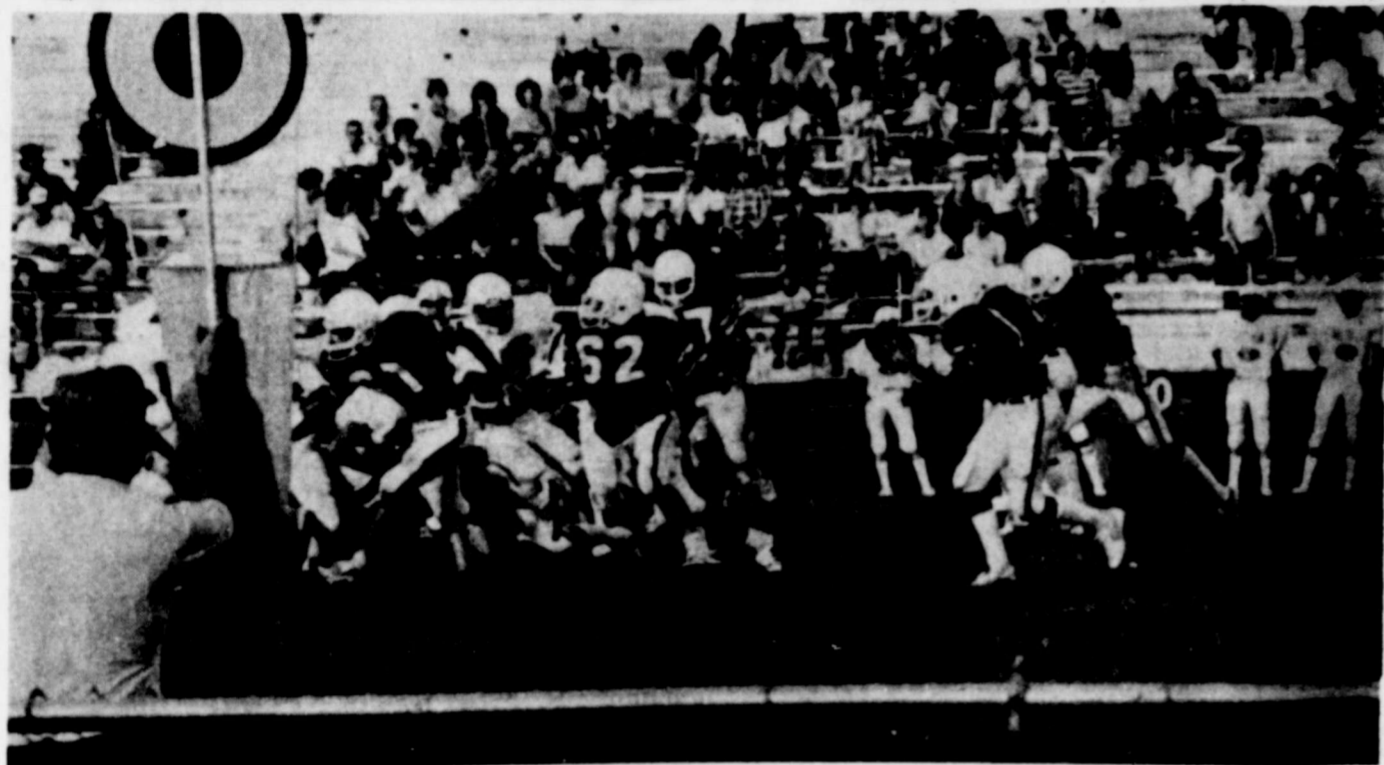


# The Merkel Mail

Thursday, August 30, 1984...Merkel, Texas

Our 96th Year



The Badgers take off on a sweep in Rotan last Friday. They face Winters here Friday at 6 p.m. in the last tune-up before the season.

(Staff photo)

## Badgers take on Winters here

The Merkel Badgers will scrimmage Winters here Friday night beginning at 6 p.m.

Admission to the scrimmage is a bar of soap that will be used through the year by the MISD athletic department according to head football coach Dick Lepard. The Badgers opened their sea-

son well last week in a scrimmage at Rotan in which the Badger varsity moved the ball well and played a defense that seemed to stiffen on third down situations.

Rotan managed one touchdown on offense and had a touchdown on a returned interception on Merkel's last offensive play of the

scrimmage. The Badgers scored once on a nine play drive and got to the Rotan 8 and the Rotan 14 and lost chances to score on turnovers.

Lepard said of last week's effort "We were real pleased with the way the kids performed, we are not satisfied because we have a lot of work to do."

## Booster club raising money

The Merkel High Booster Club has met the past two Monday evenings at the high school building. The next meeting will be Sept. 4.

The booster club voted to pay the additional cost in order for the athletic department to purchase color film for filming football games.

Club members will be selling

doughnuts, memberships for \$10 and taking donations in the business area of Merkel Sept. 8. This money will be used to charter busses for athletes to travel for long trips in football, basketball, and baseball games.

Again this year, parents of the varsity boys football team will serve a meal before each game. The team members will pay \$2

each and these meals will be served at the First Baptist Church Fellowship room.

Coach Lepard told the Booster Club that he was pleased with their daily workouts and their scrimmage last week at Rotan.

Donations to the Al Mitte Memorial Fund are still being accepted at the F & M National Bank here.

## Student council already busy

The MHS student council officers for the school year met July 25th to discuss activities. Officers include Sean Woodard- President, Kelly Riney- Vice-President, Cindy Williams- Secretary, Melissa Davis- Business Manager and Tim Jacobs- Reporter.

Their second meeting was held

Aug. 10th. The members and officers put together "Survival kits" for teachers. They included Maalox, Anacin, notepads, pencils, pens, rulers, all donated by local businesses.

On the 23rd, Freshman elections were held. Also held was an election to replace a senior boy

and a junior girl because of resignations.

The school activity calendars ordered by the Student Council will hopefully arrive soon. They will sell for \$4 each. If you are interested in purchasing one of these calendars, please call the high school office at 928-5511.



## City buys computer, sets lower tax rate, hears report

The Merkel City Council purchased a computer and adopted the final draft of the city's comprehensive plan in regular session Monday night. Council also adopted a new, lower tax rate of 29.2 cents per \$100 evaluation.

The tax rate is a reduction because last year's rate was 33.2 cents and the decrease in tax is due to an increase in evaluations as well as additional taxable property inside the city limits.

### Council purchases computer

The city had been looking for its own computer system for about a year and Monday decided to purchase a Texas Instruments computer, business model and went along with city accountant Billy Clark's recommendation to buy software from an individual in Austin to run the city water-sewer-sanitation billings, as well as general ledger accounting for the city.

The city awarded the bid of \$6,240 for the hardware and the billing program will cost \$2,500. The city is currently paying about \$6,000 per year to have their bills computer generated and should pay for the computer system, software and supplies in savings over the next two years.

### Council hears Comprehensive plan

Council members heard a presentation on the city's comprehensive plan funded by a Community Development Block Grant. The plan looked at city streets, utilities, housing, historical preservation and population densities and growth patterns.

The plan was written by Randy Randolph, a city planning and administration consultant from Abilene. Randolph showed council members numerous maps of the city showing housing and business distribution, traffic flow patterns, flood plains, current and projected population patterns and maps showing future growth patterns.

Billy Jacobs presented council with maps showing water distribution needs. Jacobs also "Felt out" council members opinions and attitudes on the negotiations for a new wholesale water purchase contract from the city of Abilene. Merkel's contract will expire in March of 1985. Council members did say they would like for the city of Tye to work out their own purchase agreement with Abilene instead of purchasing water from Merkel and having their usage show up on Merkel's contract performance reports.

Jacobs said if Tye could work out their own water purchase with Merkel, our water system should meet the needs of 3,000 people, Merkel's projected population in 1995. Merkel will have to build an additional above ground or elevated tank in the future, with a capacity of 300,000 to 400,000, according to Jacobs.

According to those reports, Merkel has a total land area of 1,567 acres with 31.5 per cent being used for single family housing. 704.12 acres are undeveloped. Of a total of 1,148 housing units, 4 were vacant.

Downtown needs considered most critical were 190 additional parking spaces, demolition of dilapidated buildings and "cosmetic remodeling" of 54 buildings.

Randolph pointed out to council members that the comprehensive plan is designed to help councilmen to manage the growth of the city, and to be prepared to handle increased workloads on public works by an increasing population.

In other action, council met for the first time as a Planning and Zoning Commission Monday night. Council will be considering the adoption of zoning ordinances, as soon as they are finalized, possibly at council's next regular session.

Council heard a presentation, again from Randolph, concerning the goals and levels of zoning that will be implemented here. The Planning and Zoning Commission being proposed here will act according to a zoning ordinance that is being created from maps that were created for the comprehensive plan. The city will issue building permits, addition permits, and will consider requests from citizens for re-zoning.

The commission will also work with people interested in developing property within the city limits to ensure that property will be developed in a way that will coincide with procedures.

In setting the current tax rate, council lowered taxes here by four cents. The new tax rate of 29.2 cents per \$100 evaluation is the first tax rate set for Merkel taxpayers as Taylor County Commissioners and Merkel school Board members have not finalized their budgets.

Also, council approved a change of the city limits on the request of Geroge Starbuck, so recently purchased property would be totally inside the city limits.

## Ceremony will dedicate new stained glass

A ceremony of appreciation and dedication of a gift best described as a "sermon of glass" will be held at Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church here Sunday at 2 p.m.

An open house and reception are scheduled and all are invited.

It took nearly a year of tedious work to complete 16 windows, each measuring three feet square. About 2,000 pieces of glass fashioned the liturgical and doctrinal symbols that proclaim such truths of our faith as the Trinity of God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; and God's gifts of the Incarnation, Redemption, the Scriptures, the Eucharist, Mary and

the Church. Although one week was sufficient for cutting and setting each window, immeasurable time was spent on research and designing the pieces.

The artist, Mrs. Charlott Starbuck, after two years of training and practice, conceived the idea of using her talent to honor God by beautifying her parish Church of Our Mother of Mercy. The entire cost of the project, including installation and protective outer windows, is a joint gift of Mr. & Mrs. Starbuck and their son, John.

A brochure explaining the symbolism of each window has been prepared and will be distributed to each family of the parish on the day of dedication.

## Set out a tree and watch it grow

by Russell McAnally

Not many people have the privilege I had a few days ago. I set out a Giant Oak Tree. The experience was something I will never forget. The Oak tree was so big its far reaching limbs gave shade for birds and animals. Children played in the shade and climbed from limb to limb to heights that would dazzle the brave. The floating clouds in the sky framed the Oak and set it apart as a Master creation of unequalled beauty and peace. Some people will tell you that it is an impossibility to set out an oak tree of that proportion. Well, I did it without cutting back any of the long limbs and did not lose a leaf setting it out. You can set out a large tree like this and I want to take a little time and space to tell you how to do it. In fact, you may have already done it and not know about it. In that case, you especially need to read on.

This past June, my wife and I attended a church service under a truly great Oak tree. That tree provided shade for all the 200 people in attendance. The service was conducted under the tree, and the cemetery where he was buried in 1879. The day before, we had visited another cemetery where another of my great grandfathers was buried. His name was George Washington Harrison. He had built a Methodist church out of logs with his own hand on his farm and it was called Harrison Chapel. He was buried in the Harrison Chapel Cemetery. Services in that church were discontinued in 1874 but the cemetery is still in use.

It was in that cemetery that we found and dug up four six inch oak trees. Three of them still had the acorn attached to the root. One of them in a few days, died a natural death. The puppies took care of another of them. It was yesterday when I set out the remaining two, small Oak trees. They were transferred from a bucket to the ground. When the last one had been set out and while I was waiting for the hole around the tree to fill with water, I sat down the shade of a small fruit tree-leaned back and closed my eyes. Whether or not I was half asleep I do not know. All I know is that the little six inch tree grew from tiny to a giant Oak while I sat there. I saw my grandchildren in the tree and the neighborhood children playing in the shade. I saw birds from both small to great resting and nesting in the branches. In fact- acorns fell from the giant Oak and other little Oak trees sprang up until there was a forest of giant Oak trees.

That is the way you set out a giant Oak and watch it grow. It is the same thing when you sit down and hold a day old baby in your lap or arms. If you will close your eyes, you can see that child running and playing- going to school- playing football or leading the cheerleaders.

Life is made up of vision, hope and faith. It is the vision and faith that plants the tree, or gives birth to a baby. Nothing will be attempted unless you can catch a vision of the fulfillment of that for which you hope and dream.



# FFA more than "plows & sows"

by Chuck Peterman

The time for school is here once again. Registration has already taken place and I am sure some parents saw the words Vo Ag on their child's schedules. This, as many of you know, stands for vocational agriculture. But, did you know that you child has a chance to enter one of the largest and most active youth organizations in the world, the Future Farmers of America?

In order to be in FFA, one must show an interest in agriculture, learn various skills about a

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The FFA has many purposes. They include: To develop leadership; create a love for our country and life; strengthen and encourage confidence; create a growing interest in agriculture occupations; encourage thrift among our members; to encourage high academics and increase youth involvement in communities.

As you can see by our purposes, we really aren't just "sows and

plows", we branch into many areas. We have a motto and elected officers, who also run for elected area and state positions. In the past, some of these officers have become leaders as they went into life to be student body presidents and state and national congressmen.

If a student would like to join FFA, they should contact Billy Riley or J.T. Naron at the Merkel High ag department.

By the way, congratulations are in order for Mr. & Mrs. Naron on the birth of a son.



Ron Yancey teaches American and Texas history and coaches 6th grade PE and 7th and 8th grade athletics. He is a native of Santa Anna and is married and has two children. He was graduated from Angelo State and like hunting, fishing and golf.



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Sally Odenwald, a Cotton Center native is teaching computer literacy. She is married and has two children. She was graduated from McMurry and enjoys cooking, reading, snow skiing and working with the computer.

## Calvary Baptist holding Missions Conference

A missions conference will be held Aug. 29 - 31 MEMS holds recent fish fry

The Merkel Emergency Medical Service held a fish fry Aug. 17.

Members and their guests were welcomed by president Vernon Wade.

Vernon told the group of attending a meeting in Houston with two members of the local EMS

at the Calvary Baptist Church here starting each night at 7 p.m.

Speakers will be Dr. Henry H. Parrish II and the Rev. Joe Mays.

Sunday is faith promise Sunday at the church.

## Denson's have recent visitors at Fort Phantom

Visiting in the Lake Fort Phantom home of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Denson recently were:

Mrs. Lorene Kinnard and Melvin Byrd of Wingate; Mr. & Mrs. J. B. Denson of Winters;

Mr. & Mrs. L. H. Denson of Colorado City; M. L. Denson of Desdemona;

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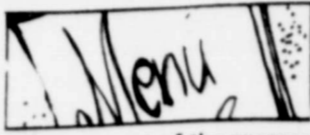
## Pool's family says thanks

The family of Maurine Pool would like to express our thanks and appreciation for the cards, calls, food and flowers. Your kindness during the loss of our loved one will long be remembered.

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# Newsbriefs

## MISD lunch menu

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Aug. 30  
Fried fish, tartar sauce, blackeyed peas, spinach, corn meal twist, peaches with topping.

Aug. 31  
Hamburgers, fries & all the trimmings, cookies.

Sept. 3  
Labor Day Holiday

Sept. 4  
Pizza, buttered mixed vegetables, lettuce wedges with choice of dressing, plum macaroons.

Sept. 5  
Chicken fried steak with cream gravy, snow flaked potatoes, green peas, hot rolls, jello with fruit.

Sept. 6  
Tacos, taco sauce, shredded lettuce, cheese pinto beans, taco shells and pineapple.

Sept. 7  
Hamburgers and all the trimmings, fresh orange wedges.

Murrell named to

TADA Board

Max Murrell of Max Murrell Chevrolet Co. here has been re-appointed to the key post of area director of the Texas Automobile Dealers Association.

Gene N. Fondren, president in Austin, said Murrell will report to

the TADA Board of Directors on all phases of activity relating to the motor vehicle buying public here.

"Murrell will work closely with legislative and government officials on all matters pertaining to the industry and the auto buying public."

TADA represents the franchised new car and truck dealers in Texas.

## Ladies set club championship

The Merkel Golf Association will be holding their ladies club championship Sept. 8.

Ladies interested need to sign up by Sept. 7. Tee time will be at 8 a.m. with a luncheon to fol-

low. Cash prizes will be awarded.

## Preceptor Eta Omega meets

The Preceptor Eta Omega Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met at Betty Conley's Aug. 25th and all went to the Royal Inn for their beginning day lunch.

Louise DuBose, president, welcomed members.

Blanche Hewitt, program chairman, presented each with a year-book.

Those attending were Betty Conley, Betty Satterwhite, Louise DuBose, Kathy Leverich, Ruth Tipton, Opal Garner, Jane Crason, Val Patterson, Mamie Steck and Blanche Hewitt.

The first meeting will be Sept. 4 with Mamie Steck as hostess.

## Xi Nu Eta holds

first meeting

of the year

Xi Nu Eta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi held their rushing party Aug. 11 in the home of Dee McCollum, 2010 Glendale, Abilene.

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Everyone enjoyed swimming and a hamburger supper.

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Said progeny was born the 12th day of October, 1960, in Evansville, Indiana.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgement or decree in the progeny's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the progeny's adoption.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be

returned unserved. The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this the 30th day of July, 1984. Rilla Mahoney, Clerk 326th District Court Taylor County, Texas by JoAnn Lackey, Deputy.

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Garage Sale: Sept. 3rd from 8 until 6 across the tracks South first turn to the right, first house on the right in Trent, Ruth Riney.

77-1tc

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: JEAN E. SHIPLEY Residence Unknown, Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday the 10th day of September 1984, at or before ten o'clock A.M. before the Honorable

42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Abilene, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said Court on the 3rd day of March, A. D. 1980, in this cause numbered 36,556-A on the docket of said court, and styled, E. E. WHITWORTH Plaintiff, vs. JEAN E. SHIPLEY AND KENNETH W. SHIPLEY defendants.

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows:

E. E. WHITWORTH are Plaintiffs and JEAN E. SHIPLEY AND KENNETH W. SHIPLEY are Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows to-wit:

To remove a cloud on the title of the following described property in Taylor County, Texas, to wit: Lot 3, Block 35, Arthur Sears Park Addition to the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, created by the unauthorized recording of a copy of an undelivered deed dated May 12, 1976, recorded in Volume 1127 Page 463, of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly execute the same according to law, and

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 23rd day of July, A. D. 1984.

Rilla Mahoney, Clerk  
42nd District Court  
Taylor County, Texas  
by JoAnn Lackey  
Deputy

Public Notice  
To inform the public: That it is the intent of Dale Cox to inject salt water to a well No 1A located on the Evans Lease, 2 and a half miles South of Merkel.

The City of Merkel, Texas will receive sealed bids until 4:30 p.m. September 10, 1984 on an oil and gas lease covering approximately 17 acres of City owned land. Details and bid specifications may be procured at City Hall, 107 Lamar, Merkel, Texas, 79536. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids to best serve the interest of the city.

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## Harbour services held in Roscoe

B. E. (Ted) Harbour, formerly of Roscoe, died Thursday Aug. 16th at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Salt Lake City.

Services were held Aug. 20 at the Roscoe Church of Christ with John Morgan officiating. Burial followed at Roscoe Cemetery under Kate-Stencer Funeral Home.

Born Oct. 12, 1908 in Toyah he married Imogene Graham June 1, 1930 in Sweetwater. He had moved from Roscoe

in 1940 to Roundup, Montana where they ranched until 1980. They retired in Kerrville.

He is survived by his wife, Imogene of Kerrville; two daughters, Digi Fry of Lubbock and Janie McGlothlin of Trent; a son Ben Jr. of Stephenville, Montana; three sisters Iva Jones of Roscoe, Lucille Hart of Sweetwater and Mary Jane of San Angelo; two brothers Clyde of Dalhart and Joe of Everett Washington and eight grandchildren.

## Davidson services held in Quitman

Services for Mrs. Emma Pauline Davidson, 66 of Quitman, were held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church in Quitman with Dr. Carol Norton officiating.

Burial followed at Myrtle Springs Cemetery in Quitman.

Mrs. Davidson died Aug. 23 in an automobile accident near Mineola. She was born Feb. 21,

1919 in Merkel and was a homemaker and a Baptist.

She is survived by her sons, Larry Davidson of Standish, Mich. and Jimmy Davidson of Abilene; four brothers, Curtis, Weldon Cal and Ted McAninch, all of Midland, Thelma Earthman of Big Spring and Aline Palmer of Austin.

## Morris-Finley wed

Nina Kathleen Morris and David Clifton Finley were married Aug. 24 at the home of the bride's parents.

Nina is the daughter of Nile Morris of Lubbock and Mr. & Mrs. Buster Welch of Merkel. David is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Charles Finley of Loraine.

Rin bearer was Dawson Burns, nephew of the bride.

A reception was hosted by the bride's parents. A rehearsal dinner

was hosted by the groom's parents at the Crossties in Sweetwater.

The bride is a graduate of Merkel High and Lubbock Commercial College. The groom is a graduate of Loraine High, attended Howard College and will graduate from Texas Tech in December.

Following a wedding trip to Maui, Hawaii, the couple will live in Lubbock.



Mrs. Jeffrey Holmes

## Holmes-Jones wedding held

Linda Ann Holmes and Jeffrey Lee Jones were married Aug. 25th at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Edd Jones of Merkel with the Rev. Temple Lewis of Tye officiating.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Billy Holmes of Merkel. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Ed Jones.

Matron of Honor was Mrs. Jeffrey Holmes of Hamby. Bridesmaid

was Mrs. David Kraatz of Merkel. Krista Holmes of Hamby was flower girl. Sheena Holmes, also of Hamby registered guests.

Best man was Jackie Minze; groomsman was Rusty Watts, both of Merkel. Jerry Holmes of Hamby, brother of the bride, seated guests.

Parents of the bridegroom had a barbecue supper catered for the guests immediately following the reception at their home.

The bride is a graduate of Merkel High and American Commercial College. She is employed by the U. S. Insurance Group in Abilene.

The bridegroom graduated from Merkel High and attended Canyon College. He is employed by West-Tex Drilling of Abilene.

Following a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico, the couple will live here.

## Taylor services held in Quitman

Services for Mrs. Nina Lucille Taylor, 79 of Quitman were held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church in Quitman with Dr. Carol Norton officiating. Burial followed in Myrtle Springs Cemetery near

Quitman. Mrs. Taylor died early Aug. 23 in an automobile accident near Mineola. She was born Oct. 1, 1904 in Fisher County and was a housewife and a Baptist. She is survived by her

husband, Mervel Taylor of Quitman; four brothers, Curtis, Weldon, Cal and Ted, all of Merkel; three sisters Bonnie Clappitt of Midland, Thelma Earthman of Big Spring and Aline Palmer of Austin.

## Starr residents doing well

by Mary Wimberly  
Our residents are fair at this writing. Our sympathy goes to Maurine Pool's family. She died last week and we will miss her. Brenda is back from vacation. She went to Port Aransas. Pearl McClain, one of our Starr Volunteers,

has pneumonia. We wish her a speedy recovery. The complaint voiced at the Starr open hearing was ruled non-valid. The VFW ladies auxiliary brought an ice cream supper for the residents which was greatly enjoyed by the residents. The Merkel Church of

Christ filled their appointment Sunday morning. We would like to thank Goldia Malone for the onions she gave us. We will be using some of them for cooking and froze the rest. We wish to thank Mr. & Mrs. Barney Jones Post for the peas they sent us.

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