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Sr. Citizens Luncheon

There were 65 attending the All-Day Luncheon of the Senior Citizens Tuesday May 8, at the Senior Citizens Building.

Rev. Russell McAnally gave the devotional. His talk was about... "When you leave off work and retire — don't leave off a sweet spirit and a helpful attitude—Love youth and children — Remember — It is evil to be all the time disagreeable."

Also on the program, Gloria Moore sang "Amazing Grace" and was accompanied by Annette Clark.

Together Gloria and Rev. McAnally sang "Whispering Hope," "Have You Counted the Cost" and "His Eye is on the Sparrow."

Monday, May 7, there were 45 attending the Senior Citizens singing. Reports were, it was the best one they ever had.

Preschool Day To Be May 15 At Trent

All children who will be entering the first grade at Trent Elementary School in August, are invited to attend "Preschool Day" on Tuesday, May 15 from 9-11 a.m.

Children should be taken to the 1st and 2nd grade room upon arrival.

Parents are urged to pick their children up at 11 a.m.



JUDY BRNOVAK
... valedictorian



TOM McLEOD
... salutatorian

Trent Valedictorian, Salutatorian Announced

Miss Judy Kay Brnovak, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brnovak is Valedictorian of Trent High School, with an average of 95.16; and Tom McLeod, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. McLeod, is Salutatorian, with an average of 91.31, according to announcement this week from Principal Sam Frasier.

Miss Brnovak plans to attend Angelo State University at San Angelo in the fall, while McLeod will enroll in Baylor University at Waco.

While a student at THS, Judy was named Most Outstanding Student for two years; and served as Head Cheerleader for 2 years; and was voted Most Likely to Succeed by her classmates this year. She has been a member of FHA, serving as President for the past 3 years; has been a Pep Club officer 4 years; Class Officer for 4 years; Halloween Queen nominee 2 years; has participated in volleyball and basketball 4 years and in track for two years; and received State Degree in Home-making; and has been an active member of 4-H 4 years. During her Senior year, she also was in

the Senior Play, Who's Who Among American High Schools; was on the Annual Staff and the National Honor Society; was elected Football Sweetheart; and received the Outstanding Teenagers of American Award.

During his high school days, Tom served as a Class Officer 4 years—2 of those years being Class President; he has been a member of the band for 4 years, serving as Drum Major and President; he has been a member of FFA 4 years and Reporter; he participated in basketball, track, Dairy Judging Team, and Leadership Contest. He was Greenhand, Abilene District 1 year; in Who's Who Among American High Schools; qualified for State UIL piano solo contest; was in Foreign Study League; and was voted Most Likely To Succeed by his classmates this year. He participated in the Senior Play; and was elected to the National Honor Society; and served as President of the Student Council. He also received the Outstanding Teenagers of America Award during his Senior year.



DARREL BUNCH
... 880 run



STEVE WALKER
... poetry interpretation



NEILON ELY
... prose reading

MHS Students Attend State FHA Meet In SA

"Up, Up and Away with FHA" was the theme of the 1973 state meeting of the Texas Association of Future Homemakers of America held at the Convention Center in San Antonio, May 3-5, 1973.

More than 5,000 members and advisors representing over 65,000 members in 1,700 chapters throughout the state attended.

Representatives of the Merkel chapter were Linda Black, Area IV Sergeant-at-arms Rhonda White, voting delegate, and Roseann Noster. The girls were accompanied by Mrs. Mary Caton, advisor. Keynote speaker was Marilyn Van Derbur, Denver, Colorado, former Miss America and renowned youth speaker. Miss Van Derbur chal-

lenged the delegates to make of themselves the very best possible persons in today's society.

Other highlights of the convention included a talk by Bunny Martin, Belton, World's Yo-Yo Champion as well as amusing and inspirational speaker. Frederick McClure, State FFA President, San Augustine presented an original Flag Ceremony at the Friday morning session. The business of the Texas Association was conducted at the House of Delegates session on Thursday evening.

Installation of the 1973-74 state officers climaxed the Saturday morning session. Eleven officers elected through chapter participation throughout the state were placed in office.

The Future Homemakers of America organization is sponsored by Homemaking Education, the Texas Education Agency with Mrs. Elizabeth F. Smith as director and Mrs. Betty Romans serving as State Advisor.

S. Mashburn Services Held

Sam Mashburn, 78, of Merkel died Tuesday May 1 in a Merkel nursing home after a long illness. Funeral was held at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday in Merkel United Methodist Church.

The Rev. Russell McAnally, pastor, officiated, assisted by the Rev. N. S. Daniel, associate pastor. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under the direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born Nov. 27, 1894, in Georgia, he moved to the Stith community in Jones County in the early 1900s and married Virgie Canon April 22, 1917, in Merkel. They lived in the Stith community, where Mrs. Mashburn died Nov. 17, 1962. Mr. Mashburn retired from farming in 1968, moving into Merkel at that time.

He was a member of the Merkel United Methodist Church.

Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. Murry Toombs of Lubbock; and a grandson, Tommy Toombs, also of Lubbock.

Local Chapters Attend Founders Day Banquet

Men and Women of the Year from Lambda Beta and Xi Nu Chi chapters of Beta Sigma Phi were presented at the annual Founders Day Banquet and Ball at the Abilene Civic Center, Saturday May 5th.

Mrs. Darla Mawson was presented from Lambda Beta Chapter and Mrs. Mamie Steck from Xi Nu Chi. They had been selected by their chapters as outstanding members.

The identity of the Men of the Year was kept secret until the time of the presentation. Se-

lected for their assistance to the chapters were Billy Lucas from Lambda Beta and Weldon McAninch from Xi Nu Chi.

Members attending and their husbands were: Messrs and Mmes. Billy Bob Neff, Weldon McAninch, Edgar Tipton, John Brady, Robert Harris, Bobby DuBose and Billy Lucas. Also Mrs. Mamie Steck and Mrs. Darla Mawson.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. George Starbuck and Mike Steck.



INDUCTED INTO THE MERKEL HIGH School National Honor Society last week were 9 junior and senior students. Inducted were, from left to right, bottom row, Sherry Bratcher, Wanda Blair, Kathy Cypert, second row, Tonja McAninch, Susan Donaldson, Becky Santee, back row, Ronnie Sanford, Debbie Fincher and Jeff Cox. (phot by Connie Harris)

CofC Resolution Honors 3 State UIL Winners

For the first time in history, Merkel had two state winners at the University Interscholastic League competition held last Saturday in Austin.

The Merkel Chamber of Commerce, in its monthly meeting passed a resolution honoring the three students winning in their respective field.

Winning first place in Prose reading was Steve Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Walker. Neilon Ely won first in Poetry interpretation. Neilon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Orval Ely.

Darel Bunch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bunch, won 6th in the 880 track competition. He had a time of 1:59.5.

The resolution was chosen to recognize the accomplishments of the students as Interscholastic League rules prohibits any kind of monetary rewards.

In other matters, the Chamber heard various committee reports. Fred Starbuck, chairman of the Retail Development and Promotion Committee, and his committee members recommended that the first Saturday of each month be designated "First Saturday Trades Day and Flea Market" day in Merkel. The committee recommended, and the Chamber approved, that every merchant run a real good special on that day, that clubs and organizations be invited to participate, and that advertising be placed in some area newspapers.

More details will be announced this coming week," Starbuck said. Plans call for the first Trades Day to be held June 2nd.

Merkel CofC One of 64

Merkel was one of the sixty-four West Texas towns, served by West Texas Chamber of Commerce, which were honored at a special breakfast during the annual convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce in Abilene in April.

The WTCC directors and their wives were special guests at the annual Quota Busters Breakfast in the Abilene Civic Center, and were given special recognition for having made or exceeded their assigned membership quotas.

Each director, who attended the breakfast, was presented a prize donated for the occasion by Abilene and other West Texas business firms. Burl B. Hulsey, Jr., Vice President for Finance and Membership and President and General Manager of Texas Electric Service Company, presided at the Quota Busters Breakfast.

4-H Takes 2 First Places

Last Saturday at the 4-H district meet at San Angelo, local 4-H members brought home the following awards:

Junior Cooperative Team 1st Place winners: Lesa Hart and Tammie Thomas

Senior Electric Team 1st Place winners: Annetta Stephan and Shawn Moore

Senior Cooperative Team 2nd Place winners: Jerrie Stephan and Nancy Fudge

Senior Natural Resources 2nd Place winner: Wanda Braune

Senior Public Speaking 2nd Place winner: Christy Boone

There is no regional meet in 4-H.

Senior division (14-years-old by January) winners will go to the State Texas 4-H Round-up at A&M at College Station June 5 & 6.

A Resolution In Recognition Of State UIL Award Recipients

WHEREAS The Merkel Chamber of Commerce in regular monthly session May 8, 1973, did take note of the recent achievements by Merkel High School students Steve Walker, Neilon Ely and Darel Bunch in winning in their respective field of events in the state University Interscholastic League contest, and

WHEREAS more specifically, Steve Walker was awarded First Place in State UIL competition in prose reading and Neilon Ely was awarded first place in State UIL competition in poetry interpretation and Darel Bunch was awarded sixth place in State UIL Competition in the 880 yard track event brings credit to their school and community and gives them a sense of personal pride and achievement and,

WHEREAS the Merkel Chamber of Commerce takes delight in directing public recognition of the awards earned by these young citizens and high school students of the Merkel, Texas Community

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that an appropriate news item together with a picture of each of these young men be published in an early edition of the Merkel Mail and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be prepared and presented by the President of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce to each recipient named in this resolution.

Chamber, recommended that the resolution form of recognition be approved for the UIL winners.

Don Dudley reported that the Agriculture Committee is considering the possibility of a Barbecue at next years livestock show.

Bill Button, New Industry chairman, told the members present that his committee had an inquiry from an industry. Not enough information was known about the prospect, so it was referred back to the committee for more study.

Chairman of the Publicity Committee, Steve Lanham, discussed with members ways to increase news coverage. Plans were discussed to get rain reports in the Abilene Reporter-News.

The summer recreation program start was approved for June 4th. Recreational Commit-

tee Chairman Ronnie Aldridge recommended that dues for the program be raised. The board approved the following increase. Daily dues will remain at 50 cents. Weekly dues for one child will go from \$1.25 to \$2.00. For the eight week period dues will be \$12.50 rather than \$10.00. For 2 children the dues will go from \$7.50 to \$20.00 for the 8 weeks. Three children for 8 weeks will be \$27.50 rather than \$25.00. Four children will be \$30 for weeks.

It was stressed that parents must sign a minors release before their children could attend Summer Recreation.

Chamber president Don Hart appointed Duane Shugart chairman of a committee to study Merkel's Community Fund Drive and make recommendation to the next board meeting. Bill Button and Truett Thompson was appointed to serve with Shugart.

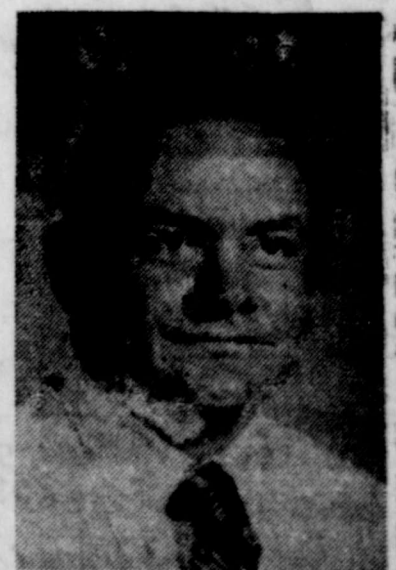
Badger Annual Dedicated To Coach Paul Woodfin

On May 8, the Merkel High School annual staff presented the 1973 Badger to the students. Mary Beth Boyd, co-editor, read the dedication in honor of Coach Paul Woodfin.

"He has worked hard and diligently for a good football team. His conscientious effort has helped to generate students interest in all phases of school life. Not only does he teach the past, but he also teaches the present, relating current events to the past.

Although his fight to make a good football team has at times been discouraging, he keeps on! To you we wish much happiness and success in your victories on and off the football field."

Each year a senior boy and a senior girl are selected by the faculty as Best-All-Around students. These were Miss Linda Black and Mr. Albert Castillo. A presentation was made to Miss Linda Black, who sold 29 annuals by Glenda Tuckey, co-editor.



PAUL WOODFIN
... honoree

Other members of the annual staff are Patsy Button, Linda Black, Don Clyburn, Tonja McAninch, Kathy Cypert, Terry Reed, Ronnie Sanford, Lisa Gregory, Beverly Mawson, Jerrie Stephan, Donna White, Chris Childers and Ray King.

Annual Coffee Day to Benefit WTRC

Once again this year waitresses throughout the Big Country lend a helping hand to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center with a special memorial day coffee project.

Funds from the project underwrite a special summer program for almost 100 handicapped children. The five-week summer program includes regular classroom and therapy programs along with various recreational activities.

Through Memorial Day, May 28, waitresses will be selling plastic flag lapel pins for \$1.00

each. On Memorial Day, anyone wearing one of the flag pins can drink coffee free in any of the participating restaurants.

Abilene Barber and Beauty Supply has donated incentive prizes for the top waitresses.

Last year more than fifty restaurants participated in the first coffee project, raising \$5,000. A spokesman for W.T.R.C. stated that at least 100 restaurants are expected to participate this year.

The first coffee project was inaugurated to enable the center to conduct the summer pro-

gram. Income from the annual Easter Seals Campaign was far below expectations, and necessary funds for the summer program were not available. The same situation exists this year, with the coffee project hopefully raising enough money to offset the deficit in the Easter Seals Drive.

Scout Troop Has Monthly Camp Out

The boy scouts went on their monthly camp out this weekend. They left Friday afternoon and returned Sunday afternoon.

Saturday they were given a tour of places of interest by Mr. A. B. Parham. They were shown two old cowboy graves dating back to 1857 and 1872, they saw where the first well was dug in Jones County and the wagon trains used to camp around it and also where an Indian village used to be. The boys looked for arrowheads and other Indian relics.

The boys also went swimming and fishing. They rigged up a pulley on a cable and went down the cable into the pond. A good time was had by all.

Cooking for the Eagle Patrol were Clell Murray and Drew Mawson, the staff cooking was done by Alan Mawson and Tony Helmer. Other boys attending the camp-out were Kelley Wolf, Rusty Watts, Louis Goodman, Billy Fisher, Brad Wade and Terry Reed.

Adult leaders attending were Calvin Wolf, Glenn Reed, and Brandon Wade.



Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

Sam Mashburn 78 died Tuesday May 1-5:30 p.m. at the Star Nursing home in Merkel. Funeral Services were held Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in the United Methodist in Merkel and burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery. Mr. Mashburn lived most of his life in Stith Community. His wife died in Nov., 1962.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Murry Toombs, one grandson, Toney Toombs both of Lubbock.

Fletcher Jones, 82, died Wednesday, May 2 in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene. Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Friday in Stith Baptist Church where he was a member. Rev. James Williams conducted the services. Burial was in Elmwood Memorial Park in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones and children moved to the Stith Community in 1920.

Mr. Jones had been in ill health for a long time, but was critical when he entered the hospital two weeks before his death.

Survivors are his wife, Mae; one son, Truett of Gatesville; two daughters, Mrs. Edgar Berry of Abilene and Mrs. Olin Potts of Anson; one grandson, Jerry Jones of Port Arthur; one granddaughter, Mrs. Don Wallace of Anson; three great-grandsons, Jacon and Jerrett Jones of Port Arthur and Damon Wallace of Anson.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family.

Mrs. Ira Stanley returned to her home Saturday after spending the winter in Florissant, Mo. with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Liles. They brought her home and visited a few days.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Browning over the weekend were his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Browning of Lefores, Texas. Mrs. Manard Johnson of Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Browning and Allen of Tuscola were visitors Sunday.

TRENT BOARD CANVASSES RETURNS

The Trent Board of Education met in a called session April 16, 1973, at 8:00 p.m.

The votes of the Trustee Election were canvassed and Lloyd Williams and Ronnie Freeman were declared winners. This is Mr. Williams' first term on the board while Mr. Freeman is an incumbent.

The Board of Education reorganized with the following officers elected. Weldon Beasley-President; Billy Wayne Hamner-Vice President; Rosemary Bland-Secretary; and Ronnie Freeman-Assistant Secretary.

In other action, Clayton D. Brazelton was employed as Tax-Collector-Assessor and Business Manager for Trent Schools.

The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for May 14 at 8:00 p.m.

Tryouts Set By Ranger JC

RANGER — Ron Butler, athletic director and girls' varsity basketball coach at Ranger Junior College, has announced dates and sites for three Ranger Ann basketball tryout camps.

The first tryout is set for May 12 at Ranger Junior College, beginning at 10 a.m. Second site will be Alamo Catholic High School gymnasium at Amarillo on May 19, while the University of Corpus Christi will be the third tryout camp May 26. The second and third tryouts also begin at 10 a.m.

Any girl attending any of the tryout camps for the RJC girls' basketball team are asked to contact Coach Butler by mail or phone at Ranger Junior College. Full finance aid will be offered graduating girl seniors who qualify for a scholarship. Girls attending the tryouts must bring a medical release.

The RangeAnns are a member of the Texas Women's Junior College Conference and are defending league champions. They won the national championship in 1970 and finished third in the national tournament both in 1971 and 1972.

Veterans in school are reminded that in order to receive their checks for allowances under the G.I. Bill, they must make certain that the certificate of attendance is forwarded to the Veterans Administration.

School Menu

MONDAY

Hot Dogs, Chili Sauce, Potato Salad, Ranch Style Beans, Corney Buns, Milk, Pear Salad.

TUESDAY

Oven Fried Chicken, Gravy, Buttered Rice, Mixed Vegetables, Hot Rolls, Milk, Fruit Jello Sala.

WEDNESDAY

Beef Cheese Pizza, Pinto Beans, Vegetable Salad, Whole Wheat Bread, Milk, Peanut Butter Strips.

THURSDAY

Baked Turkey, Giblet Gravy, Cornbread Dressing, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Buttermilk, Fruit Salad with Fresh Oranges.

FRIDAY

Hamburgers, Oven French Fries, Onions, Pickles, Tomatoes, Lettuce, Buttered Buns, Milk, Banana Pudding with Vanilla Wafers.

Miss Bullock Elected S-T

ABILENE — T. I. P. is the social club on campus and was organized to promote friendship, to give its members a greater love for McMurry and contribute to the cultural, spiritual, and physical growth of its college.

Officers for the coming year were elected in May.

Launa Bullock of Tye was elected secretary-treasurer.

Launa, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bullock of Tye. She is a junior majoring in elementary education.

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Xi Nu Chi Met May 1st

Xi Nu Chi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Mrs. Bobby DuBose Tuesday May 1st.

The program on "Exercise in Thought" was presented by Mrs. Carroll Benson and Mrs. Almada Bullock.

Others attending the meeting were: Meses. John Brady, Charles Eager, Glenn Teaff, Edgar Tipton and Mamie Steck.

CARD OF THANKS

WE WISH TO THANK all our friends and neighbors for the many acts of kindness bestowed upon us in the loss of our beloved daddy, J. C. Brown. The beautiful flowers, cards, and visits and food brought to our home in Merkel and Tuscola will always be remembered.

May Gods Blessings always be with each of you who helped to make our sorrow easier to bear.

Mrs. J. C. Brown
Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Sullivan and Children
Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bicknell and Girls. 11-tp

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Stressing the theme that with the Red Cross "it is better to give than to receive," the Taylor County Chapter of the American Red Cross held the key note meeting for its membership and fund-raising drive, Monday morning.

For Abilene this is the first Red Cross membership drive in three decades. However, fund-raising drives have been held annually in the urban Taylor County territory.

Mrs. Earl Rose, chairman of the campaign, welcomed workers and said the city organization is now complete.

Joe Antilley, known state-wide for his soil conservation achievements, will be chairman of the non-metropolitan campaign.

Antilley said work is in progress for organizing the county team.

Tommy Morris, co-chairman of the campaign, in a prepared report for the meeting pointed out that the local chapter supported the National Red Cross in disaster relief work.

Morris also said: "Locally the Red Cross coordinates the annual learn-to-swim program. At least 400 patients were visited in local nursing homes and received items produced by the Junior Red Cross."

"In health and education, activities of the Taylor County Chapter include instructions in first aid, counseling on drug addiction, and mother-baby care classes.

"One of the major activities of the local chapter is service to the military and their families, including financial assistance in emergencies.

"Abilene and Merkel Red Cross emergency and disaster relief workers provided shelter and refreshments two nights during an ice storm for approximately 240 stranded motorists."

Other workers in the drive include John Camp, recruitment; Harvell Barber, major gifts; Mrs. Bob Beckham, publicity, and Jimmy Collins, campaign treasurer.

Mrs. Rose said plans are for the campaign to hold its first report meeting, Thursday, May 17.

Miss Corley Named May 'Sister of Month'

Miss Liz Corley, a senior at Merkel High School was elected Little Sister of the month by the Taylor County Chapter of Young Homemakers last Thursday, May 3. Liz lives with her sister's family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Morgan at El-Tye-O Trailer Park in Tye.

She is an active member of the Merkel Future Homemakers of America and has served as local chapter Secretary the past two years. She has served on the secret granny, year book and decorations for banquet committees and been chairman of the latter two groups.

Miss Corley has been active in other school organizations by serving as business manager of the senior class; reporter for the drama club and treasurer for the pep squad this school year.

Liz is a member of the Tye Baptist Church. She plans to attend Commercial College in Abilene upon graduation from High school and go into administrative secretarial work.



LIZ CORLEY
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TWO MERKEL HIGH STUDENTS brought home two first place plaques from the UIL State Contest Saturday to set a new record in the history of MHS. They are, left, Steve Walker, Prose Reading and Neilon Ely, Poetry Interpretation.



TROMBONE PLAYERS, left to right, Steve Stewart, Ricky Conley, Chris Childress, Johnny Frazier, Terry Reed and Steve Teaff, will play a special "Lassus Trombone" in the Spring Band Concert Monday, May 4 in High School Auditorium.

Fletcher Jones Rites Held

Fletcher Jones, 82, longtime resident of the Stith community in Jones County, died Wednesday, May 2, at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene after a long illness. Funeral was held at 3 p.m. Friday in the Stith Baptist Church.

The Rev. James Williams of Anson officiated, assisted by the Rev. Ausie Watson of Abilene, retired Baptist minister. Burial was in Elmwood Memorial Park under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born April 3, 1891, in Goodwater, Ala., he moved to De Leon with his parents in 1908 and married Mary Smith there Nov. 23, 1911. They moved to the Stith community in 1920 and had lived there since.

Mr. Jones went into semi-retirement in 1968, but still maintained his stock farm until the time of his illness. He was a member of the Stith Baptist Church for 52 years and a deacon for 49 years.

Survivors are his wife, Mary; a son, Truett Jones of Gatesville; two daughters, Mrs. Edgar (Fern) Berry of Abilene and Mrs. Olin (Alva Grace) Potts of Anson; two grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. R. H. Carr of Angleton. A brother and sister preceded him in death.

DATEBOOK

SATURDAY MAY 12
Fortnightly Study Club will have luncheon at Mrs. David Gambles.

MONDAY MAY 14
Regular 2nd Monday night singing at Victory Baptist Church at 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY MAY 11
Levi and Lace will dance at the Lion Club building at 8:00. Public is invited.

SATURDAY MAY 12
BAKE SALE

Little League Auxiliary will have a bake sale in front of WTU building.

SATURDAY MAY 19

Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will have a bake sale in front of WTU building. Special orders may be called in to 928-4944 or 928-5038.

BRUSH STOMPERS

The Merkel Brush Stompers will open their season this Sat. 12th with a trail ride.

The riders will leave the arena at 2 p.m. and ride to Dave Gamble's place 9 miles southwest of town. After supper, they will either trailer or ride home.

Spring Band Concert May 14 in Auditorium

Merkel School's Spring Band Concert will be Monday May 14 at 8 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. Theme for this year's concert will be "We Believe in Music."

"This is an annual affair which involves high school, stage, Jr. high and beginning bands," said band director Glen Reed.

The program will be varied to suit everyone's taste. Folk, popular, classical and marches will be featured. Various sections of the band will be featured in the high school band, with the

trumpet section playing "Trumpet Boogie" and the trombone section featured in "Lassus Trombone."

Jr. High and High School twirlers will be announced at the concert.

Admission will be \$1.00 for Adults and 50 cents for children.

Proceeds earned will go to help carpet the band hall. The Merkel School Board voted Monday night to help the band pay for the carpet, if enough money is not raised. Band parents have raised around \$500 for the carpet also.

So come to the spring concert and help carpet the band hall and hear some good music.

The High School Band is going to Six Flags Saturday for a fun day in honor of their first in UIL Concert competition and second in sight reading recently.

Also Saturday night they will attend the "Battle of Bands" at Texas Stadium in Irving sponsored by Braniff Airways. They will be spectators.

Little League Schedule

Games listed first will begin at 6:15 p.m. Second game will begin at 8 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 10
Vets vs. Braves
Willies vs. Supers

FRIDAY, MAY 11
Supers vs. Kilowatts
Bankers vs. Willies

T-Shirt Schedule

Games listed first will begin at 6:15 p.m. Second game will begin at 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, May 12
Eagles vs. Mustangs
Braves vs. Yankees

MONDAY, MAY 14
Eagles vs. Yankees
Braves vs. Mustangs

SATURDAY, MAY 19
Mustangs vs. Yankees
Eagles vs. Braves

Mrs. Taylor Hosts TCYH

The Taylor County Young Homemakers met Thursday, May 3, in the home of Mrs. Spencer Taylor of Abilene. Each member brought a salad and after the monthly meeting, everyone attended the A.C.T. production of "Gypsy."

The Little Sister of the month was selected to be Liz Corley. The hostesses were Mmes. Spencer Taylor, John Beasley, Richard Caton, and John Schafer.



CAPTURING FIRST PLACE in the junior division of District 7 horse judging contest at Eldorado April 28 are Coach Johnny Bratton, assistant county extension agent, and team members, Cindy Byrd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Byrd of Merkel; Gina Shepler and Lee Rish, both of Wylie. Miss Byrd scored 323 out of a possible 350 points and was high individual of the contest.

Clark Perkins Succumbs

Clark Perkins, 79, longtime resident of Mulberry Canyon south of Merkel died Friday May 4, in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene after a long illness. Funeral was at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in Starbuck Chapel.

The Rev. T. C. Melton, Baptist minister from Abilene, officiated. Burial was held in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born Oct. 7, 1893 in Runnels County, he moved to Mulberry Canyon with his parents when a child. He married Corene Magee Feb. 17, 1917 in Nolan County. She died in October 1918.

He then married Ruth Weathered Nov. 12, 1938 at Baird. He had helped organize the Taylor Telephone Cooperative and served as director for 17½ years.

Survivors include his wife; one son, L. V. of Rt. 2, Merkel.

Faugl-Reed Wedding Planned for June 30

Claire Rita Faugl and John Alvaro Reed will be married June 30 in Little Creek Chapel at Virginia Beach, Virginia.

Miss Faugl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Faugl of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at-

tended St. Huberts High School in Philadelphia and is a graduate of Our Lady of Lourdes School of Nursing, Camden, New Jersey. She is a Lieutenant in the United States Navy Nursing Corps serving at Portsmouth Navy Hospital, Portsmouth, Va.

Reed, son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Reed of Merkel, attended school at Trent, Merkel and McCaulley. He is Medical Corpsman in the United States Navy serving at Boone Clinic, Portsmouth, Va.

Miss Faugl and Reed will be visiting in the Reed home May 14 through May 20th.

BSP Pageant Time Again

Merchants in the Merkel area will be contacted Tuesday, May 15, by members of Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi for the purpose of sponsoring girls in the local Beauty Pageant to be held June 2.

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Trent Junior-Senior Banquet Held in Abilene

On Saturday, April 28, the Junior Class of Trent High School feted the Seniors with a banquet in the Crystal Room of the Downtowner Inn in Abilene. The theme of "Cherish" was used, with little mint-filled treasure chests for favors. A blue-and-gold color scheme was carried out in table decorations, interspersed with candleholders made by members of the Junior Class.

A meal of T-bone steaks, baked potatoes, salad, corn, green beans, and cobbler was served to approximately 55 guests. A welcome was given by Jr. Class President Tina Hamner. Bill Hamner presented the Acceptance Speech. Peggy Watson introduced the speaker of the evening, Logan Cummings, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Brownwood, who

spoke on "Future Shock." Gayla Heatly gave the Prophecy; and Anetia Frazier, Senior Class President, read the Class Will.

Other guests invited to the banquet were members of the Trent faculty. Sponsors of the Jr. Class are Mrs. Jon Henderson and Mrs. Al Cogburn. Senior Class Sponsors are Miss Barbara Franklin and Mr. Jon Henderson.

Girl Scout News

By LUPE ORTEGA

The Girl Scouts met Thursday May 3.

Refreshments were served by Janet Wade.

The girls finished their sinats. They really had fun making them.

Trent Band Sponsors Talent Show

An enjoyable evening was afforded all ages when the Trent High School band sponsored a Talent Show on Monday, April 30, in the gymnasium.

Coordinator for the event was Peggy Watson, with Roy Sharp serving as Master of Ceremonies. Contestants were from Trent Elementary, Jr. High, High School — and from the community.

Plaques were presented to the top three places. Judges were from Merkel and Abilene.

Winning first place was Trent's musical combo, "The Krispies," composed of Mac Sipe on the drums, Roy Sharp — lead guitarist and vocalist; and Steve Bland on bass guitar. Second place went to Johnny Stevens, a sixth grader, for a poetry reading, "The Pirate Don Dirk of Dewdee"; and third place was awarded to Roy Sharp for his rendition of "I Should Have Been Crucified."



TRENT JUNIOR HIGH CHEERLEADERS for 73-74 school year are, from left to right, Vondi King, 6th Robbie Freeman, 8th, Pam Evans, 8th, and Deane Morse, 8th grade, front.

Community 4-H Club Organized in Trent

Trent 4-H Club members and parents met with Johnny Bratton, assistant county agent, on April 30 in the library of Trent High School to organize a community 4-H club.

Organizational leaders selected are Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Williams with Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Freeman and Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Beasley as assistant leaders.

Project leaders are: Mr. Al-

len — Horses; Mmes. Yates Sipes, Harvey Bryan, and John Reed — Clothing and Cooking.

On Tuesday, May 8 the horse project group met in the Library at Trent High School at 8 p.m.

The May meeting will be on Monday, May 21, 8 p.m. in the library at Trent High School. Officers will be elected, committees organized and programs planned at this meeting. Mrs. Yates Sipes was appointed refreshment chairman.

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1973, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 28th day of April A.D. 1973, in this cause, numbered 8061 on the docket of said court and styled In Re; Adoption of Minor A-146.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: 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 the 28th day of April A.D. 1973.

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on the 31 day of January A.D. 1973, in this cause, numbered 34,086-A on the docket of said court and styled Southwest Savings and Loan Association, Plaintiff, vs. Jerry L. Plemons, Administrator of the Estate of Marguerite Plemons Merryman, et al, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Foreclosure of Deed of Trust Lien as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
Clerk, 42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas
By Marie Gill, Deputy.

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filed in said court, on the 19th day of April A.D. 1973, in this cause, numbered 8041 on the docket of said court and styled In Re: Minor A-148.

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FARMCAST

Stocks of the four feed grains — corn, oats, barley and grain sorghum — in Texas and throughout the nation continue to show declines, with wheat at the lowest level since 1968.

In Texas, a decrease of 47,000,000 bushels of the four feed grains was reported with grain sorghum declines being responsible for most of the downturn. Only oat stocks are above those of a year ago.

Wheat stocks in Texas stored in all positions as of April 1 are 15 per cent below a year ago. Disappearance during the January-April quarter is estimated at 37,700,000 bushels, up sharply from the 3,000,000 bushels disappearance for the same period last year.

Grain sorghum stocks are estimated at 145,400,000 bushels, this is 25 per cent below a year ago.

Corn stocks are estimated at 15,800,000 bushels, down four per cent a year ago.

Soybean stocks are estimated at 5,900,000 bushels, 44 per cent below a year ago.

THE TOP counties in Texas in production of fruits and nuts are San Saba and Gillespie. San Saba takes the 1972 honor in pecan production, and Gillespie County is the state's number one peach producing county for 1972.

Texas for 1972 was the nation's leading state in pecan production. The state ranked seventh in 1972 in peach production.

Total pecan production for Texas during 1972 was 65,000,000 pounds. Most of the production was in the south central and cross timbers areas.

Other top counties in pecan production in Texas during 1972 were Gonzales, Comanche, Hood, Guadalupe, Colorado, Lavaca, DeWitt, Bell and El Paso.

Other top counties in peach production in Texas during 1972 were Upshur, Camp, Parker, Montague, Eastland, Clay, Comanche, Limestone and Lampasas.

This year, the peach crop will be produced mostly in Central Texas and East Texas as the late freeze has either dam-

aged or destroyed the crop in north Texas and on the High Plains.

Pecan trees are blooming in many areas of the state. Some damage is expected due to the late freeze which will reduce the crop in some northern sections of the state.

EGG production in Texas continues to have its ups and downs, the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service notes.

Egg production during March 1 per cent below a year ago but 20 per cent above last month. Nationwide, egg production was down six per cent from the past year.

GROSS income from dairying in Texas during 1972 was up eight per cent from the previous year. Texas farmers received a gross income from dairy products of \$243,000,000. A total of 3,300,000,000 pounds of milk was produced in the state during 1972.

Total milk production was up four per cent from 1971.

CONTINUE to submit screw-worm samples to the fly laboratory at Mission, authorities request.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF TRENT BOARD OF EQUALIZATION HEARING

Tax Board of Equalization of Trent ISD will hold a public hearing beginning at 9 a.m., May 25 at the Trent School.

Purpose of the hearing will be for equalization of all oil, gas, utilities and industries situated in the tax jurisdiction of the Trent ISD.

All persons owning gas, oil, utilities and industries within the district may appear before the board.

The board will meet at a later date for consideration of real and personal properties.

Signed
Clayton Brazelton
Tax Assessor-Collector
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THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Eugene Daniel Bailey, Defendant, Greetings:

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numbered 8037 on the docket of said court and styled Betty Jo Bailey, Plaintiff, vs. Eugene Daniel Bailey, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows: to-wit: Divorce: Married on or about August 8, 1958, separated on or about Aug. 18, 1972. One child, Danny Wade Bailey about 14 years old. No community property, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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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 3rd day of May A.D. 1973.

(Seal)
Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas
By Marie Atkins, Deputy.

11-4tc

Cadette News

By BECKY PAGE

We had our regular meeting Monday, April 7.

We worked on invitations and name cards. One of the Cadette Challenges to meet is to plan and have a party for preschool children. Our theme is an Indian Pow Wow. The party is planned for May 2.

Refreshments were served by Peggy Helmer.

Vet Questions

Q—Is it true that VA is planning to close some of its hospitals?

A—VA has no plans to close any of its hospitals. In fact, several new ones were opened last year and more are under construction this year.

don't forget..

Mother's Day Sunday May 14

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Trent School Board Members Attend Workshop

Mrs. Rosemary Bland and Mr. Frank Brnovak, members of the Trent Board of Education, attended a workshop for School Board members in San Angelo, on Tuesday, April 24. The workshop was held in the ballroom of Angelo State University from 1:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Mrs. Bland and Mr. Brnovak reported that the workshop was most informative and interesting. Among topics of discussion were bills that would be coming up before the legislature in Austin as well as specific duties of Trustees.

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TRENT HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS for 73-74 school year are, from left to right, Teri Hamner, freshman, Patricia Boyd, sophomore, Rebecca Freeman, junior, and Tina Hamner, senior, head cheerleader.

Rabies Vaccination for Pets

A licensed veterinarian will be at the Merkel Fire Station on Saturday, May 12, from 1:30 to 4:00 p.m. to give vaccinations against Rabies to your dog, cat, fox, etc.

Cost is \$3.50 per animal

Sponsored by The Merkel Optimist Club

'Know Your Fire Department'

(Fourth in a series of articles by Audra Horton)

This week's article concerns one of the trucks used mainly for grass and pasture fires. This one is the 1951 GMC. This truck is used to fight any fire, city or county. It is a 2½ ton, 6-wheel drive vehicle. It carries 1,200 gallons of water in the tank and a wetting agent to make the penetration power of the water equal to 4800 gallons. There is a self-contained pump which pumps 250 gallons per minute. There are 150 ft. of 1½ inch hose, 100 ft. of ¾ inch booster hose, a 24 ft. extension ladder and other necessary equipment. Inside the cab, there is a 1½ inch outlet, hose and nozzle for incab fighting of fires. There is a two-way radio for fast communication.

Henry Brady, with the department since 1963, is Secretary-Treasurer for the department. An accounting and computer operator, he has had fire fighting training with the Abilene Fire Department. He is married to the former Leta White and they have three children, George, Elaine, and Carolyn. Henry says "We have a wonderful Fire Department and some of the best firemen in the world. I think we have one of the best Volunteer Fire Dept. in Texas."

Tex Martin is one of the older members of the Fire department, being with them since 1943. He has served as sergeant-at-arms, hose police, hose captain 1 and 2, and chaplain. A carpenter, he is married to the former Vada Turner and has four children, Mrs. Billie Walters, Charlie, Dean, and John Martin.

George Starbuck is one of the newer members of the department, joining in February. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Starbuck, he is married to the former Charlotte DeSimone. They have one son, John, 6 years of age. He is an apprentice funeral director and retail furniture dealer with Starbuck's. A graduate of the University of Texas, he is a member of the Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite Masons, Shriner, and Merkel Lions Club.

Vernon Wade, a fireman since 1968, credits his fire training to "trial and error." The son of Mrs. Thelma Wade, he is a florist with Anns Flowers. Married to the former Emily Ann Rice, he has a son, Lynn, a 6th grader and a daughter, Lucretia, 5 years old. He is a member of the Big Country Florist Assn., Merkel Lions Club, and Texas State Florist Assn.

City employee Jerry Don Sandusky has been with the department one year. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sandusky.

W. R. Cypert joined the department for the first time in 1933. He is a rural mail carrier for the Merkel Post Office. He served as Secretary for the department in 1939. He and his wife Mildred, have one daughter, Mrs. Sharon Alves. He is a member of the Merkel Masonic Lodge-Order of The Eastern Star, Dallas Scottish Rite-Consistory, Suez Temple - Shrine-Abilene Chapter & Royal Arch

A Vietnam Era veteran from Lowell, Mass., has become the holder of the 8 millionth G.I. home loan processed by VA since the beginning of the agency's loan guaranty program in 1944.

Council, Merkel Optimist Club, Merkel Lion's Club, Merkel Booster Club, Merkel V.F.W. Post 5683. Mr. Cypert says, "I am real proud of Merkel and the People who live here. There are no finer people in the world than right here in Merkel. We have good Churches, a real good School System and one of the finest fire departments that can be had."

These men have a total of 48 years and 2 months of service with the Merkel Volunteer Fire Department. All firemen are dedicated to their department and help to make it one of the best in the State of Texas.



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