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Up The Canyon

By TOM
RUSSOM

We had some phone calls a few days ago about our column not appearing in last week's paper. One part of said week I had been real sick and they were preparing to send some flowers. But all of this about me being sick was a mistake. We only had a big fencing job going and I was just too tired out to think of writing a column.

The weather here in the Canyon is just about ideal: a little too cold in the mornings to ride a tractor, but warming up in the afternoon, making work more enjoyable. The farming here is way ahead of the same time last year: quite a bit of plowing already done, and the small grain is growing slowly. However, we need sunshine and some warm weather on the grain.

A good turn out at Pioneer Church Sunday — people were jolly and happy.

We had Mrs. F. R. Demerice, one of our longtime members, in attendance.

Also, looking over the audience, I saw John Coomer, a longtime resident of the Canyon, and also several other people from Merkel.

Mrs. Sam Butmar, Jr. reported she would be absent from our church for quite some time. She is planning a visit to California to see her daughter and family.

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Merkel Catholic Church Dedicated

Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church was dedicated in ceremony Sunday, Feb. 2 with approximately 500 members and guests attending.

The Most Rev. Thomas Tschoepe, Bishop of the Diocese of San Angelo, presided over the dedication. Celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass followed the blessing of the church. A reception was held in the school cafeteria adjoining the building.

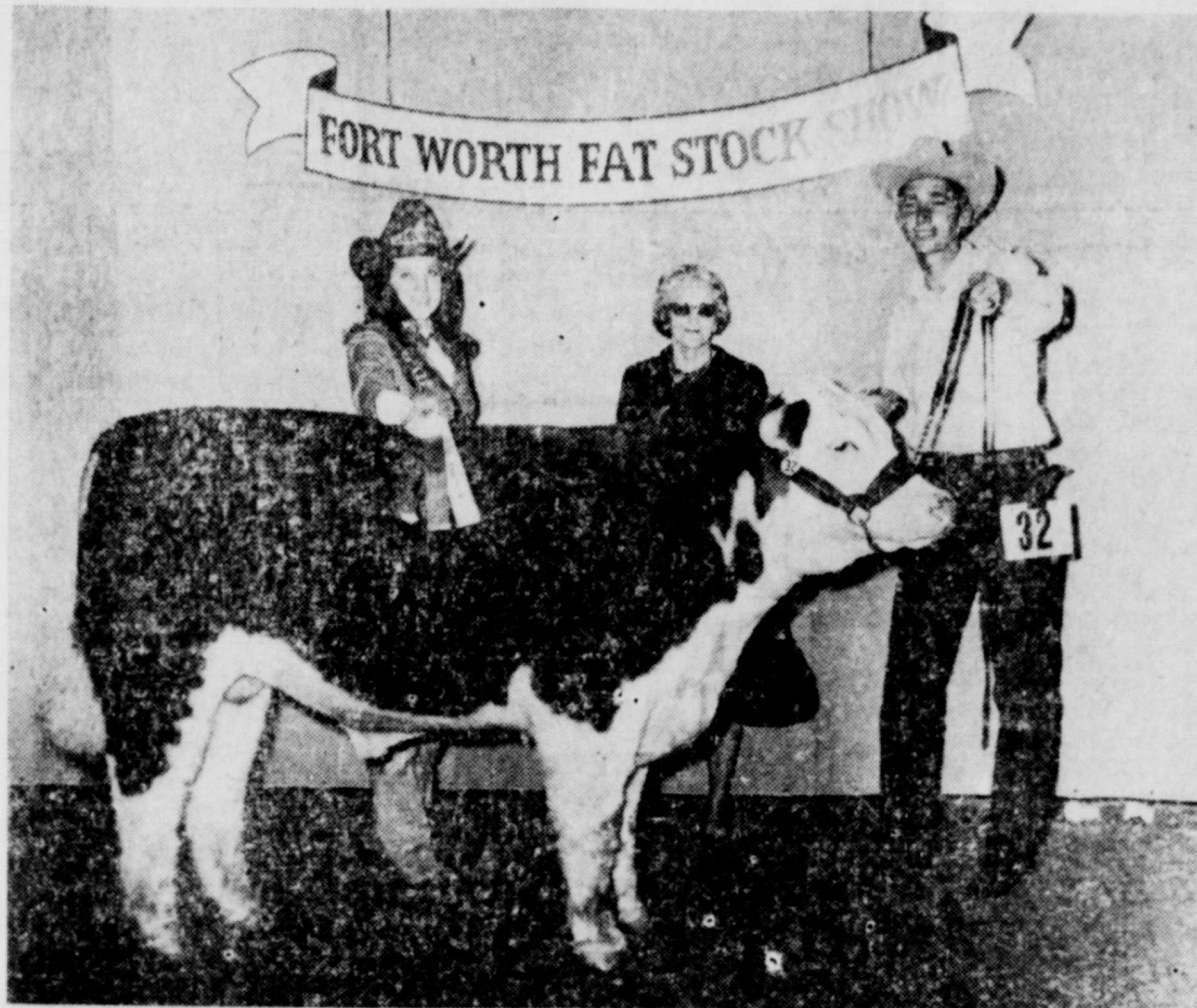
Construction of the new church was made possible by the local people who gathered funds and by a gift of \$10,000 by the Catholic Extension Society. Also the Rev. Thomas Leahy, the Rev. Patrick Whelan, the Rev. Michael Dwyer and dedicated helpers assisted with the work.

The Rev. John Howlett, pastor of the Merkel Church, expressed appreciation to all who had helped in any way with the church dedication.

"To Mr. Mack Fisher, superintendent of Merkel Schools, we are most appreciative for the use of the school cafeteria, said Rev. Howlett.



MERKEL CATHOLIC CHURCH DEDICATED — The Most Rev. Thomas Tschoepe, left, and John Howlett presided over the Sunday afternoon dedication. Rev. Tschoepe is bishop of the Diocese of San Angelo. Rev. Howlett is pastor of the Merkel Church. (Photo by Connie Harris)



RESERVE CHAMPION — The Reserve Champion of the Fort Worth Stock Show was exhibited by Bill Holloway of Merkel. The steer earlier won the Open Hereford Show. Pictured with Bill are Mrs. Roy Largent, also of Merkel, and the Hereford Association Queen, Kim Box. (Photo by FWSS Assn.)

Merkel Graduate Shows Champion

Bill Holloway, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Holloway of Merkel, was the Reserve Champion winner at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show this past week. He rode the steer was the Late Roy Largent of Merkel, who sold show steers to many boys and girls.

Bill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Holloway of Merkel is a senior student at Abilene Christian College, where he is majoring in Animal Science.

A 1965 graduate of Merkel High School, Bill was an active 4-H and FFA member. At ACC he is a member of the Block and Bride Club and is on the Dean's Honor Roll.

Study of America Presented Club

Mrs. Eddie Glenn Sandusky was hostess to the Merkel Fortnightly Study Club, Jan. 14. The topic of study was "Where there is no Vision, the People Perish." Mrs. Corner Haynes read the poem, "I Am America," and Mrs. J. Lynn Knight presented a "Biography of a Great American."

"Traffic Pavilion" was the name of the study when the club entertained in the home of Mrs. Johnny Cox Jan. 28. Mrs. Cox was program leader and introduced Miss Eudora Hawkins, who spoke on "Facts About Traffic Laws."

CITY ELECTION SET FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 1

BULLETIN

A Town Hall Meeting is scheduled for this Friday, Feb. 7 at the Merkel Restaurant at 2:30 p.m. Herman Carson, chairman, urged all Merkel people interested in Good City Government to make every effort to attend this meeting.

Merkel's City election will be held April 1 at the City Hall office, with polls opening at 7 a.m. and closing at 7 p.m., according to city secretary, Mrs. Flossie McKeever.

As of Wednesday noon, there had been no candidate filing for any of the three vacancies. Candidates have until 5 p.m., Feb. 28, to file for mayor and or councilman.

Councilmen whose terms expire this year are Bill Button and Derrell Farmer. Cox, in an earlier statement, said that he did not plan to run for re-election for mayor.

At a Town Hall Meeting held Jan. 24, business and civic leaders attending named a committee to contact citizens in Merkel and interest them in filing for the vacancies. The committee is composed of Waymon Adcock, chairman; Ray Wilson, Booth Warren, Gene Stewart and Mack Seymore.

"We have had several names suggested and we are contacting them," said Adcock. "Merkel has many qualified people for these

vacancies and we will give every suggestion turned in our serious attention."

A nomination form is in this edition for the purpose of persons wishing to submit names for candidates.

Barnes Predicts Defeat of School Consolidation Bill

Lt. Governor Ben Barnes predicted defeat of the proposed compulsory consolidation of school districts in Texas.

"The Governor's Committee on Public School Education has made many constructive recommendations. I feel that many of them," Barnes said in a statement released this week.

"However, I feel that the Texas Senate will not pass compulsory consolidation," the new lieutenant governor said.

Barnes added that the recommendation to consolidate school districts with less than 2,600 students will probably fall on deaf ears.

"The Texas Senate and this Legislature will probably write an attractive financial incentive program to encourage voluntary consolidation but will not adopt laws making consolidation compulsory in Texas this year," said Barnes.

NAME A CANDIDATE

People for Good Government are eager to get suggestions from everybody for the names of those who would make a good mayor or City Councilman. If you know of anyone living within the city limits of Merkel who is a property owner, you think has good qualifications who will be able to serve — please send this form to:

People for Good Government
c-o Waymon Adcock, chairman
924 No. 2nd
Merkel, Texas, 79536

I think:

WOULD MAKE A GOOD Merkel official.

Signature

Flying Queens To Play Here Monday

The World Famous Hutcherson Flying Queens of Wayland College will unveil their basketball wizardry Monday night, Feb. 10 at the Merkel High School Gym, against the Ranger Junior College Range Anns, in a special game featuring two Queens from Trent. They are Diana Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stevens and Barbara McAninch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William McAninch.

Both are graduates of Trent High School.

Miss Lewis, a 5-7 senior forward, and Miss McAninch, a 6-1 senior guard, will be in coach Harby Redin's starting lineup. The duo landed All - State honors while playing for Trent High School and have excelled as Flying Queens. Miss Lewis ranked third in scoring last season with 224 points, missing second by only two points. "She is a deadly shooter from outside, drives well, plays sound defense, handles the ball well and has good moves," said coach Redin.

Regarded as one of the finest in AAU ball, Miss McAninch, a co - captain, "plays excellent defense and her height gives the Queens good rebounding strength." She also excels in the classroom with a 4.0 average and is president of the Student Government Association.

Both players were named to Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities last fall.

And it promises to be a very exciting game for fans of both the Flying Queens and the Range Anns.

Although Ranger Junior College has only been competing in girls' basketball for four years, they've piled up an enviable record. They entered the Texas Junior College Conference last year for the first time, and ended the season as co - champions; this year they stand 4-0 in league play.

Their 5-2 season record includes one previous loss to Wayland and a one point loss in overtime to Ouachita Baptist. Both defeats were by four - year schools.

Little Leaguers To Meet Feb. 20

Merkel Little League planning time is here again.

And Don King, president of the Little League Association, announced that a business meeting would be held Thursday, Feb. 20 at the Merkel Restaurant at 7:30 p.m.

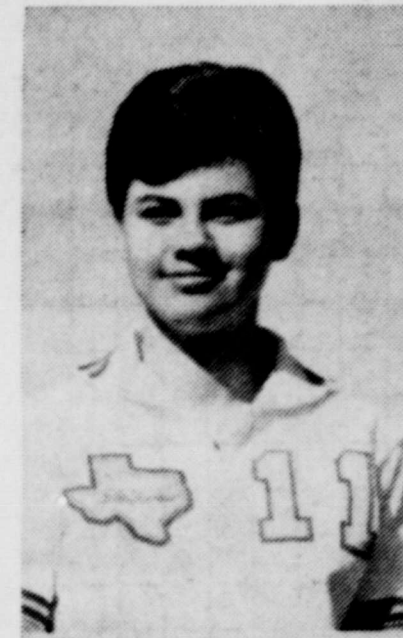
Officers will be elected for the new season, said King.

Parents of prospective Little Leaguers and all persons interested in the promotion of Little League in the Merkel area are urged to attend this meeting," said King. Current officers besides King are Don Hewitt, vice president; Mrs. George English, secretary-treasurer and Clyde Bunch, safety officer.

ORATORY DEADLINE EXTENDED TO FEB. 10

Deadline for entrants in the Taylor Electric Cooperative oratorical contest has been extended to Monday, Feb. 10, according to B. J. Gist, TEC coordinator. Boys and girls between the ages of 16 and 18 and live in the nine county area served by Taylor Electric Cooperative, may qualify for entrance in the contest.

The contest will be held Monday, Feb. 17 at the Taylor Electric Cooperative building. Entrants may choose one of two suggested topics for discussion.



IN STARTING LINEUP—Diana Lewis, left, and Barbara McAninch, Trent's all - star players on the Flying Queens, will be in the starting lineup when the special basketball game is played here Monday evening between the Wayland College Flying Queens and the Ranger Junior College Range Anns. Game time is 8:15 p.m. (See Range Ann Pictures on Page Five)

Top scorers for the Range Anns are Angie Lowrance, Glenna Grayson, and Brenda Jacobs; top rebounders are Carol Pribyla and Helen Westbrook.

Joining McAninch and Lewis in the starting lineup here Monday evening against the Range Anns will be 5-9 senior forward, Linda Dickens Price, 5-4 senior Linda Tucker, 5-8 freshman Susan Britton and 6-0 sophomore guard Wanda Roe. Price, the former Linda Pickens, is the team's leading scorer with a 12.2 average.

Since 1950 the Queens have won six national AAU titles and have been second eight other times. Their skein of 131 straight victories from 1953 to 1958 is "unequal-

led in AAU women's basketball history."

In his 14 - year tenure as coach of the Queens, Redin has guided the fabled team to 228 wins against only 44 losses for a .867 per centage. He has coached the women's AAU All - Star team in several world tours and two summers ago took the Queens on a goodwill playing tour in Mexico City.

As the names indicates the Queens fly to their road games in planes furnished by their sponsors. Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hutcherson of Plainview. The Hutchersons have been sponsoring the team and flying them to games since 1948.

LAWRENCE HEWITT JOINS WTU FIRM

Lawrence Hewitt of Merkel has joined West Texas Utilities Company as a merchandising salesman in Abilene, Merkel, Tye and Trent.

Before joining WTU, Hewitt was employed as a salesman for International Correspondence Schools in a 10 - County West Texas area. He had his headquarters in Merkel.

Born in Tye, Hewitt has spent the greater portion of his life in the Merkel area. He attended the public schools in Trent and during the past 10 years, he has worked for Lones Star Gas Company, operated a service station in Merkel, worked as a salesman for Hicks Auto Supply, and in Abilene as a salesman for American National Insurance Company.

Mrs. Hewitt is the former Blanche Farmer of Merkel. She is employed by the Merkel Telephone Company. Mr. and Mrs.



LAWRENCE HEWITT
merchandising salesman

Hewitt has a son, Larry, 14, who is a freshman student at Merkel High School. Their daughter, Susan, is 6 years old.

The Hewitts are members of the Calvary Baptist Church where he is serving as church treasurer. He is also vice president of the Merkel Optimist Club.

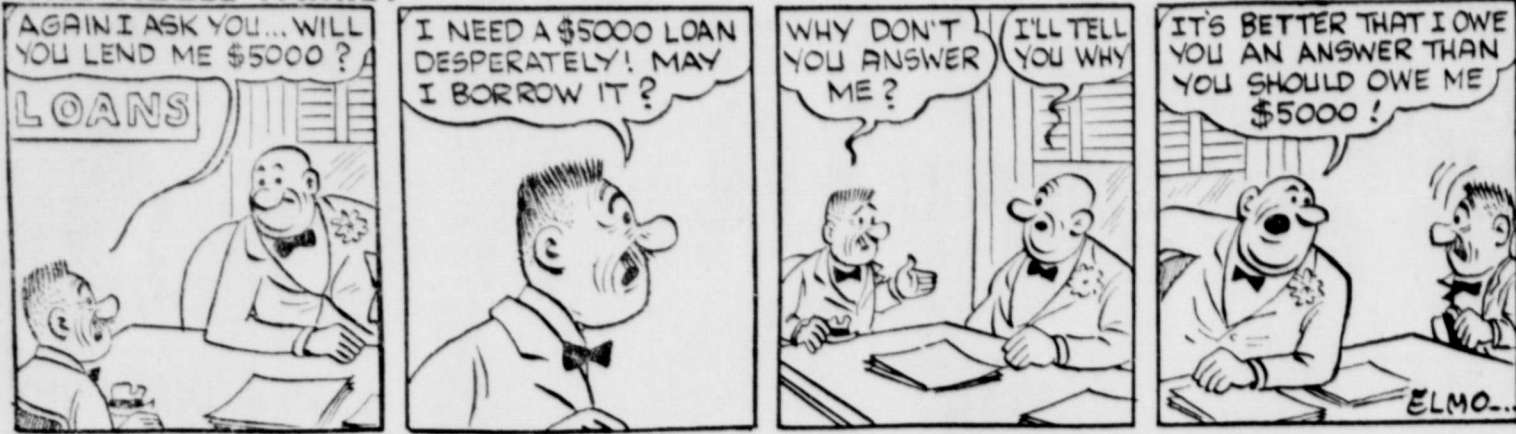
Rodeo Club To Have Bake Sale

The Merkel High Rodeo Club will have a Bake Sale Saturday, Feb. 8 beginning at 10 a.m.

The Bake Sale will be held in front of West Texas Utilities building.

Persons desiring to call in orders may call 928-5600 or 928-5300.

THE FIZZLE FAMILY



LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
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GREETING:
You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, the ac-

comparing citation, of which herein below following is a true copy.
CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Sara Luna, Defendant.
Greeting:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County at the

THE MERKEL MAIL, MERKEL, TEXAS
Page Two Thursday, Feb. 6, 1969

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 3rd day of March A.D. 1969, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 7th day of January A.D. 1969, in this cause, numbered 4513 on the docket of said court and styled In Re: Ricardo Luna, Plaintiff.

Stith News
By MRS. FRITZ HALE



Wheat is looking good since the rain we received last week. It was also a help to pastures.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fikes and children spent several days last week in Oden, Ark., with Mrs. Fikes' sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Whitehead.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dillard, Needie, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Daily, Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Blenny Hansen, visited the Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Swindell and son and also Mrs. J. E. Swindell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clyburn and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kuch in Abilene Sunday.

A good time was reported by those attending the chili and pie supper and game night at the Community Center Friday night. Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Hobbs of Grand Prairie spent the weekend

with Mrs. John Shaw and the Benny Hobbs family.

Those on the sick list are Mrs. Orval Ely, Mrs. Fletcher Jones and Paul Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale and Charles visited at the Anson General Hospital Sunday with Mrs. Ada Newton, sister of Mrs. Hale. Mr. and Mrs. Babe Tarpley and Ghonda, Mrs. E. Kelso and Mrs. Stella Tarpley spent three days in Houston last week. Mr. and Mrs. Tarpley visited Mr. and Mrs. Garth Gregory and children in Abilene Saturday. Debbie and Jeanie Fincher spent Saturday night in the Tarpley home. Mr. and Mrs. Tarpley spent Sunday in Big Spring with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tarpley.

F. J. McDonald took his uncle, Ed Reeves, to his home in White-wright Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn and Mr. and Mrs. Wade Shaw attended the Musical at Trudy Community Center Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald spent the weekend with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Stephenson.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Barnard,

Jim and Joe, Abilene, visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley Sunday. Rev. James Williams was a supper guest in the Bradley home Sunday.

The Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Swindell and Mrs. J. E. Swindell attended the funeral of Elmer Holland at the Hawley Baptist Church Monday.

Curtis Clyburn attended the Malone John Deere Implement Co. supper at the Merkel Restaurant Saturday night.

Mrs. Robert Wayne Berry,

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley, is able to sit up some. Mrs. Berry had back surgery in a San Antonio hospital in October.

A correction on the news of some of the sick folks last week. We should have said Cleo Liles, son in law of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Mildred Harris of Dallas, a Stanley, had surgery in a St. Lewis hospital recently. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Browning, is doing fine, after having flu and pneumonia.

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Crossword Puzzle

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- Immense
- Fruit
- Cloak
- Shatter
- Juicy fruits
- Weight
- Group of eight
- Permit
- Pen point
- Musical note
- Bare
- Farthest
- Boy's nickname
- Arabian rulers
- Noted the time
- Thoron: chem.
- Drew off
- Eras
- Either
- Prefix: under
- Woman's title
- Of a cereal
- Grassland
- European nation
- Happening
- More bright
- Torn
- Milk food
- Worship
- Color
- Incise
- Teach element
- Inn
- German city
- Bundles
- Not in
- Argon: chem.
- Near
- Savored
- Biblical city
- Explosive
- Article
- Suffix

DOWN

- Covenant
- Stage part
- Chemical element
- Girl's nickname
- Reverberation
- Perform
- Truck
- El shaped
- Piloted
- Savored
- Indian spirit
- Insane
- Sun god
- Worship
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Answer to Puzzle

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.

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 13th day of January A.D. 1969.

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

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Six Young Texans Claim State 4-H Honors for Variety of Skills

Educational and photography experts, a dog named Princess and her mistress, a baker of tasty oatmeal bread and a collector of insects in pecan trees . . . those are the reasons six young Texas 4-H'ers won top state awards. The awards included trips to the recent National 4-H Congress in Chicago, a transistor radio and \$50 bonds.



Miss Kunze Miss Malmstead

She said about her oatmeal concoction which won the prize this year, "My oatmeal bread, of course, has oatmeal, but also molasses and eggs." Her congress trip was sponsored by Standard Brands Incorporated.

Picking the area pecan trees for people in the vicinity of Miss Malmstead, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Malmstead. She won her award in entomology, and for it she collected and mounted more than 120 insects indicating 25 different orders.

Until she entered a biology course in high school, she said, "I had a typical girl's fear of bugs. A bug! Ugh! Get it away from me!" Later, however, she



Miss Laws Miss Zuehlke

appeared on television and contributed to a research study on the casebearer, plague of the provincial pecan tree. She was the congress guest of Hercules Incorporated, 4-H Entomology sponsor.

Phyllis Zuehlke, 19, of San Angelo in Tom Green County, was the Lone Star State award winner in photography. Her congress trip was provided by Eastman Kodak Company.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Zuehlke, she is a freshman at Angelo State College.

Miss Zuehlke uses photography both as a hobby and as a scientific adventure.

She sums up her experience with photography as "a means of expression. A good picture relates not only an event, but also the accompanying mood and impressions," she said. "A photograph can depict beauty, emotions, drama and excitement."

The winners were selected for their honors by the Texas A & M University Cooperative Extension Service.



Kruppa Miss Kovar

Christie Kovar, 17, and Donald Kruppa, 18, both of Victoria, captured a victory for Victoria County by raising their voices and speaking out. They were named state award winners in the 4-H Public Speaking program. Each received a \$50 U.S. savings bond given by Union 76 Division, Union Oil Company of California.

Persuaded to forget her pre-conceived fright of the podium by her father, Miss Kovar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Kovar, won the competition with a speech entitled "America's Foundation" in which she described the momentous thoughts of some of our country's founders.

She stated in her speech that dissension in our country is not unheard of, but "on the other hand, there are millions of proud, strong, valiant Americans who are willing to lay down their lives for their country and the beliefs for which it stands."

"In our day and time, morality, that which conforms to right ideals and principles of human conduct, is the only effective control over awful existing forces which we are confronted with day by day," said Kruppa.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kruppa.
Kruppa is now a freshman in Victoria College studying busi-

ness management.
A dog named Princess and a 15-year-old miss from Brazoria County named Sheri Kunze combined to win the top state award in the 4-H Dog Care and Training program.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Kunze, 402 E. Dumble st., Alvin, Sheri was given a transistor radio for her efforts by the Kalston Purina Company.

A city girl, Miss Kunze has been raising her pet Collie for two years and has taught her a variety of tricks that have won several blue ribbons.

One of the most important things she has learned, besides how to select a dog, feed, groom and care for it, is "that if you have a problem, no matter what kind, if you work hard and long enough you can solve that problem." Her problem was getting Princess to like people.

Although she is still a high school student, she hopes someday to go on to college to become a teacher herself, not of dogs necessarily but of students.

The baker of the delicious oatmeal bread is Cheryl Laws, 16, of Austin in Travis County. She, Brenda Malmstead, 17, of New Braunfels, Comal County, entomology expert, and Phyllis Zuehlke, 19, San Angelo, photographer, won trip awards to the recent 4-H Congress.

Their adventures to the Windy City were filled with tours of museums and Chicago's Christmas-sparkled streets, concerts and panel discussions.

With her tasty bread and her long record of work in foods and nutrition, Miss Laws, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Laws, mixed up a batch of ribbons and other recognition for her project in the area of bread.

SPACE SAVER

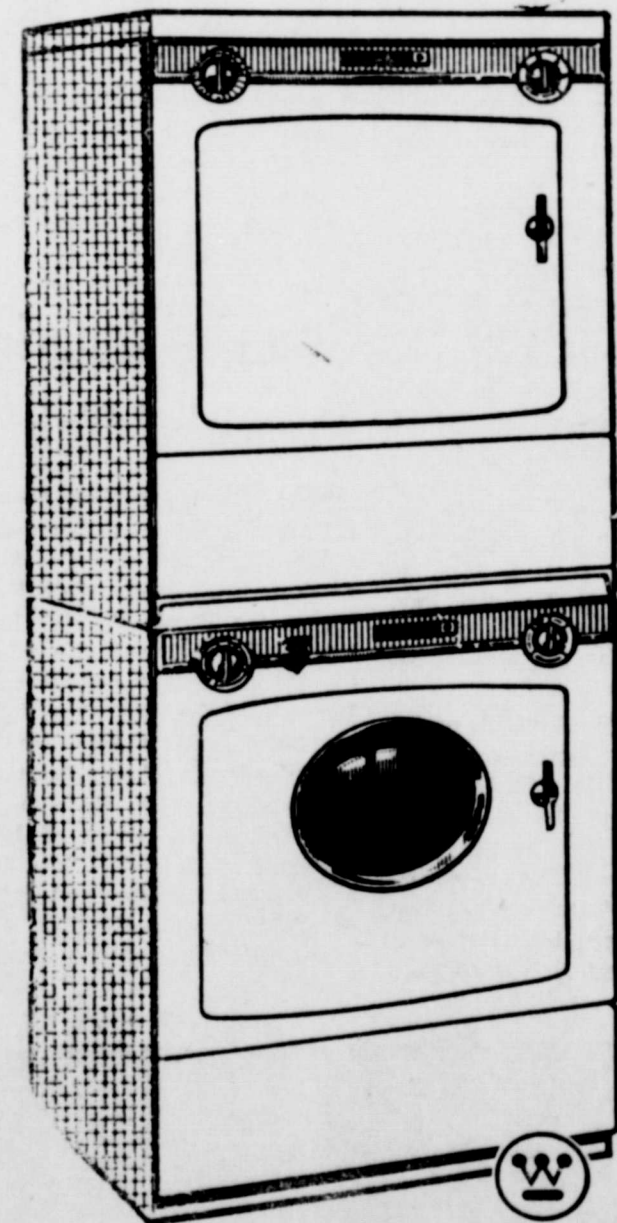
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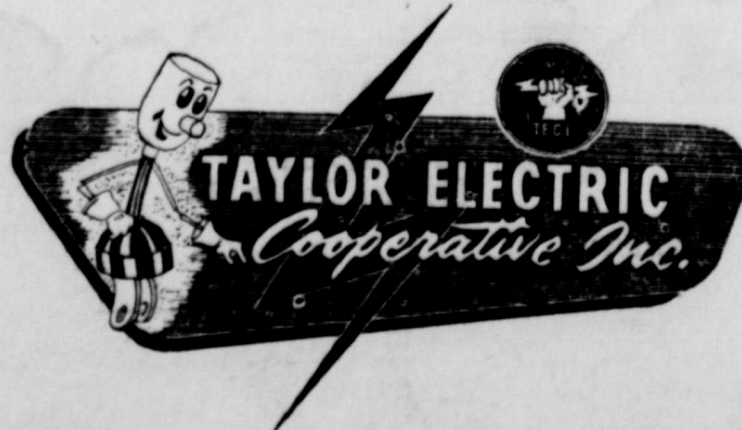


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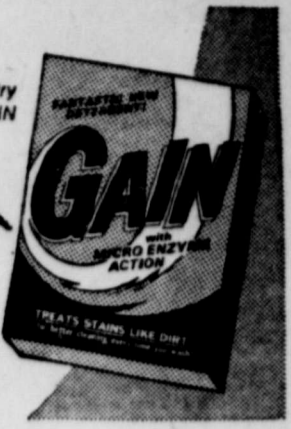
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Stated Meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710 on 2nd Saturday and 4th Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome. Members urged to attend.

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LOST DOG — One year old African Basenji — named "Tanna." Brown with white markings on neck, paws and tip of tail. Tail tightly curled. Missing since about 6 p.m. Jan. 21, 1969. Rabies Vac. Tag No. 621344. Call 928-5285. 48 2tp

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WANTED — To buy a used portable record player. Call 928-5630. 49 2tc

WANTED — Any kind of yard work such as pruning trees and cleaning lots and plowing gardens. Go anywhere in 30 mile radius. Cecilo Hernandez, Rt. 3, Phone 928-5074. 47 2tp

WANTED — Cattle hauling. Call 928-4975. 48 ttc

For Rent

FOR RENT — Six room unfurnished house. Just outside city limits. Eyrone Curb, 928-5238. 49 2tc

FOR RENT — Unfurnished 2 bedroom house on FM Road on school bus route. Phone 928-5108. 48 ttc

FOR RENT OR SALE — Three bedroom house, double garage, 202 El Paso St., Merkel. Call Trent, 892-9191, days; 862-2402, nights. Walter Riney. 48 2tp

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FOR SALE OR RENT — Three bedroom house, own water well and pump, large garden spot. 512 El Paso. Call 928-5346. 48 ttc

FOR SALE — 1962 Impala hard-top, factory air, and power, good condition, good tires, 1412 Sunset, Phone 928-5416. 49 2tc

FOR SALE — 23 inch Motorola Black and white TV. Table model on rolling stand. 1565 Heath, call 928-5060. 48 2tc

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FOR SALE — Good location at Colorado City Lake. Close to park, 3 bedroom, living, fire place, bath and small kitchen, with nice swimming area and boat ramp 50x200 ft. lot. Call 928-4944 after 5 p.m. 47 ttc

FOR SALE — Three bedroom, 2 bath brick house at 1509 Sunset. Carpet, central heating and cooling, double garage, good water well, fenced yard. Call 928-5185. 46 ttc

CARD OF THANKS
OUR SINCERE APPRECIATION is expressed to each and everyone for all the kindnesses extended during our stay in the hospital. For visits, flowers, cards, and prayers, we sincerely thank you.
Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Criswell

Up The Canyon

(Continued from Page One)

Mr. and Mrs. Edwina Palf, the former Ruth Butman.

Well, what about this last transaction this day and time? We left Plunk Church after church Sunday and some forty minutes later, ate dinner in Bronie and then on to the home of some friends there. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Modling, who had extended us an invitation to visit. We left their home, drove to the Robert Lee Lake site, and from there we drove to their ranch, twelve miles west of Robert Lee where we looked over cattle, sheep, deer and wild turkey, which was real enjoyable to us. Then, leaving Bronie, we arrived back at our home at 6:30 p.m. That's what I call getting across country in one afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Modling, already has some lake cabins on the ranch where the lake takes 250 acres of their land. They had extended us a warm welcome to spend some time there this summer, and we accepted the welcome as warmly as they extended it. Thanks to them for a very fine time.

Mrs. Allen King has returned home after a few days in Hendrick Memorial Hospital after having surgery.

Mack Seymore was able to be back in church Sunday, after some time spent in the hospital following a car wreck some three or four weeks ago.

Leroy Riney, who lives on the east side of the Canyon, says things are looking good over in that area, but said a rain would be fine on everything.

TOP TEN

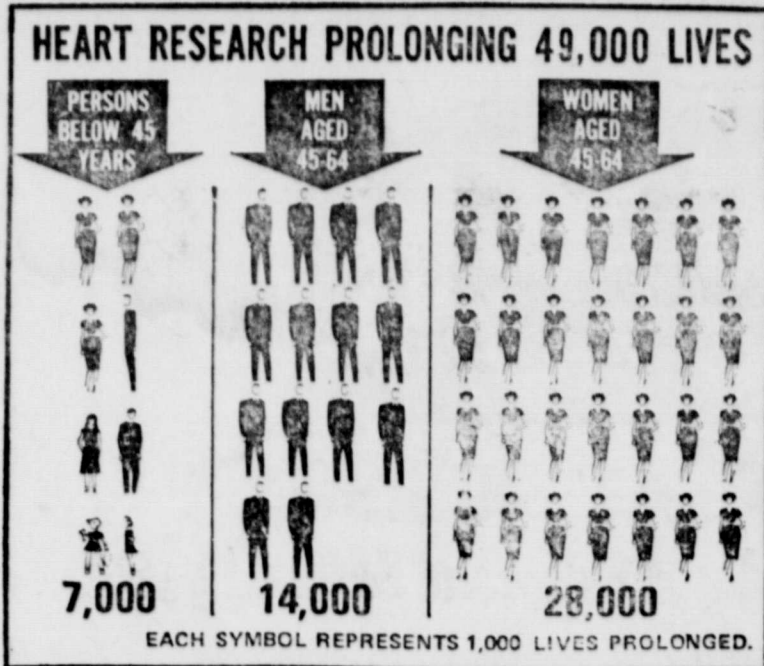
- Table in the Corner — Conway Twitty
- Kaw-Li-Ga — Charles Pride
- Until My Dreams Come True — Jack Greene
- Bring me Sunshine — Willie Nelson
- Did I Say Something Wrong — Tony Douglas
- Whose Gonna Mow Your Grass — Buck Owens
- Your Sweet Love Lifted Me — Bobby Barnett
- So Much to Do — Cal Smith
- The Price I Pay to Stay — Jeannie C. Riley
- Watching the Trains Go By — Tommy Overstreet

PICK HIT
A Baby Again — Hank Williams Jr.

WWI Veterans Set Feb. 11 Meeting

The Veterans of World War I and the Ladies Auxiliary will have their regular meeting at the Taylor Electric Cooperative building Tuesday, Feb. 11. Meeting time is 7 p.m.

Members and all WWI veterans are urged to attend, said Karl Bonneaux, commander.



PROGRESS in the fight against heart and blood vessel diseases since 1950—the year massive research programs were initiated—is reflected in this chart. About 253,000 Americans below 65 die of these diseases yearly; had the 1950 rate persisted, the toll would exceed 302,000. This equates to an apparent savings of 49,000 lives yearly. Division of the 45-65 group, 28,000 women and 14,000 men, was based on earlier statistics indicating improved mortality experiences of middle-age persons favors women about two to one. The Heart Fund, begun in 1949, speeded virtually all advances leading to this achievement.

Trent Graduates On Dean's List

Miss Barbara McAninch and Miss Diana Lewis, both graduates of Trent High School, and seniors at Wayland College, Plainfield, were on the dean's honor roll for the fall semester.

Miss Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Stephenson, is a star player with the Flying Queens, nationally recognized women's basketball team. She is also active in other campus organizations.

Miss McAninch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William McAninch has consistently made the honor roll during her studies at Wayland. She is president of the Student Government Association, president of the Statesmen's Club, vice-president of the Flying Queens, and a member of Alpha Chi.

Both Miss McAninch and Miss Lewis will be star players on the Flying Queens team when they play the Ranger Junior College Range Ann's February 10 at the Merkel Gymnasium.

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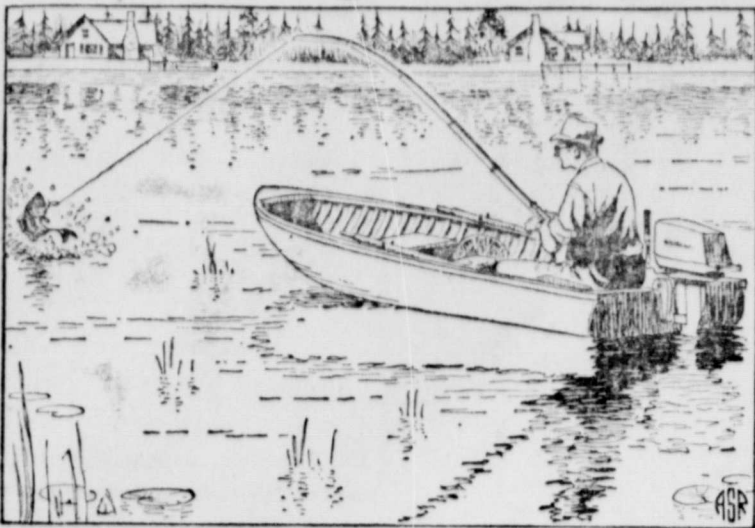
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There's Action A-Plenty In Weeds

By Tom Andrews

Remember the last time you were out on the water on a dead-calm, blistering-hot day? The early-morning action probably persisted a bit later than usual. And before you knew it, your watch said it was 11 a.m. and you realized it had been 30 minutes or more since your last nibble or strike.

So you just packed up your gear and went in for lunch—right? Well, I'm afraid that's what most of us do, and as a result, we lose hours of potentially great fishing time out of our too-few summer days.

Many long years ago, I used to advise fishermen to knock off during midday hours in hot weather. But that was before my "Weedbed Education" was complete!

There's a better way! First, let's assume you have spotted the weedy areas in that favorite lake, or that a local angler can point them out to you. Next, you've got to have a weedless Johnson Silver Minnow and pork rind in your tackle box.

Matter of fact, there ought to be two of these spoons—one silver and one purple—and some purple or black pork as well as white rind, frogs, or rubber skirts.

Move to the outer edge of the weedbed and anchor to get absolute control of the lure. Snap on a silver-finished Silver Minnow and a white pork strip.

Now cast inshore a couple of dozen times; later casts can be parallel to the shore. Let your spoon sink, but don't begin the retrieve. Count to 10 first, then start an extremely slow retrieve.

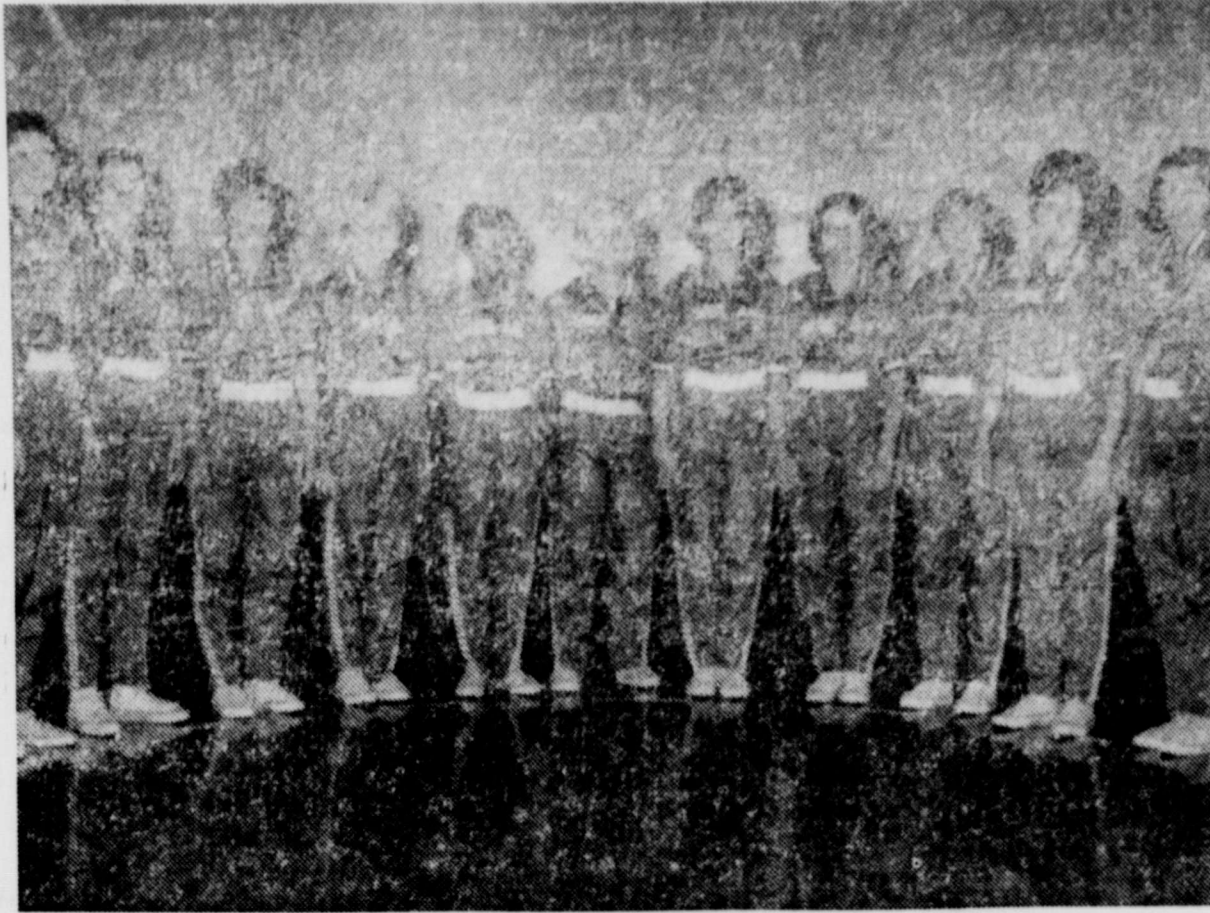
Turn the reel handle only a few times, then stop. Repeat the count, and once more move the lure.

This is the secret to weedless, productive weedbed fishing!

That Silver Minnow, even though it's the best weedless lure I've ever used, can't work miracles if it's ripped through the weeds with a hell-for-leather retrieve.

So if many casts fail to bring a lunker out of his weedy den, dig your purple Silver Minnow and a purple or black pork rind out of the tackle box. Then cast and retrieve as we've suggested, and watch for action!

For reasons that fish alone seem to understand, the combination of a dark lure and trailer on a hot, bright day seem somehow irresistible.



RANGE ANN FORWARDS — Meeting the Wayland College Flying Queens this Monday evening at the Merkel Gym are, forwards, from left, Sue Ann Magee, Angie Lowrance, Susan Clark, Rhonda Talley, Brenda Jacobs, Donna Howard, Judy Townsend, Judy Perkins, Glenna Grayson, Laura Jobe and Bernice Comisky. Roving forwards are Magee, Lowrance, Tally, Jacobs and Grayson. (Photo by RJC)



RANGE ANN GUARDS — Star guards on the Range Ann Basketball Team are from left, Odesa Storey, freshman; Gene Shaw, freshman; Carol Pribyla, sophomore, and Debbie Stark, freshman. (Photo by RJC)

Lion Members Hear From Taylor County Sheriff's Department

A "full house" of Lion Club members and their guests heard Mrs. Tommy Barlow, office deputy for the Taylor County Sheriff's Department, outline some of the operations of that department, and emphasize ways in which the "average citizen can help in decreasing the crime rate," at their Tuesday noon meeting.

Mrs. Barlow, "filling in" for Taylor County Sheriff George Maxwell, who was unable to attend the noon meeting, has been with the Sheriff's department for eight years, and she said, "most interesting eight years."

In outlining the operation of the department, Mrs. Barlow said there were 17 employees currently on duty, one chief deputy, three criminal deputies, two civil deputies, one identification officer, two investigators, three jail-

riences."

"We are all interested in the freedom and welfare of our Nation, and do our part to secure them," said the office deputy. "Live and learn is good advice, but learn to live is better."

Guests included members of the Taylor County Commissioners Court, Taylor County Judge Roy Skaggs, members of the Merkel Optimist Club, and Merkel Police Chief, D. B. Bowen and Night Policemen, Mike Briley.

"And we try to treat each call with a courteous attitude."

In suggesting ways in which to decrease crime, Mrs. Barlow said that "being a good citizen was most important."

"Good citizens are recognized in all walks of life as individuals," she said, "with people from all walks of life, no two human beings have made or ever will make exactly the same journey in life. Your opinions, mine and the other person, are shaped and colored by our individual expe-

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Current Annual Taxes Are Paid

Current annual taxes paid to the various government agencies by Texas railroads in Taylor County totaled \$52,651. It is announced by the Texas Railroad Association.

That amount was the county's

share of the more than \$10,000,000 the railroads paid in Texas on their own right of way and other property.

The biggest railroad contribution was to the school systems throughout the state. Large sums were also distributed to city, village and county governments and for road and bridge funds.

CLASSIFIEDS GET RESULTS!

Civil Defense Meeting Is Set

On Feb. 24-25 the Ninth Annual Texas Civil Defense directors' conference will be held at the Villa Capri Motel in Austin.

Mayors, County Judges and other elected and appointed officials are encouraged to attend. Guests are welcome.

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Wedding Plans

HOLLAND-HESELRODE

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Holland of 1224 Avant, Clinton, Okla., formerly of Merkel, are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Miss Sheila Diann Holland to Mr. Jerry Hesselrode of Bell City, Mo.



SHEILA DIANN HOLLAND
... planning April wedding

Mr. Cletis Lemmons, minister for the Church of Christ in Bell City will officiate at the exchange of wedding vows at 3:00 p.m. April 19, in the Church of Christ in Clinton.

The bride - elect is a 1966 graduate of Merkel High School, where she was a member of the Future Homemakers of America. She was voted class favorite her junior year and picked as "Most Friendly Girl" her senior year. She was also a nominee for Homecoming Queen both her junior and senior year. She attended Oklahoma Christian College where she was a member of the Oklahoma Christian College Choral, the Gleaners Club, the Achain Club, and of Delta Phi Club. She is employed at the Oklahoma General Hospital in Clinton, Okla.

Hesselrode was graduated from Bell City High School where he was outstanding in varsity basketball, and a member of Future Farmers of America. He graduated from Freed - Hardeman Junior College, Henderson, Tennessee. He is now attending Oklahoma Christian College where he is a senior.

Mr. Holland is a former minister of the Church of Christ in Merkel. He is now serving as minister of the Church of Christ in Clinton, Okla.

RIGGEN-IRVIN

Merrilyn Riggen and Karl E. Irvin will be married April 18 at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Lubbock.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Merrill R. Riggen of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Irvin of Merkel.

A graduate of Monterey High School, Lubbock, the bride - elect will be graduated in June from Texas Technological College, majoring in personnel management. She is a member of Alpha Phi social sorority and Phi Gamma Nu women's business honorary society, and is Panhellenic scholarship chairman. She is on the Dean's list and is employed at Tech.

Her fiance, a Merkel High School graduate, attended McMurry College, Texas A&M University and will graduate in June from Tech, majoring in accounting. He is a member of Tech accounting society, and Beta Alpha Psi accounting honorary society. He is employed at Bolinger, Sears, Gilbert and Moss CPA firm in Lubbock.

Now In Vietnam

WITH U. S. CAMBAT AIR FORCES, Vietnam — Major Lucius G. Bryant Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Bryant Sr. of 115 N. 11th St., Fort Pierce, Fla., is on duty at Nha Trang AB, Vietnam.

His wife, Jo Denton, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Brown of Merkel.

Maj. Bryant, a forward air controller, is a member of the Pacific Air Forces. Before his arrival in Southeast Asia, he was assigned to Patrick AFB, Fla. Maj. Bryant received his com-

mission in 1952 upon completion of the Air Forces Reserve Officer Training Corps program at the Georgia Institute of Technology, where he was graduated with a B.E.E. degree. He holds a M.B.A. degree from the George Washington University, Wash., D.C. The major is a member of the Sigma Phi Epsilon.

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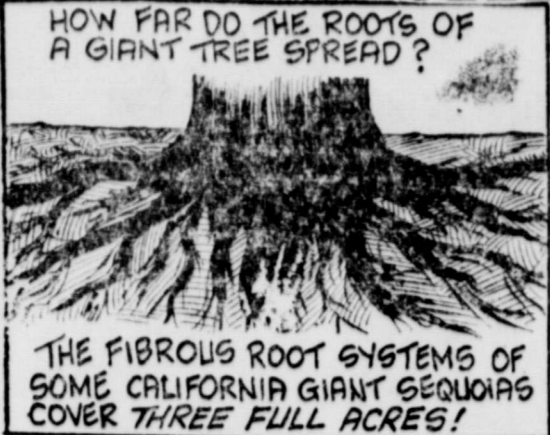
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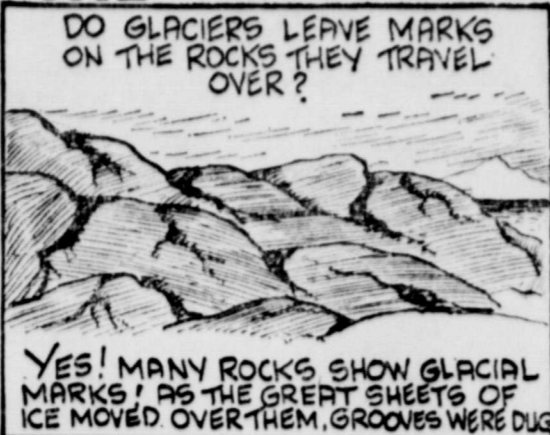
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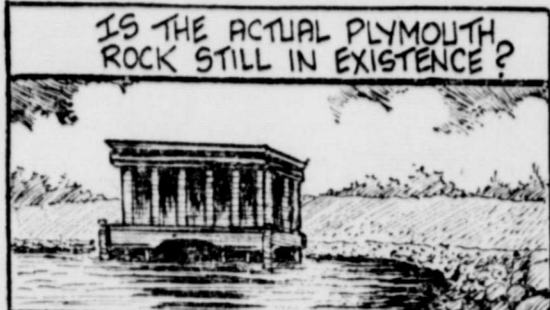
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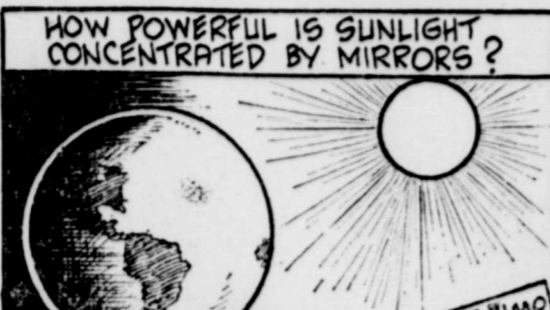
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DEAR MRS. WHITE: I cannot remove ball point ink from my son's white shirts. GRATEFUL MOTHER.

DEAR MOTHER: Try either hair spray or denatured alcohol (diluted in equal parts of water). Place tissue or blotter under stain; work from reverse side of cloth. Apply hair spray or diluted alcohol. Absorb ink as it comes through on tissue (replacing as needed). Launder in heavy suds and 1/2 cup NON-chlorine bleach.

DEAR MRS. WHITE: My daughter spilled black shoe polish on freshly laundered permanent press sheets. S.O.S.

DEAR S.O.S.: Add 1/2 cup Miracle White super cleaner to washer full of very hot water, 1 cup NON-chlorine bleach, 1/2 cup detergent. Run through complete cycle. Repeat in fresh water.

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DEAR GIVE UP: Wear these garments once and launder within 2 days. Difficult to clean as they repel water. Pre-soak 25 min. in water (145°) adding 1/4 cup Super Cleaner, 1/2 cup to 3/4 cup NON-chlorine bleach, 1/2 cup detergent. Run thru normal cycle.

Get a free stain removal chart. Write V. W. Miracle White Company, 1741 West Fullerton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60614.

LITTLE BADGER TRACKS

By MES REPORTERS

The students of Merkel Elementary are really busy with the fourth six weeks half over.

The Student Council opened the Valentine Post Office for business Monday. The hours are 8:00 and 11:30 to 12:20. The Post Office will be open until February 13.

The boys and girls "A" teams played Wylie Monday night. The boys lost their game 24-21. The boys lost their game also.

Ages of the 26 million U.S. veterans range from below 20 to over 100. Average is 44.2 years.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF ELECTION

City Council of the City of Merkel hereby gives notice of CITY ELECTION.

The following vacancy to be filled Mayor and Aldermen two (2) places two (2) years each. Candidates will have until 5:00 p.m., February 28th, 1969, in which to file for place on ballots.

The Election shall be held April 1st, 1969, at the City Hall and shall conform as nearly as possible to the General Election Laws of Texas Governing such Elections. The polls shall open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.

Mrs. Pat Cypert is hereby appointed Election Judge.

Given under my hand and seal this 4th of February A.D. 1969. City Council, City of Merkel FLOSSIE W. McKEEVER Flossie W. McKeever, City Secretary. 49 11c

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BADGER TRACKS

By WALLY KNIGHT

Tryouts for parts in the drama production of "Of Poems, Youth, and Spring" were held Monday and Tuesday.

A Southern Assembly program was presented to the high school students Tuesday afternoon. The program dealt with the art of glass - blowing.

About the basketball games last

Friday night. There was a large turnout. The Merkel girls team pulled off another victory. The boys' basketball team (choose your own ending). Oh well, maybe next year.

The Teen Center will be open to the teens this Saturday night. The center is open at 8:00 p.m. All teenagers are invited to attend.

The Rodeo Club held a meeting at the Merkel Restaurant Monday night. Members met and paid their club dues.

The Badger Band is working on several songs that might be used for the band festivals and concert contests. The stage band

is rehearsing songs for their trip to the Brownwood Stage Band Festival on February 14.

Tickets for the Wayland Flying Queens basketball game are on sale in the high school office. The Queens will perform in the Merkel Gymnasium on Monday, February 10. Adult tickets are \$1.00 and student tickets are 50 cents.

EXTRA - A Steve Dean Original!!! Question: What goes zzzz backwards? Answer: A bee flying backwards. That's not funny.

On Prexy's List

Mrs. Phyllis Newby Cartwright, who is attending Commonwealth College of Science in Houston, has been placed on the president's list for outstanding academic accomplishments during the first quarter.

Mrs. Cartwright is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Newby of Elgin, former residents of Merkel, and is presently residing in Houston. She is married to Terry Cartwright and they are the parents of a daughter, Cassandra, age 1 1/2.

The president's list is composed of those students with scholastic averages of 85 per cent or above during the academic quarter.

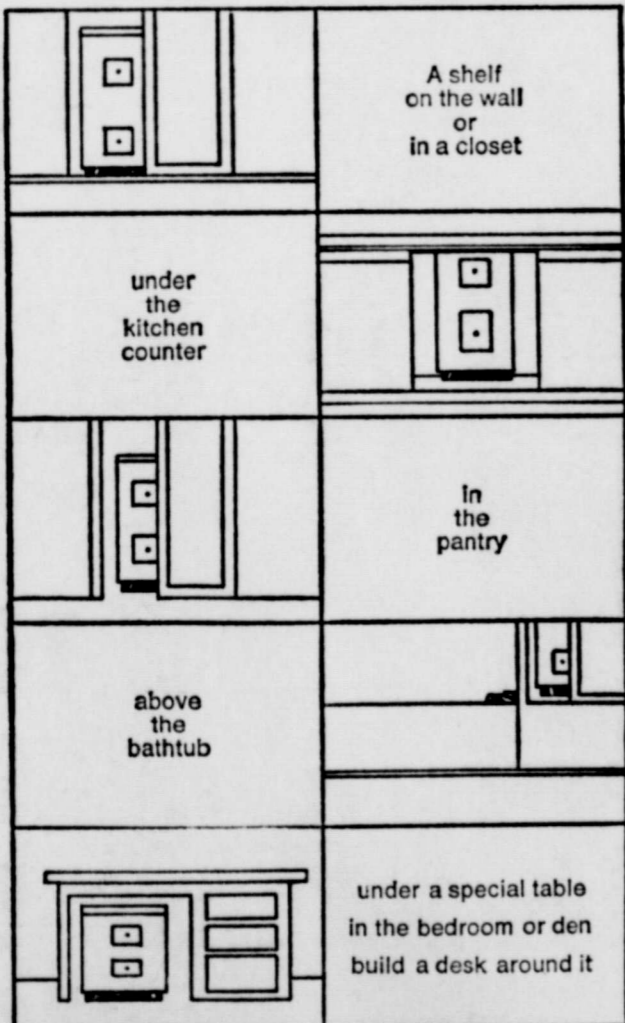
ACT Is Presenting 'The Little Foxes'

Abilene Community Theater began its eight-day run of "The Little Foxes" this Wednesday with Betty Jackson in the brilliantly bawful role that in 1939 gave Talulah Bankhead her greatest triumph, and Anne Bancroft hers in a successful New York revival of the play in 1967.

"The Little Foxes" is a study in evil - a portrayal of a southern family climbing to wealth at the turn of the century by trickily conniving against everyone who stands in their way, and finally against each other.

The production will be presented Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week and Wednesday through Saturday, Feb. 12-15. The Theatre is located at 301 South Mockingbird in Abilene.

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