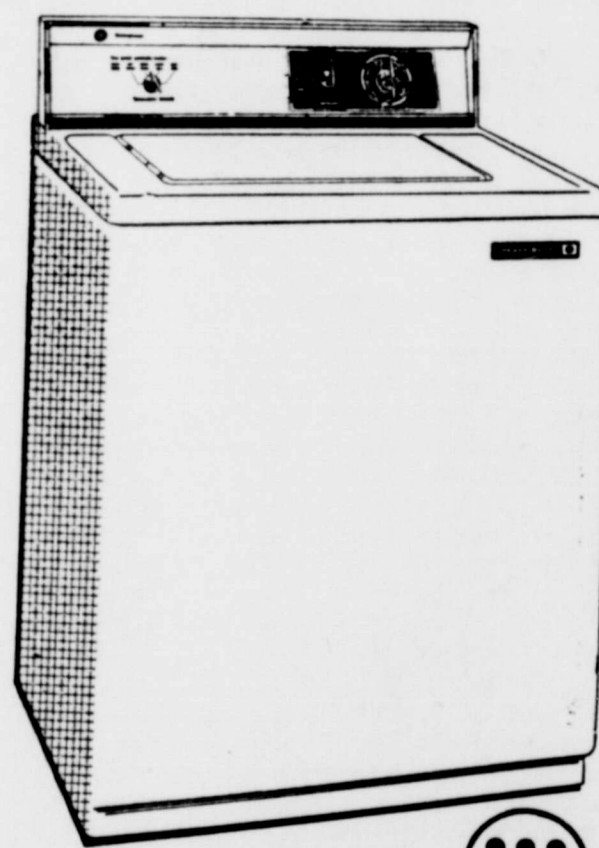
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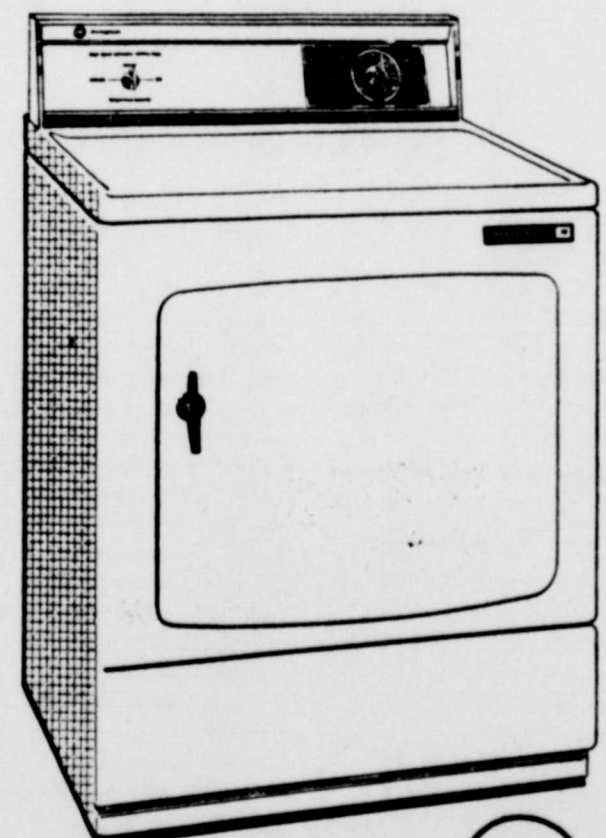
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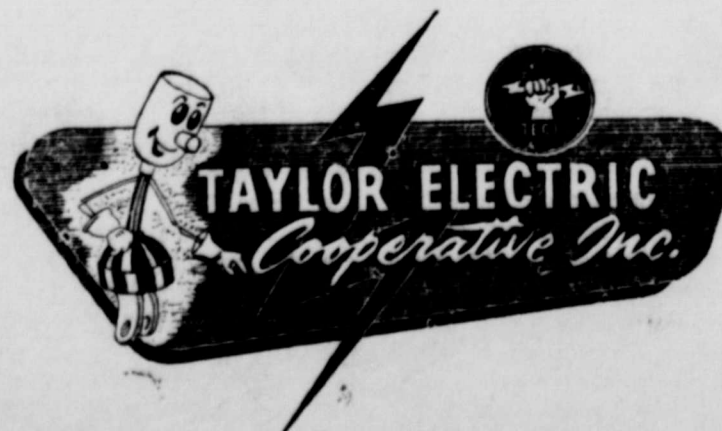
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## - Miscellaneous -

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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.

**BURR HENDRICKS, W. M. ROY MASHBURN, Sec'y.**

**GARAGE AND BAKE SALE** — Sponsored by Key City TOPS, at Mrs. Laverne Moore, 1406 Sunset. Baby and children clothes, ladies' dresses, long curtains, short drapes, bedspread, boys' boots (size 5 1/2 B), heating pad, electric clock, broiler toaster, etc. 41 1tc

**LOST** — Blue tool box and tools Reward. Henry Brady, Phone 928-4871. 31 3tc

**NOTICE** — I will not be responsible for any debts, other than those authorized may be, personally, as of this date forward. Charles R. Toler. 41 2tp

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## Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE



Members of the Stith Home Demonstration Club and their families will have their Christmas Supper, Tree and Program at the Community Center Saturday night, Dec. 14.

Wednesday night, Dec. 18, after prayer meeting, the Stith Baptist Church will have their Christmas social at the Community Center. Supper will be served, and the and his family will be pounced. All members are urged to attend. Rev. James Williams, pastor, tend.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clyburn and Den, attended the Soil Conservation Awards Banquet held at the Windsor Hotel in Abilene Monday night. Don received second place award. Mrs. Clyburn and Marsha attended the 4-H party held at the Taylor Electric Cooperative in Merkel Thursday evening. The Charles Heddin family also attended the party.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Liles and Janice of St. Louis, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Liles and children of Fort Worth and Myrna Liles of Hardin - Simmons University, spent the Thanksgiving holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Stanley.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Walsh and children of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Alanzo Petterson of Merkel visited the Bradleys Sunday.

### CARD OF THANKS

OUR HEARTFELT THANKS to all who extended comforting sympathy and help in our recent sorrow. For the beautiful service, floral offerings, food and contributions to Merkel Cemetery Assn. we are deeply grateful.

The family of Ford Smith Sr.

### CARD OF THANKS

MY THANKS TO all of the merchants in Merkel and Trent for helping in sponsoring the broadcasting of the Trent - Jayton football game last Friday. Douglas Reddin



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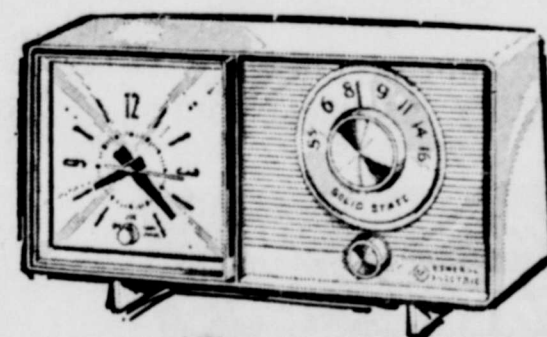
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## WEDNESDAY RITES FOR ANDY SHOUSE

Andy Shouse, 67, longtime Merkel resident and civic and Masonic worker, died Tuesday, Dec. 10 at his residence after being in poor health for a number of years.

Funeral services were scheduled for Wednesday in the Merkel United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Newton Daniel, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Rose Hill Cemetery by the Merkel Ma-

sonic Lodge, and under the direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born Oct. 5, 1901, in Comanche County, Mr. Shouse moved to the Merkel area in 1902, and to the Trent area in 1914. He moved back to Merkel in 1939.

He was in real estate, insurance and income tax business. He was a past member of the Merkel Masonic Lodge and a past district deputy grand master. He was a member of the Merkel United Methodist Church, and had been an active Sunday School teacher for the past 12 years. He was a member of the Royal Arch Chapter at Anson.

Survivors are his wife; one son, Robert Andrew of Abilene; two brothers, Clarence E. of the Crestview Nursing Home in Abilene and O. C. (Clyde) of Abilene; three sisters, Mrs. C. T. McCormick of Abilene, Mrs. Jim McWilliams, Merkel, and Mrs. John R. Payne of Lubbock; one grandson, Scott Andrew of Abilene.

Members of the Merkel Masonic Lodge will be pallbearers.

## Ford Smith Sr. Dies at Age 80

Funeral services for Ford Smith Sr., 80, were held Saturday, Dec. 7 in Merkel United Methodist Church with the Rev. Newton Daniel, pastor, and the Rev. Lynwood Harrison of Coahoma Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Mr. Smith, longtime Merkel and Mount Pleasant resident, died Friday in Hendrick Memorial Hospital after a four week illness.

Born Nov. 23, 1888, in Taylor County, near Potosi, he was married to Ida Mae Ford Oct. 17, 1909, in Merkel. They had lived on a farm south of Merkel until 1960 when they moved into town. Mrs. Smith preceded him in death Aug. 18, 1966.

He was a member of the Men's Bible Class at the Methodist Church. In 1969, the couple celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Survivors include three sons, Morris B. and Ford Jr., both of Merkel, and Jack L. of Abilene; two daughters, Mrs. Walter Henslee and Mrs. Jack Hogan, both of Merkel; nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Grandsons were pallbearers.

## Christmas Feast Observed by Class

The Dorcas Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met Thursday, Dec. 5 for their annual Christmas Love Feast.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Bro. Kenneth Jones and Mrs. Jones, wife of the pastor, gave a devotional on the Meaning of Christmas and Christ's promises. Mrs. Homer Finch closed the meeting with prayer.

Class members present were Mrs. Jim Kaykendall, C. P. Stevens, Clara Driver, Emory Wilburn, Finch, Eunice Massey, Jewell Meeks, Callie Price, Clay Satterwhite, Lige Harris and Bessie Jackson.

Also Mrs. Etta Petty, Mary Jones, John Mansfield, W. A. McCandless, Josie Shanks, Sam Hill, W. M. Hays, B. Y. Buchanan, J. W. Tiner, Myrtle Walker, Irene Penroy, Agnes King, Ira Moore, E. M. Blackburn, Dave Anderson, and eighteen visitors.

## Pack Meeting Set Monday, Dec. 16

Cub Scout Pack meeting will be held Monday, Dec. 16 at 7 p.m. at the Scout Hut.

Theme for the meeting will be Mexican Holiday in honor of the Olympics held recently in Mexico.

"All Cub Scouts, prospective Cub Scouts and parents are encouraged to attend," said Mrs. Grady Knight, den mother.

Awards will be given, refreshments served and games played at the Hut.

Mrs. Knight asked that anyone having small toys (small enough to pack in cereal boxes) to donate to contact her or Mrs. Billy Holmes or Mrs. E. V. Walters. "We will arrange for someone to pick them up," said Mrs. Knight.

## MISS CHRISTIE LUCAS IS PARTY HONOREE

A gift tea Monday, Dec. 3, in the home of Mrs. Bruno Ueckert, Merkel, complimented Christie Lucas, bride-elect of Finley Barnett.

Mrs. Newell Lucas, the bride-elect's mother, and Mrs. Vincent Barnett, mother of the prospective bridegroom, received with the honoree. Other special guests were Mrs. T. K. Marshall, grandmother of Miss Lucas, and Mrs. F. B. Knox, grandmother of Barnett.

Davna McAvinch registered approximately eighty guests during the calling hours.

A white floral arrangement centered the red serving table, where the bride-elect's chosen colors of red and white were carried out in refreshments and table decor. Serving guests were Jan Beasley, Carol Whisenhunt and Vickie Robertson.

The honoree wore a red velvet A-line dress with white lace accessories. Her corsage was of red and white carnations.

Miss Lucas plans a Dec. 23 wedding in the Merkel Church of Christ.

A Saturday Morning brunch in the home of Mrs. Judd Reynolds, honored Miss Lucas, Co-hostess with Mrs. Reynolds was Mrs. H. C. Reid.

The honoree's mother, Mrs. Newell Lucas, and Mrs. Vincent Barnett, mother of the fiance were special guests.

Miss Lucas wore a dress of

## CAP Directors To Meet Tonight

A board of directors meeting for the Community Action Program, Inc., will be held this evening, Dec. 12, at 7:30 in the Coca-Cola Bottling Co. auditorium in Abilene.

## Births

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Holden announce the birth of a baby girl born Nov. 29 at Methodist Hos-

pital in Dallas. The baby weighed 6 pounds, 19 ounces. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Beauford Buntin, Merkel, and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Holden of San Angelo. Mrs. Holden is the former Sharon Buntin.



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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE  
THE STATE OF TEXAS  
County of Taylor

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain execution issued out of the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, of the 18th day of November 1968, by District Clerk of said County for the sum of Eight thousand Five Hundred Four and 88-100 (8,504.88) Dollars and costs of suit, under an Execution, in favor of Abilene Savings Association vs. Mel Thurman et ux Louise Thurman, placed in my hands for service, I, George Maxwell as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas did, on the 18th day of November 1968, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: Lots 9 and 10 in Block 1

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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: William Ray Belyeu, Defendant. Greetings:

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 20 day of Jan. A.D. 1969, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 9 day of May A.D. 1968, in this cause, number 804derol in this cause, numbered 4061 on the docket of said court and styled In Re: Vickers Children.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: In Re: Adoption 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 the 5 day of Dec. A.D. 1968.

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

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TO: Robert Doggett, Defendant. Greeting:

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Plaintiff, vs. Robert Doggett, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were duly and legally married January 19, 1963 and lived together until August 17, 1964, at which time they separated because of Defendant's Conduct. Defendant was guilty of cruel treatment toward Plaintiff. There is no community property and one child was born to this union as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,  
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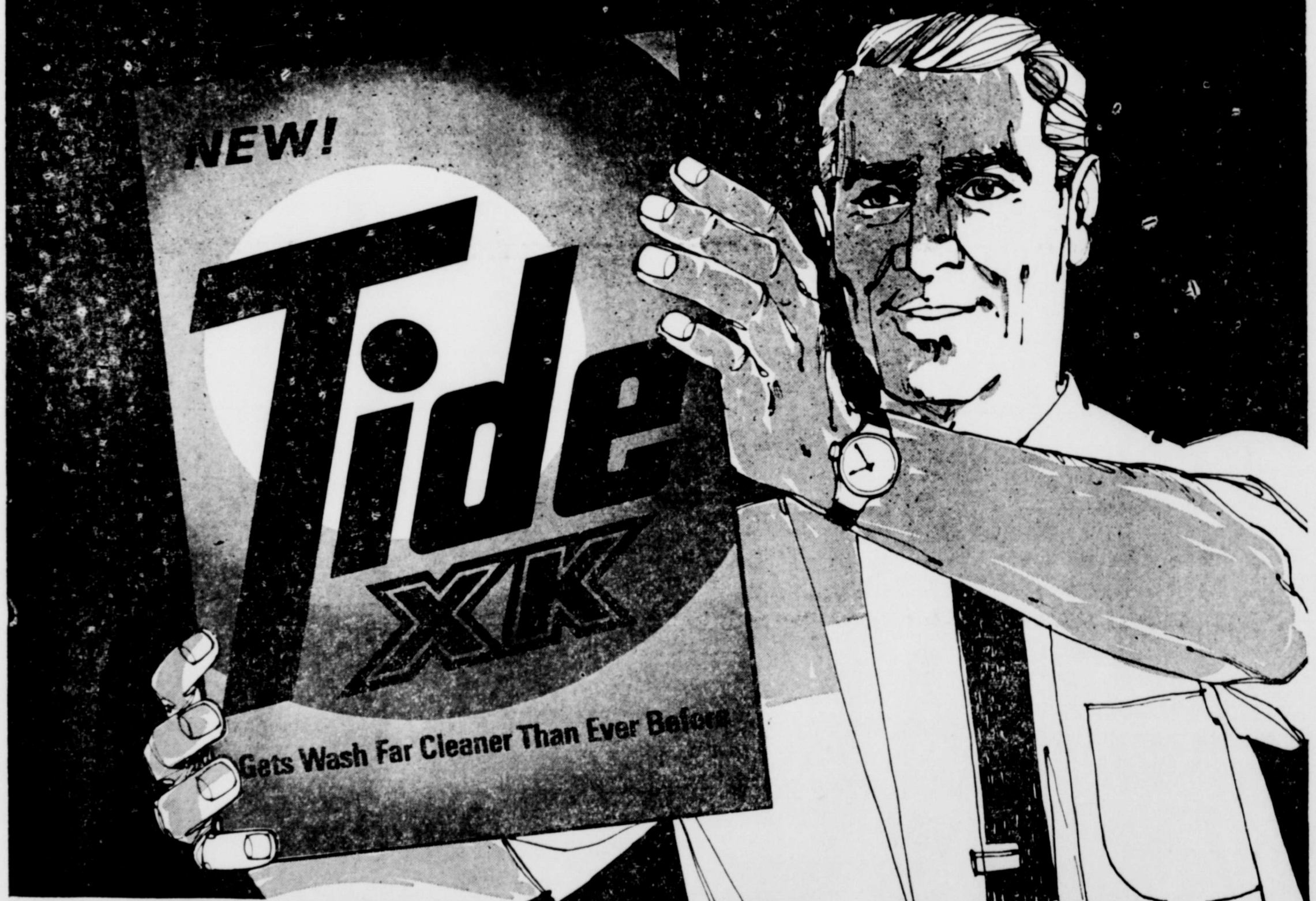
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TO: Johnnie Lee Ellis, Defendant, Greeting:  
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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: in regard to adoption as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 2nd day of December A.D. 1968.

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It is really beginning to look and feel like Christmas around Merkel Elementary. Almost all doors and show cases are decorated and mistletoe is hanging overhead.

The eighth grade girls have really been practicing Christmas Carols. They will sing at the Farmers and Merchants National Bank and also at the Starr Nursing Home. Dates for singing at the F&M Bank are Dec. 17, 18, 19 at 9 a.m. and 1:50 p.m. each of the three days.

The Safety Patrol met Monday and belts and badges were distributed to members.

The Hospitality and Benevolence Committees of the Student Council have put up boxes in the elementary and primary buildings for students to contribute toys and clothing to the Goodfellows.

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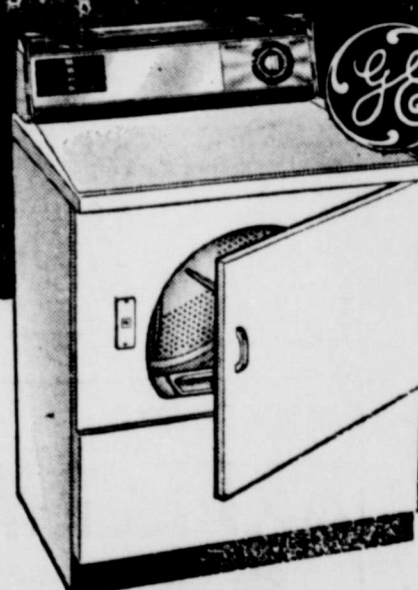


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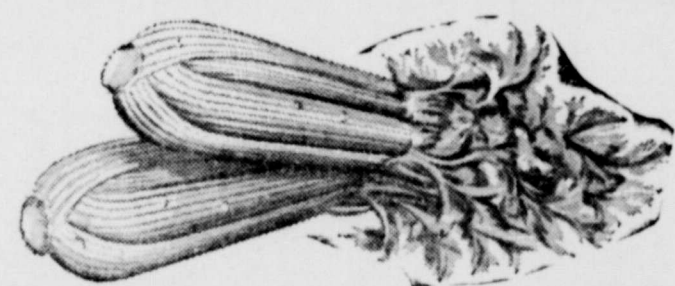


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