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APPRECIATION FUND OVER \$6,000.00 - CONTRIBUTORS NAMED

As of noon Wednesday, May 24, a total of \$6,176.53 had been contributed to the Adcock - McWilliams Appreciation Fund, according to officials tabulating the total at Farmers and Merchants National Bank.

The Appreciation Fund was begun approximately three weeks ago for Fire Chief Waymon Adcock and fireman Chester McWilliams, who were injured Wednesday morning, May 3, while fighting a fire on a dynamite truck that exploded on Interstate 20.

Names of the 454 contributors are:

Bryant, Glenn & Thomas, Attorneys at Law, City of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKeever, Lueders Volunteer Fire Dept. Florence Berry and W. E. Coop. Also Lena Faye and Nina Orsborn, Fred and Naomi Starbuck, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. James P. Torrence, and Mr. and Mrs. Irven Thomp-

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Also Bob Hudson, Mrs. J. E. Boaz Sr., D. B. Bowen, Minnie L. Coates and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Pargament.

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Up The Canyon

By TOM RUSSOM

Well, at last the Canyon received two inches of rain over most of our area, filling stock tanks and watering native pasture land that has been dry for some nine months. It also put smiles on farmers' and stockmen's faces.

You know what happened at Pioneer Church last Monday night? The people of Pioneer Church really "rolled out the carpet" for one of their former pastors, the Rev. Elra H. Phillips. The Appreciation Dinner brought in friends from far and near. Approximately 100 friends attended the dinner.

At the end of the party Rev. Phillips said "I have always said the people here at Pioneer Church could do almost anything on earth if they tried, and I can't tell you how much I love everyone of you."

The Rev. Charles Williams, present pastor at Pioneer Church, was master of ceremonies. Entertainment was furnished by Richard Petree and Martha Ferguson of Caps, and also a quartet from Pioneer Church sang.

We do want to thank Richard and Martha and the program committee and everyone who had a part in organizing this dinner. We also want to thank the Taylor Electric Cooperative for the tables they furnished.

Mrs. Joe Swinney was glad to see her brother, Louis Butman, come by a few days ago, moving his cattle to one of his places just east of Pioneer Church to a King Ranch grass field. Mrs. Swinney said every year when you move your cattle it comes a good rain, and just as Louis got the cattle to the place the rain came.

Sheep shearing is well underway on the Divide and Mulberry Canyon, but still a lot of sheep are unshorn.

We were sorry we were away from home one day last week when Attorney and Mrs. Bryan Bradbury of Abilene dropped in for a visit with us. We promise to "stay closer in" Bryan, so stop again to see us.

"Thrifty Threaders" Attend Workshop

The Trent 4H group, "The Thrifty Threaders," attended a Record Book Workshop in Abilene May 22.

Members attending were Tina Hamner, Rebecca Freeman and Cindy Beasley.

"WE WERE LUCKY" SAYS MERKELITE

"You bet, there was plenty of danger where I was. At night you could hear fighting going on all around you. We were just lucky enough never to get hit at our camp."

A Merkel boy, recently returned from Vietnam, tells of his year there.

He's Wayne Adcock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Adcock. Wayne, a 1959 graduate of Merkel High School, went into the service as a reserve and was called to active duty.

He spent one year in Adak, Alaska with the Navy Public Work, went into NCB 9 (Navy Construction Battalion) in the spring of 1966, and then to Da Nang for eight and one half months.

"We didn't have a camp when we hit Da Nang," says Adcock. "Had to start from scratch and build one. With approximately 800 men in the whole battalion, it didn't take too long to get a cover over our heads."

"And all this time we had to keep on the alert for the enemy. We went prepared for that, though. We knew what to expect." Wayne had been trained at Camp Pendleton with the Marines, but says he "was lucky enough, didn't have to use it."

What about entertainment? "Everything outside of camp was off limits. We did have a show or a club to bring in bands to the camp. Saw Bob Hope while stationed there."

Wayne says they finally got a recreation room built, just before he left for home. "A lot of time could be passed during off hours in that recreation room."

Were you ever shot at? "No. But a lot of them were. When you get out on the road and start working on the lines, if they shoot at you, you shoot back."

What about troop morale? Good from where I was. Most

of the boys felt like there was a reason for being over there. Their attitude concerning 'the card burning over here' was they'd like to get hold of them."

How were you accepted by the Vietnamese?

"They acted like they were glad we were over there."

"And I'm glad to be home." Wayne Adcock, a boy who is loyal to his country, and said "he would be ready to go back if needed."

Like father, like son. For Wayne is the son of Waymon, who also didn't question his loyalty to Merkel when just one month ago he answered the call to come out on a fire on a dynamite truck, hoping that he'd get there in time to complete the job and save perhaps property and lives.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: The sale of Buddy Poppies by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States is authorized by an act of Congress, and endorsed by the President; and

WHEREAS: The major portion of funds so raised will be used in the local community, the remainder being utilized to help maintain the Veterans of Foreign Wars National Home for Veterans' Orphans and widows at Easton Rapids, Michigan, and to insure the continued highly efficient functioning of this fine organization's national rehabilitation and welfare service; and

WHEREAS: Bringing aid to those who have suffered from war that this nation might live is a most fitting tribute to the men who died for us; now, therefore,

I, Johnny Cox, Mayor of the City of Merkel, do hereby authorize and recognize this noble cause as one most worthy of the support of all our citizens, and do here and now proclaim May 27th as BUDDY POPPY DAY in this city, and I call upon all to wear a Buddy Poppy as evidence of our gratitude to the men of this nation who helped America when her need was greatest.

Done at the City Hall of Merkel this 11th day of May, A.D. 1967.

Signed: JOHNNY COX Mayor

Attest: Flossie McKeever City Clerk.

(The "BUDDY POPPIES" will be sold by the Merkel Boy Scouts under the direction of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars.)

Seniors Receive Diplomas At MHS Commencement



CAUGHT PEEPING — Merkel High School Principal Edwin Read smiles an approval at these '67 seniors who "couldn't wait" until Tuesday night to see the merit award medals that would be presented. Seniors are, from left, Bronwyn Gamble, Mamie Patterson, Linda Doan, Sandy Tate Woodard, Nancy Evans and Cahty Derington. (Staff Photo)

Jones Reunion

The children of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Jones of Mulberry Canyon will hold their annual reunion at the Butman Community Center Saturday and Sunday, May 26 and 27, according to Mrs. Will Butman, a daughter.

Friends are invited to visit during the reunion.

BETA SIGMA PHI PLAN SWIM PROGRAM

The Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority met Tuesday, May 16 in the home of Mrs. Dan Allen. After an informal supper a short business meeting was held and members approved

the 1967 - 68 budget and made plans for the "Learn to Swim" program to be conducted this summer.

Mrs. Glenn Teaff, program chairman, reviewed the cultural program members had presented through the year. Mrs. Larry White was selected as having given the best program of the year with her interpretation of "Make An Art of Living," taken from the program outline, "Conduct, Expression and Purpose."

Mrs. Bob DuBose and Mrs. Mamie Steek were honored as "Girls of the Year."

New officers installed for the 1967 - 68 year are Mrs. DuBose, president; Mrs. John Brady, vice president; Mrs. Teaff, recording secretary; Mrs. Jimmy Leveridge, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Edgar Tipton, treasurer; and Mrs. Almeda Bullock, director.

Installation services were held in the home of Mrs. John Brady, outgoing president.

Graduates Hear Of 'Expectations'

Dr. Elwin Skiles, president of Hardin - Simmons University, delivered the commencement address to the 1967 graduation class of Merkel High School at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the school auditorium.

He spoke to the group on "Great Expectations of Life," and told them, "You are surrounded by great expectations. You are surrounded by great expectations from your family, your friends, and the citizens of your community."

The capacity crowd heard Dr. Skiles name the three ABCs that students today must adhere to in order to achieve these great expectations.

They were: A — Accept yourself. "Accept yourself as a creature of God, placed here for a purpose."

B — Be your best self. "Strive to attain the finest for your life that is possible."

C — Commit Yourself. "Commit yourself to that which is worthy of your best. Commit yourself to things that are bigger than you are. Commit yourself to that which have eternity."

Following the commencement address, principal Edwin Read, presented the valedictory award to Elizabeth Ragan, daughter of M.Sgt. and Mrs. Seth Ragan, and the salutatory award to Mamie Patterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Patterson.

David McNary, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. McNary, received the award for highest ranking boy.

Other seniors receiving merit awards were Bronwyn Gamble, Pat Bigbee, Myrtle Davis, Nick Davis, Sue Pinckley, Cathy Derington, Richard Walker, Nancy Evans and Wynona Doan.

Merkel School Superintendent, concluded the commencement exercises with the presentation of diplomas to the forty graduating seniors.

Odd Job Days

The Merkel High School Twirlers are having "Odd Job Days" until June 3, according to twirler Patn Walla.

"If you have any kind of suitable work for us to do, please contact us," said Miss Walla.

Twirlers, besides Miss Walla, are Christie Lucas, Donna Diltz, Kay Tipton, Kathryn Criswell and Suzie Wilson.



WAYNE ADCKOCK ... tells about Vietnam

PUGGY



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"Berlin Chic" Spells High Fashion

In fashion, the term "Berlin Chic" is synonymous with "well-dressed women."
Americans visiting Montreal's Expo '67 will have an opportunity to appreciate "Berlin Chic": Nine ready-to-wear firms and eight leading Berlin haute couture houses will exhibit their designers' creations at fashion shows in June in the German Pavilion at Expo '67.
"Berlin Chic" is characterized not by extremes in length, but in the imaginative interpretation of "in" design enhanced by the creative use of fabric and combined with quality workmanship.
Both European and American women recognize this. This recognition has created West Berlin's third largest industry—the garment trade. 365 firms, ranging from haute couture custom houses to ready-to-wear firms producing styles at moderate prices, cater to the fashion-conscious woman.
This same recognition has made the garment industry one of Berlin's greatest economic assets as buyers from many countries flock to Berlin's four seasonal presentations to purchase and import the latest modes at reasonable prices. 45,000 Berliners in the needle trades enjoy a higher standard of living because of women's insistence on "Berlin Chic."



BRONWYN GAMBLE
... leaves June 8

MERKEL GRADUATE TO TAKE BALLET TOUR IN EUROPE

Bronwyn Gamble, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Gamble of Merkel, and a student of the DeMontville School of the Dance, Abilene, will participate in the Comparative Ballet Study Tour June 8-29.
The Comparative Ballet Study Tour will include the Royal Ballet School, London, Royal Danish Ballet School, Copenhagen, the Bolshoi, Moscow, and Kirov in Leningrad.
Miss Gamble, a student of The DeMontville School for eleven years, will depart Kennedy International Airport by KLM-Royal Dutch Airlines June 8.
A 1967 graduate of Merkel High School, Miss Gamble plans to enter the University of Texas this fall.

Soccer Scheduled At Cotton Bowl

Soccer, the national sport in more than 130 countries and by far the world's most popular, is coming to the Cotton Bowl.
On Saturday, June 3, the Dallas Tornado professional soccer team will open its six-game home schedule at State Fair Park in Dallas.
All Dallas Tornado home games will be played on Wednesdays and Saturdays with kickoffs at 8:05 p.m.

Medicare's average payment for July '66 - February '67 under the medical insurance part was \$56 for 2,582,207 bills submitted; some patients have submitted several bills.

Girls Track Team Wins 8th In Meet

Merkel High School Girl's Track team placed 8th in the Texas High School Girls State Track meet held May 12 and 13 at the Abilene Christian College Stadium. There were approximately 80 teams participating in this meet, with teams traveling over 500 miles to enter.

Merkel girls won 5th in the 800 yard relay and the 440 yard relay. Track members in the 880 yard relay are Karen Chambers, Sandra Chambers, Debbie Black and Nancy Evans. 440 yard relay members are Ann Walker, Sandra Chambers, Nancy Evans and Marylee Noster.
Miss Noster placed 5th in the 60 yard dash, and Miss Evans

third in the 200 yard dash. Medals were given for the first three places and ribbons for other places.

LITTLE LEAGUE STANDINGS

The Litter Critter Says ...

	Won	Lost	Tied	Avg.
Chevies	4	1	0	.800
Killowats	3	1	0	.750
Willies	2	2	0	.500
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Bankers	1	3	0	.250

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MEMORIAL DAY



MAY 30TH
1967

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Memorial Day comes as an aftermath of wars... may it also be a solemn reminder of the imperative need for peace in this modern age.

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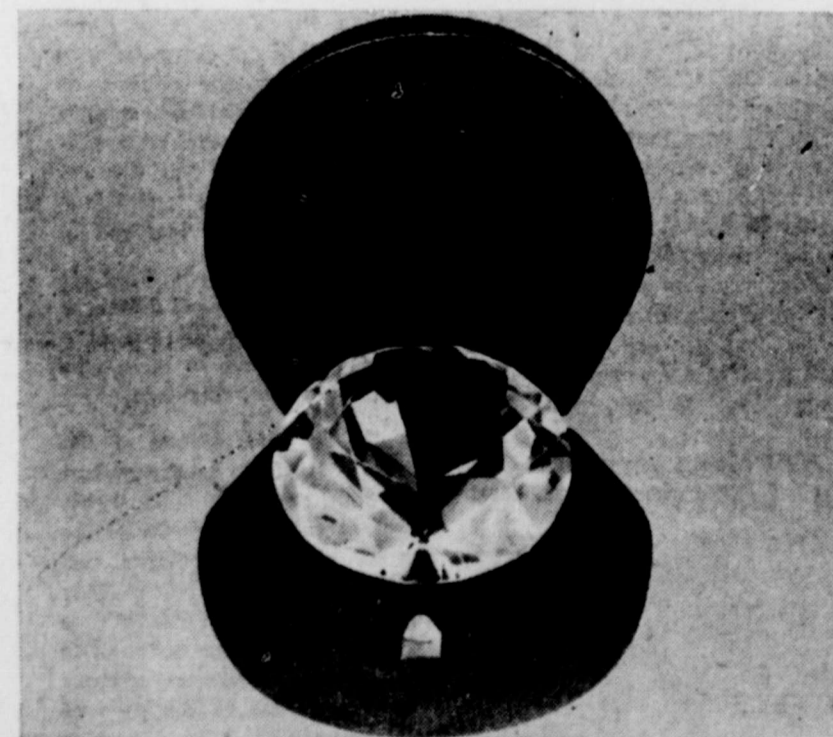
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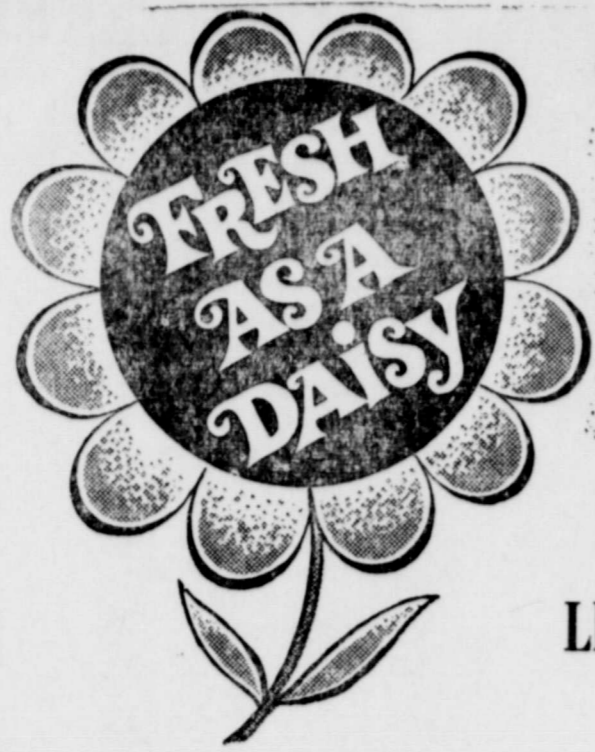
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COCKTAIL Hunt's 300.. 2 for **39¢**

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VIENNAS Swift's 9-Oz. Can **39¢**

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In memory of Stello Miller, who left us May 22, 1962.
We lost a Mother
with a heart of gold,
She meant more to us
than wealth untold,
She took her pain,
It broke our hearts,
God took her hand,
We had to part.
Sadly missed by her children.
Mrs. Ann Miller

Piano Pupils Recital Saturday

Miss Susan McNary will present her piano pupils in recital Saturday, May 27 at 8 p.m. at the Grace Presbyterian Church in Merkel.

Presenting the program and recital pieces are Susan Oaks, "Spinning Top," "I Like to Dance," and "The Country Fiddler;"

Janie Clark, "The Harp of the Mermaids," and "The Mill Wheel;"

Karlen Gamble, "Romanze," and "Alborado;"

Mark Dudley, "Kite Time," and "Whispering Voices," and

Patricia McDuff, "Sleepy Bayou," and "Bagpipe."

Concluding number will be "Majesty of the Deep," by Bronwyn Gamble.

Miss McNary said the public is invited to attend the recital.

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Also Ruby Dick, Mr. and Mrs. Gee F. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Bonneau, Roy R. Coats, Merkel-Trent Barracks of Veterans of WWI.

Also Charlie Sellers, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stockbridge, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Collier Jr., Sam Swann and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin L. Barnes.

Also W. Earl Baze, Mr. and Mrs. Ted L. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Will F. Batman, Douglas Reddin and Ken Quigley.

Also Dwight Holland, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer E. Herring, Haskell Fire Dept., Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Tarpley and Jewell Dunagin.

Also Ike Turner, L. D. Bishop, Fannie Buchanan, The Henry Howards and the Cramer Reynolds.

Also the Lonnie Beards, Mrs. Vivian Winter, Mrs. H. R. Chaney, Mrs. W. A. McCandless, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Foster.

Also Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hammond, John Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hughes and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jones.

Also Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Campbell, Mrs. Cynthia Pinckley, Mr. and Mrs. Truett Thompson, James H. Daniel and Raymond Miller.

Also C. F. Curb, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Knight, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Knight, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Riney and Starr Nursing Home Employees and Mary Outlaw.

Also Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Foster, Ranger Volunteer Fire Dept., E. G. Sandusky, G. A. Fisher and Abilene Grain Co.

Also Ollie Fox, Norah Foster, Ed L. Hamilton, Helen Mayfield and V. B. Simpson.

Also J. V. Hester, Mr. and Mrs. David Tarpley, Mrs. C. P. Stevens and Silas Stevens and Onis Crawford.

Also Merkel Optimist Club — Boys Work, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Barnett, Warren C. Smith, Finley Barnett, F. T. Hogan Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Perkins.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Phillips, Mrs. Chester Hutcheson, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Mundy, Selma L. Paine and Mr. and Mrs. Dee Moore.

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Also Mr. and Mrs. Pim Isom, Ladies Auxiliary WWI, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Hughes and Ernest Neff.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stallo, Mr. and Mrs. Ted McAninch, Gleaners Sunday School Class of First Methodist Church by Mabel McRee, Miss Christine Collins and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cypert.

Also Mrs. Allie Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Seago, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Barron and Mildred Brown.

Also Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Spurgin, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Doan, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Horton, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Wilson and L. L. Knight.

Also R. J. Compton, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Thomas, Mrs. Mattie B. Billingsley, Mr. and Mrs. Ben E. Rich and Edwin Read.

Also Evelyn Boaz Scroggins, Fannie Boaz Richardson, R. B. and Hazel Eddy, Sam Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Z. L. Johnson.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Spratlan, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Asencio, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Rutledge, Ike D. Turner and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Holt and James Wayne.

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D. J. and Nina Richie, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hughes, Mrs. Viola Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baccus.

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Also Mrs. John Mansfield, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sledge, Esther Class of First Baptist Church, Norma Band and Mrs. A. J. Richardson.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Tom Simons, Mr. and Mrs. Dilly D. Tar-

pley, Leon Scott and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Brumbeau and Jan.

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Also Merkel Telephone Co., Anson Fire Dept., Maurice S. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Eager and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Duncan.

Also Higginbotham - Bartlett Co., Kings Daughters S.S. Class (Methodist), Dr. and Mrs. Jarrett E. Williams, Mrs. F. A. De Vasto and Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Geckert.

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Also Mr. and Mrs. Oris Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Merritt, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Joe McCarthy and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Patterson.

Also Mrs. Jessie West Dillon, Mr. and Mrs. James T. Russell, Mrs. Vicy Garland, Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Patterson and Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Curb.

Also Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Bird, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Jones, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Clack, Mr. and Mrs. Orin Higgins and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wheeler.

Also Mr. and Mrs. John D. Stout, Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. McDuff, Eastland Fire Dept., Mrs. Leslie Kinyon, and Merkel Cooperative Gin.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Connie M. Seymore, Hicks Auto Supply, Calie Horton Williams, Mrs. June Toombs and Mr. and Mrs. Jake Martin.

Also Mrs. Dee Grimes, Mr. and Mrs. James F. McBride, Woodmen Grove 6563, West Texas Utilities and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ueckert.

Also Esther Luke, Bennie W. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Spann, Mr. and Mrs. James M. Cook and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Byerly.

Also Snyder Fire Dept., N. W. Aury and Noodle School.

8TH GRADE PROGRAM

'LIVE USEFUL LIVES' STUDENTS TOLD

"Personal integrity which means living up to the best in ourselves," was the challenge given the Merkel Eighth Grade graduating students at their commencement exercises held Tuesday evening.

In presenting the graduation address, "Forward March," Miss



Linda Sanford stressed the importance of unselfish service to others.

"As students who are looking forward to the future," she said, "we must keep uppermost the importance of living useful lives . . . lives of service for others."

In retrospect Miss Sanford discussed past achievements, stressing the importance of scholastic work "in expanding the students' knowledge, and in helping to set aims and goals for the years ahead."

Allen Fudge, member of the eighth grade graduating class, presented the school gift, two overhead projectors, to Elementary Principal Leon Walker.

Merkel School Superintendent, Mack Fisher, presented honor awards and Walker presented diplomas to the forty nine graduating students.

Outstanding student awards went to Gail Gentry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gentry, with a grade average of 95.4, and to Paul Thames, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Thames, with a grade average of 96.8.

Students who received scholastic awards and rooms represented were:

Mrs. Norman Winter's room — John Dixon and Mike McLean with averages of 93.0, and Judy Hester and Linda Sanford with an average of 94.0.

Mr. Phil Petty's room — Bill Whisenhunt, with a grade point average of 89.0 and Elaine Brady, with an average of 87.0.

SURPRISE DINNER

The Rev. Elra H. Phillips was surprised Monday evening by members and friends of Pioneer Memorial Methodist Church, at an Appreciation Dinner held in his honor. The Rev. Phillips, a former pastor of Pioneer Church has now retired, and plans to live in Big Spring.

Merkel Graduate Gets Promotion

FT. CLAYTON, C. Z. — Johnny L. Roach, 26, son of Mrs. Myrna L. Darling, Merkel, was promoted to Army Staff Sergeant April 17, while serving with the 601st Medical Company at Ft. Clayton, C. Z.

Sgt. Roach, a section chief in the company, entered the Army in 1959 and was stationed at Ft. Campbell, Ky., before arriving overseas last November.

He is a 1959 graduate of Merkel High School.

Spring Graduate

Larry Seymore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Seymore of Merkel, received the Bachelor of Science degree from Abilene Christian College at their May 22 commencement exercises.

He majored in Range Management and minored in Biology.

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JC OLD SETTLERS' REUNION SET MAY 31

The annual reunion of Jones County Old Settlers will be held Wednesday, May 31, in the Anson High School Cafeteria, according to W. T. Priddy, association president.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. with Mrs. C. R. Tarver and Mrs. Murray Cowser in charge.

Mr. Priddy said that assembly singing, beginning at 10 a.m., will open the program which will include special music, a memorial service, and a basket lunch.

Speaker for the day will be Miss Hybernia Grace, who will talk on the history of Jones County.

A string band from Stamford will furnish music during the morning session. The covered dish luncheon will be spread at 12 noon, with the association furnishing coffee, tea and bread, said Priddy.

The afternoon program, to be

gin at 1 o'clock, will include assembly singing, a business meeting, election of officers, and memorial service, concluding with special music and prayer.

Priddy said that a pot luck plant will be awarded the oldest member of the association in attendance. Others to be recognized will be the person traveling the longest distance to attend, the couple present who has lived in the county the longest, and the oldest couple present.

"Everyone is invited to attend the reunion regardless of age or length of residency," said Priddy. "The reunion was organized 44 years ago and meetings are held annually in Anson."

This year's arrangement committee includes W. T. Dyer, Doc Hestand, Mrs. I. B. Ray, Mrs. Fayette Price and Miss Arrie Barrett.

CEMETERY FUND

The following made recent donations to the Merkel Cemetery Fund:

J. D. McNeill
Mrs. M. M. Ely
J. Russell Jr. in memory of Vernon Sutphen and Fred Guitar
Louise McGinnis
Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Frazier
Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Frazier
Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hicks in memory of Vestal Hicks
Mr. and Mrs. Emory J. Jones in memory of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Jones
Mr. and Mrs. Emory Jones in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Smith

E. B. Jones in memory of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Jones
Mr. and Mrs. Weldon McAninch
Dee Teaff
Farmers Coop Gin
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson in memory of Miss Johnny Warren
Lum Gilbreath
Mary Eula Sears in memory of Vernon Sutphen
Mary Eula Sears in memory of Miss Johnnie Warren
Pet Touchstone in memory of Miss Johnny Warren
Mrs. F. M. McDonald
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nalley in memory of Miss Johnny Warren
W. F. Armstrong
Johnny Cox
E. J. Orsborn Est.
Fortnightly Study Club in memory of A. R. Booth
Mr. and Mrs. Craig Humphreys
Wm. A. Griffith
John J. Toombs
Mrs. L. A. Hand
Mrs. M. A. Ribble
C. Roy Stevens
Bill Stevens
Effie Hutson
Roy Kelso
Mrs. Margie Land in memory of Mrs. Clarence Melton and Tommy Land
Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Merritt
Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McLeod in memory of O. B. Boden
Wm. R. Cypert in memory of Johnny Warren and Artie Bright
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Orsborn
Mrs. M. H. Ely
Mrs. C. P. Stevens and Silas Stevens

Mrs. Etta Tucker Dies at Age 91

Mrs. Mary Etta Tucker, 91, longtime resident of Taylor County, died Tuesday, May 16 in Starr Nursing Home after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held Wednesday in Grace Presbyterian Church with the Rev. James Sinclair, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born Aug. 31, 1875 in Rusk County, she moved to the Mulberry Canyon in 1883. She married J. L. Tucker Dec. 16, 1891, and they moved into Merkel in 1914. Mr. Tucker died Nov. 10, 1946.

She was an early day school-teacher in the Mulberry Canyon area.

Survivors include three sons, Jasper M. of Plainview, the Rev. Charles A. of Denver City, and A. J. of Prescott, Ariz.; two daughters, Mrs. Mary Tankersley of Fort Worth and Mrs. George Burris of Dallas; 15 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were grandsons and nephews.



ROBERT KEITH WILSON
... scholastic achievement

Receives Honor

DENTON (Special) — Robert Keith Wilson of Merkel was among 44 students recently honored for scholastic achievement in an Honors Convocation at North Texas State University.

The special assembly was a part of University Day, an occasion commemorating the signing of House Bill 645 in May of 1961, giving NTSU university status.

The Honors Convocation is sponsored by Meritum, an honorary organization at NTSU for senior women.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wilson, 805 Oak, Merkel, Wilson is a senior chemistry major. He is a member of Alpha Chi, national scholarship society; Alpha Chi Sigma, national professional chemistry fraternity; and Phi Eta Sigma, national honor society for men at NTSU.

Church of Christ Meet Continues

Larry Van Steenberg of Pittsburgh, Pa., is doing the preaching in the meeting at the Trent Church of Christ this week. Services will continue through Sunday night.

Services are held each morning at 7:30 and the evening services are at 8 p.m.

Mr. Van Steenberg is a graduate of David Lipscomb College of Nashville, Tenn. He has done graduate work at Harding College in Memphis, and preached in Tennessee and Florida before moving to his present work in Pittsburgh.

Booster Club Presents Awards

The Merkel Booster Club presented basketball and track awards this week to three Merkel High School students.

Richard Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Walker received the outstanding award in basketball and Felix Castillo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Castillo, the track award.

Nancy Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Evans Jr., received both the girls' basketball award and track award.



Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

We had a good rain Friday and Saturday. M. E. West reported 2.3 inches at his place. Part of the community did not have much. The rain came just in time for cotton planting which is May 23. Wheat harvesting was stopped for a few days. The wheat is making more than was expected, 10 to 15 bushels per acre.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McDonald of Anson visited his mother, Mrs. Nora McDonald Mother's Day. Mrs. A. M. Evans and Mrs. Thelma Dedmon of Abilene visited Mrs. McDonald recently.

Mrs. Jessie Dillon is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jones this week.

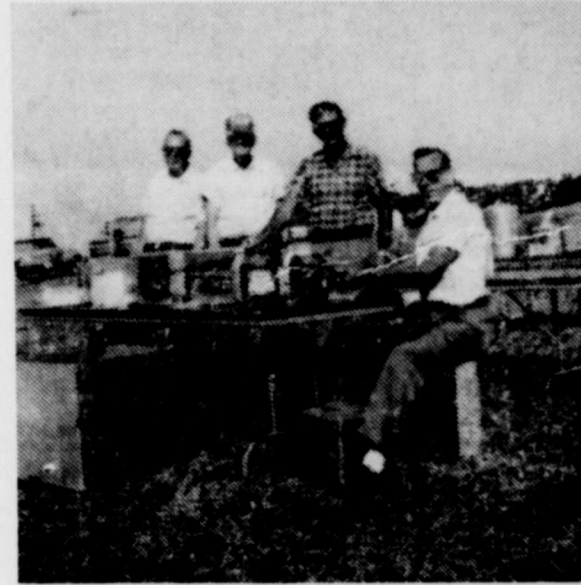
Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vantresse were Mr. and Mrs. Pete Walsh of Rogers, Ark., Mrs. Ada Lowe and daughter, Mart, Tex., Mack Berry, of Tennessee, Mrs. Irie Holden, Little Rock, Ark., Mr. and Mrs. Ed Vantresse and Jewel King of Abilene.

Mrs. Mary Richardson passed away in Hendrick Hospital Thursday. Funeral was held in Abilene Friday, burial was in Stith Cemetery. Those attending from Stith were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jones, Mrs. M. E. West, Sam Mashburn and F. J. McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Audriam Berry of Amhurst visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry Sunday. Others visiting in the Berry home during the week were Mrs. Irie Holden, Little Rock, Ark., Mack Berry of Tennessee, Mr. and Mrs. Pinky Cypert and Shorty Nicholas of Merkel, Melvin Berry and Marsha of Haskell, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Vantresse and Jewel King of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vantresse.

Tommy Toombs of SMU spent Monday night with his grandfather Sam Mashburn. Tommy was on his way home to Lubbock to spend his summer vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Murry Toombs.

Visiting the Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Swindell and MacSherry and Mrs. J. E. Swindell last week were Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Phelps, Anson, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Rister and Betty, Mr. and Mrs. Riley Spraberry of Noodle and Mr. and



OPTIMIST COOKOUT — Students of 7th and 8th grades of Merkel Elementary School were honored last week by members of the Merkel Optimist Club with a "Cookout" at Davis Ranch. Shown here are students "enjoying the outing," and Optimists doing the cooking. Special recognition was given those students participating in sports during the outing. (Photos courtesy of Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc.)

Mrs. Blondy Hanson.

Mrs. Ina Kelso of the Anson Care Home was taken to the Anson Hospital Friday. Her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Audriam Berry of Amhurst visited Mrs. Kelso over the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jones visited her Sunday. Mrs. Kelso was feeling better Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Hobbs of Grand Prairie brought Mrs. John Hobbs and Mrs. Ollie Fowler and Tamra home Saturday after a week visit with relatives.

Nancy Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abb Evans is a member of the Merkel High School graduation class. Those attending the Baccalaureate services Sunday at the high school auditorium were Mr. and Mrs. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mashburn and daughter of Carlsbad, N.M., visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mash-

burn and Rodney over the weekend. The Mashburns spent Sunday in Lawn with Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Hardin and James.

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning attended the graduation of the eighth grade at Lawn Thursday night. A granddaughter, Kay Browning was a member of the class.

Contract Job Cleaner Wanted For Post Office

The Postmaster at Merkel is now accepting bids for a Contract Job Cleaner, stated Postmaster Wrenn Durham.

"The contract is for the cleaning and maintaining the post office and grounds at Merkel.

"The terms of the contract begin July 1, 1967 and end June 30,

1968. Renewals may be negotiated for contracts not exceeding \$2,500, subject to availability of appropriations, and satisfactory price survey; unless 30 days before the end of the term of the contract either party gives the other party written notice of intention not to renew.

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CARTER-HINDS ENGAGEMENT TOLD

Miss Caron Carter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alec B. Carter of Rt. 1, Merkel, and Ronnie Dale Hinds, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hinds of Joshua, Tex., will be married on May 27.

The wedding will take place at 8 p.m. in the First Baptist Church in Ranger. The Rev. Avery Sullivan will officiate.

Miss Carter is a 1965 graduate of Noodle High School and will be graduated from Ranger Junior College on May 24.

Ronnie was graduated from Ranger High School in 1964 and from Ranger Junior College in 1966. He is currently enrolled in



MISS CARON CARTER
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HEADRICK - HAMMOND WEDDING VOWS READ

A candlelight wedding ceremony was read for Barbara Lynn Headrick and David Bruce Hammond Saturday, May 20 in the First Methodist Church of Merkel.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. T. A. Forbes of Arlington. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hammond of Merkel are the bridegroom's parents.

The Rev. Newton Daniel, pastor, officiated. Mrs. J. H. Clark Jr., was organist and Gloria Moore, soloist.

Given in marriage by her brother, James Woody Headrick of Dallas, the bride wore pea de soie gown accented with re-embroidered lace appliques and had a detachable wateau train.

A tiara of seed pearls and crystals held her illusion veil. She carried a cascade of white roses, and a handkerchief belonging to her grandmother.

Mrs. Don Frazier of Abilene was her sister's matron of honor. Mrs. James Woody Headrick and Mrs. Wesley Attaway, both of Dallas, were bridesmaids. Their gowns were of ice blue pea de soie and wore seed pearl circlet headresses with blue illusion veils. Each carried a long stemmed white rose.

Bob Hammond, the bridegroom's brother, was best man. Ushers and groomsmen were Tom South and Robert Shouse.

Four nephews were used in the candle lighting ceremony. Johnny Frazier led Leslie and Kyle Hammond as they lighted the aisle pathway and the altar candles. Mike Frazier served as ring bearer.

The bride and bridegroom are graduates of Merkel High School.

Mrs. Seago Hosts TELLS Class

The T.E.L. Class of First Baptist Church met recently in the home of Mrs. Mae Seago, with Mrs. Lucy Ford as co-hostess.

Mrs. Cramer Reynolds presented the devotional and refreshments were served to Mrs. H. B. Robertson, John Mansfield, Ora Griggs, L. J. Renfro, Earl Baze and S. C. Keith.

Also Mrs. Ollie Dye, Claude Warren, F. L. Hendrix, Walco Cox, Orval Josey, Mary Moser, Seago, Ford and Reynolds.

tended Cameron College at Lawton, Okla.

Hammond is employed by KWFA Radio. He is a member of the U.S. Naval Reserve in Abilene and will begin his tour of active duty with the Navy in June.

After a trip to Houston and Galveston, the couple will spend sev-

eral days at the "Hydeaway," a retreat belonging to H. C. Polk of Lufkin.

The J. W. Hammond family hosted a rehearsal dinner at the Asteroid Restaurant May 19.



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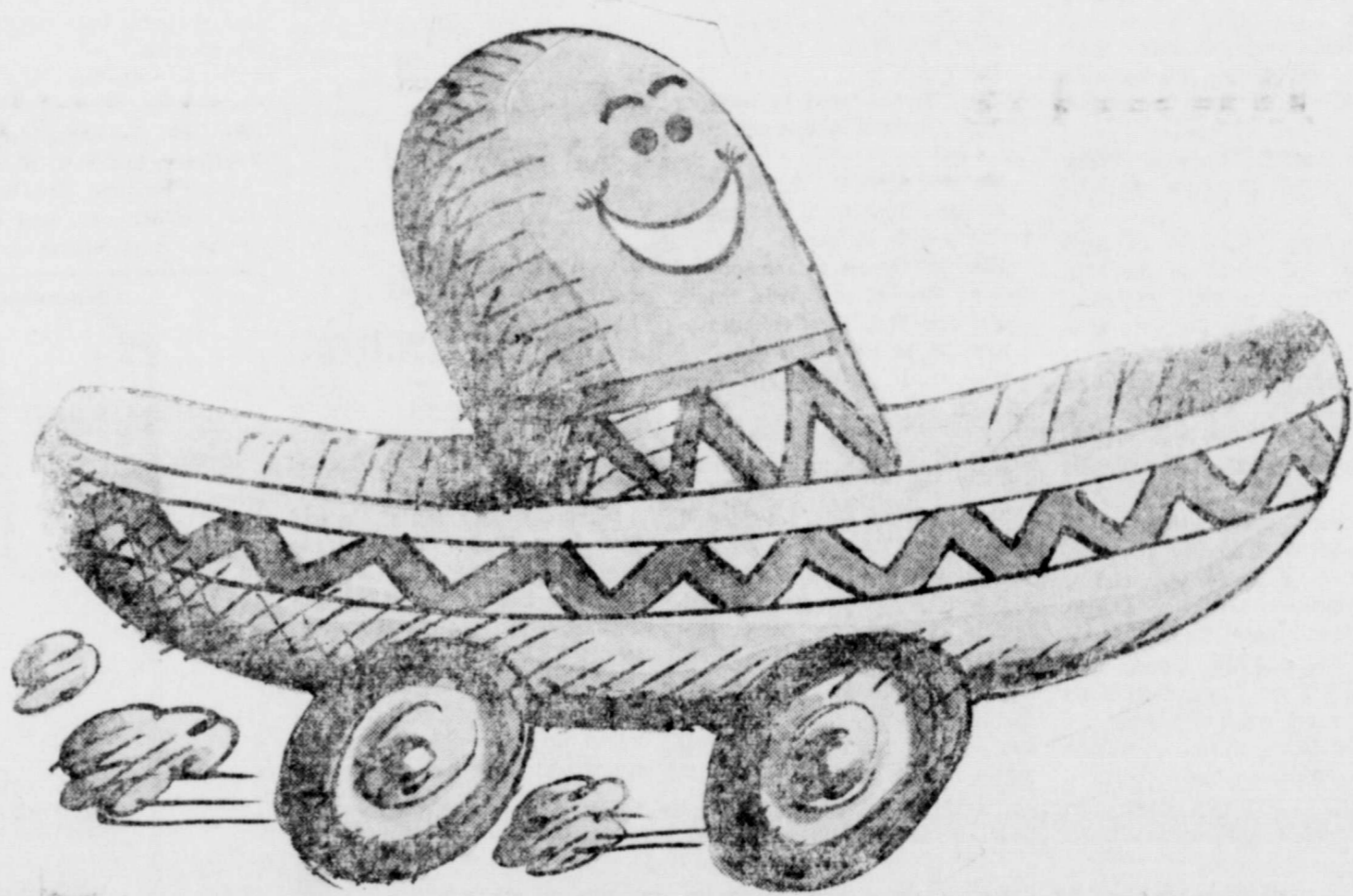
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Vanilla
Wafers
12-OZ. BOX **33¢**

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FLY SPRAY Qt. **49¢**

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