

## Between you and me



By SARAH ECKOLS

Happiness is like a butterfly. The more you chase it, the more it will elude you. But if you turn your attention to other things, it comes and softly sits on your shoulder.  
L. Richard Lessor

How many times have you wanted and worked for something that just seemed to always be out of reach; then when you decided it was an impossible dream and went on toward other goals, it almost dropped into your lap? Or have you ever wanted something very badly, worked hard to get it, obtained it and then found out that you really didn't want it at all?

Often, happiness is simply the acceptance of things as they are and letting each day and each event take care of itself. That is not to say without ambition and concern for the future or the things which require one's attention. But let the trivia go and don't spend time in which you could be happy worrying about being unhappy.

I wish to extend my personal and sincere congratulations to John Hammond and his family on the opening of his new store. I have been watching its progress with the Hammonds and the community and anxiously awaiting the Grand Opening which will be Saturday afternoon at 3:00. I hope everyone has his contribution to the Merkel Time Capsule ready to be placed into the container. Isn't it exciting to think about people opening the capsule in 100 years and reading the things you and I put into it now?

If you will be unable to attend the opening please bring your letter or picture or what-have-you to The Merkel Mail office and I will make sure it reaches its destination.

Through your contribution to this project, the Merkel Time Capsule can be an item of interest for our community to proudly show our visitors and future citizens.

This will be the final edition of The Merkel Mail before Thanksgiving. Your Merkel Mail will be delivered on Friday of next week if you are local. If you live out of Merkel, expect your paper to be a little later than usual due to the holiday.

I find Thanksgiving to be a very special time when old grudges can be forgotten and love can be expressed to others more easily than at any other. It is a time when a day is set aside to offer thanks for our lives to whatever our conception of the Creator may be.

I hope this Thanksgiving Day is one in which each of you finds a happiness and contentment of being with loved ones and sharing the joy of one another. If you travel, be careful and don't mar the holiday spirit with a tragedy.

Sam Diamond about whom we had an article in last week's paper dropped us a note this week telling us that he appreciated the article. However, he felt that one point might be misleading. Diamond is not sponsored by anyone other than his parents. He wished us to clarify this point and again express his thanks to the many wonderful people who have shown him hospitality. He supports himself on his journey by his performances. Diamond and his wife live in Hamonton, New Jersey.

Accept my thanks O, God,  
For the life You gave me;  
That through it I do no harm to others  
But offer myself as a part of the total unit  
Which is Your creation  
And touch others with my song.

## Miss Johnson Awarded For Achievement In Writing

Karen Johnson of Hurst, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glynn Johnson formerly of Merkel has been notified that she is recipient of a 1975 NCTE Achievement Award in Writing. NCTE is the National Council of Teachers of English. Miss Johnson is one of 850 winners selected nationally from over 7,000 nominees.

Karen is the granddaughter of Mrs. Zedic Johnson and the late Zedic Johnson of Merkel.



KAREN JOHNSON  
... Receives writing award

Each of Miss Johnson's compositions was read by two judges—one high school and one college English teacher. In selecting the finalists, the judges looked for writing that exhibited power to inform and move an audience by means of an effective and imaginative use of the English language. "As a winner, you have demonstrated that special writing ability and talent," the letter of notification stated.

A purpose of the Achievement Awards in Writing Program is to recognize publicly some of the best student writers in the nation.

Names of winners are compiled into a booklet which is sent to colleges and universities throughout the U.S. and also to U. S. congressmen, state governors and state superintendents of education. Winners are presented with certificates of commendation.

## Stith Homecoming November 23

Sunday, November 23 is homecoming at Stith. Services will begin at the Baptist Church at 10:00, memorial services will follow at 11:00, the speaker will be Rev. Lynnward Harrison. After the services lunch will be served at the community center. Everyone is invited and each one is to bring a basket lunch.

## Ben Franklin's Grand Opening Thursday At 9 A. M.

# Merkel Time Capsule To Be Launched November 22

The new Ben Franklin Store will open its doors for business Thursday morning, November 20, at 9 a.m. On hand for ribbon cutting ceremonies will be Uncle Sam, Ben Franklin himself, owners John and Bob Hammond and local dignitaries.

The 10,000 square foot building has been under construction since late July and has just been completed and stocked early this week. Construction was under the direction of Associated Contractors of Abilene. It is a Star pre-engineered building measuring 100 feet by 100 feet with brick and glass front, and is located on the corner of North 2nd. and

Kent Streets. In conjunction with the grand opening of the Ben Franklin Store the Hammonds are going to seal The Merkel Time Capsule Saturday afternoon at 3 p.m. Merkelites are urged to place their letters, pictures or other items in the Merkel Time Capsule, a 12" by 20" cylinder made of fiberglass. The time capsule will be placed in the concrete base of the flagpole directly in front of the store. The capsule itself will be placed inside a metal container and will be completely air tight and safe from the elements. Organizations such as the Lions Club of Merkel, Boy Scouts and sororities are making contributions to this project which will be opened in 100 years by the future generations of Merkel. Individuals are urged to bring their Time Capsule items to the sealing ceremonies, to Mr. Hammond or to The Merkel Mail office.

It is a human trait in each of us to want to preserve

some part of ourselves for posterity and the future. It is each man's desire to be somehow immortal. Leave a part of yourself, your club or your church to the future. Put something special in the Merkel Time Capsule. Among items already given to be placed in the capsule are a message from President Ford, a letter from Senator Bentsen, a history of the Lions Club of Merkel, a history of the Merkel Cemetery Association, items from the Fortnightly Study Club, a letter to the editor of the local newspaper at opening time, a contribution from the Boy Scouts of Merkel and several other items.

Grand opening of the Ben Franklin Store will include registration for drawing for a complete home entertainment center and gift certificates, special sale prices through out the store and refreshments served to all. You are cordially invited to celebrate this opening of a fine store in Merkel and to participate in the Merkel Time Capsule.

## Twins Killed Near Merkel Sunday Evening

Services for Doris West Armstrong, 50, and Dortha West McClintock, 50, were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Calvary Baptist Church in Stamford.

The Rev. Jim Way, Pastor, officiated. Burial was in Highland Cemetery, directed by Kinney Funeral Home.

Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. McClintock, who were twin sisters, were killed Sunday evening in a one-vehicle accident 10 miles south of Merkel on FM 126.

The northbound pickup truck in which they were riding apparently went out of control on a curve and overturned, according to Department of Public Safety officials. The women were dead on arrival at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene shortly after the 8:15 p.m. Sunday accident.

The twin sisters were born November 26, 1924, in Lueders.

Dortha West married Martin McClintock April 6, 1969, in Stamford.

Mrs. McClintock's survivors include her husband, a son, Lucky Michael Jones of Stamford; two sisters, Alene Crawley of Shreveport, Louisiana, and Mrs. Bill Smith of Albany; two brothers, Bobby West of Merkel and R. C. of Odessa; and two grandchildren.

Doris West married Fred Armstrong November 15, 1963, in Lovington, New Mexico. He died in July 1975.

Mrs. Armstrong's survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Don Ungewitter of Madina, California; two brothers; and two sisters.

He attended public schools in Avoca, Feacock and Merkel.

Survivors include his wife, Joanne; three sons, Ernest Dale Neff of Orlando and Dwight A. Jackson and Darin D. Jackson, both of Windermere; four daughters, Marsha Neff of Orlando and Denise F. Jackson, Deanna K. Jackson and Darlene G. Jackson, all of Windermere; his father, Ernest Neff of Merkel; a brother, Billy Bob Neff of Merkel; and a sister, Mrs. Jeanette Rowe of San Antonio.

## 75-76 Basketball Season To Be Challenging One For Badgers

It's going to be the most challenging boys varsity basketball season in years for the Merkel High School Badgers, according to coach Ronny Aldridge. While Merkel is starting off fresh with only one player returning

from last year, a number of other district 8A schools will have practically the entire team from last year. Despite the difficulty, things look promising to Aldridge. He said of the team which has a long winning tradition, "We're less experienced than we've ever been, and the district is going to be tougher competition than ever before, but the team has as much potential as it has ever had."

"The team's got confidence, because the school has had a winning team for a long time. I believe they're going to prove themselves this year just like they have been doing," said Aldridge, who in his seven previous years of coaching basketball at Merkel has seen his teams win or tie for the district championship four times and take second place the other three times. Last year's team, with a record of 32 wins and 2 losses, was defeated at the regional level.

"The worst season that I've been here for was in '72-'73 when we had a record of 16 wins against 9 losses. The team that we've got this year is better than the one we had then," Aldridge added.

He sees the stiffest competition this season in the district coming from Baird, Rotan and Jim Ned, all of which have many returning lettermen.

## Community Service Scheduled November 26

A community Thanksgiving service will be held at the First Baptist Church in Merkel Wednesday evening, November 26 at 7 o'clock.

All local churches are invited to participate in this service of Thanksgiving. The First Baptist Church choir will provide special music arrangements and the speaker will be the pastor of the First Baptist Church, Kenneth Jones.

Rev. Russell McAnnally has advocated this type of service for our community for several years.

An offering will be taken at the service. Funds raised will be used for helping needy persons.

## Bake Sale Saturday

The ladies of the Farmers Union will hold a bake sale Saturday morning beginning at 8:30. They will be in front of the Tombs Real Estate office. Proceeds from the sale will help send delegates to the conference in December which will be held in Dallas.



OLDEST PIONEER—Mrs. F. R. Demere, 88 and oldest member of Pioneer Church near Merkel, is shown with the friendship quilt containing 327 names and an Afghan made by Mrs. Ford Butman which will be auctioned off at the Lord's Acre Sale to be held Saturday evening.

## Lord's Acre Sale Program November 22 At Pioneer Church

The Pioneer Memorial Church will hold its 24th. annual Lord's Acre Sale Saturday, November 22. A fellowship supper will begin at 6 p.m. with the sale following. Don Dudley will again chant his kind and friendly auctioneer call, encouraging bidders to make an offer for coveted articles. The

"Lord's Acre Quilt" containing some 150 names, will probably be the item most sought after, followed by many, many articles of beauty, usefulness and even deliciousness.

Proceeds from the sale go to pay church up keep and benevolences. The Rev. Dwight Wilcher is pastor.

It has been expressed that the "Lord's Acre Sale" is sort of a reunion for Mulberry Canyon. "So many of our friends come back home for this occasion."

Sight for the annual event will be Butman Community Center, 14 miles south of Merkel on Farm Road 126. Every one is invited.

## Lions Hear Merkel's Philosopher

The Lions Club of Merkel heard Merkel's own resident philosopher, Benny Melton, give words of wisdom concerning local Lions at their regular meeting Tuesday. In a program getting away from the ordinary and filled with humorous witticisms, Melton told the "truths" about the lengthy opening prayers offered by Rev. McAnnally, the

strength with which Principal Davis handles disciplinary problems at Merkel High, how Fred Starbuck sweettalks his wife into cleaning his prize catch, how confusing Merkel Mail headlines can be and a new version of the Exodus story.

In a report of the Merkel Time Capsule committee, chairman Fred Starbuck reviewed the history of the club which has been compiled for inclusion in the time capsule. The history includes a copy of the original charter, list of officers and outlines of activities through the years. The members voted acceptance of the history to be placed in the time capsule and commended Starbuck and his committee for their fine job. It was noted by Starbuck that Dr. W. T. Sadler is the only living charter member of the Lions Club of Merkel who is still a Merkel resident.

## Former Merkelite Died In Abilene

Lloyd Wade, 58, of Shady Oaks Lodge in Abilene and formerly of Merkel, a retired farmer, died at 4:15 a.m. Thursday in the Abilene nursing home after a lengthy illness. Services were at 2:30 p.m. Friday in Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel.

The Rev. N. S. Daniel, retired Methodist pastor, officiated. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born January 18, 1917, in Howard County, Mr. Wade was a World War II Army veteran. Following the war, he had been a patient in area Veterans Administration hospitals.

Mr. Wade moved to Merkel in 1929.

Survivors include three brothers, O. E. of Merkel, L. C. of Anson and B. M. of Lubbock; a sister, Neta Craig of Weatherford and several nieces and nephews. Nephews served as pallbearers.

## PTO President Extends Thanks For Support

Wyman Wilkerson, president of the Merkel PTO, would like to extend a thank you to parents, teachers and friends who had a part in making the PTO Halloween carnival a success. He would especially like to thank Iris Amerine for her hard work as chairman. The PTO appreciates the support of the community.

"We are trying hard to make a success of the PTO for the sole purpose of helping our school and thereby helping our children. We have over 200 members this year and are very pleased," stated Wilkerson.

The PTO sponsored a membership contest in which Mrs. Watson's special education class won with 100% participation. Coach Martin's eighth grade class had 69% membership.

Wilkerson expressed appreciation for the interest shown and asked that interested persons contact Millie Bright for information on membership.

## Haas Services Held Sunday

James W. Haas, 76, o. 3200 Ambler, Abilene, a driller for Jim Lamb Drilling Company, died at 1:15 a.m. Saturday at a drilling site near Iraan of an apparent heart attack. Services were held at 3 p.m. Sunday at Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel.

The Rev. Riley Fugitt of Clyde officiated. Burial was at Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born February 18, 1899, in Mesquite, he married Gertrude Peebles in 1917 in San Antonio. He served in the Army Medical Corps for five years, serving in World War I.

Mr. Haas moved to the Comper Community in Jones County in the early 1900's and moved to Abilene in 1970. Mrs. Haas died in 1962.

He had been an oil field worker most of his life and had been with Lamb Drilling Company for the past 3 1/2 years.

Survivors include his stepmother, Mrs. Bessie Haas of Baird; three daughters, Jean Elizabeth Haas of New York and Peggy and Ann Haas, both of 3200 Ambler, Abilene; eight brothers, Vergil of Brownwood, Dick of Monahans, Ray and Harold, both of Baird, Gordon of Clyde, Paul of Big Spring, Billy of Moab, Utah, and Stanley of Lovington, New Mexico; and four sisters, Mrs. J. J. Crank of Plainview, Mrs. Ruby Deen of Merkel, Mrs. Doris Reece of Clyde and Mrs. Charlie Ryan of San Angelo.

## Tri-City Baseball

There will be a monthly meeting of the Tri-City Baseball project Monday November 24 at 7:30 p.m. Plans for beginning construction on the recently purchased ball park will be the main business. The meeting will be at the Big Country Inn.

## Merkel Garden Club To Meet

Merkel Garden Club will meet in the home of Mrs. R. M. Ferguson, Thursday at 3 o'clock.



# Farm-facts

A Weekly Report Of Agri-Business News

Compiled From Sources  
Of The Texas Department of Agriculture  
John C. White, Commissioner

**That Time Of Year... Spirit of '76... Stock It To Them.**

Several thousand farmers and ranchers will receive a questionnaire during the latter part of this month and the first week or so in December from the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service.

It will be either a crop or livestock questionnaire. If you are one of those receiving the questionnaire, you are requested to fill it out as accurately as possible and return it as promptly as possible.

In this way, you will be doing your part in providing, for Texas agriculture and all of the economy, a true picture of our state's most basic industry - agriculture.

Your cooperation is essential, and today it is even more important than ever before to have accurate agriculture production information on which sound judgments can be made.

**THE SPIRIT OF '76** seems to be taking hold of agriculture, too, as it relates to parity.

The latest report on parity for the nation is now 76. It was also 76 as of a month ago; a year ago it was 78. It means that agriculture generally is about three-fourths as well off financially as the rest of the economy.

The all-farm products index of prices received by Texas farmers and ranchers stands at 476. This means a two per cent decline compared to a month ago. The crop index was up, but the livestock index was down.

Only oats, hogs and mohair are above parity levels for agriculture producers. Wheat in Texas averaged \$3.95 per bushel; parity is \$4.65. A year ago, wheat in Texas sold for \$4.76 per bushel.

Grain sorghum averaged \$4.46 per hundredweight in Texas; parity is \$5.18. A year ago, grain sorghum was selling at \$5.82.

Cotton continues to be the big exception in crop prices. Parity for that commodity is 79 cents a pound; the average price in the state is 45 cents per pound; that, however, is up six cents per pound from a month ago and is about the same as a year ago.

Hogs, despite some price declines, continue above parity. Hog prices in Texas average \$54.80; this compares with a parity ratio of \$48.70. A year ago, hogs in Texas brought only \$35.60.

Beef cattle average price is \$29.70 compared to \$56.20 parity. Calves averaged almost \$23 in Texas; parity is almost \$70. Sheep and lambs which have been above parity in recent months, are now below that ratio, also.

Mohair at \$2.12 is 23 cents a pound above parity.

Turkey prices to producers average 35 cents per pound; parity is 47.4 cents.

Egg prices average 60 cents per dozen; parity is 77 cents per dozen.

**STOCKS OF THE FOUR FEED GRAINS** - corn, oats, barley and sorghum - in Texas are estimated at 29,000,000 bushels, a decrease of 12,000,000 bushels from a year ago.

Corn and grain sorghum were responsible for the decrease. Nationwide, stocks of the four grains are 10 per cent less than a year ago.

## Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

We would like to publicly thank Mr. Tommy Cutler, Member Service Advisor for Taylor Electric Cooperative, for the very excellent program he presented to us on First Aid and Mouth-to-Mouth Resuscitation.

All of us benefited from this, and our getting to practice on "Rescue Annie" reassured us that we could possibly save someone's life if the need arises.

Mr. Cutler's visit will long be remembered by all of us. It is good that we have someone in our community who is willing to teach others and who does such a fine job in doing so.

We do commend Mr. Cutler on the fine service he rendered to our sixth grade class, and on the good job that he does for our community.

Sincerely,  
Sixth Grade Class of  
Merkel Junior High  
Mrs. Don Hart, teacher



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## Taylor Young Homemakers News

The Taylor County Young Homemakers met November 13 in the home of Mrs. John Cain. The program on "Now Comes Christmas" was presented by Kathryn Caultley, representative of Lone Star Gas Company. She demonstrated ideas for homemade Christmas gifts.

The Young Homemakers will have a bake sale November 20 in front of Wilson's Grocery Store. They will have an arts and crafts sale December 6 at a place to be announced.

Mrs. Steve Buntin was elected reporter in the business meeting. Mrs. Larry Beasley won the door prize.

Hostesses were Mrs. John Cain and Mrs. George Martin. Present were Mesdames Gary Hicks, Judy Wilson, Mike Couch, Joan Reed, Larry Looper, David Riney, Joe Gregory and Diane Green.



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## Bridal Tea Honors Miss Constable

A tea shower honoring Mary Constable will be hosted Monday evening, November 24 from 7 to 9 in the fel-

### PECAN CRUST

1/2 cup pecans, finely chopped  
1-1/2 cup graham cracker crumbs  
1/2 cup sugar  
1/2 cup butter

Combine pecans, graham cracker crumbs and sugar in pie pan. Melt butter and add to crumb mixture. Press on bottom and sides of pie pan.

### MERINGUE

3 egg whites  
1/2 tsp. vanilla  
1/2 tsp. cream of tartar  
6 Tbsp. sugar

Beat whites with vanilla and cream of tartar until soft peaks form. Gradually add sugar. Beat until stiff, glossy peaks form and all of the sugar is dissolved. Spread meringue over pie, sealing to edge of pastry. Bake at 350 degrees for 12 minutes or until meringue is golden.

## Compere H D Club News

The Compere, Stith and Goodman Home Demonstration Clubs met together in the Noodle Community Center on Wednesday afternoon November 12th, at 2:00 p.m.

The program consisted of very interesting reports of the state meeting held in Abilene on September 24, 25 and 26. The reports were given by Mrs. H. A. Haynes of Willow Creek Club, Mrs. Garland Price of Goodman Club and Mrs. Ab Hunter of Compere Club.

During a social hour which followed, refreshments were served to 21 women and 2 children.

lowship hall of the Calvary Baptist Church. Miss Constable is the bride elect of Kenneth Gregory.



**TRADITIONAL THANKSGIVING MEAL, TEXAS-STYLE**-Make this year's Thanksgiving meal an extra-special one by serving foods produced in Texas. The traditional turkey, always a favorite, is delicious served with rice stuffing. Ambrosia featuring Texas-grown oranges and grapefruit, Sweet Potato-Honey Balls, Confetti Carrots and Pecan Cream Pie with a special Pecan Crust add nutrition as well as taste appeal to this special meal, Texas Department of Agriculture home economists say.

*Alyce Warren is now working on Friday*  
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## Recipe

### PECAN CREAM PIE

1/2 cup sugar  
4 Tbsp. flour  
1 cup whole milk  
1 cup condensed milk, undiluted  
3 egg yolks, beaten  
1/2 cup margarine  
1 tsp. vanilla  
1 cup Texas pecans, chopped

Mix sugar and flour. Pour in whole milk; then add condensed milk. Stir in yolks and add margarine. Cook over medium heat stirring constantly until mixture thickens. Remove from heat. Add vanilla and pecans. Pour into Pecan Crust and top with meringue or whipped cream.



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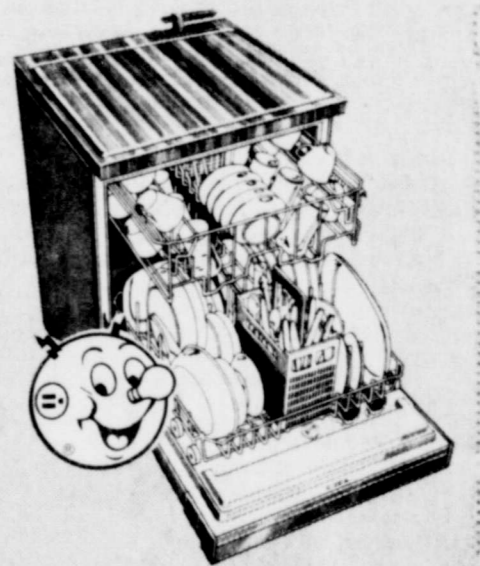
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## PICKLES

22 OZ JAR

69¢

INSTANT

## Corn Bread Mix

2 FOR

29¢

KING

SIZE

## POTATOES

DETERGENT

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HAPPY 39TH-City Secretary, Roy Kimbrell, is surprised Thursday, November 13 by a party given in honor of his birthday. The birthday boy cut and served birthday cake to several city employees and guests who dropped by to wish him many happy returns.

## Include Texas Farm Products On Christmas Gift List

AUSTIN—Keep Texas agricultural products in mind when planning holiday gifts this year.

"Texas food and fiber make excellent gifts. Wool, mohair and cotton garments are always appreciated, as are Texas food products," Agriculture Commissioner John C. White said.

An easy way to solve the problem of what to give persons on your list who have everything is to give Texas citrus gift packs.

Now is the time to order the gift packs, according to Commissioner White.

One way consumers can make certain they order fruit

from a reputable firm is to contact the Texas Citrus and Vegetable Growers Association (Box 671, Harlingen, Texas 78550) for the names of shippers who are Association members.

Association members must observe strict standards for quality of fruit and efficiency in delivery.

Average prices of the gift packs range from \$5 to \$20.

The Ruby Red grapefruit is the most popular of Texas citrus. Texas oranges also are available for shipping.

The Star Ruby, similar to the Ruby Red but deeper in color, is available on a very limited basis.

## Miss Merry Christmas Named By Chamber

The Merkel Chamber of Commerce has selected its 1975 Miss Merry Christmas. For the High School Miss Merry Christmas Cindy Elliott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Elliott has been named. Junior High Miss Merry Christmas is Kim Mashburn, daughter of Mrs. Joann Mashburn. In the

Primary category, Jackie Owens daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Owens was chosen. Tammy Tyler will represent Tye as Miss Merry Christmas. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary A. Tyler.

## Latest Savings Bonds Figures

In releasing Treasury figures, County Bond Chairman Samuel S. Hill, announced today that sales of Series E and H United States Savings Bonds in Taylor County during September totaled \$84,664. Sales for the nine-month period were \$864,378 for 68% of the yearly sales goal of \$1,270,000.

Business of the evening will be to make plans for Christmas activities for Taylor County 4-Hers.

The organization is formed to support the activities and events of the 4-H organization.

## 4-H Adult Leaders Assn. To Meet

Taylor County 4-H Adult Leaders Association will meet November 18 at 7 p.m. in the Exhibit Building on the Fair grounds for a Thanksgiving dinner, according to George English, chairman of the association.

Business of the evening will be to make plans for Christmas activities for Taylor County 4-Hers.

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## Badgers Tracks

By SUSIE TOOMBS

### Student Council

The Merkel High School student council met last week. Orders for fruit cakes that are to be in by Thanksgiving were turned in. Fruit cake orders are still being taken for Christmas. The deadline for these orders is December 5.

Last Saturday Danny DuBose, Kathryn Murrell, Rita Watts, Deborah White, Gay Pfister and Susie Toombs attended a student council workshop in Coleman. Accompanying the students were Mrs. Baker and Mr. Holloway.

### Civics Classes Vote

The Merkel High School civics classes in their own election voted on the proposed new Texas Constitution which went to the adult population for vote November 4.

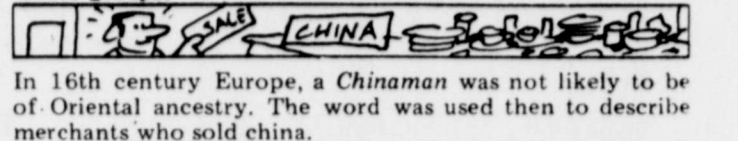
The classes unanimously voted down all propositions, in concense with the rest of the state. The two classes showed that they have a genuine interest in the world around them. They are ready and willing to accept their voting responsibility.

### VICA Club News

The Merkel chapter of Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA) met in a district meeting this past Saturday at Snyder, attending were: Debbie Eaird, Royce

## Memorial Service In Amarillo

Mr. and Mrs. Tom M. All-day attended Khiva Memorial Services Sunday, November 16 in Amarillo. The service was "dedicated to God and to the nobility of Khiva Temple whose labors have ceased." Among those honored in this memorial service was Thomas H. All-day, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom All-day. Thomas died November, 1974.



In 16th century Europe, a Chinaman was not likely to be of Oriental ancestry. The word was used then to describe merchants who sold china.

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## Lung Cancer Statistics Reveal

### Dramatic Rise

Fifty years ago lung cancer was a rare disease. While 3,000 lung cancer deaths were recorded in 1930, today there are 25 times that number says the American Cancer Society.

It is estimated that during this year alone, approximately 91,000 Americans will be stricken with this form of cancer.

According to Dr. Clifton F. Mountain, chief of Thoracic Surgery at The University of Texas M. D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute in Houston, "The incidence of lung cancer today is epidemic. Plotted on a graph, lung cancer represents a sharp rising curve with no end in sight."

Despite the grim statistics, Dr. Mountain, a specialist in lung cancer during the last 16 years, remains optimistic. While surgery techniques seem to have reached their technical limits, the ability to diagnose and identify lung cancer has improved significantly in recent years.

"If lung cancer is discovered in an early stage, which we define as a lesion confined totally within one lung, the patient will have a 45-50 percent chance of survival five years after surgery," he explains.

If detection is delayed until the cancer has spread to adjoining lymph nodes, the patient's chances of survival fall dramatically to 18 percent. If initial detection is

still further delayed, such that the disease spreads to more distant nodes or to organs outside the chest, the chances of survival are even less.

Two of the most promising detection tools at this time are sputum cytology and the flexible fiberoptic bronchoscope. The sputum test, similar to the Pap smear for cervical cancer, allows the doctor to detect malignant cells even before the cancer can be detected by x-ray.

Once malignant cells are detected in the sputum, the fiberoptic bronchoscope, an optical branchchild of Japanese technology, can be used to search the farthest lobes of the lung in search of the pinhead-sized cancer. As an optical probe, the instrument can be inserted into the patient's bronchial tract with the capability to actually turn corners as it moves along the air passages of the lung, thus permitting the doctor to see and photograph those regions where the majority of lung cancers arise.

Although the two used together are primarily experimental at this time, Dr. Mountain notes that testing done to date has revealed that early cancers detected in this manner and successfully treated by surgery may extend the patient's chances for survival to as much as 80 percent.

Concerning drugs, Dr. Mountain says, "As of now, no single drug has shown

itself to be highly active in respect to lung cancer. However, there are newer investigational drug agents which may have a higher activity rate with respect to lung cancer than some of the older agents."

He adds that the search is continuing for new agents that may prove active in treating lung cancer. Of special interest at this time is the developing collection of information relating to the use of multiple drugs in combination which may be more effective than single drugs.

Yet another approach under investigation is the concept of using multiple types of treatment, known as adjunctive therapy.

In this way the surgeon, chemotherapist, radiotherapist and immunologist design a teamwork approach to the total disease. For example, instead of depending entirely on surgery for a cure, successful surgery is backed up by drugs to better insure that the disease will not recur.

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## The Light Touch

BY PAT CASTILLE

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Ben Franklin may have invented electricity, but it was the guy who invented the meter who made all the money.

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Sure, those little cars have shock absorbers. They're called passengers.

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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.

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**Garage Sale**

**GARAGE SALE-204 Ash,** Thursday afternoon and all day Friday. 39-tfp

**GARAGE SALE-1406 Heath-** Saturday. Starting at 8 A.M. 39-1tp

**GIANT GARAGE SALE-Trent** Main Street. Saturday 8 til 2. Sale will be postponed if cold and rainy. Clothes - odds and ends. 39-1tp

**NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE** SALE-813 and 815 Oak. Furniture, heaters, quilts, cookware, jewelry, toys and lots of other goodies. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. 39-1tp

**For Sale**

**FOUR TIRES FOR SALE** 645-14. Call after 5 P.M. please. Leo Mashburn, Box 495, Merkel, Texas, 928-5768. 39-2tp

**PEW SALE-Our Mother** Catholic Church is selling their old church pews. They are approximately 12 feet long, 1 1/2 inches thick wood painted white. Ideal for patsios, \$15 each. Call Charlotte Starbuck at 928-4707 or 928-4711. 39-tfnc

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# PUBLIC NOTICE

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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: Milton Epperson, 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 Twenty (20) days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 12th day of November, A. D. 1975, in this cause, numbered 11,260-DR on the docket of said court and styled Alice Faye Epperson, Plaintiff, vs. Milton Epperson, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Parties were married on or about February 28, 1971 and separated September 5, 1972, the following children now under eighteen were born to the parties of this marriage, to-wit: Johnita Michele Epperson born 9-20-71, Milton Wayne Epperson born 11-2-72, no property is owned by the children; children now reside with petitioner; petitioner should be appointed managing conservator and respondent should be appointed possessory conservator until the youngest child reached the age of 18 and petitioner requests respondent contribute to their support until the youngest child reaches the age of 18; no community property has been accumulated other than personal affects; petitioner prays the court grant a divorce from Respondent; petitioner prays for general relief;

As is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Anson, Texas, this 13th, day of November, A. D. 1975.

(SEAL) Attest: Roy Thorn Clerk, Court, Jones County, Texas

By Hazel Dudley 39-4tc

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: A. T. Halbert, d/b/a You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable County Court of Jones County at the Court House thereof, in Anson, Jones County, Texas, 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 29th, day of December A. D. 1975, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 1st, day of October, A. D. 1975, in this cause, numbered 5930 on the docket of said court and styled Oil Field Trucking Service, Plaintiff, vs. A. T. Halbert d/b/a Lynn Drilling Company Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: A balance due and owing to plaintiff on the account is \$741.39 and attorney's fee of \$1,000.00 as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

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# PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF MYRTLE STREETMAN, DECEASED**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of Myrtle Streetman were issued on November 12, 1975, in Cause No. 12,204, pending in the County Court of Taylor County, Texas, to DOYLE BELL.

The residence of such administrator is Hidalgo County, Texas. The post office address is c/o Mr. Glenn E. Heatherly, 104 Citizens Bank Bldg. Abilene, Texas 79601

All persons having claims against this estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. DATED the 12 day of November, 1975.

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# HONOR ROLL

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**First Grade "A"-Tracy** Bicknell, Eddie Biera, Anna Delacruz, Abby Irvin, Tina Jaramillo, Debbie Pack, Bridget Pallarez, Danny Santee, Gayle Shugart, Dawn Vanderwerker, Fondale Watson, Sheila White and Michelle Woodard.

**"A-B"-Shawn** Beene, Lonnie Clawson, Kerry Deen, Lydia Floyd, Kristen Kennedy, Chad Pack, Erent Pierce, Brit Pursley, Tony Roberts, DeAnn Stevens, Ronny Vasquez, Travis Watson, Shane White and Jay Williams.

**Second Grade "A"-Kevin** Coker, Amy Irvin, Lorie Kimbrell, Gayle Landeros, Robert Oden, Kelly Riney and Regina Stuckey.

**"A-B"-Monica** Atkinson, Cammie Bright, Sue Cunningham, Chris Horton, Randy Pallarez, Devin Sanford, Lucretta Wade and Todd Yaddow.

**Third Grade "A"-Darren** Pack.

**"A-B"-James** Allday, Jerry Davis, David Glasscock, Tim Jacobs, Cody Johnson.

# Ladies Auxiliary

# Met

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Merkel Fire Department held its regular monthly meeting Monday, November 17.

Proceeds from the sale of tickets for the deer rifle were discussed. Winner of the deer rifle was David Seymour. A special thanks goes to Pat Williams, manager of Higginbotham-Bartlett Company, for displaying the rifle for the auxiliary and letting us hold the drawing there. Also a special thanks to all of the members who worked so hard to sell tickets.

Plans for a float for the Christmas parade were discussed. Nita Harris is chairman of the committee. Helpers are Linda Glynn, Gayle Swinney, Mary Goodman and Delores Chavira.

The Christmas party plans were discussed. The auxiliary is going to cook the meal. There will be a white elephant Christmas Tree. Committee members are Diana Seymour, Sarah Lucas, Francis Cannon, Jenny Martin, Debbie Schultz, Mary Pallarez, Francis Kimbrell, Melinda Dye, with Audra Horton in charge of invitations and food and Linda Glynn in charge of decorations.

Members present were: Mrs. Joe Swinney, Mrs. Dana Glynn, Mrs. Jack Martin, Mrs. Walter Harris, Mrs. Jackie Cannon, Mrs. Robert Harris and Mrs. Jerry Horton.

# Cub Scout

# News

We would like to thank Mr. Thompson for a nice tour of the Post Office, Dens 1 and 2 went through the Post Office on Tuesday and Dens 3 and 4 went Thursday. We all enjoyed it very much.

The monthly pack meeting will be this Thursday night, November 20, at 7:00 p.m. at the Scout Hut. All cubs, families and prospective cubs and families are urged to attend.

Cub Scouts are selling candy to repair the Scout Hut. Please help them by buying the candy.

# Merkel Visitors

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Harwell and Frances Carey of Merkel were Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Fortner of Antioch, California; Mr. and Mrs. Be Turner of San Antonio and Mike and Youlinda Hester and David of Bedford, Virginia from Abilene were Wayne and Darlene Carey and Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Harwell, Dorothy Tarrant and Nancy Sharp and Mike.

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THE FAMILY OF MRS. E. L. PALMER WISHES TO express sincere thanks to those who brought food, sent flowers and expressed their sympathy in so many ways at the time of our loss. A special thanks to Bro. Daniel and Bro. Gill for the service. Also a special thanks to Fred and George Starbuck for their kind handling of arrangements.

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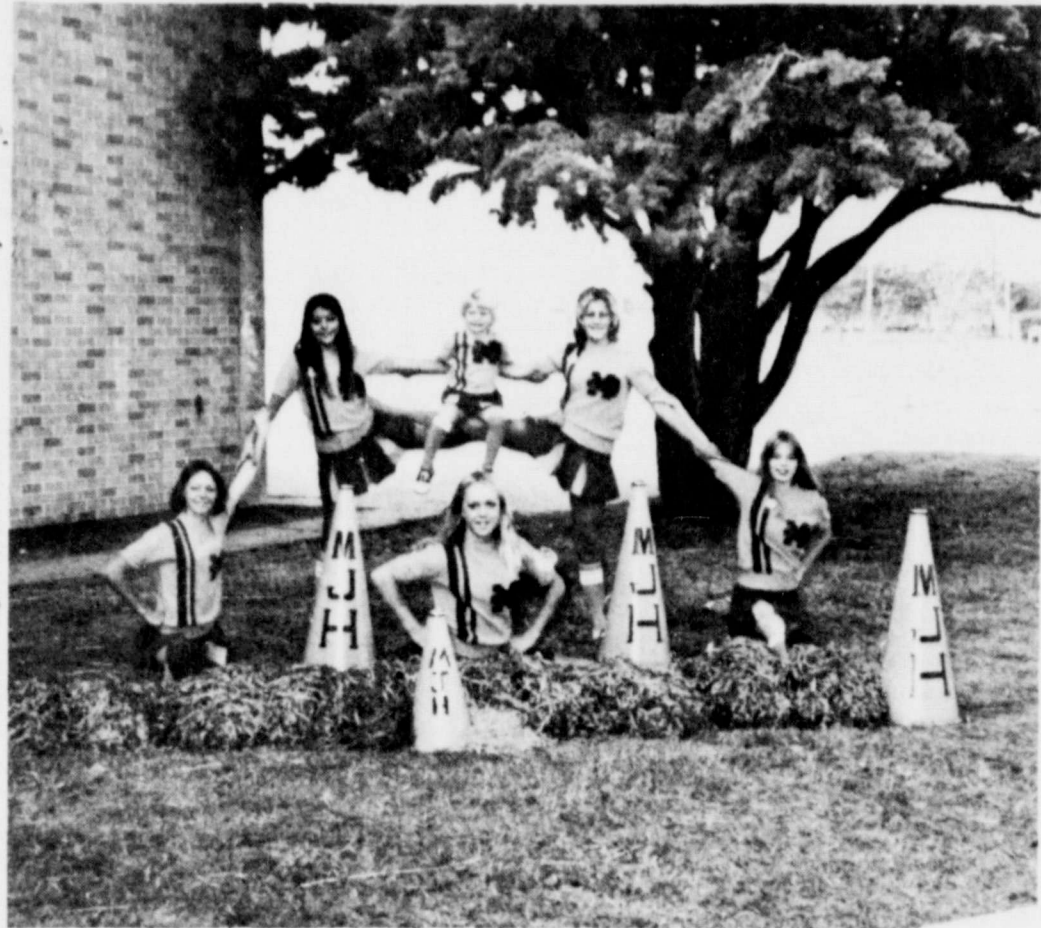
Not many people realize that our first Thanksgiving in 1621 was not a celebration of a bountiful harvest. Our Pilgrim Fathers experienced a very lean harvest that year and had suffered many hardships. Their spirits were low, but rather than giving up in bitterness, they set aside a special day to rejoice in their meager harvest and to give thanks that they had made it for another year. America was created with that kind of determination...the determination that no matter how difficult the present might be, we still had a lot to be thankful for and we would go on to build a better future. Today, 353 years after our first Thanksgiving, we are the strongest, most powerful and richest nation the world has ever seen. We have our problems, we have difficulties and have experienced great crises, but the determination our forefathers had lives on in us. We still have a lot to be thankful for.



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**BADGERS CHEERLEADERS**-Leading the cheering section for the Merkel Junior High Badgers this year have been Becky Watts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Watts; Jodie Jenkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Jenkins; Jill Pack (mascot), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Pack; Lisa Shugart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Shugart; Kim Mashburn, daughter of Jo Ann Mashburn and Gwen Tarpley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tarpley.



**BADGER TWIRLERS**-Twirling in front of the Badger Junior High Band this year are Ann Melton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benny Melton; Wendy Hogan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. June Hogan; Deon Wilkerson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wyman Wilkerson; ReNae Aikin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Aikin; Taresa English, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George English; Lisa Owen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Owen and Shannon Bagby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bagby.

## HONOR ROLL

Mr. Travis Davis principal of Merkel High School has announced the 6-Weeks Honor Roll.

"A"-Kandi Ascencio, David Booth, Audy Byrd, Pam Crenshaw, Karolyn Davis, Darryl Dawson, Roger Dye, Cindy Elliott, Carla Fariello, Mike Magee, Keith Mattingly, Alan Mawson, Kristi Nease, Annette Parmelly, Tommy Sloan, Cindy Smith, Jerre K. Smith, Netta

Stephan, Rita Watts, Suzanne Warner, Rhonda White and Debra Ybarra.

"A" and "B"-Dale Alcorn, John Biera, Christi Boone, Cindy Boone, Theresa Cox, Randy Cox, Terry Criner, Bryan Cullum, Mike Davis, Garth Doan, Becky Deason, Sharon Dossor, Charleen Fariello, Sherry Frazier, Teresa Griffith, Lesa Hart, Rhonda Howes, Kathryn Irvin, Dana James, David Kraatz, David King, Kelly Magee, Fatsy Martin, DeDe Metts, Grant Murrell, Kathryn Murrell, Gay Pfister, Brad Pursley, David Pfister, Roger Reed, Mulody Regeon, Becky Rister, Carla Rister, Doug Roysden, Danna Russell, Grant Sandusky, Keith Shields, Sheila Sloan, Janice South, Gayla Toliver, Patty Toney, Gwen Taff, Tammy Thomas, Deborah White, Marlon White, Kyle Wilkerson and Ronnie Whisenhunt.

### Card Of Thanks

WE WISH TO EXPRESS our sincere thanks to those who brought food, sent flowers and expressed their sympathy at the loss of our brother Loyd. Our special thanks to Brother Daniels and Fred and George Starbuck for the wonderful work they did. Brothers and Sister of Loyd Wade  
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## Mrs. Harrison Celebrated 95th Birthday

Mrs. W. A. Harrison of the Star Nursing Home of Merkel, celebrated her 95th birthday, Sunday November 16th, in the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Swinney of Trent. Those enjoying the happy occasion with her were four of her seven children, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Rodgers of Anson, Rev. and Mrs. Lynnward Harrison of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Harrison of Sweetwater and Mr. and Mrs.

John H. Swinney. Others present were Pat Newton, Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Newton and Jonathan of Brownwood, Cindy Newton of Fort Worth, Jean Rutledge, Donna Lee and Cody Kirk Cockran of Abilene, Mildred Harrison of Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Patterson, Kerry and Cheri of Trent, Flora Patterson, Edwin and Maggie Renfro, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weston and Joe Swinney of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Erice Holcomb of Trent.

## Badgers Tracks

### Favorites

Class favorites were elected last Wednesday. Senior favorites are Pam Hagar and David King. Junior favorites are Cherie Aiken and Keith Austerman. The sophomore class chose Vicki Reddin and Rappy Cox and Freshman favorites are Lori DuBose and Jay Boyd. Pictures of favorites for the annual were taken Friday in the Max Murrell home.

### Student Council

The student council of Merkel High School met Tuesday, November 25. The council will have a door decoration contest and a committee was named to arrange the contest. The student council is selling fruit cakes for Christmas. Interested persons should contact student council members or the high school. Orders must be in by December 12.

## Xi Nu Chi

Xi Nu Chi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will have a bake sale and bazaar Saturday, December 6 in front of West Texas Utilities.

Home-baked cakes along with various handcraft items made by sorority members, will be offered for sale.

This will be a good opportunity to pick up goodies for Christmas, as well as to select items for Christmas gifts.

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## Alpha Nu Nu Hosted In Abilene

Members of Alpha Nu Nu chapter of Beta Sigma Phi held their meeting Thursday evening at 7:30 in the home of Sarah Eckols in Abilene.

Martha Sue Justice, vice president, conducted the business meeting in the absence of the president. Reports were given by treasurer, Peggy Vanderwerker; corresponding secretary, Ann Leach and recording secretary, Pam Bishop. Secret sisters were drawn by each member present.

The program entitled "Potpourri or Sarah's Philosophy" was given by Sarah Eckols. Topics included "Letter To The Editor, 2076," "Man's Peculiar Col-

lections," "Preparing An Orange For Consumption," and "Random Thoughts On Women."

Following the program spiced tea and peach cheese

cake were served to Louise Sudderth, Peggy Vanderwerker, Anita Raymer, Ann Leach, Pam Bishop, Martha Sue Justice, Darlaw Mawson (guest Xi Nu Chi) and the hostess, Sarah Eckols.

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Bob DuBose, Sharon Doser, Charleen Fariello, Sherry Frazier, Teresa Griffith, Lesa Hart, Mike Henry, Rhonda Howes, Ricky Howes, Kathryn Irvin, Wes Jones, David Kraatz, Carrie Law, Theresa Lawrence, Kelly Magee, Patsy Martin DeMetts, Annette Parmelly, Pfister, David Pfister, Steve Peachy, Brad Pursley, Roger Reed, Melody Regeon, Becky Rister, Carla Rister, Suzy Rister, Doug Roysden, Danna Russell, Suzette Santee, Richard Schultz, Keith Shields, Fatti Shotwell, Sheila Sloan, Janice South, Gwen Taff, Gayle Teaff, Tammy Thomas, Gayla Toliver, Potty Toney, Traci Watson, y Watts, Rita Watts, Sherry West, Deborah White, Ronnie Whisenhunt and Kyle Wilkerson.



JOHN R. WILSON  
... promoted

**Wilson Promoted To Manager**

John R. Wilson has been promoted to new parts manager of the Electronics Division of Interstate Electric Company, the firm has announced.

Wilson was formerly a wholesale salesman for the west Texas territory for Interstate's set division. Prior to that, he managed a retail electronics store in Abilene.

Born in Sherman and raised in eastern Oklahoma, he joined the Air Force and was in Electronics in the service for 8 years. He has a degree in management from McMurray College.

Wilson and his family lived in Merkel for several months. Mrs. Wilson is the former Donna Riney. They have two children, Eric 9 and Johnny 7. They are presently living in Richardson.



MR. AND MRS. CHARLES WALSH  
... celebrate 50th anniversary

**Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walsh Celebrate 50th Anniversary**

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Walsh of Clyde will be honored with a reception for their 50th. wedding anniversary in

the Lions Building on South First Street in Clyde November 29. Guests will be received from 7 until 9 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Walsh, both natives of Arkansas, have been area residents for many years. They have three sons, Charles of Sonora, James of Denver, Colorado and Joe of Brownsville. They are grandparents of nine and great grandparents of four. Sons and daughters-in-law will host the reception. Friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend.

**Xi Nu Chi Host Supper**

Xi Nu Chi members hosted a salad supper Tuesday, November 18 at the Methodist Fellowship Hall to P S I Gamma chapter of Beta Sigma Phi of Abilene.

Both chapters held their regular business meeting after supper with Darla Mawson, president, presiding for Xi Nu Chi and Alice Bell, president, presiding for P S I Gamma.

Members present from Xi Nu Chi were: Jocille Brady, Louise DuBose, Elizabeth Eager, Opal Garner, Connie Harris, Barbara Hobbs, Darla Mawson, Val Patterson, Ann Reeder, Charlotte Starbuck, Mamie Steck and Connie Ybarra.

**Victory Singers**

The Victory Gospel Singers will hold a fifth Sunday Singing from 2-4 p.m. November 30 at 307 El Paso Street in Merkel.

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court and styled Oil Field Trucking Service Plaintiff, vs. A. T. Halbert d/b/a Lynn Drilling Company Defendant. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: A balance due and owing to plaintiff on the account is \$741.39 and attorney's fee of \$1,000.00 as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit. The officer executing this

process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Anson, Texas this the 13th. day of November A. D. 1975. (SEAL) Attest: Roy Thorn Clerk, Court, Jones County, Texas By Hazel Dudley 39-4tc

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