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Up
The
Canyon
By TOM
RUSSOM

Well, the farmers in the Canyon are really turning off a lot of work. Most of them are completing their wheat sowing. Most of the Milo is now harvested.

Some livestock are slowly moving to market. Will Butman had a load of aged sheep on the San Angelo market. The Tom Russoms had a load of lambs on the market this week. The market is holding real well. We always like to tell of the market because many farmers and stockmen like to read about it.

Recently T. J. Neill and his daughter, Katie, bought a choice string of Eve Lams from Booth Warren, Merkel banker and rancher. The lambs were high bred Hampshire lambs. Warren for many years has supplied club boys and girls with club lambs from his choice flock of sheep.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seymore recently visited in Dallas with their daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Melvin McCoy. Mrs. McCoy is the former Betty Joe Seymore.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Newby, who now live at Sinton, Tex., visited Hemer's mother, Mrs. John Newby of Colorado City, over the weekend. They also visited relatives here in Merkel and attended the Homecoming and football game Saturday, returning home Sunday morning.

The Taylor and Jones County Fifth Sunday Singing Convention will be held at Pioneer Church this Sunday. We are looking for a large crowd and a large bunch of good singers. Singing will start at 1:30 p.m. and if you enjoy good singing, come and be with us.

A group from Pioneer Church attended a church meeting at the Tye Methodist Church.

Mrs. B. H. Riney has not been feeling too well this past week.

Council Members Study A City Sales Tax Vote

Officials Ask For Cooperation

City officials of Merkel asked this week for "advice and cooperation" concerning financial affairs.

In a prepared statement signed "Merkel City Council," it was stated:

Needs and demands for more services by the citizens, plus the doubling, and in many instances more in the cost of machinery and equipment incident to the operation of a town or city, with but very little increase in tax revenue is making it necessary for about every town in the country to find some additional source of income.

No business can expand or barely operate under today's expenses with revenue of even ten years ago. In like manner a town finds it difficult to keep the City Hall doors open under present conditions. Certainly they have nothing left for permanent improvements to streets and other facilities of streets and other facilities.

There are two ways to increase City revenue:

1. Raise property valuations. However this plan is not all inclusive, as people who do not own property still have City benefits, yet pay no city tax.
2. City Sales Tax. After careful and an intense study of this tax in many towns and cities of various states our legislature passed

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Merkel's Homecoming Completed; Trent's Scheduled for November 4

RECORD CROWD AT SATURDAY'S EVENTS

A record crowd of 2,375 attended the Merkel Homecoming football game against the Jim Ned Indians Saturday with a total of 384 registering during the day-long activities.

Homecoming Association officers were elected during the business meeting, held at the West Texas Utilities building.

Tommy Cutler was named president by Ben Robert Hicks, vice president.

Other officers are Mrs. Wanda Douglas Tipton, secretary, and Mrs. Mary Derrington Childress, treasurer.

Prizes were awarded to Jim McKee of Ovalo, oldest ex, class of 1901, and Mrs. Dub Coats Russell, of Chandler, Ariz., who traveled the longest distance to attend the homecoming. Mrs. Russell is a graduate of the class of 1932.

Trent's Gorillas To Play Bronte

Trent Gorillas ripped off a 36 to 14 win against Roby Friday night to put the Gorillas in a one-to-one record for the district and dropping Roby into the cellar.

The Gorillas play Bronte Longhorns at Bronte this Saturday at 8 p.m. and Trent's head coach, Ralph Newton is looking for an exciting game.

"If we play better than we've ever played before," said the head coach, "it's bound to be exciting."

The 4-B match saw Gaylord Frazier and Larry Hellums carry the ball for Trent.

Frazier scored first with a 12-yard dash and then to add injury did the same thing with a 26-yard flash. Just to keep up the good work he caught a 20-yard pass for the TD from quarterback Gaylon Brnovak.

Hellums hopped four yards for his first score in the second quarter and 45 yards in the fourth quarter.

The Downtown Parade held Saturday afternoon, had a large representative group of ex classes of Merkel High School. Also entered were local clubs and organizations. D. B. Bowen led the parade with the Sheriff's department following.

"Actually," said Parade chairman Waymon Adcock, "it was hard to estimate the homecoming crowd lined up on our streets. Just didn't look like there was room for another observer."

Adcock also expressed appreciation to all who helped in making the parade a success. "To Max Murrell, Nolan Palmer, and Gene Stewart, we say thank you for the use of your new 1968 automobiles in the parade."

"And to our Merkel School we express our sincere appreciation," said Adcock. "No Homecoming could be a success, without the many contributions of our school students and faculty — the band, cheerleaders, twirlers and all of them."

Willie B. Toombs, chairman of the barbecue held Saturday evening, said "an actual count was almost impossible."

"I know we fed at least 750, and some have said there were more," said Toombs. "We do appreciate the help given in the serving line, and the financial assistance from our merchants in making this barbecue possible."

The highlight of the homecoming activities was the crowning of the Coming Home Queen, Mr. Ex, and the High School Homecoming Queen, during the half-time activities of the Badger — Jim Ned game.

Mrs. Wilmer Criswell, the former Lena Mae Wilson, class of 1926 was crowned Coming Home Queen and Homer Laney, class of 1917, was Mr. Ex.

Jo Ann Lassiter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lassiter, and a senior at Merkel High School, was crowned Homecoming Queen.

Following the game an Exes' Coffee was held in the school cafeteria. Lon McDonald, president of this year's Homecoming activities, said "I believe this has been one of the largest crowds we have ever had, and your 1967 Homecoming officers express a thank you to all who helped in the activities."



GARDEN CLUBS MEET — Admiring a center piece at the recent joint meeting of the Merkel and Trent Garden Clubs are from left, Mrs. W. L. Brown, president of Trent Garden Club, Mrs. G. R. Peachey, Merkel Garden Club president, and guest speaker, Mrs. Dale Smith of Big Spring, National Flower Show Judge, and authoritative speaker. (Staff Photo)

FALL FLOWER SHOW SET THIS WEEKEND

"Banking in Artistry" will be the theme of Merkel Garden Club's Fall Flower Show to be held this weekend, Oct. 28 and 29 at the Farmers and Merchants National Bank.

The Annual Flower Show will be open to the public from 3 until 6 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. G. R. Peachey is president of the club, and Mrs. Erma B. Black is Flower Show chairman.

Entry judging will be completed before 3 p.m., said Mrs. Black.

The Artistic Division, presenting the Banking theme, will depict "Greenbacks," "Federal Reserve," "New Accounts," "Insufficient Funds," "Travelers Checks," "Savings Accounts," "Collateral," and "Personal Checks."

The Horticulture Division will

include Chrysanthemums, Rosebuds, Roses and Dahlias, and will be on display in the West Texas Utilities building, both Saturday and Sunday.

An Educational and Special Exhibits are also scheduled for showing.

Committees include Schedule, Staging, Entries and Classifications and Horticulture.

Also Publicity, Properties, Educational, Hospitality and Clerks.

Mrs. Erma Black extends an invitation to all to view these displays.

Mrs. John Oliver of Merkel will be guest exhibitor and will have a collection of her Cacti on display at the West Texas Utilities building.

Sweepstakes winner will be determined by ribbon points collected in both the Horticulture and Artistic Divisions.

Activities to Begin With Breakfast

Date for Trent's 1967 Homecoming is Saturday, Nov. 4 and will begin with a breakfast at 6:30 a.m. at the Trent School Cafeteria, according to publicity chairman, Mrs. Weldon Steen.

The day - long activities will include visitation, 8 - 10 a.m.; parade and pep rally, 10 - 11:30 a.m., and lunch, served by the Trent Senior Class from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Visitation (coffee) and registration will be held from 1 to 2:30 p.m., with a program beginning at 2:30. The program will include a business meeting and special entertainment, with Bill Reynolds as moderator.

Another hour of visitation is scheduled at 4 p.m., with supper being served by the Trent Junior class at 5 p.m.

Highlight of the activities will be the football game at 7:30 p.m., between the Trent Gorillas and the Hermleigh Cardinals, and the crowning of Homecoming Queens during halftime ceremonies.

"Voting for Homecoming Queen will start at the breakfast," said Mrs. Steen, "and continue all day until 7:30 p.m. Nominees will ride in the parade."

Nominees for Homecoming Queen are Mrs. Ola Lee Winn (Boone), class of 1920; Mrs. D. H. Jones (Katherine Tittle), class of 1930; Mrs. H. H. (Spud) McLeod (Dene Strawn), class of 1940; Betty Sue Hamner, class of 1950, and Sue Dickerson Humbles, class of 1960.

The 1967 Homecoming officers are James Earl (Tuffy) Stevens, president; Othel O'Kelly, vice president, and Mrs. Yates Sipes, secretary.

Trent High School's sweetheart will also be crowned during the halftime ceremonies at the football game.

Nominees and class representatives are Delsie Bland, senior; Lynn Gilbert, junior; Cresta Sipes, sophomore, and Christi Kizer, freshman.

MHS Pep Rally

The Merkel High School Pep Rally will again be broadcast on KWFA this Friday beginning at 3:45 p.m., according to Finley Barnett, Merkel High School student, and an associate of the Radio Station.

BADGERS - WOODSON RAMS CLASH SAT.

The Merkel Badgers handed a capacity homecoming crowd a 23 to 7 victory over the Jim Ned Indians.

And while the Saturday night shindig wasn't exactly a cliff-hanger, the homecoming Merkel supporters had to hold their breaths as Jim Ned went out in front early in the first quarter.

But the Badgers came right back and went out front with a two point conversion. The victory kept Merkel in the Associated Press Top Ten in Class A with a good grip on fifth place.

The Badgers play Woodson High at Abilene at 7:30 p.m. in the Fair Park Stadium this Saturday.

This should be a breather for the Badgers, who are heading for a skull - crushing collision with Aspermont for the conference top-dog spot.

And the skull and crossbone fear of injuries is a constant guest with the thinly - manned Badgers.

Merkel's first score came in the dust whipped up by a 23-yard run by fullback Bob Tate. Tate then

passed the pigskin to Felix Costelli and the scoreboard registered two more feathers.

The Badgers scored twice in the second quarter when quarterback Ray Davis made the Indians play cenny, meeny, miny, moe on a keeper play. Then just for fun, Davis scored again on a seven-yard put 'em up and put 'em down pattern. Danny Wade kicked extra point after the first Davis score and Felix Costelli skidded around right end for two points for the second points after TD.

To make the homecoming exes feel good, the Badger machine put one more mark up high in the fourth quarter to make the total 28 to 7.

Merkel	Jim Ned	Trent	Roby
16	13	18	8
222	172	352	146
9	32	0	52
1 of 3	2 of 8	0 of 1	6 of 18
1	0	0	0
4 for 46.5	5 for 30	2 for 30	3 for 24
2 of 10	5 for 38	2 for 10	3 for 25
8	2	5	1

MERKEL BADGER BOOSTER CLUB MEMBERSHIP NOW OVER THE 100 MARK!

Merkel Badger Booster Club now has passed the 100 mark (110 as of press time) and is still aiming for that 250!

Recently, the club voted to accept and encourage women members.

"Women of this area play a vital role in the support of all school athletics," said Dan Allen, Booster Club president, "and their participation as members of the

Badger Booster Club is now possible and encouraged."

Allen pointed out that the Booster Club has a full school year of athletic events to boost, through all grades, for both boys and girls.

"This being the football season, more active emphasis is understandably being stressed, on this sport," said Allen, "however, plans are to continue meetings and support the club through bas-

ketball, track, tennis and volleyball."

Several years ago the club changed its name from Quarterback Club to Booster Club in order to emphasize and support all school sports.

"And now is the time to get solidly behind our school athletic program and sporting events," Allen explained. "Since we are scheduled to compete against Class AA competition next year, we

need all of you."

A list of twenty - six Booster Club members was published in last week's edition of the Mail. Other Boosters are:

Kenneth Purser, Dan Allen, Roy J. Kimbrell, Woody Wilson and Weldon McAninch.

Also Vincent Barnett, Luther Reeger, Dean Smith, Calvin Wade, Roy Mashburn, George T. Moore, E. A. Conley, Mack Fish-

er and Johnny Cox.

Also Vernon Mansfield, W. L. "Dub" Davis, Lawrence Hewitt, Bryan B. Dunagin, John B. Stout and Max Murrell.

Also David Gamble, Woodrow Wade, Ben R. Hicks, Bill J. Deal and John P. Hardesty Jr.

Also Horace O. Boney, Quannah Dudley, Billy D. Doan and Laverne Moore.

Also Pete Morgan, June Hogan, A. L. Moore and J. C. Carson.

Also Juan Ybarra, Bennie Melton, Billy E. West, M. G. Holloway and E. L. Tarpley.

Also John Brady, Orval Ely, Donald Douglas, Nolan Palmer and James T. Russell.

Also Howard Carson, Raymond Ferguson, Newton S. Daniel, J. Lynn Knight and Roscoe Shields.

Also Joe McDuff, Booth Warren, John Curtis, Robert Higgins and Paul Orsborn.

Also L. J. Gray Jr., Waymon Ad-

cock, Maurice Johnson, James Sinclair and Eric Anderson (VFW club manager).

Also F. H. Duncan, Henry Martin, Gene Stewart, Horace Hargrove and Bill Button.

Also F. T. Bartlett, Teddy Byrd and Robert McKeever.

Also W. B. Toomas, Edwin Renfro, D. C. Hendrick, Roy Peak and Albert Evans.

Additional names will be listed next week.

and Mrs. Walter Thames, was elected social chairman of the Off-Campus Organization. She is a freshman pre-nursing student.

MERKEL GRADUATES GET RECOGNITION

Recent graduates of Merkel High School have been elected class officers and one inducted into a service organization. They are Youlanda Carey, student at McMurry College, and Sue Holloway and Beverly Thames, students at Hardin - Simmons University.

Miss Carey, daughter of Mrs. Frances Carey, was inducted into Wah Wahtaysee, McMurry, service organization recently. Activities of Wah Wahtaysee include ushering at the Willson Lectures, serving faculty dinners, hosting a Christmas reception and spring banquet.

Eligibility requirements for the

service organization include a grade point average of 2.8 or better.

Miss Holloway, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe W. Holloway, was elected secretary of Epsilon Tau Pi, Single Women's Off-Campus Organization. She is a sophomore at H - SU, majoring in business education and minoring in English. While attending Merkel High School, she was a member of Future Teachers of America, band, Future Homemakers, class officer, and received two merit awards.

Miss Thames, daughter of Mr.

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OTHER CHILDREN IN PHOTO CONTEST — Children who entered the Summer Contest are, first row, left to right, Tim Wozencraft, Danna Bowen, Debbie Bowen, Lori DuBose, Cinday Smith, Carol Ford; second row, from left, Ming-



non Crawford, Russell White, Lisa Shugart, Sol Acuna, Brad Byerly, Bruce Byerly; third row, from left, Loyce Baker, Windi Whisenhunt, Dusti Whisenhunt, Stacy Seymore, Janice Jacobs and Von Breaux. (Photos by Lucas Studio)

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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

vs. Robert James Brooks, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Domestic Relations 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 issuance of this cita-

tion, same being the 4 day of December A. D. 1967, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 20 day of September A. D. 1967, in this cause, numbered 2642 on the docket of said court and styled Mary Brooks, Plaintiff, vs. Robert James Brooks, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows: to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about Oct. 23, 1964 and became separated on or about July 27, 1966. Plaintiff sued for divorce on the grounds of harsh and cruel treatment. Plaintiff asks for custody and support of the minor child, 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 20 day of October A. D. 1967.

(Seal)
Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,
Domestic Relations Court
Taylor County, Texas
My Marie Gill, Deputy.

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CEMETERY FUND

The following made recent donations to the Merkel Cemetery Fund:

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Mrs. Robert R. Buford
Herbert Patterson
Mrs. J. B. Walton

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Conley
Mr. and Mrs. W. S. J. Brown
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Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Bird and T. J. Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson
in memory of O. J. Adcock

Mrs. Pet Touchstone in memory of Mr. Bernie Bell, Mr. O. J. Adcock and Mrs. Bessie Johnson
Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Sadler in memory of O. J. Adcock

Mrs. Elsie McDonald in memory of Bernie Bell

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Eoff
Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ashby
Mary Grimes and Mrs. T. G. Bragg in memory of O. J. Adcock

Mrs. Deck Callaway in memory of O. J. Adcock

Mrs. R. T. Smith
Goldie Malore
George Smith

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Ray in memory of O. J. Adcock.
Mrs. Charlie Davis

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. J. Brown
in memory of O. J. Adcock

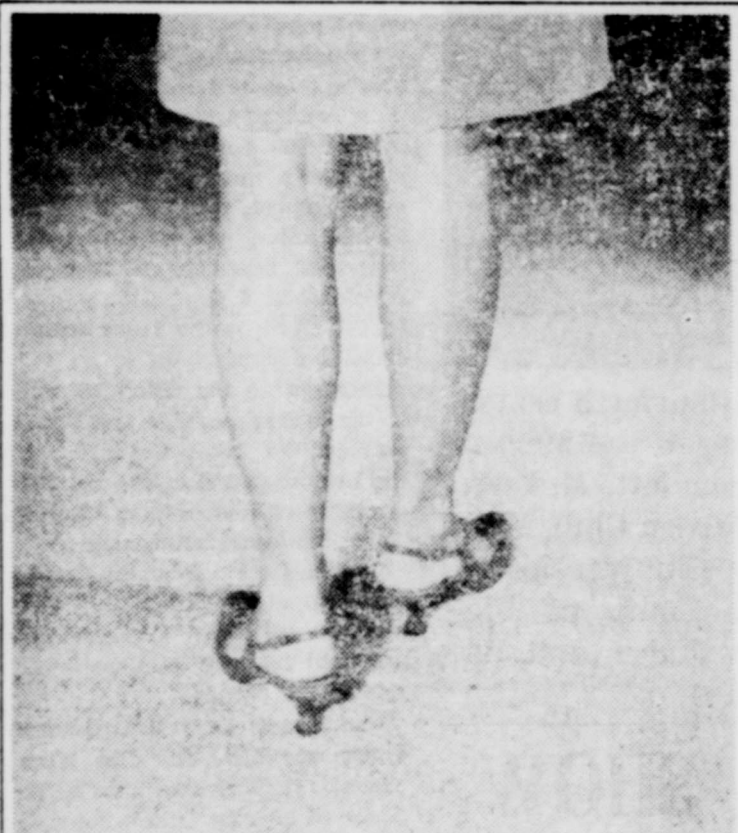
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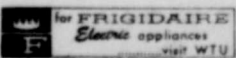
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MHS 8th Graders Elect Officers

Members of the Merkel School Eighth Grade Class met this week and elected officers for the six week term.

Officers elected are Mike Allen, president; Billy Dillz, vice president; Candy Brown, secretary-treasurer, and Debbie Bowen, reporter.

Candidates elected for president and vice chief of the Student Council to be chosen at a school assembly next week are Larry Hewitt, president, and Shelton Casady, vice chief.

Kerry Thames was elected campaign manager for the political campaign.

Student Council representative Mark Duffel and Debbie Teaff.

Room Fire Captain is Jerry Homes.

The class plans a candy sale for Tuesday, Nov. 7.

FIRST METHODISTS TO BEGIN REVIVAL

Four Big Days for God is the theme for the First Methodist Church's Revival to begin here Sunday, Oct. 29.

Guest speaker for the Four-Day Revival will be the Rev. Hugh Daniel, pastor of the Tahoka Methodist Church at Tahoka. He is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Newton Daniel, Merkel's First Methodist Church pastor.

Mrs. Hugh Daniel will lead the music and will use members in the church choir for special music, daily, according to Rev. Daniels.

Services will be held twice daily, according to Rev. Daniels. A 6:45 a.m. breakfast is planned for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, with various classes of the church as hostesses.

"We are scheduling our breakfast messages early enough so

that members and visitors can attend and still get to work on time," said Rev. Daniel.

The evening services are to begin at 7 p.m.

Rev. Daniel invites Merkel-area people to attend any or all of the revival services.

SALES TAX

Continued from Page One

and the governor signed the 1 per cent City Sales Tax for Texas, believing it to be the fairest and most equitable of all taxes, as even one both local and transients pay their share.

Under this plan the merchants still make only one quarterly report to Austin but using 3 per cent instead of 2 per cent. The State Comptroller's Office takes out for processing only 2 per cent of the 1 per cent City Sales Tax, and returns 98 per cent of it to the cities.

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When for a period of years cost of equipment, demands from citizens for more parking, and the rise in general operating have by exceeded revenue making it impossible. It has been reliably predicted that at least 90 per cent of Texas Municipalities will within the next 20 to 60 days vote on the City Sales Tax to maintain and improve the services of their towns.

Your City officials solicit your advice and cooperation in this matter.

Reddin Wins At Dallas Fair

Steve Reddin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Reddin of Trent, took first place with his junior Angus heifer in the breeding beef show at the Dallas Fair.

First place was his Carters Bandolier Bell 7 and his top heifer was Reddin Princess, that took third in the senior heifer calf class.

Steve also won first and third places at the Sweetwater County Fair held the weekend of Oct. 13 and 14.

5.5 million persons received \$466 million from the survivors insurance of social security in June 1967.

Jr. High Students Crown Favorites

Merkel's Junior High gathered at the old gymnasium Tuesday afternoon to celebrate the Football Team (7th and 8th grades) winning district, and to crown a football sweetheart, football hero and hand favorites, and to stage their last Pep Rally of the football season.

Jan Beasley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Teaff, and Michael Ray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ray, were crowned hand favorites.

Crowned Football Sweetheart was Debbie Teaff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernell Teaff. Debbie was also voted the "most valuable cheerleader."

Reuben Dela Cruz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Esquil Dela Cruz was crowned Football Hero.

Ann Miuns, daughter of Mrs. JoAnn Smith, was voted the "most valuable pep squad member."

Mack Davis is the Junior High head coach, and Mason Martin, assistant coach.

Trent 4-H Club Elects Officers

Trent 4-H Club met in an organizational meeting Wednesday, Oct. 11 at the Trent School.

4-H officers elected were Pam McMurray, president; Judy Brnovak, vice president; Becky Bryan, secretary; Anetia Frazier, treasurer, and Cindy Beasley, reporter.

Game leaders are Becky Freeman and Cathy Carter.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Anderson of Merkel, visited this past weekend with their grandson and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Campbell Jr. at Andrews. They also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Crowder at Wilson, Texas.

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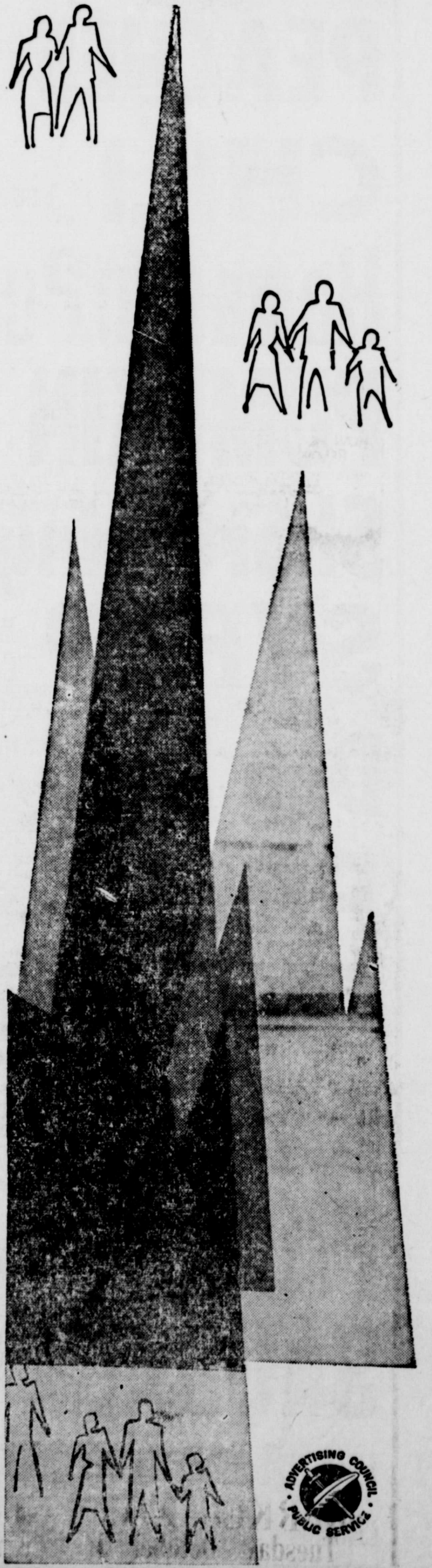
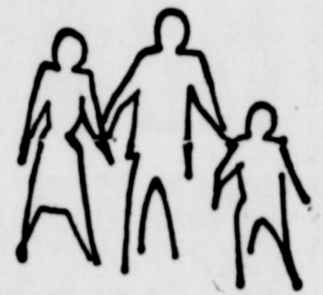
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But faith and spiritual strength can be found, nourished. Then they grow within you through regular worship. This week go to your church or synagogue. Start to build a fuller, more meaningful life. Cherish your faith and keep it strong so that it may strengthen you.

Worship this week



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MERKEL PAGEANT

BY MAIL STAFF

Homecoming always brings nostalgic memories and plenty of "remember whens" when exes get together.

And the proposed Merkel Library (we'll use this name until one is chosen) is a book "better off" as a result of the Homecoming.

Mrs. J. W. Cole, the former Eva Mae Johnson, and a 1926 graduate of Merkel High School, has contributed a 1926 Merkel School annual to the Library collection.

Although the 1926 Annual is not yet gracing a shelf in the library, it has already been scanned and re-scanned by Merkelites coming into the Mail.

Thank you, Mrs. Cole, for the annual and the other books you and Bill have contributed to our future library.

A letter to 1957 Homecoming president, Len McDonald, and a copy to the Mail, was in Monday morning's mail.

Thomas S. Christopher, a Merkel Exe, could not "make it" to the Homecoming this year, so he does the next best thing, writes the exes a letter, and here it is.

October 20, 1967

Mr. Len McDonald
Homecoming President
Merkel, Texas 75336

Dear Mr. McDonald:
It is with deep regret that I find myself unable to attend Homecoming. But I congratulate you and all others who will be there. It would be a happy occasion. I will be hoping for better luck next year — if it is not later than I think.

I am of the Class of 1913—Valedictorian. It was a big Class, a total of seven of us, three girls and four boys. Two of these have departed this life but at least all of the girls and two boys survive. I'm hoping the Class will have a representative present. If so, it will probably be Isla May McDonald, now Mrs. Leeton, a grand

person. Are you related to her?

At that time Mr. Craigbaum was Superintendent and D. B. Black principal. Among the High Schoolteachers was Miss E. Love Hawkins, a loveable person with rare talent for teaching. It is possible, but doubtful, that you may remember her, if not others of the now more ancient vintage, such as myself, will. It might be interesting to some to know that I visited with her for a few hours in Huntingdon, Tennessee in 1945. I arrived wholly unexpected to her but she knew me immediately after that long span of thirty-two years.

I am very proud of my High School Alma Mater. It has been a fortunate school. Being in some what of a pensive mood, with nostalgic memories, I recall that in the early nineteen hundreds it had Dr. Ed White who subsequently became Dean at what is now North Texas State University.

Later came Dr. C. E. Evans who became President of San Marcos State Teacher's College, now San Marcos State University. Then came Dr. C. E. Shaver who became President of Sam Houston State Teacher's College, now Sam Houston State University, and others I could name who attained eminence in the field of education. With the great Daniel Webster in his plea in behalf of Dartmouth College, "She may be a small school but there are those who love her."

May I please be permitted to exhort all of you to apply yourselves to the many problems of this age. And also say to all students of OUR SCHOOL to apply yourselves with intensity of effort for the assumption of the duties of citizenship for tomorrow.

God save and bless these United States, The Merkel Schools and every student and ex-student thereof.

Sincerely,
Thomas Simpson Christopher

Merkel's Pack 20 To Meet Monday

Merkel's Cub Scout Pack 20 will meet at the Pack Hut Monday, Oct. 30 at 7:30 p.m., according to Mrs. Vernon Stanley, Den Leaders' coach.

Mrs. Stanley said that boys ages 8 through 11 are invited to attend the pack meeting at the Hut.

"Den mothers will be announced at the meeting," said Mrs. Stanley.

Alvin Wozencrat is Cub Master.

Pack Hut "Face To Be Lifted"

Den Mothers and adults leaders of Merkel's Cub Scouts are beginning a Repair Program for the Pack Hut.

Mrs. Bobby DuBose, Den Mother, said that any person who would like to contribute time, paint, lumber for this program may call her at 926-5335.

"The Hut is badly in need of repairs," said Mrs. DuBose, "and we will appreciate any work or contributions that are given."

BADGER TALES

By DEBI CORDER



Woodson. So come and back the Badgers.

Last Wednesday, the Merkel Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America assembled in the auditorium for their second monthly meeting of the year. Presenting the program was Mrs. Ronny Toombs.

Also last Wednesday Jo Ann Lassiter was named Homecoming Queen for the 1967-68 school year.

The bonfire was a fun-filled project for the seniors last Thursday and Friday. The boys had an especially good time last Thursday night guarding the prized pile of junk.

Friday, Cheryl Herring and Kathy Whisenhunt did not heed to warnings of watching out for nails and they both put a hole through their foot.

This week has seemed like "dead" week, after such an exciting weekend, or at least it did Monday. After such a long very busy weekend everybody has colds and look as if some sleep is needed. However, things always become better as the week progresses, and everyone looks forward to the next weekend.

The school spirit that is had by all at the pep rallies and football games, seems to be "paying off" along with the most needed help of our football team. Last Saturday night the undefeated and victorious Merkel Badgers put another victory on our prized scoreboard. Next Saturday night, the game will be in Abilene against

IT'S HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL TIME

Carnival time (Halloween Carnivals, that is) is fast approaching, and the spooks and goblins are giving some attention to their attire.

Certainly it isn't the intention of anyone on the news staff to reveal the spooks' secrets as to their attire, but it is interesting to note that spooks and goblins do give serious thought to what they are going to wear the night of "spooking."

For instance, little Miss Lori DuBose, 7 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby DuBose, can't decide whether she will be

a clown or maybe Cinderella.

Four year old Stuart Douglas is undecided — "Let's see," he says, "do I want to be a spook rabbit or a spook clown?" Son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Douglas, Stuart will make that important decision Halloween night.

Sharon Allen, a "spook winner" in former Halloween Parades, is thinking about a witches costume or maybe a ghost costume. At any rate, Sharon, we didn't tell, and you can bet there'll be lots of witches and ghosts in this year's parade. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Allen, nine years old, and a third grader in Merkel Elementary School.

Brad and Tony Shugart, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Shugart, were pretty well impressed with last year's costumes, and since they have just about "made up their minds" — we won't tell. Brad is seven and in the second grade and Tony is nine and a fourth grader.

See there, Spooks, we didn't tell your secrets. And to top off the night of "spooking" Beta Sigma Phi's Annual Halloween Carnival will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Merkel Community Center Tuesday, Oct. 31.

Mrs. Larry White, Carnival chairman, said there would be fun and excitement for all ages.

The Carnival will feature foods (serving begins at 6:30) games, booths (including a Bazaar Booth), and a colorful array of spooks in costumes. Cake Walk, Dart Throw, Basket Pitch, Ring the Bottles, and a Fishing Booth are a few of the activities planned.

Beta Sigma Phi sponsors a Little League baseball team and also the Learn to Swim program, and proceeds from the Carnival will be used for these activities.

Mrs. White asked that persons wishing to contribute gift items for the Carnival to call her at 926-5112 or 926-5875 and a member of Beta Sigma Phi would be glad to pick up such items.

Noodle Carnival At High School

Noodle's Annual Halloween Carnival will be held Friday, Oct. 27 at the Noodle High School, with the food booth opening at 6:30 with a Hamburger Supper.

Kovee Ramsey, member of the Carnival planning committee said that coronation of "Kings" and "Queens" would be held at 7 p.m. and games to start at 7:30.

The Carnival is sponsored by the Patrons Club of Noodle and "everyone is invited."

Stith Carnival This Friday

The Stith Community Center will be the scene of the Stith Carnival this Friday, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Mrs. Roy Mashburn, publicity chairman, said that food will be served at 6:30 and games will follow.

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Star Nursing Home News

BY MARY OUTLAW

I have been asked again to write the news of the Star Nursing Home and as the busy canning season is over, maybe we can keep readers up on the news.

We are busy trying to remodel and repair after the explosion which damaged the home some, but did not hurt the patients for which we are very fortunate and very thankful.

M. L. Jones has been on the sick list, but is improving at this writing.

Mrs. Mary Earl who has been very ill, is about the same at this time.

We want to thank Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Wilkes for the nice meat they brought to the Nursing Home.

It was enjoyed by the patients. We welcome Mrs. Thelma Wade to our staff. She replaced Mrs. Lizzie Gouge who helped cook. Mrs. Rosa Beard is doing a lot better and is feeling like having company. She invites her friends to visit her.

We welcome back Mrs. Catherine Goode, who went home to stay, but had to return because of illness.

Granny Bishop is back in Merkel and a patient of ours and we would like for all of her friends to visit her.

We wish to express our thanks to the young people of the First Baptist Church for bringing the song service each Sunday at 9 o'clock. Our people look forward for that time each Sunday and if you get a blessing for coming as they do of having you come then you are certainly blessed.

The Assembly of God brought the services Oct. 22. Everyone enjoyed the good singing and the

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CHARLIE CHAN'S ADVICE TO TODAY'S PARENTS:

FAMOUS FILM DETECTIVE RECENTLY CELEBRATED "FAMILY DAY" AT EXPO 67 YOUTH PAVILION WITH MRS. CHAN AND 12 CHILDREN



MONTREAL QUE. When the internationally famous film mastermind of mystery, Charlie Chan, recently visited EXPO 67 to celebrate "Family Day" at the Youth Pavilion with his wife and 12 children, he offered the following six points on child upbringing in today's world:

- Children are taught early to respect the experience and wisdom of Age. The old people of the family and the community are looked up to by the youth.
- Religion is part of every-day life...not just a once-a-week-going-to-service habit.
- Children are as proud of good grades in school as they are proud of social acceptance at a Discotheque party, because they are taught to value education as a priceless gift. School dropouts are no problem where diplomas are envied and sought as status symbols.
- Good manners are expected in youngsters and rudeness is simply not tolerated.
- Obedience is automatic in the home, where strict discipline is consistent and tempered with warm affection and respect for the rights of each member of the family.
- Entertainment centers around the home, inside the family circle, with songs and games, stories and laughter, rather than outside the home in public places among strangers.

Charlie Chan is currently seen on television from coast-to-coast in 21 of his classic mystery film features, distributed by Warner Bros.-Seven Arts, Inc.

church services.

We miss Mr. Ula Blackburn from our midst. He had been a patient of ours for four years. We extend our sympathy to his children.

We want to thank the children of the late O. J. Adcock for the pretty oct plants they brought Mrs. Sharp and to go in our recreation room.

Oh yes, Mrs. Mary Sharp had a birthday this month. She was 101. Several brought gifts, some sent cards. We say that we are proud she is our patient and we hope she has many more birthdays. She is really a good patient. Thank you, Elsie, for being so thoughtful of her all the years we have had her in our home. Thank you for the white sheets that you have brought for the use of the bed patients. It takes a lot of white rags for sick people and we really appreciate your kindness.

We want to welcome Mrs. Arlene Gibson to our staff, as evening charge. She took state board and we are very fortunate to have such a good nurse. Come by and meet her. She is from Trent.

We want to say thank you to each and everyone who has brought us fresh vegetables to go in the deep freezer.

Mrs. Beardon of Dallas visited her sister, Mrs. Dovie Stephens Sunday.

Before I forget, I want to express my thanks for the fruit jars that the good people brought to the Nursing Home. When we have more time and space, we will tell you about the amount of fruits and vegetables we have canned this year.

Come by and see us...our welcome sign is always out.

Peace Corps Test

Merkel area residents interested in putting their skills to use in developing countries are invited to take the Peace Corps placement test at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 28, in room 2201, New Post Office Building in Abilene.

Volunteers need not have a college degree, as a broad range of skills are needed to fill the overseas programs in agriculture, public health, community development, education and cooperative development.

The Placement Test, which takes about an hour and a half, determines how an applicant can best be utilized overseas. It measures general aptitude and ability to learn a language.

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The do-it-yourself-make-it-at-home craze is here right now and what better way to be in the center of all this creativity than to create! Channel your efforts to a local flea market for the answer to extra dollars. The school gym or assembly hall can provide space needed to vendors for a small rental fee. Some of the going things are leather carry-all bags decorated with felt "pictures", wild embroidered shifts and Latin looking flowers on blue jeans that can be done easily with bright cotton thread or wool. Decorate bell sleeves of dresses with hand-painted designs and sew decorative beads or sequins on the fronts of plain bathing suits or blouses. Huge carpathans can be made from heavy upholstery material or left over pieces of carpets purchased as remnants from local decorators and carpet stores. Bulky sweaters knitted on huge needles and candlesticks made from wood or molded from clay offer another aspect of creativity. Decorative wall plaques and hot plates can be made from scraps of wood and painted in various way out colors, or decorated as the mood pleases. And don't forget the food booth jammed with hot dogs, hamburgers, potato chips and Pepsi with maybe a bowl or two of homemade relish.

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Gleaners' Class Holds Regular Monthly Meeting

The Gleaners Class of the First Methodist Church met Wednesday, Oct. 18 in the home of Mrs. Ruth Anderson. Mrs. Almada Bullock and Mrs. Dee Grimes were co-hostesses.

Room decoration were in autumn and Halloween colors.

Class president, Mrs. Minnie Howard, presided at the business meeting. Mrs. Johnny Cox asked the open-

ing prayer, with group singing by the class.

The Rev. and Mrs. Newton Daniel presented stories related to Halloween, and Mrs. Anderson concluded the program with a Musical Quiz.

Visitors attending besides the Rev. and Mrs. Daniel were Mrs. Jewell Huddleston, San Diego, Calif., and Mrs. Roberts.

Members attending were Mmes. Tom Iargent, Winnie Cyfert, Merle Harwell, Elsie McElmurray, Gail Gaither, Minnie Howard, Anna Lou Ferrier, Edna Brown and Jessie Shannon.

Also Mmes. Lou Petty, Pratt Brown, Cleo Douglas, Maggie Patterson, Johnny Cox, Mary Click,

Denzil Cox and Willie Douglas. Also Mmes. Willie Walton, Lola Stockbride, E. M. Dean, Ethel Canaday, and Miss Mabel McRee, Bessie Reidenbaugh, and Stella Tipton.

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Two Abilene Masonic Lodges will be honored during a Workshop to be held Monday, October 23, at 8:30 p.m. in the Masonic Hall in Lawn.

Hobah Lodge 1384 and John Sayles Lodge 1468 will receive Honor Roll Awards, which are

presented by The Grand Lodge of Texas in recognition of outstanding attendance during the Spring Series of Masonic Workshop programs.

L. T. Harris, chairman of the eight-county Masonic Workshop Area F-2, will present the awards and conduct the meeting.

706,354 persons past age 72 received the special \$35 payment from general funds via social security offices in June 1967.



Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

Farmers have begun defoliating their cotton. Charles Reddin brought in the first bale Wednesday.

There were several visitors in the Stith Community over the weekend, visiting relatives here for the Merkel School Homecoming.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wayne Berry and children of San Antonio spent the weekend with Mrs. Berry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley, and with Robert Wayne's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry. Mr. and Mrs. Berry went home with their grandson and family for a visit.

The Charles Pagwell family and the Orval Ely family visited in Robert Lee recently with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bergwell and children. The Pagwells are former residents of Stith, when Bob worked for an oil company here.

Visitors in the Fritz Hale home the first of last week were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hill and children of California, and Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Derslev of Funston, Texas. James Williams was a visitor Sunday.

Mrs. A. M. Evans and Mrs. Thelma Dedmon of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Abb Evans and Nancy Sunday morning.

Mrs. Orval Ely's step-mother, Mrs. G. C. Bond, has been in the Eastland Hospital and is now taking treatments at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene.

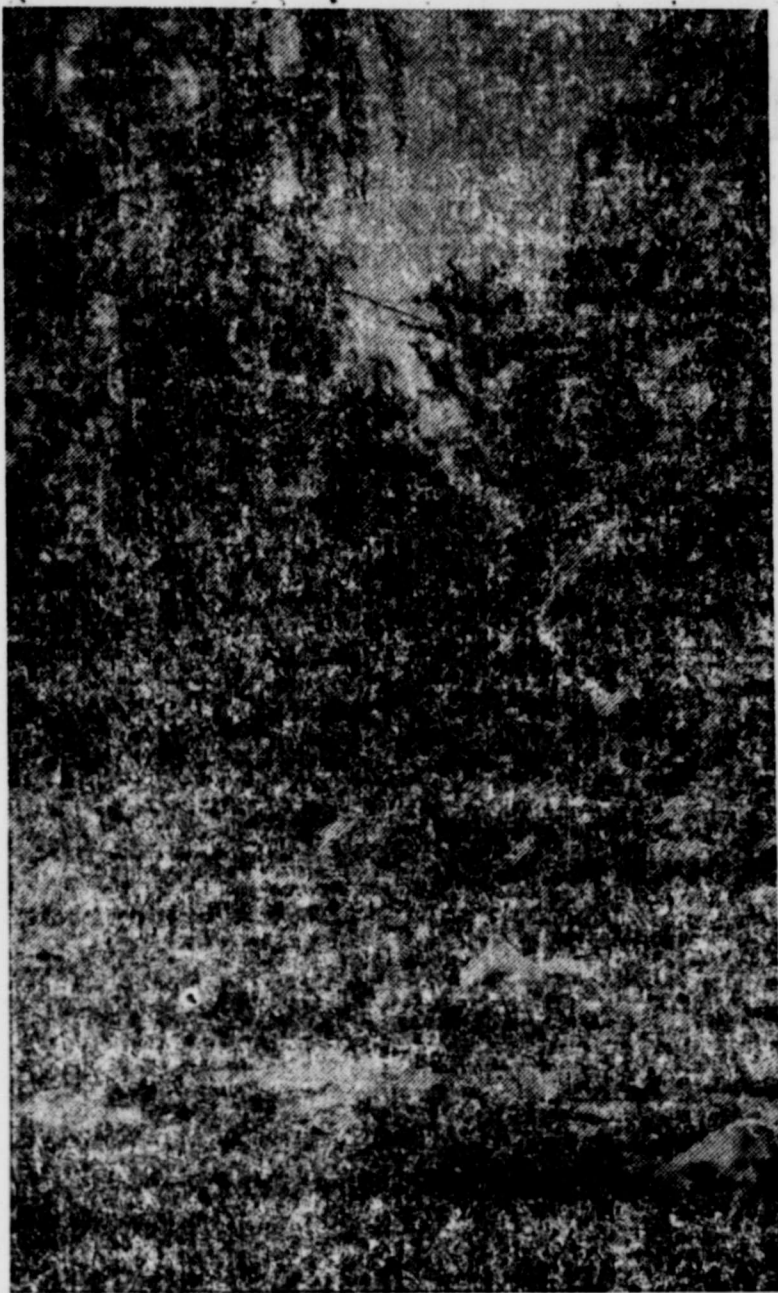
Mr. and Mrs. M. E. West were dinner guests Sunday in the home of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Winter. Mr. and Mrs. Manley Denton, Dent and Laurie Austin, and Mr. and Mrs. Prossie Winter and Wendie, were also guests in their parents' home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Perry attended the funeral of their uncle, William

THE FIZZLE FAMILY



By H. T. ELMO



TROPICS IN TEXAS — The home of some 20 different types of birds at the Fort Worth Zoo. The fifth largest zoo in the United States, the Fort Worth Zoo has over 600 different kinds of animals, among which are some of the rarest types in the world. (Photo Courtesy FWCC)

MISS DEB



... answers questions about Junior Miss etiquette, grooming and interests.



Q. Belts are back, but my waistline doesn't make a very good showing. Should I stick to tents and shifts?

A. Belts are big fashion news this fall, but not all of them are worn at the waist. Try loose belts at the hip line to minimize a full waist. Belts worn high, above the waist, adorn coats as well as dresses and might be a happy solution. There's a belted style for everyone this year!

Q. It's a tradition in our school to decorate the inside of your locker, but I'm stuck for a new idea. Most of my friends plan to paste up pictures, but I'd like to do something different. Any ideas?

A. What a fun idea! For an attention getting locker, paper it with Marvalon adhesive backed vinyl covering. Choose any bright color or wild pattern and mix or match, coordinating plain and designed paper. Cut it to fit, stick it on, change its position if you make a mistake. When the school year is over, peel it off. No damage is done and there's no paste to be removed. Couldn't be easier and more fun!

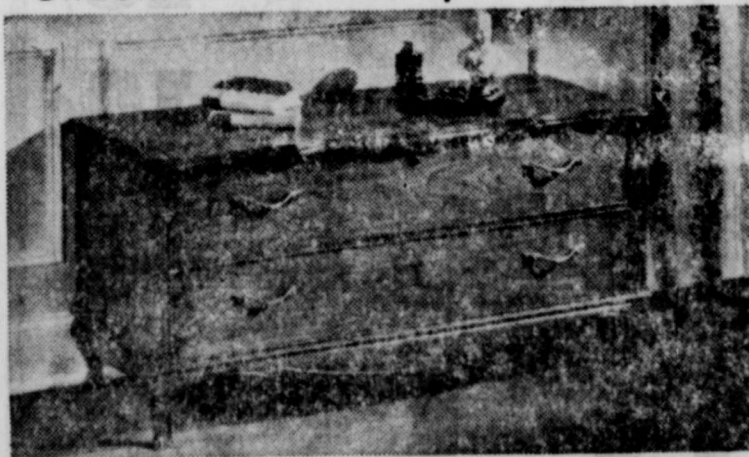
Q. I am planning a small

buffet supper after a football game this fall and of course I want everything to go just right. We will all be doing a juggling act carrying things from the serving table, so how can I avoid the chance of spills and embarrassed friends?

A. It's smart to plan ahead! And you are solving a potential clean-up problem before it happens. For best results, serve a one-plate supper. If there are essentials that simply can't be put on that one plate, pass them after the guests have found their places. Or serve the item in small containers from which guests can help themselves after they are seated. Encircle silverware in colorful Kleenex dinner napkins and tie with coordinating ribbon. That makes one decorative item out of four plain ones. Serve milk or soft drinks in easy to hold cups or mugs. Have a great party!

(Learn to be more confident that your table manners and dining etiquette are correct. Ask your home economics teacher to write for the free film, "A Date for Dinner," from Kimberly-Clark Corp., Dept. 551-P, Neenah, Wis. 54956.)

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Fair, Sunday, Oct. 26 at Graham. Mr. and Mrs. John Browning and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Stanley attended a singing at Sweetwater Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Browning attended the Jim Ned and basket football game at Merkel Saturday night. They met their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Browning and children, of Tuscola there. Their granddaughter, Kay, is a member of the Jim Ned Band.

Visitors at the Stith Baptist Church Sunday morning were Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Berry and children.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hison of Orange returned home after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Perry of Tye, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Perry and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry.

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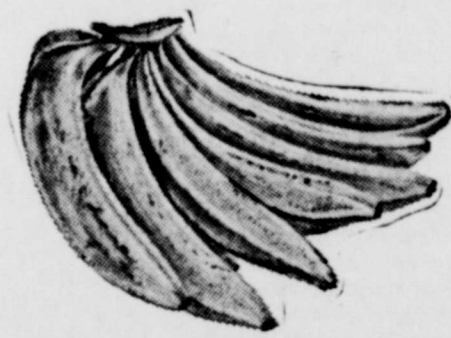
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