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**Up  
The  
Canyon**  
By TOM  
RUSSOM

We haven't got that rain yet and our area is dry on top of the ground. Small grain is beginning to show the need for rain. And farmers are pretty well caught up until rain comes.

The Seymore Brothers are planning to graze a good bit of their wheat with their cattle and will try to get some early calves off.

Mrs. P. R. Floyd has been on the sick list the last few days with the flu.

Recently we were paying a visit to the old Ranch Place of Uncle Allen Cook. His son Louis was showing us around the place. Louis let us have two of uncle Allen's diaries to look over. And in them were some very interesting things.

We found he was a very busy man.

Mr. Cook wrote every day of the things that were going on around the place. He told about making a trip to the Gulf of Mexico in 1937 and said it was their first trip there. He said he enjoyed it.

You can visit the old Cook Ranch Headquarters now and see some of the native rock ledges he fixed while in his early nineties. Mr. Cook described some of the sheep shearing. He told of having an 11 - drop shearing machine at one time. Price for shearing was 10 cents per head. Now shearing is costing stockmen 35 cents per head and shearing machines are small with four drops or four shears.

Mr. Cook also wrote about making a trade with his dentist to make him a set of teeth for \$35 and pull his old ones free. He mentioned his many good friends who stopped by to pay him visits. He had many fine friends and I recall many times I would join them in dropping by.

Mr. Cook told in one place about attending the Old Settlers Reunion at Buffalo Gap and some 7,000 persons were there. That was the year 1937. He also wrote of attending the rodeo at Merkel and at one time his son Louis won the new saddle as the number one prize in the calf roping contest.

The businessmen of Merkel sponsored that rodeo which was an outstanding event in this part of West Texas.

I want to say "thanks" to Louis Cook for letting me have these diaries. Thanks for the pleasant memories.

The diary described the purchase of a new suit from Dee Grimes for \$23.50 in 1937. How well do we remember the late Dee Grimes. So loved by everyone.

One more thing that Mr. Cook wrote was about a stack of bundle feed he and his son stacked. It was 50 feet long, nine feet wide and 12 feet high. That was a real high stack in those days and would feed a lot of livestock.

I was a visitor many times at the Cook Ranch, having at that time an uncle living there. He was John Makey, now living at Electra, Texas.

Mr. Cook passed away some three or four years ago. He was almost 100 years old.

We are planning to write a story about old Nubia one of these days. One time it was a thriving little West Texas town. Anyone that would like to have a part in writing the history of that town please send it to me. We plan to write the story next week so send your history to us as soon as you can. We would like to know more about merchants and people who lived there.

## EIGHT SCHOOLS TO PARTICIPATE IN LEAGUE EVENTS

Students from eight District 6-A schools will be in Merkel Saturday, March 26, for participation in the Texas Interscholastic League events hosted by the Merkel Public Schools.

Participating schools are Coahoma, Roby, Roscoe, Rotan, Aspermont, Wylie, Jim Ned and Merkel.

### Tommy South Honored at Tech

Two honors have been announced for Tommy South for his work at Texas A&M University at Lubbock.

On March 19 he was given the honor of being initiated into Phi Eta Sigma, the scholastic honor society for men at Texas Tech.

James G. Allen, faculty advisor, said this honor was for men "who during their freshman year have distinguished themselves for scholarship."

South will also be recognized at the annual All College Recognition service.

Recognition service is the occasion on which the college pays tribute to those of its students who during the preceding two regular semesters have contributed with distinction to the college in the fields of scholarship and leadership.

## OPTIMIST CLUB HONORS 'NOMINEES'

Four Merkel area young men were honored at a special meeting of the Merkel Optimist Club Friday, March 18.

The four "Young Texan" nominees honored were John Hardesty, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hardesty of Merkel; Hayden Griffin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Odis Griffin of Merkel; Ricky McMurray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clovis McMurray of Trent and Jerry Shafer, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Shafer of Trent.

Hardesty is a freshman at the University of Texas and McMurray is a freshman at Texas A&M University. Shafer is a senior at Trent High School and Griffin is a senior at Merkel High School.

Leon Walker, principal of Merkel Elementary School, and District 6-A director, announced that a "directors, coaches and contestant meeting would be held at 8:30 Saturday morning, with contests beginning at 9 a.m." The meeting will be held in the Merkel School Auditorium.

High school events will be held in the high school buildings. Events include typing, shorthand, extemporaneous speech, persuasive speaking, debate, prose reading and poetry interpretation.

Also spelling and plain writing, ready writing, number sense, slide rule and science.

Events for the Elementary contests will be held in the Elementary Building. They are spelling and plain writing, ready writing, boys' declamation, girls' declamation, number sense, picture memory and story telling.

Truett Black, principal of the Jim Ned Elementary School, will assist with the elementary events and Edwin Read, principal of Merkel High School will assist in high school events.

The school accumulating the most points will be declared the winner of the meet. Winning contestants in the High School division will go to the Regional Meet, to be held in Lubbock in April.

## Five Men Seek Positions As City Commissioners



SEE OUR RIBBONS — Darel Bunch, left, and Scott Tarpley display their ribbons won in the recent Kite Derby contest held in Abilene. Both boys were from Den 2 of Pack 20. Darel placed second in his age group, and Scott, first in the eight year old competition. (Staff Photo)

## ELECTION SLATED AT COMMUNITY CEN.

Five men have entered the sudden - death Merkel city election.

One of the five is an incumbent. Those who have announced that

they will be candidates for Merkel city commissioners are:

- Clyde Wurst
  - Bobby DuBose
  - Royce Hardy
  - Horace Hargrove
  - George West.
- Wurst, salvage and repair shop owner, is an incumbent.  
DuBose runs the Mobil Service Station at 1210 North 1st St.  
Hardy owns Hardy's Grocery, 1414 North 1st.  
Hargrove is Taylor Electric Cooperative assistant manager.  
West owns West Laundry at 210 Kent.

## Merkel Boys Win Ribbons in Kite Derby Contest

Two Merkel boys won honors recently in the annual Kite Derby for Merkel area scouts. Both boys were from Den 2 of Pack 20.

Scott Tarpley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tarpley, won first place in competition of eight year old kite flyers.

Darel Bunch won second place in the nine year old group against other cubs of the Chisholm Trail Council. Darel is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bunch.

The Kite Derby event was held at the Abilene High School training field in Abilene. Judging of the Kite Derby was based on speed and stability of the homemade kites and also personal handling ability.

Accompanying the boys were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bunch, Mark Bunch, and Jerry Kinsey.

## District Deputy To Make Official Meeting March 24

Walter E. Alexander, district deputy of the 75th Masonic District will make his official visit to the Merkel Masonic Lodge Thursday, March 24.

Roy Mashburn, secretary of the Merkel lodge "urges all members to be present at the Lodge Hall at 7:30 p.m."

## NOTICE

Larry White, president of the Merkel Parent - Teachers Association announced "there would be no P-TA meeting for the month of March."

"The parent - teacher conferences, held earlier this month, were designed to take the place of our regular P-TA meeting," said White.

He said there would be a regular meeting scheduled for April.

## NEW PACT MADE FOR WATER LINE

Merkel City Council, at regular meeting Monday night, March 21, ratified an agreement worked out by Merkel Mayor Johnny Cox and Abilene City Manager H. C. Clifton recently, relative to building an "air - gap" in the water line from Abilene to Merkel. This is required by the Texas Health Department to prevent feeding back of any water that might be contaminated.

The water meter on this line is located 4,752 feet east of the pump station which at the time of the contract signing was outside the city limits of Abilene. Cost of the installation of the air-gap in the contract was to be at the expense of the City of Merkel. This cost plus \$2,500.00 for moving the meter would have raised Merkel's water by about .11 cents

until the entire cost was paid. The agreement, an amendment to the water contract signed in July 1954, is for Merkel to exchange the 4,752' of 12 inch line east from the pump station to the meter for the building of the air - gap by and at the expense of the City of Abilene. The contract for this work is \$14,196.13 plus \$2,500 for moving the meter to the pump station. "This represents a saving, including interest to the City of Merkel of some \$20,000," said Mayor Cox. Even though in the city limits of Abilene, Merkel retains ownership of 6,100 feet of line to the city limits of Tye with the right to make taps to potential customers either north or south of the line while Abilene is excluded from making any taps on this line," said Cox.

## WORKSHOP SLATED FOR 4-H LEADERS

The Merkel Adult 4-H Leaders will host a Workshop at the Merkel School Cafeteria Monday, March 28. The Adult Leaders Workshop will include leaders from Taylor and Nolan counties, and will begin at 4 p.m.

Representatives from the Texas Agricultural Extension Service of A&M University will be present to explain techniques in compiling 4-H Record Books. They are Tom Davidson, assistant state 4-H Club Leader, Dr. Edward Schlutt, associate state - H Club Leader, and Miss Sheryllyn Bailey, rural civil defense specialist. Miss Bailey will discuss the 4-H duties of organizational leaders and subject matter leaders.

"A question and answer period will be held," said Mrs. Vincent Barnett, Merkel 4-H organizational leader. She asks that all adult leaders who have "questions concerning Record Books to feel free to ask them."

The Merkel Adult Leaders' Club will furnish the barbeque and beans for the supper, to be held at 6 p.m. in the school cafeteria, while other clubs of the area will furnish salad and dessert. The Taylor Electric Cooperative is furnishing the drinks and eating utensils.

## Little League To Meet Monday

A meeting to organize the 1966 Little League Program has been set for Monday, March 28, at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting will be held at the Taylor Telephone Cooperative Building.

Plans call for the election of officers and the selection of team managers. Parents are urged to attend.



YOUNG TEXAN NOMINEES — Congressman Omar Burleson stands with three of the four young men who were honored by the Merkel Optimist Club as Young Texan nominees. From left, are Jerry Shafer, Cong. Burleson, Hayden Griffin and John Hardesty. Not pictured is Ricky McMurray, who is attending Texas A&M University. (Staff Photo)

**THE FIZZLE FAMILY**



**LEGAL NOTICE**

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ton Subdivision; THENCE South 80 deg 38' East 54.54' to a point for corner; THENCE South 72 deg 36.5' West 3.8' to a point, and continuing in a Southwesterly direction which is South 84 deg 12' West 53' to a point for corner; THENCE North 9 deg 22' East 15.58' to the place of beginning, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date

of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this 15th day of February A.D. 1966.

Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,  
42nd District Court  
Taylor County, Texas.  
By Irene Crawford, Deputy.

52 4tc

**Crossword Puzzle**

**ACROSS**

- Female horse
- Merry
- Winter vehicle
- Baking chamber
- Monkey
- Marco—
- Leaned
- Feasible
- Inundated
- Squeeze
- Contended
- Color
- Inadequate
- Male child
- Fresh
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- Black bird wings
- Ireland: poet
- Depend
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**Answer to Puzzle**

**ACROSS**

15. Mare
16. Merry
17. Sleigh
18. Oven
19. Monkey
20. Marco
21. Leaned
22. Feasible
23. Flooded
24. Squeeze
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**Religious Review**

ATTEND CHURCH SUNDAY!

**GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Floyd G. Kinser, pastor

**SUNDAY**  
Sunday School ..... 10:00  
Worship Service ..... 8:30

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**  
Newton Daniel, pastor

**SUNDAY**  
Sunday School ..... 9:45  
Worship Service ..... 10:55  
Youth Meeting ..... 5:00  
Evening Worship ..... 7:00

**WEDNESDAY**  
Choir Practice ..... 8:00

**NEW LIVE OAK BAPTIST CHURCH**  
3rd and El Paso Streets  
Ronald Hudspeth, pastor

**SUNDAY**  
Sunday School ..... 10:00  
Worship Service ..... 11:00  
Training Union ..... 6:00  
Evening Service ..... 7:00

**MISSION BAPTISTA BETHEL**  
Juan Nix, pastor

**SUNDAY**  
Sunday School ..... 10 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11 a.m.  
Training Union ..... 6 p.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 7 p.m.

**JESUS NAME UNITED PENTACOSTAL CHURCH**  
Travis Starnes, pastor

**SUNDAY**  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 7:30 p.m.

**TUESDAY**  
Youth Service ..... 7:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY**  
Prayer Service ..... 7:30 p.m.

In Virginia a town called Northwest is in the extreme southeast corner of the state.

**CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
5th and Rannels  
John W. Emery, pastor

**SUNDAY MORNING**  
Sunday School ..... 10:00  
Worship Service ..... 11:00

**SUNDAY EVENING**  
Training Union ..... 6:45  
Worship Service ..... 7:30

**WEDNESDAY**  
Evening Service ..... 7:30

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
John Curtis, pastor

**SUNDAY**  
Sunday School ..... 9:45  
Preaching ..... 11:00  
Evening Preaching ..... 7:00

**WEDNESDAY**  
Mid-Week Evangelistic Service ..... 7:30  
Mid-Week Service ..... 7:30 p.m.  
Choir Practice ..... 8:30 p.m.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Dwight Holland, pastor

**SUNDAY**  
Bible School ..... 9:45  
Morning Worship ..... 10:55  
Evening Classes ..... 6:00  
Evening Worship ..... 6:45

**WEDNESDAY**  
Bible Classes ..... 8:00

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Bill Tanner, pastor

**SUNDAY**  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Radio Broadcast ..... 10:15 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 10:50 a.m.  
Radio Broadcast ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Youth Choir ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Training Union ..... 6:30 p.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 7:30 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY**  
Women's Missionary Society ..... 9:30 a.m.

**Stith News**

By MRS.

FRITZ HALE



Mrs. F. J. McDonald and George Roy Kelso entered Hendrick Memorial Hospital last week.

Mrs. G. C. Bond is improving in an Eastland hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale visited in Anson Wednesday with Mrs. E. B. Newton.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Ely attended the funeral of Mr. N. B. Head at Sweetwater Tuesday.

Mrs. Billy Dunagin and Mary visited Mrs. Ina Kelso at the Anson Care Home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ellison, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Garner of Abilene, and Ethel Canida of Croslyton visited the Fritz Hales Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley have bought the Childress' house and will be moving it to their place soon.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Bond spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Orval Ely.

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning are announcing the arrival of a great-granddaughter Connie Lynn, born in Hendrick Hospital Friday, March 18. Her parents are the Rev. and Mrs. Jack Bedford of Cottonwood.

Mrs. Stella Tarpley had surgery in Anson General Hospital last week. She is doing fine. Mr. and Mrs. Babe Tarpley and children visited her every day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Honea of Abilene visited Mrs. J. E. Swindell Sunday.

The Stith Community received half an inch of rain Wednesday night, March 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Ely and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Chappell in their new home in Caps last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Thomas and daughter, Mrs. Jimmy Elliott of Seymour, visited Mrs. J. E. Swindell and the Rev. and Mrs. Jess Swindell Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Swindell returned home with the Thomas' Thursday and visited until Saturday.

Mrs. Nora McDonald returned home Friday from Taft where she had been visiting for a month with her sons, Noel and Royce and their families. Mr. and Mrs. Vernon McDonald brought Mrs. McDonald home. The Vernon McDonalds were guests for dinner Saturday in the home of Mr. and

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**AJAX DETERGENT**  
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### MISCELLANEOUS

**FOR MONUMENTS and CEMETERY CURBING**  
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1404 Herring Dr.  
Merkel, Texas  
Phone 8-5565

**MASONIC MEETING**  
Stated Meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710 on 2nd Saturday and 4th Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome. Members urged to attend.

**D. C. HENDRICKS, W. M. ROY MASHBURN, Sec'y.**

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**WANTED** — Housekeeper who can drive car. Must have licenses. Call Mrs. Owens 928-6940. 2 2tc

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**KEEP** carpet cleaning problems small — use Blue Lustre wall to wall. Rent electric shampooer \$1.00. Bullock Hardware. Phone 8-5310. 3 tfc

**LOST** — Small Paint horse, south of Merkel. Brown, black and white. Call 928-6967. 2 2tc

### FOR RENT

**FOR RENT** — Rooms and furnished apartments. Bills paid. **MERKEL HOTEL**. Phone 8-7671. 46 tc

**FOR RENT** — Clean four room and bath house. Plumbed for electric washer. North FM Road 126 on bus line. Phone 928-5108. 44 tfc

**FOR RENT** — Unfurnished apartment. 2 bedroom, bath. 306 Locust. Phone 8-5713. Ray Wilson. 33 tfc

**FOR RENT** — Two bedroom furnished apartment, bills paid. Close to town. See Mrs. H. R. McKeever at Mack's Cleaners, or after 6:00. Call 928-5577. 1 3tc

**FOR RENT** — 3 bedroom house. Call Woodrow Patton, 928-5568. 2 2tc

**FOR RENT** — Furnished two bedroom garage apartment. Merkel Swimming Pool. Call after 5 p.m. 928-5676. 3tfc

**FOR RENT** — Unfurnished two bedroom rock house. Fenced. Call Mrs. E. B. Barnes, 928-5236. 3 2 tp

### FOR SALE

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## KEEPING TAB ON MERKELITES AND AREA RESIDENTS

By JACKIE DOAN

A nice lady called in this news item she took from the Panola County Watchman, which might be of interest to some of you. A Bowie County cattleman found a freak calf born on his ranch. It has one head, but two mouths. Each mouth has a tongue and a full set of teeth. It has two ears, one nose, but three eyes. The eyes all work from the same nerve system, when one blinks they all blink. Both tongues work at the same time, too. The men pulled three teeth from the front mouth to feed the calf. — And we think we have problems!

Texas Tech sophomore Larry Howard was honored at Tech's annual awards banquet for students of German and Russian. Larry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Howard, received a certificate of merit from the American Association of Teachers of German for achievement in second year German.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Anderson and son Max, of Munday, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. McElmurry, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Petty are the parents of a new son, Brian Scott, born March 16 at Hendrick Hospital, Abilene. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Chester McWilliams and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Petty of Merkel.

Del Davis, senior, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Davis, and Larry

Seymore, junior, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Seymore, made the Dean's Honor Roll for the fall semester at Abilene Christian College.

Miss Sharon Reeve, a McMurry College student, was also selected to be on the Dean's List for the fall semester. To be on the Dean's List at McMurry, a student must have a grade-point average of at least 3.5 or B plus average, and be in the top ten per cent of the student body. Sharon is the daughter of Mrs. Fay Reeve of Friona and granddaughter of Mrs. J. S. Pinckley of Merkel.

Mrs. John Oliver underwent surgery at St. Ann Hospital the first part of last week, and came home Sunday. She is reported to be "feeling fine."

Mrs. C. P. Stevens was surprised Sunday with a visit from Mrs. Orna Clark of Abilene. Mrs. Clark also presented Mrs. Stevens a fifty year pin for charter membership in the Royal Neighbors.

Coach Wayne Tipton's Gruver Greyhounds captured the Class A State Basketball Title at Austin. Upon their return home, the people of Gruver presented the Tipton's with a new car. Attending the Austin games were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Tipton, Merkel, and Mrs. Wayne Tipton and Gary, of Gruver.

Mrs. J. D. Reddin was honored recently with a surprise birthday dinner given by her friends and nieces. The dinner was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Lingham of Clyde. Mrs. Lingham is Mrs. Reddin's niece. Approximately twenty friends attended the party.

### CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank all the wonderful friends and neighbors who have been so good to us in the illness and death of our loved one. You have shown your love and interest in so many ways. We will always be grateful for your love and concern.  
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## LITTLE BADGER TRACKS

By RANDY DOAN

Students representing Merkel Elementary in the Number Sense Contest of the Interscholastic League are Dennis Kinsey, Scotty Higgins and Helen Hernandez. These three eighth-grade students earned the right to represent our school by making the highest average score over a period of three weeks. Ricky Jernigan was chosen as the first alternate.

Gail Gentry and John Dixon were selected as the Ready Writing contestants to represent Merkel Elementary in the League. The alternate chosen was Keith Reeger. All three are seventh grade students and were chosen on the basis of skill shown in several written papers over the past three weeks.  
Representatives of Merkel El-

ementary in the spelling and plain writing division of the contest are Paul Thames, Kenny Jernigan and Lyn Hunter.

The Merkel Junior Badgers and Badgerettes will hold a track meet Thursday afternoon, March 24, starting at 3:30 p.m. at the Badger Stadium. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Merkel Junior High School Band will go to Cisco Saturday, March 26, to play in the Cisco Band Festival.

The 1966 Badgerettes are in and there are still a few copies that may be purchased for \$1.75. They may be bought in the Elementary building office.



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# BADGER TALES

By DEBI CORDER

The second six weeks of the second semester has started and school has settled back into the usual "rut". This "rut" isn't always as comforting as it might seem. Sometimes we feel as if we are drowning — going down for the last time. I hope for the sake of everyone that they can swim better than I. It isn't that school is getting unbearable, it is just the fact that it has been going on for so long. Already, everyone is looking forward to summer — the only ray of hope in a dark classroom.

The Interscholastic League students are all preparing for their various activities. First hand report is that those in the play are really having fun, especially Judy Agnew and Dick White. They are husband and wife "to be." They say they are going to win district and go to state with the play.

If you hear anyone comment that kids don't really have much to do these days, do anything, but don't take them seriously. The kids at Merkel High School have plenty to do — so you need not worry about it.

Since there are only two more six week periods left before summer vacation, there is plenty of activity going on and it will con-



tinue for awhile. For instance, the junior plays were held last Thursday. As always, they were good, especially Kathy Derrington. I now realize and sympathize with her when she complains.

Last Friday the student body assembled in the auditorium to be proudly presented a flag, which had flown over the White House. It was presented by our Congressman Omar Burleson. He gave a short talk stating he remembered the fun he used to have in Merkel when he was a boy. Everyday a different flag is flown over the White House and periodically they send them to different schools over the country. Even though it had flown just one day over the White House we still felt privileged because this was the first time for the Merkel Schools to receive one.

It has been decided that Merkel High School either needs a couple of detectives or a safety lock box for Coach Tate. A few weeks ago he misplaced his keys which included quite a few. And then last Monday he couldn't find his grade book, which of course was probably misplaced by some poor, desperate, failing soul. If this grade book bit continues, I see no reason why all the teachers shouldn't dispose of theirs.

The homemaking girls have been having a lot of fun recently learning to cut up chicken. You couldn't tell what the different pieces were, but it tasted all right. Vickie Doan got a little nauseated when she cut up hers and we all thought we would never see her again. Suzanne Howard used all her imagination when she fixed a centerpiece made of lettuce and radishes.

## Sharon Casady, Kenneth Ray Wed

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Don Ray are at home at 810 Brickhaven in Merkel after their marriage at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Buster Thompson Wednesday, March 16.

Ray is a student at McMurry College and a graduate of Merkel High School.

The bride is the former Sharon Sue Casady, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Casady, Route 2, Merkel.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ray of Route 2, Merkel.

The Rev. R. P. Hudspeth, minister of the New Live Oak church, officiated.

The bride, given in marriage by her step-father, wore a white suit with a pearl on satin crown and a veil of illusion. She carried a feathered carnation on a white Bible.

Maid of honor was Karan Ray, sister of the bridegroom. She wore a yellow suit and carried a white carnation.

Best man was Billy Riley of Coleman.

# LIVESTOCK PROFIT NOTEBOOK

## HOW TO KEEP MASTITIS FROM REDUCING DAIRY PROFITS

With dairymen losing an average of \$20 per year from each of the estimated one in four cows that is afflicted with mastitis, nationwide attention is being focused more closely than ever before on more effective ways to reduce, and hopefully eventually eliminate this dread disease.

This is no easy task. Many different types of bacteria can cause mastitis. They are always present in the cow's body, ready to strike. Some cows are chronic carriers. Elimination from the herd is the only solution to the problem these animals pose. In most cases, however, occasional flare-ups of mastitis occur when the cow's natural resistance has been lowered by stress conditions or injury.

The best way to avoid an outbreak of mastitis is to maintain a continuous management and sanitation program as prescribed by local veterinarians.

Should a case of mastitis appear, however, dairymen have a powerful new ally to rely on in their fight to control it quickly. Aureomycin Neo Mastitis Suspension, recently introduced by American Cyanamid Company, is the only mastitis product which contains "Good as Gold" Aureomycin, the broadest-spectrum antibiotic bacteria fighter known.

Extensive tests by the manufacturer show that this potent product assures farmers of fast-acting, non-irritating control of mastitis, especially infection caused by stubborn staphylococcus or streptococcus bacteria.

Once the disease is checked, it is most important to prevent further loss by providing animals with ample clean bedding, cleaning and disinfecting living quarters regularly, inspecting milking machines periodically for mechanical faults, thoroughly washing and disinfecting hands, machines, and teats before and after each milking, and maintaining a frequent check to detect infection at the earliest possible moment, authorities point out.



# NOODLE NEWS

By SIMMONS CALLAWAY

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Wheeler and daughter, Mrs. Garvis Tarpley and Collye, drove to Crane Saturday and visited Sara Wheeler. When they returned home Sunday evening, "Ole" Blacky had had her little new baby calf — which is number 17 for her — pretty good for a cow, eh!

Billy E. Tarpley, March AFB, Riverside, Calif., has been promoted from Captain to Major. His brother, Joe, stationed at Lackland AFB, has been promoted from Major to Lt. Colonel — all in less than a month.

Karl Bonneaux took Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway to San Angelo Sunday afternoon to see their daughter and son in law, David Sevey, who is critically ill. He will be taken to John Sealy Hospital in Galveston soon as they notify him to come.

Mrs. Callaway received word that she has a new great-grandson, Blaine, born to Keith and Freida McCormick of Lamesa. They have two other children, Bret and Diane.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Marshall, who live north of Noodle have had a little excitement on their farm since Friday evening. An old abandoned, capped oil well blew in, with water and mud at first, then by Saturday morning, there was some oil mixed with salt water. It had been 8 or ten years since it had been plugged.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Justice and children of San Angelo spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Justice and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Best and children of Coahoma, spent Friday night and Saturday with his brother Carol and family. Bill helped Carol build his carport and another room they are adding to their home.

Lorraine Voight of Abilene spent

## Development

### Bonds Sold To N.Y. Bank

The Texas Water Development Board has sold \$15,000,000 worth of development bonds to the First National City Bank of New York City and associates, the low bidders.

Effective interest rate was 3.5 per cent of the 25-year issue.

First National City Bank was one of five bidders for the bonds. This brings to \$85,000,000 the amount sold by the Board from an authorized total of \$200,000,000. Another \$200,000,000 authorization in water development bonds will be voted upon by Texans in November.

Bond money has been used to finance reservoir projects by the purchase of water storage space, and in the purchase of outstanding development bonds of Texas cities and water districts.

Hide of the boa constrictor, a South American snake, is used for making shoes.

the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Marshall.

Mrs. Clayton Dillard spent a couple of days in Hendrick Hospital, Abilene, for a check-up.

## Mrs. Richardson Attends Funeral

Mrs. W. G. Richardson of Merkel attended the funeral March 15 of her uncle, Mr. Virgil C. Davis at Littlefield. Mr. Davis was killed in a three-car collision Saturday, March 12, near Sterling City.

Funeral services were held in the First Baptist Church at Littlefield with the Rev. Robert Longshore, pastor, officiating. Burial was in the Littlefield Memorial Park Cemetery.

Survivors besides Mrs. Richardson, include five sons, one daughter, two sisters, nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

A building the size of the capitol at Austin could be seen on the moon with a large telescope.

## Mrs. Arnold's Father Buried At Lueders

John W. Scott, 71, a Lueders barber for 44 years, died Friday, March 11 in Stamford Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient three weeks.

Funeral services were held Saturday in the Lueders First Baptist Church with the Rev. Sam Elevins, pastor, and the Rev. Joel Grims, pastor of the Avoca First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Lueders Cemetery.

Born April 1, 1894 at Frost, Mr. Scott came to Lueders in 1902. In June, 1913, he married Harriet Risley at Lueders.

Survivors are his wife; a daughter, Mrs. Curly Arnold of Merkel; three sisters, Mrs. Stella Garrett of Brownwood, Mrs. Katy Burnett of Wichita Falls, and Mrs. Beatrice Harper of Fort Worth; three grandchildren and two-great-grandchildren.

## SIXTY-TWO ENTRIES IN CLUB'S EVENT

The Merkel Brushstomper's Club had 62 entries in their first riding event, held Saturday, Mar. 19 at the Merkel Arena. Guests were from the Dyess Riding Club and the Abilene Saddle Club.

Whitehead and Jarrett Pinkley.

Winners in the Barrel Races, listed first, second and third, were: 9 and under — Cindy Whisenhunt, Johnny Gray and Bart Whisenhunt.

10 through 12 — Pam Sandusky, Scott Wagner and Robbie Whitehead.

13 through 15 — Terry Wozencraft, Kathy Criswell, and Martha Cummins.

16 through 19 — Pat Bigby, Shirley Sandusky and Jean Read.

Open — Jarrett Pinkley, Della Henselee and Mary Boone.

Winners in the Flag Races, listed first, second and third were: 9 and under — Cindy Whisenhunt, Johnny Gray and Bart Whisenhunt.

10 through 12 — Robbie Whitehead, Pam Sandusky and Mark Williamson, tie; and Scott Wagner.

13 through 15 — Terry Wozencraft, Robbie Stalzer, Mary Stalzer and Robert Boyd, tie.

16 through 19 — Pat Bigby, Shirley Sandusky, John Read and Susie Vesella, tie.

Open — Dallas Henselee, Jarrett Pinkley and Mary Boone.

First, second and third place winners in Pole Bending were:

9 and under — Cindy Whisenhunt, Johnny Gray and Bart Whisenhunt.

10 through 12 — Pam Sandusky, Scott Wagner and Jeff Whisenhunt.

13 through 15 — Terry Wozencraft, Kathy Criswell and Mary Stalzer.

15 through 19 — Shirley Sandusky, Susie Veselka and Vicki Copeland.

Open — Howard Holt, Bob

## MHS 'Exe' With McMurry Band

ABILENE — David Hammond, a McMurry College student, will be with the McMurry College Indian Band when they make a five-day tour throughout Northwest Texas March 26 - 30. They will give performances in Quanah, Vernon, Childress, Memphis, Clarendon, Friona and Littlefield.

Dr. Raymond Fynum, well-known Texas bandmaster, will direct the musicians as they perform in schools and present their unique program of conducting an entire worship service in Methodist churches in Quanah and Vernon.

Hammond, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hammond, of 1001 S. 4th Street, Merkel, is a 1965 graduate of Merkel High School where he was a member of the band. At McMurry he is a freshman majoring in Physics.

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## DEMONSTRATIONS WERE PRESENTED BY MERKEL CLUB

The Merkel 4-H Club held their March Meeting at the Taylor Electric Cooperative building with Kathryn Criswell, president, presiding.

Jeri Stephan led the American Pledge and Lois Traweck led the 4-H Motto, Pledge and Prayer.

The group activity consisted of demonstration practices for the County Elimination.

Members who presented demonstrations on public speaking were Finley Barnett, Kathryn Criswell, Dianne Allen, Mary Johnson, Randy Bond, Cle Juan Douglas,

Christy Lucas, Melvin Parker and Dayna McAninch.

Civil Defense participants were Jan Beasley, Mary Jo Reddin, Debbie Fincher and Tonja McAninch.

A demonstration on "Money Management" was presented by Debbie Bowen.

Karlani Gamble and Lois Traweck presented their demonstra-

tion presented by Jerri Stephan.

Andy Stephen and Leslie Reddin presented a demonstration on Soil Sampling.

Fund Skits were presented by Beth Peachy, Dianna White, David Robertson, Gail Black, Linda Sanford, Vicki Robertson, Suzie Wilson, Debbie Martin and Billy Black.

## THD CONTINUES STUDY OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

AUSTIN — The Texas Highway Department revealed today that it will spend almost \$311 million as part of a continuing four-year war on traffic accidents.

The Department released an "inventory of hazardous locations" in its 25 districts. Construction projects have been programmed for 664 hazardous highway locations listed in the inventory.

Estimated cost for correcting the danger spots on highways in all parts of the state is \$310,924,190. Of this an estimated \$179.3 million will be state funds and \$131.6 million will be federal funds.

Federal funds for participation in the program are derived from special taxes on highway users.

Typical projects listed by the bureau offer wide latitude. They include the widening of narrow bridges and traffic lanes, recon-

struction to increase sight distances on horizontal and vertical curves and installation of railroad crossing warning devices, traffic control devices including pavement markings, highway lighting, guardrails and fencing.

State Highway Engineer D. C. Greer stressed that new projects will be added to the program as additional hazards are spotted.

## Ohlhausen Buys J. D. Bradley Welding Service

Tom Ohlhausen has recently bought the J. D. Bradley Service, located on Interstate 20. The business will be known as T. O. Industries.

T. O. Industries has installed portable welders and a winch truck and trailer to "take care of all types of field work." Ohlhausen plans to "carry a large enough stock to handle most needs of the community."

Ohlhausen, a native of Taylor County, attended school at Wylie, spent nine years in the Air Force and three years as a welding and dirt moving contractor in Alaska. "We definitely like Texas best," was Ohlhausen's answer to why he left Alaska.

Ohlhausen has had experience with farming and ranching. He was Farm and Ranch manager with Agri-Business Co. in Abilene, and is treasurer of the Taylor County Young Farmers organization.

A member of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce, he and his wife, Lucille, and four daughters live at 1711 So. 3rd Street.

## Medicare Director Named by Board

(Special to The Merkel Mail)  
AUSTIN — Permanent directors of major state health department programs involving medicare and tuberculosis control were announced Monday by Dr. J. E. Peavy, state health commissioner, and the state board of health.

Dr. R. C. Jordan, an Austin physician, was appointed director of medical care administration services (medicare).

Dr. Albert C. Randall, director of the Cameron and Hidalgo County Health Departments, was named director of the state's consolidated tuberculosis control services.

Dr. Robert B. Skinner, manager of the Colorado Department of Health and Hospitals, was named director of tuberculosis hospitals within the framework of the new tuberculosis control services.

Board Chairman Dr. Hampton C. Robinson of Houston said all three appointees have "the full confidence of this board as they undertake their vital assignments."

## U.S. BUSINESS FAILURES

NEW YORK — There were 13,501 business failures in the United States in 1964, according to the Insurance Information Institute. The average dollar lost per failure reached an all-time high of \$90,454.

Mr. and Mrs. Babe Tarpley and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Troy Gregory in Colorado City Sunday, March 18. Gaston Gregory of Big Spring met them there.

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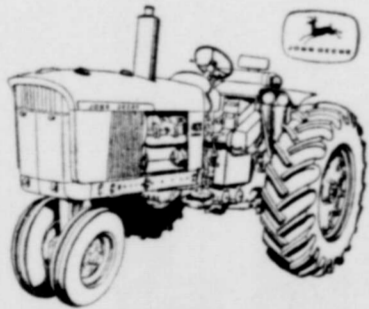
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## MERKEL GARDEN CLUB HEARS TALK ON 'CARE OF PARKS'

Members and guests of the Merkel Garden Club were "urged to wage war on ugliness by doubling efforts to keep parks and highways clean."

"You are throwing your future parks away," said club member Mrs. Dale Litton, "when you throw Kleenex, paper and wrappings on the park grounds." She explained that all parks had refuse containers whereby waste could be placed and that all parks could be kept clean and inviting if the containers are used.

The meeting was held in the home of Mrs. R. M. Ferguson Thursday, March 17, with the theme being "Happiness Is Growing Things."

Mrs. Litton introduced Mrs. O. Hillyard of Abilene, and a National Flower Show judge, who spoke on the Pelargonium (Geranium), and its propagation, care and grooming, stating that "there are 4,000 different varieties on the market today."

Mrs. Hillyard explained that in propagating geraniums one needs to "break off a terminal branch, strip all but a few leaves, dip stems in rooting compound and root in small pots. After stem

is rooted, they may be transplanted to larger space."

The club meeting was concluded with a trip to Mrs. Jarrett Williams' home where places were chosen for the April 23 Plantment Show.

## Soil-Saving Tour Planned by Board

The regular meeting of the Middle Clear Fork Conservation Board met Monday, March 7 in Abilene to formulate plans for the Over Burleson Tour in April. Board members attending were H. E. (Saud) McLeod, Trent, Robert Manley, Billy Miller, Joe Antilley and Arneal Scott, Conservation representative.

The tour, set for Monday, April 11, will begin at the Joe Antilley Ranch, in the Wylie Community. The next stop will be at the Bobby Gene Brown Ranch, near Tye, and the Dusty Rhodes Ranch, south of Merkel, will follow, with the tour ending at the Frank Antilley Ranch in the Shep community.

A luncheon will be served at



SO MUCH TO TASTE—Were the comments of members and guests at the Fortnightly Study Club's Tasting Tea held recently in Miss Christine Collins' home. "Sampling" the various dishes brought by club members are, from left, club president, Mrs. J. Lynn Knight; Mrs. Mack Davis, Mrs. Ray Wilson, Mrs. Ben Neel, and Mrs. Jarrett Williams. (Staff Photo)

the Dusty Rhodes Ranch, provided by the Trull Conservation Contractors, Abilene, and the Dorman Seed Co., of Lubbock.

"This is an annual tour," said representative Scott, "and is always conducted the first Monday after Easter — barring bad weather."

## Texas Girls' Choir Sponsors Contest

A piano contest, sponsored by the Texas Girls' Choir will be held in Fort Worth April 15, 16 and 17.

This is the first year for the contest and girls age 8 through 14 living anywhere in Texas, are eligible to enter said Mrs. Shirley Carter, founder and executive of the Girls' Choir.

Mrs. Carter said that all contestants must be registered by mail, post marked by April 1, 1966. First place winner will appear as guest soloist on the Texas Girls' Choir Concert to be held May 17.

Second place winner will receive a trophy and \$10.00, third place winner, trophy and \$5.00, and fourth and fifth place winners will receive an honorable mention ribbon.

Information concerning this contest, may be obtained by writ-

ing Piano Contest, 3341 Edith Lane, Fort Worth, Texas.

## Matron-Patron Club Meets, Elects Officers

The Past Matrons and Patrons Club met for its regular monthly meeting in the home of Florence Berry, with the president, Onida Reid, presiding.

Devotional was given by Mrs.

Estelle Humphreys, with Mrs. Mae Seago leading the prayer.

Officers elected for the year were Mrs. Onida Reid, president; Mrs. Una Mae Hays, vice president; Mrs. Fern Windham, secretary - treasurer; Mrs. Belvie Butler, chaplain and Mrs. Florence Berry, reporter.

Members and visitors attending were Meses. Alpha Miller, Jewell Dunagin, Hays, Ford Butman, Humphreys, Seago, Vennie Green, Berry, Viola Ensminger and Butler.

Also Meses. Wilma Robertson, Ruth Hammmonds, Anna Bell House, Lena Dunagan and Allie Butman.

## LEGAL NOTICE

TAX RENDITION'S, 1966

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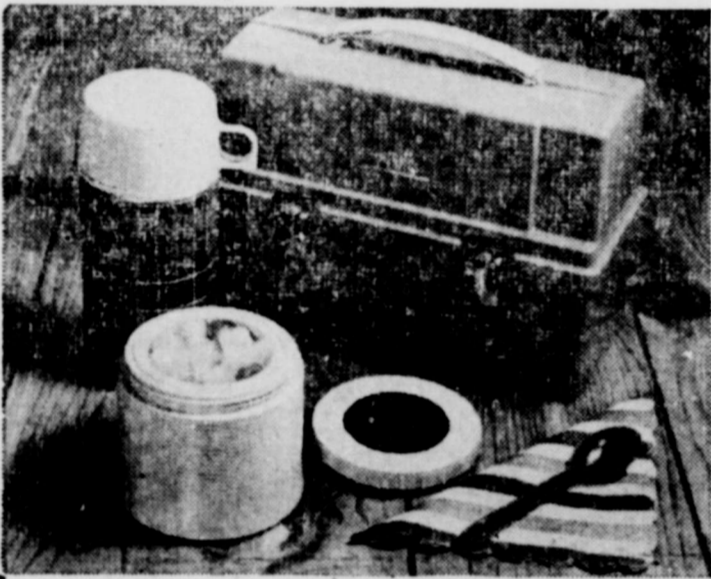
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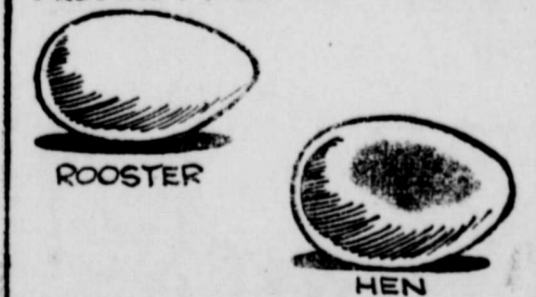
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## TELL ME

CAN ONE TELL IF AN EGG WILL PRODUCE A HEN OR A ROOSTER?



YES! ROOSTER EGGS ARE POINTED... HEN EGGS HAVE A ROUNDED TIP!

OUT WEST, THERE ARE MANY PETRIFIED FORESTS! IS PETRIFIED WOOD... WOOD THAT RESEMBLES ROCK... OR ROCK THAT LOOKS LIKE WOOD?



IT IS ACTUALLY ROCK THAT LOOKS LIKE WOOD! WATER, PERCOLATING FOR CENTURIES REPLACED ALL THE WOOD FIBRE WITH ROCK... THUS TRANSFORMING IT INTO ACTUAL STONE!

WHAT IS THE BASIC DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PASTE AND GLUE?



PASTE IS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN... (STARCH)! GLUE IS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN... (GELATINOUS SUBSTANCE)

DO FISH USE THEIR TEETH FOR CHEWING FOOD?



NO! THEIR TEETH MERELY SERVE AS ORGANS FOR THE GRASPING AND RETENTION OF FOOD!

## Club Members To Pick Up Recipes

Jaycee Wives are still accepting recipes for the Cookbook to be published in April.

Club members, Mrs. Marilyn Giles, Mrs. Sheryl Smith and Mrs. Judy Gee ask that "anyone who has a recipe for the cook-

book to give them a call and they will pick up the recipe."

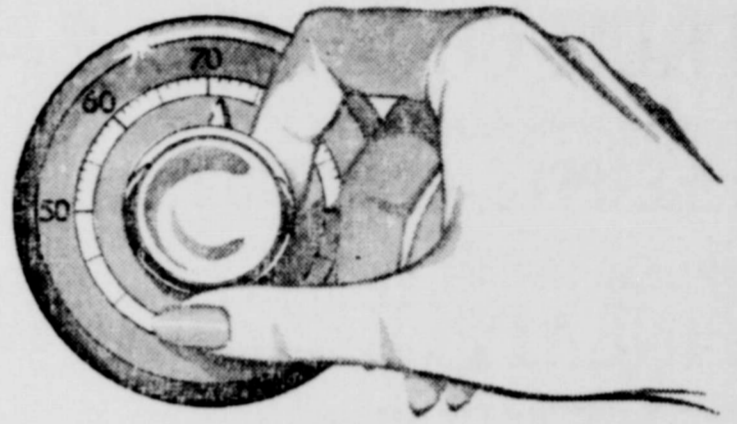
"We will come to your home for the recipes if you will call us," said Mrs. Giles.

Mrs. Giles telephone number is 928-5344, Mrs. Smith's number is 928-5897, and Mrs. Judy Gee, 928-5471.

The club still needs recipes from the meat and poultry, pickles, breads, and jam categories.

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