

Amendment Voting Set Tuesday Polls Open at MHS 7 A. M. - 7 P. M.


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## HoGSAVINGS 




The Merkel Mail
publisher's statement


Cindy Whisenhunt Wins First Place In Jaycee Rodeo



Maj. L. G. Bryant Gets Air Medal

Mrs. Camphell Dies in Abilene

Clayton Hood Dies at 49
 Trent First Baptist Church with
the Rev. Jim Sellers, pastor, of


Trent: three sisters, Mrs. Jame Winn of Odessa and Mrs. Larry Ridgeway of Abilene; two sons Terry of Dallas and Wayne in the U.S. Navy: three daughters Beverly of Chicago, Marie, both of Dallas.
Pallbearers were Leo Harris, S. G. Russell, Lonnie
Halbrooks. Foy Steakman an Charles Lynn Russell.


## Funeral Held

For Whisenhunt

## Amendments

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## Band Rehearsal

 Set August 5

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But faith and spiritual strength can be found, nourished. Then they grow within you through regular worship. This week go to your church or synagogue. Start to build a fuller, more mean Ingful life. Cherish your faith and keep is atrone 30 that it may strengthen you.

## Worship



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Standing are coach Waiter Whisenhunt, left, Greg Doan, Steve Bland, Dwayne Pack, Mac Sipes, Floyd
Sellers, Burke McElmurray, Derrel Bunch and George English, manager.


Crazy People Don't Wear Clothes!
When the summer heat comes on, the clothes come off. "Christians" seem to be no exception although not something wrong when a "Christian" lady is the one who always has the shortest shorts, the lowest cut dress, and the scantiest swimsuit, and is frequently found in public places in such attire? When Adam and Eve ate of the forbidden fruit of "knowledge," they learned they were naked and clothed themselves to observing eyes. This know-
ledge has never left mankind . . although some ledge has
ignore it.
Jesus once met a man who "had a devil a long time and WORE NO CLOTHES, nor abode in the house", but when Christ cast the "devil" out of him he was HIS RIGHT MIND", (Luke $8: 26-36$ ). When the Devil leaves a person he will dress "in modest apparel", but those who are "possessed of demons" and "crazy" don't wear clothes.
THATS BIBLE, LADIES!
BLLLY PATTON, Minister


Terror Behind the Front Pages
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office price for adults is $\$ 3.00$. "Anyone interested in attending the festival as a group may con-
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The festival opened with .. Midsummer Night's Dream," but is presently featuring the "Tam-
ing of the Shrew" ing of the Shrew." Performances are nightly at
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Texas. The Plan comes to its first real public test on August 5, 1969, when you, the voters of Texas, are being asked to approve Constitutional Amend-
ment No. Two, which will authorize the Texas Water Development Board to sell up to $\$ 3.5$ billion in additional bonds over a 40 -year period, in amounts We urge you to vote for Constitutional Amendment No. Two on August 5. It may be the most imporiant vote this generation of Texans will cast. Sincerely,



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