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ACTIVITIES BREWING FOR HOMECOMING

Let's have a parade! And that is what's going to happen Saturday, Oct. 1 at 2 p.m.

The parade is occasioned by Merkel's 1966 Homecoming activities and will (at press time) feature the Merkel High School Band, Trent's High School Band, the McMurry Calliope and various floats and individual participants. Waymon Adcock heads the parade planning for this year.

Homecoming activities are scheduled to begin at 8 a.m. with registration.

"Registration and business meet-

ing will be conducted at the Toler Electric building on North 2nd and Edwards," said Homecoming president, Errol Rutledge. "One meeting site was agreed upon this year in order to keep as many activities as possible under one roof."

Registration fee will be seventy five cents and this will entitle exes and their families to a free barbecue dinner to be held at the Merkel High School Cafeteria from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. "There will be an extra charge for the dinner for non exes," said Rutledge.

The exes business meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. at which time will vote for Mr. X and Mrs. X (Coming Home Queen). The election of officers for the 1967-68 year will be held during the business meeting.

Candidates for Mr. X are Jarrett Pinckley, class of 1925, Robert Malone, class of 1935, and Bobby DuBose, class of 1949.

Mrs. X or Coming Home Queen candidates are Mrs. Jo Dell (June) Gregory, class of 1954, Mrs. Elsie Barbee, class of 1946, and Mrs. Horace (Fanelle) Boney, class of 1938.

Highlighting Merkel's 1966 Homecoming activities will be the Saturday night football game between the Badgers and the Coahoma Bulldogs at 8 p.m. at the Badger Stadium. Merkel High School's 1966 Homecoming Queen will be crowned at halftime activities.

1966 Homecoming officers assisting Rutledge are Lon McDonald, vice president, Mrs. Denzil Cox, secretary, Mrs. Bobbie DuBose, treasurer, and Mrs. Carol Britton, publicity.

Assembly of God To Begin Revival

A Revival will begin at the Assembly of God Church in Merkel Sunday, Sept. 25 and will continue for one week, according to the Rev. John Curtis, pastor.

Guest speaker will be Sammy Earp of Abilene. Mr. Earp is the son of the Rev. H. S. Earp, a former pastor of the Merkel Assembly of God Church.

Evening services will begin at 7:30 and "all are invited to attend."

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MERKEL'S BADGERS TO PLAY KNOX CITY IN FIRST HOME GAME

"We're learning more about football," said Bob Byerly, Merkel Badger head football coach, in discussing the Merkel and Baird football game to members of the Booster Club Monday evening, Sept. 19.

And in learning about football with Baird, the Merkel Badgers chalked up a score of 27-0 in a non conference game.

In continuing his philosophy of the Badgers learning football, Byerly said, "Our boys played a good game, the best by far. They made a lot of mistakes, but they displayed real good effort and did a good job. There has been a lot of experience gained since the game with Clyde."

Of the up coming game with Knox City this Friday, Sept. 23, at Badger Stadium, Byerly commented, "We're trying to get our boys in the frame of mind to play the best they can, regardless of where or whom they play. We want them to play their best."

In the Baird non conference game the Badgers displayed a well rounded attack for a 27 - 0

victory, with the Badgers starting their first scoring drive from their 30 late in the first quarter. Davis was the games leading rusher with 131 yards on 12 carries. He also marked up one TD with a 24 yard run up the middle.

Tate was the game's leading scorer, with two TD's both of which were set up by his passing.

The second Merkel score came after the Badgers took over on Baird's 24, after Bears' Bobby Vaughn's attempted boot was blocked. Two plays later, Nick Davis scored and Wade's kick was good for the 14 to 0 lead.

The third Badger score came late in the same quarter when Merkel found themselves deep in Baird territory and Ray Davis returned a punt 30 yards to the 20. Tate completed a toss to half-back Gaston Thomas at the 3. On the next play Tate went over for the score and Wade's kick was blocked, tagging the score at 21-0.

The final score came with about

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SUMMONING ALL MERKEL EXES — Mrs. Carol Britton, Homecoming publicity chairman, displays one of the many posters that will be placed in local stores "declaring all Exes to be present at the Oct. 1 Homecoming Activities." (Staff Photo)

PARKING HALTED IN BADGER FIELD

In order to protect the track recently constructed around the football playing field, public parking inside the football grounds has been discontinued, according to Mack Fisher, superintendent of Merkel Public School.

"For the benefit of some of our football fans who may not know it, the Merkel Booster Club used as its major project last year the construction of the track for the Badgers," said Fisher. "Members of the club donated over seven hundred dollars for the inside curbing and dirt work. Aid given by Joe Cypert, county commissioner, and the City of Merkel, plus financial assistance given by the coaches and the Badgers made the project possible."

The area along the north fence west of the ticket booth is being reserved as a parking area for the band buses. The Merkel TII class under the supervision of Alf

Walla, shop instructor, made parking signs showing the area reserved for school buses.

"The Merkel Badgers and the school officials sincerely hope that the public will understand why it was deemed necessary to discontinue inside parking," said Fisher.

Vehicle Bids Now Being Accepted

Bids are being accepted by the Merkel Post Office for the furnishing of a vehicle, according to Postmaster Wrenn Durham.

"The vehicle will be used, without driver, on an hourly or daily basis, for use in the city delivery service," said Durham. "It will average about two hours or 16 miles per day, except on Sunday and holidays when it not used."

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"Doors must be equipped with adequate locking device for the protection of the mail," added Durham. "It must be presentable in appearance and in good operating condition, and must meet safety standards, including seat belts for the driver's seat. A left-hand drive vehicle is preferred."

For further information and the forms for bidding, interested parties are asked to see the Postmaster at Merkel.

Cub Scout Pack 20

Monday, Sept. 26 marks the beginning of Cub Scout Pack 20 in a new season. Any boy eight to eleven years of age is eligible for Cub Scouts, and all the activities offered.

Parents of eligible boys are urged to "meet with their boys for enrollment at 7 p.m. at the Merkel Scout Hut, Monday, Sept. 26."

HOMECOMING SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 1

8 a.m. — Registration
10 a.m. — Business Meeting
2:30 p.m. — Downtown Parade and Pep Rally
5:30-7:30 p.m. — Free Barbecue at School Cafeteria
8 p.m. — Football Game at Badger Stadium After the Game — Coffee at School Cafeteria

Annual Meeting Set By Taylor Telephone

Business Meeting To Begin at 2 P.M.

John Hardesty, manager of Taylor Telephone Cooperative, Inc., will welcome members Tuesday, Sept. 27 to their 11th annual Membership Meeting, which will be held at 2 p.m. in the Merkel High School Auditorium.

"Four directors will be elected at this meeting," said Hardesty.

The four directors whose terms are expiring are Frank Antilley, Wingate; C. A. Fomby, Ovalo; Doyle Hefler, Lawn, and Jack Farmer, Clyde.

At a meeting held Aug. 10, the nominating committee "re-nominated the four retiring directors along with four others for each of the places." Nominated were L. C. Fuller Jr., Winters, with Antilley for place 6; Dick Atkins, Tuscola, with Fomby for place 7; Leo Norris, Lawn, with Hefler for place 8, and Winifred Gardner, Clyde, with Farmer for place 9.

Holdover directors are C. T. Myatt, president; W. C. Perkins, vice president; L. O. Huddleston, Troy Sloan and L. A. Lister.

"The meeting will begin at 2 p.m.," said Hardesty, "with registration. A business meeting will follow, and door prizes will be given."

Hardesty urged all members to attend this annual meeting.

Honor Society Elects Officers

Merkel High School's National Honor Society met Monday, Sept. 19 for the election of 1966-67 officers.

Officers elected are Ray Woodard, president; Liz Ragan, vice president; Sue Pinckley, secretary; treasurer; and Wynona Doan, reporter.

The chapter discussed plans and projects for the year.

P-TA KICK-OFF TONIGHT AT 7:30

The first 1966 - 67 meeting of Merkel's Parent - Teacher Association is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 22, at 7:30 p.m. at the High School Auditorium.

In announcing the meeting, PTA president, Larry White said that a "new feature will be presented to encourage membership attendance. A Parent Participation Trophy will be presented to a parent at each meeting. We have always appreciated the parent participation in our organization and this will be another way of expressing our thanks."

Mr. Jerry Richardson, Abilene, an instructor with the Dale Carnegie Course, will be guest speaker for the meeting. "Richardson has been a featured speaker throughout this area for many civic clubs," said White.

Mrs. E. L. Hewitt, PTA membership chairman announced that "September is membership month. An award of \$5 to the room in each building with the highest percentage of parents enrolled will be presented in November."

"Since the PTA is an organization that is dedicated toward the welfare of the child, school and community, all parents are urged to attend," said White.

1966-67 PTA officers, besides White and Mrs. Hewitt, are Mrs. Max Murrell, vice president; Mrs. Jane Fudge, secretary treasurer, and Mrs. Lavonne Bunch, publicity chairman.

Rev. Tanner "extends an invitation to all to attend these services."



WHAT IS IT? — Asks Mrs. Charles Toler in examining the oddity created by Jerold Salter of Jal, N. M. Jerold is a member of the Class of '48 and sister to Mrs. Carol Britton who has named the "ercature" Gwendolyn. "Gwen" will be on display at the Toler Electric building during Homecoming. (Staff Photo)

'67 MODELS FEATURE SAFETY EQUIPMENT

The new 1967 automobiles have been "viewed" by Merkel's local automobile dealers and all agree that "there are many added safety features." Durwood Owen, with Henry Owen Ford, who took a "first hand look" at the new Fords early in September says "there is no doubt that the new models not only have a dramatic new styling but they also ride and handle better, and even quieter than last year's cars." Owen also noted that the new models "have the greatest number of standard safety items in Ford Division's history."

Friday, Sept. 16 was the date the new 1967 Pontiacs were "unveiled" for Nolan Palmer, owner of Palmer Pontiac - Rambler, and sales manager Duane Shugart.

Says Murrell, "The 1967 models of Pontiac Motor Division represents a bold new approach in automotive styling combined with many new engineering features designed to increase the safety, comfort and convenience of driving."

"Choice with a capital 'C,'" was Max Murrell's comment concerning the new Chevrolet's viewed in Dallas Monday, Sept. 19. Murrell is owner of Max Murrell Chevrolet. Accompanying Murrell were sales representatives Larry White, Charles (Peck) Eager and F. H. Duncan.

Says Murrell, "The 48 new models offer an unparalleled variety of sizes, body styles, options and safety features. Many important new safety related product improvements are standard equipment on all 1967 Chevrolet's."

Rambler for '67 was viewed by dealer Nolan Palmer, earlier in September. Of the Rambler Palmer says "These new cars represent an entirely new product position for American Motors. All new styling with all new engineering have been combined with a major emphasis on safety in every model."

Dates for new car showings in Merkel are:
FORD at Henry Owen Ford, Friday, Sept. 30.
CHEVROLET at Max Murrell Chevrolet, Thursday, Sept. 29.
PONTIAC at Palmer Pontiac Rambler, Thursday, Sept. 29.
RAMBLER at Palmer Pontiac Rambler, Thursday, Oct. 6.

"Parents of beginners and high school band students are urged to attend this meeting," said club president, Joe McDuff.

"The meeting will be dismissed in time for members to attend the PTA meeting at 7:30."

Band Parents To Meet at 7

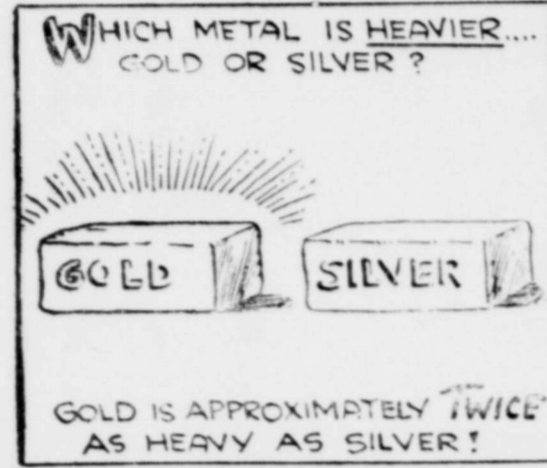
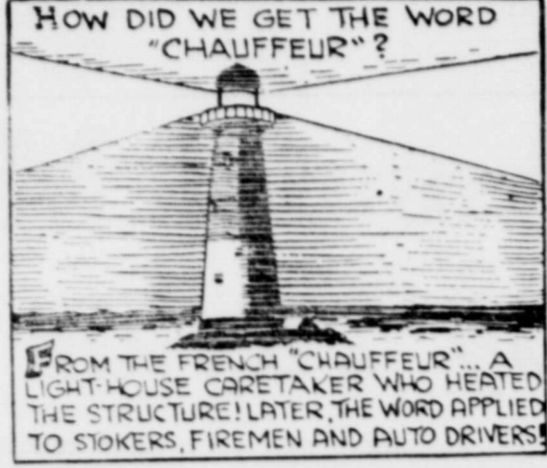
A meeting of the Merkel Band Parents will be held at the Band Hall tonight at 7 p.m.

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TELL ME



Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- Pulled
- Region
- Depart
- Estimate
- Colored
- Stage fronts
- Those against
- Books of Moses
- Cuban coin
- Mineral spring
- Step
- Printer's measure
- Prominent
- Tantalum: chem.
- Pungently
- Jewish month
- Small beards
- Pound: abbr.
- Roseate
- Norse war god
- Russian ruler
- Spare
- Investigation
- Mexican shawl
- Made less hot
- Service charges
- Blacksmith's block
- Mexican shawl
- Direction
- Act
- More capable
- Exclamation
- Strong alkaline
- Greek war god
- Pugilist
- Whirl
- Tried hard
- Mark with a name
- Brought up
- Dried grain stalk
- Not hollow
- Mimics
- Corn meal cake
- Suffix: highest degree
- Ill-bred person

DOWN

- Blow marks
- Apportion
- Nights before
- Marry
- Turkish title
- Enraptured
- Continent
- Greek assembly
- Flax cloth
- Decree
- Narrow strip
- African tree
- Ermine
- Little pie

Answer to Puzzle

18th District P-TA Workshop Slated Sept. 28

The 18th District P-TA Fall Leadership Workshop will be held in Aspermont Wednesday, Sept. 28, in the high school auditorium. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. The theme of the workshop is, "The P-TA at Work." Subjects will be:

- "B" Knowledgeable
- "B" Progressive
- "B" Alert
- "B" Wise
- "B" Diligent

"This workshop is in the interest of everyone and all members of P-TA in District 18 are urged to attend," said Mrs. D. R. Monson, publicity chairman. Coffee and doughnuts will be served by the Paducah hospital-ity committee.



Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

Stith received more rain last week. Everyone is now wishing for dry weather.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Clearly are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ira Stanley this week. The Clearlys have just returned to the States from Italy where they spent two years. Clearly is in the Air Force. Mrs. Stanley and Mrs. Clearly are sisters.

Mrs. A. M. Evans visited several days recently in Abilene, with her daughter, Mrs. Thelma Dedmon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hudson visited Mrs. Hudson's mother, Mrs. Jessie Lenior at the Albany Nursing Home Sunday.

Mrs. Stella Steward and Ethel Canida of Stephenville spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale. Mrs. Canida recently moved from Crosbyton to Stephenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones visited their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Potts at Anson Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. F. J. McDonald returned home Saturday after a two week visit with Mr. and Mrs. Doug Stephenson and baby in Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mashburn and Samatha of Carlsbad, N. M., visited several days with Mr. Mashburn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn and Rodney.

Those from Stith attending the Merkel and Baird football game at Baird last Friday were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn and Rodney, Mr. and Mrs. Abb Evans and Nancy, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reddin and children and George McDonald.

The J. R. Mashburns and Samantha and the Roy Mashburns were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Horton of View.

Visiting Mrs. J. E. Swindell last week were Mmes. Orval Ely, Ray Perry, John Browning, A. M. Evans and Paul Bradley.

Visiting the Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Swindell were Mr. and Mrs. Grady Bishop and Mr. and Mrs. Blondy Hanson.

Fashions Shows Free at State Fair

"Young Is a Feeling," and an exciting one too, for the daily free fashion shows in the Women's Department at the 1966 State Fair of Texas Oct. 8 to 23 in Dallas.

The Exposition of Young America fashion showing will feature clothes from eleven of the Texas manufacturers who have helped make the Lone Star State the third largest fashion center in the United States.

Everything about the show is different, according to Elizabeth Peabody, director - producer and fashion coordinator of the 32 shows to be presented at 2 and 4 p.m. daily in the Women's Department.

Former Merkelite Enters Training

Capt. Jack W. McAninch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon McAninch of Merkel, recently arrived from Darnall Hospital, Fort Hood, to enter residency training at Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, Calif.

He attended Merkel High School and graduated in 1954. He

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received his BS degree from Texas Tech in 1958, his MS degree from the University of Idaho in 1960, and his Doctorate in Medicine from the University of Texas Medical Branch in 1964. Capt. McAninch and his wife, Barbara, presently make their home in San Francisco, Calif.

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Here's the brand new '67 Chevy pickup! Strikingly new in styling, its trim appearance puts many cars to shame. And tough new body sheet metal resists rust better. New all-steel pickup box provides full-depth double-wall side panels and tailgate. And the attractive new color-keyed cab interior is roomier. Also, there's better visibility plus many added safety features. The new '67 Chevy pickup looks so good and is built so well you can use it for almost anything!

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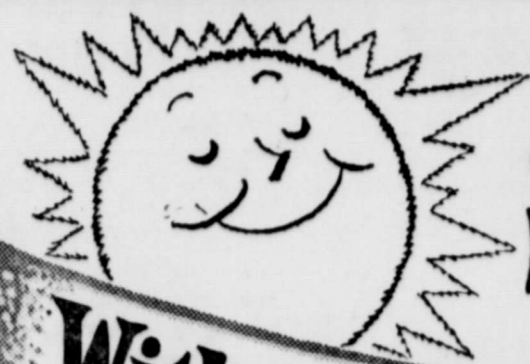
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BADGER TALES

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This last weekend was certainly a busy one for the band. The football game Friday night and the ACC Band Day Saturday. As a result all the band members are recuperating this week. And they need it — marching Saturday morning in the parade at Abilene, the fair and zoo Saturday afternoon and then on to the football game Saturday night between ACC and East Texas State University.

During halftime activities at the ACC-ETSU game when all the area bands were out on the field, preparing to march, there suddenly came a downpour of rain and everyone got drenched — new uniforms, horns, music and all. But it was fun, now that we all think of it.

The Merkel Badgers did make cuts of those Baird Bears last Friday night. I think our boys were encouraged because they had such a good pep rally last Friday, and all last week everyone had the "football spirit."

During the pep rally Friday, Donnie Doan was awarded with a football shaped chocolate cake, made by Sandy Tate, for submitting the best name to "our new Badger." The tall football player, made mostly by Sandy, was given the name B. B. for short for Big

Badger. B. B. will get to attend all the home games, so come to see him at our next game when the Badgers will be playing Knox City.

Tuesday morning, the student body and faculty was assembled in the auditorium for a program about the flag. The program was presented by the Future Homemakers of America to "stir up a little more patriotism in our school." Myrtle Davis gave a short talk about how the flag began and how it has changed down through the years. The National Anthem was sung by the assembly and the FHA girls sang "It's a Grand Old Flag." Mary Johnson, Jo Ann Lassiter, Nancy Evans, and Diane Knight presented poems and short talks concerning our flag.

In line with the Flag Program each room was presented with a flag, and the schedule of saying our Pledge of Allegiance every morning has begun.

Incidentally, Jeanie Anderson found a really good Betsy Ross, didn't she?

Kathy Whisenhunt and Barney Davis seemed to have learned their lesson about chewing gum in Mr. Tate's study hall last Friday. They were "caught," and Mr. Tate assigned them the task of writing ten pages of "I shall never chew gum in class again."

William Demarest, Uncle Charley on "My Three Sons," lays claim to one of the weirdest fan letters extant. "A man wrote me that I was the greatest actor in the world," Demarest says, "and I should be paid at least \$25,000 a week. Then he apologized for writing his letter in crayon — he said they wouldn't let him have anything sharp in there."

FAIR WEATHER AHEAD! AND FUN FOR YOUNG AT FFA CHILDREN'S BARNYARD



All the animals will be there — and so will the youngsters who like to get a close-up look at all types of animals and their youngsters. Time and place will be the 1966 State Fair of Texas, Oct. 8-23 in Dallas, at the Future Farmers of America Children's Barnyard, located in the big red tent adjacent to the Livestock Coliseum.

BANKS HELPING TEXAS FARMERS

Texas banks were serving farms and ranches with more credit and other financial services than any other lenders at the beginning of this year, according to Walter F. Johnson, president, Texas Bankers' Association, and president, First National Bank of Abilene.

During 1965, Texas banks maintained their leadership in agricultural credit services.

Based on the 25th annual farm and ranch lending summary of the Agricultural Committee of The American Bankers Association, Mr. Johnson reported that banks were helping farmers and

at the beginning of 1966, Texas ranchers with \$708 million in loans, 7 per cent more than a year previous.

Mr. Johnson said that "bankers in Texas are conscious of the large capital investments required in agriculture today and are making a concerted effort through improved lending programs to meet these changing credit demands of the state's farmers and ranchers."

Mr. Johnson stressed the importance of farmers, ranchers and bankers working closely together to improve farm and ranch financial arrangements. He reported that nearly 69 per cent of the banks in Texas were extending credit to farm people.

Young Farmers Meet Tonight

The Taylor County Young Farmers will hold their regular monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22 in the Cooper High School Agriculture Department.

Clevis McElmurry of Trent will present a program on farm and ranch record keeping. All members are urged to attend and bring a friend.

G&M Society Set Sept. 25 Meeting

The Central Texas Gem and Mineral Society will meet Sunday, Sept. 25th, at 2:00 p.m. in the Recreation Building at Fair Park, according to publicity chairman, Mrs. Mutt Moore of Abilene.

Final plans for the fall Field Trip will be announced. Dates, location, and detailed travel plans will be given at this meeting.

A door prize will be awarded, specimens of interest to all Rockhounds will be on display, and refreshments will be served at the close of the meeting.

TAX MAN SAM SEZ:

Preparing an income tax return is a very important job for any farmer. The Internal Revenue Service has a free publication that helps farmers solve their tax problems. This publication is called the "Farmers' Tax Guide" and is written in plain language that a farmer can understand. You may find it profitable to study this important publication. You can get the Farmers' Tax Guide from your county agent or from the local Internal Revenue Service office.

VISITS CHILDREN

Mrs. Dan Reidenbach of Rt. 3, Merkel, has returned home after a two week visit with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Brown of Houston.

She returned via San Antonio and visited her son, David, who is recovering from an automobile wreck that happened several weeks ago. He is in Brooks General Hospital in San Antonio. She also visited her daughter, Mrs. G. L. Metz, while there.

CATTLEMEN'S ROUND-UP SLATED TO BEGIN MONDAY, SEPT. 26

The office of Shelly V. Smith, director of the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, Abilene, takes on the appearance of military command post at this time each year.

For "this time of year" is time for the Cattlemen's Round Up, and the Date begins Sept. 26.

The Round Up chairmen located in virtually every town and community in the vast area of West Texas along with some in

East, North and South Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma who assist annually with the project of obtaining cattle, horses, sheep and goats for the center. The chairmen solicit the animals and in many cases, help with the transportation.

Merkel's area chairman is Sam Swann.

Center officials and C. A. Morris, overall chairman of the Round Up are predicting that this year over 500 head of cattle will be donated. Contributions have already been promised from such wide ranging points as Tyler in East Texas, Perryton in the Panhandle, a ranch near Tulsa, Okla. and one in New Mexico. Southward, the Round Up goes virtually to the Mexican Border.

Recently, the Center was "forced to borrow \$20,000 in order to continue its free treatment to 1,664 patients." Rolf Hardy, president of the board of directors at the Center said that proceeds from the Round Up will be used to

meet the needs of the Center."

"The Cattlemen's Round Up for Crippled Children provides facilities and treatment for handicapped individuals at the West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene," said Hardy. "Leading stockmen of the Southwest donate a calf, or a pen of calves, horses and sheep to be sold at a special auction with the proceeds used to meet the needs of the patients."

WEEKEND VISITORS

Weekend visitors with Mrs. O. L. Justice were her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Smith and niece Hanna from Kilgore, and her nephew and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Smith, Houston.

Mrs. Justice also received word this week that her aunt, Mrs. P. L. Hooper in Houston, is celebrating her 100th birthday Sunday. Mrs. Hooper is also an aunt of "Doc" Vaughn.



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Schedule of Events

- 8:00 a.m.—REGISTRATION — Everyone, including visitors, may register. The fee is 75c and goes to help pay expenses to make your visit more enjoyable. Upon registering you may also vote on Mr. X and Coming Home Queen.
- 10:00 a.m.—BUSINESS MEETING
- 2:00 p.m.—DOWNTOWN PARADE AND PEP RALLY
- 5:30-7:30 p.m. FREE—BARBECUE AT THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA
- 8:00 p.m.—FOOTBALL GAME at Badger Stadium, Merkel vs. Coahoma in play. Presentation of Coming Home Queen and Mr. X at half time ceremony.
- After the Game—A COFFEE in the school cafeteria sponsored by the host Class of 1946. Recognition of attending classes.

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'BETWEEN THE LINES'

By EB

An "exciting" conversation was overheard by this reporter between a "space age" grandmother and her coffee drinking friends. After hearing smatterings of jets, flights, sandwiches, champagne, and speed, there came the "inkling" of a good story.

On late August of this year, Mrs. E. C. Ray of Mulberry Canyon received a flight ticket on a Continental Jet from Odessa to Houston. The giver of this ticket was her granddaughter, Peggy

Rudd of Odessa. "Champagne and sandwiches were passed out to the first class passengers," says Mrs. Ray. "The flight was marvelous, but my head felt like it was stuffed full of cotton. I guess this was caused by the terrific speed.

Upon arriving at Houston, Mrs. Ray informed her daughter, Mrs. Loyce Steele, that "I probably couldn't stand a jet trip across the U. S." Jokingly, Mrs. Steel

it would be according to what they serve."

Mrs. Ray has now "chalked up" four flights in the past three years . . . two to Corpus Christi and one from Waterloo, Iowa, besides the jet to Houston. "I traveled to Waterloo by car, but preferred coming home by plane," she explained.

No wonder her friends call her the "Space Age Grandmother!"

Compere HD Club Elects Officers

The Compere Home Demonstration Club met Sept. 8 in the home of Mrs. Dwain Johnson.

Mrs. Johnson, president, opened the business meeting. Roll call was answered with "What caused my worst accident." Recreational games were directed by Mrs. Don Adair.

Officers elected for the 1966-67 year were Mrs. Eulan Hatfield, president; Mrs. Ab Hunter, vice president; Mrs. Clyde Chancey, secretary - treasurer; Mrs. J. E. Touchstone, council delegate, and Mrs. Dwain Johnson, reporter.

Members attending were Mmes. Touchstone, Adair, Johnson, Hunter, Chancey, Buddy Willham and Hatfield, and guest, Mrs. Harvey Allred.

The Sept. 22 meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Touchstone, with Mrs. Mary Y. Newberry presenting the program.

Mrs. C. Warren Hosts TEL Class

Mrs. Claude Warren has hosted for the T.E.L. Sunday School class which met Sept. 13, with Mrs. Opal Josey as co-hostess.

The devotional "Needing God Wherever You Are," was presented by Mrs. Sam Swann.

Members present were Mmes. Clay Satterwhite, Ira Moore, May Hendrix, Clona McClure, Lake Renfro, Mary Mosier, Edna Finch and Earl Baze.

Also Mmes. Vivian Winter, Jewell Dunigan, Della Brown, E. R. Foster, Dent Gibson, Sam Swann, Eunice Massey, Hob Robertson, John Mansfield, Ora Griggs, Horace Miles, Mae Seago, Lucy Ford and E. R. Clack.

Mrs. Mosier dismissed the class with a prayer.

"Doodlebug" was a name given to Hitler's pilotless planes during World War II.

Berlin Festival



Europe's richest cultural feast of plays, concerts and opera is offered at this year's Festival Weeks in West Berlin, now through October 11. The picture shows a scene from the Schiller Theatre's production of "The Plebians Rehearse the Uprising," the widely acclaimed drama by Guenter Grass.

The stage productions include no less than eight Berlin premieres as well as performances by world-famous repertory companies from other countries.

Aside from Berlin's own Philharmonic under Herbert von Karajan, the musical offerings are by an impressive roster of ensembles, choirs, vocal artists and instrumentalists from many lands, including the Utah Symphony Orchestra conducted by Maurice Abravanel.

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Canyon 4-H Club Elects Officers

Election of officers highlighted the regular monthly meeting of the Mulberry Canyon 4H Club Sept. 19.

Mike Dudley was elected president to take the place of outgoing president, Katie Neill.

Other officers elected were Shirley Riney, vice president; Shirley Sandusky, secretary; Katie Neill, council delegate, Jeff Whisenunt, reporter and Wanda Barnes, building attendant.

The 4H Pledge was led by Jerry Don Sandusky, American Pledge, led by Gaylon Brnovak, and the Inspiration given by Becky Epton.

Plans were made for a 4H display to be placed in the Farmers and Merchants National Bank in Merkel.

Adult leader, Mrs. R. F. Clemens, presented the program on the "Importance of Projects."

Bobby Mitchell was accepted as a new member in the club. The meeting closed with the installation of officers.

April 6, 1968 will mark the opening of the first World's Fair ever held in the southwestern United States. This International Exposition, HemisFair 1968, is dedicated to the promotion of an even greater rapport between the people of the New World. For 184 days this festival of international importance will thrill, excite and entertain millions of visitors to Texas from all over the world.

FIRE DEATHS IN HOME

NEW YORK — About 30 per cent of the 6,550 persons killed by home fires in the United States in 1964 were children, according to the Institute of . . . cording to the Insurance Information Institute. Many of the victims had been left alone and perished because they were unable to protect themselves.

The virus of poliomyelitis measures almost exactly a millionth of an inch in diameter.

Princess Elizabeth of England and Lt. Phillip Mountbatten were married on November 20, 1947.

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Party Honors Linda Morris

Mrs. Linsda Gail Morris was honored Sunday, Sept. 16 with a birthday party, given by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Morris.

Out of town guests attending the party were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Crough and daughter of Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Whisenunt, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Morris, Big Spring, and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pitts, Bronte. Also Debbie Hain, Abilene;

and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Tolar, all of Tye, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Horton and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barnett, all of Abilene.

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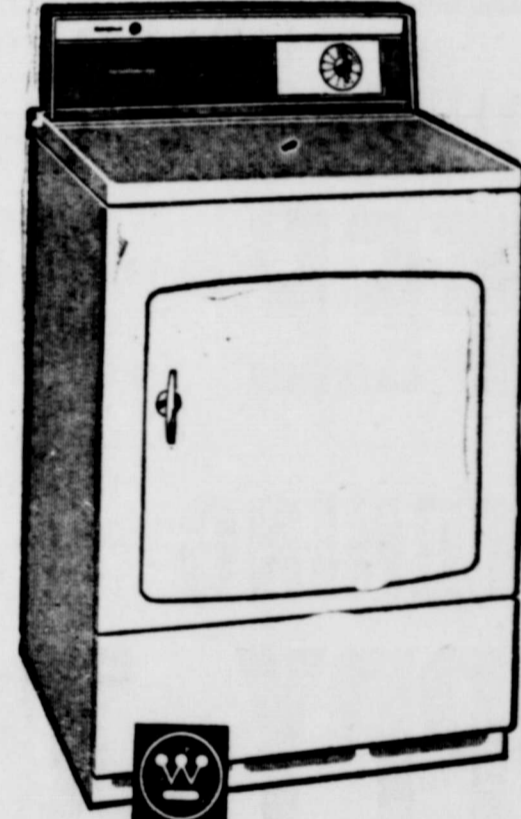
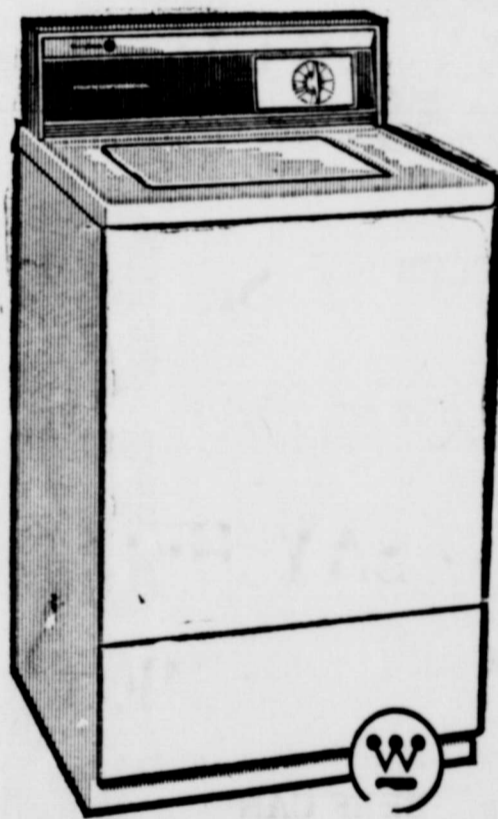
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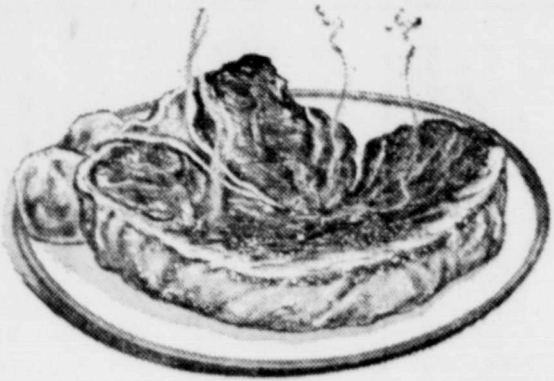
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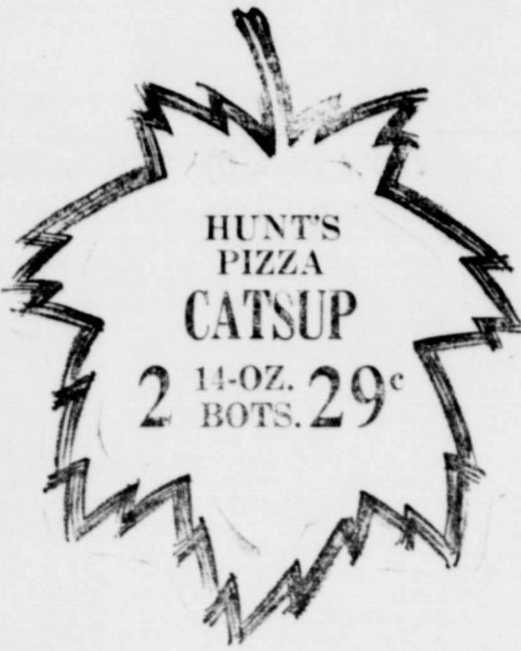
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