



## Up The Canyon

By TOM  
RUSSOM

It's good to be back home — and writing my column.

I was glad of the two and one half years I had made to stay out of the hospital before this time. I always said, when we get sick enough, we are ready to go to the hospital, but always glad to get back home. When my doctor came in to give me my "lecture" before releasing me, he said, "Tom, if you want to hang around a while longer, you had better throw that salt shaker away." I promised him I would do that — so now my diet meals always look better than they taste. I have always been a "cow after salt."

It just seemed that this stay at the hospital I had better care from my doctor and nurses than ever before, and visitors were so fine to drop in to say hello to me.

One afternoon, I thought I was asleep, but I heard the door to my room open and I heard someone walk in. It was my good friend and attorney, Judge Bryan Bradberry. He said, "I thought you were asleep and was looking for a tab to leave you a note." So we had quite a visit.

I want to say to everyone who sent cards to me and who visited me, thank you so very much. Among those sending cards was a very good friend, Jim Mayfield of Abilene.

One day there were five preachers who visited me. Perhaps out of the five one of that number was your preacher. It was a wonderful time visiting with them all.

It just seems that the drought could be broken up in the Canyon — we have had near to three inches already this week, with more in the forecast.

Monday morning, we were gathering sheep at our place and looking over the dry thirsty earth and range land and seeing the dry stock tanks, it just sent me home for a short rest. Then just soon after noon, almost two inches of rain came. The rains didn't put out much stock water, but it came at such a wonderful time — grain sowing time.

The Louis Cooks and Tom Russoms had lambs on the sheep market in San Angelo this week. The market was strong on all classes of sheep.

The dove season opened with many "bangs" up the Canyon this week, with the kill high. Plenty of doves are here.



WELCOME SIGNS ARE OUT — The two pretty young misses display one of the many "welcome homecomers" signs that will be around town Saturday, Sept. 20. Holding the welcome sign are, at left, Suzie Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, and twirler in the Merkel High School Band, and Dayna McAninch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted McAninch, and head cheerleader at Merkel High. (Staff Photo)

## MERKEL BADGERS TO WELCOME CLYDE BULLDOGS HERE FRIDAY

Football for Merkel, begins officially this Friday when the Badgers meet the Clyde Bulldogs on home ground — at Badger Stadium at 8 p.m.

To members and guests of the Booster Club meeting Monday evening, head coach, Wendell Robinson said: "The Badger team is improving right along — both offensive and defensive."

And of the upcoming game Friday, Robinson commented:

"Our boys look good. They've come a long way since the first scrimmage this year."

"There's a few points here and there that need working out, but over all, they look real good. We're welcoming the Bulldogs here and to play a good game, and we're going to put everything in it to win."

At the Booster Club meeting, president Lawrence Hewitt, urged "all Badger fans to be there for the opening game and see the Badgers claw a Bulldog."

Booster of the week will be E. A. Conley, who will be with the boys at pre-game warmup, halftime, and on the side line during the game.

Mrs. Margaret Anderson will

be the "lady booster" of the week and will be honored with a reserved seat in the press box.

Mrs. Robert Harris who covered the Booster meeting commented that "there was an unusually small crowd, probably due to the opening of the West Texas Fair and to the weather."

She said that Robinson showed techniques used with the Medco-Sonolator, an ultra sound machine used for treatment of injuries. The sound machine is a project now under consideration by the Booster Club.

Membership campaign which

started at the club's first meeting August 25, with Lawrence Hewitt and Vincent Barnett as captains, gained momentum as new members were signed up and prospective members approached.

Booster Club meetings are held each Monday night, 7:30 at the Taylor Electric Cooperative building, and Hewitt and Barnett urged Badger fans to "join up now."

"We need the support of every football fan in Merkel and the area," said Hewitt. "We know you enjoy the games and you attend, but we want your name on our membership roll."

## LANDFILL IS NOW ON TRIAL BASIS

The City of Merkel's Landfill is in operation with equipment being used on a trial basis, according to Mayor Horace Hargrove.

At the August Council meeting, members voted to "try out" a piece of equipment for burying trash at the landfill, packing it down and covering the trash with six inches of dirt. Called a Trastovator, it is a truck loader built on a Caterpillar.

"The equipment is strictly being used on a trial basis," said

### AT TRENT

## Homecoming To Be Discussed

Planning committee for the Trent '69 Homecoming activities will meet Monday, September 15 at 8 p.m. at the school cafeteria, according to association president, Weldon Beasley. Ronnie Freeman is vice president and Mrs. Vertie Ross, secretary-treasurer.

Planning committee will set the date for the '69 Homecoming and also discuss activities to be held.

"Any persons who would like to help the committee are invited to attend this meeting," said Beasley.

Hargrove. "However, we know that equipment and operation of the Landfill must be ready to use by Oct. 30, so we are getting prepared now."

Robert Harris, city water and sewer engineer said that a "good road has been cleared from the front to the back part of the fill, and ready for use."

"When taking trash and or limbs and shrubs to the dump ground, we are asking people to go on the new road to the back of the fill to unload," said Harris. "If the trash is dumped at the front of the road, it is difficult to unload city refuse."

Harris said that signs are now in the process of being erected to direct traffic as to where to dump trash.

The 90 day delay was granted the City of Merkel in August, by the Texas Air Control Board, and will be in effect until Oct. 30, 1969.

Mayor Hargrove also thanked the people of Merkel for their cooperation in the trash burning at their residences.

"We have had excellent cooperation concerning the burning of trash in barrels in the residential districts," said Hargrove. "Only one fire had to be put out in the garbage truck since our request was publicized."

## Merkel Is Ready For '69 Homecoming

Candidates for Homecoming Queen and Mr. X were announced this week by the planning committee of the Merkel Exes Association.

Homecoming Queen candidates are Mrs. Opal (Buzbee) Malone, class of 1936, and Mrs. Johnny (Chadwick) Adcock, class of 1938. E. A. Conley, class of 1946 and Don Dudley, class of 1949 are candidates for Mr. X.

Merkel Exes will vote on the candidates of their choice when they begin registering at 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 20 at the West Texas Utilities building. They may also vote on candidates during the day.

Mrs. Joe Gregory is chairman of the registration committee.

Ben Hicks, association president, said that "committees are working now to assure all Exes who return for the Homecoming Activities that there will be planned activities for the day."

An X-Lettermen's Breakfast is scheduled to begin the day at 7:30 a.m. at the Asteroid Restaurant. Benny Melton, association vice president and program planning chairman, urged "all X-Lettermen to make plans now to attend the 7:30 breakfast."

Hostess for the occasion is the class of 1949 and the honor class is the class of 1919.

Following the morning registration, coffee and visitation, a parade is scheduled to begin at 1:30 p.m. in downtown Merkel. Homecoming Queen candidates and Mr. X Candidates will ride in the parade, along with the Merkel High School Homecoming Queen.

Melton asked that all organizations who plan to participate in the parade to either contact him at 928-5151 or Parade Marshall, Waymon Adcock.

A pep rally will be held at the High School gym, with entertainment to be furnished by the Badger Band, under the direction of band director, Glen Reed. Cheerleaders, twirlers and the Badger football team will also appear on the rally program.

Nominees for the 1970 slate of officers to be voted on at registration time and also during the day at West Texas Utilities are:

Vice president: Howard Carson

## TC Homemakers Install Officers

The Taylor County Chapter of Young Homemakers held their "Get Acquainted Tea" and Installation service Aug. 14 at the Taylor Electric Cooperative building.

Officers installed by Mrs. Benita McDonald, state president, from Comanche, were Mrs. Bernice Jacobs, president; Mrs. Billy Patton, vice president; Mrs. Fonda Bicknell, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Robert Harris, reporter-historian, and Mrs. Hugh Baker, parliamentarian.

Members and guests attending were Mmes. Baker, Jacobs, Patton, Sandra Toombs, La Juana Toombs, McDonald and Sherry Miller.

Also Mmes. Jo Ann Whisenhunt, Wynona Hutcheson, Becki Pack, Christi Barnett, Janice Robinson, Harris, Bicknell, Janet Deen, June Gregory and club advisor, Nell Bean.

Young Homemakers' meetings are held each month on Tuesday evening at 7:30 at the Taylor Electric Cooperative.

September's meeting is tonight at 7:30 with Mrs. Nancy Williamson presenting a program in "Exercising."

and Bobby DuBose.  
Secretary: Mrs. E. A. (Betty) Conley and Mrs. Larry (Marie) White.

Treasurer: Mrs. Lee (Sue) Tucker and Mrs. Joe (Patsy) McDuff. Benny Melton, now vice president, will automatically become the 1970 Exes president.

A catered supper will be served at the school cafeteria at 6 p.m., said Hicks. Tickets for the supper will be \$1.35, and exes and guests are asked to purchase tickets as early as possible in the day so that an estimate on the number attending can be made.

At 8 p.m. the activities begin at Badger Stadium between the Merkel Badgers and the Baird Bears. Halftime ceremonies will include the crowning of the Homecoming Queen, the Merkel High School Queen, and the recognition of Mr. X, as well as a colorful display by the Badger Band.

Following the game, a coffee and business session will be held, and "all exes are urged to attend."

"We'll be looking for you in Merkel Saturday, Sept. 20," said Hicks.



QUEEN CANDIDATES — Merkel Homecomers will vote Saturday, Sept. 20 for one of the above Homecoming Queen Candidates . . . Mrs. Opal (Buzbee) Malone, class of '36, left, and Mrs. Johnny (Chadwick) Adcock, class of '38. Exes may vote for the candidate of their choice during registration time. (Photo by Pat Byrd)

## X LETTERMEN FETE SET FOR 7:30 AM

A time of "remembering when" is in store for all X-Lettermen who attend the 7:30 Breakfast at the Asteroid Restaurant Saturday, Sept. 20.

Benny Melton, Homecoming vice president, and also planning the days' activities, urged all X-Lettermen to make "plans now to attend the breakfast."

The breakfast began some ten years ago, has brought back some "Badger Greats" each year, and every year those attending "agree to have it again next year."

"We have always had a fair turnout," said Melton, "but the more X-Lettermen we can have gathered there, the more interesting the get together will be."

The breakfast is on a "dutch basis," and "whether you eat breakfast or not, come on out and

attend the visiting session," said Melton.

"The list would be too long to name all of our X-Lettermen," Melton said, "but we do know there are several within driving range to make this the biggest and best attendance of them all." X-Football coaches are given an extended invitation to attend the breakfast.

## Fortnightly Study Club Meets Sat.

A 9:30 a.m. coffee in the home of Mrs. Ben Robert Hicks Saturday, Sept. 13, will be the first meeting of the year for the Fortnightly Study Club members.

New officers will be introduced and plans for the year discussed.

69-70 officers are Mmes. Newton Daniel, president; Mack Davis, vice president; Eddy Glenn Sandusky, secretary; Lem Dudley, treasurer; Ray Wilson, parliamentarian, and Bryan Dunagin, corresponding secretary.

All members are urged to "make plans to attend this first meeting."

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## Mrs. Moore Hosts Dorcas SS Class

The Dorcas Class of the First Baptist Church met Sept. 4 in the home of Mrs. Ira Moore. Mrs. Homer Finch read scripture verses and also closed the meeting with prayer.

Attending were Mmes. Howard Phillips, W. A. McCandless, Jim Kuykendahl, Cordelia Scherer, Josie Shanks and Jewel Meeks.

Also Mmes. R. Y. Buchanan, Clara Driver, Mary Jones, E. W. King, John Mansfield, Finch, Myrtle Walker, Callie Anderson, J. W. Tiner, Emory Wilburn and hostess, Mrs. Moore.

## Junior High Band Elects Officers

In a meeting held Thursday, Sept. 4, members of the Merkel Junior High School Band elected officers.

Debbie Fincher was elected president; Leen Ann Butman, vice president; Steve Shugart, secretary and Ricky Conley, reporter.

The Junior High Band is under the direction of Glen Reed.

## Homecoming Schedule

- 7:30 A.M.—X-Lettermen Breakfast
- 8:00 A.M.—Registration
- 1:30 P.M.—Parade
- 6:00 P.M.—Exes Dinner
- 8:00 P.M.—Football Game
- 10:00 P.M.—Business Meeting

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YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County at the Court-house 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 13th day of October A.D. 1969, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 25th day of August A.D. 1969, in this cause, numbered 11,068-B on the docket of said court and styled In Re: Katherine Elaine Jenni.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: concerning Katherine Elaine Jenni 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 25th day of August A.D. 1969.

(Seal)  
Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD  
Clerk, 104th District Court  
Taylor County, Texas

### T. C. SATTERWHITE DIES AT AGE 73

Funeral services for Thomas Clay Satterwhite, 73, were held Wednesday, Sept. 3 in the First United Methodist Church, with the Rev. James Merrell, pastor, and the Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Mr. Satterwhite, retired Merkel School custodian, died Monday in West Texas Medical Center after a three-month illness.

Born Aug. 27, 1896 in Mt. Vernon, Mr. Satterwhite married Leona Kinder Jan. 4, 1914 at Mt. Vernon. The couple moved to Taylor County in 1924 and Mrs. Satterwhite farmed until 1956, when he took a position with the Merkel Independent School District, which he held until retiring three months ago.

Survivors include his wife of the home; two sons, Henry of Kingsville and Kent of Merkel; one brother, Cleo of Mt. Pleasant; five sisters, Mrs. Lizzie Owens of Abilene, Mrs. Alma Henley of Muleshoe, Mrs. H. D. Crain and Mrs. Morris White, both of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. Pat Orien of Odessa; and five grandchildren.

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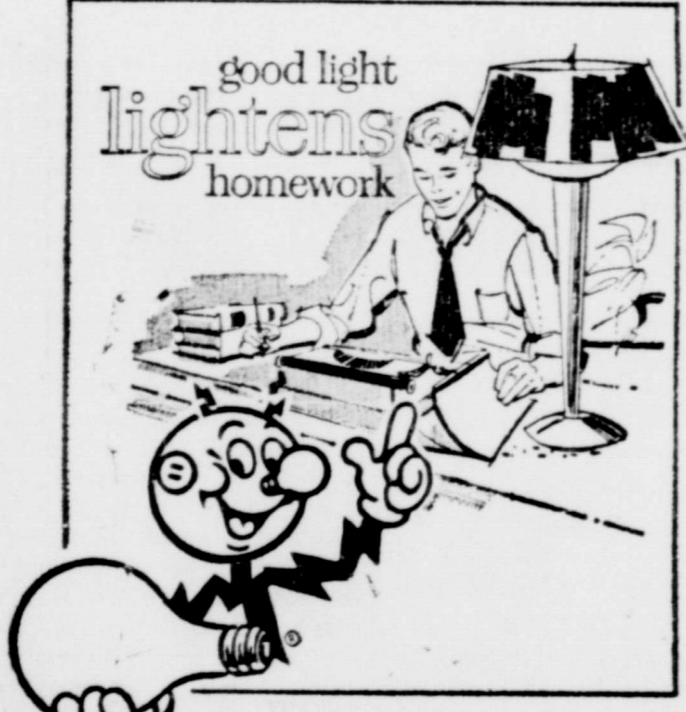
ACROSS  
1. Unmarried woman  
7. Slep hard  
12. Salad green  
13. Lasso  
15. Stirs a fire  
16. Divine revelation  
17. Still  
18. Ourselves  
19. Knowledge  
20. Saint: abbr.  
21. Anglo-Saxon slave  
23. Noah's son  
26. Ocean  
28. Snares  
32. Bitter drug  
34. Married woman's title  
36. Great Lake  
37. Declare  
39. Run off quickly:  
slang  
41. Humans  
42. Military force  
44. Because  
46. Take court action  
49. Musical note  
50. Fruit  
54. Reach  
55. Split  
57. Dog  
58. Tenant  
59. Detests

DOWN  
1. Untidy state  
2. One opposed  
3. Image  
4. Canal embankments  
5. Occurrences  
6. Bird's home  
7. Slackens in speed  
8. Mother or Dad  
9. Macaw  
10. Notch  
11. Leafy plant  
14. Number  
21. Not late  
22. Before  
23. Owns  
24. High: music  
25. Extinct bird  
27. Printer's measure  
29. Upper limb  
30. Large tart  
31. Japanese coin  
33. Greek letter  
35. Continent: abbr.  
38. Weasel excavations  
40. Trees  
43. Ore  
45. Used up  
46. Baglike part  
47. State  
48. Sicilian volcano  
50. Land measure  
51. Tardy  
52. Always  
53. Indian weights  
55. Small island

Answer to Puzzle  
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The following Lots, owned by the City of Merkel, are to be sold by sealed bids:

Let's 1, 2, 3 and 4, Block A, in W. A. Sheppard Addition, located at So. 8th & Walnut.

Let's 1 & 2, Block G, Boyce Addition, located at So. 6th & Walnut St.

Let's 10, 11 & 12, Block F, Martin Addition, located at No. 5th & Martin St.

Let 4, Block E, Martin Addition, located between North 4th & No. 5th on West St.

Sealed bids will be accepted at the City Hall until 5 o'clock, September 12, 1969. The City reserves the right to accept or reject all bids.

#### CARD OF THANKS

OUR HEARTFELT THANKS to all who extended comforting sympathy and help in our recent sorrow. For the beautiful service, floral offerings, food, prayers, and other kindnesses, we are deeply grateful.  
Clay Satterwhite family

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THE EXTREME KINDNESS and thoughtfulness shown me by my friends and neighbors during my stay in the hospital, is deeply appreciated. For the flowers, visits, prayers, accept my sincere thanks. And a special note of appreciation is expressed to Dr. Thurmond and Dr. Warren and nurses for their care. God Bless all of you.  
Mrs. Charlie Massey

#### CARD OF THANKS

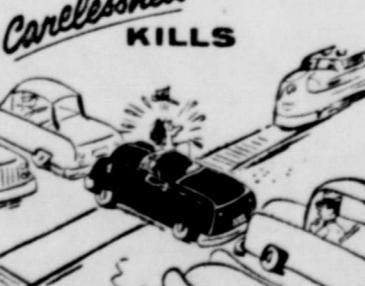
WE WISH TO EXPRESS our appreciation to our many friends and neighbors for your kind expressions of sympathy, for the food, flowers and especially for your prayers, in the loss of our loved one.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Foster.  
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Craig and children  
Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Dwen and Tamera  
Rex Foster

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I WISH TO SEND an open letter of thanks to everyone for their thoughtfulness and their cards while in the hospital.  
Sincerely,  
Jim Horton

### Carelessness KILLS



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Never drive onto a railroad track until you are certain you can drive all the way across. Be sure the traffic ahead of you will not stop and box you in on a track. Wait for the traffic to clear. If you do make the mistake of getting trapped, abandon the car.

## LEGAL NOTICE

### CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to be and appear before the District Court of the 116th Judicial District of Texas, to be held in and for the County of Dallas at the Courthouse thereof, in the City of Dallas, at or before ten o'clock a.m., of the Monday next following the expiration of Forty - two days from the date of this citation, being Monday, at 10 o'clock a.m., on the 20th day of October A.D. 1969, then and there to answer in writing to the plaintiff's petition of RUSSELL REGAN filed in said Court on the 7th day of April A.D. 1969 against the said

2. That each of the following Defendants in this suit is a nonresident of the State, or is absent from the State, or is a transient person, or a person whose residence is unknown: DOLPH D. COATS, J. T. COATS, ROY R. COATS, ROSABELL COATS DANIEL, and her husband, DANIEL, WILMUTH B. COATS CLARK and her husband, CLARK, ERNEST WALKER, ADA WALKER, W. J. COX, A. C. WALKER, MARTHA J. ROWLAND and her husband, J. A. ROWLAND, MRS. S. E. WALKER, F. I. WALKER, ALICE McLEAN and her husband, JOHN L. McLEAN, HARRY O. WALKER, TOM W. WALKER, OLA PORTER and her husband, HENRY PORTER, CECIL BODEN, HATTIE BODEN and her husband, H. E. BODEN, HORACE WALKER, O. W. WALKER, NANCY WALKER, surviving wife of T. J. WALKER, BEULAH WALKER, BELLE WALKER, J. C. WALKER, and MRS. J. C. WALKER, if deceased.

for suit, said suit being numbered 69-395-F the nature of which demand is as follows, to-wit:

Plaintiff makes affidavit that the whereabouts of Defendants are unknown. Being a suit on Trespass to Try Title to the following property.

On the 27th day of March, 1961, Plaintiff was, and still is the owner in fee simple of the following described premises situated in the County of Taylor, Texas:

The same being that real property which is identified as being Block sixty - one (61), Johnson's Addition to Merkel, sometimes referred to as the Town of Merkel and sometimes identified as the City of Merkel, Taylor County, Texas, the same being of record in the Deed Records of Taylor County in Volume V, page 639.

III.

On such day, also, he was entitled to possession of such premises; and immediately thereafter on the 28th day of March, 1961, the defendants unlawfully entered upon and dispossessed him of such premises and withheld from him the possession thereof.

IV.

Defendants have occupied and used such premises under such unlawful possession for the period from and after March 28, 1961, and the rental value thereof during such occupancy is \$50.00 per month, in which amount by virtue of such wrongs, the defendants are justly indebted to Plaintiff; but though repeated demand for payment thereof has been made by plaintiff of defendants, defendants have failed and refused, and still fail and refuse to pay same, to Plaintiff's damage

A. C. WALKER, MARTHA J. ROWLAND and her husband, J. A. ROWLAND, MRS. S. E. WALKER, F. I. WALKER, ALICE McLEAN and her husband, JOHN L. McLEAN, HARRY O. WALKER, TOM W. WALKER, OLA PORTER and her husband, HENRY PORTER, CECIL BODEN, HATTIE BODEN and her husband, H. E. BODEN, HORACE WALKER, O. W. WALKER, NANCY WALKER, surviving wife of T. J. WALKER, BEULAH WALKER, BELLE WALKER, J. C. WALKER, and MRS. J. C. WALKER, if deceased.

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### Rummage Sale

The Gleaners Sunday School Class of the First United Methodist Church will operate a Rummage Sale on North 2nd Street in the building next to Merkel Auto Parts, Friday, Sept. 12.

Mrs. Minnie Howard, class member, said that "all kinds of items will be on display and be for sale."

Proceeds from the sale are used for class projects.

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## LEGAL NOTICE

### NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE UNDER EXECUTION AND ORDER OF SALE

the State of Texas  
COUNTY OF TAYLOR

By virtue of an execution and Order of Sale issued out of the 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said Court on the 5th day of August, A.D. 1969, in favor of GOVERNMENT NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff, and against the said JOHN W. EDWARDS, Individually, and as Guardian of PATRICIA ANN EDWARDS; BETTY HUDDY, DOROTHY HOPKINS, BARBARA WALGREN, FLORENCE RILEY, LETTIE FRYMIRE, SHERRY MULLINS, MARGIE CLARK, DONNY EDWARDS AND DALE EDWARDS, Defendants, in the case of GOVERNMENT NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION vs. JOHN W. EDWARDS, Individually, et al. No. 32,321-A, in such Court, I did on the 3rd day of September, A.D. 1969, at 3 o'clock P.M. levy upon the following described tract of land, situated in the County of Taylor, State of Texas, as the property of JOHN W. EDWARDS, Individually, et al. to-wit:

the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, and on the 7th day of October, A.D. 1969, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, at the Court-house Door of said County, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of the said JOHN W. EDWARDS, Individually, and as Guardian of PATRICIA ANN EDWARDS; BETTY HUDDY, DOROTHY HOPKINS, BARBARA WALGREN, FLORENCE RILEY, LETTIE FRYMIRE, SHERRY MULLINS, MARGIE CLARK, DONNY EDWARDS AND DALE EDWARDS, in and to said property, as prescribed by law.

And in compliance with the law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in The Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Taylor County, Texas.

WITNESS MY HAND, this the 3rd day of September, 1969.

GEORGE MAXWELL  
Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas  
By: Tommy Barlow, deputy.

Lot Twenty (20), Block Two (2), Arthel Henson Addition to



**ORIGINALS** — The Ex-Telephone Operators of Merkel came up with some "original" ideas when they appeared in their tacky party clothes at Mrs. Elsie McDonald's home this past Friday evening. Ladies wearing "originals" are Mmes. McDonald, Woodrow Patton, Henry Martin, O. R. Douglas, Scotty Carlisle, George Woodrum, Ethel Hicks, Odie Clark, Edd Sandusky and O. D. Allamon. (Photo by Pat Byrd)

## ROUND-UP

By PAT BYRD

It's "subscription renewal" time for a lot of our out of towners and almost always they jot down a note when they send in their renewals. This morning we received a note from an ex - Merkelite — Mrs. Don M. Murray, the former Betty Lu Higgins, commenting on how she uses the Merkel Mail to "keep up with people," in and around Merkel. Good to hear from you Betty Lu, and I'm sure there are a lot of friends around here who will be glad too.

Mrs. Adele Jones is back at her desk at Taylor Electric Co-operative this week, after a relaxing and enjoyable visit with her son, Ronnie, and family in Houston. Adele kept her two grandchildren the week prior to her vacation and then returned with them to Houston for her visit with Ronnie and Linda. The grandchildren are Laurie, age 2, and Rom, age 4. Their daddy is coaching at Spring Branch High School in Houston.

Covered a "tacky party" hosted by Mrs. Elsie McDonald Fri-



day night for the ex - Merkel telephone operators. There was a lot of excitement and laughs making the rounds as you can tell from the photo taken. We're looking forward to attending another one of these "happenings."

### Services Held For George Curb

George P. Curb, 61, former Merkel resident, died Saturday, Sept. 6 in Hendrick Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held Monday in Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel, with the Rev. Newton Daniel, pastor emeritus of the First United Methodist Church, officiating. Masonic graveside services were held in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born Nov. 11, 1907 in Mount Pleasant, he was a civilian employee of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and spent 25 years in the Panama Canal Zone. He married Genevieve Sullivan in 1948 in the Canal Zone. He retired in 1964 and was living in Abilene at 4065 Benbrook at the time of his death. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the Shrine, AF and AM No. 790 at Dallas and Avau Saad Temple in the Canal Zone.

Survivors include his wife.

**CLASSIFIEDS ARE YOUR BEST BUY!**

### Services Held For Mrs. Foster

Funeral services for Mrs. Willie Mae Foster, 65, were held in the Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel Thursday, Sept. 4, with the Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Foster died of an apparent heart attack while working in her garden Tuesday afternoon.

Born Oct. 13, 1903, in Thornton, she married Carence M. Foster Jan. 25, 1924 at Grossbeck. They moved to the Comere Community in Jones County in 1924 and to Merkel in 1950. Mr. Foster died July 15, 1959. One son preceded Mrs. Foster in death in 1962.

Survivors include one son, Riley R. of Scottsdale, Ariz.; one daughter, Mrs. Wyona Craig of Dallas; one brother, Jack Ramsey of Waco; four sisters, Mrs. Jim Waltz of Thornton, Mrs. Frank Chester of Waco, Mrs. Tom McLean and Mrs. Dwain Gunn, both of Dallas; six grandchildren and one great - grandchild.

### CLASSIFIED ADS GET RESULTS



MRS. ANDRIA GARDNER  
... receives M.Ed. Degree

### Merkel Graduate Receives Degree

ABILENE — Andria Gardner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Adcock of 1211 S. 10th, was awarded the master of education degree from Abilene Christian College during summer commencement exercises August 21.

Mrs. Gardner majored in elementary teaching with a minor in psychology.

Dr. Don H. Morris, who became ACC's first chancellor Sept. 1 after serving 29 years as a president, addressed 223 summer graduates in the exercises. A total of 619 degrees were given by ACC in the spring and summer commencement exercises.

### Merkelite Attends Brother's Funeral

R. L. Griffin returned this week from attending the funeral of his only brother, R. G. Griffin, 78, who died Monday, Sept. 1 in Valley Mills.

Funeral services were held Wednesday in the Valley Mills First Baptist Church. Burial was in the Valley Mills Cemetery.

Born Dec. 25, 1891, Mr. Griffin is survived by one son; two daughters and his brother, Mr. Griffin of Merkel.

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### Christian Dispensation

The dispensation in which we live began at the death of Jesus Christ and will last until the end of time. The Bible record begins in Matthew 1 and goes through Revelation. (But one must remember that the Old Testament is not to be forgotten for 3 reasons: 1. You cannot gain a full knowledge of the New Testament without a working knowledge of the Old Testament . . . That is not to say one cannot understand how to be saved. 2. The Old Testament is written for our example. 1 Cor 10:1-12, lest we make the same sinful mistakes, 3rdly. That one may see how Jesus Christ is really the Messiah and Son of God.)

But for Salvation today one must gain this knowledge from the New Testament. Jesus began His Last Will and Testament (called the New Testament, New Covenant, and Law of Christ) while He was living as all men do but it did not become effective until His death at which time the Old Law was fulfilled and set aside. And it must be remembered when reading Matthew through John that these people as well as Jesus was to be in subjection to the Law of Moses. And as far as commandments concerning Christian living and church activities (which is one and same) is concerned we read from Acts on, as here the church of our Lord has come into existence, Acts 2:47. But to pattern one's self after the image of Jesus, we must learn Matthew through John.

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**Pillow Cases**  
**\$1.39 pair**

**Wash Cloths**  
**\$1.00 a package**

## VALUES

**Dish Cloths**  
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**80 Square Percale**  
**39c yard**

**No Iron Sheets**  
DOUBLE BED SIZE  
STRIPES AND FLORALS  
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## VALUES

**Seamless Hose**  
**2 pair \$1.00**

**Fish Net Hose**  
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| Palmer Motor Company ✓                 | ✓ Taylor Telephone Cooperative                 |
| Wilson's Food Store ✓                  | Fox Repair Shop                                |
| Hicks Auto Supply ✓                    | Taylor Electric Cooperative,<br>Inc.           |
| Merkel Restaurant & Motel              | Ben Franklin Store                             |
| Johnson's Grocery & Cafe ✓             | Merkel Mail                                    |
| Mansfield Farm &<br>Ranch Service ✓    | Asteroid Restaurant & Motel                    |
| Bullock Hardware & Gifts               | Johnny Cox Bookkeeping &<br>Income Tax Service |
| Hardy's Grocery ✓                      | Barnett Barber Shop                            |
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| Bragg's Department Store               | Merkel Elevator                                |
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|  | ✓ Gene Stewart Ford                            |

### Elbert R. Clack Dies at Age 76

Elbert R. Clack, 76, longtime Merkel resident, died Sunday, Sept. 7 at his residence after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held Monday in the First Baptist Church, with the Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Mr. Clack was born Aug. 31,

1893, in Corinth and moved to the Merkel area in 1924 after marrying Annie Bessie Lambert Dec. 24, 1916, in Brown, Okla.

The couple farmed in the Merkel area before moving to Merkel in 1938. Since 1938 he had been employed as a carpenter and as a maintenance supervisor of the Merkel Independent School District, a position he held 11 years. He retired two and a half years ago due to ill health.

Survivors include his wife; one daughter, Mrs. Henry Howard of Merkel; one son, Morris of Abilene; five grandchildren, Larry Howard of Evansville, Ind., Mrs. Suzanne Brooks of Odessa, Mrs. Mark Hamilton of Dallas, Mrs. Bryan Barrows and Miss Caren Clack, both of Abilene; one sister, Mrs. Clive Murry of Tishomingo, Okla.

Balibearers were Joe Earl Lassiter, Lewis Floyd, Claude Warren, Mack Fisher, Howard Carson and Dean Higgins.

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- 8:00 A.M.—Registration — West Texas Utilities
- 1:30 P.M.—Parade — Pep Rally to Follow
- 6:00 P.M.—Exes Dinner — School Cafeteria
- 8:00 P.M.—Football Game—Badger Stadium (Includes Half-time Ceremonies)
- 10:00 P.M.—Business Meeting — Coffee

## WE'LL SEE YOU THERE

Your attendance at the 1969 Homecoming Activities will make the day complete. And if you see any Merkel Exes "Talk It Up." Don't miss this once-in-a-year opportunity to see all your friends, meet new ones, and just to spend a day of doing all the things you've looked forward to all year!

## VOTE

When you register or anytime during the day you can vote for the candidates of your choice for Homecoming Queen and Mr. X. (This will be done at the West Texas Utilities Building.)

HONORED CLASS - CLASS OF 1919

HOST CLASS - CLASS OF 1949

**5 BIG DOLLAR DAYS**

THURSDAY THRU TUESDAY  
SEPTEMBER 11-12-13-15-16

TO



**STAMP OUT HIGH PRICES**

**SCOPE**

MOUTH WASH  
SUPER SIZE

Reg. 1.98  
Only **99¢**

**CREST**

TOOTH PASTE  
FAMILY SIZE

Reg. 1.05  
Only **63¢**

IMPERIAL

**SUGAR**

5 LB.  
BAG

**43¢**

WITH \$5.00 IN TRADE OR MORE  
EXCLUSIVE OF CIGARETTES

METZGERS  
**HOMO 2 MILK** 1/2 Gal. 2 for **93¢**  
METSZGERS  
**BUTTERMILK** 1/2 Gal. 2 for **89¢**

**COUPON**

**Spry**  
42 OZ. CAN  
**49¢**  
(WITH THIS COUPON)  
LIMIT 1 COUPON PER CAN PURCHASED  
Redeemable only at CARSON'S SUPER MARKET  
Offer Expires Sept. 17th Without Coupon 59¢

**SPAM**

HORMEL  
7 OZ. CAN (2 Limit)

**33¢**

**CAKE MIX**

DUNCAN  
HINES

2 Boxes

**63¢**

**FLOUR**

GLADIOLA  
10 LB. BAG

**98¢**

**PET MILK**

TALL CAN  
(4 Limit)

2 for **33¢**

MORTON HOUSE  
**SLOPPY JOES**

BEEF 300 CAN **43¢**

FRITO  
**CHILI**

NO. 2 CAN **53¢**

OLEO  
**PARKAY**

2 LB. PKG. **49¢**

KRAFT STRAWBERRY  
**PRESERVES**

18 OZ. JAR **49¢**

CAMPFIRE  
**PORK-BEANS**

300 CAN **10¢**

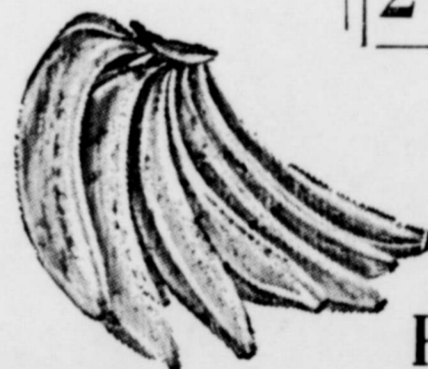
CAMPBELLS  
**TOMATO SOUP**

2 NO. 1 CANS **25¢**

CHIQUITA

**BANANAS**

Pound **12¢**



FROZEN FOODS  
MORTONS BEEF CHICKEN TURKEY

**POT PIES** 3 for **53¢**

MR. G. CRINKLE CUT  
**POTATOES** 2 Lb. Bag **29¢**

GORTONS 8 OZ. PKG.  
**FISH CAKES** Each **25¢**

CARSON'S SUPER MARKET COUPON

SAVE 45¢  
WITH THIS COUPON WHEN YOU  
BUY A 2 LB. CAN OF  
MAXWELL HOUSE  
OR ELECTRAPERK COFFEE  
AT CARSON SUPER MARKET

2 LB. CAN ONLY **1.09**  
with coupon

One Coupon Per Family - Offer Expires Sept. 18

LIPTON'S  
**TEA**  
1/2 LB. BOX **69¢**

TEA BAGS  
**LIPTON**  
48 COUNT BOX **59¢**

**CORN**

DEL MONTE GOLDEN 303 2 for **39¢**

**PEAS**

DEL MONTE GARDEN 303 2 for **43¢**

**BEANS**

DEL MONTE CUT GREEN 303 2 for **43¢**

**MIXED**

DEL MONTE VEGETABLES 303 2 for **39¢**

**PICKLES**

DEL MONTE FRESH DILL 26 OZ. JAR **39¢**

**TOMATO**

DEL MONTE JUICE 46 OZ. CAN **29¢**

**TOMATO**

DEL MONTE SAUCE WITH BITS 300 2 for **43¢**

**ORANGE**

DEL MONTE DRINK 46 OZ. 2 for **49¢**

SUNSHINE  
**HI-HO'S**

1 LB. BOX **35¢**

KRAFT'S  
SINGLE SLICED  
**CHEESE**

6 OZ. PKG. **33¢**

SPRAY STARCH  
**NIAGARA** 15 Oz. Can **39¢**

BATH SOAP - FREE SOAP DISH  
**DOVE** 4 Bars **79¢**

GIANT (1 Limit)  
**GAIN** Box **63¢**

TRY **LEMON FRESH JOY**  
WITH NEW PUSH-PULL CAP  
Giant Box **47¢**



WE GIVE  
GIFT BOND  
STAMPS

DOUBLE  
ON  
WEDS.

CHOICE CHUCK

**BEEF ROAST**



Extra Trimmed

Blade Cut Pound

**69¢**

**STEAK**

CHOICE BEEF SIRLOIN L.B.

**\$1.05**

**ROAST**

CHOICE BEEF ROUND or ENGLISH L.B.

**83¢**

**BACON**

GOOCH B.R. POUND

**79¢**

**SAUSAGE**

GOOCH B. R. GERMAN STYLE PKG.

**69¢**

**FRANKS**

GOOCH B. R. ALL MEAT 12 OZ. PKG.

**49¢**

BEEF **STEAKS**

GOOCH B. R. 5 IN LB.

**83¢**

FRESH GROUND **BEEF**

2 Lbs. **89¢**

**CARSON'S SUPER MARKET**  
MERKEL, TEXAS  
FRESH VEGETABLES  
FREE DELIVERY MON - WED - FRI  
BEST MEATS IN TOWN