

5 BIG DOLLAR DAY SPECIALS

Thurs. Feb. 15th Thru Tues. Feb. 20th

- PEACHES** CAL-RIPE NO. 2 1/2 CAN ... 3 for **\$1.00**
- MILK** PET TALL CAN ... 6 for **\$1.00**
- CAKE MIX** DUNCAN HINES ... 3 for **\$1.00**
- CORN** OUR DARLING 303 CAN ... 5 for **\$1.00**
- Green Beans** STOKELYS 303 CAN ... 4 for **\$1.00**
- MUSTARD** FRENCH'S 9 OZ. JAR ... 2 for **29¢**
- TISSUE** ZEE 4 ROLL PKG. ... 3 for **\$1.00**

- SUNSHINE — 12-Oz. PKG. **Vanilla Wafers**.... **35¢**
- KRAFT'S **Bar-B-Q Sauce** 18-OZ BOTTLE **39¢**
- STOKLEYS 8 OZ. CAN **Tomato Sauce** 3 For **29¢**
- COMSTOCK CHERRY **PIE FILLER** No. 2 Can **49¢**

- LIPTON'S **TEA** ... 1/2 Lb. Box **69¢**
- HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSE NOW AVAILABLE — ALSO AMMUNITION



- BEEF RIBS** Lb. **49¢**
- CHUCK ROAST** Lb. **98¢**
- PORK LIVER** Lb. **49¢**

- BACON** Gooch Blue Ribbon Lb. **98¢**
- FRANKS** Gooch 12 Oz. **59¢**
- STEAK** Pork Lb. **89¢**
- ROAST** Pork Lb. **89¢**

WILSON FOOD COUPON

Save 25c

With This Coupon When You Buy A 4-Oz. JAR Of **MAXIM** FREEZE-DRIED COFFEE

At Wilson Food Store 4-Oz. Jar Only 89c

With coupon Offer Exp. 2-24-73

ONE COUPON PER FAMILY



WILSON FOOD COUPON

SAVE 25c

With This Coupon When You Buy The 1 Lb. CAN Of **YUBAN** COFFEE

LB. CAN Only **75c** with this Coupon

Cash value 1/20c

COUPON GOOD TO 3-31-73 ONLY



- Snowdrift** With Purchase of \$5.00 or More Excluding Cigaretts 3 Lb. Can **59¢**
- Miracle Whip** KRAFT'S QT. **59¢**
- Cheese** KRAFT'S VELVEETA 2 LB. BOX **1.19**
- MILK** MARIGOLD 2% HOMO 1 GAL. Plus Dep. **89¢** REG. Home Gal. **99¢**
- RED PLUM JAM** BEST MAID 18-OZ. JAR **35¢**
- FLOUR** GOLD MEDAL 5 LB. BAG **59¢**

- KRAFT'S SOFT PARKAY **OLEO** LB. **39¢**
- KRAFT'S **MACARONI DINNER** 5 FOR **\$1.00**
- NABISCO **CRACKERS** 1 Lb. Box **39¢**
- Best Made Sour or Dill **PICKLES** QUART **49¢**
- EL FOOD **Orange Drink** HALF GAL. **35¢**
- DOWNY **Fabric Softner** KING SIZE **\$1.19**

- Frozen Foods**
- DONALD DUCK—12-OZ. CAN **ORANGE JUICE** 2 For **\$1.00**
 - BANQUET—CHICKEN-BEEF-TURKEY **POT PIES** 2 For **49¢**
 - STRAWBERRIES** 10-OZ. CTN. **29¢**
 - VINE RIPE **TOMATOES** Lb. **29¢**
 - FLORIDA **CORN** 3 Ears **25¢**
 - TEMPLE **ORANGES** Lb. **19¢**
 - YAMS** Lb. **19¢**
 - RUSSET **SPUDS** 10 Lb. bag. **69¢**



Double Premiums On WEDNESDAY On Purchase of \$2.50 OR MORE IN MERCHANDISE

Save Valuable Cash Register Tapes For Premiums

BADGER TRACKS

By STEVE WALKER
Basketball season is now over so track is next. MHS is preparing for their first track meet in a couple of weeks. Along with track comes volleyball. Mrs. Willis is coaching the girls who are looking forward to quite a few tournaments this spring.
The Senior class is going to sponsor a volleyball tournament again this year. If any group is interested in participating, the contest will be held sometime in March. There will be more

formation on it later.
Merkel spellers came home from the UIL meet at Hardin-Simmons Saturday in a blaze of glory. Six places were awarded and the four Merkelites took places 1, 2, 5 & 6. Don Clyburn led the list followed by Susie Castille, both Seniors. Phyllis Shanks and Tonya Crenshaw, both Sophomores, took 5th and 6th places. Learning to spell over 200 words a week is not child's play but the hard work really paid off. Congratulations, Ya'll!

Little League To Meet

The Merkel Little League will meet Friday at 7 p.m. at the Asteroid.
This will be a organizing meeting to elect new officers.

Spelling is one of the many UIL activities being studied this semester. There are students preparing for several speech events, plus Ready Writing, Typing, One-Act Play, and Number Sense. Merkel has a great potential in these contests.
The Family Lawyer

McMahan-Young Vows Exchanged February 10th

Deborah McMahan and Ray Young exchanged marriage vows Saturday, Feb. 10 in the home of the bridegrooms parents, with the Rev. Kenneth

Jones officiating.
The bride is the daughter of Mr. Jim McMahan and Mrs. Jack Jaymes both of Odessa. The bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Young.
Becky Young, sister of the groom was maid of honor.
Jimmy Hester was best man.
Mark McMahan lighted candles and Terry McMahan and Jimmy Land seated guest.
The bride wore a white street length dress and carried a bouquet of blue and white flowers.
Miss Young wore a light blue dress.
After a short wedding trip, the couple will live in San Angelo.

Holiday on Ice March 8-11

The tickets for the 27th Edition of Holiday on Ice are on sale at the Taylor County Coliseum and Sears. This brand new skating revue comes to the Coliseum for five performances March 8 thru 11.

The Volunteer Services Council of the Abilene State School will host the opening night benefit performance. Participation as host will provide funds toward special projects including the swimming pool enclosures.

Holiday on Ice International is under new ownership and production guidance. There are new stars and old favorites in new routines. There will be a new dimension in staging and lighting and the show will have an All-American theme.

The bride attended Merkel High School.
The bridegroom graduated from Merkel High School and is attending Angelo State University and is employed by Good-year in San Angelo.
Serving at the reception following the ceremony were Rhonda White, Vickie Lollar and Cindi Tyson.
Out of gown tuest attended from Graham, Mineral Wells, Keen, Texas.



AUSTIN, Tex. — First formal step toward rewriting the patchwork 1876 Texas Constitution was finally approved by the Legislature and Gov. Dolph Briscoe late last week.

Briscoe lost no time in signing into law legislation authorizing appointment of a 37-member Constitutional Revision Commission when both houses finally agreed on terms.
The Commission, which will study the constitution and make recommendations to the legislature when it convenes at a constitutional convention next year, will go to work within 14 days after it is named. It has only until November 1 to complete its hearings, study and report to lawmakers.

Under the legislation, Briscoe will serve as chairman of the six-member selection committee to pick the study commission. Other selection committee members are Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby, Atty. Gen. John Hill, House Speaker Price Daniel Jr., Supreme Court Chief Justice Joe Greenhill and Court of Criminal Appeals Presiding Judge John Onion Jr.

Legislators served their duty want the Commission to be fairly and equitably representative of sexes, ethnic, social and economic groups and geographic regions.

Recommendations for membership already are pouring in from interest groups.
A majority vote of the House (76 members minimum) and Senate (at least 16) could reject the selection committee's choices of a commission slate.

A controversial provision of the legislation permits the selection panel to meet in secret (by majority vote) to consider its appointments — after first holding an open session and later meeting publicly for final, formal action.

SHIELD, LOBBY BILLS ADVANCE — The proposed "free flow of information" law to protect newsmen from forced disclosure of their confidential sources of information to investigate bodies has passed the House with only a handful of dissenting votes.
At the same time, the House passed (with just 25 dissenting votes) a tough lobby control bill. Both measures are part of the reform package of Speaker Daniel who also backed amendments to the open meetings law and a measure to ease access to governmental documents in the public interest.

Sponsors of the shield law fought off five amendments to weaken protection against source disclosure.
The lobby control act, to be administered by a 12-member ethics commission, would require reports of lobbyists' activities, including gifts or loans of more than \$50 in any month of a legislative session to legislators.

Both measures now advance to the Senate, where a somewhat less-enthusiastic reception is anticipated.
TEEN-AGERS ON JURIES — Under legislation approved by the House without debate, 18-year-olds can serve on all juries.

Representatives further passed a bill to extend until 1975-76 the deadline for school districts to go on the quarter basis.
Another bill advanced by the House to the Senate would make the school district fiscal year conform with the July 1-June 30 federal fiscal year timetable.

COURTS SPEAK — A Fort Bend County man won reversal a 35-year sentence for robbery by firearms when the Court of Criminal Appeals held a guilty plea is invalid unless the defendant is advised of consequences.
State Supreme Court denied a writ of habeas corpus to a Temple man who was jailed after he refused to produce 47

magazines in an obscenity case in which he had been convicted earlier.
Court of Criminal Appeals held circumstantial evidence was insufficient to convict a Harris County man for heroin possession.
A Jefferson County murder conviction was also thrown out by the Court of Criminal Appeals because the defendant was not advised of consequences of pleading "no contest."

ETHICS CONFERENCE CALLED — Lt. Governor Hobby will invite about 150 representative Texans to discuss governmental ethics during a conference here late next month.
The Lieutenant Governor indicated he wants advice on what legislation to create a state code of ethics should contain. An ethics bill already has been the source of controversy in a House committee.
AG OPINIONS — Atty. Gen. John Hill advised Governor Briscoe the state cannot intervene to prevent abortion during the first three months of

pregnancy. Only during the last three months of pregnancy is state regulation possible under a January 23 U. S. Supreme Court decision, Hill wrote.
In another recent opinion, the Attorney General held that requirements for membership on the Texas Board of Examiners in the Fitting and Dispensing of Hearing Aids include a provision that one member be a licensed physician or surgeon specializing in otolaryngology and another be a trained audiologist — both actively practicing.

AIR'S CLEANER NOW — According to the Texas Air Control Board, air pollution has abated a bit.
Samplings over a two-year period indicated a slight improvement, a Board report maintained.

The Board further claimed its program of permitting polluters additional time to clean up the messes they make has been successful in obtaining voluntary compliance with standards.

Jamboree to Be Saturday

The City Auditorium will open its doors for another Big Country Jamboree on Saturday night, February 17 at Sweetwater. Among the great array of performers returning will be Bill Brown, of Dickens, who has had a record recently released: "Tight Levis and Boots" and "The Heart That You've Been Walking On." This record will be on sale in the foyer of the Auditorium: Saturday night.
Brown has been appearing regularly since November at the Jamboree and has built up quite a following in this area, as well as from the Lubbock vicinity. He is 19 years old and a Freshman at Texas Tech, majoring in engineering. Brown writes his own songs and has a real fine delivery. He is accompanied by Dan Holloway on

lead guitar and by his mother, Mrs. William Brown on the piano. This group also plays in Truby the first Saturday of every month at the musical that they have there.
The young singer is much impressed with the friendliness of the Jamboree's crowd and states, "Because of the great crowd and the warm acceptance, I look forward to returning to the Big Country Jamboree the 17th!"
The Jamboree is becoming more and more popular throughout the area, as a great number of people are being reached through the wide variety of entertainers. Admission is free; a concession stand is provided; and it proves to be an enjoyable way to spend Saturday night for people of all ages.

lead guitar and by his mother, Mrs. William Brown on the piano. This group also plays in Truby the first Saturday of every month at the musical that they have there.
The young singer is much impressed with the friendliness of the Jamboree's crowd and states, "Because of the great crowd and the warm acceptance, I look forward to returning to the Big Country Jamboree the 17th!"
The Jamboree is becoming more and more popular throughout the area, as a great number of people are being reached through the wide variety of entertainers. Admission is free; a concession stand is provided; and it proves to be an enjoyable way to spend Saturday night for people of all ages.

TOPMOST PHARMACY SALE

- Feb. 15, 16 and 17
- 13 OZ. LIST \$1.00
Miss Breck Hair Spray 66¢
 - LIST \$2.75
Soquette Sol. 4 oz. 1.44
 - WESTCLOX DIALITE LIST \$9.25
Electric Alarm..... 4.88
 - LIST \$1.69
Coricidin 'D' 25s.... 99¢
 - 100s
One A Day Vitamins 2.22
 - LIST \$1.09
Q-Tips 170s..... 77¢
 - VASELINE 10 OZ. LIST \$1.19
Intensive Care Lotion 82¢
 - ALBERTO LIST \$1.49
Balsam Conditioner 99¢
 - 1/2 OZ.
4-Way Nasal Spray 69¢
 - 13 OZ.
Style Hair Spray 66¢
 - LIST \$1.25
Sinutab 12s..... 79¢
 - Alka-Seltzer 25s..... 63¢



TFU Selling Tickets
Taylor County Farmers Union members will be collecting donations for the Washington Fly-In to be held March 15.
Tickets will be given away when donations are received for a pair of boots and 400 lbs. of seed to be given away March 6 at the TFU Banquet.

Dine With Us Tonight

PUG & LEO HARRIS

After 5 Specials Each Night

THURSDAY ENCHILADAS or TACOS Tea or Coffee \$1.55	MONDAY HAMBURGER French Fries \$1.00
FRIDAY CATFISH FRENCH FRIES Hush Puppies Tea or Coffee \$1.85	TUESDAY CHEF'S SALAD Tea or Coffee \$1.35
SATURDAY T-BONE STEAK Baked Potato—Salad Tea or Coffee \$3.95	WEDNESDAY FRIED CHICKEN 2 Pes., 1 White, 1 Dark French Fries Tea or Coffee \$1.50

SUNDAY BUFFET—\$1.65

Asteroid Restaurant

1H. 20—PHONE 928-6777



Johnny Gray, Merkel Future Farmer of America, exhibited the champion Hampshire Market Barrow in the Southwest Exposition and Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth. C. H. Collinsworth is the Vocational Agriculture teacher.

5 BIG \$ DAYS

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Monday, Tuesday

LADIES AND CHILDRENS SHOES \$1.00	PURSES \$1.00	NO ALLERGY PILLOWS pair \$7.44
Mens Shoes \$3.99	Nylon Hose 2 pr. \$1.00	Towel and Wash Cloth \$1.00
ONE PIECE TERRY BABY SUIT \$1.99	Ladies Knit Suits REG. \$18.99 \$9.99	No Iron Sheets FLAT OR FITTED \$3.44
Cowboy Boots REG. \$39.99 \$34.99	POLLY FILLED Mattress Pad \$6.44	20X40 GAUZE DIAPERS \$3.49 doz.
BOYS Track Shoes \$4.99	DUAL CONTROL Electric Blanket \$15.99	MENS Work Shoes REG. \$12.99 \$9.99
TEXSHEEN 'BRIEFS' SIZES 4-8 \$1.00	Mens Shirts \$1.00	

Master Charge — Lay-Away
30 Day Accounts

Crawford's

Phone 928-5612
135 Edwards

AMERICA'S MANPOWER BEGINS WITH BOYPOWER!

"... to deeply involve"

A SCOUT IS . . .

TRUSTWORTHY

A scout knows that he must be trusted; he must keep his promise. Nothing builds BOYPOWER like the Scouts. Will you help them?

Farmers and Merchants
National Bank

LOYAL

A Scout is loyal to his family, his friends and to his country. Help make our country strong. Support The Boy Scouts.

Fisher's Fina and
Merkel Auto Parts

HELPFUL

Boy Scouts demonstrate their helpfulness by doing a good turn daily. Scouting builds useful citizens.

Merkel Telephone Co.

FRIENDLY

The moment a Scout joins a patrol he enters into a brotherhood. He becomes a brother to every other Scout. Help Scouting.

Minters — Abilene

COURTEOUS

Every Scout is a gentleman. The courtesy he practices helps make him a better man. Thus, our manpower begins with BOYPOWER.

Merkel Laundromat

KIND

A Scout is a friend to animals. He will strive to save and protect all harmless life. Support Scouting.

Cal-Tex Feed Yard

OBEDIENT

A Scout obeys all duly constituted authorities . . . learning how to be a useful citizen. Nothing builds BOYPOWER like the Scouts.

Taylor Electric Cooperative

CHEERFUL

When a Scout learns to overcome difficulties with a smile, he grows to be a real man. America's manpower begins with BOYPOWER.

Sears — Abilene

THRIFTY

To be a thrifty Scout means saving for a good education or for something that will provide a better future. Support Scouting.

Wylie Truck Terminal



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

FEBRUARY 1-28

BRAVE

A Scout stands up for what he thinks is right when others try to change his mind. It takes backbone to be a Scout. Help them.

Max Murrell Chevrolet

CLEAN

When we say a Scout is clean, we mean in both body and mind. It means clean speech, a clean outlook and clean sportsmanship.

Lassiter Employment Service
Abilene

REVERENT

Reverence is more than just a word to Scouts. It means being faithful to religious obligations; serving God in everyday actions.

EL-TYE-O Trailer Sales
Tye

63rd ANNIVERSARY OF SCOUTING 1910-1973

THE GORILLA GROWL

By ALLEN GREGORY
Saturday, February 10, several of the Trent High School students traveled to the campus of Hardin - Simmons University to participate in the University Interscholastic League literary contests. Two excited Freshman girls returned home happy. Cathy Carter won second place in the spelling contest and Patricia Boyd placed sixth. Both girls were surprised by their winnings. The contest was held for all schools ranging from Class B to Class AAAA. The contest was just a practice for the Spring meet to be held in Lueders. Maybe some of the unlucky ones this time will be winners then. Hopefully, all of them will.

Judy Brnovak, Sr., attended the 4-H County Food Show. She participated in the main dish

division of the show. With her preparation of Lasgona, she won the blue ribbon. She now advances to the District show to be held in San Saba on March 17. Furthermore, Judy was chosen by the faculty as the 1972-1973 "Most Outstanding Student" of Trent High School. She makes excellent grades and has an outstanding personality. She is deserving of the award. Congratulations Judy!

The Baptist Church held its annual Sweetheart Banquet Friday, February 9, at the Trent Baptist Church. This year's theme for the banquet was "The Magic of Love." The speakers for this year's banquet were Mike and Steve Stroope of Hardin-Simmons. From what I have been told, the banquet was very good and was enjoyed by everyone who attended. Speaking of attendance, there was approximately 40 people there.

Blue and Gold Banquet Set For Feb. 22

A Blue and Gold Banquet will be held Feb. 22, at 7 p.m. at the Scout hut. Any boy between the ages of 8 and 10 and his parents are invited to attend and sign up for Cub Scouts. This banquet is held each year with the purpose of registering new scouts and re-registering boys who have already been enrolled in the scouting program.

The menu is a pot luck supper.

Official Scout Uniforms Available in Abilene

Uniforms, belts, insignias, and other related official scout uniform emblems may be purchased at Minters or Sears in Abilene.

Well, it seems like everytime we turn around it's time to take six weeks tests again. This week is that time again and students and teachers are preparing for them again. I don't know if anyone else has noticed, but school is really flying by. After this week, there are only twelve weeks left. That's really not too long. There are so many things that must be done and it seems as though that twelve weeks just isn't enough time. Needless to say, for the Seniors, it all has to be done during this short amount of time. Before long, school will be nearing its end for this year and everyone will be more than glad to take a rest and recover from what has been a very exciting year. We had a great football season and now we are having a fabulous basketball season. That could be what is making school appear to be going so fast. Anyway, we've all enjoyed this year and hope all the parents have too.

Starr Nursing Home News

By MARY OUTLAW
Everyone is doing real good at this writing. Jack Landers of Mineral Wells visited his brother, W. C., last week.

Mr. Roy Elliott of Dallas visited his mother, Laura Elliott last week also.

Mrs. Bresendine had the following visitors this week and last: Gene Bresendine, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll of Abilene and Mrs. Neva Stinson Baird.

Mrs. Buster Jones of Hodges visited in the Home Monday. We want to thank Mrs. Howard E. Sliger of El Paso for bring-

ing the fruit jars to the home. She's Mrs. Austin Roberson's daughter. While here she visited Mrs. Houston Roberson of the home.

The Missionette girls of Merkel sponsored by Mrs. E. V. Walters and Mrs. Marvin Wheeler came and brought Valentines to the patients. We appreciated this very much.

We want to thank the people who contributed to Mr. and Mrs. Worley Ledford after their house was partially damaged by fire last week. Dena (Mrs. Ledford) is our charge nurse from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. and we really think she is a wonderful person and a good nurse and she appreciated every thing everyone gave them.

We have a new patient, Claud Doan from Seagraves, Texas. He is Mrs. Price Melton's father. We invite his friends to visit him. He is a nice and neat man and we appreciate having him.

Mrs. Addisons two daughters, Ann and Madeline have been visiting her on the weekend. Also Ann's children from Wichita Falls, Texas.

Mrs. J.H. Clark had as visitors Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sullivan and Jerry Clark of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Benard Clark of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Clark of Arlington.

Mrs. Patricia Wilson of Abilene visited in our home Monday. We always welcome her. She is our dietician.

We were sorry we did not have any church Sunday. I am sure something happened or the Church of God of Tye would have fulfilled their appointment. Sunday before last we had a real good service. Rev. Ken Law from Hebron Baptist Church brought the service and everyone reported a wonderful service and such good singing.

Cub Scouts Keep Busy

The Merkel Cub Scouts have been busy this past month selling vanilla and pepper to local residents. The scouts sold 50 cans of pepper and 50 bottles of vanilla. The scouts appreciated all who purchased from them. The scouts also have plans for a garage sale in March.

There are about 40 cub scouts in Merkel and more are anticipated to sign up at the Blue and Gold Banquet Feb. 22.

I.X.L. Exes Met Recently

I.X.L. Exes met in the home of Mrs. Ralph Miller, in honor of Mina Riffel. All who met were former students and basketball players.

There were exactly enough to play a game of basketball. Ila Mae Anderson McLean attended and played at Butman, later married an I.X.L. graduate.

School and social gathering pictures, preserved by Lillian Matthews, were shown. They brought back fond memories and laughter.

Former students attending were Lela Bush Perry, Willie Blair Reynolds, Ila Mae Anderson McLean, Dolly Toombs Seymore, Ann Reynolds Miller, all of Merkel; Elsie Barbee Lawson, Garrie McLean Latimer, Lillian Blair Matthews, all of Abilene; Dora Cargill Reynolds of Midland; and Mina Reynolds of Hayward, Calif.

Missionette News

By SUSAN WHEELER
There were 15 in attendance at Missionettes last Friday.

We took Valentines to each person at the rest home. They liked the valentines very much. We also played games and refreshments were served by Mrs. Tessie.

Travel Program Given February 6th

Lambda Beta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Feb. 6 in the fellowship hall of the First United Methodist Church. Bill Haynes of Abilene Travel Service provided a program of travel. He was assisted by Gail Roper of the Abilene Travel Service. Slides were shown of Pacific Islands, Mexico and South America.

Table decorations were artifacts from various countries brought back by Mr. Haynes. Informative brochures were provided for travel information. Door prizes were won by Annette Clark, Pat Castille, Mary Collins, and Christine Collins. Twelve members and eleven guests enjoyed refreshments from around the world.

Bake Sale Saturday

The Sr. UMYF will have a bake sale Saturday, February 17 beginning at 9:30 and will last until sold out. The sale will be held in front of the West Texas Utilities building.

First Baptist Church Plans Valentine Party

A beautiful decorative Valentine Banquet is planned at the First Baptist Church this Friday evening, Feb. 16th, at 7 o'clock for all children in Departments I & II and their guest. The mothers of the children will cook and serve. All teachers in these departments of the Church will be guest of honor. Entertainment will be provided by a group from H.S.U. presenting a puppet show. Also a "Prince and Princess" will be crowned at the banquet. Speaker will be the pastor, Bro. Jones.

Army ROTC Offers 2-Year Program

FORT MONROE, Va. — Army ROTC wants to set the record straight—college sophomores can join the program in their junior years even if they haven't had any prior Military Science instruction. The Army ROTC's Directorate here reports that many college sophomores believe the instruction is for a four-year period and that it is open only to freshmen. But that's not the case. Army ROTC also offers a two-year program designed especially for sophomores in junior and community colleges who plan to transfer to four-year institutions and for sophomores in four-year schools. Furthermore, Army ROTC reports, it may be worth the while of college sophomores to investigate the two-year program. Junior and senior cadets are paid a subsistence allowance of \$100 a

By John C. White
Commissioner

Cattle producers are continuing to increase production, contrary to claims of some consumer groups which have charged that cattlemen are holding back on production to keep prices on the increase.

The Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service notes that in Texas the number of cattle on feed as of January 1 is up 26 per cent from a year ago. Cattle on feed January 1 of this year totaled 2,245,000; a year ago the total was 1,781,000.

In addition, cattle placed on feed in Texas feedlots from October 1, 1971, to January 1, 1972 went up 12 per cent from placements of a year ago. Cattle marketed out of Texas feedlots was 16 per cent above marketings of a year ago.

Feedlots operators report intentions to market, 1,257,000 cattle between now and March 31. This would be 33 per cent more than marketed during the same period a year ago.

FARMCAST

Nationwide, the trend for upward production in beef continues. Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market as of January 1 in 23 major feeding states is estimated at 13,920,000 head, four per cent above a year ago. Cattle feeders throughout the nation plan to market about 6,917,000 head between now and March; this would be seven per cent higher than those actually sold during the same period last year.

While cattle feeding increased, the numbers of Texas sheep and lambs on feed as of January 1 was down 15 per cent from a year ago, but this is still 61 per cent above November 1, 1972.

Sheep and lambs on feed are those intended for slaughter being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates or on succulent pastures and expected in the next three months to produce a carcass that will grade good or better.

Numbers of sheep and lambs on feed in Texas as of January 1 totaled 339,000 head. Marketings of sheep and lambs can increase now through February because additional lambs may be placed on feed early in the period and marketed later during this period.

Nationwide, sheep and lambs on feed as of January 1 in 26 states totaled 2,873,000 head, nearly the same as a year ago. Sheep and lambs on feed in the seven major feeding states—Texas, California, Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, and South Dakota—were down three per cent from a year ago.

VALUE of commercial vegetables—potatoes, sweet potatoes and strawberries—produced in Texas during 1972 totaled \$418,827,000; this is an increase of five per cent from the year earlier.

Leading crops in value of production in 1972 were onions, carrots, watermelons, cabbage and cantaloupes.

Texas ranked third in harvested acreage, production and value of fresh market vegetables. Only California and Florida out-ranked Texas.

Texas ranks first in the nation in harvested acreage for fresh market for these crops: cabbage, spinach, and watermelons. It is second in harvested acreage of carrots, onions, cantaloupes, honeydews and cucumbers.

Baby's First Year Feeding Is Most Important of All

COLLEGE — Although feeding children properly is always important, it's crucial during baby's first year.

"In that first year, birth weight will more than triple and baby will grow 9-0 inches in length," Frances L. Reasonover pointed out.

The foods and nutrition specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University, stressed correct feeding and explained utilization of various foods.

"First, consider the infant's abilities and limitations," she said.

"Much of the baby's body is water. The skeleton is very soft since it's most cartilage—the bones haven't hardened.

"Also, there's limited fat in the skin, and the muscles are poorly developed," Miss Reasonover continued.

"He is, however, able to digest protein foods, fats dissolved in milk, and sugars."

Since his digestive tract's enzyme production systems lack full development, certain foods aren't digested by the infant. These include starches—which are complex carbohydrates—and solid fats.

"Choose foods carefully since they're important in growth and maintenance."

Both milk—particularly the mother's milk—and formula contain several ingredients essential for the baby's well being.

"Protein, for example, is required for growth and development," Miss Reasonover explained.

"Milk sugar, on the other hand, provides energy, while calcium and phosphorus are necessary for developing bones and teeth."

In addition, several vitamins are contained in milk.

"Vitamin A helps baby maintain healthy skin and develop good vision.

"The B-vitamins maintain a

good digestive system and aid in utilization of food energy."

Not only is milk fat an essential source of energy, it also keeps skin healthy and carries vitamins A and D.

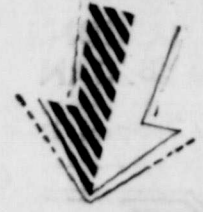
"After baby is about two weeks old, add vitamin C to his diet," the specialist said. Juices from oranges and certain other fruits are excellent sources of this vitamin which affects various tissue formation.

"If vitamin D isn't supplied in the formula, furnish it through a reliable source. This vitamin helps the body use calcium and phosphorus in building bones and teeth," Miss Reasonover added.

"One thing milk lacks is iron. A baby from a well-nourished mother has about a three month supply. After that, include iron rich foods—such as egg yolk and meat—in the diet."

SERVICE

Our Specialty



J. L. FISHER
FINA SERVICE

WEST HIGHWAY 80
INTERSTATE 20 &
TWO LOCATIONS
* * *

MERKEL
AUTO PARTS
921 N. 2nd
WE WELCOME
YOUR BUSINESS



George's birthday can mean a great deal to you.

We're referring to Washington's Birthday, of course. And to the great deals we're offering to help celebrate the occasion. There are great deals on every Pontiac. Including the new compact Ventura Hatchback. It's the next best thing to a station wagon. Open up the rear end. Fold down the rear seat. And see all the extra loading space there is. There's even a new optional front end* reminiscent of Firebird. So stop in soon and see why a great deal on a new Pontiac is like frosting on the cake.

\$2598⁰⁰



*Price includes available front end, bumper guards and rub strips, deluxe wheel covers, white sidewall tires and bright window trim shown below.

PALMER PONTIAC & GMC
GE APPLIANCES & TV
Merkel, Texas 928-5113 Abilene 673-1182



Stith News
By MRS. FRITZ HALE

Mr. and Mrs. Truett Jones of Gatesville spent Saturday night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones. Others visiting were Edgar Berry of Abilene, Mrs. Olin Potts, Mrs. Don Wallace and son, Damon, of Anson and Rev. James Williams.

Mr. Jones was on the sick list last week but is feeling better now.

Mrs. O. J. Fikes entered Hendrick Memorial Hospital Wednesday for observation.

Mrs. E. L. Berry of Abilene and formerly of Stith, suffered a stroke last week.

Les Allen, father of Mrs. Truett Jones, is seriously ill in a Gatesville Nursing Home. Mr. Allen is well known in the Stith community.

Mrs. Billy Harris and Kathy of Midland visited in the Jim Burns home Saturday. Mamie Hardin and Mrs. Jim Burns returned home with them for a few days visit.

Mrs. J. Burns and Sam Burns of Abilene visited Jim Burns Sunday.

Louise Hudson and Vada Hudson visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning spent Sunday in Tuscola with their son and family. Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Browning and children. Billy is home from a Big Spring hospital and feeling a lot better.

Marsha Clyburn attended square dance practice at Tye Thursday.

Don Clyburn won first place in a spelling test for interscholastic practice at HS-U Friday.

THE DOCTRINE OF THE CHURCH OF CHRIST (Part 4)

Herein is given the basic doctrinal teachings of the Church of Christ part four. This is not complete without the other parts.

III. Salvation is by God's grace — Ephesians 2:8

A. God requires from man a certain kind of response (because of his own nature) to His manifested love and holiness and will. Deuteronomy 7:9, 10; Matthew 7:21-27; Matt. 13:3-9 and 13:18-23; James 1:22-27; Titus 2:11-15.

B. All of us sin (Romans 3:23) — therefore deserve to be separated from God in his holiness Romans 6:23, and punished for our sin. Therefore the need of grace (grace: undeserved favor, mercy).

C. Jesus died to suffer that death — eternal death, and spiritual death (separation from God) now and the punishment deserved by the sinner Ephesians 5:2; Isaiah 53; Romans 3:23-26 and other such passages. Therefore the principle of grace — He made it possible for God to forgive sin, overlook its punishment due us and God still remain a just and holy God because Jesus satisfied the demands of God's just holiness and wrath toward sin.

D. Salvation is now in fellowship with Christ

1. John 14:6
2. Timothy 2:10 "salvation is in Christ"
3. Ephesians 1:3 "spiritual blessings in Christ"
4. Romans 5:1,2 "access to grace in Christ"
5. Ephesians 1:7 "redemption is in Christ"
6. Romans 8:1 "no condemnation in Christ if faithful"
7. Romans 8:1-4 "freedom from the law of sin and death is in Christ"
8. I John 5:11 "eternal life is in Christ"
9. Revelation 14:13 "blessed are the dead in Christ"
10. Galatians 1:22 "the church is in Christ"

E. How do you get "in Christ" — in fellowship with him ??? Galatians 3:26,27 and Romans 6:3,4-18

F. It does make a difference what you believe! Matthew 15:8,9; Psalms 127:1; Matthew 15:13; Matthew 7:13,14; Acts 17:11

G. Please read: Ephesians 4:15

BILLY PATTON
CHURCH OF CHRIST
"COME VISIT WITH US"

President's Day



FOOD SALE



PRICES GOOD
THURSDAY, FRIDAY,
SATURDAY
FEBRUARY
15-16-17

ZEE
TOWELS

RAGU SPAGHETTI
Spaghetti SAUCE Jumbo Roll **9c**

Frozen Foods

BIRDSEYE
COOL WHIP 4 Oz. Ctn. **29c**
OLE SOUTH ASSORTED
COBBLERS . . 2 lb. ctn. **79c**
MORTON
HONEY BUNS . . pkg. **33c**

SUNSHINE
Vanilla
WAFERS
12 OZ. BOX **35c**
COLGATE
Shaving
CREAM
11 OZ. AIRSOL. **39c**

SWIFT
SHORTENING
3 Lb. Can **53c**

16 OZ. JAR **39c**

WITH \$7.50 OR MORE IN TRADE EXCLUSIVE OF CIGARETTES

COMSTOCK
PIE FILLING
CHERRIES
No. 2 Can . . . **43c**

GANDYS
Homo 2 Milk
1/2 GAL. CTN. **53c**

CARSONS COUPON
save 40c
You Buy a 2 LB. CAN of
With This Coupon When
MAXWELL HOUSE
OR ELECTRA PERK COFFEE
AT CARSONS 2 LB. CAN **1.39** WITH COUPON

One Coupon Per Family—Offer Expires March 3rd

FLOUR LIPTON PICKLES TUNA

Gold Medal (1 Limit)
5 Lb. Bag **59c**

TEA (1 Limit)
1/2 Lb. Box **69c**

Whitfield SOUR OR DILL
Quart **43c**

Chicken of Sea Flat Can **39c**

GANDYS
Butter Milk
1/2 GAL. CTN. **49c**

GANDYS
ICE CREAM
ROUND CARTON

1/2 GAL. CTN. **83c**

CARSONS COUPON
Save 25c
With This Coupon When
You Buy a 4 OZ. JAR of
MAXIM
AT CARSONS 4 Oz. Jar Only **98c** With coupon

One Coupon Per Family—Offer Expires Feb. 24th
COUPON WORTH 15c AT CARSONS

DUZ detergent
NOW WITH
Swedish design smoked glassware
A smart way to shop!

Good Only At Carson's
With Coupon
GIANT SIZE
Limit 1 Coupon Per Purchase
Offer Expires 2-20-73 **59c**

HEINZ
TOMATO SOUP
TALL CAN
3 for **39c**

HUNTS 300
TOMATOES 2 for **39c**

HUNTS 300
Tomato Sauce 2 for **39c**

HUNTS SNACK PACK ASSORTED
PUDDING 4 Pk. Ctn. **53c**

HUNTS QUART
CATSUP 32 Oz. **53c**

HUNTS 300
MANWICH 2 for **69c**

SCHILLINGS TACO
CASSEROLE Ea. **49c**

ALL-SWEET
OLEO Lb. **29c**

GEBHARDTS 300
TAMALES . . . 2 for **43c**

Ground Beef
BEST for 'BURGERS - and BUDGETS, TOO

lean Pound . . . **59c**

HUNTS 300
SPINACH 2 for **35c**

HUNTS 300
Tomato Juice 2 for **29c**

MILE HIGH 303 W.K.
Golden Corn 2 for **33c**

MILE HIGH 303
Green PEAS 2 for **33c**

FRESH
Tomatoes
VINE RIPE LB. **25c**

DECKERS
TREATS Fancy Hot Dog Pkg. **53c**

BACON Deckers No. 1 Lb. **89c**

STEAK Choice Beef T-BONE Lb. **1.59**

HAM Deckers Boneless Lb. **\$1.39**

STEAK Gooch B.R. Fingers Pkg. **89c**

WISCONSIN CHEDDAR **CHEESE** . . . Lb. **98c** | GOOCH SMOKIES Sausage . . Lb. **69c**

KING
THRILL BOTTLE **65c**

KING
Spic & Span BOX FREE COOKIE PAN **89c**

OXYDOL
King Size **1.09**

WASHINGTON DELICIOUS
Red APPLES .. Lb. **23c**

FRESH CELLO
CARROTS 2 for **29c**

DOLE
BANANAS Lb. **10c**

FRESH
CORN 2 Ears **23c**

RUSSET
SPUDS 10 Lb. Bag **69c**

CARSON'S GIFT BOND WE GIVE GIFT BOND STAMPS

DOUBLE ON WEDS.

CARSON'S SUPER MARKET
MERKEL, TEXAS
FRESH VEGETABLES
FREE DELIVERY MON - WED - FRI
BEST MEATS IN TOWN