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DRIVE NETS \$3,422

time in Merkel. Local merchants Red Cross - \$598.69.

ing to David Gamble, chairman.

Funds were used in the fol-

Linda Leach and Ann Benson

participated in the 24th annual

School of Home Economics at

Miss Leach helped in the Foods

visitors. Both Miss Leach and Miss

Benson were in style shows held

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1960 COMMUNITY FUND

A total of \$3,422.62 was raised | lowing manner: Merkel Livestock during the 1960 Merkel Com- Fund - \$393.60; Boy Scouts of

munity Fund Campaign, accord- America - \$598.96; Girl Scouts

Seven worth · while organizations latation Center - \$393.60: Heart

were benefited through the "All Fund - \$154.02; Local Contin-

in one" drive held for the first gencies - \$581.85 and American

were in favor of a single drive in "In behalf of the Merkel Com-

place of the many separate drives munity Funl, I would like to

held throughout the year in the thank each of the workers and

open house sponsored by the A-H Teams Place

Texas Tech in Lubbock on April 21-22. In Farm Co-Op

Kitchen where yeast bread tid-bits were served to open house Method Contest

Friday and Saturday afternoons. won four first places, seven sec-

They modeled clothes they had onds and three thirds at the Dis-

ing.

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ble said.

---- \$393.60; West Texas Rehabi-

the directors for his effort in

making this initial annual cam-

paign a financial success," Gam-

An organizational meeting for

Entrants from Taylor County

trict Seven 4-H Eliminations held

The 11 first or second dem-

onstrations will be entered in the

in San Angelo College auditorium.

Griffith, an electrical demonstra-

'Egg and Mushroom Scramble."

n public speaking on "What 4-H

Senior team of Kay Holloway

and Rita Wagner with a safety

demonstration "Fire: Friend or

Other winners in category were:

Dairy foods team: Juniors

Phyllis McAdams and Jane Rut-

Junior competitor Joann Black

Saturday at San Angelo.

Winning firsts were:

the 1961 drive will be held in the

MERKEL, TEXAS, THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 1961 -- TWELVE PARCES

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'The Mikado' **Scheduled By Abilene Group**

The Abilene Philharmonic As sociation will present Gilbert and Sullian's great comic musical production "The Mikado" on April 28-29 at 8:15 p.m. in the Abileno High School auditorium.

The entire production is being staged to enable the Abilene Philharmonic to end it current season "in the black." Members of the orchestra, the chorus, principals and the entire production force back stage, areall donating their services and talents toward complishing this goal.

Leo Shcer muis, cal director and conductor of the Abilene Philharmonic, has acted as over-all di rector of the production. As a young man, Scheer, was musical director for the late William Sto wart who was the producer of the original Gilbert and Sullivan operas.

"This was a truly wonderful experience for me then," said Scheer, "and I have undertaken to make this "Mikado" as close the original as possible."

Tickets are \$2 for adults and \$1 for students and children. They are available through the Abilene Book Store, 304 Grape, Brown's Downtown at 4th and Walnut, of at the Philharmonic office, 719 Mims Building.

Pleasant McLean Dies; Rites Held At White Church

Funeral services for Pleasant R McLean, 78, who died Tuesday night in an Electra hospital, were held at 11 a.m. Thursday at Owene and Brumley Funeral Home in Wichita Falls. The Rev. Lynward Harrison. Methodist pastor from Goree, officiated.

Graveside rites were held at p.m. Thursday at the White Church Cemetery near Merkel. Mr. McLean was a native of

Fayetteville, Ark. where he was born April 28, 1884. He came to this area in 1905, married Bird

Taylor Telephone Cooperative, are of concrete block and floor, Inc. is now operating in its new is cement. One section of this a formal opening in our new \$42,129 home located on Inter- area is a glass enclosed office quarters," Hardesty said, "but our

ing started in October, 1960

State contest June 6, 7 at College Station. Awards were presented wood trim. Of contemporary de- of land just back of the building floor space and is completely air

John Hardesty, manager, point- Merkel On Route tion, "The ABC's of Proper Light- ed out that the building is fire The senior team of Linda Smith proof. It is built on a concrete Of Supersonic

plate glass in steel frames. Other

are fixed sash set in redwood trim. bomber, the B-58 Hustler, soon

display. One wall of the office Amarillo to Matagorda Islnad. has a pella wood folding door on sliding tract which conceals stor-

The new building has a general well AFB, Texas.

state Highway 20 in northeast for the plant superintendent. Merkel. Construction on the build- Contractor for the building was Boyd J. McDaniel of Abilene. Da-

the 1961 drive will be held in the near future. Exact time and date will be announced in The Merkel NEW TAYLOR TELEPHONE

building is of velour texture brick was the architect.

Gayle Dominy and Mary Jane conditioned. and Carolyn Moore, a poultry gypsum deck. Overhanging eaves marketing method demonstration have recessed lights. Bomber Flights

One wall of the foyer is of windows throughout the building Free World's first supersonic

Focal point as you enter the will begin flying periodic trainfront office is a glass case where ing missions over towns and cities gaily colored telephones are on within a 40-mile corridor from

and, 2nd, with "Fudge Mellow Ice age shelves.

also been installed as an extra

safety measure.

Dairy foods, individual: Junior office, manager's office, directors' Merkel is located along the

The new commercial office vid S. Castle, also of Abilene, in a buff mingle color with red- Hardesty said that two acres Mrs. Juanita Kidd, Mrs. Mildred

sign, it has 2,750 square feet of will be fenced in for a pole yard.

OFFUTT AFB, Neb. - The

include Hardesty, manager; Derrell Farmer, plant superintendent;

Barnett, Mrs. Opal Malone, Kent Satterwhite, Weldon Beasley, Jimmy Hobbs, Don Mauldin, James Watson, Robert Carey and Dan Ridenbach.

> Taylor Telephone Cooperative, organized in 1951, provides modern dial telephone service to 1774 subscribers in the rural areas of seven counties. A new exchange will be placed in operation Monlay. May 1 in the Crews Community, Runnels County. Other exchanges are in Bradshaw, Buf-

falo Gap, Hamby, Hawley, Lawn Nolan, Noodle, Nubia, Potosi, Tuscola, Wingate, and Norton. Counties served by the Co-op

re Taylor, Fisher, Callhan, Jones. Nolan, Shackelford and Runnels. Directors are Charlie T. Myatt,

president: Clark Perkins, vice

... co-op manager

Hardesty Heads **Telephone** Co-Op

John Hardesty, a native of Abilene, has been manager of Taylor Telephone Cooperative, Inc. since July, 1955.

He graduated from Abilene High School, attended Hardin-Simmons University, and graduated from Benjamir Franklin University, Washington, D. C.

one son, Johnny, 14.

Nation:

burglary:

bodily harm, and

be observed as

Proclamation

Hardesty was at one time em-

JOHN HARDESTY



BUILDING COMPLETED We are not planning to have members and friends are invited to visit us at any time.' Employees of the phone co-op

New home of Taylor Telephone Cooperative, Inc.



FINUS HENDRICKS ... star athlete Merkel Couple's **Grandson** Gets **Football Honor**

of the Agua Dulce schools, an- Cathy Derington, Wynona Doan, nounced last week that Finus Ann Wisenhunt, Sue Pinckley, Hendricks, high school senior, has Phyllis Newby, Mamie Patterson, been invited to attend and play Bronwyn Gamble), "The Wishing in the Texas Schoolboy All-Star Stream," 3rd. Gridiron Classic in San Antonio Aug. 6-10.

Hendricks, Hendricks is a grandof Merkel and the late Jay Hen. Former Merkel dricks of Corpus Christi. Mrs. M. F. Bell of Merkel is his great- Resident, Dies grandmother.

An all-round athlete, Hendricks is 5' 11" and weighs 175 pounds. of Midland, a former Merkel resi- of Merkel is sponsoring a women's posel of Jo Ann Smith, Joyce Thomas of Tye and J. A. Thomas He has played four years with the dent, died Wednesday, April 19, volleyball tournament in the high Doan, Mary Sue Doan, Sue Jones, of Tipton, Calif., and two sisters, fighting Longhorns, who have in a Dallas hospital after a leng-won three bi-district champion- thy illness. ships and two regional championships. He made All - District Merkel. She was the daughter of honorable mention as a sopho-more in 1958 and All-District Mrs. Rosa Bell Coats Daniels. honors as a junior in 1959 and Mrs. Smith atttended Merkel All-District as a senior in 1960. Schools. He was also chosen for the All-

1960. He was captain of the un- here before moving to Del Rio in defeated Longhorn team, playing 1928. They moved to Midland from a key position as a line backer Snyder in 1951. and also playing at halfback. He was highest in individual scoring tist Church and the Rebekah Defense team, managed by Ray for the season with 134 total Lodge.

points, averaging 11.2 per game. for two years, this year playing Church in Midland with the Rev. Dorothy Collins and Sug Spinger. on the winning bi-district team. Lloyd Lester, pastor, officiating. He was second in individual team Burial was in Resthaven Memoscoring with 215 points, an ave-

rage of 11.9 per game. He won district championship in charge. in tennis playing doubles in 1959. He won district again this year and qualified for regional competition.

the Hendricks family. Finus' grandchildren.

Janet Landers, "Dotted Swiss De- room, account cashier office, ac-Ford, "Summer Breezer," 2nd. Electric; Juniors Sandra Her- intendent's office and mechanical mann and Becky Griffith, 'Elec- room. trical Ghost," 2nd.

4-H Team demonstration in farmer cooperative activity: Seniors Suzanne Orr and Richard Stan- ing is of fisher texture in offley, "Building Better Coopera- white. Marbleized beige floors are of vinyl asbestos tile. tives," 2nd.

Poultry marketing method demand Linda Hampton, 'Egg Salad Sandwich Boats.' Public Speaking for Girls: Jun-

ior Betty McAninch, "Junior Leaders in 4-H," 2nd.

Safety: Juniors Betsy Orr and Peggy Harmann, 'Watch Your the manager's office which will ic speeds. Step,' 3rd. Share the Fun: Senior Sue King,

Charles Evans, superintendent "The Hat of Other Days," 2nd; and Junior team (Nancy Evans,

The son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mrs. Smith, 59.

Mrs. Jewel Estelle Smith, 59,

She was born Jan. 23, 1902, in Saturday, April 29.

She married Ottie Smith of South Texas football team in Roby in Merkel in 1922. They lived

She was a member of the Bap-

Funeral was held at 10 a.m. He has lettered in basketball Saturday in the Calvary Baptist Russell, Jackie Doan, Lois Deen, Attend Tech Event rial Park in Midland, with the

Ellis Funeral Home of Midland Mrs. W., G. Leach of Abilene Mrs. Buck Leach and Dick and Survivors include her husband; Carol Spurgin, of Merkel spent a son, Bobby C. of the home; a last weekend in Lubbock and Sladaughter, Mrs. Alma G. Driskill ton. They visited in the Fred A.

Being good in sports runs in Del Rio; two sisters, Mrs. Myrtle Tom Alldays in Lubbock. Rivers of Del Rio and Mrs. E. J. father was a member of the 1938 Qualia of Midland, three brothers, Science and Engineering show state champion team, Corpus Lloyd Daniels and Montie D. II, and Mrs. Leach attended open Christi Buccaneers, and his older both of Douglas, Ariz., and Jack house in the School of Home Ecobrother was a three-year letter. Daniels of Del Rio; and two nomics, both on the Texas Tech man for Agua Dulce. grandchildren. campus.

route which has been coordinated light," 2nd Senior Carolyn Kay counts receivable and billing de- with the Federal Oviation Agency partment, warehouse, plant super- (FAA). The B-58 missions will provide

The flights will be flown by

crews of the strategic Air Com-

mand's 43rd Bomb Wing at Cars-

operational training under all-

made at any time during the day Mrs. J. K. Ayers Philippine mahogany walls are used throughout the inside of the building. The acoustical tile ceil- or night. The Convair-built bomber will

surpass the speed of sound, possibly causing sonic booms at alti-A walk-in fire proof vault is tudes between 35,000 and 50,000 onstration: Juniors Judy Smith used to store permanent records. feet. Training flights at lower al-Although the vault can be opened titudes will be flown at subsonic from the inside, a telephone has speeds.

Sonic booms are merely thunder-like sounds that are heard Tharp, pastor, officiating, assist-A sound proof accordian door when a shock wave is generated

separates the directors' room from by an aircraft flying at superson-

enable the two to be used as one In special tests where aircraft large room when needed. One have dived from 35,000 feet to buck Funeral home. end of the directors' room is 25,000 feet at supersonic speeds, equipped with a coffee bar. This scientist have measured presentire area is carpeted in golden sures no greater than five pounds per square foot on the ground.

tan vega nylon. Rest rooms are of ceramic tile Even when produced under these and marble. The attached ware- test conditions, a sonic boom is house has two overhead doors to far too weak to cause structural permit vehicles to drive in. Walls damage.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL **TOURNEY SLATED HERE**

The Civil Defense Rescue Squad | A second Merkel team is comschool gym starting Thursday, Glenda Smith and Pat Byrd. April 27 and continuing through

The first game will be at 7:30

p.m. Thursday when Merkel will meet Buffalo Gap. Saturday night's game will begin at 7 o'clock. Other teams entering are from

Tuscola, Bronte, Abilene and Abilene State School. Admission will be 20 cents.

Members of the Merkel Civil

Kraut, are: Frances Kraut, Betty Jane Tittle, Imogene Dye, Janice

of Phoenix, Ariz.; her mother of Baker home in Slaton and the Dick and Carol went to the

by, L. O. Huddleston, C. R. Langford, L. A. Lister and Troy Sloan.

Of Tye Succumbs

Funeral for Mrs. J. K. (Alice) Ayers, 81, was held at 10 a.m. Monday at the Tye Methodist Church with the Rev. Gerald Mason. ed by the Rev. Lynward Harrison, Methodist minister from Goree. Edis Lee Powell of Lueders, have

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemeetery here under direction of Star-

Mrs. Ayers, died at her home at Tye at 11 p.m. Friday after a heart attack.

Born Martina Alice Thomas on March 10, 1880, she married J. K. BE IT PROCLAIMED: vers in 1905. He was a farmer WHEREAS, burglary is a conat Tye.

Survivors are one son, Bob of :457 Clinton in Abilene; one stepson, Emmett of Merkel; two daughters, Mrs. C. W. Ellis of Odessa and Mrs. Baylor Amason of Graham, one stepdaughter, Mrs. Sula Stimson of Long Beach. Calif .: 18 grandchildren; 27 greatgrandchildren: two brothers S. B. Jean Thompson, Wyona Knight, Mrs. E. A. Bossett and Mrs. O. K.

Wright, both of Duncan, Okla.



TRENT HONOR GRADUATES-Sarah Beth Payne, left, is the top ranking senior in Trent High School. Mary Ann Barnhart is the second ranking senior. Miss Payne, daugter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Payne, has a grade average of 94.6. Miss Barnhart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Barnhart, has an average of 94.5. The two top students were determined on the basis of a 4-year average. Graduation will be held May 12 at Trent.

president: Frank K. Antilley, sec. ployed as field accounting superretary: Jack J. Farmer, C. A. Fom- visor for the Farmers Home Ad- Brown and lived in the Mulberry ministration with headquarters. Canyon community until about in Washington. For more than five 1945 when they moved to the years he was administrative as Wichita Falls area. sistant to Rep. Omar Burleson of

He was a retired farmer and the 17th Congressional District a longtime member of the Methand just prior to taking over odist Church.

managership of the cooperative. Survivors include his wife: three he was employed as an auditor sons, Bill of Burkburnett, R. L. with the audit division of the and D L., both of Eunice, N. M.; . S. Department of Agriculture. five daughters, Mrs. W. F. Gee, Licensed in the state of Texas Electra, Mrs. M. C. Lightfoot, as a public accountant, Hardesty | Pasadena, Tex., Mrs., Edd Canis a member of the First Baptist nedy. Albuquerque, N. M., Mrs. Church, a member of the Merkel K. O. Bailey, Eunice, N. M., Mrs. Chamber of Commerce and is a Joe Abbey, Fontana, Calif.; a daughter-in-law, Nell McLean, An He and his wife, the former drews; two sisters, Mrs. Effic

Slape, Tahlequah, Okla., and Mrs. Edd Willis, Calif.; 27 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. O'Kelly, 88, **Dies In Roswell**

Mrs. E. M. O'Kelly, 88, died stant hazard in our City, the Sunday, April 23 at 3 p.m. in a Stat-e of Texas. and over the nursing home at Roswell, N.M. after a long illness

WHEREAS, burglary causes such The former Willie Smith, she loss of property, persona: valwas born on Nov. 15, 1873, in uables, and in many instances Tennessee. She and Mr. O'Kelly married in the early 1900's and WHEREAS, the individual came to Texas settling at Wylic. can take preventive measures They moved to Trent in 1915 and to discourage the crime of in 1925 moved near Abilene in the Cedar Gap area. Mr. O'Kelly

NOW, THEREFORE, I Earl died in 1938. Hughes, Mayor of Merkel, Funeral was held in the First Texas do therefore join with Methodist Church at Roswell at Governor Price Daniel and 11 a.m. Tuesday with Dr. Austin proclaim that the week of H. Dillon, pastor, officiating. April 30th through May 6th Burial was in a Roswell cemetery. Survivors include a daughter,

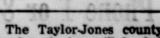
Mrs. Frances Hendrix of Roswell; five grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by the Texas Police Association two sons, Hurtell O'Kelly by doing all that is possible died in 1945 and the Rev. Walter to discourage and prevent bur- V. O'Kelly in 1957.

by taking the safety precau- Ann Benson To Model At Tech Faculty Tea

teen Hundred and Sixty-One. April 21-22. Earel Hughes

NOTICE

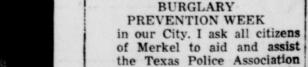


The Taylor-Jones county Fifth Sunday singing will be held Sun-day, April 30, at 2 p.m., in the

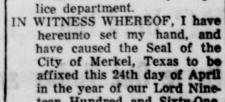
Ann Benson was chosen as one hereunto set my hand, and from her class to model for the have caused the Seal of the Texas Tech faculty spring tea. City of Merkel, Texas to be The selection was made at the affixed this 24th day of April 24th annual open house of the in the year of our Lord Nine- School of Home Economics held School of Home Economics h

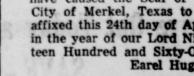
Miss Benson, a junior elemen-tary education major, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Benson.

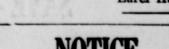
Mr. and Mrs. Othel O'Kelly a Mrs. Lola Lee O'Kelly, all et Trent attended fune Tue



glary, and loss from burglary, tions recommended by the po-







THE MERKEL MAIL, Merkel, Texas Tour day, April 27, 1961 day.

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Farm Facts

It has been said that a odern supermarket stocks food from each of the 50 states, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

Wherever we live, we depend on farms and ranches from other sections, providing an important market for their products.

Farms in the nine Northeastern states contain only 6/10 of an acre of crop and pasture land per capita, as compared with the national average of 5.2 acres.

These are the states of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

People in these states consume 27% of the nation's meat, vegetables, fruits, and nuts, and 28% of the poultry, eggs, and dairy products. They produce only 3% of the meat, 15% of the vegetables

and melons, 10% of the fruits they can use. The North Cenand nuts, and about 20% of tral states produce 63% of the poultry, eggs, and dairy the meat, 35% of the poultry and eggs, and 44% of the products. They provide a market for dairy products, while consum-

the 12 North Central states ing 33%, 30%, and 34%, rewhich produce more than spectively.

kel Tuesday night.

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

The Taylor-Jones county Fifth junday singing will be held at days last week with Mrs. Nora he Stith Bantist Church Sunday McDonald. afternoon at 2 n.m. Everyone is

mvited. mee at the Calvery Baptist Firgo after which the hostess her were her children, Mrs. E. Church in Stamford Tuesday from

the Stith Baptist Church were the Rev. Bob Carter, Mr. and members. The husbands are all Lilly. Mrs. Fletcher Jones. Mr. and Mrs. stationed at Dyess. Pick Payne and Mr. and Mrs. W.

T. Ledbetter and children. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hudson and Mrs. Jessie Lanior attended the

50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Moblev at Baird Irs. Billy Harris. Sunday, April 16. Mrs. Lenior. who Deilas Dayton, son of Mr. and had been visiting a son at Wood-

son, returned home with the Hudnoasles. ions Visitors in the F. S. Hale home Ollie Berry of Sweetwater was

Stith visitor Friday. Mrs. Hulan Hill was hostess for Hale, Shirley and Mike of Mid-

land Mr. and Mrs. John Jones of Stanley party in her home Friav.

The Gospelteen quartet composed of Pat McDonald, Martha Per- Anson.

T. Lonnie and Johnny Harris, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris, John- Donald, president Linda Rutledge, were on the Harry Holt farm ny and Lonnie, Mr. and Mrs. Fred vice president; Mike Walla, sec-Grogram on TV Monday night. Mrs. Ethel Canida and Sandra Mrs. Fat McDonald and Pat at- 'and Mike Hester, reporter.

Hiway 80

Abilene and Shirley Hale of Midland Mrs. J. E. Hudson, president of the Stith Home Demonstration n a modern superclub, attended a council meeting market you can

at the County Agent's office in Anson Monday. find food from the 50 Mr. and Mrs. Hulan Hill and children spent the weekend in states.

Jal. N. M., with Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Brown. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brinkley of Oil Center, N. M. Mrs. J. E. Swindell and Mrs. Jesse Swindell went to Odessa Sunday to see Mr. and Mrs. James

tended a singing at Haskell Sun

Visitors at the Stith Bontist

Church Sunday were Eugene Hes-

ter of Merkel. Frank Mundy of

Strange and new daughter, who was born Saturday night weigh ing 4 pounds. Mrs. Jesse Swindel! returned to her home here Mon-

day. Tom Spears, father of Mrs. Ira Stanley, was on the sick list the past week Mrs. Fritz Hale visited her sis-

ter, Mrs. C. B. Smoot, in Anson loes on, however. General Hospital, Anson, Sunday morning The Rev. Jessee Swindell made

a business trip to Wichita Falls, Monday. The Rev. and Mrs. Bob Carter and Angla ate dinner with Mr and Mrs. John Browning Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Browning of

Lefors spent Sunday night with

Hale attended revival service at the Brownings. the First Baptist Church in Mer-John D. Jones Dick Mashburn of Abilene visit-

ed at Stith Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. A. M. Evans spent several Feted

Phone 1 or 84

Mrs. John D. Jones honored her The English Wives club met in husband with a surprise birthday the home of Mrs. Bill Dobbie Fri- dinner Sunday, April 23, at their Attending the Workers confer- day afternoon. The guests played home south of Merkel. Assisting served refreshments of sandwich- j L. Clark and R. D. Clark, and cookies and hot tea to ten her granddaughter, Mrs. John C.

> Present were Mr. and Mrs. Will Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald, Butman, Mrs. L. J. Renfro, Mr. Pat and George drove Mrs. Mamie and Mrs. Homer Newby and girls, Hody and Kathy Harris to their all of Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. Carnomes at Amarillo Friday and vel Clark and children of Sweetere overright guests of Mr. and water; E. L. Clark and John C. Lilly and daughter, all of Abilene.

Dinner

Mrs. R. E. Dayton, is ill with Lone Star Club Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. James Elects Officers

The Lone Star Club of Mrs. Truby, Eugene Hester, Merkel, Shouse's seventh grade room met and Harry and Donnie Taylor of Friday, April 21 to elect officers. New officers are George Mc-

Perry and Martha and Mr. and retary; Gene Loller, treasurer,



Quite a few kids went to Lubock last week end for the rehird in the 440, Lola Loflin, 4th n Shorthand, and I placed 2nd n Extemporaneous Speaking.

Several students went on Friday, with the disapproval of their Don have come? Mr. Walker spoke principal. The ink was simply fly- on the differences of certified and ing on those unexcused absentee qualified teachers and presented lips - wasn't it. Tim. Van, Billy, some very good quotations from Dan? Oh well, that's life, every- Reader's Digest. Everyone enjoyone gets caught sooner or later- ed it - especially Mrs. McRey-This was just sooner. It was pret- nolds. v easy to tell who went anyway.

They all had a bad sunburn.

Annuals came in last week and here haven't been too many

who is on her line? - me)

Ask Miss Morton what good books she has read lately

Monday night the Future Teachional moet. Kent Denton placed ers met at Sherry Hull's house. Sherry (or was it her mother?) fixed some very good refreshments. Why else would Del and

> I hear that Carolyn Windham is now an expert on mules.

Lester Dorton and Brenda classes since. By now most of Mashburn have had another one the sectures are so cluttered with of their little "spats" in speech names that you can't see the class. I don't really believe that aces, and the advertisements are they mean those little insultscompletely covered with those since they smile when they say ittle farewell notes. The writing them.

Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Benson at-Who has been calling Beth Dun- tended the open house in the nin? - Some strange male voice. School of Home Economics at Tex-Why don't we all try to find out as Tech in Lubbock last weekend.

who the mystery man is. (Guess, Mr. anl Mrs. Mason Barker and, route nome they were guests of his mother, Mrs. Bersha Thomp Mrs. Barker's brother and wife, son returned to their homes here Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bird of Phoe-

after a ten-day visit with a son nix, Ariz. and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Miel-

vin Barker and children, of Col-Florida fishermen spent more ton, Calif., and a daughter and family, the Rev. and Mrs. J. D. than \$1,000,00 to purchase 546.-Sanders of Mentone, Calif. En 906 fresh-water fishing licenses.

ABC'S OF SOCIAL SECURITY (Continued)

In 1961 a new retirement test began to operate; mos social security beneficiaries can now earn more money and still get some social security checks

- Just over 25 years of age, the Social Security Act now affects, directly or indirectly over 95% of the
- population. Keeping up with you: social security record is part of your responsibility; make sure the governmen has your record maintained correctly.
- Lots of people still think social security is just for old folks ---- more than two milion children are now receiving monthly checks because a parent is retired, disabled, or deceased. Find out about all benefits by getting booklet number 35 fron the Social Security Office, Box 5168, 203 Fan nin St., Abilene, Texas.

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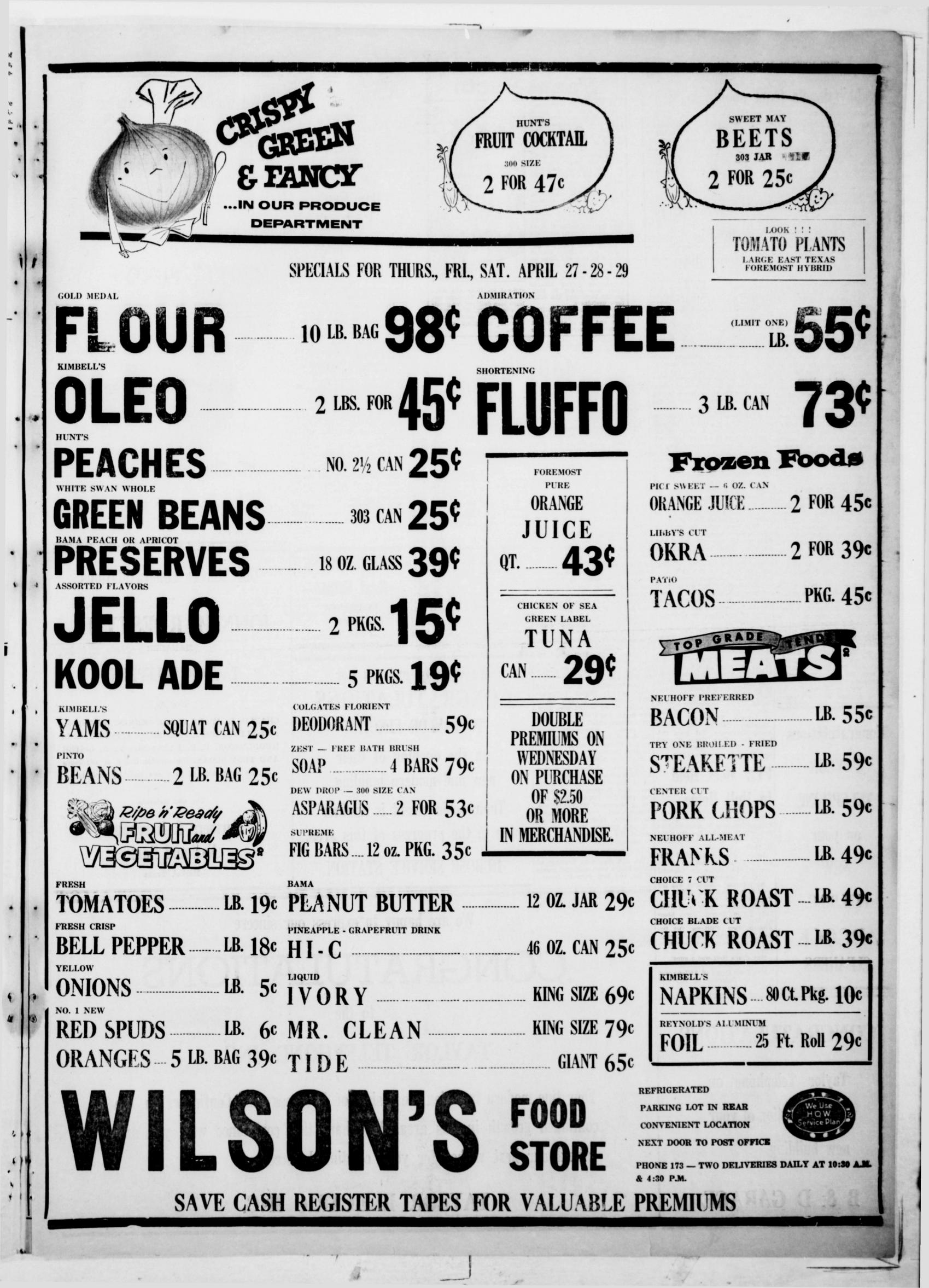
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1957 MERC Hard Top	85000 1957 FORD Pickup	79250
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MERKEL MOTORS



THE MERKEL MAIL, Merkel, Texas Thursday, April 27, 1961 Page Four

gabby doodle from noodle says:

DEAR MISTER EDITOR

the country store being all wore out by the hard political campaign, they was relaxing Sturday night on such subjects as preachers and items that don't Democrats as Republicans and call fer much argument.

One fella allowed as how folks was now nicking a church with the most parking space and wasn't thinking about the preacher. Issae Cornfodder said he would go along with this up to a certain point, but he allowed that folks was also considering the shortness of the sermon along with the parking space advantage.

And I wouldn't be surprised. Mister Editor, if in the next generation these things won't be as important to a heap of folks as what the preacher says in his sermons.

Me and you was raised up, I reckon, in the old school where the main thing was what the preacher had to say ever Sunday. Fer instant, the preacher we got now gives us a hard time and I doubt if he'd be very popular with the new generation. He told us Sunday that about one-fifth of us wore out the knees of our pants praying and the other fourfifths wore out the seat of our pants backsliding. Just between you and me, Mister Editor, I figger he's a little too hopeful about the first one-fifth. But he gives it to us straight from the shoulder and it's good fer us. I'm afeared the next generation is going to have plenty of parking space. be long on air conditioning and the shortness of the sermon and also a ltitle short on honest-togoodness religion

From what Ed Doolittle was telling us Saturday night, his preacher bears down even hard- be met, and the individual must er than mine. Ed said his preacher took a peek at the collection plate the other Sunday and remarked that when he first come to that church he announced the pore folks was especial welcome ever Sunday. "After looking at hope that this year will be no the collection plate," he said, "I exception. The deadline for filing see they are all present this an application is May 15." morning.

The fellers got off the subject of preachers and got to talk- of why the applicant desires a ing about our foreign policy. career in journalism. A picture Abilene, early in May. Her escort That's one thing can't nobody should be included and any clipargue about on account of no. pings of the student's published body knowing nothing about it. news stories.

tion that them Congressmen On account of the fellers at ought to paste in their hat. There ain't no excuse fer them not git tgoether on our foreign po icy. A bomb dropped on Wash ington will kill just as man;

> Yours truly. Gabby

Pross Offors Scholarship

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Journalism

West Toxas Prose Association i vound man a might like d to ge

rincipal or their hometown nul isher to learn more about it. man of the scholarship ee, has sent notices to the prin inals of high schools in the WTPA territory asking that they inform eniors of the chance for a journa lism scholarship in any of ten West Texas colleges

Publishers also have been urg d to help prospective scholar ship candidates. A letter of reference from the home town pubsher is to accompany the an-

"The scholarship pays \$600 (or \$75 a semester for four years) to the high school senior who is selected from among the appliants. During the four years, sat-

sfactory scholastic standards must have intensions of entering a reer in newspaper journalism "We have been fortunate in the past in having a representa-

tive number of applicants of high quality." said Perry, "and we Applicants must submit a bio-

graphical sketch and a statement

I was reading, fer instant, where A letter from the journalism Mail office and more recently with the English say our foreign poli- teacher or publications sponsor the Corpus Christi Press, has renem must accompany the application, turned to Merkel and resumed confused. That's the first time in giving evaluation of the applihis place in The Mail office. He peveral year that the Aemrican cant's talent in journalism. Also and his family are domiciled in people and the English people to be submitted is a letter from the apartment home of Mrs. Myrhas been 100 per cent together the high school principal, who tle Boden on East Elm street. will evaluate the applicant's abili-John Mansfield was re - elected ty to profit from a college educachief of the Merkel Volunteer Fire department at the annual The WTPA scholarship may be meeting of the organization Monused at any one of ten West Texas Schools. These are Abilene Christian College, Hardin-Simmons University, Sul Ross College, Texas Tech, Texas Western College, Wayland Baptist College and West Texas State College.



There are three

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as in 1940.

farms. This compares with 1,567,000 in 1940 and 3,\$94,000 in 1950. The value of these tractors totaled almost \$3.4 billion in 1960 as compared with \$503 million in 1940. The average man is rated at 1/10 horsepower, but when he drives a 20 h.p. tractor he

is able to do the work of 200 The tractor era had its beinning in this country in 889 when a single cylinder Charter engine was installed on a steam traction engine hassis. There were about .000 tractors in the U.S. in 1910-huge 10-ton machines used for prairie plowing. Henry Ford placed a car engine on a light tractor

chassis in 1908 and when he mass produced a low cost tractor in 1919, he captured 5% of the market. The independent power takeoff shaft was added in 1941,

World War II. Tractors, too, greatly increasing the tractor's usefulness. Greater maneuverability, er adaptability. They range easier transportation, lower in size from small garden cost, and ease of attachment tractors to giant crawler of mounted implements have types.

MAIL FILES

Monday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. arl Black, accompanied by Miss-Elizabeth Elliott, Mary Jo Garand, Evelyn Ensminger and Janel! Black, en route to San Maros, were in an automobile accilent in Lampasas. All occupants of the car were considerably

ruised and shaken up. The Black vreck Marriage of Miss Bernie Opal lean to Leroy Riney was solemn-

Saturday evening at 7 o'clock at the Baptist parsonage with Rev. Cooper Waters officiating. They were attended by Miss E! berta Dean, sister of the bride. and Quanah Dudley. Several oth-

er friends were present. Miss Geraldine Teague has been selected by the Senior class of

Merkel High School as its represeatntive at the Festival of Arts, sponsored by McMurry College, will be La Moine Sherrill Lewis Whitaker, formerly em-

ployed as printer-operator at the

Mrs. Walter Jackson returned first of the week from Fort Worth, where she had accompanied Mr. Jackson, who went to ener upon his new duties as Edu-

ational Manager for the College Avenue Baptist Church of that city Messrs. S. R. Weaver, local man-

atomobile was almost a total ager for the Burton-Lingo Lumber Company, and L. A. Arrington, returned Tuesday from a business trip to Roswell, N.M. making the trip via the Ford route. They report that they found the country west of us getting very dry.

> Crit Gaines of Bagwell, Texas was here last week for a visit with T. E. Collins and family.

> O. C. Blocher, local manager for the Merkel Lumber Company. returned recently from his trip to Oklahoma City where he went to attend a meeting of all man agers for his company. He reports a very fine time, and a good trip in general.

Nat Anderson, Claude Comegys, Roscoe Sharp, Riley White, Paul Stanford and possibly others of our citizens, who are temporarily

sojourning at Ivan, one of the "oil centers" of Stephens county, were here first of the week, and report things humming in their part of the field.

Chas. K. Russell, who for many months has at intervals been engaged in the transfer of oil derricks, machinery, etc., reports having recently completed hauling in the last of the derrick etc., from the Buutman test. He is now hauling out timbers for the derrick in the Rotary Rig on the Sears Tract.

30 Day Hunt For Souirrels In 3 Counties

Special squirrel seasons for Red River, Fannin, and Titus counties. from May 1 through May 30, have been proclaimed by the Game and Fish Commission

An overabundance of squirrels caused biologist John Carlisle to recommend this special spring shooting season. Public hearings were held in the three counties in March, at which time landowners requested an open season It was pointed out in a report to the Game and Fish Commission that the squirrel population in some areas amounts to as much as one squirrel for every half

With this overabundance of souirrels, it was deemed best to hold an early shoot and harvest enough squirrels so that a heavy loss from other causes will be unlikely.

The limit will be 10 squirrels per day, or 20 in possession after the first day.

A number of old-time squirrel hunters of the area are already planning to set up camps in all the river bottom area where the souirrels are most prevalent. The Commission also voted to close all public waters against nets and seines in Fannin Coun-

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FTA Meet Held In Hull Home

The Pat Neff Chapter of the Sophomore, each had averaged Future Teachers of America held 96, and Carlene Hughes repreits monthly meeting Monday night sented the Freshman class with in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. an average of 93. G. Hull.

The states where the super-

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Leon Walker, principal of Mer-Mr. and Mrs. Gus Brandon of kel Elementary School, was guest Cross Plains were weekend guests speaker. He spoke on "Special of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Jones. Points in Teaching."

An informal discussion was led by Walker and Mrs. Ellen Mc Reynolds, sponsor. Refreshments were served to

Lola Loflin, Donna Riney, Sher ry Hull, Penny Durham, Andria Adcock, Don Williams, Del Davis, Kent Denton, Rutha Corder, Mary Jane Horton and Beth Dunagin

Mrs. Clara Hull was a guest.

Mrs. Rosa Grant of Abilene was a visitor Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Amason.

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B & D GARAGE

day night. Roy Robbins was nam-TO TAYLOR ELECTRIC ed assistant chief, and Ray Wilson re-elected secretary-treasurer. Re-elected as president of the Merkel Firemen's association was on the opening of their Herbert Dunn, Milton Case being named vice president. Five honor students from Mernew and modern building. kel High school were guests of the Lions club at their Tuesday lunch eon. Two Seniors, Becky Gardner and Nell Butman, have tied Their achievement is another for an average of 96; Sue Grimes, Junior, and Avalene Mathews

step in the progress of this area.

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THE MERKFL MAIL, Merkel, Texas Thursday, April 27, 1961 age Five



New picnic area of seven acres and 42 inches wide. More land in to picnic," Isom said. ovided with 32 new tables and the sounthwest part of the bark ills has been added to facilities has been cleared for expansion as park overnight. The charge is \$1 Abilene State Park, Caretaker funds become available S. Isom reports. The park swimming pool will be

The new picnic area is in the opened April 29 if the weather is ortheast part of the park.

Additional facilities include closes after Labor Day tree shelter houses finished last Even though the weather has mmer, giving a total of eight, been cool the park already is caso six new concrete picnic din- tering to many. Last Saturday 5. g-tables, each eight feet long 000 persons are estimated to have

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MELLINGER'S

picnicked or visited the park, Isom end was completed by March 17, be held May 27 in the school of Jefferson, the biologist found on in a lake survey as a part of noted. And during last March the 1961, with the exception of some cafeteria. total who came to the grounds veterans not reached because of

was not short of 8,000 visitors. Isom says the 1961 season has started off greater than it did in 24

one day attendance at the Park last year was July 4. "I es- Uarden timate 8,000 people came, mostly

Now parties may camp in the car from 1 p.m. to 7 a.m. Last year many took advantage of leeping in the open estimated as cooperative, Isom said. It usually high as 300 persons on a Saturday night.

The concession stand in the red sandstone building will soon be opened. It usually employs six ersons. Personnel has not been

elected yet, he said. Assisting Isom in park super ision and work are Ira and El ert Forrest. The Abilene State Park contains 507 acres of land. Elm Creek which runs through it, is fringed with hundreds of native pecans which provide excellent shades In the new picnicking area many small, young pecan trees hav been left to grow to provide shad ater for the tract, Isom said. Isom notes that in the lowe part of the park seeping springs have broken out because of ex cess of winter rains and snows The park has its own water sys tem for the swimming pool.



Q - I am the widow of a World War II veteran who had six nonths of overseas service. Will get a pension under the new pension law that went into effect July 1? A -- It appears that you may

be eligible for a pension, but you will not receive one unless you apply for it. Contact the nearest VA office. The contact representative will help you make out your application.

Q - Can I apply to the Veterans Administration for a headstone for my husband's grave? He was a World War II veteran.

A - Yes. Headstones are available for eligible deceased veterans of World War II. Although applications must go to The Quartermaster General of the Army any VA office will provide information and other assistance in filing the application.

Q - Which VA domicilaries have accommodations for women veterans to live there as members? A - The domiciliaries at Bay Pines, Fla.; Dayton, Ohio; Los Angeles, Calif.; and Martinsburg, West Va.

address changes, etc.

Attend Trent

The Trent Garden Club me **Biologist Makes** Monday evening in the school cafeteria. Mrs. Lilly Patton and Unusual Find Mrs. Ronnie Freeman were hosteses

Mrs. Horace Holt spoke on 'The In East Texas Principles of Design in Flower Arrangement." Mrs. Frank Allyn gave a talk on the history and ulture of dahlias. Each club member is to plant dahlia tubers ter, working at the Lake o' Pines in East Texas, has found a new and seed this week.

Mrs. Weldon Beasley instructed one for the white bass book. 19 members on "Grooming For | In making stomach analyses of he Flower Show." The show will fish caught in this new lake east

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GROCERY

Mrs. Odell Freeman announced that the Trent Club had won a state flower show award which will be presented at the state convention in Odessa April 27. Twenty-one members and three uests were present.

Fishery biologist, John Dorches-

an oversized white bass.

It contained a 5 inch large the DJ bill. Biologists very fremouth bass undigested, and the quently find that large fish have largemouth bass contained a 4 been swallowed by bass, particuinch chub sucker undigested in larly black bass. This chain swalits mouth.

lowing, however, is something new

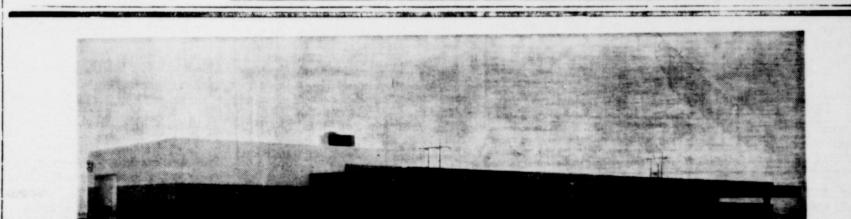
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Q - Why are some veterans' "children" receiving pension even though they are elderly persons?

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Q - I am on active duty in the Army with a part time job when off duty. If I am disabled or killed on that job, am I or my dependents eligible for compensation from the Veterans Administration?

A - Yes. If you should be killed accidentally, through no fault of your won, your dependents would be eligible for death compensation under the present law. If you should be disabled, you would become eligible for compensation after your separation from the service.

Q - President Kennedy recently asked that VA to pay 1961 GI insurance dividends as soon as possible. When will this be completed? A — Payment of the 1961 divdi-

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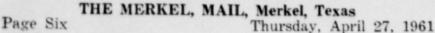
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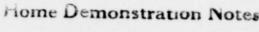
WASHINGTON, D. C .- Every fifth man you meet on the turnpikes or the sidestreets of the world is an Indian.' Therefore the pulsebeat of this vibrant chunk of humanity could very much set the heartbeat of the rest of the world-in its state of health or in the area of politics. India is vital as one of the few remaining frontiers of the free world-so is its health for on it depends the life or death of one fifth of the free world.

When India regained its stature in the comity of free nations, she had inherited truely overwhelming problems connected with the nation's health and physical well-being. Preventive diseases ac-counted for half of all deaths; infant and maternal mortality rates were among the highest in Asia; millions of productive hours were lost annually on account of illness; and life expectancy was less than 32 years. This was the lot of an average Indian when he woke up as a free being in 1947. Such a state of things had to change and the new Republic gave health a top priority treatment. The last decade has centered around a massive programme of preventive care, training of personnel and building up of services to reach the vast rural population. The strategy has begun to tell: many dread diseases are no more the killers they used to be, and the death rate is falling. By 1966, the life expectancy is expected to be 50 years. Side by side, there is evidence of growing acceptance of family limitation to raise health and living standards.

The number of hospitals and dispensaries will have increased from 8600 in 1950-51 to 12,600 in 1960-61 and hospital beds from 113,000 to 160,000. The number of medical colleges will increase from 30 to 55 and of registered doctors will increase from 59,000 to 84,000 during this period.

The family planning programme which was initiated in the First Plan (1951-56) has made steady progress and the number of family planning centres is expected to rise from 147 in 1955-56 to about 1,800 in 1960-61. These centres provide training in personnel, educational and information programmes and research

The total outlay on health programmes was stepped up from \$294 million in the First Plan (1951-56) to \$472.5 million anticipated for the Second Plan (1956-61). The tentative provision for the Third Plan (1961-66) has been placed at \$630 million. The tentative target for the Third Plan is 14,600 hospitals and dispensaries and 190,000 beds. It is estimated that the total number of doctors actually engaged in the profession will increase from 70,000 in 1961 to about 81,000 in 1966.



strips of canned pimiento, paper, fered in this easy-to-prepare, vthin slices of lemon, orange or satile and inexpensive food. lime, slices of stuffed olive, and grated or crumbled cheese. Whipthree-fourths cup will fuurni ped cream with a dash of horseabout half the protein need radish is good with some types daily by adults. Low calories, b of soups. With tomato soup, try filling, it's an ideal food to popped corn.

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Page Seven HOSPITAL PATIENTS Admissions: Mrs. Gene Cochran Paula Dudley Johnny Berry **Roy** Rerron Irs. R. T. Jones

THE MERKEL MAIL, Merkel, Texas

Mrs. Adair Hosts **Compere HD** Club

G. Bragg

The Compere Home Demonstraion Club met April 20 in the ome of Mrs. Don Adair.

Mrs. I. B. Ray opened the eeting with a prayer and Mrs. ernon Stanley led the group in

Mrs. Vernon Stanley gave the uncil report. Announcement was ade of the National Home Deminstration Club Week Tea which ill be held May 5 at 2:30 p.m. Mrs. Ab Hunter was elected a legate to the state meeting to held Aug. 9-10 in San Angelo. rs. Ray and Mrs. Stanley will tend a workshop April 28 on finishing old furniture. Members voted to donate \$2.50 the All Faith Chapel.

Mrs. Ray and Mrs. Hunter gave demonstration on "Outdoor ookery.

Refreshments were served to ght members and two children. The next meeting will be on lay 4 in the home of Mrs. Ab, unter. A covered dish luncheon noring senior citizens of the mmunity will be held.

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Mrs. Minnie Campbell W. T. Howard Mrs. J. M. Kirby **Baby Logston Dismissals:** Mrs. J. E. Massey **Charles** Palmer Mrs. Halbert Rister Mrs. Donald Logston Shirley Mayhugh Mrs. A. D. McCain Mrs. Ruby Jinkens Mrs. Eldon Hicks Mrs. Buford Hinds Mrs. Gene Clift and baby girl Mrs. Edna Horton H. K. Farr Mrs. Jimmy Doan and baby boy Mrs. A. B. Parham L. A. Arnold Tom Morrison Mrs. Bob Gardner J. D. Spinks H. E. Zarlington (transferred) Mrs. Bobby Harris and baby

Thursday, April 27, 1961

Mrs. Clyde Bunch and Darel accompanied by her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Winters, and Andy West were in Hamilton recently where they visited Mrs. Bunch's great-grandmother, Mrs. Emma Arnette. While there they also visited Mrs. W. D. Riley, Mrs.

Grover Massey. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Campbell and children of Haskell were Saturday visitors in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hamp

Campbell. Other recent visitors in the Campbell home were Mrs. Mary Tittle and daughter, Mrs. Delton Jones of Trent.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Marshall this week were his sister, Mrs. Thomas Swarington and her husband of San Angelo, and Mrs. Laura Frazier of Royce City, Tex.



Mrs. D. H. Vaughn W. M. Nolte Mrs. R. B. Johnson J. A. Pruitt

Merkel Women Named District WSCS Officers A. R. Donald and Mr. and Mrs.

> Two from Merkel were named district officers for the Woman's Society of Christian Service at a meeting held Thursday at the First Methodist Church in Mer-Mrs. Rav Wilson was named

pound

chairman of Missionary Person nel and Mrs. W. R. Cypert is the new chairman of Youth Work. Mrs. J. L. Brown of Abilene was

perity. Thanks to research

and its application to poultry

production, a chicken is no longer regarded as a luxury item on the food bill. The U. S. Department of

Agriculture points out that the broiler chick is the most

efficient converter of grain and other food into flesh, re-

quiring 2½ pounds of feed to produce a pound of gain. Many producers specialize

the year-around in growing

broilers. Processors use as-

sembly line methods. Cut-up

chicken of uniform high qual-

ity is a large volume seller.

in supermarkets. Between 1950 and 1958, when prices of most food

products increased, the retail price of frying chickens

dropped an average of 12c a

named president A total of 125 registered for the meeting, theme of which was Thy Purpose for the World We Share Mrs. E. T. Pittard of Anson

poke on her recent travels in the East The opening devotion was given v the Rev. Alvis Cooley, pastor

of the Merkel church. Welcome and announcements were given by Mrs. J. E. Williams.

The local presidents discussed 'Fuller Life Through Works Sincere" and "The Sacredness of Common Things. Mrs. Ray Johnson of Abilene directed the memorial service and Mrs. C. O. Bragg of Anson, out-

going district president, presided over the business meeting and election of officers. Mrs. Bill Kent was of the installation of officers. Mrs. Otto Watts of Abilene conducted the pledge service and Mrs. T. G. Carter directed the program. **Taylor** County



as much poultry as 25 years ago.



And in 1959, as compared 10 years to perfect a small with the average for the meaty turkey, and now some years 1935-39, each of us was 12 million are sold a year. In consuming 34.8 pounds of 1959, we ate 6 pounds of tur-poultry instead of 15.6. key per person-twice as key per person-twice as It took researchers about much as in 1940.

Wayne Cypert, 6, Mike Dudley, Bob Hammond, 15, Wally Knight, 20, and Alan Reed, 44. The Merkel Cubs participated in the exposition by making leather nekerchiefs for six hours to

Local Cub Scouts

Win Blue Ribbon

Cub Scouts of Pack 20 won a

blue ribbon on the point system

at the Chisholm Trail Council

Boy Scouts of America Exposition

Boys who sold enough tickets

to be eligible for prizes and the

number they sold were: Gary

Smith. 37. Bill Whisenhunt, 5

In Exposition

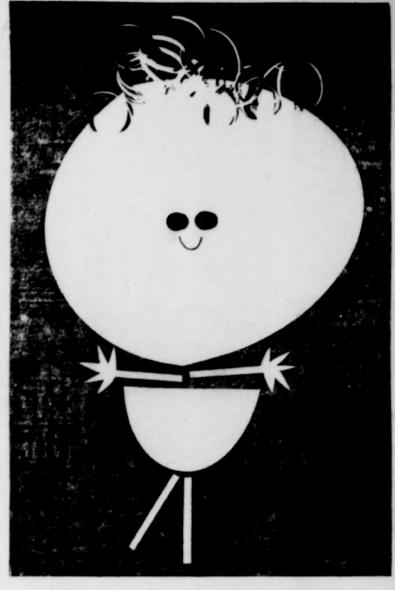
Saturday in Abilene.



give to the crowd. They also held according to W. G. Reed, cubmas-a drawing every 15 minutes for purses, scissor holders, business card folders, comb holders and Visiting Christine Collins this book markers. All of these were made of leather.

Visiting Christine Collins this week are her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Easterwood

The next pack meeting will be of Taft. Mr. Easterwood is a at 7:30 p.m. Thursday. A short former publisher of The Merkel business session will be held, Mail.



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4-H Girls Win Four Firsts The Taylor County 4-H team placed second in the farm coop-

erative method demonstration contest at the Extension District 7 4-H competition Saturday at San Angelo Junior College. Suzanne Orr of Potosi and Richard Stanley of Abilene made up the second-place team. The Me-Culloch County 4-H team won the event.

The Taylor County team also placed fifth in the senior livestock judging event, said County Agriculture Agent H. C. Stanley. Winner of this event was Llano County. The senior team was composed

of Del Davis and Bob Benson of Merkel. Leroy Shafer of Trent and Larry Richard of the Butterfield community.

David Manahan, Wilburn Holloway and Robin Dominy, all of Wylie and Bob Warren of Tye made up the junior team.

Girls Chorus To Appear At **Merkel Church**

The Girls Chorus from Southwestern Bible Institute. Waxahachie, will appear at the Merkel Assembly of God Church for one

service only at 7:30 p.m., April The choir is derected by Mrs. Jo Ann Litzman who arranges many of the selections. The members have come to Southwestern from various parts of the United States. Interspersed throughout the group singing will be special arrangements featuring trios, duets, and solos. Accompanying the choir will be Maurice Lednicky, an outstanding student in the Bible College Division of Southwestern, who will bring the evening message. Pastor A. D. Dickey, a former Southwestern student, extends an invitation to the public to visit the Merkel Assembly of God to see and hear this group of young

