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BIBLE VERSE
"The Lord your God himself goes with you; he will not fail you or forsake you."
Deuteronomy 31:6

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The Crazy Days spooks will get you if you don't watch out



Crazy Days are due to strike in Merkel. It is the time for witches, goblins and strange happenings. Several daily events are scheduled during the week with more to come as the storm of Halloween bytes continues to simmer. Some of the events scheduled to help celebrate Crazy Days include a Drama dilemma by the Drama Class at



Merkel High School Auditorium October 25 at 7:30 p.m. Come prepared for anything. Tuesday a Powder Puff football game will put the girls on the field, coached by the boys and sporting by cheerleaders to show the girls how things are really done. This game will take place at 7:30 p.m. at Badger Stadium. It is not known what outfit the girls will be wearing for the combat although they start working out in closed session Thursday. Coach Jerry McLeod and Richard Hill will sponsor the contest. Coaches are Cliff Smith and Grant Murrell and Mark



Shaw and Ruddy Biera. Cheerleaders have yet to be selected and their costumes will have to be prepared. The Powder Puff game is organized by the Junior Class with Sabrina Justice and Sissy Boster in charge. Anyone wanting to participate should get in touch with these two Halloween "witches" or other carnivals around Merkel will offer fun and scares. Saturday, October 30 is officially trick or treat night



and all the spooks will be out in force knocking doors and stumbling around in the eerie darkness of that night. Earlier Saturday a parade is scheduled with trophies going to the craziest bike, float, car, horse and high school class. Adding to the week will be many crazy baggans and ideas by Merkel businesses. So store up an extra supply of heart medicine that off that scary share of mass and get those treats ready, it's going to be a real crazy week.

VFW District 8 meeting attracts 300 to Merkel

The Merkel Veterans of Foreign Wars and auxiliary will hold its District 8 meeting in Merkel Saturday and Sunday. Convention headquarters will be at the VFW Hall with registration starting at noon Saturday. From 4 to 5 p.m. will be hospitality time and a dance is scheduled to start at 9 p.m. Sunday's schedule includes a coffee at 8 a.m., a joint session at 9:30 a.m., a business meeting at 10:30 a.m. and a lunch at 1 p.m. The Ladies Auxiliary also will have a school of instruction at 2 p.m. at Merkel Restaurant and a social hour at 4 p.m. at VFW Hall Saturday. Post No. 5683 Commander is Weldon Tittle and Auxiliary President is Tommye Niell. District Commander is Jesse Birch and District President is Erika Andrews. District 8 includes Abilene, Breckenridge, Colorado City, Eastland, Merkel, Rotan, Sweetwater, Snyder, Gorman, Brownwood, Anson and Hamlin. More than 300 members are anticipated for the meeting. Guests will include Herman Constable, State Commander of Houston. He was elected to the State Commander post in June. He served in the Army from June 10, 1946, to April 7, 1948. He was with the 32nd Infantry Regiment, 7th Infantry Division, in Korea. During his 18 months' overseas service, he received the WWII Victory Medal and Army Occupation Medal (Japan). He also served four years in the reserves after separation from active duty. He held the rank of staff sergeant. Born May 30, 1929, at Santa Anna, Texas, Constable is self employed as an export freight forwarder.



COMPLETE LOSS--A fire gutted this mobile home at the Wilmer Criswell farm on FM 125 north of Merkel Friday morning. By the time Merkel Volunteer Fire Department could get the blaze under control it had completely destroyed the home of Gaylon Boone and his wife, leaving them with nothing. Some of their friends are taking up donations of clothing and other items to help the young couple.

He is a student at Texas State Technical Institute in Sweetwater and she is an expectant mother. The fire is believed to have started in a dryer connection. A fund for the Boones has been started at the Farmers and Merchants National Bank in Merkel. Anyone wishing to make contribution may deposit it at the bank. Anyone wanting to leave clothing, sheets, food items or other donations may leave them at the Merkel Mail office.

Organizational meeting set for water project

A public meeting is set October 18 to form a water district for the area south of Merkel.

The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. at the Taylor Electric Co-op building. All people interested in getting a water system installed in the area are urged to be present for the meeting.

The meeting will be to select a name for the project, to organize and elect officers and directors. Canyon Water District has been suggested for the project which is estimated to take two years to complete, should enough interest be shown.

Present at the meeting to answer questions will be Don Newhouse of the Farmers and Home Administration.

A deposit of \$100 per meter will be required to get the project started with an estimated 100 meters required to get started.

Area to be included in the project will be from west of Tye and south of Merkel and Trent. It will include the White Church and Butman communities, the Mt. Pleasant area, the Old Cross Roads Community and Blair and Castle Peak communities.

This is the last area in the county without such a water project.

The steering committee met last week to set up the public meeting and to get the operation started.

J. D. Sandusky is heading the committee and reports Newhouse and the Farmers Home Administration receptive to a loan to help finance the project should enough interest be shown.

Others on the steering committee with Sandusky are Loyd Gilmore, Arthur Moore, Frank Brovak, Freddy Toombs, R. F. Clemmer, Monk Stowe, Richard Scott, Leroy Riney and Wien Joiner.



THE MAIL

By Carl Dingler

Sorting through Carter and Ford propaganda while wondering how anyone so dishonest (according to each of the candidate's news releases) could ever get so much fame nationally for such a high office.

Both sides are issuing some of the most outlandish, revealing smut on the other. This is probably the most cut-throat public relations job by any candidates this corner can recall in some 20 years of reporting.

Back to more conventional issues. Have been getting some response on the recent column concerning the need for a doctor for Merkel. Even have received a name or two of a possible candidate to try to entice to Merkel to set up shop.

Actually, Merkel would be an ideal location for a young doctor starting a practice. It has the wonderful, small city atmosphere and is near enough to Abilene and the big city facilities.

Everyone commenting on the article is of the same opinion that the need exists.

So you thought it was something new department: In the Declaration of Independence, the 10th charge against King George III states words that have a haunting ring in light of today's Washington excesses: "He has erected a multitude of new offices, and sent hither swarms of officers to harass our people, and eat out their substance."

Justice of the Peace Walter Thames came up with a legitimate complaint after last week's edition. It seems a letter to the editor quoted a Carlsbad, New Mexico editor in a column blasting Merkel for its speed trap procedures.

Judge Thames resented the part about "Realizing my bankroll's future was in the hands of the 'judge'--I won't comment on the old boy's mentality, but don't look for him to be appointed to the Supreme Court." Now, Judge Thames does have reason for complaint as he wasn't in office when the columnist was stopped and fined.

However, the letterwriter was using the column to show what people think of this state and nationally known area of speed writing and it wasn't necessarily intended to reflect on Judge Thames.

The Judge points out that he does his job to the best of his ability and that anyone witnessing one of the many accidents and fatalities on the interstate naturally tend to become more concerned with complying with the law. He has a good point.

"I admit I fine people for breaking the law. If I don't do it here, they would still be taken to Abilene and fined there," he said.

He stated he welcomes competition for the \$7,600 a year office and said it is up to the voters as to who they want as their Justice of the Peace.

Understand Kenneth Hogan delivered the first bale of cotton in Merkel Monday morning. The downpour hit about the time he reportedly did, so never did find out for sure.

The Merkel PTO should check with Tye and see what their secret is. Tye PTO recently met and had 170 in attendance. They have set a goal of 200 for their next meeting. Now that is showing interest in their youngsters and their school.

Finally, an aroused Coach Mike Farda of Colorado City called, objecting to a statement Coach Jerry McLeod made in last week's paper concerning comments about beating the Badgers.

Coach Farda denied telling Coach McLeod that Merkel didn't stand a chance against his Wolves.

"We discussed game officials and reservations for meals," Coach Farda says. "I even praised linebacker Larry Smith as one of the best we have seen and if No. 25 (Ricky Howes) gets well will be a good one. And, No. 11 (Brad Pursley) is a super receiver. In fact, if he had run his regular offenses at us they might have beaten us. Instead of those junk plays."

"This is the first time we have ever played Merkel. No wonder the fans were so hot against us and our band." Coach Farda admitted he is like every other coach and is always afraid of an opponent or of predicting a victory in advance.

Taken from here and there: Those who look at the shadows of life

Are doomed to remain confused-- While those who abide on the lighter side Will often end up amused. When problems have you all upset And you can't make the pieces fit-- Your troubles may fly up in the sky If you just back off a bit.

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Dickerson to observe 62 years wed

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Lea Dickerson will hold open house in honor of their parents 62nd wedding anniversary at the Sylvester

Community Center Sunday, from 2-4 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Dickerson longtime Fisher County residents were married at Sweetwater October

Senior Citizens

September was a busy month for the Merkel area Senior Citizens. A singing, Tuesday Luncheon, Talent Night, Merkel Homecoming of Ex's, Garage Sale, Lunch served by the Lambda Beta Chapter Beta Sigma Phi, were all well attended. Programs

and fellowship were very good. A fifth Thursday pot luck supper was attended by more than 60 people.

Men have been painting tables and chairs. A beautiful new table was presented to the club.

The ladies added new table cloths and other work to the kitchen.

Mrs. Johnny Teaff was September president and Mrs. Craig Humphrey will be October president. New Board members for the next year are Irl Walker, Hob Robertson, W. A. Lyday, Mrs. Craig Humphrey, Mrs. Ruth Cox and Mrs. Dan Butler.

91st birthday

Mrs. Pearl Crocker of Trent celebrated her 91st birthday Sunday with friends and her family. She had cake and ice cream.

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Anthony Shugart

Shugart completes Navy training

Navy Seaman Recruit Anthony D. Shugart, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert D. Shugart of 1523 Heath, Merkel, has completed recruit training at the Naval Training Center, San Diego.

During the 8-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to

prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic occupational fields. Among the subjects he studied were seamanship, close-order drill, naval history and first aid.

A 1976 graduate of Merkel High School, he joined the Navy in June 1976.

Starr Nursing Home news

The residents are feeling fair at this writing.

The Church of Christ filled their appointment Sunday morning. We appreciate them very much. The Hebron Baptist Church came Sunday afternoon and brought a nice service.

The remodeling is almost finished here and will everyone be glad. It has been very disturbing to not only the residents but to the staff also.

We were saddened when Mr. Bill James had a heart attack and had to be transferred to the hospital. He expired and we extend our sympathy to his loved ones. He will be missed but he is much happier there than he was here on this earth of trouble and trials.

Joyce Minnich, Brenda Roberts and Mary Outlaw attended a 2 day Seminar at the Down Towner Motel in Abilene September 21-22. The subject "Basic Accounting for Nursing Home." There was a credit of 12 hours of continuing education. An administrator has to complete 30 hours within two years to continue being able to keep their license. So this is beginning of a new year as of July 1, so we have a head start on some others. Carolyn Martin from Merkel also attended. She is employed at Care Inn in Abilene. Lena Jackson, cook helper is resigning to put in a cafe

Rate hike request delayed

The Texas Public Utility Commission held a pre-hearing conference Monday morning in the Continental Telephone Company rate request for the purpose of classifying intervenors. PUC postponed for 120 days the effective date of the rate request, scheduled to go into effect October 16.

The Commission also granted Texas Municipal League's request to intervene on behalf of several cities for the revenue requirement portion of the case. Intervening cities will be grouped along the 10 rate bands proposed by Continental for the rate pattern and revenue apportionment section of the rate case. Lead counsel for Texas Municipal League is Don Butler.

In other action, the Commission accepted a motion from PUC General Counsel John Bell to interplead Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in the Continental case. The interpleading would allow PUC to examine contracts for long distance toll charges between the two telephone companies to de-

termine whether the charges are proper and in the public interest.

The Commission also took under advisement a motion from Continental to allow company records kept in Bakersfield, California, to remain in Bakersfield. A decision on that motion will be made after the need for additional information is determined by the General Counsel's Office and intervening parties.

Commissioners recessed the hearing until 9 a.m., Tuesday, October 12, at which time objections to requests for information will be considered.

Haunted house set again

The Merkel Fire Department is having its Haunted House again this year. It will be held at North 5th and West Street (the street by the Dairy Bar) on October 30. Times and prices will be given later. Make plans to attend.

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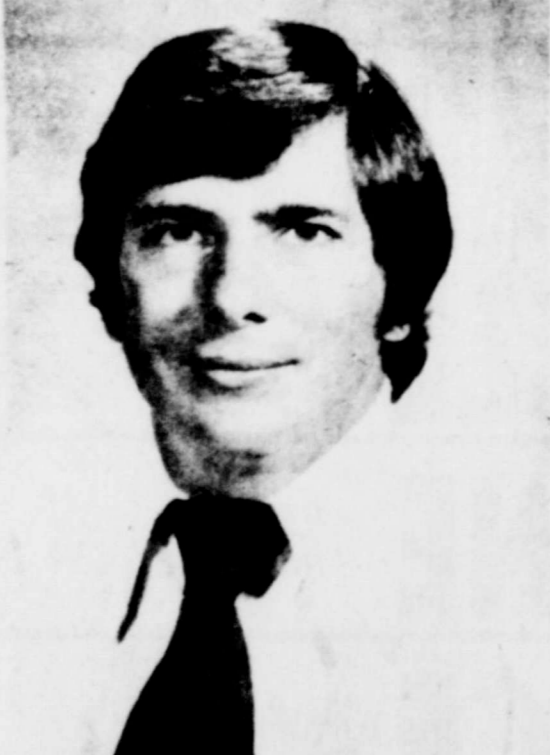
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MANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County in Abilene, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of Alice Faye Epperson, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 9th day of August, 1976, against Milton Epperson, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 12,185-DR on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Interest of Johnita Michele Epperson and Milton Dwayne Epperson, Children," the nature of which suit is a request to Terminate Parent-Child Relationship, Johnita Michele Epperson was born on the 29th day of September, 1972, in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas and Milton Dwayne Epperson was born on the 2nd day of November, 1973 in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas. The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption. 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 mandata 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 15th day of September, 1976.

(Seal) Irene Crawford Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Sandra Harris, Deputy, 31-4tc

PUBLIC NOTICE
LEGAL NOTICE

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companies new rate schedules are on file with the Public Utility Commission at Austin, Texas. Continental's schedule is also available for public inspection in each of its business office locations in Texas as well as with each affected municipality. 30-4tc

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Raymond Noel, Respondent:
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day of July, 1976, in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption. 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 mandata 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 30th day of September, 1976.

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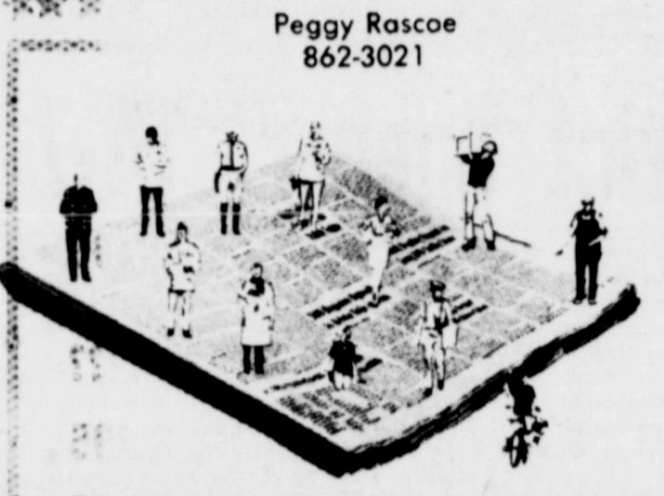
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MERKEL DRUG

Sheep market
Sheep and lamb prices have been like a see-saw in recent months, up and down and now moving up again. A livestock marketing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service says that the volatility of the sheep and lamb market stems from a number of reasons. First of all, mutton and lamb are specialty items with a limited demand. Since retailers can only market legs and loins, they demand higher prices for mutton and lamb than for pork and beef. Sheep and lamb production is highly seasonal, and this causes problems with packers. Also, lamb and mutton imports do not come under Meat Import Quota laws, so imports have been up.

JP action

February 18 incident in which Louise Bode, 57, of Route 2, Trent, was struck in the neck and chest. The charge was originally filed in Justice of Peace court in Merkel several months ago, investigators said. Too, David Walton, 21, of Eastland was charged with carrying a prohibited weapon, a .38 caliber pistol, was result of a 7:25 p.m. Thursday arrest by DPS Trooper J. C. Welch, two U. S. Treasury agents and three deputy sheriffs near Merkel. The trooper said federal charges are being considered in connection with a "pipe gun" allegedly confiscated from the suspect's car. A rifle, hunting knife, and more than 100 rounds of various types of ammunition were confiscated, officers said.

And felony "retaliation" charges have been filed against Henry Martin, for allegedly threatening to shoot a DPS trooper who had given him a couple of tickets. The charges were filed after JP Walter Thames of Merkel said the man made threatening remarks last Friday when he appeared before Thames and paid fines totaling \$61 on the two speeding and racing charges. Martin was charged with threatening to shoot Trooper Retlaw Greene, who had issued him two traffic tickets last week. The complaint, filed with JP Silas Clark in Abilene, charges that Martin threatened to harm Greene "by shooting him in retaliation for his services as a public servant. . . a DPS trooper."

Lions to aid scout project

The Merkel Lions Club has agreed to assume responsibility for funds to help repair the scout building and to help finance scout activities. The Board of Directors met Tuesday morning prior to the regular noon luncheon and approved plans to help the scouts. It was approved again at the noon meeting of the members. Also, President George Starbuck reported Travis Davis, zone chairman, will attend a zone meeting in Abilene Tuesday and the Merkel club also will hold a club visitation with the Abilene Lions at that time. Max Murrell has been named to head the light bulb sale which has been set for the last week in October and Ladies night has been set for December 7 with Don Hart the chairman. A film on the Lions Club Crippled Children's camp was shown at the noon luncheon.

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Early warning
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generally more suitable to provide an early warning of fire than are heat detectors. Most units cost about \$50 each. A smoke detector should be installed outside the bedroom area on the ceiling or wall.
Greenhouse confab
Commercial producers of foliage and flowering plants will gather on the Texas A & M University campus October 21-22 for the annual Oklahoma-Texas Greenhouse Growers Conference. The conference will deal primarily with flowering pot plants but the overall program should be interesting and informative for all greenhouse growers, says a landscape horticulturist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

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Bearcats Stronger than record indicates

The Merkel High Badgers will face a frustrated team in Ballinger Friday at 7:30 p. m.

Ballinger lost a 9-7 verdict to Stamford after time had run out in its District 6-AA opener and has not won a game in five attempts this season.

Ballinger, a normally title contender, reportedly had several opportunities to score and then saw a lead fall in the final seconds on a 50-yard drive by Stamford which ended with the field goal on the final play of the game.

Ballinger stopped a field goal on the previous play but was off side and allowed Stamford a second opportunity.

Thus far Ballinger has not

shown much offense, scoring but 38 points against five opponents while allowing 145. Still the losses have been against tough opponents.

It lost 18-0 to Brady, 43-6 to Sonora, 41-0 to Comanche and 34-25 to Coleman in pre-district action. Comanche is among the top 10 Class AA teams in the state while Brady and Sonora have consistently sound clubs.

Thus, with the loss to Stamford, Ballinger will be attempting to remain in contention by taking out their frustration on the Badgers, who have yet to beat their first Class AA team.

Ballinger has not produced one consistent scorer, spreading its 38 points among six athletes.

Back for the Bearcats are all-district safetyman Alan Richey who has been moved to a runningback. Linebacker Greg Haley and guards Johnny Fulton and David Sellers are other veteran starters.

The Bearcats are expected to have speed to throw at the Badgers. They will run the wishbone attack and use a split four defense.

Both teams will be seeking their first district win and to get back into the district race now led by Colorado City and Coahoma--pre-season favorites.

Coahoma opened its district with an offensive performance against a weak Wylie, moving up from Class A. 32-8 and Winters was idle last week. Merkel lost to Colorado City, 14-7.

The Badgers return home October 15 against Winters, a team who beat the Badgers, 13-7 last year. This is the first meeting between Coach Jerry McLeod's Badgers and Ballinger.

The Badgers are averaging 13.6 points on offense and have allowed 9.2 on defense thus far. Ballinger has a 7.6 offensive and 29.0 defensive average.

Badger Tracks

The Badgers were defeated Friday night in the first district game of the season by the Colorado City Wolves 14-7. This week the Badgers will go against Ballinger. The

game will be at Ballinger beginning at 7:30.

The Juniors were the winners of the Spirit Chain Link Contest. They also won the Spirit Stick at last week's pep rally.



4-H WEEK--Members of the Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club were busy Friday putting up posters at the West Texas Utilities building in Merkel, proclaiming 4-H Week. Posing out the word are from left to right: Tommy Swinney, Sheila Swinney, Shert Williams, Leslie Masonheimer, Don Deo Masonheimer, Cindy Hutchings and Robby Williams.

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Penalty-plagued Badgers lose district opener, 14-7

Merkel High School's Badgers eliminated the first fumbles in the District 6-AA opener against Colorado City Friday. However, they made up the difference in untimely penalties. It cost them.

The Badgers, started with the secret of success of the Wolves but ran into a series of crippling penalties and lost their momentum. Result was a 14-7 victory for Colorado City.

After the first quarter the smaller Badgers were more on defense than they were on offense. In fact, a combination of big gains by the Wolves' offense and a tough defense netted the Badgers a minus 13 yards rushing the second half.

The Badgers of Coach Jerry McLeod managed to get to the Colorado City 34 on its closing drive of the first half and got no closer than their own 48 during the five times they had possession the second half.

However, the Badger defense stopped the Wolves with two interceptions and a fumble recovery and allowed them no closer than the Merkel 39 the second half except for the touchdown. The Wolves were no closer than Merkel's 47 the first half except for the second quarter TD.

Larry Smith finished the night with seven points, 69 yards on 13 carries and one pass reception for 9 yards. Quarterback David Pfister, who kept finding too many Wolves in his backfield the second half, had a loss of 67 yards on 18 carries. He hit 7 of 12 passes for 96 yards.

Brad Pursley ran for 41 yards on 5 carries and caught four passes for 56 yards. Roger Doan carried twice for 7 yards and caught one pass for 16 yards. John Biera caught a 15-yard pass.

The Badgers had 53 yards the first half and wound up with a 13-yard loss the second half for a net 50 yards rushing.

Colorado City had 171 yards on 46 carries with Gary Hulme getting 56 yards on 15 carries, Ray Torrez 35 yards on 14 carries, Frank Sanchez 44 yards on 10 carries and Dobie Williams 26 yards on 7 carries. The Wolves had 3 of 7 pass completions for 41 yards and the two touchdowns.

Pursley and Biera intercepted passes for the Badgers and Pfister recovered a fumble.

The loss gives Merkel a 3-2 season record, the same as Colorado City.

Merkel won the toss for the fourth time at home and elected the West end of the field for a change.

After the kickoff Smith surprised the Wolves with a 13-yard burst and followed with seven more. Merkel was then caught holding and was penalized 15 yards.

Pursley blasted for 23 yards around the left side of the Wolves for the second first down of the drive.

Smith got three and Pursley a yard before Pfister passed incomplete on third down. This time the penalty against Merkel was declined.

On fourth down Pfister hit Pursley for a 12-yard gain and a third first down putting the Badgers at the Colorado City 13.

Pfister kept left for three and Colorado City was handed a 5-yard penalty on the next play.

From the five, Smith headed right, cutback through right tackle and went across the goal for the touchdown at 7:54 of the initial quarter,

| | Merkel | C City |
|-----------------|--------|--------|
| First Downs | 11 | 16 |
| Rushing | 38-50 | 48-171 |
| Passing | 29 | 41 |
| Passes comp'd | 7-12 | 3-7 |
| Intercepted by | 2 | 0 |
| Punts, Avg. | 6-36.8 | 4-32.5 |
| Penalties, Yds. | 5-55 | 4-40 |
| Fumbles Lost | 0 | 1 |

| | Merkel | C City |
|---|---------|------------|
| Score by quarters | 7 0 0 7 | 0 7 7 0-14 |
| M-Larry Smith, 5 run, 7:54 Smith kick extra point | | |
| CC-Ray Torrez 30 yard pass to Ben Arispe, 5:55 Steve Belvin kick extra point | | |
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Smith then kicked the extra point for the Merkel edge, 7-0.

Inspired, the Badgers managed to contain the Wolves who moved from their 28 to the Merkel 47 where they ran out of downs and punted to the Merkel 19.

Pfister got 10 yards and a first down on a pass-run play and Pursley picked up 16 yards for another first down to the Colorado City 45.

Pfister then passed to Doan for 16 yards at the C-City 29 and the Badgers were threatening again at the 29. But, the end came.

Doan got 16 yards on the next play. This was canceled with a 15-yard holding call and instead of being at the 13, the Badgers were at the 46.

Ninth grade falls,

at home Thursday

Merkel's ninth grade football team lost its second game of the season Thursday, falling to Wylie, 32-0.

Wylie scored five times the first half and had another called back. Playing the second unit the second half, Merkel's first team was of more equal size and managed to hold their own.

The Badgers were praised for their determined effort although outmanned.

The ninth grade is scheduled to play Colorado

City in Merkel Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

The seventh and eighth grades also are scheduled to play Colorado City Thursday, starting at 5 p.m. in Badger Stadium. The seventh and eighth grades had the week off last week.

The seventh grade is 0-3 and the eighth grade is 1-3. The Junior Varsity also was idle last week and will not play again until October 14 at Winters. The JV is 0-4 for the year.

completion to the Wolves' 25. Pfister was caught for a 9-yard loss and he then passed incomplete under a hard rush by Colorado City.

As time ran out Pfister hit Smith for 9 yards to the 25.

Both teams exchanged punts at the start of the third quarter as the defenses settled down to make some excellent plays. Doan, Keith Austerman, Mark Shaw, Glenn Braune and Ricky Howes shined.

From the Merkel 49 the

Wolves ground up the yardage necessary to the six. Howes saved a touchdown at the 17 when he caught Sanchez after a 13-yard gain.

From the six, Torrez passed to Jackie Ellis for the go-ahead TD and Dobie Williams kicked the extra point.

After the kickoff the Badgers moved from their 27 to the 48 where they failed to make a first down by two inches on two plays and lost the ball.

Pursley intercepted a pass and Pfister recovered a

fumble to stall the next two C-City drives and Howes, playing with an injured hand stalled the next effort by the Wolves.

Merkel got its final possession with a minute to go and Pfister quickly hit Pursley for 14 yards from the 21 to the 35 of the Badgers.

Pfister lost 9 yards and then hit Biera for 15 yards to the 41. An incomplete pass and Pfister was trapped for another 10-yard loss turned the football over to the Wolves with 10 seconds to play and the game was over.

Pursley, Shaw receive honors

Coach McLeod said of the Colorado City game that penalties definitely hurt the Badgers and that several calls were questionable although he isn't blaming the officiating entirely for the loss.

Officials from the Fort Worth chapter worked the game and McLeod noted they usually call a closer game than the Abilene Chapter which is normally used.

On Friday's opponent, Ballinger, McLeod said the Bearcats "look tough" and "on film don't know how people beat them. They look sound defensively."

There were no injuries reported from the Colorado City game and Ricky Howes is expected to be back in action full time. His injured hand is still tender, but McLeod said Howes is ready to go full time.

Brad Pursley was named top offensive performer and Mark Shaw best defensive performer for the Merkel Badgers last week against Colorado City.

There was no special team honoree this week. Coach Jerry McLeod said there was no pick. "No one did a consistently good job. We just didn't cover well," he said.

Pursley was pushed for the offensive honor by quarterback David Pfister. Pursley caught four passes for 56 yards and ran for 41 more yards on five carries.

Pfister hit 7 of 12 passes for 96 yards.

Shaw, who was the defensive pick previously was in on 11 tackles and made six unassisted against the larger Wolves.



SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

| FRIDAY | TUESDAY | THURSDAY |
|---|---|---|
| Hotdogs with chili Pickle relish Onion Pinto beans | Bean and chili burrito Spanish rice Green salad Lime jello with apple sauce | Barbecue beef Pinto beans Cabbage slaw Hot rolls Apricot cobbler |
| MONDAY | WEDNESDAY | FRIDAY |
| Chickenfried steak with cream gravy Whipped potatoes Buttered corn Hot rolls Chocolate cake | Tacos and taco sauce Cheese, lettuce, tomatoes Frenchfried okra Banana pudding | Hamburgers Lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onions Frenchfries with catsup Peanut butter strips |

New report cards issued

Merkel Middle School and High School students and parents will get a new look at report cards this year, Superintendent Travis Davis said.

The new report cards which were issued to students Wednesday is a six-part NCR form.

The students will get a report each six weeks. It does not have to be signed by the parents and it does not have to be returned by the students.

Each six weeks report will also include the report of the previous six weeks. The final report card of the year

will include all six-weeks grades and will be mailed to the parents, Davis said.

"I feel like this is a real step forward. The parents can keep a record and there will be a cumulative record for each six weeks," Davis said. "The last report will have the entire record."

He said several area schools are using these new report cards and are meeting with great success.

Davis said if parents have any question concerning the new reports, they may contact the principals at the Middle School or High School.

MERKEL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

STUDENT PROGRESS AND REPORT CARD

| STUDENT | CLASSIFICATION | YEAR | FACTORS AFFECTING GRADES | | | | | | TOTAL UNITS | EXPLANATION OF REPORT | SIX WEEKS PERIOD | | | | | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------|------|--------------------------------------|------|--|--|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--|
| | | | AFFECTING GRADES | | | | | | | | 1ST | 2ND | 3RD | 4TH | 5TH | 6TH | |
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1976 Merkel Badgers

Football Schedule Merkel High 3-2 (0-1)

| Date | Opponent | Score | Location | Time | Notes |
|---------|---------------|-------|----------|------|------------|
| Sept. 3 | Baird | 12-0 | Here | 8:00 | |
| 11 | Jim Ned | 21-6 | Here | 8:00 | Homecoming |
| 17 | Roscoe | 13-6 | Here | 8:00 | |
| 24 | Eastland | 15-20 | There | 8:00 | |
| Oct. 1 | Colorado City | 7-14 | Here | 7:30 | |
| 8 | Ballinger | | There | 7:30 | |
| 15 | Winters | | Here | 7:30 | |
| 22 | Stamford | | There | 7:30 | |
| 29 | Open date | | | | |
| Nov. 5 | Wylie | | Here | 7:30 | |
| 12 | Coahoma | | There | 7:30 | |

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CHEERLEADERS - Becky Watts, Kathryn Irvin, Marsha Clyburn, Cindy Boone, Gay Pfister
TRAVIS DAVIS, Superintendent LEE PRESSWOOD, Principal

Dallas Cowboys 1976 Schedule

| Date | Opponent | Kickoff (Dallas Time) |
|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Sun., September 12 | PHILADELPHIA | 1 p.m. 27-7 |
| Sun., September 19 | at New Orleans | 1 p.m. 24-6 |
| Sun., September 26 | BALTIMORE | 3 p.m. 30-27 |
| Sun., October 3 | at Seattle | 1 p.m. (3 p.m.) 28-13 |
| Sun., October 10 | at New York Giants | 1 p.m. (noon) |
| Sun., October 17 | at St. Louis | 8 p.m. |
| Sun., October 24 | CHICAGO | 1 p.m. |
| Sun., October 31 | at Washington | 4 p.m. (3 p.m.) |
| Sun., November 7 | NEW YORK GIANTS | 1 p.m. |
| Mon., November 15 | BUFFALO | 8 p.m. |
| Sun., November 21 | at Atlanta | 1 p.m. (noon) |
| Sun., November 28 | ST. LOUIS | 2:30 p.m. |
| Thu., December 5 | at Philadelphia | 1 p.m. (noon) |
| Sun., December 12 | WASHINGTON | 3 p.m. |



JUNIOR VARSITY SCHEDULE

NINTH GRADE SCHEDULE

| Date | Opponent | Score | Location | Time |
|---------|-------------------|---------|----------|------|
| Sept. 2 | Baird JV | 6-20 | There | 7:30 |
| 9 | Jim Ned JV | 0-6 | There | 7:30 |
| 16 | Colorado City 9th | no game | There | 7:30 |
| 23 | Roscoe JV | 8-14 | There | 7:30 |
| 30 | Stamford 9th | 0-12 | Here | 6:00 |
| Oct. 7 | Eastland JV | 6-16 | Here | 7:30 |
| 14 | Wylie 9th | 0-32 | There | 7:00 |
| 21 | Colorado City 9th | | Here | 7:30 |
| 28 | Winters JV | | There | 6:00 |
| Nov. 4 | Winters 9th | | Here | 6:00 |
| 11 | Wylie JV | 9th-0-2 | here | 7:30 |

JUNIOR HIGH SCHEDULE

Seventh-Eighth Grade

| Date | Opponent | Score | Location | Time |
|---------|-------------------|-------|----------|------|
| Sept. 2 | Baird 8th | 0-6 | There | 6:00 |
| 9 | Jim Ned 7th | 0-8 | There | 5:00 |
| 16 | Roscoe 7th | 8-20 | There | 6:00 |
| 23 | Eastland 7th | 0-6 | There | 5:00 |
| 30 | Colorado City 7th | 6-24 | Here | 6:00 |
| Oct. 7 | Eastland 8th | 36-0 | Here | 6:00 |
| 14 | Colorado City 8th | | Here | 5:00 |
| 21 | Winters 7th | | Here | 6:00 |
| 28 | Winters 8th | | Here | 7:30 |
| Nov. 4 | Wylie 7th | | There | 6:00 |
| 11 | Wylie 8th | | Here | 7:30 |

A LOOK AT MERKEL AND DISTRICT 6-AA

FIVE GAME TOTALS

| Player | No. | Yds. | Avg. |
|-----------|-----|------|------|
| Smith | 69 | 264 | 3.8 |
| Austerman | 23 | 79 | 3.4 |
| Howes | 16 | 78 | 4.9 |
| Purley | 13 | 67 | 5.2 |
| Pfister | 55 | 63 | 1.1 |
| R. Doan | 9 | 35 | 3.9 |
| TOTALS | 185 | 580 | 3.2 |
| 5 Opts. | 223 | 628 | 2.8 |

INTERCEPTIONS

DISTRICT 6-AA SEASON STANDINGS

| Team | W | L | T | Pts. | Opts. |
|-------------|---|---|---|------|-------|
| Colorado C. | 3 | 0 | 1 | 74 | 21 |
| Colorado C. | 3 | 2 | 0 | 51 | 62 |
| Merkel | 3 | 2 | 0 | 68 | 46 |
| Stamford | 3 | 2 | 0 | 92 | 61 |
| Winters | 1 | 3 | 0 | 39 | 61 |
| Wylie | 1 | 4 | 0 | 50 | 148 |
| Ballinger | 0 | 5 | 0 | 38 | 145 |

FUMBLE RECOVERY

| Player | No. | Yds. | TD |
|-----------|-----|------|------|
| Pfister | 2 | 24 | 38.8 |
| R. Doan | 2 | 36 | 33.3 |
| Hutchings | 2 | 32 | 300 |
| Shaw | 2 | 28 | 269 |
| Murrell | 2 | 12 | 10 |

SCORING SUMMARY

| Player | TD | EP | TP |
|-----------|----|----|----|
| Smith | 6 | 6 | 42 |
| Hutchings | 2 | 0 | 12 |
| Pfister | 1 | 0 | 6 |
| TOTALS | 10 | 8 | 68 |
| 5 Opts. | 7 | 4 | 46 |

SCORING LEADERS

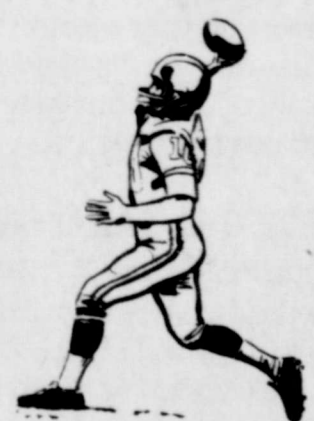
| Player | TD | EP | TP |
|-------------------|----|----|----|
| Phillips, Coahoma | 3 | 0 | 18 |
| Earl, Stamford | 1 | 3 | 9 |
| Lee, Coahoma | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| Smith, Merkel | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| Mata, Ballinger | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| Arripe, C-City | 1 | 0 | 6 |
| Ellis, C-City | 1 | 0 | 6 |
| Tucker, Wylie | 1 | 0 | 6 |
| Casey, Wylie | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Behm, C-City | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| William, C-City | 0 | 1 | 1 |

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

| Game | Score |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Colorado City 14, Merkel 7 | Winters |
| idle, Coahoma 32, Wylie 8 | Stamford 9 |
| Ballinger 7 | |

FRIDAY'S GAMES

| Game | Score |
|---|-------|
| Merkel at Ballinger, Wylie at Colorado City, Stamford at Winters, Coahoma at Crane (non-district) | |



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Swine flu meeting scheduled

An orientation meeting is set Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. for the workers for the Swine Flu program in Merkel. Merkel has not received its share of the vaccine yet, according to director Betty Cypert, therefore no definite date has been set for giving the flu shots. Mrs. Cypert said all workers for the program are urged to be present at the Taylor Electric Co-op building Tuesday. Also, anyone wanting to volunteer to help with the program is requested to be present for this meeting.

School Board hires architect to plan elementary addition

Tye to get two renovated classrooms

The Merkel Independent School District Board of Education elected to renovate the bus barn building at Tye to provide two temporary classrooms and to hire an architect to start plans on an additional six classrooms at Merkel Elementary.

The special meeting September 28 called to discuss new construction and renovation, adjourned at 12:45 a.m. after five hours of discussion.

The Board elected to hire Don Hampton of Welch and Hampton, architects from Sweetwater to begin plans and to determine costs for constructing six more classrooms on the north side of the present Merkel Elementary building.

The Board skirting the issue of calling a bond election, attempted to determine the best direction the Board needs to take to provide immediate

classrooms for all areas. They decided to take care of the most immediate needs, using funds available without going to the public.

They elected to wait until after the Texas Legislature meets to see if new legislation will be enacted to offer relief for school financing in the state.

The Board determined they could borrow \$60,000 in time warrants and take \$50,000 from the \$133,012 surplus to build the building at the elementary school. However, estimated cost for the building, without actual cost figures available, is \$125,000.

After approving the hiring of Hampton to get action started, the Board authorized Superintendent Travis Davis to determine if it is feasible to remodel the bus barn building at Tye and to fix it up. If it is, the Board authorized Davis to "start nailing."

Davis said the work could be done by shop students at Merkel High and that it is estimated the work could be completed for around \$2,500.

The two temporary classrooms will help ease the need for more classrooms at Tye Elementary for the present.

The six classrooms at Merkel Elementary, the Board determined, would ease the immediate need for 4 classrooms—at least—at the school and would allow for the fifth grade to be moved from Merkel Middle School back to the elementary building. This would allow the Middle School two more classrooms.

However, the need still exists in the High School and it was noted that the State Accreditation Board will tour the Merkel plant in November or December and Merkel could face discreditation over some of its classrooms. This means a loss of funds, if the situation is not corrected.

Hampton's firm is the same one who drew up plans for renovations and additional classrooms at the Boards request last summer. His plans at that time called for spending \$1.6 million. However, the Board rejected these plans as too elaborate and not providing adequate classrooms to fill the needs.

It has been estimated that 20 classrooms are needed to meet the needs for the entire system.

The Board spent most of the five hours listening and questioning Joe Smith of First Southwest Company and Bill Fowler, an architect who works for an Abilene firm.

Smith was present to explain what a bond issue would involve and how much it would cost the taxpayers. He supplied the Board with figures on loans ranging from \$100,000 for 5 years to \$2

million for 25 years.

He pointed out that Merkel should have a very good bond rating because it has not had a bond election in at least 13 years and that present bond debts will be completed in 1984.

Smith said Merkel has one of the lowest debts of any school, with \$141,000 in outstanding debts and is among the best financially. He explained the tax schedules and answered questions on elections and taxes from Board members.

Fowler, invited to the meeting to discuss construction and other related areas, gave an indication of insurance rates.

It was determined that steel buildings are the most expensive to insure and that masonry buildings are the cheapest. Insurance rates, thus would make the cheaper steel building just as expensive as any other type of construction.

Fowler discussed different types of constructions and best possible roofs to insure better fire rates. The Board was interested in the information on the roofs because it is going to have to replace the roof on the cafeteria.

Fowler told the Board that he estimated it will cost about \$20 a square foot to construct a school building.

Davis gave the guidelines for a classroom by the state that recommends a 750 Square foot minimum for elementary classrooms.

Board President Charles Jacobs said the building situation keeps coming back to one thing—a bond election. He favors waiting to see what the Legislature does in regard to helping relieve money woes on the state's schools. Jacobs took a wait-and-see stand, wanting no bond election at this time.

"I really look for a new finance bill," he said.

Other Board members were not as optimistic, however.

There was a question of paying back the \$60,000 over six years and an additional loan—from any successful bond election—in the next year or two, should the Legislature not pass any new finance bills.

It was questioned as to whether it wouldn't be more economical to attempt to get bond election approval for all the construction at one time.

But, it came down to Board member Bobby Toliver making the motion to hire an architect and to advise on building the classrooms at the elementary building. Dick Wisenhunt seconded the motion and the Board approved.

When Hampton returns with drawings and costs, the Board will determine what financing action it will take.

PTO news

Merkel P. T. O. had their 1st meeting of the year September 29th in the Merkel School Auditorium. The Halloween Carnival was discussed and October 29th was decided for the Carnival date. New officers for 1978-79 were announced: President, Dale Hammonds, 1st Vice-President Audra Horton, 2nd Vice-President Betty Cypert, Secretary Beverly Johnson, Treasurer Billie Wilkerson, Publicity Jill Boyd, Ways and Means Barbara Fowler, Projects Jeanette Pursley and Membership Jo Ann Wisenhunt.

Mrs. Seymore's and Mrs. Cowart's 4th grade presented the program.

Mr. John Cain, Middle School Principal, introduced the teachers and what they teach.

The next P. T. O. meeting is set for October 19.

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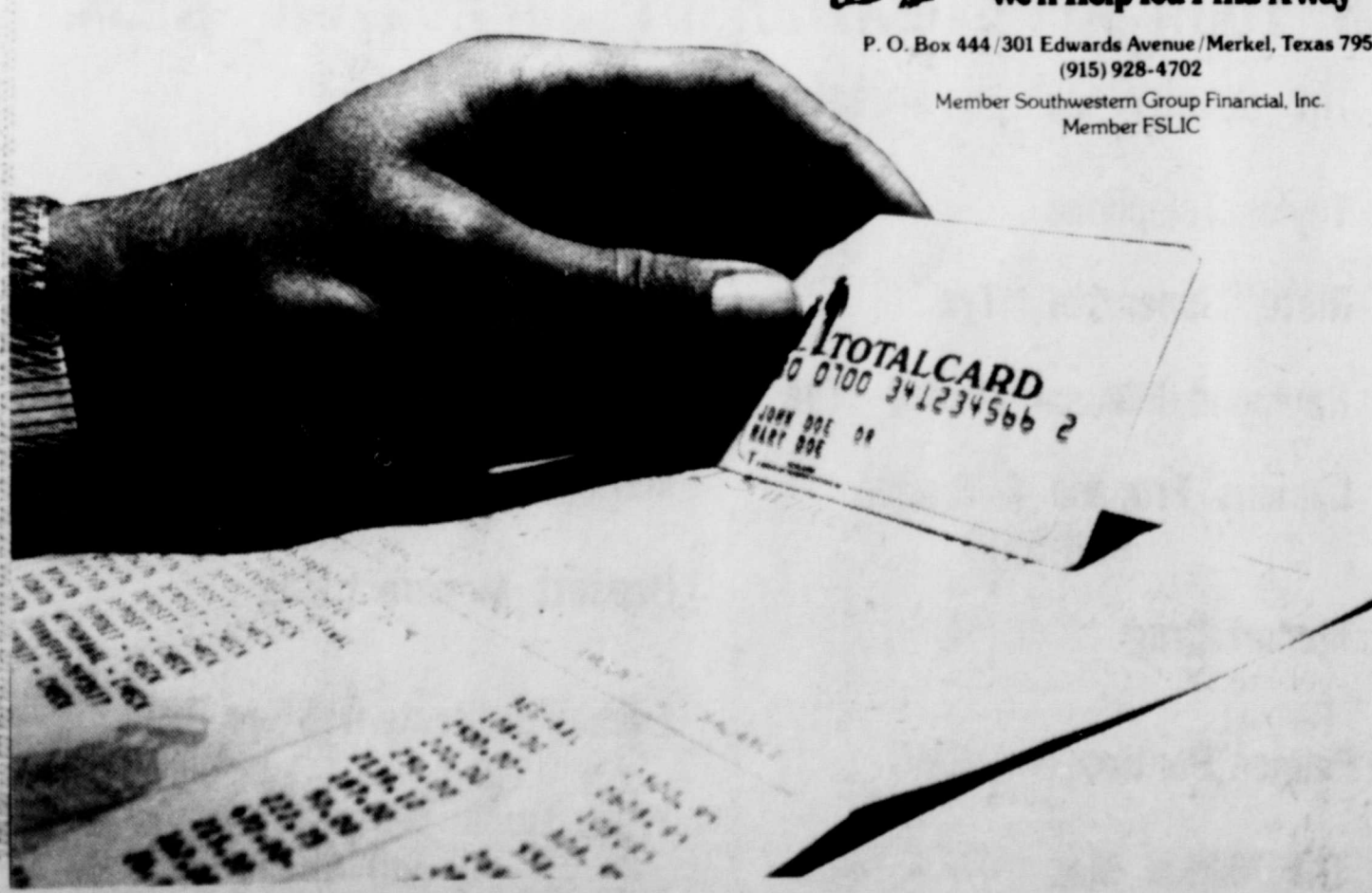
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presented by the first grade classes. The first graders participated in several action songs.

Those participating in the Number March were: Shelby Scott, Dan Millsap, Danny Patterson, Michael Myers, Israel Olvera, Kim Watson, Krista Goode, Mitzi Shelton, Veronica Muhle, and Rebecca O'Con.

The Alphabet March was presented by Tasha Todd, Kim Watson, Joe Alvarez, Julie Payne, Libby Brown, Cory Metts, Mindy Steward, Tammy Collier, Clara Herrera, and Sharon Myers.

An Indian dance was performed by Joe Alvarez, Joe Jordan, Jamie Mendez, Israel Olvera, Jamie Spears, and Sam Smith. They were accompanied by Tasha Todd, Julie Payne and Kim Watson on the drums and several other students with the bells.

Rhythm Band instruments were played by the entire class including Michael Jackson, Mark Perez, and Jacqueline Sprayberry, with "Ten Little Indians." The class also played instruments for "The Rhythm Band March," as they marched around the auditorium.

Triangles were played by Tammie Collier, Allan Isom, Connie DeLeon, Christi O'Con, and Keith Reagan as the class sang "Tommy Toad."

The Tye faculty was well pleased with such a large crowd. Other programs are scheduled for each month throughout the coming year. They hope to have 200 in attendance.

School Board

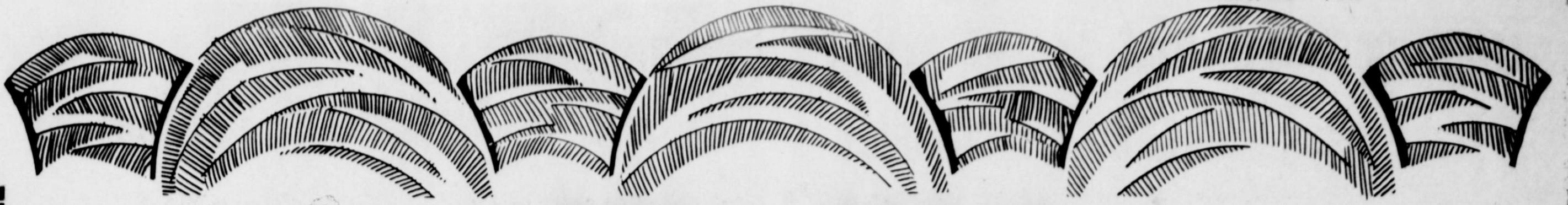
The Merkel Board of Education met Tuesday night at Merkel High School.

The agenda included: Driving fee for out-of-town bus trips; tax report; emergency student transfer; review bids submitted for roofing projects; Superintendents report; new construction and renovation projects.

City Council

The Merkel City Council will hold its regular meeting Friday at 7 a.m. at the City Hall.

Routine items are on the agenda including approving the tax rolls and payment of September accounts.



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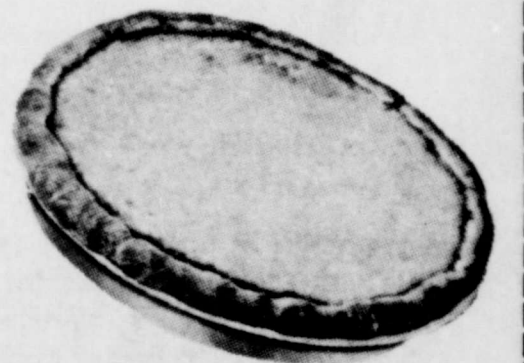
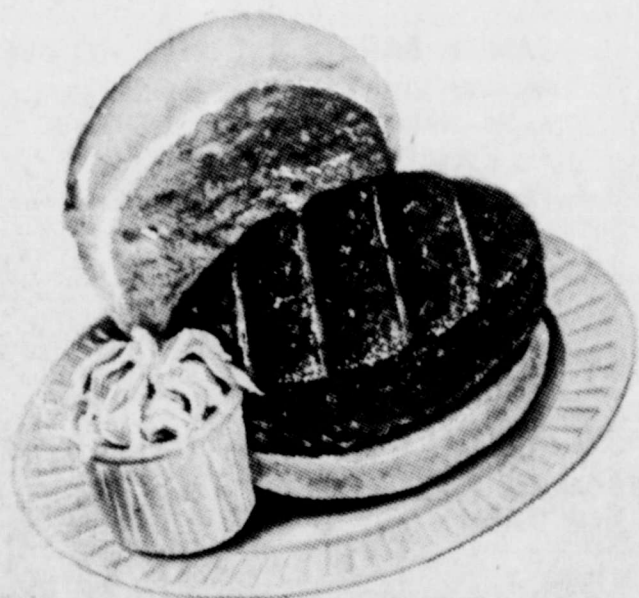
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Trent opens district against McCaulley

Back on the winning track, Coach Bobby Campbell takes his Trent High Gorillas to McCaulley for the opening of District 3-B (Six-Man) football Saturday night. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

The Gorillas had lost two straight after winning their opener. However, they came back strong at Nolan Saturday night to spoil Divide's Homecoming, 38-20, in the final non-district contest.

James Mays was the big gun for Trent, scoring five times for 30 points. Kenny Nance passed to Rocky Bryan for the other touchdown and Nance kicked the extra points.

Trent jumped to a 26-0 halftime advantage and held on to push its record to 2-2 for the year. Divide has yet to win a game.

In the second half Divide scored on a 30-yard pass from Gabriel Avila to Randy Frizzell. Also, David Schappal ran a yard and Tom Sears caught a 6-yard pass for the other TD. Rogers kicked the extra points.

McCaulley, meanwhile is 0-4 for the year after taking the week off to prepare for Trent. It will be McCaulley's Homecoming.

McCaulley has lost to Blackwell, 66-18, to Southland, 38-26, to Benjamin, 60-14, and to Paint Rock, 54-14.

Trent lost to Benjamin, 32-12, and to Blackwell, 42-24. The other victory came over Talpa-Centennial, 53-32.

While Mays, with 11 touchdowns for 66 points, will be the Trent runner to stop, McCaulley's James Kemp will be the big gun for the Gorillas to defend against. Kemp has scored seven touchdowns for 42 points.

McCaulley tied Highland for the championship last year and returns good size and experience in back Clint Wheat, 205 pounds and end-

quarterback Max Kemp at 185. James Kemp was second team all-district last year. Backs Earl Williams and Russell Pippen also lettered.

Coach Don Story is hoping his charges are ready to make a run for the district title come Saturday night.

Coach Campbell's crew has its attack primed also and with a staunch crew breaking Mays, Trent will be out to open district on a successful note.

Next home game for the Gorillas is October 22 against Ira.

Women's golf

Due to the shorter days, our monthly meeting and play day has been changed from the second Tuesday in each month, to the second Sunday in the month.

Scheduled for October 10th is a Hully-Gully couples tournament. Tee off time is 1:30. There will be a \$5 per couple entry fee.

Each player may purchase one muligan to use anywhere during the 18 hole play.

Special prizes will be given for closest to the pin on #3 for the ladies and closest to pin on #5 for the men, longest drive on #8 for men and women.

Everyone come out Sunday for lots of fun, weather permitting.

Since we aren't going to be able to play during the week, something new has been planned to help keep the cobswebs off our clubs this winter. During October we will be playing "Ringer." The object is to see how many holes you can par. You can play anytime and as often as you can. Each time you play circle all the holes you par and turn in your card. This will be on any 9 hole play. Be sure to put in 25¢ once a week. Prizes will be awarded at the end of the month.

DISTRICT 3-B (SIX-MAN) SEASON STANDINGS

| Team | W | L | Pts. | Opr. |
|-----------|---|---|------|------|
| Hermleigh | 3 | 1 | 100 | 102 |
| Highland | 3 | 2 | 195 | 166 |
| Trent | 2 | 2 | 127 | 126 |
| Ira | 2 | 2 | 81 | 100 |
| Hobbs | 2 | 3 | 170 | 217 |
| McCaulley | 0 | 4 | 72 | 218 |

LEADING SCORERS

| Name | TD | EP | TP |
|------------------|----|----|----|
| Mays, Trent | 11 | 0 | 66 |
| Kemp, Highland | 5 | 16 | 46 |
| Kemp, McCaulley | 7 | 0 | 42 |
| Martin, Hobbs | 7 | 0 | 42 |
| Corbell, Ira | 5 | 5 | 35 |
| Keiser, Ira | 5 | 4 | 34 |
| H. Beaver, Trent | 5 | 0 | 30 |
| Miranda, Hobbs | 5 | 0 | 30 |

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Trent 38, Divide 20; Hermleigh 16, Water Valley 14; Highland 32, Benjamin 20; McCaulley, idle; Blackwell 76, Hobbs 38; Ira, idle

FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE

DISTRICT OPENS
Hobbs at Hermleigh
Highland at Ira

SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE

Trent at McCaulley

OCT. 15

Hermleigh at Ira
McCaulley at Hobbs

OCT. 16

Trent at Highland



BADGERS ON MOVE--Back Larry Smith picks up 13 yards on Merkel's first possession Friday night on the Badgers way to a touchdown. While Smith attempts to break free, the Badgers are seeking to clear the way as evidenced by David Pflester's block at left. Dwain English and Bart Whisenhunt (51) are moving down field. The Badgers bench is adding moral support.

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Bus Safety Week Stop for those youngsters

This is National School Bus Safety Week. And, thanks to Leon Harris, transportation supervisor for Merkel Independent School District, the 10 buses are kept in excellent condition and are being operated by experienced drivers.

Taylor Telephone names directors

Lance Smith of Lawn was named to replace Doyle Heffley of Lawn who did not seek re-election. The four holdover directors not up for re-election are Ralph McAdams, L. A. Lister, Charley Sloan and A. L. Moore.

Firemen earn certificates

Merkel's Volunteer Fire Department was well represented last week at the Abilene Fire Prevention and Fire Control Conference.

Billy Lucas received a certificate of appreciation for his part as an instructor during the meet. Others earning certificates for work completed include Lee Roy Schultz, Robert Harris, Jackie Cannon, Donnie Cloyd, Ikey Garret, Carlton King, Donald Martin, Jack Martin, Joseph Swinney and Lucas.

The firemen and auxiliary will attend the Mid-West Texas District Association meeting in Snyder Saturday. An estimated 10 to 12 couples will represent Merkel at the meet which has a business meeting at 1 p.m., races at 4:30, a barbecue at 6:30 and a dance at 9 p.m.

Middle School boy, girl of month

One boy and one girl will be selected each month of the school year for each grade level in Merkel Middle School.

September selections are Becki Sutton and Ray Walters, 5th grade; Kim McCasland and Alan Green, 6th grade; Yvonne Swinney and Edward Herrera, 7th grade; Delisa Roysden and Todd Gregory, 8th grade.

Qualifications for selection of these students are scholarship, character, respect, industry, punctuality, courtesy, responsibility and sportsmanship.

VICA officers

The VICA at Merkel High School recently named Larry Smith as president for this year.

Other officers include Vice-President Bart Whisenhunt; Secretary Jesse Sparks; Treasurer John Cain; Reporter Randy Harris; Parliamentarian David Davis; and Sergeant at Arms Alan Glasscock.

Shop sweetheart is Anna Rankin.

State pig show

The fifth annual Texas State Championship Feeder Pig Show will be November 5-6 at Athens. All Texas producers may enter, with the entry deadline being October 22. An entry consists of a pen of eight pigs, with each pig weighing an average of 40 to 70 pounds. Entry forms are available from the Texas State Championship Feeder Pig Show, P. O. Box 1418, Athens, Texas 75751.

school bus driver, having taken the 21-hour course being required to certify all bus drivers in the state.

He said there are eight drivers--all but two are relief drivers--who have yet to take the course. Next classes will be in February.

All bus drivers in the state will be required to be certified next year and must take an additional 8 hours of refresher courses every three years.

While this is safety week, Harris points out the old law about stopping for school buses that are loading and unloading, students as the largest safety hazard.

The law requires all motorists to stop when a school bus is loading or unloading students and is flashing a red signal. Motorists are not allowed to pass a bus flashing such a signal at any time. A violation may be reported by the bus driver and charges filed against a driver.

Some drivers have cautioned violators and others have filed on the violators in city or Justice of Peace court.

Harris says, "really, all violators should be turned in."

Harris said the worst trouble spot at the present time is at Pete's Plaster Shop on FM 126 (Kent Street) and reports several motorists fail to stop for a bus unloading and loading youngsters at that location.

"The youngsters are supposed to go directly in front of the bus when loading and unloading in order that the bus driver can watch them. But, you know how youngsters are sometime. They are liable to go in any direction. Therefore, everyone should be especially careful to eliminate any possible hazards or accidents when a bus is stopped."

He also asked anyone noticing a violation by a driver or anything wrong with a bus to notify him or Superintendent Travis Davis.

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CONGRATULATIONS--Chamber of Commerce President Don Hensley welcomes the opening and additional new business to Merkel during grand opening ceremonies of Pug

and Leo's restaurant Friday morning. Hensley is also president of Farmers and Merchants National Bank of Merkel. At left is Mayor Lou David Allen and School Superintendent Travis Davis, representing the Merkel Industrial Foundation.



REBON CUTTING--Mayor Lou David Allen helps Pug and Leo Harris cut the ribbon officially opening their new restaurant on the I-20 access road Friday morning.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Good old days

Dear Editor,
I have just read my Merkel Mail, and the letter from the ladies in Carlsbad really scorched. I am dumb, but I am sure not stupid enough to get into an argument with members of the fair sex. Have been married too long for that.

Having moved to Merkel when I was about six, spending all my boyhood there, living there the first six years of a very happy marriage, I think I am in a much better position to pass judgment on Merkel, Texas, than a tourist passing through on I20 at 69 miles per hour.

Since leaving Merkel the first time in 1922 (moving back briefly in 1924 and again in 1931), my family and I have lived in some eleven good Texas towns. I shall always consider Merkel my home town. Our family burial plot is in Rose Hill, among our friends of over seventy years. I really think I would know 80 to 90 per cent of the families buried in lovely Rose Hill. Have visited there many times since my grandmother, father and mother, and one sister rest there. So, you can readily see why it hurts to read Merkel being placed in the same sentence with 'Hell.' These women just do not know Merkel. They are the losers.

Not living in Merkel, and paying no taxes there, I really should not make the following comments about the moral atmosphere of the present day Merkel. By reading the Merkel Mail each week it seems to me there have been a "let down" in some areas; namely break-ins, stealing, drinking, speeding etc. When I was a kid we had some serious crimes committed in Merkel and Abilene, such as murders, rapes, and other capital crimes. We had very little 'pretty' stuff going on such as the above mentioned misdemeanors.

The stores and the two banks were about the only things locked up at night. My family lived in a big, old two story house on the location of the present School cafeteria. We had four of five outside doors, and I do not think we had a lock on the house. I know we did not have any keys. I am thinking if I lived in Merkel now, I would

probably lock up at night. I regret to see this happen, but I suppose it is true of all towns today.

I have told friends in all these towns we have lived in that Merkel was the most moral town I knew of. More people went to church percentage-wise than any town in Texas. I hope that is still true. Along about 1920-1921 we had a special drive on in our First Baptist Sunday School. We had over 700 that Sunday morning. That was close to one third of all the people who lived in the corporate limits. Of course, we had a lot of rural members in 1920.

Since this is election year, I'll have to bore you with a little 'Politics.' Our granddaughter is married to Gene Evans of Waco who is your male member on the State Committee along with Nancy Perkins of Abilene, Joe Earl Lassiter is a friend of Gene and Cindy. We live in a milk and peanut county here in "Old Erath," so it looks like we'll go along with majority, and vote for the blue jean peanut farmer from Georgia. I hear very little talk otherwise. Oh, we have a few millionaires who will probably kick over the traces. But as Mr. Scannon says they just don't have the 'hosses' in 1976!

You all, come to see us. Sincerely,
L. B. Howard
1211 N. Neblett
Stephenville, Texas
76401

Dull News

Dear Editor,
A few weeks ago we heard a dull debate on T. V. by candidates for President of the United States of America. I thought at the time that it was dull and boring, but I have found a much more dull and boring thing with which I have to contend. What can be more boring and dull than to read in papers and to hear on T. V. a dull and boring explanation and description of a dull and boring debate? Sincerely,
Russell McNally

YET TIRED?
Storks can stand on one leg because their joints are self-locking.



Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wharton

Sykes, Wharton are wed

Cheryl Sykes of Alamosa, Colorado became the bride of Jim Wharton of Merkel on September 1 at Canyon, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Bible of Alamosa, Colorado are parents of the bride. Jim is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Wharton of Merkel. Cheryl graduated from high

school in Alamosa and attended West Texas State University at Canyon as a nursing student.

Jim graduated from Merkel High School and attended West Texas State University at Canyon. He is presently employed by Iowa Beef Processing Company in Amarillo.

Scouts do well at Camporee

Boy Scout Troop 218 of Merkel went to Abilene for the Fall Camporee, September 25 and 26.

Boys attending were Kelly Wolfe, Brad Wade, Randy Leverich, Kyle Wolfe, Tim Brady, John Townsend, Willie Townsend, Roy Johnson, Greg Dickerson, Scott Cain, Terry Owens, Randy Martin and W. A. Kinder.

The boys competed in competition similar to the Summer Olympics. The Merkel Troop brought back a first place ribbon for the Eagle Patrol and the Roadrunner Patrol. Kelly Wolfe received 100 points for the chili he cooked and 90 points for his bisquits.

A special thanks to Jimmy

Leverich, John Brady and John Townsend for taking the boys in the absence of Scoutmaster Calvin Wolfe, and to Brandon Wade for helping get the camp set up.

Gospel sing Monday

The Victory Gospel Singers will hold their regular Monday night singing Monday, starting at 7 p.m. at 307 El Paso in Merkel. Special guest will be the Rip Willis Younger Generation quartet presenting some of their special and new arrangements. The public is invited.

Fortnightly Study Club news

The Fortnightly Study Club met September 28 at the home of Mrs. Ray Wilson. After refreshments and business meeting Mrs. J. W. Hammond reviewed Atlantis--The Antediluvian World, by Ignatius Donnelly.

Though originally published in 1882, the book was of such compelling interest and so widely controversial that it has gone through many editions. It advances the theory, supported in many instances by studies in geology and anthropology, that the famed "Lost Continent" was a real place, with

an advanced civilization, from whose roots other civilizations got their start before some catastrophe caused it to sink beneath the Atlantic Ocean.

Members present were the hostess, Mrs. Ray Wilson, Mrs. Carl Hughes, Mrs. J. W. Hammond, Mrs. Andy Shouse, Mrs. Comer Haynes, Mrs. Johnny Cox, Mrs. S. C. Dixon, Mrs. L. A. Dudley, Mrs. Charles Eager, Mrs. Mack Fisher, Mrs. David Gamble, Miss Mildred Hamm, Mrs. Buster Horton, Mrs. C. B. Knight, Mrs. Ed Sandusky, and Mrs. Aaron Sudderth.

Steck heads student body

Michael Steck, a graduate student from Merkel, is president of the Tarleton State University student body for the 1976-77 school year.

Steck holds a B. A. degree in agriculture education from Tarleton and is working on a master's degree in biological science.

He served as senior class president and is a member of Alpha Phi Omega, Rodeo Club, Ag Club, F. F. A., Block and Bridle Club, and

Texas Student Education Association.

He is the son of Mrs. Mamie Steck, Merkel.



When driving in the rain, choose the driest lane. The right lane gets more traffic than the others and is generally the driest.

Mary Outlaw, Wimberly to wed

Mrs. Brenda Roberts has announced the marriage of Mrs. Mary Outlaw to Hugh Wimberly of Abilene at the Calvary Baptist Church, Runnels Street, Merkel

October 16 at 8 p.m. Everyone is invited. Reception will follow at the Reception Hall at the church. Mrs. Brenda Roberts (nee Brenda Doan) is Mrs. Outlaw's granddaughter.

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THE MORE PICTURES THE BETTER

Crawford's wants pictures of all the youngsters and the more, the better. So the mothers and fathers of the community should remember the date.

WED. OCT. 20th

bring their children to the photographer. You will be mighty glad afterwards, if you did and very very sorry if you do not permit your children to participate in this event. The kiddies will have fun and both mother and dad and the youngsters too will be very proud to see their pictures in print later.

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