



TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stribling and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. Strawn and family and Mr. and Mrs. John Strawn and family spent an enjoyable day Sunday at Lake Abilene.

Mesdames Cecil Rutherford, Rose Humphries and Bess Billings of Abilene visited friends and relatives here Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. E. Nemir, accompanied by Miss Anna Laura Allyn visited in Roscoe and Sweetwater the first part of last week.

Rev. W. H. Howell and family have moved back to their home in Abilene. This fine family will be greatly missed. Brother Howell will fill his regular appointment first and third Sunday here.

Mrs. Ewell Rutherford and little daughter are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Smith.

Mrs. Rose Edwards was carried to Temple Monday for treatment at Scott and White's sanitarium. Her son, Curley, and his wife accompanied her.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Taylor and baby daughter have returned to their home in Groesbeck after a visit of a week with Mrs. Taylor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Winn.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Roberts of Guyton were week-end guests of the former's brother, J. P. Roberts, and family.

Clifford Estep has gone to Groeland where he has work. His wife and little daughter will visit with her parents through the Christmas holidays and then will join him there.

Mesdames A. Williamson and C. C. Stribling and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Robinson attended the Baptist workers meeting at Merkel last Thursday.

Rev. D. G. Reid and wife of Roby were guests last Wednesday of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Burton.

Mrs. Mollie Williams went to Avoca Tuesday for a visit of several days.

Mesdames A. C. Wash, H. Ogletree and John Payne attended the council meeting and party given by the demonstration clubs Saturday afternoon at the Abilene High school building.

W. O. W. CIRCLE

Officers for the ensuing year have been named by Woodmen of the World circle, Grove No. 668, Trent. Mrs. Jannie B. Garner, district manager from Colorado, presided at the business meeting when officers were elected.

The official slate: Roberta Elliot, guardian; Agnes Burks, past guardian; Madge Crane, advisor; Ada Stevens, chaplain; Hattie Gafford, attendant; Minnie Eula McLeod, inner sentinel; Grace Cooper, outer sentinel; Lucy Steen, banker; and Flora

Broun, Lula Bishop and Minnie Hale, auditors.

Mrs. Lila Rea, guardian of Merkel grove, was special guest. Mrs. Payne was appointed publicity director.

PUBLIC NOTICE

To all concerned, citing City Ordinance No. 3, which deals with the closing on Sunday at 9 a. m. of those merchants who handle perishable foodstuffs.

This warning is not for the purpose of accusing any specified place of business but to call your attention to the fact that the closing at 9 a. m. henceforth will be strictly enforced.

Very respectfully, W. M. Elliott, Mayor, Chester Hutcheson, City Marshal.

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers State Bank in Merkel, Merkel, Texas, will be held at the office of said bank the second Tuesday in January, 1935, being the 8th day of the month at 4 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and such other business as may come before the meeting.

W. L. Diltz, Cashier.

Read the advertisements in this paper. There's a message in every one of them that may enable you to save money. At least you will know where to find what you want without doing a lot of hunting and asking questions, and you also know the merchants appreciate your patronage because they solicit your business and make special offering of their goods.

If you have any visitors. Phone 29 or 61.

TELEPHONE THE MAIL

The Mail will be glad to receive news of entertainments or visitors in Merkel homes, as well as other news items of a general nature. If you have company, entertain friends or return from a trip please telephone 61 or 29.

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CANYON BRIEFS

We have had splendid rains in this community and several farmers have started their plows.

The Nubia Singing class is coming on fine with the new books. Everyone is invited to attend and help them out.

Evelyn and Jimmie Dell Perry have been in the Trent community the past week visiting and pulling bolls.

An enjoyable day was spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Perry when Bobby Glen Peterson was honored with a birthday dinner. Several nice and useful gifts were presented to him. The guests were Mrs. Laura Neill and family, Mrs. J. J. Griggs and family of Blair, Mrs.

Lucy Scott and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Griggs and family.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this method of expressing our gratitude to our friends who were so kind to us in our dark hours; also for the beautiful floral offerings.

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# THE BADGER WEEKLY

## FOOTBALL PEP SQUAD BANQUET PROVES SUCCESS

On Friday evening, December 7, 1934, one of the big events of the year took place. The Pep Squad gave the football boys their annual banquet. The building was decorated in purple and gold and the football theme was carried out throughout the evening. Candles were lighted and the invocation was given by Mr. Herbert Patterson.

The turkey and dressing was then turned into hash by our Badger team. Billie Bernice Gambill, toastmistress, took charge and gave a toast to the Pep Squad of '35. The new leader, Betty Grimes, gave a response. Betty announced her assistant leaders, Mary Frances Cook and Opal Buzbee. Several interesting toasts were given. Captain Boaz announced the new captain of '35 along with his toast to Badgers of '35. Robert Higgins is to be the captain of '35 and Zerk Robertson is co-captain of the Badger team.

Mr. Irvin, coach, presented the football boys their sweaters and short talks were made by each boy. Mr. Wilkes Little of Abilene gave a very interesting address and recalled several instances to our minds about football games and jokes. Joy Frances West, the Pep Squad's mascot, gave a bow to the Pep Squad and said she enjoyed the turkey. The football season of '34 was ended by singing "Pep, Pep, Pep."

**JUST SOAKS.**  
I sez, "Ain't these football sweaters just the dope? We jist gotta git us a little boy-friend in one of them cute little purple and gold sweaters. They're jist the hot stuff—so romantic and dignified-lookin'."

### The Badger Weekly

Published weekly by the students of Merkel High School and sponsored by the Senior class of '35—Mrs. R. B. Irvin, Sponsor.

#### The Staff:

Editor-in-Chief—Mary Helen Lancaster.  
Assistant Editor—Clara Frances Largent.  
Society Editor—Vivian Davis.  
Sports Editor—Lloyd Robertson.  
Joke Editor—Joe Earl Lassiter.

## Our Seniors

*Vivian Davis.*  
Vivian is good-natured, industrious and intelligent. She is a very able president of the Dramatic club and she is a member of the Choral club. She accomplishes much while others are meditating and weighing matters. Vivian, keep your present work up, and we will be proud of you some day.

### Etsel Farmer.

Although Etsel is a new pupil in our Senior class, we are glad that he is a member of our group. We don't know what Etsel thinks about Merkel High school, for he is quiet and keeps his thoughts to himself. Work hard, Etsel, because we would like to see you in your cap and gown on graduation day.

### FUNNY BONERS.

Etsel Farmer: "What relation does a yellow pup have to an incline."  
Garth Odum: "I don't know. What relation does he have?"  
Etsel Farmer: "The yellow dog is a slow pup."

Stanley Toombs: "Jack, I want to give you a Christmas present."  
Jack Davis: "Yea! What is it?"  
Stanley Toombs: "Some Red Cross seals."  
Jack Davis: "Say, that's a new one on me; you'd better give me directions as to how to feed them."

Pauline Joyner: "Well, you know, I went out with a party of 75 last night."  
Jannell Black: "You did? Well, how did you manage to get by your dad with it?"

Pauline Joyner: "Oh, he was my grandfather."  
Thelma Mathews: "Well, I hear you still go out with your sugar papa every night."  
Hazel Blair: "Yea, that's right, but he's not a sugar papa any more."

Thelma Mathews: "Why? What happened to him?"  
Hazel Blair: "Oh, I crystalized him one night."  
Mr. Riddle (smelling of his food).  
Alvin Wozencraft: "I think something is wrong with the food."  
Mr. Riddle: "Yea, everything that I have eaten in here has been weak as an infant."  
Alvin Wozencraft: "Hey, Monroe, turn that piece of limberger cheese loose and let it walk in here to the customer. That'll be strong enough for him."

## BASKETBALL PRESENT TALK MERKEL HIGH

Football for the 1934 season is a thing of the past. With the going of the season goes eight of Coach Irvin's best players. Bussie Boaz, four year letterman and captain, will leave a hard place to fill. Along with Boaz, goes Louis Carson, Cal McAninch, Oscar Adcock, Joe Cook, Ben Sublett and Charles Tipton. Prospects for the 1935 season seem to be a good one. Fourteen lettermen were awarded sweaters at the banquet Friday night with six of the fourteen coming back next year.

Basketball started last week with a large group of boys reporting. Only two lettermen will be back this year. Zerk Robertson and Bussie Boaz. Prospects for this year are good because of a large number that have transferred to this school from some other places.

The team will be led again this year by Boaz, who has been captain for the last two years.

Thursday night Coach Irvin will take his Cagers to Hamlin for a game with the Hamlin Pied Pipers.

### APPRECIATION.

(By Football Boys.)

Some of the bright lights of the football, and Pep Squad banquet were: Joe: "Glad we have an early start."  
Kit: "That was a 'jam-up' good speaker."  
Junior Grimes: "I sure do like this food."

Bussie: "There's lots of air in those balloons, I'll bet."  
Cal: "Oh, this is my napkin."  
Oscar: "Gee, the speaker has a 'purty' wife."

R. T.: "Do I have to take you home after the banquet?"  
Zerk: "My kingdom for a true, old-fashioned girl."  
Ben: "My plate was too big or my stomach too small."  
Bud: "And it went off with a B-A-N-G!"

Charlie: "Wish I could smile like Hazel."  
Yes, we the Badgers of '34 wish to thank each Pep Squader for the best banquet in the history of Merkel High school.

First in peace,  
First in war,  
First in the aisle,  
First out the door.

## Campusology

Joe Cook: "Laugh and the world laughs with you, smile and you're called a flirt."  
Crash Cars: "Girls are all alike, each one says she's different."

Bud thinks that nitrate is cheaper than day rate.  
Harold Reese (our modern Tennyson) says it is better to go to High school than never to have slept at all.

Waymon says that a man is an animal that can be skinned more than once. (Ask him how he knows.)  
Oscar thinks that the Associated Press is a new kind of pants pressing machine.

### SIGNS OF THE SEASON.

Birds call,  
Marks fall,  
Babies bawl,  
Spring.

Poets write,  
Boys fight,  
Mosquitoes bite,  
Summer!

Turkeys fry,  
Plants die,  
Ducks fly,  
Autumn!

Junberjacks chop,  
Santa stops,  
Thermometer drops,  
Winter!

Heavy head,  
Nearly dead,  
'Nuff said,  
Stop!

### JUST STUFF.

"Ugh!" said Jack Lowe as he stumbled in one of Merkel's modern street cars thoroughly intoxicated.

Oscar: "Ugh!" said an elderly lady as he fell against her.  
"Did you see me mount thish car?" asked Jack.

"No," answered the lady, not wishing to talk to a drunkard.  
"Then how did you know it wash me?" asked Jack.

### STUDENT CLASS YELLS.

Sophomores: Rah! Rah! Rah!  
Juniors: Bah! Bah! Bah!  
Seniors: Ha! Ha! Ha!  
Fish: Ma! Ma! Ma!

### DRAMA IN THREE ACTS.

Act I.—Joe Cook,  
Act II.—Joe Cook and the cannibals.  
Act III.—Joe Cooked.

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<b>Both Papers 1 Year</b>	<b>\$7.10</b>

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PERSONALS

Miss Lola Reidenbach of Mulberry canyon spent Monday with Miss Elva King.

Mrs. Blanche Brooks of Oklahoma City is visiting her sister, Mrs. Pearl Hollingsworth.

Wilkes Holden returned Thursday of last week from a visit with relatives at Littlefield.

Mrs. Bob Watters of Monahan and her mother, Mrs. Rufie Diltz of Abilene, are guests in the Philip Diltz home.

Mrs. Raymond Demere has just returned from Arlington, Calif., where she has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Franks.

S. A. Coates returned Saturday from a visit of some ten days with his two sons, Sidney B. and Ansel Coates, at Fort Worth.

Mrs. H. C. Williams returned Wednesday from a visit with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. Q. Warren, at Knox City.

Dr. and Mrs. N. J. Smith were over from Anson Tuesday for a visit with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Smith, and grandson, Jackie Smith.

Mrs. R. L. Adcock, who was accompanied by J. L. Adcock, drove to Waco last Friday to bring her daughter, Miss Frances home, returning Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wallace had as their guests Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Chester Miller and son and Mr. Miller's mother from Ranger. Mr. Miller is a cousin of Mr. Wallace.

Judge W. W. Wheeler returned at the afternoon from Savannah. He had been the past week at Dr. Nichols' sanitarium, and is feeling fine and greatly improved.

Houston Robertson and family removed this week to their farm north of town. Houston will continue in the public weigher's office, however, until his term expires on the first of January.

R. A. Adcock of Gustine is visiting his sons, Postmaster O. J. Adcock and R. L. Adcock, and families. The elder Adcock, who is 80 years old, accompanied his grandsons, Elmer and Waymond, to Merkel Sunday.

After a visit of several days here Kirby Beckett returned to his home at El Paso Tuesday. He was accompanied by his mother-in-law, Mrs. J. T. Warren, who will visit with the Becketts until Christmas time.

Week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cook were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Watson of Iraan and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gracy of Ranger. Mrs. Watson is a sister and Mr. Gracy, a brother of Mrs. Cook. They returned to their homes Wednesday.

Santa Claus Coming to Reid Variety Store

Santa Claus has sent word to Roy Reid of the Reid Variety that he will visit his store Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock and remain a while, distributing presents to some of his little friends.

He will travel in a decorated automobile and, as usual, Santy is always on time.

Woodmen Circle Names New Slate of Officers

On December 6 at a regular meeting of the Woodmen circle, the following officers were elected for 1935: Guardian, Mrs. Lila R. Rea; past guardian, Mrs. Pearl Hollingsworth; adviser, Mrs. Bonnie Church; junior supervisor, Mrs. Charles Mathews, Sr.; chaplain, Mrs. Bettie Allday; financial secretary, Mrs. Emma Richardson; corresponding secretary, Miss Iris Garrett; banker, Mrs. Winnie Turner; captain, Mrs. Sallie Gantt; organist, Mrs. Alice Wallace; attendant, Mrs. Charles Mathews, Jr.; assistant attendant, Miss Mary Clark; inner sentinel, Mrs. Mary Provine; outer sentinel, Mrs. Ruby Barnett; auditors, Mrs. Ida McCandless and Miss Luna White; Mrs. Treasie Goldsticker, special district deputy.

Mrs. Jannie E. Garner, district manager, and Miss Fay O'Bar, state attendant, will install these officers on January 3, 1935. Merkel's degree team will not on floor work. The public is invited.

Second Set of Twin Grandchildren Arrive S. G. Russell Family

Twins, a boy and a girl, were born to Mr. and Mrs. John Warlick at the West Texas Baptist sanitarium, Abilene, early Wednesday morning. They were christened Darwin and Darlene. The mother is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Russell of this city, and the new twins are the second set of twins among their grandchildren, the others being the twin boys of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dunn, now of Abilene.

Honor Roll

BUTMAN SCHOOL. The following pupils, having made an average of 90 or more, are on the honor roll for the second month of Butman school, of which Miss Ruth Weathered is principal: First grade: J. E. Meeks. Second grade: Booth Russom, Delbert Garner. Third grade: Ruth Butman, Jack Butman, Dorris Reeves. Fourth grade: Martha Ruth Denton. Fifth grade: Nell Yvonne Butman, Betty Lou Russell. Sixth grade: Lillian Estoll. Seventh grade: Bernice Lewis, Edith Butman.

WHITE CHURCH SCHOOL. The honor roll of the White Church school for November is as follows: First grade: Floyd Hanley, 90.9. Second grade: Dorothy Jo Weston, 93.1, Kenneth Hanley, 92.1. Fourth grade: Rudolph Farmer, 90.3. Sixth grade: Homer Tye, 96; Elby Frazier, 91; M. H. Farmer, 91. Seventh grade: Howard Shugart, 91; J. W. Harrison, 91.

WARREN SCHOOL. The following pupils are on the honor roll at the Warren school: First grade: Melvin Cross, 92; Emma Lee Finch, 92. Third grade: Milton Cross, 93; Erchell Chaney, 92. Fourth grade: Jeanette Neff, 94; Orval Ely, 94; Wilma Stallo, 93. Fifth grade: Loyce Chaney, 92; H. B. Stallo, 92. Sixth grade: Bernice Thorn, 92; Earl Cross, 91; Flora Mae Finch, 90. Eighth grade: Cleo Chaney, 93.

Office supplies—Mail office.

Attends Southwestern Life Agents Meeting

F. E. Church is in Fort Worth for the last three days of this week attending the thirty-first annual convention of the Southwestern Life Insurance company.

More than 500 representatives from all parts of Texas were expected to be present for the convention. Southwestern Life agents earn the right to attend these meetings by writing a certain volume of business during the year.

In the first half of 1934 the Southwestern Life Insurance company conducted a newspaper advertising campaign at a cost of \$75,000. Results were impressive, and will be described at the company's annual agency meeting this week.

Explains Postage Rates On Christmas Greetings

Christmas cards sent in unsealed envelopes, but with no written message on them except phrases of greetings and names of the sender, will be carried anywhere for a cent and a half. Postmaster O. J. Adcock stated to a representative of The Mail who made the inquiry for the information of readers.

Of course, when such cards are addressed to patrons of the local post-office, the cards may be sealed and sent for only one cent. If sealed, however, two cents will be required for delivery on rural routes served by the Merkel office and three cents for dispatch elsewhere.

Cards not in envelopes will be carried for one cent, just as post cards are carried.

Low Round Trip Fares Offered by Greyhound

Additional Christmas excursion fares effective December 13 were announced today by A. F. Baldus, general traffic manager for Southwestern Greyhound lines. The round trip excursions will be one and one-half times the one way fare and will be good between all points on Southwestern Greyhound lines. Mr. Baldus stated that the excursion fares will be in effect during the entire holiday season up until January 1 and will carry liberal return limits.

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Seven Attend Lion Banquet At Ranger

President Charlie Jones and six other members of the local Lions club represented Merkel at Ranger Tuesday night when approximately 200 members and guests of the club in this area greeted Vincent C. Hascall of Omaha, Nebr., president of Lions International, who is touring the southwest by motor.

Others in the group going from Merkel were R. A. Burgess, Dr. L. C. Zehnfpennig, Fred Hughes, Tracy Campbell, Isadore Mellinger and Yates Brown.

Besides an inspiring address by the Lions International president, visitors were high in praise of the American Legion Tickville band of Ranger, which furnished chief entertainment for the banquet and amusement for the evening.

Merkel Relief Force Dinner Honorees

Misses Lona Bryan and Zada Bell and Ross Ferrier, Jr., members of the staff of the local relief office, were guests of the Abilene relief office force at a turkey dinner Friday night at the Y. W. C. A. in Abilene. This was a return courtesy of the recent affair when the Merkel group entertained their Abilene co-workers.

One of the after dinner speakers reported on the social service course recently completed in Dallas.

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FOR RENT—My home unfurnished and my two-story brick building on Kent street January 1. See Mrs. A. H. Thornton.

#### Shiloh Happenings

Several in our community are sick with colds.

Our community was made sad last Saturday when news was received of the death of Aunt Alice Lewis of Coleman, a sister-in-law of Mrs. B. L. James of this place. Burial was in Shiloh community Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Grayson left Monday for Mexia where they will visit a daughter, Mrs. J. Fred Dupuy.

The Shiloh church is putting on a play at Goodman schoolhouse on Wednesday, December 19. The title is "The Do Funny Family" and there is a laugh in every line. There will also be a short negro skit with plenty of music by home talent. The proceeds will go for a Christmas tree for the community.

The Seniors of Goodman school are putting on a play, "The Man in the Green Shirt," Friday night of this week. Come, see these plays. Plenty of good comedy.

Mrs. Carl Bonneaux and Carl, Jr., spent the week end at Brownfield with her sister, Mrs. Jim Stevens.

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The population of the Hawaiian islands is estimated at 259,645 persons, of which 215,537 live on Oahu, the principal island.

Typewriter paper for sale at Merkel Mail office.

Lethal gas is now being used to execute criminals in Colorado.

#### UNION RIDGE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Baker and children were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Campbell of Blair.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Rogers and Mr. Jap Rogers of Clyde were Saturday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rogers; they were accompanied by Carl Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McBride entertained a few friends with a party Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Douglas and two daughters were Abilene visitors Monday.

Everyone is asked to remember that next Sunday is church afternoon at the Methodist church. We are very thankful that Rev. W. B. Reaves was sent by the conference back to the Trent circuit.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Harwell of Abilene were recent guests in the home of Mr and Mrs. O. E. Harwell.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Douglas and sons and Mrs. W. J. Taylor were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Lano Jordan of Abilene. Mrs. Taylor remained

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