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APPRECIATION FUND NOW TOTALS \$6,746

Contributions for the Atcock-McWilliams Appreciation Fund are still coming in, and Wednesday's press time total amounts to \$6,746.30, according to officials at the Farmers and Merchants National Bank.

Names of additional contributors are:

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Donations at Johnson's 9th St. Grocery
Merkel Lions Club
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hogan.



Up The Canyon

By TOM
RUSSOM

Well, no good news about the weather this week. Some of the farmers thought they didn't have enough moisture to bring up the cotton, but they went ahead and planted anyway. Taking a chance on getting it up.

A week ago I had a pretty bright picture in my column about the rain, that put water in the stock tanks, but the rain didn't wet the ground too much, and some of the ground won't be planted until rains do come. That might be July.

Livestock in our area are doing unusually well. All the sheep are sheared, and the wool has gone to the warehouse for storage, and a lot sold for stockmen in our area.

We received word here this week that parts of Oklahoma in the wheat belt, that wheat is being cut between rains and farmers were having a hard time saving the wheat.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewell McLean spent the weekend in Big Spring, visiting their daughter in law and grandchildren, Mrs. Hollis McLeans' family.

We rejoiced with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seymore after their son, Phil, arrived home Saturday night. A sister, Mrs. Melvin McCoy of Dallas, brought him home. Phil says it's good to be home.

The Rev. Charles Williams and family of Pioneer Church have just returned home after a week's vacation. He will preach at Pioneer Church this Sunday.

We regret to hear of the loss of a father and husband in the Lucas family. We thought a lot of Mr. Lucas, having known him for many years.

MERKEL AUTO DEALER IS AREA DIRECTOR

Reappointment of Nolan Palmer, Palmer Motor Co., Merkel, as Area Director of the Texas Automobile Dealers Association was announced in Austin by H. C. Pittman, Executive vice president of TADA.

In accepting this appointment, Palmer stated, "I am proud to represent my fellow franchised dealers in this area. Our major program this year will be to work with state officials in implementing the Texas Traffic Safety Act passed this year by our Texas Legislature, and to promote a high standard of integrity and assist the automobile dealers in better serving the public by making driving safer, more convenient and more economical."

Palmer will serve as an Area Director until the next TADA Convention in Dallas in May, 1968. The association, with headquarters in Austin, celebrated its 50th

NO LEARN-TO-SWIM PROGRAM THIS YEAR

For the first time in the ten years that I have been associated with the Taylor County Chapter of Red Cross it appears that a full scale Learn to Swim program will not be available for the youth of the Merkel Community. I think you should know the reasons.

Each year there has been a scarcity of authorized Red Cross Water Safety instructors, but somehow these wonderful volunteers have always come through to provide the swimming instruction necessary. Last year we taught 114 in the Merkel Learn to Swim program. This was the smallest number we had ever had.

This year we have a different problem: The municipal pool will not open. Mr. Tommy McAlister has generously offered his motel pool from 8 to 10 in the mornings, but this private pool is so small that participation will be very limited.

Your Red Cross has consulted with your mayor, Johnny Cox, who is a member of Red Cross



MARY JOHNSON
... great expectations

Disaster Worker To Be Here Friday

Taylor County Chapter ARC Disaster worker, Mrs. Martha Darden, will be in the office of Mr. Johnny Cox on Friday, June 9 between 1:30 and 4:30 p.m. to conclude Red Cross service to disaster victims.

Mrs. Darden asks that all applicants who applied for assistance before May 12th contact her at Mr. Cox's office at that time.

AN OPEN LETTER

NO LEARN-TO-SWIM PROGRAM THIS YEAR

Board of Directors, Mr. Bill Tate, Director of Summer Recreation, and with Mrs. Bob DuBose, the president of Beta Sigma Phi, and organization which has been very helpful in the past in co-sponsoring the Learn to Swim program in Merkel. We cannot find a way to provide swimming instruction by our selves; we need the help of the whole community.

I feel sure that the civic leaders of Merkel will address themselves to this problem and find a solution. What better sport is there for health and recreation than swimming? How dreary is the summer without a nearby swimming pool.

Suggestions, anyone?
OLLIE LENA OLSEN
Director, Taylor County Chapter, American Red Cross.

Hahn's Returns From Vacation

The Rev. and Mrs. David E. Hahn and family returned Monday from a 12 day vacation trip to Louisiana, Arkansas, and Missouri.

While on the trip they visited with friends and relatives in Shreveport, La.; Pine Bluff, Ark.; and St. Louis, Mo. Rev. Hahn preached several times during the trip, including Hahn Chapel at Marble Hill, Mo.; Bay Street Baptist Church in Pine Bluff, Ark., and also assisted in the Daily Vacation Bible School at Calvary Baptist Church in Jackson, Mo. They reported pleasant, cool weather during the trip with considerable rainfall in Missouri and Arkansas. Mr. James Duncan of Sweetwater filled the pulpit of Calvary Baptist Church here during Rev. Hahn's absence.

LITTLE LEAGUE STANDINGS

Won	Lost	Tied	Avg.
Killowats ... 5	2	0	.714
Chevies ... 5	3	0	.625
Giants ... 5	3	0	.625
Willies ... 4	4	0	.500
Bankers ... 3	4	0	.429
Braves ... 1	7	0	.133

AREA YOUTH TO TOUR NATION'S CAPITAL

Washington, D.C. is the destination of Mary Johnson of Merkel and Mike Dudley of Merkel who will leave June 8, on a twelve day tour sponsored by Taylor Electric Cooperative of Merkel.

Winners of an oratorical contest, Mary and Mike will meet in Dallas with 85 other winners of similar competition conducted by rural electric systems throughout Texas.

From Dallas they will travel by chartered bus with overnight stops in Little Rock, Ark., Nashville, Tenn., and Roanoke, Va., arriving in Washington June 12.

During a five day stay in the nation's capital, they will visit the Capitol, the White House, the Library of Congress, Supreme Court, Department of Agriculture, National Archives, Federal Bu-

reau of Investigation, Mount Vernon, Smithsonian Institute, Arlington Cemetery, the Wax Museum and many historical shrines and monuments.

Their entertainment agenda includes a dinner - dance, Potomac River cruise, Watergate Concert and the fun of being with a thousand other people from all over the country in the observance of Rural Youth Day.

The return trip will take them through Knoxville, Chattanooga and Memphis, Tenn., and back to Dallas on Tuesday, June 20.

Accompanying the youths in addition to chaperones and counselors will be Laura Gass of Comfort, the reigning Miss Texas Rural Electrification, Kathy Kobayashi, League City, President of the Future Homemakers of Amer-

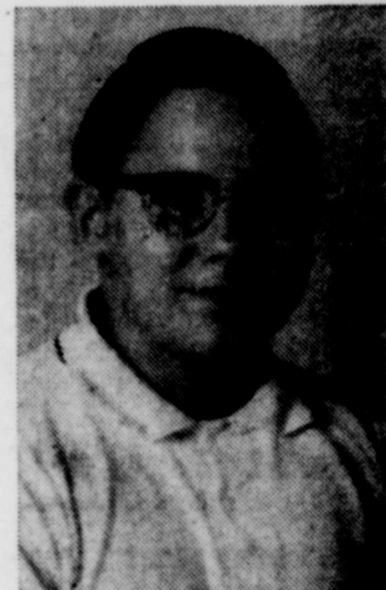
ica, Texas Association and Marcus Hill of Yantis, President of the Texas Association of Future Farmers of America.

During last minute preparations before leaving, both winners agree that "it's a trip we're looking forward to."

"The tour booklet is full of places to see and things to learn," said Mike, "and I plan to try to cover every bit of it." Mike, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Dudley, will celebrate his 15th birthday while on the tour and will be a junior at Merkel High School this fall.

"Great," is Mary's remarks about the trip. "I'm so excited about it all and I'm looking forward to that trip through the White House."

Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Johnson, will be a senior at MHS this fall.



MIKE DUDLEY
... try to see everything

Merkel Area Wheat Yield Is Better Than Expected



TWIRLING SCHOOL BOUND — MHS's Twirlers left Sunday, June 4, for week - long Twirling School at Cisco Junior College. Going through a full schedule this week are, from left, Pam Walla, Suzie Wilson, Kay Tipton, Donna Diltz, Kathryn Criswell and Christie Lucas. (Staff Photo)

SCHOOL LIBRARIES OPEN FOR SUMMER

Merkel young people will have an opportunity to enjoy good summer reading and also be eligible for a prize for reading the most books.

Monday, June 5, opened the Summer Reading Program for the Merkel area students, and the Merkel Mail will give prizes to the boy or girl who reads the most number of books on Primary, Elementary and high school level. (Three first place prizes will be given in all.)

Library services under the direction of Mrs. Zel Whitaker, Title I supervisor, will be available five days a week, Monday through Friday, according to school superintendent Mack Fisher.

Library hours will be from 8:30 a.m. until 12-noon. Both high school and elemen-

YIELD A 'SPURT' TO MERKEL ECONOMY

Merkel wheat yields are varying according to the two local elevator operators here in Merkel.

Both Ed Sandusky, operator of Abilene Grain Company, and Jack South, of South Elevators, agree that "wheat turnout is much better than was expected."

Said South, "It didn't look too good a few weeks ago, with the small amount of moisture we had. It's really surprising how good the turnout has been."

"We're not making as much as we did last year," said Sandusky, "but the country in general is making a lot more than they expected to make a few weeks ago."

Johnny Cox, bookkeeper for South Elevators said that approximately one hundred twenty-five thousand bushels had been bought in the Merkel trade area. "And at \$1.63 per bushel, that spurs Merkel economy some two hundred thousand dollars."

"Some farmers I talked with a few weeks ago didn't think a combine would be put in the fields," said South. "So it's been surprising what the yield has been."

In comparing last year's wheat yield with this year South said that this year's was about fifty per cent ... "maybe a little better than that."

"We've had a wonderful year for the kind of season we've had," said Sandusky.

"The better than expected wheat yield has boosted the economy for

Merkel," said Booth Warren, president of Farmers and Merchants National Bank. "And any money crop that comes at this time of year is definitely a boost to the economy."

Taylor 4-Hers Back From Camp

Katie Neill and Myrtle Davis, both of Mulberry Canyon 4H Club have just returned from the District 7 4H Camp, held at Lake Brownwood.

Other 4Hers making up the Taylor County group were Kay Griffith and David Rogers, Elddale, Billy Snow and Randall Moore, Hamby.

The week long camp was opened Wednesday, May 31 with the Taylor County group presenting the opening exercises.

Theme of the camp was "4-H the World Over."

Tommy Cutler, a member of the Adult Leaders Group, and also representative of Taylor Electric Cooperative, attended the camp activities.

Welder Needed

The Merkel Jaycees are in need of a welder to complete installing slides at the City Park. Jaycee member Joe Alves said that "they had the pipe and oxygen but needed the welder."

Equipment already installed at the park are swings, monkey bars and see - saws, and "they are in full use."

BIDS BEING TAKEN FOR JOB CLEANER

Bids for a Contract Job Cleaner, are now being accepted at the Merkel Post Office, according to Postmaster Wren Durham.

"The contract is for the cleaning and maintaining the post office and ground at Merkel," said Durham. "Terms of the contract will begin July 1, 1967 and end June 30, 1968."

Durham said that 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."

Termination of contract may be "made by either the Postmaster or the contractor upon written notice ten days in advance of effective date." Termination will become effective at the end of the current bi - weekly pay period.

Persons interested in the contract job are asked to contact Durham at the post office for forms and instructions for bidding.

PUGGY



by Horace Elmo

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LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas — GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Julius Fonseca, Defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 26th

day of June A.D. 1967, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 17th day of October A.D. 1966, in this cause, numbered 2924 on the docket of said court and styled Janie Fonseca, Plaintiff, vs. Julius Fonseca, Defendant. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were duly and legally married on or about November 19, 1960, in Floydada, Texas and continued to live together as husband and wife until on or about March 1961, at which time they became permanently separated. Defendant commenced a course of harsh, cruel and tyrannical conduct toward this plaintiff, and has been guilty of excesses, outrages, and cruel treatment all of which has rendered their further living together insupportable. As a result of the Marriage of Plaintiff and defendant one child was born to - wit: Marvin Fonseca a boy, 5 years of age. Plaintiff is a fit and prop-

AMERICANS ARE GETTING TOUCHY

MORE than one in 12 Americans is touchy. They react with pain to the touch of hot or cold foods, sweets or soups, or even to the slightest pressure of a spoon or the rim of a cup. Sensitive teeth, once thought to be a problem for older people, are now known to affect the 18 to 30 age group.

More Women

Women outnumber men two to one, as sufferers. A reason may be that women have a tendency to brush more often and more vigorously than males.

In general, the condition stems from incorrect brushing, general erosion, or gum conditions.

Double Troubles

Without a suitable toothpaste, designed especially for touchy teeth, all the brushing in the world won't brush the trouble away. It may aggravate it!

The reason is that tooth enamel can't restore itself. Teeth are sensitive when outer protection wears down.

A new toothpaste, called Thermodent, relieves the pain of sensitive teeth and helps build resistance to pain in areas where tooth enamel has been worn away. It is available at local drug stores.

Problem Explained

It is important to see a dentist since pain could be caused by cavities. He'll check gum condition, too.

A free booklet titled, "Fifteen Million Americans Have Sensitive Teeth," explains the problem simply. For a copy, write to Thermodent, Dept. FB, Pfizer Learning Division, 285 E. 42 St., New York 10017.



Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

Stith community received a good rain last week. There was some hail damage to wheat and gardens. Farmers are very busy planting cotton.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones recently were Mrs. Trell Watson of Welliston, N.C., Mr. and Mrs. Ray Alsby of Glendrie, Mont.

Bob, Louise and Hollis Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fikes and children, Mrs. O. J. Fikes and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hudson attended the Hudson reunion at Cobb Park in Abilene Sunday, May 28th.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry attended the annual Midway Cemetery Association at the Midway Tabernacle Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Davis and children, Mr. and Mrs. Buford Welsh and children of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Pateron and Mrs. Jinkins of Merkel visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley last week.

The Rev. James Williams was a dinner guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones Sunday.

Mrs. Bobby Malone and Monica Kay and Mrs. Fritz Hale visited Mrs. Billy Dunagin and Mary and Mrs. Lola Dunagin Tuesday.

Those attending the Stith HD Club Ice Cream Supper at the Community Center Friday night were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clyburn and children, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn, Mrs. John Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reddin and chil-

dren, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Shaw, Mrs. George Peachy and son, Louise, Bob and Hollis Hudson, and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hudson.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Cook, Evelyn and Donnie of Noodle visited the Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Swindell and Mrs. J. E. Swindell Thursday.

Barney Berry of Anson visited Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry Sunday.

The Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Swindell and son and Mrs. J. E. Swindell were dinner guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bolle Cross in Anson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning

are visiting in Dallas with their daughter, Mildred Harris and Lonnie and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Edie Shorse and daughter of Cave Spring, Ark., and Mrs. Ann Mundy visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vantresse over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Reece of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sloan and children of San Angelo attended services Sunday morning at the Hope Church of Christ.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley visited his brother, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bradley in Merkel Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Hardin and

James of Lawn visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn and Rodney Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale visited in Anson Monday with Mrs. Ada Newton and Mrs. Ola Chapin.

Mrs. Fay Farmer, Dale and Jana had dinner Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry. Dale Farmer had joined the Marines and left by airplane May 31.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry attended the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. M. E. Armstrong at Weatherford Sunday afternoon.

The saplings in our forests are the sawlogs of tomorrow's lumber.



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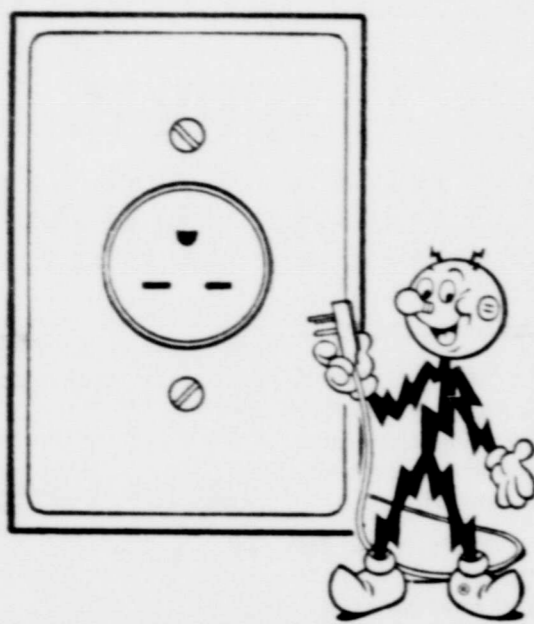
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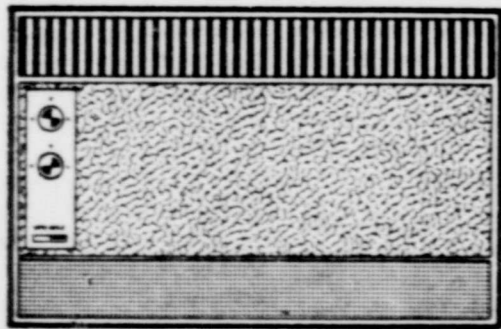
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er person to have the care custody and control of said child. Plaintiff would further show that during their marriage plaintiff and defendant accumulated no community property.

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 the 10th day of May A.D. 1967.

(Seal)
Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,
Domestic Relations Court
Taylor County, Texas
By Faye Terry, Deputy.

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- Miscellaneous -

FOR MONUMENTS and CEMETERY CURBING M. A. (SARG) NOSTER 1404 Herring Dr. Merkel, Texas Phone 8-5365

MASONIC MEETING Stated Meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 719 on 2nd Saturday and 4th Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome. Members urged to attend.

ROY MASHEURN, W. M. DAN BUTLER, Sec'y.

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WANTED — Cook to apply in person at Asteroid Restaurant. Merkel. 13 2tc

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GARAGE SALE — Thursday and Friday, clothes and miscellaneous items. 812 Rose Street. 14 1tc

PANTED — A welder for setting up two slides at Merkel City Park. Have pipe and oxygen, but need a welder. Contact Joe Alves or any of the Jaycee members.

FOR RENT — Furnished 2 bedroom apartment at Merkel Swimming Pool. Call after 5. Phone 928-5864. 9 tfc

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WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS our sincere thanks and love for those who were so thoughtful and kind after the loss of our mother, Mrs. Seth Hamilton. No words can express what friends mean to us at a time like this. God bless each of you.
Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Shafer
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Collins

WANT-ADS ARE FOR PEOPLE WHO LOVE MONEY



CHECKING RANGE USE — Soil Conservationist George Love, left, and Jimmy Partin Sr., are checking range proper use on the Partin farm south of Abilene. Partin defers his rangeland every summer and grasses cure outwell for winter grazing. (Photo Courtesy Soil Conservation Office)

CLOTHING COURSE SET JUNE 13-14

A clothing shortcourse has been planned for the teenagers of Abilene and Taylor County from 9:00 to 11:00 o'clock for the mornings of June 13, 14, and 15. The Coca-Cola Building Auditorium will be the place for the big happenings, according to Miss Carolyn Gilbert, Assistant Home Demonstration Agent. She has some new ideas for the three day program and has arranged for outstanding people to be on the program.

Miss Fannie Brown Eaton, Clothing Specialist, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, from College Station, will present "The Voice of Clothing" on June 13.

On June 14th there will be a panel of teenagers (watch for names) to tell you what they think about teenage fashion. "This panel

will feature boys and girls and it is your chance to find out what is what with the latest," said Miss Gilbert. "This will be from 9:00 to 10:00 o'clock."

From 10:00 to 11:00 Dr. Max Leach, head of Psychology Department of Abilene Christian College will discuss "Influence of Clothing on the Young Person."

June 15th brings exciting happenings as far as accessories are concerned for the teenager. What goes with what will be stressed. There will be some special emphasis on new fabrics presented by Dorothy Fagan, from the Fabric Mart.

One tree will make a million matches! On match can burn a million trees.

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worship this week

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SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS INCREASE

\$8,173,668 in social security benefits was paid to residents of Taylor County last year, up 13.2 per cent from the year before.

At the end of 1966, 10,296 men, women and children in Taylor County were receiving benefits at a monthly rate of \$681,139. R. R. Tuley Jr., social security district manager in Abilene, reported today, 7,594 were older people, he said, receiving benefits as retired workers, the wives and husbands of retired workers and as the surviving widows or aged dependent parents of workers who have died.

"But social security is not just

for older people," Tuley pointed out, 1,845 young widows and children in Taylor County were receiving benefits amounting to \$107,947 at the end of December. 857 disabled workers and dependents were receiving benefits at a monthly rate of \$53,850.

Texas totals were \$68,178,133 going monthly to 1,058,955 persons. The national figures were \$1,638,548,392 to 22,767,252 persons.

"Practically every young family in Taylor County has survivors protection under social security that can be worth up to \$75,000 or more, and equally valuable disability insurance protection.

ASTROS HOME STAND OPENS JUNE 14

The Houston Astros most exciting home stand of the season opens on Monday, June 12 and continues through June 21, featuring four of the National League's top contending clubs.

The San Francisco Giants, Atlanta Braves, St. Louis Cardinals and Cincinnati Reds will all see action during the 11-game slate in 19 days.

The Giants, with the incomparable Willie Mays and Juan Marichal play Houston four straight night games, June 12, 13, 14 and 15 Monday through Thursday.

Hank Aaron, Joe Torre and the

Braves meet the Astros in four games over a three-day weekend, June 16, 17 and 18, with a night game Friday, a day-night doubleheader Saturday starting at 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. and a Sunday game at 2:00 p.m.

The Cards' colorful array of Roger Maris, Orlando Cepeda, Lou Brock, Curt Flood and Tim Lincecum battle the Astros in night games Monday, June 19 and Tuesday, June 20.

The high-flying Reds close the stand with a single ladies night attraction Wednesday, June 21.



ATTENDING ROUNDUP — Three Merkel-area 4-H Club members left Tuesday to attend the Texas Round-up at College Station. Participating in the Round-up are, from left, Finley Barnett, Merkel 4-H Club, public speaking; Myrtle Davis and Mike Dudley of the Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club, vegetable production and marketing team. The contests will conclude Thursday.

CALVARY BAPTIST VBS BEGINS JUNE 12

The Daily Vacation Bible School of the Calvary Baptist Church of Merkel will be held this year from June 12th through 19th between 9 a.m. and 11:30 p.m., according to church pastor, the Rev. David Hahn.

Classes will be provided for children from the ages of 4 through 16. Refreshments will be served daily between the Bible lesson and handwork sessions.

Sunday evening, June 18th a program will be held at the church featuring the children. This will

Fifty-One Attend Horton Reunion

The W. P. Horton Reunion was held Sunday, June 4 at Abilene State Park, with Lavendar's Cafeteria catering the dinner.

Games and visiting were enjoyed by approximately fifty one relatives and guests.

Attending were Alvin Horton of Grove Hill, Ala., oldest son of W. P. Horton; Ode Horton of Wichita Falls, Clarence Horton and family, and Jerry Horton and family, all of Merkel.

Also Mrs. I. V. Garrett and family, Mrs. Jimmie Dean, all of Abilene.

Mrs. Bobby Hollis and two children, Abilene; John Horton and Eddie Austin and Jennifer, Abilene; Johnnie Woodard, Diana, Sheila and Dennis, Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Dillard and sons of Fort Worth.

Also Hollis Horton and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Johnson and family, all of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Glasscock and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry West, all of Abilene.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Connie Wilson and family from Dyes AFB, and Mrs. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Freeman from Chickasa, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson and family of Dyes AFB.

Holt Vaughn Dies In Rogers, Ark.

Word was received that Holt Vaughn, of Rogers, Ark., and son of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Vaughn of Merkel died at 7:45 Wednesday morning in a Rogers hospital.

Funeral services for Mr. Vaughn are set for 4:30 p.m. Thursday at the Methodist Church in Rogers.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, Mike and Bill, of the home; a daughter, Nancy, also of the home; his parents of Merkel.

Each \$1.00 from standing trees adds \$25.00 to Texas' economy through harvesting, manufacturing, construction, transportation and marketing. These figures from the Texas Forestry Association emphasize Texas' woodland wealth.

begin at 7:00 p.m. and the public is invited to attend. The children will also receive Certificates of attendance at this time. Displays of the handwork will be available for parents and friends to inspect.

All children in the area who wish to attend this Bible school are invited to call 928-5844 or 928-4986 to register, said Rev. Hahn. The sessions will be taught by Mrs. David Hahn assisted by other women of the church, Miss Dorothy Torrence, a student at Baptist Bible College, Springfield, Mo., will bring an interesting lesson each day pertaining to Mission field activities.

The theme of the school is "Fishing With Jesus," and the lessons each day will relate to this theme.

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Do you know the seven warning signals of cancer?

1. Unusual bleeding or discharge.
2. A lump or thickening in the breast or elsewhere.
3. A sore that does not heal.
4. Change in bowel or bladder habits.
5. Hoarseness or cough.
6. Indigestion or difficulty in swallowing.
7. Change in a wart or mole.

Just in case you don't: 1. Unusual bleeding or discharge. 2. A lump or thickening in the breast or elsewhere. 3. A sore that does not heal. 4. Change in bowel or bladder habits. 5. Hoarseness or cough. 6. Indigestion or difficulty in swallowing. 7. Change in a wart or mole. If a signal lasts longer than two weeks see your doctor.

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59 OLDSMOBILE 88 4 door sedan, air and power, a nice one only	\$395	63 PONTIAC Catalina 4 door sedan, automatic, power, factory air, etc.	\$1095
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NEWS ABOUT AREA SERVICEMEN

In Vietnam

U. S. ARMY, Vietnam (AHTNC)—Army Private First Class Salvador M. Ybarra, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Librado Ybarra, 108 Lois St., Merkel, Tex., was assigned to the 9th Infantry Division in Vietnam May 20.

An infantryman assigned to Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion in the division's 47th Infantry, Pvt. Ybarra entered the Army in November 1966 and completed his basic training at

Ft. Polk, La., where he was last stationed.

Pvt. Ybarra is a 1966 graduate of Merkel High School.

Aircraft Grad

WICHITA FALLS — Airman Third Class Roy O. Carroll, whose wife, Noemi, is the daughter of U. S. Air Force Staff Sergeant and Mrs. M. T. Hammett of Tye, graduated from the training course for U. S. Air Force aircraft mechanics.

Airman Carroll, a graduate of George Washington High School, Agana, Guam, is being assigned to Naha AB, Okinawa, for duty with the Pacific Air Forces.

His parents are USAF Master Sergeant and Mrs. W. F. Austin of Dow, Maine.

Merkelite's Kin Is Valedictorian

Wayne Criswell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Criswell of Odessa, and grandson of Sid Criswell of Merkel, was named valedictorian of Odessa High School's graduating class during graduation exercises Monday, May 29.

Wayne, whose grade average was 96.38, was one of 556 graduating in the exercises.

Receives Award

Top academic achievement was recognized at Hardin - Simmons University recently at an all-school awards day program.

Susan McNary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. McNary of Merkel was awarded the Sigma Alpha Iota award. She also holds membership in the Alpha Chi honorary society of the University.

TAX MAN SAM SEZ:

If everything has been going your way this year and you are making money hand over fist, you may need to file an estimated tax return or amend the estimated tax return that you filed on April 15. The withholding system works beautifully for most of our taxpayers, but self-employed taxpayers must file an estimated tax return and pay their tax during the year.

On the same basis, if you receive wages, but make a profitable deal during the year, you may be required to file a tax estimate and to pay the tax you owe on the additional income.



Meals in Minutes

Tick! Tock! Time! So little of it between leaving the office and getting dinner on the table. But, did you know that you can "buy time"? It comes canned, packaged and frozen—in the form of convenience foods. Convenience foods may cost only a few pennies more—and sometimes less—than all the ingredients needed to prepare from "scratch." And when you add the time saved, you've got a real bargain!

Keep your cupboard and refrigerator shelves well stocked with these time-saver musts:

- Canned:** Soups, vegetables, fruits, beans, spaghetti, stews, seafood.
- Packaged:** Instant rice and potatoes, dessert and cake mixes, crackers.
- Frozen:** Soups, vegetables, TV dinners, meat pies.

A hearty soup and salad make an ideal quicker-than-a-wink supper. Serve this chicken chowder with a salad of spinach, bacon bits and chopped egg, and apple strudel (comes frozen) for dessert.

CHICKEN SOUP BOWL SUPPER

- 2 tablespoons chopped onion
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine
- 1 can Campbell's condensed cream of chicken soup
- 1/2 soup can milk
- 1/2 soup can water
- 1 cup cubed cooked chicken
- 1/2 cup cooked whole kernel corn

Cook onion in butter until tender. Add remaining ingredients. Heat; stir now and then. 2 to 3 servings.

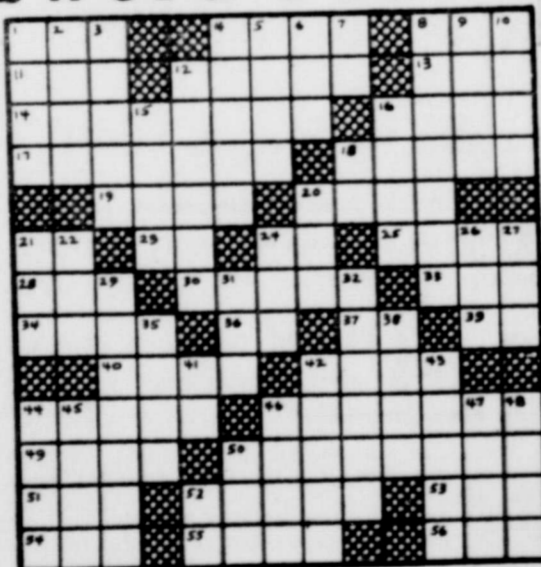
TIME-SAVER TIPS:

1. Avoid getting caught in the midst of a recipe without an ingredient. Jot down items as you run out of them and replace them on your next shopping trip.
2. The night before, prepare anything that will keep in the refrigerator. For example: Wash and dry salad greens. Put together the casserole and refrigerate it—ready to go in oven. Do the same with dessert.
3. Want instant sauce—for vegetables, meats, or casseroles? Just open a can of condensed cream soup—it's ready to go, double rich, and expertly seasoned.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Not on
4. Agitate
8. Watch
11. Neither
12. Rock
13. Wages
14. Bunches
16. Receptacle
17. Redactors
18. Sharpens
19. Rotate
20. Gain
21. Exist
23. Neon: chem.
24. —Paso
25. Vale
28. Fuel
30. Walking stick
33. 24 hours
34. Dry
36. That thing
37. Gold: her.
39. Prefix: from
40. Loose soil
42. Blank: print.
44. Perfume opening
46. Outer face
49. Corn bread



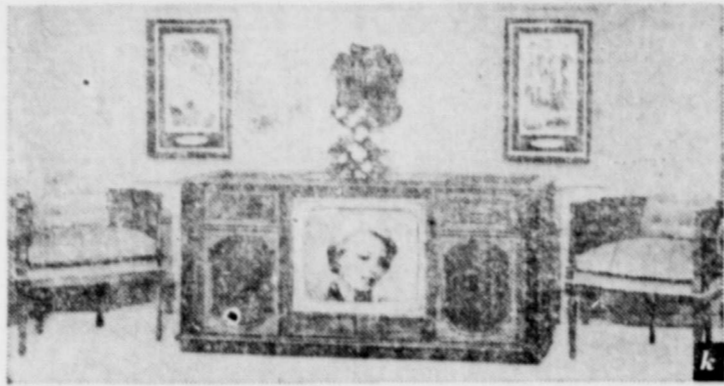
Answer to Crossword Puzzle

ANSWER TO CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS: 1. NOT ON, 4. AGITATE, 8. WATCH, 11. NEITHER, 12. ROCK, 13. WAGES, 14. BUNCHES, 16. RECEPTACLE, 17. REDACTORS, 18. SHARPENS, 19. ROTATE, 20. GAIN, 21. EXIST, 23. NEON: CHEM., 24. —PASO, 25. VALE, 28. FUEL, 30. WALKING STICK, 33. 24 HOURS, 34. DRY, 36. THAT THING, 37. GOLD: HER., 39. PREFIX: FROM, 40. LOOSE SOIL, 42. BLANK: PRINT., 44. PERFUME OPENING, 46. OUTER FACE, 49. CORN BREAD.

DOWN: 5. AGES, 6. FAIRY, 7. IN THE MATTER OF: LAW, 8. EXTENDED, 9. COMFORT, 10. VISION, 11. APPLES, PEARS, ETC., 12. SHOPS, 15. DAZE, 16. SMALL ROPE, 18. EXCLAMATION, 19. QUARTER, 20. FAIRY, 21. TURKISH TITLE, 22. SPOIL, 23. CONSUME, 24. BOY, 25. SOAP, 26. BOY, 27. SOAP, 28. BOY, 29. QUIET, 30. BOY'S NAME, 31. FINISHED, 32. QUARTER, 33. FINISHED, 34. FLOATING PLATFORM, 35. FINISHED, 36. FLOATING PLATFORM, 37. IN, 38. GIVES UP, 39. VALLEYS, 40. QUARREL, 41. AVOID, 42. PENNY, 43. WHIRLPOOL, 44. SEEK TO WIN, 45. MYSELF.

At Home in the Age of Space... Savers



NEW YORK (CFN)—While courageous astronauts are venturing into the limitless regions of outer space, equally valiant homemakers back here on earth have their hands full just trying to cope with the limitations of inner space in today's modern apartments.

The age of space—or rather, the lack of it—is due in part to the varied, versatile lives we lead today. Space to accommodate all the paraphernalia of daily living is rapidly dwindling away. That's why an extra vote of thanks must be paid to those manufacturers achieving the ultimate integration of function and beauty in furniture.

Take stereo equipment for example. Many of us still think the only way to listen to stereo recordings is with rooms full of components, speakers, tweeters, woofers, turntables, amplifiers and miles and miles of wiring. The problem is compounded by the additional presence of other home entertainment products—television and radio.

The solution to this problem has been provided by the Magnavox Company's highly successful "Stereo Theatres," which include in one fine furniture cabinet all the ingredients of a complete home entertainment center—stereo hi-fidelity, AM/FM and FM stereo radio, and color or black and white television. The Stereo Theatre pictured above in elegant Aegean Classic styling combines automatic color television (no endless fiddling with controls on this set!) with a solid state AM/FM stereo radio and Astro-Sonic stereo phonograph—

all operable by remote control. It incorporates in one unit the finest of stereo hi-fidelity, radio and television by Magnavox, the quality leader in this field. In terms of benefits per dollar invested, there is no better value in the field of home entertainment products.

Elegant economy is the key to this home entertainment center. Combining fine craftsmanship and beautiful furniture styling, this model houses its many facets of home entertainment in an "underwhelming" size of 64 inches in length. But don't think the lack of bulk sacrifices quality, depth, or timber of the record player's tone. Leading sound laboratories ran extensive tests on the Magnavox stereo system featured in the home entertainment centers and found a sound quality unequalled in a one unit stereo set.

Magnavox home entertainment centers are budget-oriented as well. For if you bought each component separately, you would pay much more than the cost of all three elegantly wrapped in one handsome package.

Who knows? If you replace all your present recording, TV and radio equipment lying around loose with a single Magnavox home entertainment center, you may find a couple of rooms you didn't even know you had!

Merkel Graduate Receives Degree

Approximately 200 candidates received degrees at the University of Texas commencement exercises held June 3.

Robert Higgins Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Higgins Sr., was one of approximately twenty five students who received a degree of bachelor of science in Civil Engineering department.

Evergreen trees such as pine trees lose a crop of leaves each year, but not all at once like the deciduous trees.

Receives Degree

Burl McCoy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hollis McCoy, Rt. 1, has been awarded the master of education degree at Abilene Christian College.

A Merkel High School graduate McCoy is coach for the freshman track team at Abilene Christian.

Degrees were conferred at commencement exercises May 22.

When your match goes out, be sure it can't come back. Be careful with fire and smoking materials when in or near wooded areas.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS COMBINED BALANCE SHEET—ALL FUNDS APRIL 30, 1967

ASSETS	Total	General Fund	Water Fund	General Sinking Fund	General Tax Bonds Payable	General Fixed Properties
Cash on Hand	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$	\$	\$	\$
Cash — Undivided Fund (Taxes)	1,395.68	739.71		655.97		
Cash — Paying Agent	62.50			62.50		
Cash — Construction Funds	200.40	.40	200.00			
Cash — Sinking Funds	20,123.25		6,021.18	141,102.07		
Cash — Reserve Funds	8,587.00		8,587.00			
Investment — U. S. Bonds			10,000.00			
Face \$10,000.00	10,000.00		10,000.00			
Taxes Receivable Schedule 1 (NB)	34,744.59	18,414.63		16,329.96		
Accounts Receivable — Services						
Schedule (NB)	10,998.98	1,429.86	9,569.12			
Account Receivable						
Water Contract	31.34		31.34			
Fixed Properties — Schedule 2	840,914.78		691,290.97			149,623.81
Account to be Provided for						
Retirement on Tax Bonds and Warrants	228,000.00				228,000.00	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,155,108.52	\$ 20,634.60	\$725,699.61	\$ 31,150.50	\$228,000.00	\$149,623.81
LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS						
Bank Overdraft	1,329.72		1,329.72			
Accounts Payable — Trade	6,103.58	1,809.88	4,293.70			
Contracts Payable — W&S Lines	10,175.23		10,175.23			
Meter Deposits	5,895.00		5,895.00			
Notes Payable — F&M						
National Bank	17,894.71		17,894.71			
Payroll Tax Deductions	358.38		358.38			
Bonds and Warrants Payable						
Schedule 3-10	448,000.00		220,000.00		228,000.00	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 489,756.62	\$ 20,662.97	\$241,693.65	\$	\$228,000.00	
Reserve — Rent Contract, Merkel ISD	1,689.36		1,689.36			
Surplus	463,662.54	(1,117.73)	484,005.96	31,150.50		149,623.81
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$1,155,108.52	\$ 20,634.60	\$725,699.61	\$ 31,150.50	\$228,000.00	\$149,623.81

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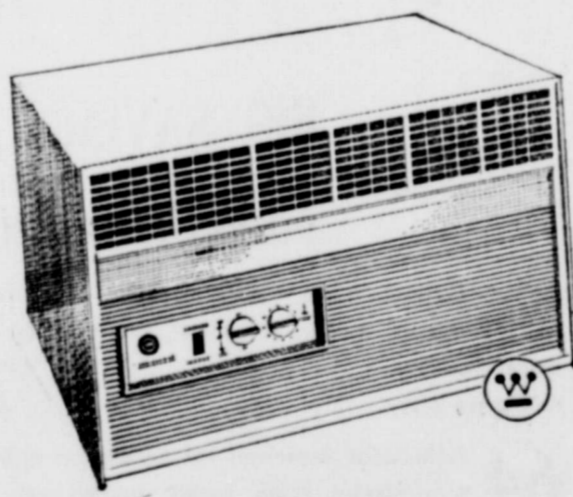
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NEWELL D. LUCAS DIES AT AGE 48

Newell D. Lucas, 48, died at his home in Merkel Sunday, June 4, of an apparent heart attack. Funeral services were held Tuesday in the Merkel Church of Christ, with Dwight Holland, minister, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under the direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

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He was born Sept. 21, 1918 in Jones County and married Tressie Marshall in 1938 in Taylor County. He had lived in Merkel since 1959. During that time he had been associated with Max Murrell Chevrolet, Carson's Super Market and Hicks Auto Supply.

He had been a member of the Church of Christ since 1949. Survivors include his wife; a son, Billy of Merkel; two daughters, Mrs. D. L. Bowen of Merkel and Christie Lucas of the home; six brothers, Dee and Weldon, both of Fort Worth, Ray of Grapevine, Edgar of Richardson, Paul of Flint, Mich., and Earnest of California; a sister, Mrs. Ben Adkins of Anson. Pallbearers were Albert Chaney, Lewis Corder, Vincent Barnett, Leo Harris, Joe Gregory and Charles Jacobs.

TELL ME

WHERE IS THE LAST HARBOR OF THE GOOD SHIP "MAYFLOWER"?




A WEATHER-BEATEN OLD BARN IN ST. GILES, ENGLAND, WAS BUILT OF THE WOOD OF THE MAYFLOWER, WHICH CARRIED THE PILGRIMS TO THE NEW WORLD! IT IS STILL STANDING!

WHY IS A PERSON SOMETIMES REFERRED TO AS A STOOL PIGEON?




BECAUSE A STOOL PIGEON IS A PIGEON USED AS A DECOY TO TRAP OTHER PIGEONS. HENCE, THE TERM HAS COME TO SIGNIFY A PERSON WHO ACTS AS A SPY FOR THE POLICE!

WHAT IS THE SIZE OF A HUMMING BIRD'S EGG?



LESS THAN 1/2 INCH IN DIAMETER! A NEWLY HATCHED HUMMING BIRD IS NO LARGER THAN A FLY!

HOW LARGE IS THE PLANET JUPITER?



THE LARGEST PLANET OF OUR SOLAR SYSTEM... JUPITER... IS 88,000 MILES IN DIAMETER... AN AREA THAT CAN CONTAIN MORE THAN 1,000 EARTHS!

RIDING CLUB



NEWS



Winners in Merkel's Riding Club activities Saturday, June 3 are listed in first, second and third place:

Poles
12 and under — Johnny Gray, 13-15 group — Kathryn Criswell, Gail Boone and Tonja McAninch. Karlen Gamble and Suzie Riney. 16-19 group — Randy Bond, Robert Boyd and John Read.
Open — Jarrett Pinckley and Bob Whitehead.

Barrels
12 and under — Gail Boone, Johnny Gray and Tonja McAninch. 13-15 group — Kathryn Criswell, Dayna McAninch and Suzie Riney. 16-19 group — Myrtle Davis, John Read and Pat Bigbee.
Open — Waymon Hicks, Jarrett Pinckley and Della Henslee.

Flags
12 and under — Johnny Gray and Kathy Carson.

13-15 group — Karlan Gamble, Pam Sandusky and Suzie Riney. 16-19 group — Sue Pinckley, John Read and Myrtle Davis, tie, and Randy Bond.
Open — Walter Henslee, Jarrett Pinckley and Waymon Hicks.

Roping
Walter Henslee and Karlen Gamble, Waymon Hicks and Buster Tarpley, and John Read and Suzie Riney.

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LINDA ILEENE DOAN, TOMMY SOUTH WED

Wedding vows were exchanged Friday, June 2, for Linda Ileene Doan and James Thomas (Tommy) South. Ceremony was held in the Merkel Church of Christ with Dwight Holland, minister officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Sandusky, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack South.

Soloists with the choir were Lynn Toombs, Burl and Jan McGee. Bride was given in marriage by her stepfather.

Mrs. E. R. Brown of Port Clinton, Ohio, and sister of the bridegroom, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Cathy Derington, Myrtle Davis and Sheila Holland.

David Hammond and Jacky Reynolds lighted candles. Larry Howard was best man and groomsmen were Tom McKee of Lubbock, Johnny Hardesty and Larry Teaff of Abilene.

The bride's gown was empire style silk organza and alencon lace. A sleeveless coat formed the chapel train. Her veil was caught to a pearl crown. She carried an orchid and roses.

Her attendants were dressed in light blue peau de soie gowns trimmed in white lace. Matching pillboxes with short veils were headresses.

Reception was at the Price Melton home.

After a trip to Saskatchewan, Canada, the couple will live in Lubbock after Aug. 20.

The bride is a 1967 Merkel High graduate, and the bridegroom a 1965 Merkel graduate, attends Texas Technological College where he is a member of Phi Eta Sigma honor society and the Tech Band. He is employed by the Tech Housing Department.

Rehearsal dinner was hosted at the Merkel Restaurant by the bridegroom's parents.

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Graduates at Tech

Three Merkel area students received degrees Saturday, June 3, at Texas Tech's commencement exercises.

They were Mary Ann Barnhart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Barnhart, of Merkel and Hugh and Alice Sue King, son and daughter of Mrs. Allen D. King of Mulberry Canyon.

Lt. Gen. W. Austin Davis of Los Angeles, former vice commander of the Air Force Systems Command and a 1936 Tech graduate, addressed the 1,500 graduating students.

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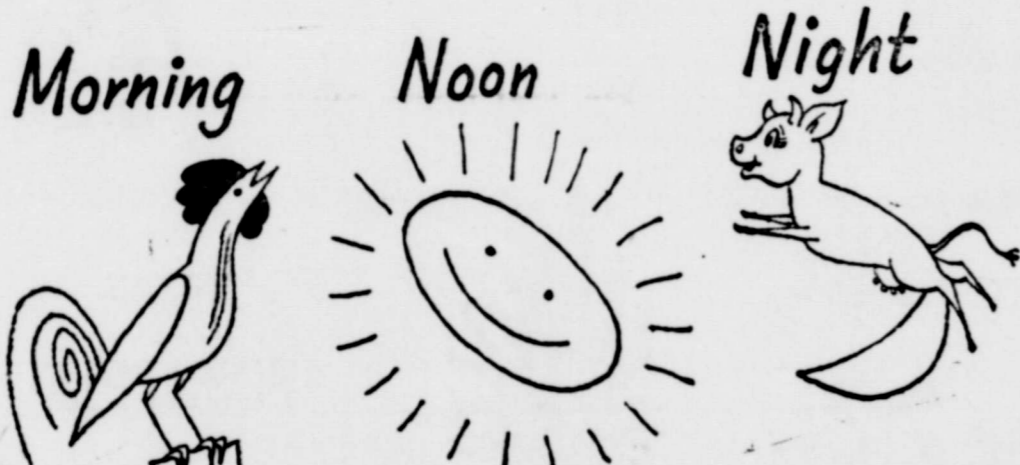
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Sewing Group Sees Film

Twelve members and leaders of the Merkel 4H Sewing Group met Monday, June 5 at the home of Mrs. Wilmer Criswell.

Miss Carolyn Gilbert, assistant home demonstration agent, showed a film on grooming tips.

4H Club members present were Gail Boone, Patricia McDuff, Tonja McAninch, Patricia Boyd, Mary Beth Boyd, Mary Jo Reddin and Dayna McAninch.

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