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LORD'S ACRE SALE, PROGRAM NOV. 18 AT PIONEER CHURCH

The Mulberry Canyon community will observe its Lord's Acre Sale and Program on Saturday, Nov. 18 at Pioneer Church, according to Tom Russum, chairman of the planning committee for the event.

"The Lord's Acre Sale and Program is an annual event," said Russum. "It began some sixteen years ago, when the program was set up and has continued every year since that time."

Pioneer Church, nestled in the bottom of Mulberry Canyon, will be the scene of the sale and program, said Russum.

"A lot of history of the early pioneer days were written in and around this little church," said Russum, "and a lot of history is still being enacted today." The church was named in honor of the pioneers who "pioneered and settled in the beautiful Canyon."

The Lord's Acre program, which began on farmland in North Carolina in 1930, has spread to nationwide practice in rural churches.

In a news item taken from the Texas Methodist, a publication by the Northwest Texas Methodist Conference, it was noted that

"once the program was used by rural churches to bring needed income to the local congregation."

The program is now directed toward uniting people of God in a larger ministry of helpfulness to others who stand in need of Christian brotherhood and assistance.

In recounting the history of the Lord's Acre program in Mulberry Canyon, Russum said the first program and sale "netted \$1,200, and we've netted that amount al-

most every year since."

The Rev. E. H. Phillips, now of Big Spring, was the first pastor of the church, and participated in the organization of the church and the sale. The Rev. and Mrs. Phillips plan to be here for this sale, said Russum.

The Rev. Charles Williams is the present pastor of Pioneer Memorial Church.

Committee members besides Russum are Murrell Riggan, Buddy King and Barry Scott.

MERKEL BADGERS ASPERMONT HORNETS IN 'GAME OF WEEK'

Just anybody should know the game of the week in the Big Country is going to be Merkel versus Aspermont at Aspermont Friday at 7:30 p.m.

And it's going to be the moment of truth for the Hornets and the Badgers.

Both teams are undefeated in 6-A Conference play. The Hornets lost one pre-season game.

The Badgers are on top for the season and leading the district. But the Hornets are number two and they are going to try harder—but not hard enough.

Merkel will win district with out a loss.

In the words of glum, taciturn Head Coach Bob Byerly, the Badgers will be there to play ball. And what the Badgers have in mind by being "there to play ball" will be something to see.

And meanwhile, the City of Merkel has got football fever.

The Hornets meet the Badgers a week after a grueling tangle with tough Robert Lee Steers; while the Badgers go into the game after a scrimmage with Roscoe — to the tune of 49 to 6.

The Roscoe conflag was a track meet for Felix Costello who trimmed the lamp and jetted home 28 of Merkel's points.

Bob Tate, Ray Davis and Johnny Thompson won broad jump, high jump and pole vault as team mates made it look easy.

Castillo opened the scoring less than five minutes in the first quarter by going over from the four for the TD.

He accounted for the second score in the same quarter with Tate hitting him with a pass or the extra points.

Ray Davis hit end Johnny

Thompson from the 35 yard line for the third TD.

Castillo again, same quarter, when Davis hit him with a 28 yard blast. Castillo ran the extra points.

In the second quarter, Tate went over from the 12. Wade's kick was good and the score at halftime was 35-0.

Castillo opened the third quarter when he went over from the eight. Again Wade's kick was good.

Second score of the third quarter came when Tommy Anderson went over from the three. Wade's kick was good.

The Plowboys' score came in the last quarter when quarterback Mike Ratliff passed to end Jerry White. The try for the two failed.

Merkel	Roscoe
21	14
282	132
157	33
9	5
1	1
2	4
3	3
3	3

Trent Basketball Invited to Clinic

The Trent Girls' Basketball team will be one of the featured teams at the Wayland College Flying Queens' Clinic, this Saturday, Nov. 11 at Plainview.

Ralph Newton, Trent School superintendent, said a list of lectures will be held at the clinic Saturday morning, with games to begin at 2:30 p.m.

"There will be four games," said Newton, "and Trent will play at 4 p.m. the Tulia High School girls." Tulia has held the Class 3-A State Championship the past two years.

Attends Market

Mrs. Dee Grimes and Mrs. Cyrus Pee of Bragg's, returned this past week from Dallas where they attended the Advanced Spring Market.

The Spring Fashion Show was held in the Dallas Apparel Mart.

P-TA TO PRESENT PANEL DISCUSSION

A Panel Discussion, led by members of Merkel's School Board, will top the Parent-Teacher Association program Thursday, Nov. 16, at 7:30 p.m. at the school auditorium.

Mrs. J. Lynn Knight, program chairman, explained that the school board would invite a "question and answer" period, following their discussion.

"If you have a question you would like to have discussed, plan to attend the meeting," said Mrs. Knight.

Merkel City Council Sets 1 Percent Sales Tax Vote

ELECTION DATE IS DECEMBER 9

An election to approve or turn down a proposed one per cent city sales tax has been called Dec. 9 by the Merkel City Council, according to Bill Button, Mayor pro-tem.

Serving in the absence of Merkel's mayor, Johnny Cox, who is attending the Municipal League meeting in Houston this week, Button said the city council's vote was unanimous.

Button was asked "what could the city of Merkel expect annually from the one per cent sales tax, he replied, "We haven't gotten that far yet, but we do hope that it will help our financial problems."

"The expense of maintaining equipment and machinery for the city can be costly," said Button, "and with very little increase in tax revenue, the sales tax perhaps can be our solution."

Button pointed out that many streets in Merkel were badly in need of repairs. "In fact," he said, the demands for more services today, makes it necessary

for us to find some additional source of income."

He pointed out that water and sewer equipment are needed.

Several cities in Texas have scheduled elections on the tax for December, and the Texas Municipal League "predicts that some 150 Texas cities with combined populations totaling more than six million will have voted on the tax by the first of the year."

A few of the neighboring cities scheduling a vote on the tax as of Wednesday are Anson, Sweetwater, San Angelo, Abilene, Breckenridge, Big Spring, Cisco, Eastland and Brownwood.

Button pointed out that the one per cent city sales tax would be applicable to the same type of business as the present state two per cent sales tax. "Automobile dealers, implement and feed stores would be exempt," he said.

A copy of the notice to call an election for the city sales tax, appearing on page four of this week's edition, reads in part:

"A special election shall be held in and throughout the City of Merkel, Texas, on the 9th day of December, 1967, at which election there shall be submitted to the resident qualified voters of said City of Merkel, for their action thereupon, the following propositions:

"For adoption of a one percent local sales and use tax within the city."

"Against adoption of a one percent local sales and use tax within the city."

"Said election shall be held at one polling place for all qualified voters of the City of Merkel, Texas."

Polling place and presiding officers for the election will be Merkel City Hall, Mrs. F. Y. Gaither, presiding judge, Mrs. Betty Cypert, alternate presiding judge, and clerks, Mrs. Ruth Cox and Mrs. Ruth Huffman."

Post Office Will Observe Holiday

"Veterans Day," Saturday, November 11, will be observed as a National Legal Holiday, by all Post Offices and postal installations.

No window service will be provided. There will be no delivery of mail by city or rural carriers, and these employees will not be scheduled for duty to case mail.

Regular holiday lockbox service will be maintained. Special Delivery service will be provided. Holiday schedules for the collection, receipt and dispatch of mail will be maintained, stated Postmaster Wrenn Durham.

Homemakers Meet Tonight

The Taylor County Young Homemakers will meet Thursday, Nov. 9 at the Taylor Electric Cooperative building at 7:30 p.m., according to publicity chairman, Mrs. Dink Whisenunt.

Program will be given by Kathy Oliver of Abilene.

Proceeds from the program will be used to finance a Thanksgiving project, said Mrs. Whisenunt. "The Thanksgiving project will be making food baskets for the needy."

All members and women interested in becoming members of this organization are invited to attend.

Home on Leave

Wendell Doan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Doan, is home on a fifteen day leave from the U.S. Navy stationed in San Francisco, Calif.

Other visitors in the home over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Doan and children of Waxahachie; Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Doan and children of Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. Allen Doan, Lubbock; Mrs. James Coughan and Tim, Barksdale AFB, La.; Mrs. Harold Alderman and girls of Texas City; Mrs. Warren Shaw and children, Abilene; and Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Doan and Randy, Merkel.

BOOSTER CLUB

MEMBERSHIP NOW STANDS AT 118

The Merkel Badger Booster Club membership now stands at one hundred and eighteen members, according to club president, Dan Allen.

"We're making headway toward that 250 goal," said Allen, "and with the amount of 'Booster Talk' that is going around right now, we believe our goal will be reached."

New members this week are Mrs. Jackie Doan, Duane Shugart, Van Gauthier, Jerry Byrd, Betty Jane Tittle, Jane Fudge and L. S. Kingsbury.

Also Herbert Patterson, Willie



MHS SENIOR AND JUNIOR CLASS CHIEFS — Heading the 1967-68 Senior class in top picture are from left, Paul Carson, vice president; Felix Castillo, president; Finley Barnett, reporter, and Jo Ann Lassiter, secretary-treasurer. In lower picture the junior class officers are from left, Kenneth Purser, parliamentarian; Sharon Doan, reporter; Gaylon Doan, president; Wally Knight, vice president, and Rodney Mashburn, secretary-treasurer. (Staff Photos)

TRENT GORILLAS LORAIN BULLDOGS TO CLASH FRIDAY

A capacity Homecoming crowd saw the Trent Gorillas capture a 24-16 victory over the Hermleigh Cardinals last Saturday night.

"If our boys play the Loraine Bulldogs like they did the Cardinals, we can tie for district," said head coach, Ralph Newton.

Loraine is a present second place in district. Trent tied for third place. If Trent wins over Loraine it ties them for second place.

In the Homecoming game the Gorillas' first score came in the second quarter when Pat Carriker went over from the two. Gay-

lon Bronavak's pass to Tim Riggan accounted for the extra points.

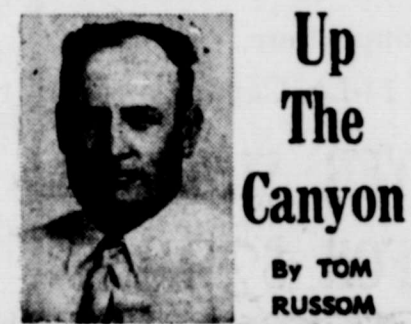
Score was tied for a short time in the third quarter, but Larry Hellums' four yard run and Bronavak's bonus points put the Gorillas again in the lead.

Final tally came in the fourth quarter when Bronavak scampered eight yards for the TD and Hellums' extra points.

Cardinals scored late in the fourth quarter for their second TD.

Scoreboard

Trent	Hermleigh
18	13
243	173
57	60
6	2
0	0
0	25
3	10
2	1



Up The Canyon

By TOM
RUSSOM

It is cool and cloudy here in the Canyon this morning, and our area doesn't need any rain at this time.

There is still some wheat to be sown; however, most of it is already sown.

Our area is in real good shape, speaking from feed and livestock news. Cotton, perhaps will be a little better than was expected for awhile.

Winters has come in just a little early this year. Could be we are going to have a long hard winter; However, that's yet to be seen.

Well, the women of our community and Pioneer Church were getting their heads together and making plans to start quilting the quilt for the Lord's Acre Sale. They quilt a beautiful quilt each year and it sells for \$50 to \$100.

The time set for the Lord's Acre Sale and program will be as usual, the Saturday night before Thanksgiving. That date is November 18.

Committee members setting up plans last Monday night are Tom Russum, chairman; Murrell Riggan, Buddy King and Barry Scott. Joe Seymour and A. D. Scott were called to set in at the meeting to help plan the sale and program.

We regret very much the error in our column about the home town of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Newby. They live in Elgin, Texas, rather than Sinton. We are glad to make this correction.

The Newbys reported Mrs. Oscar Bufford of Merkel and Mrs. Tom Alday of Lubbock stopping in for a short visit with them recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bickley of Abilene were visitors in the Canyon Sunday, having a short visit with the Rev. and Mrs. Charles Williams, pastor of Pioneer Church, and they also visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Demeire.

Price Floyd has just returned home from the hospital, where he was having a check up.

Just another word about our Lord's Acre Sale and Program. Supper will be served at 6:30 p.m. on the evening of the 18th and we invite everyone to come be with us. Have a good time and we will all spend a little money together.

Merkel Library Board Meets; Plans Opening

The Merkel Library Board met Monday, Nov. 6 to discuss plans for the library.

The board expressed appreciation to Alf Walla and his shop boys for the "excellent job they did in building book shelves for the library."

"Although the Abilene Public Library is furnishing a great many books for the Merkel Library, the board requests that individuals who wish to donate books may bring them to the Chamber of Commerce office," said Mrs. Ray Wilson, board member.

Tentative plans for the library to be open are Wednesdays from 3 to 5 p.m. and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Mrs. Wilson asked that "anyone having suggestions concerning the library or desiring to volunteer services, to please contact any board member."

Board members are Leon Walker, chairman; Mrs. Bobby DuBose, Mrs. Jarrett Williams and Mrs. Wilson.

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Pilgrim Chowder for Holiday Suppers



In this season of feasting, a light soup supper is a meal to be thankful for. Make it a hot fish chowder—the kind the Pilgrims made from the wealth of the harvest and the cold ocean waters. Serve it with crackers, or toast, or home-made biscuits, and see how much the family enjoys it.

Making a big fish chowder was a toilsome task in the days when our forefathers caught their own fish, dug their own clams, and grew their own vegetables. Today, you can have one steaming and ready in minutes. Condensed soup brings the wealth of the sea and the harvest within reach of everyone.

HOLIDAY CHOWDER

- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 1 can (10 1/2 ounces) condensed cream of celery soup
- 1 can (10 1/2 ounces) condensed clam chowder (Manhattan style)
- 1 1/2 soup cans water
- 1 cup cooked, flaked whitefish
- 2 tablespoons chopped parsley

In saucepan, cook onion in butter until tender. Blend in soups and water; add fish and parsley. Heat; stir now and then. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

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: 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 citation, 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 3642 on the docket of said court and styl-

ed 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. 28, 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

LEGAL NOTICE

NO. 22,425
GERMAN THOMPSON
VS.

KARL RANDOLPH HAYNES
IN THE JUSTICE COURT,
PRECINCT 1, PLACE 1,
TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS
CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO ANY SHERIFF OR ANY CONSTABLE WITHIN THE STATE OF TEXAS — GREETING:

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
CITATION BY PUBLICATION

TO: Karl Randolph Haynes, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Silas E. Clark, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1, Place 1, Taylor County, Texas, 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 11th day of December, A.D., 1967, in this cause, Numbered 22,425 on the docket of said Court and styled German Thompson, Plaintiff, vs. Karl Randolph Haynes, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Being a suit for damages in the sum of \$90.00 growing out of an automobile accident on December 4, 1966 on Highway No. 84 (Coleman Highway) south of the City Limits of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, 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

October A. D. 1967.
(Seal)

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Domestic Relations Court
Taylor County, Texas
My Marie Gill, Deputy.

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Miscellaneous

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

ALLEN MORGAN, W. M. DAN BUTLER, Sec'y.

NEED A NEW WELL DRILLED? An old well cleaned out? Call Robert Higgins, 8-5558. Also sell and install Meyers Pumps 51-tfc

Christmas Cards - Sample received. Will appreciate your orders. Margaret Foster, 815 Brickhaven, 928-5139. 33 2tc

RUMMAGE SALE - Beginning Saturday, Sept. 9. Located at "the old Ford house" on Edwards Street, downtown Merkel. Open on Saturdays only, through the fall months. Clothing and misc. items. Sponsored by Gleaners Class of First Methodist Church 27 tfc

SPOTS before your eyes on your new carpets. Remove them with Blue Lustr. Rent electric shampooer \$1. Bullock Hardware, 928-5310. 34 1tp

RUMMAGE SALE - 1202 North 6th, Merkel. 1963 Chevrolet, bicycle, clothes, odds and ends. 35 2tp

WANTED - Bookkeeping. Prompt service, pick up and delivery. B. J. West, 1411 South 5th. 928-5617. 35 3tc

TAMALE SALE - 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. every Saturday. A. C. Asen. c/o. 106 Haynes. 36 2tp

LOST - Set car keys on red key case. Possibly lost in yard if keys of this description found please call Merkel Mail, 928-5712. Reward.

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MEDICAL CARE - Let me help speed up payments on your claim - also will fill out all kinds of hospital insurance claim blanks. Medical dictation. Eva Denton, 1409 South 11th. 928-5966. 36 2tc

WANTED - Someone with own equipment to haul cotton burs from Merkel Gin. Call 928-5021. 35 2tc

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FOR RENT - Two bedroom house and three bedroom house. W. W. Toombs Real Estate. 928-5521. 36 4tc

FOR RENT - Furnished three room house and bath. Call 928-4861. 36 2tc

For Sale

FOR SALE - 77 Model John Deere 1964 Cotton Stripper. Used 3 years. A-1 condition. Call Edna McLeod at Wilson's Food Store. 928-5713. 35 2tc

FOR SALE - Two bedroom house, 2 baths, den, living room, kitchen, garage, and fenced yard. Call 928-5492. 9 tfc

FOR SALE - Three bedroom house, 1 1/2 baths, plumbed for washer, store room, and water well. 1409 Stewart St., Phone 928-6835 or 928-5675. 8 tfc

FOR SALE - 1954 Chevrolet, new battery. \$125. Call 928-5103 or see at 705 Ash St. Merkel. 36 2tp

FOR SALE - Hampshire pigs. Call Dennis Deen, Noodle 736-6447. 36 2tp

FOR SALE - Cedar posts. Lloyd West, Rt. 2, Merkel. 846-4168. 36 2tp

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HEALTH PROGRAM GIVEN STUDY CLUB

Mrs. Corner Haynes hosted the Fortnightly Study Club members at their Oct. 24 meeting.

Mrs. J. Lynn Knight introduced Mrs. Frances Kraut, who talked to the group on "Exercise for Health."

"Hobbies for Health" was given by Mrs. H. B. Robertson, who also presented a display on her shell collection.

Attending were Mes. Johnny Cox, Mack Davis, Newton, Daniel, David Gamble, W. R. Cypert and Don Dudley.

Also Mes. Robertson, Knight, Kraut, Haynes, Bryan Dunagin.

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BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Nov. 13 - Hawley boys and girls A there at 7:00 p.m.
Nov. 20 - Hamlin boys and girls A here at 7:00 p.m.
Nov. 27 - Roscoe 7 and 8 boys and girls there 5:30 p.m.
Nov. 30 - Dec. 2 - Trent Tournament boys
Dec. 4 - Hawley boys and girls A here at 7:00 p.m.
Dec. 7-9 - Merkel Tournament girls
Dec. 11 - Hamlin boys and girls A there at 7:00 p.m.
Dec. 18 - Anson boys and girls A there at 7:00 p.m.

TCFA Meeting Is November 13-14

Andy Shouse, John Boyd and Miss Christine Collins.

The Study Club's next meeting will be held Tuesday, Nov. 14 in the home of Mrs. Ray Wilson. The meeting will be a breakfast at 6:30 a.m. and program to follow by club member, Mrs. Dave Brumbeau.

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The annual meeting program of the Texas Cattle Feeders Association which will be held in Amarillo on Nov. 13-14, 1967, will feature three panel discussions on topics of major interest to cattle feeders and others interested in the cattle feeding industry.

LEGAL NOTICE

ORDINANCE CALLING SPECIAL ELECTION FOR ADOPTION OF LOCAL SALES TAX WHERE PAPER BALLOTS ARE USED.

NO. 346
AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS, ON THE QUESTION OF THE ADOPTION OF A ONE PERCENT (1%) LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX WITHIN THE CITY; DESIGNATING THE DAY OF THE ELECTION AND THE POLLING PLACE; APPOINT ELECTION OFFICIALS THEREFOR; PROVIDING THAT ALL DULY QUALIFIED RESIDENT ELECTORS SHALL BE QUALIFIED TO VOTE; PRESCRIBING FORM OF BALLOT; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF ELECTION; CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO SAID ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS Article 1066c, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes (Acts 1967, 60th Legislature, Regular session, Chapter 36, page 62) authorizes the governing body of any city, town or village in Texas to call an election for the purpose of adopting a local sales and use tax within such city, town or village; Now, Therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS:

Section 1. That a special election shall be held in and throughout the City of Merkel, Texas, on the 9th day of December, 1967, at which election there shall be submitted to the resident qualified voters of said City of Merkel, for their action thereupon, the following propositions:

"FOR adoption of a one percent (1%) local sales and use tax within the city."

"AGAINST adoption of a one percent (1%) local sales and use tax within the city."

Section 2. That said election shall be held at one polling place for all qualified voters of the City of Merkel, Texas, and the polling place and presiding officials for said election shall be:

Polling Place
Merkel City Hall
Presiding Judge
Mrs. F. Y. Gaither
Alternate Presiding Judge
Mrs. Betty Cypert
Clerks
Mrs. Ruth Cox
Mrs. Ruth Huffman

The Judge presiding at such election shall appoint such additional Clerks as may be necessary in order that, in no event, shall there be less than two Clerks serving.

Section 3. That said election shall be held in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and all duly qualified resident electors of the City of Merkel, Texas, shall be qualified to vote.

Section 4. That the ballots of said election shall conform to the requirements of Section 2, Subsection G, of Article 1066c, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes (Acts 1967, 60th Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 36, page 62), and to the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Election Code of the State of Texas, as amended, and the language to be printed thereon shall include the following:

OFFICIAL BALLOT
INSTRUCTIONS: Place an "X" in the square beside the statement indicating the way you wish to vote.

(-) FOR adoption of a one percent (1%) local sales and use tax within the city.

(-) AGAINST adoption of a one percent (1%) local sales and use tax within the city.

Section 5. That election judges and clerks are directed to comply with Article 6.06, Election Code of the State of Texas, as amended

ed (Section 2 of House Bill 181, Acts 1967, 60th Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 452, pages 1026, 1028), which provides that a square shall be placed beside each proposition in which the voter is instructed to place an "X" or other clear mark to indicate the way he wishes to vote; but which also provides that failure of a voter to mark his ballot in strict conformity with the directions on the ballot shall not invalidate the ballot, and the ballot shall be counted if the intention of the voter is clearly ascertainable, except where the law expressly prohibits the counting of the ballot. It is specifically provided that the election officers shall not refuse to count a ballot because of the voter's having marked his ballot by scratching out the statement of proposition for which he does not wish to vote.

Section 6. That notice of the election hereby ordered and called shall be given: (a) by publication on the same day of two successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation published within said City of Merkel, Texas, the date of the first publication to be at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the date set herein for such election; and (b) at the City Hall in the City of Merkel, Texas, not less than twenty (20) days prior to the date set herein for such election. It is hereby found and determined that the MERKEL MAIL is a newspaper published within the City of Merkel, Texas, and is a newspaper of general circulation within the said City of Merkel, Texas.

Section 7. That the Board of Aldermen hereby finds that an emergency exists requiring ordinances to be read on two separate days, in that the immediate passage of said ordinance is necessary for the preservation of the public peace, safety and welfare in that it is imperative that additional sources of revenue be made available to the City of Merkel, and that such election be held at the earliest possible date in order to determine the availability of such sources of revenue, and said rule is hereby suspended, and said ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

PASSED this 6th day of No-

vember, A. D. 1967.
(Seal)
WILLIAM H. BUTTON
Mayor Pro tem
William H. Button
ATTEST:
FLOSSIE W. McKEEVER
City Secretary
Flossie McKeever 36 2tc

Star Nursing Home News

By MARY OUTLAW
Mrs. Belle Davis of Sayre, Okla., visited Mrs. Charlie West Sunday.
Mrs. Maggie Higgins is in room 325 at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene. We hope she will soon be better and back with us. We really miss her.
We have been busy dressing hen - one hundred in all - and they're all in the deep freeze now. The Methodist Church of Mer-

kel filled their appointment last Sunday. They brought a good service which was enjoyed by all.
We want to thank Mr. and Mrs. Warren Price of Cross Plains for the mustard greens given the home.
Mr. J. W. Love celebrated his 72th birthday Saturday. Our wish for him is "many more birthdays."
We are very happy to report that Mrs. Lizzie Gouge got a good report from her doctor while she was in the hospital.
Mr. Windland from Abilene, visited his brother, Lee Windland, over the weekend.
Mrs. Ralph Brown of Fort Worth visited her mother, Mrs. Mary Frazier Sunday.
We are looking forward to Sunday, when the members of the First Baptist Church of Trent comes and leads the services.
We wish to thank Mrs. Leslie Peasley, Trent, and Mrs. Allen Terry of Fort Worth, for the blend-er they gave the home.

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AMENDMENT 3, VETERANS LAND PROGRAM TO BE VOTED NOV. 11

Local voters will help decide the issues involved in six proposed amendments to the Texas State Constitution when they go to the polls for the general election, Saturday, Nov. 11.

Local interest has been expressed concerning Amendment No. 3 which concerns the extension of the Veterans Land Program.

The new Constitutional Amendment to be voted on Nov. 11, 1967, will give the people of Texas on Veterans Day an opportunity to show their appreciation to the many veterans of Texas for the

time spent in the service of their country.

Veterans of Vietnam have not had an opportunity to take part in the Veterans Land Program, and this amendment would give them an opportunity to buy land in Texas, along with other veterans who fought in World War II and the Korean War. It would include any veteran who served from Sept. 1940 to the date of formal withdrawal of troops from the present armed conflict in Vietnam.

All veterans who entered the

service from Texas and are presently living in Texas would be permitted to purchase under the program. All those who have moved to Texas and have resided in Texas for at least five years prior to making application to purchase under the program would also be eligible.

Other proposed amendments are No. 1, allowing counties to put all county tax money into the general fund; No. 2, to permit cities and other political subdivisions to establish and maintain mental health, retardation, and public health services; No. 4, authorize each county to pay medical doctor and hospital bills for county law enforcement officers injured in the course of official duties; No. 5, authorizing issuance and sale of \$75,000,000 in bonds by the state to create a Texas Park Development Fund, and No. 6, allowing non-elective state officers and employees to serve in other non-elective offices or positions.

TEXAS AGRI-TOUR TRAILER TO BE ON DISPLAY NOV. 14

The highest concentration of interesting information about Texas agriculture is probably to be found in the Texas Agri-Tour trailer, which will be arriving in Merkel to be on exhibit at Carlson's Super Market parking lot on Tuesday, Nov. 14, open 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

The trailer has been assembled

and put on the road in conjunction with the Texas Agricultural Products (TAP) promotional program, the need of which Commissioner John C. White has explained in the following terms. "For a state that is notorious in its reputation for braggadocio, we have had mighty little to say about the outstanding meat, grain, fruits, vegetables and fine fibers produced in Texas. The time has come for us to blow the horn for Texas Agricultural Products." To help blow the horn on TAP, Commissioner White has designated November as Texas Agricultural Products month, and has initiated a giant informational campaign, of which the Agri-Tour trailer is the advance guard.

Garden Club Has Shrub Program

Members of the Merkel Garden Club were entertained Thursday, Nov. 2 with a luncheon in the home of Mrs. Lottie Everett.

Topic for program discussion was "Let's Focus on Plant Material for the Landscaping of Our City Park."

Mrs. Eunice Massey discussed "When to Plant Shrubs and Trees," and Mrs. Ora Greggs spoke on "How to Care for Shrubs and Trees After Planting."

Mrs. R. M. Ferguson discussed "How to Plant Shrubs and Trees."

The Civic Committee reported on setting out Iris in the City Park and plans were made to continue planting bulbs as the season advanced.

Members present were Mmes. John Shannon, A. H. McElmurray, W. S. J. Brown, Bill Brown, Emma Black, Charlie Sherrill and Olga Gamble.

Also Mmes. Ora Greggs, G. R. Peachey, Eunice Massey, R. M. Ferguson, Lottie Everett and Miss Christine Collins.

NOODLE NEWS

By MRS. CLAYTON DILLARD

It looked as if winter made its entry a little early with the northern that blew in last week and brought over an inch of rain with it.

Mrs. Alice Cooper struck it rich again. On October 24 she became a great-grandmother for the seventeenth time! The little girl, Patricia Gavle Jones, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Jones of Hodges. Mrs. Cooper left for Houston for a visit with her daughter, Wednesday, Nov. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Owens of Merkel were recent visitors with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Palmer.

Mrs. Clara Garrett and son recently visited Mrs. Garrett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Carr.

Atwell Henderson visited his sister, Mrs. Clifford Eoff Sunday, Oct. 25. Mrs. Eoff recently returned from Scott and White Hospital in Temple.

Recent weekend visitors in the Jack Benningfield home were their sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Benningfield of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Jack Benningfield of Lubbock.

Spending a weekend recently with the Harold Bails in San Antonio were Mr. and Mrs. Troy Sloan. Mrs. Bails' is the Sloans' daughter.

The Clayton Dillard visited an uncle, Ben Dillard in Westville, Okla. on a recent out of town trip. They also visited in Alpena, Ark., with Clayton's sister, Mrs. Elmer Huff and her sons. Mr. Huff was on an Elk hunt in Colorado.

The Carnival held last week at Noodle was enjoyed by all — both young and old.

Sgt. Billy Sloan spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and

Mrs. Troy Sloan. Sgt. Sloan is stationed at Holloman AFB in New Mexico.

Mrs. Josie Taylor of Duncan, Okla., is spending a few weeks with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Sullivan and Karen.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Bigham of Breckenridge, spent Sunday with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hayes.

Mr. and Mrs. V. D. Herron visited Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Week and children in Las Vegas, Nev. Mrs. Herron is the Week's daughter. The Herrons were accompanied on to Los Angeles, Calif. by their children. They returned by way of El Paso and spent two days with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Melton Kelley and children.

Miss Janis Hill, Nolan Watson, Barry Olive, Miss Wilma Cox, all graduates of Noodle High School, are attending schools in Abilene. Miss Hill is a student at McMurry, Olive at Abilene Christian College, Watson at Hardin-Simmons University, and Miss Cox is attending a beauty school.

Refreshments were served after church services at the Noodle Baptist Church Sunday night. A special service was given by two Hardin-Simmons University students, Miss Margaret Waggoner and Sandra Rosegrants.

Senora Visitors

Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Adcock were their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Gardner of Sonora.

The Gardners, formerly teachers in the Aspermont School system, are teaching in Sonora. Gardner is a principal of one of the grade schools and Mrs. Gardner is a primary teacher.

WWI VETS

NATIONAL ROLL CALL BEING REQUESTED

A National roll call of all veterans of World War I, Wives and widows has been requested in order to compile a complete file of all veterans and widows of World War I still living in this area," according to Roy R. Coats, secretary of the Merkel - Trent Barracks No. 2248 of WWI.

"Most veterans are not aware of the many benefits that they are eligible to receive," said Coats, "due to the vast number of changes being made in veterans' legislation."

A Roll Call box will be found on page five of this edition, for WWI veterans to fill in and return to Coats at 1201 So. 10th, Merkel, Texas, 79536.

Coats cited some of the benefits as being a burial allotment, a grave marker and an American Flag. National Cemetery burial request, a widows' pension, hos-

pitalization and rest home care and a pension up to \$109 a month, depending upon income and marital status.

The Merkel - Trent Barracks, No. 2248 of World War I Veterans will have a barbecue for all members and their wives to be held Tuesday, Nov. 14, at the Taylor Electric Cooperative building.

"Veterans who are not members and their wives, and widows of veterans in this district are invited," said Karl Bonneaux, Barracks Commander.



A National Roll Call All Veterans of World War I, Wives & Widows

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Branch of Service _____

Married _____ Single _____

Name Eligible for Auxiliary _____

Births

A baby boy was born Friday, Oct. 27 to Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hanshaw at Simmons Memorial Hospital in Sweetwater.

The infant son, Charles Aaron, weighed 6 pounds, 2 ounces at birth.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Halbert Rister, Merkel, and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hanshaw, Sweetwater.

AWARDS PRESENTED TO CUB SCOUTS

Pack 20 held their monthly pack meeting, Thursday, Oct. 30 at the Scout Hut, when three new leaders were named.

Leaders are Mrs. Bill Tarpley, assistant Den Mother for Den 1; D. C. Hendricks, Den Leader for Den 3, and Bobby DuBose, leader for the Webelos.

Cub Scouts receiving awards were:

Bobcat Pins — David Hendricks, Johnny Raglan, Charles Mashburn, Juan Biera Jr., Carlos Pallares, Garth Doan, Lynn Selmen, and Jack Minze.

Wolf Badge — David King.

Gold Arrow Point — Stanley West and Charles Williams.

Two Silver Arrow Points — Charles Knight.

Three Silver Arrow Points — Charles Williams.

Bear Badge and Webelos Ribbon — Danny DuBose.

Lion Badge and Welebos Ribbons — Scott Tarpley, Ernest Walters, Stacy Stanley, Tim Wozencraft, Mike King and Gregg Doan.

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AMENDMENT NO. 6 FOR EDUCATION

Saturday, Nov. 11, the voters of Texas will decide on a Constitutional Amendment that concerns the future of state-supported higher education.

Amendment 6 seeks to alter a section in the 1876 Texas Constitution to allow non-elective state officers and employees to serve on state and federal advisory boards and committees.

The Constitution currently prohibits such appointments by statute.

ing that officers and employees of the state cannot hold more than one office of "trust, honor or profit." The provision will not allow state officials to hold two bona fide and salaried offices.

Much of the contract research being conducted by the federal government is guided by personnel serving in an advisory capacity. With no representation by the members of Texas' public institutions on these boards, the state is placed at a serious disadvantage. The state loses millions of dollars by not obtaining such contracts, and research and federal grants.

Appointments to the various advisory boards can greatly help faculty members keep abreast of developments within their fields.

Approval of Amendment 6 also would benefit Texas' state-supported colleges and universities by allowing employees of government agencies, NASA scientists for example, to accept appointments as part-time faculty members and consultants.

Amendment 6 does not allow a person to be paid for holding both offices. It does permit an individual to accept per diem and allowances for his secondary appointment. And, all such appointments must be approved by the State Legislature.

Dorcas Class Sees Holy Land Film

The Dorcas Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met Thursday, Nov. 2 in the home of Mrs. E. M. McDonald, with Mrs. Lucy Haynes and Mrs. Nell Teaff as co-hostesses.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Mrs. Earl Foster. Members planned a Christmas Dinner Thursday, Dec. 7.

Mrs. Alma Collins showed films that she had taken while touring the Holy Land.

Business meeting was closed with a prayer by Mrs. Homer Finch.

Attending were Meses. Lige Harris, Eunice Massey, Mary Jones, Jewell Meeks, W. M. Hays, E. M. Blackburn, Agnes King, Finch, Foster, and P. F. Harris.

Also Meses. Bessie Jackson, R. V. Buchanan, Callie Price, Clara Driver, J. W. Tiner, McDonald, Cordelia Scherer, W. A. McCandless, Myrtle Walker and three visitors, Cleo Douglas, Alma Collins and Ollie Dye.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

EDITOR'S NOTE — Letters to the editor do not necessarily express the view of the editor nor of this paper. But The Merkel Mail will continue to run letters to the editor as long as some are not libelous, in good taste, and they must be signed.

Houston, Texas

Oct. 31, 1967

Dear Friends:

Reading my "old Hometown news" reminds me of the number of years I spent there trying to help make it a better place to live.

I have some very delightful pictures still stored away in my mind of the most beautiful little town in the West. I still would like so much to be making it my home. But age and health won't permit it.

I would like to visit with each of you and talk over the old times and things as they were in those early 1900s. Merkel at that time, was really on the map. I could ride over the town site with you and point out vacant lots that once had homes on them, and over 300 windmills.

I helped haul the bricks that went into the first brick buildings. C. W. Whitaker was the first hauling contractor.

I was a friend to everyone in Merkel, and I still hold them in high regard.

Your friend,
G. W. SMITH
Rt. 6, Box 598-75
Houston, Texas 77016

BURLESON TELLS OF JOB EXAMINATIONS

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congressman Omar Burleson (D-Tex.) said today that the Civil Service Commission is now receiving applications for the 1968 competitive examination for summer employment with the United States Government. The examination leads to eligibility for appointment

to most temporary summer jobs at Grades GS-1 through 4, and also Post Office Seasonal jobs at PFS-4 level.

Those who are interested in the summer jobs covered may apply to take the written test on or before three filing dates — Dec. 3, 1967, Jan. 5, and Feb. 1, 1968. Representative Burleson stressed that no application post-marked after Feb. 1 will be accepted. If you miss the last test you cannot be considered for jobs filled by the application and for maximum consideration, you should apply early.

The Congressman noted that that last year's eligibles, including those who were selected for a summer job, must take this new examination. This will provide an equal chance for all applicants to compete for one of these short-term non-career jobs.

Congressman Burleson pointed out that one significant change in this year's program will permit applicants to be considered for Post Office seasonal assistant jobs, which, in prior years, were filled by taking a special examination.

Any application forms needed to apply for jobs described in Civil Service Commission Announcement No. 414 may be obtained from high school counseling offices, colleges, college placement offices, most post offices, and Civil Service Interagency Boards.



Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

Very little cotton was harvested last week, due to cloudy and damp weather. It was 30 degrees Friday morning, Nov. 3.

Farmers would like to see a lot of sunshine now.

Miss Nora McDonald spent several days last week in Anson visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McDonald. She spent Sunday visiting the Paul Bradleys.

Mrs. Robert Simmons and Jaynith Sweetwater, attended services at the Stith Baptist Church Sunday morning. Mrs. Simmons is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. James Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Chaney and Sandra of Richardson, brought Mrs. John Hobbs home Saturday and spent the weekend in the Hobbs' home.

Martha Perry of Irving spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald visited in Midland over the weekend with their daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Doug Stephenson and Melissa. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Billy Harris and Kathy, and Mrs. Mamie Harcin.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Cook and children of Big Spring visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fikes and children Sunday.

Mrs. Bud Lilly of Abilene visited Sunday afternoon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale visited Mrs. Ada Newton in Anson, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dink Whisenhunt spent the weekend in Taylor with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Malone and Monica.

Mrs. Babe Tarpley received quite a surprise at her recent birthday. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Gregory and her brothers and families met in the Tarpley home for a surprise visit. The brothers and their families are Mr. and Mrs. Inlo Gregory, Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Troy Gregory, Big Spring, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gregory of Merkel.

CTGM Society Plans Trip To Big Bend

The Central Texas Gem and Mineral Society, Inc., will make a field trip to the Big Bend area on Nov. 10, 11, and 12.

Arrangements have been made to headquarter the rock and mineral hunt at the Agua Fria Ranch 50 miles south of Alpine, Texas.

The society hold at least two such trips during each year. Members and guests collect material for polishing, gemstones, and mineral specimens.

Members are urged to make the trip. Non-members who are interested in the field trip are invited to contact Mr. Erwin Buch, 3441 South 10th, Abilene, Texas, 79605, for information.

Recent Visitors

Visiting recently in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Thaxton and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Massey were Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Ward of Albuquerque, N.M.

Also visiting were Johnny Suter of Big Spring, and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Suter of Duran, Okla.

Current earnings rather than income amounts govern rights to receive social security benefits.

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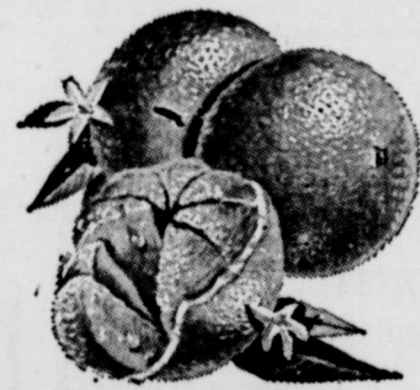
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