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## School Election Set At Merkel April 3

The Board of Trustees of the Merkel Independent School District at the Monday night meeting, Feb. 15, set the school board election for Saturday, April 3.

Board members whose terms expire this year are Ford Smith Jr., W. R. Cypert and DeLaverne Moore.

Dewel McLean was named elec-

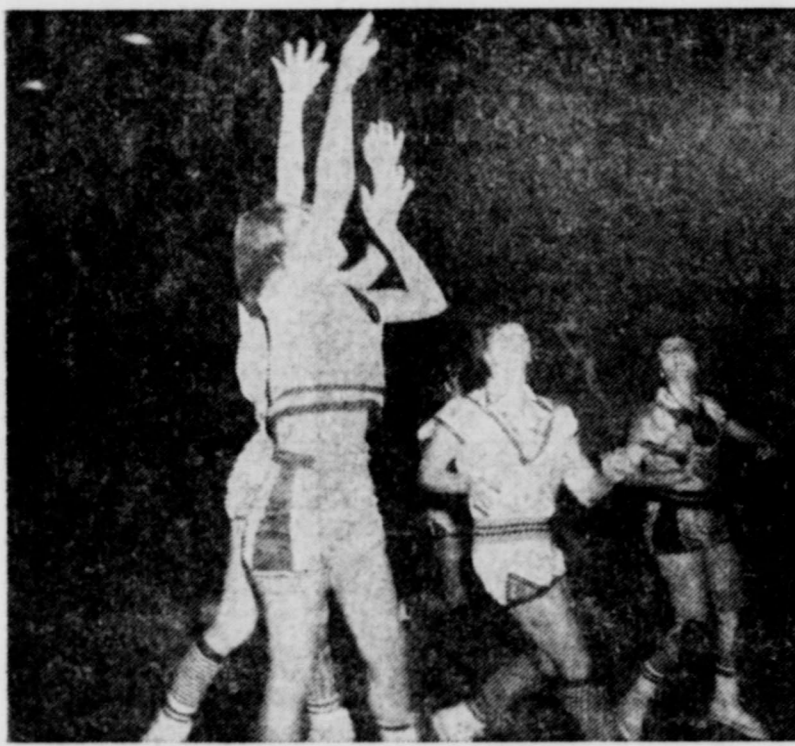
tion judge. Clerks named are Miss Selma Teaff, Mrs. T. L. Grimes and Mrs. F. Y. Gaither. Bryan Dunagin was appointed alternate.

Clyde Bartlett was named to manage the absentee voting which will be held in the Merkel City Hall beginning on March 10 and ending on March 30, Mondays through Fridays of each week, 8

a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The election on April 3 will be held in the Merkel High School Gymnasium. Candidates wishing to file their names for places on the ballot, according to State Election Laws, must do so on or before Wednesday, March 3, in the office of the local school superintendent's office by 3:30 p.m.

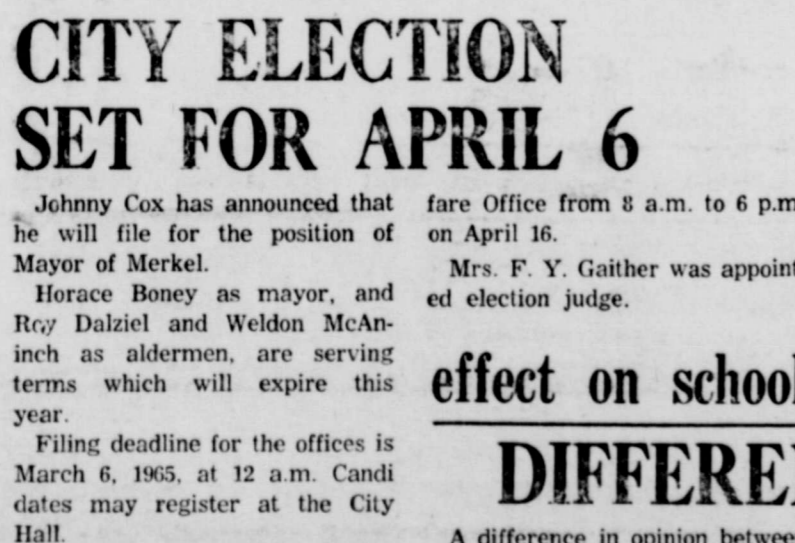
Filing may be done on any day Monday through Friday of each week by 3:30 p.m., March 30.



**LONG STRETCH FOR ANOTHER 2-POINT-ER** — Susan Glidewell bags another hard-earned basket against the Wylie girls. Wylie played a rough and tumble game to beat the Badgerettes 66-47.



**LAST DISTRICT 6-A PLAY** — Jacky Reynolds faked everyone but Dannheim with his mid-jump pass - off. Badgers went on to nudge Wylie 73-71 in a double overtime game.



**CITY ELECTION SET FOR APRIL 6**

Johnny Cox has announced that he will file for the position of Mayor of Merkel.

Horace Boney as mayor, and Roy Dalziel and Weldon McAninch as aldermen, are serving terms which will expire this year.

Filing deadline for the offices is March 6, 1965, at 12 a.m. Candidates may register at the City Hall.

Polls will be open at the Wel-

### effect on schools

## DIFFERENT OPINIONS EXIST ON TAX INCREASE

A difference in opinion between some county commissioners and County School Superintendent Clive Pierce concerning whether the increase in Taylor County tax would harm some county schools continued to exist this week.

County Commissioner Grover Nelson said Wednesday the increase in taxes would not affect the schools for at least two years due to the method by which the state formulates the county economic index — the factor by which the amount of state aid

to local schools is figured. His opinion also was that there would be no difference to schools because of other factors the state uses in making up the county economic index.

Commissioner Joe Cypert showed a letter from Leon R. Graham, assistant commissioner for administration of the Texas Education Agency, which stated:

"... The statutes require that the economic index be re-computed each year and that the computation shall be based on a three-

year average of the factors involved. This means that the data for the earliest year are removed from the three - year average each time the index is computed and the data for the most recent available year are included to replace the year that is received

around. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Odel Dickerson.

Dennis Hobbs and Shelia Webb were elected Mr. and Miss Trent High School. Dennis, 17, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Hobbs. Shelia, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Webb.

The faculty selected Barbara McAninch as the most outstanding student at Trent High School. Barbara is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cal McAninch.

The First Baptist Church of Trent will hold a Sweetheart Banquet Feb. 18 at 7 p.m. Guest speaker will be Dr. Ray Ellis, Prof. of Greek at Hardin - Simmons University in Abilene.

## County Tax Staff To Be In Merkel February 24-25

Burl King, Taylor County Tax Assessor - Collector, along with his staff will be in Merkel Feb. 24-25 so you may purchase licenses. They will be located in the Chamber of Commerce office from 9:30 to 3:30 both days. They will be at Trent City Hall Feb. 23 for vehicle registration.

## Mrs. McCoy Final Services

Brs. Barbara McCoy, 84, died at 7 a.m. Sunday in Cox Memorial Hospital in Abilene.

Funeral was held at 2:30 p.m. Monday in the Merkel Church of Christ with the Rev. Hollis Yielding, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Abilene, officiating, assisted by Dwight Hollind, minister of the Merkel church. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Elliott's Funeral Home in Abilene.

She was a member of Primitive Baptist Church 35 years. Born April 17, 1881 in Mississippi, she married E. McCoy in the Hodges community in Jones County in 1900. She had moved to Texas in 1883 with her parents and lived in Abilene, Merkel and Hodges prior to her marriage. She had lived at 1550 Longbotham here since 1945.

Nephews served as pallbearers. Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Roy Clark, with whom she made her home, and Mrs. O. B. Lester of Abilene; three sons, Floyd of Anson, Buster of Dallas and Odell of 1025 Kirkwood in Abilene; three brothers, Brooks Patterson, James and Herbert Patterson, all of Merkel; 10 grandchildren and 14 great - grandchildren.

Compere Cemetery Association will meet Tuesday, Feb. 23 for a special working and business session.

All interested please come to spend the day if necessary.



SUE DICKERSON  
... Best All-Around



DIANA LEWIS  
... Most Popular



BARBARA McANINCH  
... Most Outstanding



KAYE McWILLIAMS  
... Annual Queen



RICKY McELMURRAY  
... Most Popular



CHARLES CHICK  
Annual King and best all-around

## School Favorites Picked at Trent

The students of Trent High School picked their favorites in a school election, and the faculty selected their most outstanding student.

Elected Annual King and Queen were Charles Chick and Kaye McWilliams. Charles, 18, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Chick. He also was elected best all-round.

Kaye, 17, is the daughter of Mrs. Lena McWilliams.

Diana Lewis and Ricky McElmurray were elected most popular in the election. Diana, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Stevens. Ricky, 17, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clovis McElmurray.

Sue Dickerson was picked along with Charles Chick as best all-

## Max Murrell Elected New C-C President

New officers and directors have been elected for the Merkel Chamber of Commerce.

Max Murrell, Merkel Chevrolet dealer, has been named president for the coming year.

Howard Carson is vice president.

And Johnny Cox is secretary treasurer.

New directors besides Murrell and Cox was W. M. R. (Pinky) Cypert.

Carson is a partner in Carson's Supermarket.

Cox is an accountant and tax man for the public.

Cypert is a rural mail carrier and income tax man for the public.

Murrell said he is working on committee assignments and a program of work for the coming year and hopes to be able to pre-



MAX MURRELL  
... new president

sent this work to the membership shortly.

The new officers also will be working with a new secretary.

Mrs. Betty Whisenhunt has been named executive secretary and took office Feb. 8. She replaces Mrs. Horace Hargrove, who resigned after several years with the Merkel Chamber of Commerce.

Murrell is a graduate of North Dallas High School, Southern Methodist University and the United States Military Academy. He came to Merkel in mid 1963 from Hamlin where he was associated with his father in the automobile business.

Murrell is married. He and his wife have two children.

## Up The Canyon



By TOM RUSSOM

Everything here in the Canyon is about normal; the farmers are getting quite a bit of farming done, and some few are sowing some oats. Wheat is doing better after the cold weather we had and a little moisture with it.

The weather has been ideal for working; of course, a good bit of time is being spent feeding livestock.

Springtime is just around the corner, as the saying goes. There is a lot of winter weeds and grass coming fast and will be making sheep grazing soon.

We stopped in a few days ago for a little visit with Louis Cook. Louis enjoys company. Forty eight years ago when my family came to Mulberry Canyon my uncle went to the Cook Ranch and made a small crop. He was John Maxey, and we boys would visit our uncle on Sunday, and I guess Louis and us boys jumped about all the corral fences on the place. We ate some real good meals in the Cook home, too. When I visited Louis the other day he took me through the house, and it was just spotless; very well kept, and him a bachelor. He does his ranch work, milks a cow, and has his chickens. He is just a busy man on the ranch.

I like to move around with my visiting and writing, and I like

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THELMA HELLUMS  
... Trent honoree

## Trent Senior Of the Week

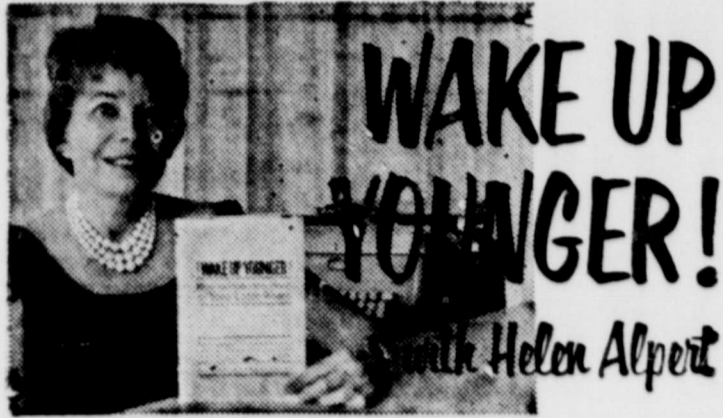
Thelma Hellums, 17, daughter of Mrs. Thelma Hellums, was chosen Trent Senior of the Week at Trent High School.

Thelma, who has attended school at Trent for 12 years, has been in the Trent High School Band for two years, where she plays tenor sax.

Thelma has been a member of the Trent FHA for four years, and in her sophomore year, she represented the Trent High School as Harvest Queen.

In her junior year she held a class office, and this year she is the assistant business manager on the annual staff.

Thelma is a member of the First Baptist Church in Trent. She plans on attending Cisco Junior College next fall.



**THE RETIREMENT HOUSE**  
Dear Helen: We have \$11,500 to buy a house in a retiree area. What should we look for, in a good house? My wife and I have to be careful of our health. Your answer awaited.

**THOUGHTFUL**

Dear Thoughtful: Let's switch this question to something more thoughtful. If you both have to watch your health, shouldn't your first assurance be not of a house, but of a nearby doctor? In this column I am constantly urging that retirees pay keener attention to picking the right community! What is the right community. It's a place that has ALL services one may need all along the line from a shopping center to a hospital! Today's experts plead that you keep your eye on the community. They're right! I have a great deal of information I have been collecting on this subject. If you want to study it, all you have to do is ask for it. Just write to me at National Senior Center, Lehigh Acres, Fla. 33936. It may keep you from making a mistake, probably!

**HOW TO BE AN ACTIVE CITIZEN**

Dear Helen: You sent me your list of Eleven Best Books on Useful Living. I hunted around and got "How to be an Active Citizen." I am so impressed with it and so glad you recommended it. It's an inspiration to Americans. To boil it down, the book

gives 8 strong points. An "Active Citizen" should be informed on issues; discuss them; talk and write about politics; belong to organizations that take stands; work for a political party and a candidate. Next: vote; and hold office. I hope you publish this for all your readers. I stay young through vigorous citizenship. It's great to be an American!

C. M. T.

**INSURANCE TROUBLE?**

Dear Helen: We read your column constantly. I notice that one of the best ways you help people is to show them exactly whom to see or to reach for honest, accurate information. Hope you can do this for me and my wife. We filed a claim with our insurance company over 6 months ago. No answer, not even a word. We wrote twice, but they ignore us. What is our next step? Isn't this unfair? We paid our premiums promptly every month for over 30 years. I bet if we failed to remit we'd hear plenty fast.

CLAIMANT

Dear Claimant: Maybe you failed to fill out the form properly. This often causes delays. Even so, a six month delay sounds more like decay, to me! Write or send a telegram immediately to the State Insurance Commissioner in your state Capital. Outline the problem. Write once more to your insurance company, telling them you've taken your appeal to the Commissioner.



It will intrigue you to hear that the Florida State Insurance Commissioner J. Edwin Larson recently set up a string of 20 field offices whose purpose is to give aid and counsel to older persons on their insurance problems and perplexities. He recovered over a million dollars in due claims for folks. Florida is the only state in the union furnishing this remarkable insurance service for citizens. Don't you think it should be launched in every state?

**EVERY WEEK?**

Dear Helen: I follow your column but it doesn't appear regularly in our paper here. Is it all right if I and my neighbors ask the editor to print it more regularly?

ANNE

Dear Anne: I'd love it! Many newspapers never know readers' reaction. In my case, almost all letters are written directly to me, I see, rather than being forwarded by the newspapers. Several editors would be amazed to know that almost everybody in their hometowns has written me privately. Yep, a galloping correspondence. 'Swonderful!

**I KID YOU NOT**

Dear Madam: Please send me at once your booklets on Wills, Dissolved Partnerships, Lawsuits, low-cost drugs.

OLD PAL

Dear Old Pal: I've got a pamphlet on low-cost drugs and honest vitamins, with prices. But if you're in a legal swizzle, don't read a book, go to a good lawyer! And for gosh sakes, take a tranquilizer, too!

**ONE WORD SECRET**

Dear Helen: Every day people write thousands of words about the elderly. Maybe I'm asking an impossible question. But if you were asked to describe IN ONE WORD the best solution to problems of the aged, what would that word be? I'm not taunting you. I'd really like to know.

SINCERE

Dear Sincere: You made me think, and that's good for me. My one-word-answer is Motivation. Good motivation is the gold key to success at any age! Do you agree?

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**Crossword Puzzle**

**ACROSS**  
1. Ball boy:  
7. Excited  
13. Continent  
14. Lodged  
15. Cubic meter  
16. Fabrics  
17. Trial  
18. Flat-topped hills  
19. Bitter vetch  
20. Detest  
21. Fish  
25. Presses  
27. Ate  
28. Showy dress  
30. Eaten away  
31. Musical instrument  
32. Hum  
33. Girl's name  
34. Speech defect  
35. Route: abbr.  
38. Sheeplike  
40. Tiff  
41. Musician  
44. Spatter

**DOWN**  
1. Social group  
2. Later on  
3. Bandages  
4. Mud  
5. Frost  
6. Babylonian god  
7. Stage  
8. Little bit  
9. Inquiry  
10. Employ  
11. Even; poetic  
12. Dental title  
16. Puts  
18. Numerous  
19. Bugle  
22. Road beneath  
23. Born  
24. Total  
26. Thought out  
27. Fall  
28. Watch chain  
29. Anger  
30. Gaelic  
32. Force  
34. Cotton thread  
36. Try  
37. Kind of alcohol  
39. Glass vessel  
40. Slight  
41. Play on words  
42. Suffix; made of  
43. Exist  
44. Theater sign  
46. Thuium; chem.

Answer to Puzzle

**Compere HD Club Meets**

Compere Home Demonstration Club met last Wednesday with Mrs. Ab Hunter Jr. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Ramsey, president. Mrs. Hunter read the club prayer, and roll call was answered with "My husband's opinion of women's hats." Minutes were read and approved, and council recommendations were read by Mrs. Chancey and

accepted for the year. The program was, "What to do in case of an auto accident." The ten do's and don'ts were given by Mrs. Adair. A panel discussion was held by members. Mrs. Adair received the hostess gift. Refreshments with a Valentine theme were served to Mmes. Ramsey, Chancey, Adair, Hunter and one visitor, Shelia Adair. Next meeting will be held Feb. 25 with Mrs. Clyde Chancey. The program will be on the art of making friends.

**Heavy Harvest Balances Take**

SAN ANGELO — Research findings on the Black Gap Wildlife Management Area from 1958 to 1963 show graphically that care-

fully regulated heavy harvests of mule deer, regardless of sex and age, have not reduced the availability of prime two to five-year-old deer. Although the number of hunters participating in Black Gap Management Area public hunts has increased from 313 in 1958 to 1,020 in 1963, the percentage of two to five year old animals in each year's harvest has remained consistently high, attesting to the health and well being of the Black Gau deer herd.

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NOTICE is hereby given that an election will be held in the City of Merkel, Texas, on the first Tuesday of April, 1965, the same being April 6, 1965, for the purpose of Electing (1) Mayor and (2) Aldermen Full term.

Filing deadline for the above offices is March 6, 1965, at 12:00 A.M. Candidates may register at the City Hall.

The Election shall be held April 6, 1965, at the Welfare Office and shall conform as nearly as possible to the General Election Laws of Texas Governing such Elections.

The polls shall open at 8:00 a.m. and close at 6:00 p.m.

Mrs. F. Y. Gaither, is hereby appointed Election Judge.

Given under my Hand and Seal this 3rd day of February A.D. 1965.

(Seal)  
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ss Flossie W. McKeever  
Flossie W. McKeever  
City Secretary

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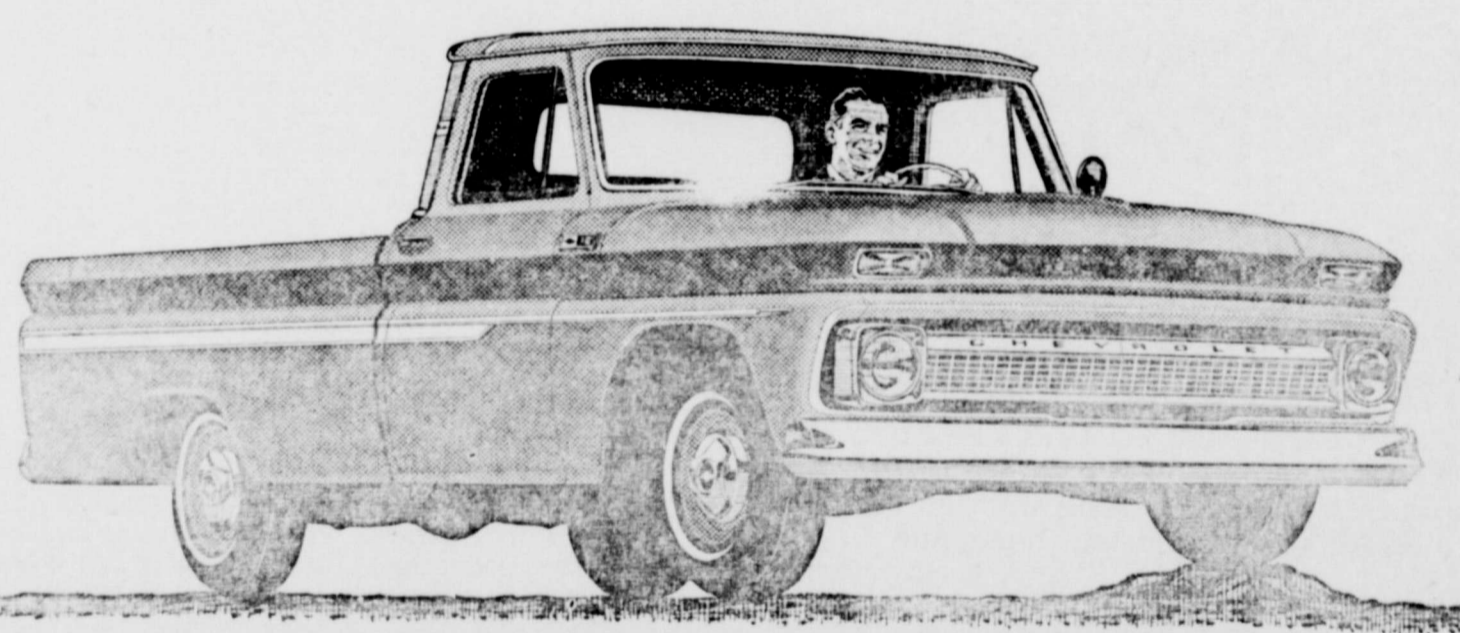
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## Warren Receives Eagle Award At Court of Honor

Pat Warren, son of Dr. and Mrs. Don Warren, received his Eagle Scout award last Tuesday night at a Court of Honor held in conjunction with a parents night program and pot luck supper at the First Methodist Church here.

Glenn Reed, scoutmaster of Troop 18, was in charge of the Court of Honor and Dr. Warren presented the award to his son.

Council Scout Executive Henry H. McGinty presented Troop 18 with the first place Camporee award it won at the Council Camporee at Hubbard Creek Lake.

Others advancing in rank were: Tommy Carson, Star; Joe Dixon, Life; Tim Beasley, Life; Alan Reed, Gold Palm on Eagle rank. Receiving Merit Badges at the ceremony were Dee Warren, Pat Warren, Joe Dixon, Tim Beasley and Alan Reed.

"Adventure at Valey Forge," a film of last summer's Jamboree, was shown at the program.

## School Menu

School Cafeteria menu for the week of Feb. 22 through Feb. 26 will be:

**MONDAY**  
Fried fish sticks with catsup  
Golden rice, salad, cheese slices,  
Crisp corn bread, butter  
Cherry cobbler and milk

**TUESDAY**  
Italian spaghetti  
Whole kernel corn  
English peas  
Vegetable salad  
Sliced bread and butter  
Apple cheese crisp  
milk

**WEDNESDAY**  
Roast turkey  
Giblet gravy  
Cornbread dressing  
Apple sauce  
Mixed vegetables  
Hot bread and butter  
Fruit Jello,  
Milk

**THURSDAY**  
Western wiener, chili  
Beans  
Cabbage slaw  
Carrot sticks  
Cornbread or crisp toast squares  
Butter  
Pineapple cake  
Milk

**FRIDAY**  
Oven steak  
Gravy  
Whipped potatoes  
Tomato wedges  
Hot rolls and butter  
Lemon pie  
Milk

## UP THE CANYON

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useful people who like to do things.

I have in mind a very good friend of mine, and a good friend of yours I'm sure. The person I will tell you about has sung at more funerals in Merkel than any one man in or around Merkel. Well, it is just old Joe Nally, and I think we should tell Joe about it. I notice at so many funerals Joe takes part in the song services. Joe says as long as they call, he'll go. Isn't that a wonderful statement? And by the way, I don't like to leave out the one who has kept the home fires burning down through the years, and that is Mrs. Nally, a very fine housewife. Mrs. Nally lives two lives; one for her home, and the other for her children and grandchildren.

I have had short visits in the Nally home, and appreciate them a lot. The Nallys feel that they would like to move away to a little place, with a spring fed creek running through it, green grass along the banks, with big trees for shade and lots of birds and squirrels running and jumping, and by heck, they deserve every bit of it, don't they?

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin McCoy and family of Morton visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seymore. Mrs. Loyd Knipe, another daughter, and children also visited in the Seymore home.

Velma Orsborn, Malinee Seymore and Todd Moore all visited in their parents homes over the week end, and attended church at Pioneer Church, Sunday.

Elmer Patterson, manager of the Butman Youth Camp, is back in the Sadler Clinic - Hospital.

Uncle Wood Turner is still in the hospital.

Mrs. O. W. Reed is doing real well, still spending some time in her sister's home, Mrs. John Coomer.

Say, have you met our new editor of the Merkel Mail, Allen Hill? If you haven't, go by some time and meet him. He is a swell guy, and he and Janice are making the Merkel Mail a fine little paper. They are doing a fine job. Let's let them know it.

## Political Announcement

Mayor Boney is not a candidate for reelection.

Acting on the suggestion of many friends I have filed as a candidate for the office of mayor of Merkel subject to the April 26, election.

In so filing I am conscious of the responsibilities and equally mindful of the privileges of the confidence and trust of the people entrained in the office of mayor. If, in your opinion, my experience in various fields of business qualifies me to effectively discharge the duties and business incident to the office of mayor, your vote and influence would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,  
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## The Large and The Small Of It

For many years, Mr. Average American has been the backbone of the \$29 billion mutual fund industry. More recently, however, larger, more sophisticated investors have discovered that they too can benefit from the mutual fund way of investing.

Banks, business corporations, churches, hospitals, orphanages and colleges are finding that the basic appeal of mutual fund investing which has long attracted the small investor—diversification and professional management at reasonable cost—also have an advantage to the institutional investor.

Statistics supplied by the Investment Company Institute, national organization of the mutual fund industry, show that institutional accounts have shown a 10-fold growth from 35,821 valued at \$283.4 million in 1954 to 361,118, valued at \$1.6 billion by 1963.

One of the reasons for this growth is that, in some cases, institutions lack the personnel qualified by training and experience to manage an investment account. Thus, careful selection of mutual fund shares can relieve such an investor of this burden of responsibility.

Another reason more and more institutions, as well as individuals, choose mutual funds is that the many services and conveniences offered by the funds give the investor a more flexible investment program, while at the same time reducing and



simplifying the amount of work he must do himself.

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**TRENT JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM** — Bottom row from left, Kayla Canady, Gyla Moses, Dela Hutchinson, Reva Hellums, Linda Griffins, Pam Lewis. Middle row, Dana Kay Thompson, Linda McAninch, Lenn Gilbert, Cresta Sipes, Melinda O'Kelly, Debra Beck, Pam McElmurray. Top row, Christi Kiser, Lee Ann Williamson, Chyrl McElmurray, Sylvia Sherbin, Elizabeth Sherbin, Barbara Beaver, Wanda Moses and Coach Benny Shows.

## Tax Man Sam Sez

Don't forget to list your social security number on your Federal Income Tax Return. The law requires it. If both husband and wife have income, they each should list their numbers on a joint return. If only one has income, only his number is required.

Administrative Officer Arthur E. Fogle Jr., of the Internal Revenue Office in Abilene said social security numbers are being omitted on some returns. Taxpayers should double check to make sure that social security numbers are complete and accurate.

Omission of the number will delay processing of your return. This is time-consuming and inconvenient for you and the government.

If you do not have a number, ask the nearest Internal Revenue office or Social Security office for application Form SS-5. Application Form SS-5 may also be secured from most local Post Offices.



**TRENT JUNIOR HIGH BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM**—From left, Gaylon Brnovak, Pat Carriker, Johnny Jones, Stan Hicks, Steve Reddin, Arthur Maberry, Gayland Frazier, Tim Riggan, David Morris and coach Benny Shows.

## Reeger Receives Lineman Award

Ronnie Reeger, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Reeger of Merkel and a senior at Texas Tech, won the outstanding lineman award handed out this year at the annual Red Raider grid banquet in Lubbock.

The outstanding back award went to Donny Anderson of Stinnett. The outstanding player award went to C. C. Willis of Bay City and the Pete Cawthon honor award as the best all-around player went to Jerry Don Balch of Lubbock.

Reeger had won the best lineman award in the spring game and is also one of the 25 football athletes with highest academic ratings.

Reeger is Merkel High School's first and only graduate to play with a Southwest Conference team. As a high school gridder, he won the most conscientious player award two years and the most valuable back when he was a senior.

He was selected as an all-area all-district and all-regional player at Merkel. His wife, the former Lynda Jones, is also a student at Tech.

## Chairmen Named For Heart Fund

Area chairmen for the Heart Fund Drive were announced by Roy Manahan, rural solicitation chairman for the 1965 Taylor County Heart Fund Drive.

Named chairmen for their communities were: Tommie Cutler, Merkel; Tom Russom, Mulberry Canyon; Johnnie Jefferies, Trent; and Mrs. Walter Webb, Tye.

The month-long drive will reach a high point on Heart Monday, March 1, when over 2,000 volunteers will head an army of local volunteers in a house-to-house canvass of the county. The Heart Monday canvass in the county will be one of more than 6,500 being conducted by over 1,750,000 volunteers at approximately the same time throughout the nation.

## Stith HD Club Lists Programs

Mrs. Lorece Ely was hostess for the Stith Home Demonstration Club which met Feb. 10.

The programs for the year were recorded in year books. There were two new members: Mrs. Orin Higgins and Mrs. Daisy Mashburn. Hostess gift went to Mrs. Higgins.

The next meeting will be Feb. 24th with Mrs. Peggy Fikes as hostess. Mrs. Newberry will give the program on "The Art of Making Friends."

## NOODLE HD CLUB HOLDS MEETING

The Noodle Home Demonstration Club met Feb. 9th in the home of Mrs. Boyce Vancil. Mrs. Hubert Sullivan called the meeting to order. Nine members were present and one visitor. Mrs. Mary Newberry, county agent, gave the program on "The Art of Making Friends."

## Announcement

The Noodle Community 4-H Club invites the public to a very interesting program, "Mouth to Mouth Artificial Respiration," presented by Doyle Gray of the West Texas Utilities Co., on Feb. 22 at 7:00 p.m. in the Noodle School Cafeteria.

Merkel Masonic Lodge will hold their annual George Washington supper Friday, Feb. 19, in the Merkel High School Cafeteria at 7 p.m. Bro. C. G. Sewell will be guest speaker. Twenty-five year pins will be given. All members are invited to come and bring a covered dish.

## Pesticide Study Held in County

A survey of pesticides used by farmers and how they are used, will be made in Taylor County during February and March, according to Cary D. Palmer, State Statistician, Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service.

Taylor County is one of 400 counties in the U. S. included in a national study of farm uses of pesticides. The results will be used to help assess the economic impact of present and future uses of chemical control measures. This study, the first of its kind, is part of the USDA research program to develop more effective and safer pest control methods.

Farm operators living in selected areas of the county will be asked to report on the sprays and dusts used in 1964 against crop and livestock insects and for killing weeds. The survey will include questions on the materials used, costs and method of application, and other related farm characteristics.

Mrs. Mary Neeb of Abilene will interview farmers in Taylor County, starting on Feb. 15, 1965. She will be working under the supervision of the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service.

## Post Office Plans To Close Feb. 22

Washington's Birthday, Feb. 22, will be observed as a legal holiday at all postal installations. No window service will be provided that day. There will be no deliveries by city or rural carriers, and these employees will not be scheduled for duty to case mail. Special delivery mail will be delivered. The receipt and dispatch of mail will be made in accordance with the schedule for holiday service.

## Optimist Baking Winners Named

Winners of the pie and cake baking contest, sponsored by the Merkel Optimist Club, have been announced.

Cash prizes were awarded to the following excellent cooks: Cake baking winners: 1st — Mrs. Virginia Sandusky, 2nd — Mrs. Ruby Hammond, 3rd — Mrs. Clara Walla. Pie baking winners were: 1st — Mrs. Elizabeth Hicks, 2nd — Mrs. Billy South, 3rd — Mrs. Patsy McDuff.

## Merkel Graduate Accepts Club Bid

ABILENE (Special to the Merkel Mail) — Del Davis, 1962 graduate of Merkel High School, has accepted a bid to the Trojan's Men's Social Club at Abilene Christian College.

Davis, a junior agriculture major, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Davis, Route 2, Merkel.

He now resides at 1225 Matador in Abilene.

## Beverly Butman

### Makes Dean's List

Beverly Butman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis S. Butman of Rt. 2, is one of 27 students at York College, York, Neb., to make the Dean's list.

To be eligible for the honor roll, students must carry a load of 12 or more hours, have no incomplete hours, and have no grade below a C. Based on the four point system, students are required to have a minimum of a 3.30 average. Beverly carried 20 hours and attained a grade average of 3.75.

## Goodman HD Club Has Quilting Day

Goodman Home Demonstration Club met all day Friday, Feb. 12 in the home of Mrs. Jennings Winter to quilt. Each member brought a covered dish for lunch.

The meeting was opened in order with the president, Mrs. Karl Bonneaux presiding. Roll call was answered with a current event.

Council delegate Mrs. Frank Carter read the council recom-

mendations which were voted on in form.

Program by Mrs. Jennings Winter was pruning roses. Literature was given to each member and a demonstration was made. She pointed out that pruning is important to the health of the plant and to restore the normal shape to the badly mis-shapen plant. Climbers usually need very little pruning.

The March of Dimes drive was a success.

Refreshments were served to nine members.

## Trent Girls Stage Practice Games

The Trent Girls' Basketball team will begin a series of practice games to warm up for the Bi-district game against Ira.

Here is the schedule.

Feb. 19 Trent vs. Forsan at Wylie, 7 p.m.

Feb. 22 Trent vs. Forsan at Forsan, 7 p.m.

Feb. 25 Trent vs. H-SU at Merkel, 8:30 p.m.

March 2 Bi-District game against Ira at Snyder at 7:30 p.m.

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# Religious Review

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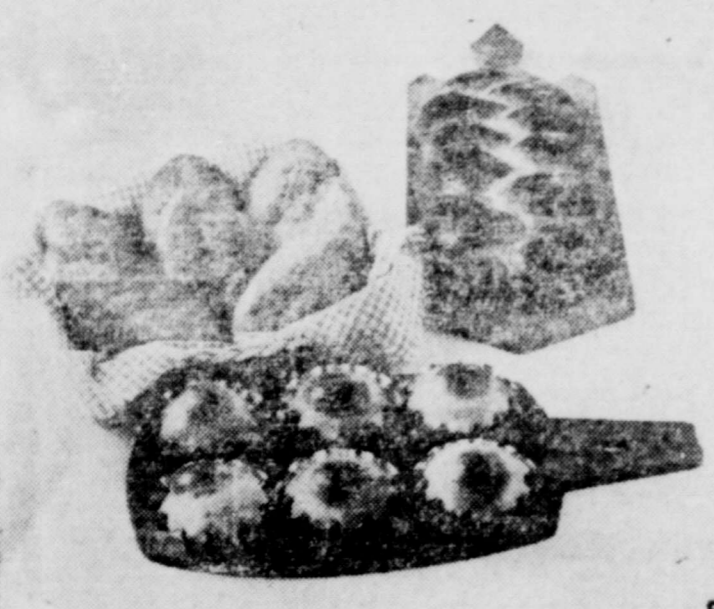
<b>GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH</b>	Worship Service .....	11:00
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>SUNDAY EVENING</b>	
Sunday School .....	Training Union .....	6:45
Preaching Service .....	Worship Service .....	7:30
	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	
<b>FIRST METHODIST CHURCH</b>	Evening Service .....	7:30
Howard Marcom, pastor		
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b>	
Sunday School .....	John Curtis, pastor	
Preaching .....	<b>SUNDAY</b>	
Youth Meeting .....	Sunday School .....	9:45
Evening Worship .....	Preaching .....	11:00
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Evening Preaching .....	7:00
Chair Practice .....	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	
	Mid-Week Evangelistic	
<b>CHURCH OF CHRIST</b>	Service .....	7:30
Dwight Holland, pastor		
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH</b>	
Bible School .....	<b>SUNDAY</b>	
Morning Worship .....	Sunday School .....	9:45 a.m.
Evening Classes .....	Radio Broadcast .....	10:15 a.m.
Evening Worship .....	Worship Service .....	10:50 a.m.
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Radio Broadcast .....	11:00 a.m.
Bible Classes .....	Training Union .....	6:30 p.m.
	Evening Worship .....	7:30 p.m.
<b>CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>	
5th and Rumlens	Junior Royal Am. .....	3:30 p.m.
John W. Emery, pastor	<b>TUESDAY</b>	
<b>SUNDAY MORNING</b>	Intermediate GA's .....	7:30 p.m.
Sunday School .....	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	
	Women's Missionary	
	Society .....	9:30 a.m.
	Sunbeam Band .....	3:15 p.m.
	Junior GA's .....	3:45 p.m.
	Intermediate Royal	
	Ambassadors .....	6:30 p.m.
	Mid-Week Service .....	7:30 p.m.
	Chair Practice .....	8:30 p.m.



**BAG TRICKS**  
Cut one or more thicknesses, 5"x9", from an old terry towel or from cotton batting. Cover with gaily colored cotton bag print. Quilt with diagonal stitching. Sew rick rack on edges of short sides, over quilting lines on front. These are acceptable as gifts and practical accessories for your kitchen.

**CHEERY POT HOLDER**—Cut one or more thicknesses, 5"x9", from an old terry towel or from cotton batting. Cover with gaily colored cotton bag print. Quilt with diagonal stitching. Sew rick rack on edges of short sides, over quilting lines on front. These are acceptable as gifts and practical accessories for your kitchen.

## Young America Bakes—Varieties of Brioche



THESE THREE VARIETIES of Brioche are deceptive! They look difficult to make—but are actually quite simple. The basic yeast dough requires no kneading. The shapes take but minutes to form.

### French Rolls Are Easy to Make

According to French tradition, the popular continental breakfast consists of juice or fruit, coffee and rolls. The menu sounds simple, but, oh what rolls! The delicate French Brioche is indeed queen of the continental breakfast. It is a yeast-raised bread, rich and tender, flaky to the touch, and tempting to the palate.

We are most familiar with brioche shaped with sloping sides and a tiny ball or "top hat" on top. But, the dough lends itself to any number of interesting shapes. Novice bakers will find each variety simple to do, for the basic dough is batter, refrigerator type. All you do is beat it—then chill it overnight. There's no kneading necessary!

**BRIOCHE VARIETIES**

**Brioche Dough:**  
 1/4 cup milk  
 1/4 cup warm water (105°-115°F)  
 1 package or cake Fleischmann's Yeast, active dry or compressed  
 1/2 cup sugar  
 1/4 teaspoon salt

1/2 cup (3/4 stick) Fleischmann's Margarine, softened  
 1 egg  
 1 egg yolk  
 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel  
 2 cups unsifted flour  
 1 egg white

Scald milk; cool to lukewarm. Measure warm water into large warm bowl; sprinkle or crumble in Fleischmann's Yeast; stir until dissolved. Stir in sugar, salt, soft Fleischmann's Margarine, egg, egg yolk, lemon peel, and unsifted flour. Beat until thoroughly blended. Cover. Let rise in warm place, free from draft, until doubled in bulk, about 1 hour. Cover tightly with aluminum foil. Refrigerate overnight. Reserve egg white for brushing dough before baking.

Turn dough out onto well floured board. Proceed as for any variation given below.

**Luncheon Braid**  
 Makes 1 large braid  
 Divide dough into 3 equal pieces. Roll each piece out into

## Braille Makes Books Come Alive For Girl Aided by March of Dimes

It's very comforting for a certain little girl of 11 to know that four members of her family love to read to her anytime she asks, day or night.

Trouble is, to Susie's way of thinking, no matter how ready her parents and two sisters may be to read aloud to her, they seem to take forever to get on with the story. It took an entire week, for instance, to untangle why d'Artagnan and his three musketeers took a dim view of Cardinal Richelieu.

There're always interruptions such as mother's having to get dinner ready, or her sisters' boy friends phoning incessantly, or daddy having to go off to work.

But these frustrations will soon be a thing of the past. For Susie, who by now you will suspect doesn't see, is learning to read for herself.

Susie is the pretty daughter of Horace and Edna Edwards of Nashville, Tenn. She was born with hydrocephalus, or water on the brain, and is paralyzed below the waist. Surgeons at the March of Dimes Birth Defects Center, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Nashville, were successful in saving the child's intellect, and today her IQ is above average.

Unfortunately, however, the pressure of the accumulating fluid in the brain caused irreversible deterioration of the optic nerves. Gradually, sparkling noon became twilight, and two years ago twilight faded to total darkness. That is the way it will be for the remainder of Susie's life.

To save the intellect and to avoid mental retardation, and even save her life, "shunt" tubes were inserted into her skull on five separate occasions to drain off the blocked fluid. Then there was additional surgery for still other disorders. A long time was required for Susie to recover from all these operations. This meant that, even though her world was turning cloudier and dimmer, and a life without light lay ahead, there just wasn't



MR. JIMMY guides Susie's fingertips over dots and points. Sightless child is a patient at March of Dimes Birth Defects Center, Vanderbilt University Hospital, Nashville.

time to learn Braille during those long stays at the March of Dimes Center.

You could stretch a point though, and say that Susie is blessed in one way. She was not born blind, and at one time learned the alphabet as do normal children. She could read a little, too. This has now made memorizing Braille characters a less tearful occasion when Mr. Jimmy comes to teach Susie every Tuesday and Thursday.

She is blessed in still another way, which explains how Mr. Jimmy gets into the story. Susie is very firm and determined about learning the language of the sightless, and "reading" it swiftly. The decision was hers alone. All this relates back to its taking so long for her family to read about "The Three Musketeers" and "Alice in Wonderland" and the other stories.

Mr. Jimmy, otherwise James J. McCormack, is himself sightless. He is a professional Braille instructor provided Susie by

those county people downtown. To Susie, he's apparently also a very comical fellow who is always telling jokes that no one can understand. The two of them sit there quietly on the sofa, the lanky Mr. Jimmy with one arm around Susie to support her, and the books of Braille on his knees as he guides Susie's fingertips over the dots and points on the big page.

Then abruptly the two of them burst into gales of laughter which go unexplained to any one else in the house on Penlock Avenue. No doubt some private joke to be relished only by those who cannot see.

"Susie promised me a Christmas present," Mr. Jimmy says. "It took her four weeks to wrap it up pretty, but she had it all ready for me Christmas Eve when I came by for our lesson. In the short period of time—a stunning record for a child—Susie had memorized the alphabet we people must live by."

## STITH NEWS

By MRS. FRITZ HALE



Stith Community received a good rain Monday last week and a light snow Saturday.

There was good attendance at Game Night held at the Stith

Community Center Saturday night. Sandwiches, pies, coffee and cold drinks were sold and cakes were auctioned off. All proceeds went to the "March of Dimes."

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning had supper Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Browning and children of Tuscola.

Mr. and Mrs. Babe Tarpley, Ghrona and Buster visited Sunday with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Gregory in Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Buchhofer, Jo Ann and Suzie of Denton spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Potts of Anson visited Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones Saturday night.

Raford Pack of Merkel visited Rodney Mashburn Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Holt visited Mr. and Mrs. Benny Hobbs last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Ely and children visited her father, Mr. Bond in Eastland Hospital Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn visited her mother, Mrs. John Shaw in Hawley Sunday.

Mary Lou Fincher and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tarpley of Abilene

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visited Mr. and Mrs. Babe Tarpley last week.

Ghrona Tarpley spent Friday night with Ann Carson of Merkel.

Mrs. James Williams was on the sick list last week. She is feeling better.

## Merkel Bridge Winners Named

Winners of the Fractional Master Point Session held at Taylor Electric Coop Thursday night were:

1st — Mrs. Roy Dalziel and Max Murrell of Merkel.

2nd — Janice Russell and Mrs. Jo Fulton of Merkel.

3rd — Mrs. W. T. Sadler and Belle Kimbrough of Merkel.

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**NOODLE NEWS**  
By SIMMONS CALLAWAY

Visitors Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ike Vancil were Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Ashley and children from Big Spring, and her mother, Mrs. Rogers of Noodle.

Daren Sue and Gary Don Putman were week end visitors in the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Oran Putman. The grandparents took them home Sunday afternoon to Sweetwater. Noodle shivered awhile Saturday morning while it was snow-

ing, but it sure didn't last long, because when the sun came up the snow melted faster than it fell.

Sara Wheeler of Crane spent the week end at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Wheeler. Mrs. Wheeler is having quite a bit of trouble with her back.

Minister and Mrs. Norman Hogan and Ann were dinner guests with Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Best and boys Sunday.

Mrs. Karl Bonneaux drove to Milsap Sunday morning after getting a call from her sister, Mrs. Cliff Barnwell, that she and Mr. Barnwell were both down with the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Womack and children went to church at Hawley and visited with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lantrip after church.

Several from here attended the funeral of W. O. McGinnis in Anson Tuesday evening of last week and of Mrs. Lum Gilbreath in Merkel Thursday evening.

Mrs. Bill Lantrip and Mrs. Caroline McRight visited Mr. and Mrs. Edd Womack Saturday afternoon.

Guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dillard were Mr. and Mrs. Roger Stone.

Miss Joan Maxwell of Fort Worth, spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Elsa Maxwell.

Mrs. Zenobia Lucas and Mr. Joe Spann of Abilene ate dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway.



New design in mail boxes is tested out by Tyler Abell, Assistant Postmaster General. Experimental models in aluminum and stainless steel are lighter, better protected against vandalism and less costly to maintain.

Duncan, Okla. this past week end. Willie B. Toombs has just returned from a business trip in Mt. Pleasant this past week end.

Mrs. Ada Demere visited her relatives in Sweetwater over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Honea of Anson were visitors in the home of their cousin, Mrs. N. L. McLeod over the week end.

Mr. Byron Patterson and Mr. and Mrs. Claud Dye of Greenville were visitors in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Patterson over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Mayfield of Abilene visited his mother, Mrs. J. W. Mayfield this week end.

Mrs. Bill Springer and Mrs. Joe Mason of Abilene were house guests of their mother, Mrs. N. L. McLeod over the week end.

Mrs. Josie Johnson of Irving was a house guest of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Tolver this week end.

Also visiting Mr. and Mrs. Tolver were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Tolver and children of Bronte, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Tolver and children of Rotan and Mr. Tommy Tolver of Pampa.

**LITTLE BADGER TRACKS**

The first and second grade classes of the Merkel Primary Building made 38 Valentine baskets filled with mints and candy, and presented them to the residents of the Starr Rest Home on Sunday, Feb. 14. The children that presented these baskets were Beverly Gilmore from Mrs. Pargaments room, Deborah Ragan of Mrs. Seymore's room and Jerri Stephan from Mrs. Wade's room. The receivers of the baskets were very pleased.

Students of the Merkel Elementary School will attend a Southern Assembly Program Thursday Feb. 25 in the school auditorium. The title of the program is "Tommy and his Alaskan Huskies." The program is said to be exciting, educational and entertaining. Parents are invited to attend.

A program of language arts in Merkel Elementary was discussed at a faculty meeting Monday, Feb. 15.

A faculty party will be held in the school cafeteria Monday, Feb. 22. The Merkel High School Teachers will host the party.

Preparation is under way for the Parent - Teacher Conference Association that will be held March 11 and 12.

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west of Hico, Oct. 29, 1964.

He reported the information to the Parks and Wildlife Department, Region II Office in Waco. The band number, date and place of kill was relayed to U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Washington, D.C.

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By MRS. T. J. AMASON  
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Mr. George Beard and children of Snyder were visitors this week end in the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Rosa Beard.

Mr. Joe Wayne Woodrum of ACC was a week end visitor in the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Woodrum.

Mrs. Lester Dorton Jr. and children, Todd, Revin and Kerry, of Victoria are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Windham.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Pack of Abilene were visitors in the home of his mother, Mrs. Hazel Pack over the week end. Also visiting Mrs. Hazel Pack was her mother in law, Mrs. Zella Pack of Stephenville.

Roger Moore, of Cisco Junior College was a visitor in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Moore and in the home of his grandmother, Mrs. R. E. Windham.

Mrs. R. L. East and Mrs. C. W. McCall of Abilene, were visitors in the home of their father, Mr. Grover Blair this week end. Mr. L. J. Toombs of Abilene also visited Mr. Blair last week.

Mrs. J. H. Carson visited in the homes of her relatives in

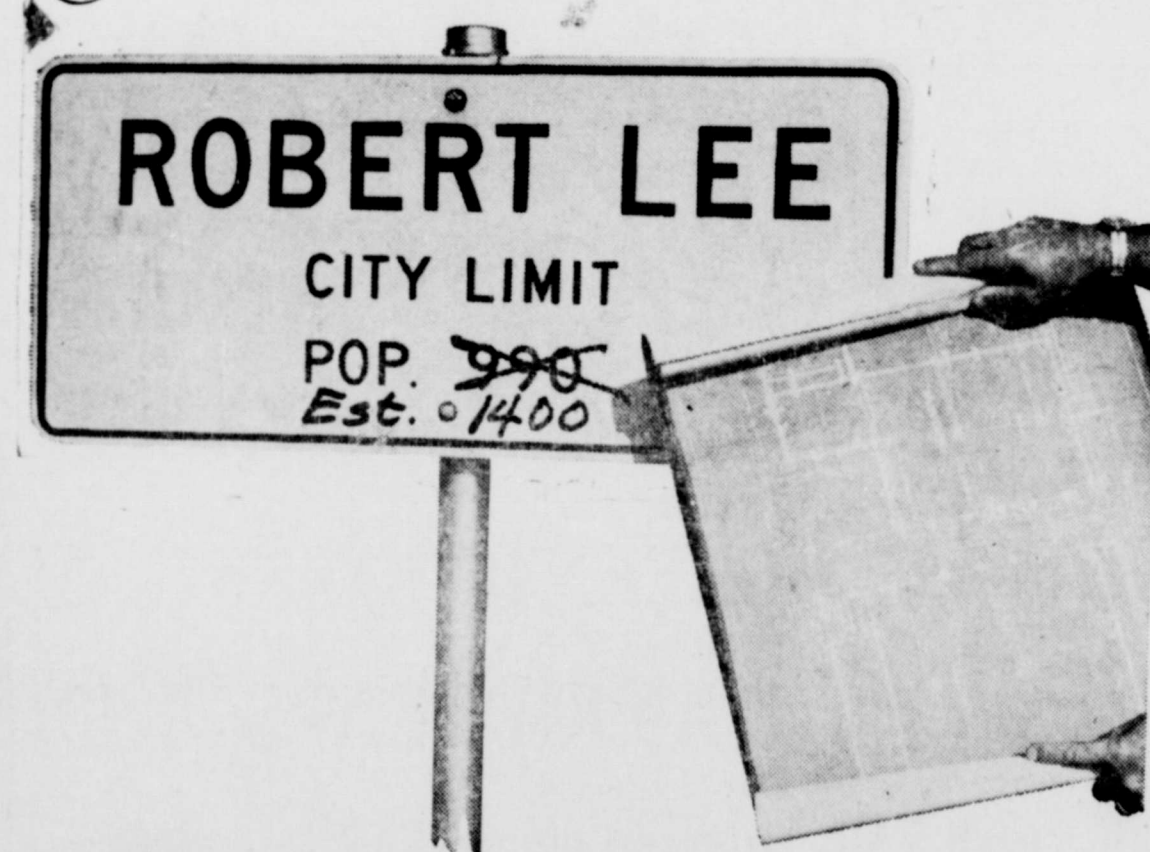
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