## The Merkel Mail



## Trent homecoming

Final plans and preparations are now made for Trent's biggest weekend of the year as Trent is
set to welcome ex Trent High Students home Homecoming activities get started Friday a $6.00 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. with a Powder Puff football game
being followed by the bonfire. lowed by the bonfire. Saturday is packed as a breakfast is set for
6:30 a.m. in the school cafeteria. The parade
will will get underway at 10 a.m. and lunch will be
served at $11: 30$. A program is scheduled to served at $11: 30$. A program is scheduled to
tart at 1 p.m. and dinner will be served from 4:30 until 6:30 p.m.
The highlight of The highlight of homecoming will be the
football games as the Gorilla's take on botball games as the Gorilla's take on
McCaulley. Trent Coach Jerry Campbell and his team are sporting a perfect record so far
nd Coach Campbell said he expects a high coring game Saturday night. He sail efense and hope to match their opponent: score for score.
MeCaulley will have a hard time matching Trect scorefor-score as Trent is averaging
about 55 points per game while holding their bout 55 points per game while holding their ponents to less than 30 . Coach Campbell said Trent is enjoying the ears. He said that attendance is seen in six $50-500$ per game and that he expects a very The crowd at Saturday's game. The Trent Homecoming Queen will be
orowned at halftime. Kickoff is set for $7: 30$ pm.

## What in the world is Merkel going

to do with federal money they ask?
by Cloy A. Richards
We had some phone calls this past week for housing repair funds.
Most of the people that called wated when they could go ahead and get in touch with when they could go ahead and get in touch with
contractor and we had a few that said Merkel did no need federal funds for house repairs, that federa funds carry along too many headaches and hassles,
We started a series on the types of funds that the city is checking into. We had a talk with Rand Randolph who is the former expert on rural planning or the West Central Texas Council of Governments and is now in private consulting and will be doing
some of the work for federal fund applications for the city. In a nutshell, the funds that the city has inquired In a nutshell, the funds that the city has inquired
concerning eligibility are for private citizens to make wiring, plumbing, structural repairs as well as
weatherization work. Mr. Randolph said that he weatherization work. Mr. Randolph said that he
doubts that money will be available for "cosmetic" oubts that money will be availabie for cosmetic home improvements. He ass said that people wic
incomes of $\$ 10,600$ or less would not have much Youble recieving funds for work.
You have, no doubt, driven past a couple of
residential areas in town that are in need of general espairs and upkeep. What the city is doing, is tryin
enter o determine if there are federal funds that w qualify for to help remedy the situation.
$\mathrm{Ol}^{\prime}$ Mother Nature is doing her part to help us conserve heating bills so far but she has overdone herself and extended the air-conditioning semson. It
has been hot over the past couple of weeks, with a 103 reading last week.
The cotton harvest has started and local farme Bobby Toliver was the first to turn in a bale of cotton. In fact, Mr. Toliver turned in six balee that
averaged 500 pounds two weeks ago at the Planter Gin in Trent.

Merkel plays out of town Friday night and the
Trent Gorillas carry their perfect record and 10 sme against McCaulley Kichoff is set for Soturdey at 7:30 p.m. and a large crowd is expected. If you want to see some exciting six man football, travel to
Trent Saturday and watch them whip up on McCaulley.
Congratulations to the Mirkel Junior Varsity for oiks comed edrom-behind win over Winters. A lot about the JV winning because they were prove and leased

Cotton harvest underway, milo almost through, too dry for wheat planting

About 3 million pounds is ab

South said the milo yields were good but that upplies are way down because the feed loss are
uying the milo and were offering a better price at he start of the season.
He said he is paying $\$ 4.70$ and that the crop is down percent because a lot of farmers planted cotton South said "They jacked up the barns" to plan god grain.
At Henderson Elevator in Merkel they have n 3 and one half million pounds of milo and Walt pod, heavy, manain and that his muess on yield weold pod, heavy grain and that his guess on yield would Fanderson is paying $\$ 4.60$ per bushel and that
al-Tex in Trent needed a lot of milo this year and Qal-Tex in Trent needed a lot of milo this year
they paid a higher price early in the season. Wey paid
Now for the bad news.
No off icial rain fall in September, or October for hat matter has hampered wheat planting this year
and everyone is saying we need some rain. (They would start a fight at a cotton farmer's picnic for sying tha
County
mousture has hampered what planting throughout
the county so far this year the county so far this year.
Whisenhunt said that it is
Whisenhunt said that it is not time to panic yet but sid that if moisture was right that f farmers would
lave already planted wheat intended for grazing use and would not plant harvest wheat until the first of
November and can wait until the first of the year November and can wait until the first of the year.
He said that the local farmers have seen dry spells tefore and that no one would panic if we got a week o wet weather or a two to thrree inch sonking rain brave farmers have dry planted and that a lot of brave farmers have dry
trilizer has been applied.
South
South echoed Whisenhuun's prescription for two to
tree inches of slow rain needed for planting Thet that thit wenther rembinces him for planting and $\pi$ that hurt the local 1978 wheat crap.

City is seeking $\$ 500,000$ from

## feds for housing improvements

In the first article of a series, The Mail will take look at and try to explain federal projects that are
currently being investigated by the Merkel City currently
Two weeks ago, the City Council passed resolution that said the city is ready to seek federal districts here.
They also decided to see if they are eligible for federal Community Development Funds that are approved and administered by whe
Housing and Urban Development The program the city is checking into is called Community Development and is limited to private
houses, vacant lots and codes and ordinances to houses, vacant lots and codes and ordinances to
enforce various regulations.
The way the program would work according to Randy Randolph, a former rural consultant for the
West Central Texas Council of Governments, and West Central Texas Council of Governments, and now private planner, is that HUD would review the
application sent by the city and if funding is approved, private homes and
rehabilitated by Federal funde

If Merkel does receive the funding (approximately $\$ 550,000$ worth), the city would hire a specialist to
review and inspect the use of the Federal money. review and winspect methe use of the ederal money.
It work something like this. Let's say that I won a home and need some rewiring done. I would take my request to the local official and he would first check my income, inspect the work needed,
form a cost estimate for the job, and if he is satisfied that the work is needed, will recommend to a citizen's panel that the work be done and how much
money will be loaned to me or how much of a grant could be given to complete the work. Randolph said that housing work that is easily funded are wiring, structural repairs, roof repair
plumbing and other major repairs. plumbing and oner maid cetic repairs will probably be
He also said that cosmet placed on the bottom of the priority list. Persons with incomes of less than $\$ 10,600$ are eligibie autu be eligible on those having larger The City application will reviewed by HUD officials and they will answer if the city is eligible or
not before Jan. 1st. If the city is eligibie, City Council not before Jan. 1st. If the city is eligible, City Council
may file a formal application for HUD approval.

## Merkel Homecoming next week

Merkel Homecoming activities will begin Oct. 18 th as the bonfire will be burned kicking off the weekend
On the $19 t h$, registration for the Homecoming weekend is scheduled for 9 until 5 p.m. at the Merke Senior Citizen's Building. Also on the 19th, a spaghetti supper is scheduled and cost is $\$ 2.50$ and
$\$ 1.50$ for pre-school children. The supper is being sponsored by the Merkel Band Boosters.
The Badgers The Badgers play the Anson Tigers at 7:30 Friday
night and at halftime the High School Homecoming Queen, as well as the ex-student Queen and Mr. X A coffee and visitation will be held immedia
after the game sponsored by the class of 59 .

The Homecoming Parade gets started at 11 a.m. downtown Saturday followed by a luncheon, business.
meeting, auction sale and open house and, talent meoting, auction sale and open house and, talent The Class of 1949 is having a hard time locating some of its members. If you know a current address
on any of the following people, you are adked to contact Jarry Dunlap at 92z-5511: Robert Wayne Doyle Conley, Melvin Cross, Bill Dillard, Fasbeer,
Eager, Louise Grayson, Ann Groue Eager, Louise Grayson, Ann Groene, Mary Faye
Johnson, JJames TTiner, Don Love, Doyle Ponder,
 The Crazy Days Parade won't be the same this Sont Roves, and to hooner the International Year of
The revve is schoduled for $5: 30$ p.m. Halloween Day : Oct. 31) and will start at the new Western Auto trailer or whatever you have to participate in the
Tevue. Mail will be offering trophies, for spookiest
kid, spookiest horse, spookiest bike, and there will be
many more categories for children.
The revue is designed for children (of all ages) and The revue is designed for children (of all ages) and
will give local ghosts and goblins a chance to scare everyone before trick-or-treat and church on Wednesday. The parade should last no longer than 40 Also on Halloween, the Merkel Volunteer Fire Department will hoest their annuan spooiunteer Fin
looks as though the spirits will be flying here thot looks as though the spirits will be flying here that
night.
Further details will be printed in the Mail next
week.


Newsbriefs

## Miller's calf

## McAndrews


Student Council officers
 been selected to partici pate in a rotartional Jerry is a member of he Elmdale 4 Her Club under the adult leader-
ship of R. Lee Brown of +H youngster raise, a heifer that is then b
nd the calf goes nother 4 H member Miller received ${ }^{\text {Mis }}$ eifer from Lynn Lee of
leritage Cadillac. Jerry as had the calf less how the animal at Jerry has been
 sheep, pigs and particind entomology projects Srader at Merkel Middle

## Lambda Beta

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## Farmers face new rules, higher prices

Compiled from USDA and Texas Department d Agriculture News Releases by Cloy A. Richards The House Agriculture Committee recently huild gasahol plants. Under the bill, growers of corn and other feed
rains would have to agree to sell to the USDA up to gains would have to agree to sell to the USDA up to
D per cent of theic crop at USDA set target prices to فtain supports of their crops. Th butu authorizes 20 years. loans of up to 81 million
thelp cover up to 90 per cent of the construction o help cover up to 90 per cent
costs.
Agricultural Land Exemptions
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Russel Graham, senior attorney of the School Tax tssessment Practices Board told a seminar in Waco
hat Texas school districts will receive a dollar per hat Texas school districts will receive a dollar per
कोlar rebate of tax revenues lost under exemptions granted for farm land use evaluations His comments were echoed by Kenneth $\mathbf{E}$. Craeber, executive director of the School Tax Constitutional Ammendment
Senate Joint Resolution 13 will be voted on by the voters on Nov. 6th as a proposed constitutional proposal will establish a program to provide loans Ir persons interested in purchasing farm lands. The loans would require that the applicant have plan to pursue, have a net worth of less than $\$ 1000000$ exccuad ng nome), and intend to purchase the lind for their own use in either farming or ranching. कligation bonds issued by the State Comptroller's Gfice and administered by the Texas Compissaioner dince and administered by the Texas commissioner
mowld be remponsible for review of the loan Whicat
prorelisn Agliculture Circular says that the piolen wheat erop will be the second largest in They also matimated that production shortalls would oceur in Ruasia and Eastem Europe.
USDA Changea Beel Policies Some changes Beef Policies. place in the USDA rucelloous eradication program.
The changes call for more flexible use of vaccine, hividual hardplanis for eliminating disease, deale ylum for moving catetle from sates with "non fre" statue and uplrading technical services Most of those changes went into effect on Sept. 4th Keep cows and dise seperate.
An fow State Univeruty Researcher is recommending that ranchers keep beef and pork stock
pevidorabis.
The waming was issued after reports from beome infected when in close, daily contact with
Mchinery Prices.
USDA says that farm machinery prices are going USDAgh tays trat farm machinery prices are going heronsed from $\$ 1000$ to $\$ 2,100$ in 12 months. Other machinery increseses include conventional lavers to 86,800 , and 30,39 horsepower tractors erpropelled combines increased from 449,800 to srave in June.

JV takes Winters 20-18
The Merkel Junior
Varsity took their first
win of the year as they
took a 20-18 thriller from
Winters.
Merkel scored first
and early as w.illie
Mars was on the re-
ceiving end of the pass.
The ppay started as
Sammy Tumlinson, QB
took the snap from
center and threw a
lateral pass to Keith
Beding. Bedding then
threw
who seo beall to Marsh
yards outt from 50
Merkel's second TD
came on another trick
play. The Badgers had

was tipped. Wid set the yard line when time ran ball beck with gibout the The Junior Varsity seconds to play and got takes on Haskell this
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Cotton stripping is going strong as Red Shafer of Planters Gin will tell you. Local
Farmer Bobby Toliver made the first bale this year. (Staff photo by Cloy A. Richords)
 will play in Hoskell Thursday (Stoff photo by Cloy A Richands)
 ( $\sqrt{13}$ )




## news <br> Tite I Reading Mrs Mitchell The Ti The Title I Readin Program is in full swing this year. Seventy eight students, Well benty eighe served at Tye. This year will at Tye. This yeer will see increased teating an se increased testing as give a a selection test and a Stamford Diagnostic Stamford Diagnostic Test to each student. This year we will have ory Committee P.A.C. We marent Adve P.A.C.). We appreciate the time given by the eight parentsen who have committee. They a Dolly Shelton, Mar Turner, Ofelia Olvera June VanGurp, Jea Lilly, Clemencia Men- dez, dez, Sandy Neith and Gober Also

 Workshop for all parents of inte I students.
Resource Room Mrs.

VanWinkle
The Resource class-
room at Tye Elementary is especially emjoy-
ing the new classroom prepared for them last spring by the hig
school shop boys. W now have carpet and lots of black bo a rd
space. The bright are especially cheerful Mrs. Phyllis Vanteacher for the rins as program. Mrs. Martha teacher for the severly
handicapped Mrs. Debbie Morgan is the speech therepist this year. She is at the Tye
Campus on Tuesday Thursday mornings. Our walls are now decorated with scenes
related to the related to the fall an
Halloween seasons. er this month, as
mat eward for diligent work and study, we will be learning to make car-
ameled apples and pop-
corn balls. We mad corn balls. We may popen
try making some sevted pumkin seeds. same

South graduated ABILENE, Tex.son of Mr and Mrs . Jack South of 402 Cherry in Merkel, received the Biblical and degree in studies during the 73rd annual commencement
exercises May 6 at Abilene Ch
versity. South is a 1965 grad-
uate of Merkel High
School and a School and a 1969 honor
graduate of Texas Tech. COLLEGE STATION The 4-H program provides youth between the and throughout the na-
tion an opportunity to make the most out of ife and to become re-
sponsible citizens and ponsible citizens and
leaders.
In vides expanding horiz-
ons,", the theme of this
year.s National 4 H
Wek, Oct. $7-13$, points
out Dr. John T. Pelham, tate $4-\mathrm{H}$ and youth leader with the Texas Agricultural
Exvice. The Exsa
Extension Service, a part of the exas A\&M University organization of parent $4-\mathrm{H}$ provides a wide
ange range of 'real-life' experiences for youth in a
 environment,", explains
Pelham. "This helps Peinam. This helps ive, self-dire prod and
contributing member r contributing membe rs
of society."
More than 137,000 boys and girls are en-
rolled in $4-\mathrm{H}$ in Texas, roiled in 4 -H in Texas,
with the national enroll.
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million. There are some million. There are som
2,000 organized $4-\mathrm{H}$ clubs in the state and almost 1,100 special in-
terest groups. almost 1,100
terest ${ }^{\text {groups. }}$
"A vital $\operatorname{cog}$ in a successful 4 H program
are volunteer leaders, As far as 4-H project
are concerned, Texa
youth are engaged in youth are engaged in that are providing

| meaningful learning experiences. By far the most popular project area is foods and nutrition, which is attracting more than 36,400 youth. Electric projects rank second at more than | 14,370. The pony project ing, the th enrollment than 11,500, ing and tex ning a close an enrollme |
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## Merkelite scholar <br> WTSU-More than 150 West Texas Str a University sudents, who each received s100 Pree ident's Honor scholars hips last year, have returned to campus for he fall semester <br> Those 154 President's Honor Scha rss, who were in a group of 213 recipients for the first year of the a group oram, have joined 322 rece.ti recipients. prograt Retention rate for Retention rate for the scholars from last year to tis year is 723 percent, said Keith Winter, WISU his year is drector of development. <br> "The progr am has been very successful," he said. Recipients of the scholarships are chosen from the Recipients of the scholarships are chosen from the top students in area high schools who are member do National Honor Society or equivalent organiza- sons. The scholarships are offered to entering Ceshman students. <br> Cast of the program for the fall semester of this year has been $\$ 32,200$ or $\$ 100$ schoiarships for each of The recipients. has generated $\$ 883,000$ for the 32 new sudents, according to calculations by Deiton More, director of institutional research at WTSU. Mbore used a "conservative figure" of $\$ 1,750$ per sudent to compute the benefits. If the students <br> they will bring more than $\$ 3$ million to the university Irr this year is a 70 percent increase over last year's <br> Fall semester of 1978, the first semester of the yy spring semester of 1979,190 of those sudents had eturned for a retention rate of 89 percent. Rusty Watts of Route 1 is the President's Honor tholar from Merkel.

Water outlook good
AUSTIN, Texas-The Texas Department of Water Resources has published a new report containing
estimates of available ground water that is recoverable in Texas aquifers on an average annual
basis from 1980 through the year Average annual ground-water availability from major and minor aquifers is estimated to range from approximately 10.2 million acre-feet in 1980 to 8.4
million acre-feet in the year 2030 . An acrefoot of water is the amount of water that
would cover an acre to a depth of one foot or 325,851 would cover an acre to a depth of one foot or 325,851
gallons. "Ground-Water Availability in Titied "Ground-Water Availability in Texas
Estimates and Projections Through 2030," the report is available without charge from the Texas Department of Water Rescurces, P.O. Box 13087 ,
Austin, Texas 78711 . The report number is 238 . Austin, Texas 78711 . The report number is 238 .
Major aquifers included in the study are the Ogallala, Carrizo- Wilcox, Edwards (Baly (Bane Faue
Aone), Trinity Group. Alluvium and Bolson Deposits, Aone), Trinity Group, Alluvium and Bolson Depoe
Gulf Coast, and the Edwards-Trinity (Plateau) Minor aquifers in the repori are Woodbine, Spar Queen City, Edwards Trinity High Plains,
Rosa, Santa,
Rickery Sandstone, Ellenburger-San Saba, Rosa, Hickery Sandstone, Elilenburger-San Saba,
Marbie Falls Limestone, Blaine Gypsum, Igneous Rocks, Marathon Limestone, Bone Spring and
Victorio Peak Limestones, Capitan Limestone, Victorio Peak Limestones, Capitan Limestone,
Rustier, Nacatoch Sand, Blossom Sand PurgatoireRustier, Nacatoch Sand, Blossom Sand, Purgatoire
Dakota, and other undifferentiated smaller aquifers

Garage sale The Badger Booster Club will sponsor a giant
garage sale oct. 20,
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Bext to WTU). Mrs.
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Albert Roysden will co ordinate this project Pone-8-5925.
The buiding will be open Oct. 13 will be 93
nyone wants to brin Stith club
$\begin{array}{cc}\begin{array}{c}\text { "Snakes Alive!" } \\ \text { That's what we had } \\ \text { when the Stith Exten- }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Merkel. } \\ \text { Born July 16, } 1889 \text { in } \\ \text { Mion Homememakers met she moved to }\end{array} \\ \text { the Mertel area in 1900. }\end{array}$

## Obituaries

## Emory Wilburn

 so, of Merkel died 90, of Ma.m. M
drick drick Medical Center after a short illness.
Services will be at 3
p.m. Tuesday at First Baptist Church in Merkel with the Rev. Kefnet
Jones, pastor, officiat inges, pasisior, official
Bright of Fort Wreston Bright of Fort Worth.
Burial will be in Co pere Cemetery under
the direction of Star-
buck Funeral Home in ci. 3, igma Community Center. At fred and Louise Parkam gave the program on Wildlife. They brough several rattlesnakes to caught. The ratt le r
cow kept the club ratt iember's
nerves on end until they were back in the can Parke lid on tight. Mr
with the hely
a his wife, demonstrat od how to pull the poiso from a bite. Hee tond
about the different kind
of poisonous snakes and where to watch for
them. It really mad one aware that there are
ots of rattlesnakes in lots of r
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Moore, Behrends wed


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kins when she seng hen she sang large white wicker baskets of apricot gladioli and white pew bows. gave her in marriage. Vicky Meier was maid
of honor, and the bridesmaids were Delisa Moore, Brownwood,
sister of the bride;

| Diane Moore and Ricky Behrends exchanged nuptial vows Saturday, Sept. 22, at 4 p.m., in Bethany Lutheran Church with Steve Durr officiating at the rites. <br> The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Moore of Brownwood. She is a 1976 graduate of Fredericksburg High School and attended Abivene one year. She is now employed at Security State Bank and Trust. <br> The bridegroom's parents are Mr . and Mrs. Clayton Behrends. He is also a 1976 Fredericksburg High School graduate, and is now a customer service syecialist for General Tele- <br> Mrs. Jerald Jenkins was at the organ for traditional nuptial selections. Glen Durr played the guitar and sag his own arrangement of "The Wedding Song." Linda Fishel was accompanied by Mrs. Jenkins when she sang <br> Church decor included large white wicker baskets of apricot gladioli and white pew bows. <br> The bride's parents gave her in marriage. <br> Vicky Meier was maid of honor, and the bridesmaids were Desister of the bride; |
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arents who need nursinghome care says a family fre education specialist-aging.
High-quality institutional care creates many pelationstips for many dderly parents, says Vivian Blair. Mrs. Blair is with the Texas Agricultural
Extension Service. The Texas A\&M University sstem.
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prent or other relative," Mrs. Blair explains.
"They may have a sense of fa lure and begin They may have a sense of failure and begin to And now for the good news in detail.
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${ }^{\text {M }}$ Mrs. Blair say
"About 30 percent reported renewed intimacy and srengthening of ties," she adds
Researchers intervewed 100 parents who had been
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Has this ever happene you, your friends or neigh-
bors?: A homeowner fails make his mortgage payment and is in default. Suddenly, comes and apparently all his problems are solved. A "mortgage counselor" or wredit, counselor" says, "Don your problem, protect your credit, and even pay your
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The story just related involves a new, perfectly legal
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most people do not know the
market value of their homes. All most of us know is how much of the mortgage is left to
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little of the "principal" debt is retired. Because of this, many of us assume that we have very little "equity" in our homes.
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because of inflation, our homes may be worth $\$ 10,000$ or is the more than we think. It inflation that is of interest to inflation that is of interest to
the unscrupulous home equity

The scheme works like this When a notice of default comes
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mortgage counselor, a credit mortgage counselor, a credit
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or almost anything else. Frequently, the speculator will tell homeowners that he can help protect their credit rating by buying the property
from them and even pay a few from them and even pay a few
thousand dollars for moving expenses and a deposit on a new place to live.
Another approach is to tell
homeowners that he can solve homeowners that he can solve
the problem in such a way that they will not have to give up their house. To accomplish
this, he will buy the property this, he will buy the property
from them and then rent it from them and then rent it
back to them with an "option to purchase." Thus, the
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September 13: Junior Varsity here against Anson at $6: 30$. Ninth Grade here against Anson at $5: 00$. Eighth Grade at Anson at 6:30. Seventh Grade at Anson at 5:00.
September 20: Junior Varsity here against Cyde at 7:00. Ninth Grade here against Clyde at $5: 30$. Cyde at 5:30.
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10-26
11-2
11-9
11-16
OPPONENT

TIME
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*Colorado City-H 7:30
Stamford-T 7:30
*Wylie-T 7:30
-DISTRICT GAMES

GO
BADGERS BEAT WINTERS
$\underset{\text { Circle A Western House }}{\text { 1-20 }}$

Farmers \& Merchants National Bank

111 Edwards

928-4728
Taylor Electric
1610 N. 1st
928-4715

928-9788
Emma's Clothes Closet 131 Kent

928-5100

Palmer Pontiac and GMC 1208 N. 1st

928-5113
Dairy Queen $1-20$

928-5314
El Tye-O
915-698-2180
Taylor Telephone Cooperative
1-20 (915) 846-4111

Wylie Truck Terminal 928-5584 Carsons Supermarket

Keenan Land Development Co.

928-4914

## Stanford's Electronics

123 Kent
928-5762
Shannonside Apartments
928-5038
Skinny's
928-5914
Amerine Heating \& Air Conditioning 502 Kent 928-4876
Big Country Inn
1-20 928-4723

Max Murrell Chevrolet
1-20 928-4736

Merkel Brick \& Lumber 102 Lamar
Castille's Hardware and Gifts 214 Edwards

928-5310

## Arrow Ford

4001 S. 1st 1-692-9500
Ninth Street Grocery \& Mobil Gas


## CHEER FOR THE GORILLAS AT THEIR HOMECOMING GAME, SATURDAY AT 7:30

 BEAT THE EAGLES

KBGG
Wilson's Jeweler
Merkel Auto Parts
Hicks Auto Supply
Carriker food Store
Merkel Drug Company
Max Murrell Chevrolet
Emma's Clothes Closet
Merkel Mail \& Printing
Circle A Western Wear
Bragg's Department Store
Ben Franklin Family Stọe
Harold Walker Dirt Contractor
Farmers \& Merchants National Bank

Cal Tex
D \& B's Place
Lemen's Butane
Home State Bank
Ann's Flower Shop
Taylor Electric Coop Wylie Tuck Terminal

## Carson's Supermarket

Dairy Queen of Merkel
Merkel Brick \& Lumber
Palmer Pontiac \& GMC
Castille's Hordware \& Gifts
Ninth Street Grocery \& Mobil Gas
Amerine Heating \& Air Conditioning


