

BADGERS 14, ROTAN 13

School Patrons Invited During Education Week

The faculty of the Merkel Schools takes advantage of American Education week to invite the school patrons to visit each department of the school system during the week of Nov. 10-14, American Education Week. The teachers and school administrators hope that many of the Merkel citizens will take time off from their work to see the schools in operation.

Instead of inviting the parents on a special night, the members of the faculty believe that a better picture of the school in normal operation can be gained by the parents by visiting during the

regular school hours, stated Prof. Mack Fisher, superintendent of schools. A special invitation is being extended by the high school teachers for the parents and friends to visit school during the morning hours of Education Week. Each patron is urged to visit as many of the high school departments as possible, said Prof. Fisher. The teachers in the primary school and in the elementary school are extending an invitation for the parents to visit school on the days on which assemblies are scheduled. They also are planning a Book Fair for Education Week.

A detailed explanation of the plans set up for the elementary grades for their Book Fair and other exercises for Education Week will be found in another section of the school news, explained Supt. Fisher.

Gas Rate Hike Is Granted Here

The Lone Star Gas Company's application for a rate adjustment affecting approximately 680 residential and commercial customers in Merkel was approved by the City Council at its meeting on Nov. 3. The increase to the average user (family unit) will amount to a little over 2 cents a day, it was pointed out by J. D. Holbrook of Sweetwater, district manager for the gas company.

He stated that similar rate revisions have been sought throughout Lone Star's operating territory in Texas and Oklahoma. Mr. Holbrook expressed appreciation to the City Council for "consideration of the gas company application," pointing out that the "new rate makes it possible for us to continue to maintain our standard of service on the plane desired and expected by our customers."

The gas company manager emphasized that residential and commercial rates charged by Lone Star have not been increased generally within the last 25 years, but, conversely, the rates were reduced 10 cents per thousand cubic feet in May, 1942. He said the new rate here is only three cents per cubic feet higher than the rate charged by Lone Star prior to the 1942 reduction.

"Under the new rate," Mr. Holbrook said, "the increase per customer (family unit) will average 67 cents per month or a little over 2 cents a day. Of each additional 67 cents paid by the customer each month, 35 1/2 cents will go to various taxes, thus leaving the company only 31 1/2 cents."

The Lone Star Gas Company has taken a great deal of pride in the fact that they have been able to furnish a good, adequate and dependable fuel service to our customers at the lowest possible price conducive to good business and sufficient earnings," he continued. "Our application for the rate revisions here represented only the most essential and absolutely minimum increase consistent with present economic conditions. We believe it highly conservative."

The additional revenue," he said, "is required to meet losses in net income due to increased taxes, costs of gas in the field, rising costs for exploration and development, and numerous other items. We are confident that our customers as well as regulatory bodies understand our situation because all businesses — and individuals, too — have had to wrestle with the problem of rising costs."

The new rate schedule follows: Minimum monthly bill \$1.00, leadiness to serve charge \$5.00. All gas at \$6.389 per m. c. f. gross; \$5.75 per m. c. f. net.

The present rate schedule follows: Minimum monthly bill \$1.00, leadiness to serve charge \$5.00. All gas at \$6.389 per m. c. f. gross; \$5.75 per m. c. f. net.

OUR NEXT PRESIDENT



DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Eisenhower Gets 327 Votes Here

No record vote was cast in Merkel in Tuesday's general election, stated Holland Teaff, presiding official here. The total vote cast was 814.

The majority here voted for Stevenson, casting 484 ballots, while Eisenhower received 327 votes here. On the rest of the ticket the Democratic party here elected everyone listed.

Where nominees were listed on both Republican and Democratic columns they received from 78 to 91 votes in the Republican listing. Luther Land led the ticket among the county nominees with 748 votes for Constable. The rest ran as low as 744.

On Constitutional amendments here the vote on Workman's Compensation was: For 126, against 210; on State Medical Education Fund was: For 100, against 236. People came as early as 7 a. m. to vote. When the polls opened at 8 a. m. there were many standing in line. In the first hour 102 had voted, said Mr. Teaff, 297 by 11 a. m. and 400 by noon. At 3:30 p. m. 651 had cast their ballots.

Mr. Teaff was ready for a record vote, if any, as he had 1,100 ballots. The tabulation was completed by 8 p. m. and the report was im-

Need for Blood Is Urgent Shown In "See It Now"

"See It Now" was presented at the Lions Club luncheon Tuesday. This is a picture of what happens to the blood that is donated. It shows how it is taken from the United States to Korea and how it is used to save the lives of soldiers.

Edward R. Murrow tells the story as it is presented.

President H. O. Boney presided at the meeting. Waymon Adcock reported on the scout drive. Fred Starbuck introduced Jack Boles, Taylor County chairman of the Blood for Defense Program. Mr. Bolls presented Sgt. F. C. Smith, Abilene recruiting station, who showed the picture.

The picture brought out the point that blood, whole blood, is urgently needed in Korea to save the lives of our boys.

The Bloodmobile will be in Merkel early in December, stated Mr. Bolls.

An Investment In Freedom

By Prof. Mack Fisher
Each year during American Education Week our public schools report to their owners, the 155 million people of the United States. The story of our schools is written in the lives of the children they serve, but a few figures show the significance of this investment in our American democracy.

According to a survey made by the National Educational Association, there are about 26,000,000 pupils in American public schools today. There are 85,000 school districts, 210,000 buildings, and approximately a million classroom teachers and administrators. Public school property is valued at over 9 billion dollars—an average of \$385 per pupil. Total annual expenditures approach one-eighth of our present military budget—about \$280 per pupil annually.

If the public schools are to serve today's children as they need to be served, the aims and objectives of the schools must be understood and supported by the great mass of American citizens. Each year, teachers and school administrators invite the general public to visit the schools during American Education Week, and each interested citizen should take this opportunity to become better acquainted with the educational systems.

Three Hospitalized After Auto Wreck

Mrs. Morton Kliman of Santa Monica, Calif., was in serious condition in Sadler Clinic here Monday night from injuries received in a head-on auto collision Monday morning near Trent. Mrs. Kliman suffered a fractured left hip, right arm, and lacerations of the head.

Her husband, Morton Kliman, and Aaron Granville Cash of Mexico were in "satisfactory" condition in the clinic Monday night.

Cash's daughter, Phyllis, about 16, accompanied him but she was uninjured.

Cash suffered multiple cuts and undetermined injuries of the chest. Kliman had lacerations of the head and a contusion injury of the chest.

The accident occurred just west of the first underpass, west of Trent. Both cars were heavily damaged. Starbuck ambulance brought the injured here.

STORES TO CLOSE
The stores of Merkel will close Armistice Day, Nov. 11, next Tuesday. This is one of the five days that the city observes. The other days are July 4, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's.

Benson's Boys Down Opponents In Tight Game

Coach Carroll Benson's valiant Badgers, touted to lose, beat the Rotan Yellowhammers on their own stadium and on their own homecoming day 14-13. Even at the end of the first half, when the score was tightly tied, the Badgers looked far better in offense than did the Yellowhammers. Rotan made only 17 plays from scrimmage in that first half while the Badgers made 38 plays.

And the Yellowhammers outweighed the Badgers nine pounds to the man.

Though Rotan scored first Merkel showed its mighty offense as the game started. With Charles Standard taking the kickoff from his own 20 to the 31 the Badgers carried right along for three first downs to the Rotan 15 with Jimmy Russell and Derrell Kelso doing the delivering.

At that point Rotan took over, got only seven yards and punted with Bobby Owens, Thomas Watson, Standard, Dale Dudley and Troy Deen holding them. From its own 45 Merkel arrived at the Rotan 31 with Kelso, Freddie Boone, and Russell making good drives. A fumble gave the ball to Rotan. Then James Mann ran 69 yards for the tally. Kent Westbrook kicked the point.

With the ball resting on its own 15 Merkel made three first downs and placed the ball on Rotan's 45 with the ball being pushed along by Standard, Russell, Kelso and a nice pass from Kelso to Corky Cox as the quarter ended. Rotan made only five plays from scrimmage and no first downs, M 0, R 7.

Now the Badger power was to pay off in gold. Two first downs carried the ball to the 1 yard line with Standard, Boone, Kelso, Russell doing heavy work and a pass from Kelso to Jerry Gibson included and a run by Standard of 22 yards being outstanding.

Kelso leaned over for the tally and the extra kick was made by George English.

When Rotan received the kickoff on its own 25 they carried the ball to the 41 and would have gotten away for a touchdown if Dudley had not made a beautiful tackle. Rotan soon punted and Merkel took the ball on its own 31. A pass from Kelso to Gibson was good as was Russell's charge to Rotan 46, where the Yellowhammers intercepted a pass.

They moved down to the 21 with hindrance being given by Dudley, Eddie Breaux and Deen. On the next play it seemed that Rotan would make pay dirt but Breaux and Dudley made lightning moves that stopped them on the 17. Then Merkel took over.

With a few minutes left to play Merkel strode along with two first downs to the 41 with Standard and Kelso carrying the pigskin. A splendid pass from Kelso to Watson netted 54 yards and placed the ball on the Rotan 5. Time was running out. One play got them nowhere and the half was over, M 7, R 7.

The valiant Badgers were not to be denied. Rotan was stopped with Deen and Billy Gilbert tackling them and punted. Merkel took the ball on its own 32 and on three first downs carried the ball to within inches of the goal with Russell, Standard and Watson doing good work, outstanding being Russell's charge of 28 yards and Standard's charge of 22 yards. Boone shoved the ball a little closer and on a hand-off Russell tallied with English making the kick good.

Rotan started on its own 25 and traveled slowly to the Merkel 25 with Breaux, Cox, Dudley, Deen, Billy Dye, Owens and Gilbert

tackling. A wild Rotan runner was chased out of bounds by Breaux on the 21 and Merkel got the ball.

Russell and Kelso carried the ball for a first down to the 31 as the quarter ended, M 14, R 7.

A penalty was costly and after tries by passing, Kelso to Gilbert, and running by Kelso, Merkel punted.

Gibson stopped them on their own 35. A Rotan pass was good and dangerous but Dudley knocked the ball out of the hands of the receiver and the ball rested on the Merkel 40. Gilbert intercepted a pass on the 20.

On four first downs Merkel traveled speedily to the Rotan 15 with noble work being done by Kelso, Watson, Russell, Standard and Gibson. A 15-yard penalty blowed up the Merkel forward movement and Rotan took over.

Dye, Deen and Cox threw them for a 6-yard loss. But passes were good with Dudley, Standard and Breaux halting them. With the

ball on its own 31 George Peet hurled to Kerry Weems for 61 yards and the TD. And while the Merkel fans held their breaths the kick was finished and failed. The extra point, the winning point, was not made.

Owens received the punt and a personal foul was called on the Rotan player who tackled him. The penalty put the ball on Rotan's 40 as the game ended.

Outstanding in the line were Dale Dudley, center, Billy Gilbert, guard, Billy Wayne Dye, tackle, and Thomas Watson, end; in the backfield were Derrell Kelso, Charles Standard and Jimmy Russell.

The Final Figures

Merkel	Rotan
21	10
179	137
21	17
9 for 165	Completed 13 for 141
1	Intercepted By 1
1 for 33	Punts 3 for 35
5 for 35	Penalties 6 for 50

Merkel 20 Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1932 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

REPORT GINNINGS

Approaching the record week's ginnings for the season which was reported last week at 3,401 bales, ginnings for the six days up to Wednesday night of this week at the mills in Merkel and three surrounding points totaled 3,388 bales.

CLOSE STORES

The banks, public schools, post office and all the stores in town will be closed all day Friday in celebration of Armistice Day, but there is to be no special observance of the day locally.

SHOW 7-1 LEAD

Returns from the general election continue to show a 7 to 1 landslide for Franklin D. Roosevelt and John N. Garner over the Republican slate, as the tabulations were added up Wednesday night. Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson carried the Merkel box in the gubernatorial race.

RECORD OF BIRTHS

Boys were born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pertchinsky, Friday, Nov. 4, and to Mr. and Mrs. George Crow, on Nov. 9. A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tinkle on Nov. 7.

ROGERS VISITS HERE

Will Rogers, America's greatest

humorist, spent more than two hours at the Merkel landing field Saturday night. It was also the first time the landing field had been used. The tri-motored plane in which he was flying went out of order and another plane had to be substituted.

CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Rainbold were surprised by their children Sunday with gifts and a regular turkey dinner in honor of their 48th wedding anniversary.

BAPTISTS CALL PASTOR

Rev. C. R. Joyner, pastor of the Baptist church at Wellington, was accepted by the local Merkel church to assume directorship of the church here.

BADGERS TIE GAME

The roar of the Lions and the snarl of the Badgers was heard as the two faced each other when Roby and Merkel battled to a scoreless tie. Each team made seven first downs.

RECEIVES LETTER

The editor of the Mail is in receipt of a letter from Isadore Mellinger, University of Texas freshman, in which he takes occasion to tell how he enjoys reading The Mail.

This Happened in Merkel Forty Years Ago

TAKEN FROM THE 1912 FILES OF THE MERKEL MAIL

Thos. Largent returned home Tuesday afternoon from a trip to Dallas, Little Rock and Shreveport, where he has been looking after a part of the Largent prize herd of blue ribbon Hereford cattle.

Mrs. J. T. Dennis who has been in the Alexander sanitarium in Abilene for several weeks following an operation for appendicitis was able to return to her home Wednesday.

Fred Hail of Trent was down on business, going from here to Abilene on the noon train Tuesday.

G. B. Tittle of Abilene was up last week shaking hands with friends.

Andy Brown and Miss Mary Lee Hicks were married Sunday after-

noon at 4 p. m. at the bride's home on South Oak Street. Rev. N. Roberts pronounced the ceremony that united their young lives. A few intimate friends were present and the immediate members of the two families. They will make their home in Merkel.

The Neighborhood Club known as the Needle and Thimble Club met with Mrs. B. H. Wheeler Monday afternoon. Misses Ina and Maggie Wheeler were guests of honor. The membership consists of Mesdames B. C. Gätther, P. G. Penn, J. J. Russell, J. P. Satphen, W. A. Scott, W. W. Wfelejer and B. H. Wheeler and as always everyone was in her place busily engaged.

Arthur Derrington returned to Abilene Monday, having spent Sunday visiting friends.

NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Boney and Annette spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. Clyde Sears, and family at the Sears ranch in Wingate. Other guests were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Gray, of Winters and brother Doyle Gray and family of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Dedman of Abilene spent the weekend with their daughter, Mrs. J. H. Wimberly, and husband. Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Wood took their son Bill back to Lubbock Sunday. Bill attended the ACC homecoming in Abilene.

J. D. Hughes returned last week from his fishing trip at Corpus Christi. He caught two flounders, many perch and trout. (No trouble with the car.)

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley King have been visiting in Mississippi. Lanier Hicks of San Angelo spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vestal Hicks.

Lanney Posey of Rotan visited over the weekend with Patricia Palmer and Jackie Hogan. Lanney is a twirler with the Rotan band.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gentry visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Gentry in Colorado City Sunday. Mrs. M. F. Bell returned last week from Dallas after a visit with her son, J. A. Bell and wife and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Craig and baby of Upland, Calif., who have been visiting with her brother, Harold C. Reynolds, and family left Wednesday for home.

Jack Anderson of Brownfield was a Sunday dinner visitor of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Anderson. His wife's brother is being operated on in a Temple hospital.

J. T. Darsey had Sunday dinner with his daughter, Mrs. Chester Hutchison, in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Quannah Dudley and family visited Sunday with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Dean, Jr., in Colorado City.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wallace and family attended the funeral of Walter Noller in Abilene on Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Johnson and daughter Betty of San Angelo visited with the Earl and John Strawns in Trent, Mrs. J. B. Strawn returned home with the Johnsons for a two week's visit.

The J. G. Strawns of Florey spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Strawn of Trent and Mr. and Mrs. Hale McRee.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Smith and sons of Victoria stopped over Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Alben Bartosh.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Reagh of Levelland visited over the weekend with an aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Gibson visited over the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dent Gibson, and her mother, Mrs. Bill Brown.

Miss Jean Harris of Midland visited over the weekend with her brothers, W. B. and Bernie, and families.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Douglas and two sons and Mrs. D. B. Bowen visited their sister, Mrs. Norman Cooper in Brownwood Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Buford of Dallas stopped overnight Sunday with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Buford on their return from Hobbs, N. Mex., where they visited their son and family.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Logan were in Austin Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the dedication of the new pharmacy building at Texas U., and attended the SMU-Texas game.

Mrs. W. L. Johnson returned Saturday from a two week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. E. E. Dunn and children of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sylvester visited his brother Victor and sister, Mrs. T. W. Overby, in Hobbs, N. Mex., last week.

Jay Greenfield and Jay Jr., who are employed as Electricians on the Alco Aluminum Co.'s new \$14,000,000 plant being built at Rockdale spent the weekend visiting home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Greenfield and sons, Billy, Jay, Jr., and daughter, Peggy and Mrs. E. A. Click, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Click and family, Carolyn Davis of Midland were guests for dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Price Floyd Sunday.

LIVESTOCK REPORT

By Ted Gaudy

Sharp reductions in available supplies of livestock at major markets featured the trade this week. On Monday at Fort Worth, cattle and calf receipts were over 1,800 below a week ago, and at the 12 major public markets of the nation, cattle and calf receipts were over 61,000 below a week earlier. Similar smaller supplies of sheep and hogs were reported.

This short supply would normally have been a factor to induce sharply higher prices at the outset, but the impending election caused Monday's trade at Ft. Worth and other market centers to be uneven and inclined to drift upward and downward with out a definite pattern.

Cattle were uneven and steady to weak, some bulls 50 cents lower. Stocker cattle were generally steady and enjoyed good demand. Slaughter calves were firm, some spots higher. Butcher hogs were 50 cents, spots 75 cents, higher, and best hogs sold at \$17.75 and \$18. Sows at \$16.50 down, were steady to 50 cents higher.

Slaughter lambs were steady to 50 cents higher, and ewes were 25 higher, topping at \$6.50. Other sheep and lambs were fully steady.

Two loads of fed heifers at \$32 that averaged 687 lbs. came from the Judge F. W. Fischer feedlot near Gainesville, and a load of fat cows at 1,106 lbs., from the feedlots that drew \$19. Hoven-camp Ranch, Tarrant County, had some choice steers at 955 lbs. at \$32 also.

Good and choice slaughter steers and yearlings sold at \$23 to \$32 and common to medium sorts sold at \$14 to \$22, with cutter grades for \$10 to \$13. Beef cows sold at \$13 to \$17, a few heiferettes to \$19, and canners and cutters cashed at \$8 to \$13. Bulls sold for \$10 to \$17.50.

Good and choice slaughter calves sold for \$19 to \$24, with best heavyweights to \$25 to \$26. Common and medium butcher calves drew \$14 to \$18.50, and culls cashed at \$10 to \$14.

Good and choice stocker calves sold for \$18 to \$24.50, and stocker steers and yearlings cashed at \$15 to \$23. Stocker cows drew \$7 down.

Medium, good and choice

slaughter lambs sold at \$17 to \$23, and stocker and feeder lambs sold at \$8 to \$15. Fat yearlings sold at \$10 to \$15, and feeder yearlings sold at \$11 down. Slaughter ewes cashed at \$4 to \$6.50. Old bucks drew \$4 to \$5.25.

'Clash By Night' Is Strong Drama At Queen Theatre

Rarely has a more sincere treatment of an adult theme been achieved on the screen than is to be found in "Clash By Night," which brings Barbara Stanwyck, Paul Douglas, Robert Ryan and Marilyn Monroe to the Queen Theatre Wednesday and Thursday in the stellar roles.

Filmed from a screenplay by Alfred Hayes, this new Jerry Wald and Norman Krasna production for RKO Radio Pictures tells with honesty and good taste the struggle of a restless and disillusioned woman to respect the moral code when her simple but well-meaning husband throws her into constant contact with a cynical and sophisticated friend to whom she is helplessly attracted.

Billy Greenfield Is Assigned To Overseas Duty

A 3-c Billy Greenfield is at home spending a 21-day leave after finishing an Engineering course at Fort Belvoir, Va. He is assigned to overseas duty with the Air Force.

Why? is a Bank different

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TRADE TRADE TRADE

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KRISP — PACKAGE CELERY HEARTS 25c	DEXTER SLICED BACON lb. 49c
FIRM CABBAGE lb. 9c	BONELESS VEAL ROLLED ROAST lb. 55c

CRISCO 3 lb. can 85¢

CHURCH — 24 OZ. Grape-Apple Juice 33c	MILE HIGH DILL OR SOUR PICKLES Qt. 29c
SUN SPUN — NO. 303 CAN CHERRIES 25c	KOUNTY KIST — W. K. CORN - 12 oz. can 17c
WON UP — NO. 2 CAN Grapefruit Juice 6-59c	RED & WHITE — NO. 2 CAN HOMINY 2 for 25c

PUMPKIN KUNER'S No. 2 1/2 Can 23¢

RED & WHITE — 1-4 SIZE POTTED MEAT 3-25c	GLADIOLA FLOUR 5 lb. sack 45c
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Mrs. J. D. Porter's Brother Dies While On Deer Hunt

Dick Perry of Tulsa, Okla., only brother of Mrs. J. D. Porter, died of a heart attack while on a deer hunt in Colorado. He was buried last Friday in Tulsa.

An Italian marble monument marks the grave of Elizabeth Crockett, wife of the famed Davy Crockett, in Acton State Park, on Farm Road 208 near Granbury in Hood County.

NEW THROAT LOZENGES GIVE Quick Relief of Minor Throat Irritations

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MERKEL DRUG CO.

Pearl Matthews Slightly Injured In Car Wreck

Pearl Matthews, daughter of Mrs. Will Matthews of Trent, was slightly injured in an accident about two miles east of Tye at 4:20 p. m. Monday.

She was treated by Dr. C. B. Gardner in Merkel for lacerations about the face, head and hands.

Miss Matthews was injured when the car in which she was riding plunged into the back of a truck which had reportedly stopped on the highway.

Rev. Lynward Harrison, pastor of the Tye Methodist Church, and driver of the Tye School bus, had stopped the bus by the side of U. S. Highway 80 and let a child off. The child proceeded across the highway and the truck stopped to let the child pass.

The car, driven by an unidentified man, crashed into the rear of the truck. The 1946 Ford in which the pair was riding was damaged.

One of the world's greatest natural phenomena, Palo Duro Canyon, is in Palo Duro State Park, 12 miles east of Canyon.

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NEW MUSIC LEADER AT TSCW

"The college with the singing students" is what Texans are calling the Texas State College for Women, Denton, since Dr. J. Wilgus Eberly, above, new director of music, is having every girl join in group singing throughout the Golden Anniversary year now underway. Kickoff day is November 6. Dr. Eberly, known for development of fine arts festivals in the South, came to TSCW in September. He also is expanding the all-girl symphony and choirs.

The State of Texas has provided an all-purpose vacation spot near the geographical center of the state at Lake Brownwood. It

is the 36th Division State Park where there is fishing, swimming, boating, camping facilities, and living quarters.

LEGALS

CITY ORDINANCE
AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND DETERMINING RATES AND CHARGES TO BE CHARGED FOR SALES OF NATURAL GAS TO RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL CONSUMERS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF MERKEL TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH SUCH RATES AND CHARGES MAY BE CHANGED AND AMENDED AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERKEL:

SECTION 1. Effective with the first gas bills rendered after the date of passage and approval of this ordinance the rates and charges for sales of natural gas and natural gas service rendered to residential and commercial consumers within the city limits of Merkel by Lone Star Gas Company, a Texas corporation, its successors and assigns, are hereby fixed and determined to be as follows:

Minimum Monthly Bill \$1.00
Readiness to Serve Charge \$.50
All Gas at \$.7833 per m. c. f. gross; \$.705 per m. c. f. net.
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The above rates and charges are applicable to each residential and commercial consumer per month or for any part of a month for which gas is used at the same location.

SECTION 2. The rates and charges set forth in Section 1 may be changed and amended by either the City or the company fur-

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nishing gas in the manner provided by law.

SECTION 3. The fact that there is an imperative public need for an immediate change and adjustment in the rates and charges for gas and gas service furnished to residential and commercial consumers creates an emergency and the reading and passage of this ordinance at three separate meetings is hereby suspended and this ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after the date of its passage at a single meeting and the approval thereof by the mayor.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 3 day of November, A. D. 1952.

ATTEST:

W. M. ELLIOTT, City Secretary
H. C. WEST, Mayor
City of Merkel, Texas

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TAYLOR
I. W. M. Elliott, Secretary of the City of Merkel, Taylor County, Texas, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an ordinance passed and approved by the City Council of the City of Merkel at a regular session held on the 3rd day of Nov., 1952, as it appears of record in the Minutes of said Council, in Book 4, page 367.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID CITY, this the 4th day of November, A. D., 1952.
W. M. ELLIOTT
City Secretary
City of Merkel, Texas
(SEAL)

Adv. Nov. 7

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TAYLOR

We, the subscribers, have this day entered into a limited partnership agreeably to the provisions of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas relating to limited partnerships; and do hereby certify that the terms of our said partnership are as follows:

I. The firm name under which the partnership is to be conducted is PICKRELL — DISTINCTIVE TAILORING, Ltd.

II. The general nature of the business to be transacted is the trade, business and occupation of exclusive tailoring of Army uniforms and civilian suits and other furnishings necessarily associated with such business.

III. The names of all the general and special partners interested therein, distinguishing which are general and which are special partners, and their respective of residence, follow:

L. G. Rhodes, special partner, place of residence, Abilene, Texas.
Ed Pickrell, general partner, place of residence, Abilene, Texas.

IV. The amount of capital which L. G. Rhodes, the special partner, has contributed to the common

stock is Seven Hundred and Fifty and No-100 Dollars in cash.

V. The period at which it is to terminate is the 30th day of October, 1962, and the period at which it is to commence is the 30th day of October, 1952.

This 30th day of October, 1952
L. G. RHODES (Special Partner)
ED PICKRELL (General Partner)
Adv. Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Helen Burton, Greeting:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 1st day of December, A. D., 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 15th day of October, 1952. The file number of said suit being No. 7062-B.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Joseph E. Burton as Plaintiff, and Helen Burton as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married the 4th day of May, 1949, and lived together as husband and wife until on or about the 24th day of November, 1949, at which time the plaintiff left the defendant.

Plaintiff alleges that there were no children born of the marriage and none were adopted.

Plaintiff alleges that there are no property rights to adjudicate.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays that he be granted a divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 15th day of October A. D., 1952.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 15th day of October A. D., 1952.

J. NEIL DANIEL, Clerk District Court of Taylor County, Texas By Irene Crawford, Deputy Adv. Oct. 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Bryan W. Fonteno, Greetings
You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 1st day of December, A. D., 1952, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 9th day of October, 1952.

The file number of said suit being No. 7056-B.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Idania Fonteno as Plaintiff, and Bryan W. Fonteno as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married November 29, 1947, and separated on April 19, 1952.

No children were born, and no property rights have been accumulated.

Plaintiff prays that she be granted a divorce on grounds of harsh and cruel treatment.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 16th day of October, A. D., 1952.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 16th day of October A. D., 1952.

J. NEIL DANIEL, Clerk Dist. Court Taylor County, Texas By Irene Crawford Deputy Adv. Oct. 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14

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SOCIETY

SUZANNE HOWARD HONORED WITH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Henry Howard honored her daughter Suzanne Friday on her fifth birthday with a party in her home. The room was decorated with Halloween decorations. The birthday cake was in the shape of a pumpkin with five tiny candles.

Those who helped Suzanne celebrate her birthday were three little cousins from Abilene, Jane, Judy and Karen Clack, Minyon and Roger Beaird, Wayne Thompson, Mike and Judy Hester, Mike and Pam Walla, Mickey Cunningham, Sarah Harris,

Nancy Watts, Judy Agnew, Brenda and Wanda Sylvester, Judy Peterson, Tommie Riney, Lonnie Thompson, Dwight Braswell, Scotty Childress, Janie Hall, Larry Howard, Hayden Griffin.

Mrs. O. Griffin, Allen Agnew, Alf Walla, Lonnie Beaird, H. E. Childress, E. R. Clack, Buster Hester, Morris Clack and Mrs. Henry Howard.

ROBERT WILSON IS HONORED WITH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. W. Wilson was hostess for a birthday party honoring her son, Robert, on Thursday of last week, his third birthday. Misses Joelle Thompson and Barbara Jean Sylvester assisted Mrs. Wilson in greeting the guests and directing games.

The children enjoyed outdoor and indoor games, the opening of presents, cake cutting and singing of the birthday song.

Those attending were Pat Warren, John and Jean Reed, Mike McLeod, Paul Carson, Tommy Toombs, Don Carson, Terry Boaz.

David Hammond, Bronwyn Gamble, Martha Ann Tipton, Kay Tipton, Wanda Sylvester, Brenda Sylvester, Mike and Bill Vaughan.

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FREDA JO AND LINDA KAY ENJOY BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. W. A. Henager entertained her two little daughters, Freda Jo and Linda Kay, whose birthdays were Tuesday, Oct. 23, on Monday evening, Oct. 27, with a birthday party. Each had a cake decorated with candles.

Twenty seven of their little friends enjoyed the games and the singing of "Happy Birthday" when the candles were blown out. Refreshments of ice cream, cake and pop were served, after which the gifts were opened and more games were played.

FOUR-LEAF CLOVER CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

The Four-Leaf Clover Club of the sixth grade elected officers Monday, Oct. 27. The following officers for the month are:

President, Joe Neill, vice president, J. R. Mashburn; secretary, Danny Harris, assistant secretary, Sue Bond, room patrol, Frances Reeder, reporter and treasurer, Shirley Carey.

The other members of the class are: Michael, Billy Gouge, Skippy Hicks, Benny Melton, Lanny Perry.

Jerry Don Reynolds, Troy Lee Watson, Ann Benson, Annette Boney, Ramona Brooks.

Shirley Brown, Lynda Kingsbury, Beth Loflin, Glenda Owen, Beba Ribera, Norah Smith, and the teacher, Mrs. Johnny Cox.

WOODMAN CIRCLE GROVE 563 MEETS IN WHITE HOME

The regular meeting of the Woodman Circle Grove 563 met in the home of Mrs. J. L. White with Mrs. Mae Seago and Mrs. Neelan Palmer as co-hostesses.

Those present were Mesdames Clara Walla, Ester Luke, Lake Renfro, Bea Reves, Tillie Barnett, Sallie Gant, Bertie Coats, Eva McNiece, and Miss Maurine White.

MR. AND MRS. J. H. CLARK HAVE HALLOWEEN SOCIAL

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clark entertained last Thursday, Oct. 30, with a Halloween social. The house was decorated with pumpkins, black cats, bats, owls, and witches on brooms. Some came dressed in Halloween costumes. It was hard to tell just who the 53 guests were until the masks were removed.

Games were played and a singing enjoyed. Refreshments of pies, cookies, hot chocolate and coffee were served. All had a grand time.

AUXILIARY ENTERTAINS FIREMEN AND FAMILIES

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Merkel Fire Department entertained their husbands and families with a social Monday evening, Oct. 27. Canasta and 42 were played and enjoyed by all.

Refreshments were served to Messrs. and Mesdames E. B. Wallace and family, Ray Mundy and Charles, Homer Newby and Phillips, H. R. McKeever, Calvin Peterson, Alvin P. Wozencraft and Terry, R. A. Anderson, John Mansfield, J. D. Fox and boys, Olie Fox, Clyde Wurst, Dale and Arlene, C. M. McWilliams and children, Rhett Eidson and Rita, C. E. Newborn.

MANY DINNER GUESTS AT HOME OF MR. AND MRS. KINSEY

Dinner was held Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Kinsey for W. E. Light of Galveston, and his children, Mrs. Lottie Paul and 2 babies of Ft. Worth, Bernice, Bruce and George Light, all of Lamesa. Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Herman Light and three children of Noodle, Mrs. Jerome Kinsey, Mrs. Pearl Horton and daughter Wanda and Gene Dye, all of Merkel, Pvt. Oscar Mumpower, Pvt. Joe Green, Pvt. Glen Stoker, all of Ft. Hood.

Other visitors in the afternoon were Mrs. Bob Dye, Mrs. Dora Howard and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Horton and two children of Merkel, Mrs. Betty Garrett and three babies, and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Alexander, all of Abilene.

W. M. S. MEETS AT BAPTIST CHURCH ON MONDAY

The W. M. S. of the First Baptist Church met Monday at 9:30 at the church for the regular monthly business meeting, presided over by the president, Mrs. Clyde Bartlett. The meditation thoughts were brought by Mrs. P. F. Harris from Psalm 37.

The society voted to have two circle meetings each month by combining the business and royal service program to be held the first Monday in each month and having a covered dish luncheon that day. All women are asked to take notice and be present for the fellowship hour.

MRS. IRL WALKER ATTENDS HOMEcoming AT ROTAN

Mrs. Irl Walker attended the home coming of ex-seniors of Rotan High School Friday. Mrs. Walker graduated there in 1924. Only three of her class members were present.

After a program and banquet in the high school cafeteria, all present attended the football game between Merkel and Rotan.

BLUE BONNET H. D. CLUB MET WITH MRS. FARMER

The Blue Bonnet H. D. Club met in the home of Mrs. Adrian Farmer. Mrs. Farmer presided in the absence of the president. Roll call was answered with "Something I'm Thankful For." Each gave an interesting report on what they had achieved this year.

Officers were elected for the coming year: Mrs. Allen King, president, Mrs. Elmer Patterson, vice-president, Mrs. Adrian Farmer, council member, Mrs. Ford Butman, secretary-treasurer, Mrs. F. Demere, reporter, Mrs. Joe Swinney, parliamentarian.

The next meeting will be a call meeting at Mrs. Euel Ray's, Nov. 10 at 2 p. m. for the purpose of learning basket weaving. Mrs. Ford Butman will give the instructions. There will be material for all members. All visitors are welcome.

The club voted to have a Christmas party at Mrs. Tom Russon's Dec. 2.

Refreshments were served to the following members: Mesdames Bronovak, Phillips, Butman, Demere and Farmer.

BADGERS LIBRARY CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS FOR YEAR

The Merkel High School Badgers Library Club met Nov. 3 and elected the following officers for this year:

President, Beth Thomas; vice president, Tommie Maddox; secretary-treasurer, Bertha Patterson, re-elected; parliamentarian, Sandra Patterson; reporter, Vernell McLean.

Questions pertaining to the library and the movie "Ivanhoe" were discussed. There are 25 members in the club.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Admissions to the Sadler Hospital the past week were:

As medical patients — Mrs. H. G. Smith, Mrs. Joe K. Higgins, Mrs. Roy Griffin.

For surgery — Mrs. Ralph Miller and Mrs. Pat Cypert.

Personals

Mrs. Jack M. Parks of Toole Utah, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Porter Petty. Capt. Parks will be leaving for overseas duty sometime in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Anderson, Jess and George Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Sandell of Tuscola recently visited their sister, Mrs. Lula Cope, of Lorraine.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Campbell, Jr. and baby daughter, Vivian Gail, of Wilson visited with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Anderson, Merkel, and Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell of the Mt. Pleasant community, also his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cleckler, of Abilene over the weekend.

A-c Bobby Gilbert visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Gilbert and family several days last week. A friend of Bob's, A-c John Kaneles visited here with him. Both boys reported Nov. 2 to Craig Air Force Base, Selma, Ala., for further pilot training.

Mrs. Tom Seymour and Mrs. Bill Patterson visited Mr. and Mrs. Dean Smith at Big Lake last week on Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Mary Carey had as weekend visitors her daughter, Mrs. Blanche Cockrell of Ft. Worth, her daughter-in-law, Mrs. M. F. Carey, of Harrison, Ark., and Mr. and Mrs. Woody Walter of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Odum of Stanton spent Wednesday in Merkel on business and visiting relatives and friends. They are former Merketites.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley King have just returned from a 10-day trip from Corpus Christi and Clarksdale, Miss. They saw good crops in Mississippi.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Gamble returned Sunday from Atlanta, Ga., where they visited their daughter and husband, Capt. and Mrs. Doyle Seifried and family for two weeks.

"This is the wettest spot between here and Atlanta," said Mr. Gamble. "They have planted cover crops but they are not up."

The Goodman Home Demonstration women realized there were spooks in the community Halloween night. The little "tap, tap" on Mr. Hodges' gate brought him to the porch. To his surprise he found himself greeting spooks of all sizes with a handshake.

As for Mrs. Hodges, she flew to the back only to find spooks everywhere. She returned to the living room and found it crowded with black cats, goblins and witches. It was the spookiest

LEGALS

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TAYLOR

Notice is hereby given that the limited partnership heretofore subsisting between D. S. Parker, as a general partner, and H. W. Cox, as a limited partner, both of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, under the firm name of Abilene Chain Link Fence Company, Ltd., with home offices in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, was dissolved by mutual consent on the 14th day of October, A. D. 1952.

All debts owing to the said partnership are to be received by the said D. S. Parker, who is now the sole owner of said business, and all demands on said partnership are to be presented to the said D. S. Parker for payment, and the said H. W. Cox has no connection whatsoever with said business and that the said D. S. Parker will hereafter operate under the same name, Abilene Chain Link Fence Company.

WITNESS OUR SIGNATURES this 3rd day of November, A. D. 1952.

D. S. PARKER H. W. COX

Adv. Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28

place she had seen in quite a long while.

The only thing Mrs. Hodges said as the spooks left the scene was, "I just wonder who that old long haired witch could be." But these cruel goblins just left Mrs. Hodges to wonder.

MRS. CLIFFORD TROTTER HONORED ON HER BIRTHDAY

The Methodist Church of Trent entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Beasley with a covered dish supper, honoring the birthday of Mrs. Clifford Trotter, wife of the Methodist minister.

There were 35 guests and 42 was played. All had an enjoyable time.

HAS MINOR SURGERY

Mrs. Earl Miller had minor surgery Saturday morning at the Hendrick Hospital in Abilene. She is getting along all right.

SINGING AT PIONEER

Regular Second Sunday singing will be held at the Pioneer Church at 2 p. m. Everyone is welcome.

Mrs. David Largent Has Major Surgery

Mrs. David Largent had major surgery at the Sadler Hospital last Friday.

WHITE CHURCH NOTE

There will be an all-day cemetery working at the White Church Cemetery Tuesday, Nov. 11. There will be a basket lunch at noon.

TRIO ARRESTED ON THEFT CHARGE IN SWEETWATER

Two men and a woman were arrested in Sweetwater after they had driven away from a service station here without paying for the gasoline. The two men were released to Merkel officers and the woman held in Sweetwater for investigation.

TOTAL GINNING GIVEN

The total number of bales of cotton ginned here up to noon Wednesday at the Farmers Coop Gin was 126, stated Morris Smith, manager. He expected 25 or 30 more this season.

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Claud F. Perry Succumbs Wed.

Claud Franklin Perry, 52, died early Wednesday morning after a long illness.

Funeral services were held at 4:30 p. m. Thursday at the First Baptist Church with Rev. Glen Braswell officiating, assisted by L. L. Plaster.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery with arrangements by Starbuck Funeral Home.

Mr. Perry was born Nov. 9, 1899, in Knox City, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perry. He married Miss Edith Belle Frady of Eatherford July 3, 1922. In 1923 they came to Merkel. Mr. Perry operated the Highway Filling Station until a few weeks ago.

He is survived by his wife; three brothers, Dee of Hobbs, N. Mex., John and Clarence; two sisters, Mrs. Jack Page and Mrs. Bryan Bethany of Odessa.

He is also survived by his brother Dee's children, whom he and his wife reared: Truett, Eloise, Theda, Mary Ellen and Betty Jo.

Mrs. Seth Morgan Claimed By Death

Mrs. Seth Morgan, 60, died at 2 a. m. Wednesday in the Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene. She became ill Tuesday night.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Thursday with Rev. Glen Braswell officiating, assisted by Rev. J. W. Saffle. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery with Starbuck Funeral Home in charge.

Mrs. Morgan was born Mary Pearl Ingraham in Putnam in 1892 and moved to Stanton in 1921. She returned to Putnam in 1921 and then to Lamesa in 1923. She came to Merkel in 1924. She was married in 1916.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Ross McIlroy, Austin, and Mrs. Clarence Collins, Abilene; one son, Harold Morgan, San Antonio, and one sister, Mrs. Jewel Webster, Stanton, and three grandsons, Kenneth Ross and James David, McIlroy and James Robert Morgan.

Mrs. Cora E. Curb Dies Last Saturday

Mrs. Cora Elizabeth Curb, 77, who came to Merkel in 1888, died Saturday in the Lawson Rest Home.

The funeral was held at 3 p. m. Sunday. Rev. Hugh Hunt, pastor,

officiated. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

She was born Jan. 21, 1875 in Hunt County, Tex. She moved to Abilene in 1887 and then to Merkel in 1888, where she had lived continuously since that time.

Mrs. Curb was the widow of the late C. S. Curb, whom she married July 5, 1899. He died in December, 1911.

Survivors include a brother, G. Martin of Dalhart; three sisters, Mrs. Lilly Orr of Merkel, Mrs. A. Z. Penny of Sulphur Springs, and Mrs. Nora Pruitt of New Mexico; three sons, S. P. Curb of Merkel, R. G. Curb of Snyder, and L. C. Curb of Pecos; three grandchildren. Another son, Alvin B., died in 1938.

Rev. J. W. Hampton Dies at Home At Age Of 86

Rev. J. W. Hampton, 86, a Nazarene minister for more than 30 years, died at 2 a. m. Wednesday of last week at his home in Merkel.

Rev. Hampton had been retired from the full-time ministry for about 15 years, but had continued to preach from time to time for the past few years.

He was a former Nazarene pastor at Coleman, at Eula, and at Comanche and had lived here about 12 years.

His first wife, the mother of his six children, died Aug. 9, 1952.

Funeral services were held at 3 p. m. Thursday of last week at Starbuck Funeral Chapel and burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Rev. Henry Cagle, Buffalo Gap, officiated.

Rev. Hampton launched his evangelistic career in 1904 at a meeting in Oklahoma, and both he and his wife held a number of evangelistic meetings through the ensuing years until her death. He had since remarried.

He was born June 9, 1866, in Williamson County and grew up in Coryell County just west of Gatesville.

He was married to the former Mary Stahl on Sept. 6, 1883. They lived in Coryell County until 1900 when they moved to Merkel. They lived here three years, in Coleman County two years and in Tom Green County several years.

He is survived by his wife; three sons, Herman, Ernest, and Searcy (Joe) Hampton, all of Abilene; and three daughters, Mrs. J. L. Mayhall, Edgewood, Tex., Mrs. C. W. Mayhall of Abilene, and Mrs. J. W. Patton.

Thirty-three grandchildren, 51 great-grandchildren, and five

great-great-grandchildren also survive.

Grandsons were pallbearers. Rev. Hampton had been in failing health for some months and seriously ill three weeks.

Billy Holmes Buys Radiator Shop in Merkel

Billy Holmes has bought the Merkel Radiator Shop and is now operating it.

Mr. Holmes used to run this shop and has just recently returned from Midland where he has been for three years.

Rev. H. S. Earp Conducts Funeral

Rev. H. S. Earp, pastor of the Assembly of God Church, officiated at the funeral Monday of Albert Leon Sedberry, 18, in Abilene. Young Sedberry was found dead with his wife in her car. Both had been shot.

POSTPONE GAME

The football game against Colorado City at Colorado City has been postponed on account of the outbreak of polio in that city. One of the "B" players and assistant coach has been taken to the hospital. The Merkel game will be played one week later, on Nov. 21.

Largent, Son Win Two Firsts,

The final report on the placings of W. J. Largent and Son at the American Royal Livestock Show in Kansas City, Mo., in the Hereford contests, according to Mr. Largent, is:

First prize, senior bull calf
First prize, pair of calves
Second, two-year old cow
Second, senior heifer calf
Fourth, junior yearling heifer
Fifth, summer yearling heifer

John Grable, 47, Dies Last Week

John Grable, 47, died of Throckmorton on Wednesday last week. He lived in Merkel years before going to Throckmorton. He was a Chevrolet dealer here. He was a steward in the Methodist Church and a Mason. He is survived by his wife and two sons.

Rev. Ed Robb Mixes Humor in Pulpit With Informality

Mixing humor with informality the city-wide revival opened here at 3 p. m. Sunday at the Texan theatre with Rev. Ed Robb of the Abilene Evangelical Methodist church as evangelist. Many persons from Abilene and Sweetwater were present.

"The preachers today are not the alarmists," he began, "the scientists and statesmen are. We have the atom bomb, we have the germ bomb, we have the hydrogen bomb. With these we can bring the end of the world. We are really living in the 'latter days.'"

Rev. Robb preached on "Return of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

Warming up to his subject, Rev. Robb removed his coat.

Rev. Robb is an enthusiastic, spirited speaker, using strong gestures that include one hand or two hands or his whole body. He has a sense of humor and of dramatic effects, visualizing his stories in a powerful manner. He does not scorn the use of the vernacular.

The revival will continue each night through Nov. 16, starting at 7:30 p. m. The public is invited.

Boy Scout Drive Brings in \$722

The Boy Scout fund raising drive collected \$722 in Merkel up to last Saturday, announced General Chairman Waymon Adeock. All funds at that time had not as yet been contributed. The final checkup had as yet not been made.

"The public has been very good to the Boy Scouts," announced Mr. Adeock. "They have given generously and it is greatly appreciated by the boys. Personally, I want to thank the contributors, the committees who organized the drive, the persons who did the work of collecting, the captains and their men and everyone who had anything to do with this campaign. Without each and everyone this campaign would not have been the success it is."

Mr., Mrs. H. Wilson Celebrate 39th Wedding Year

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Wilson were honored on their 39th wedding

WARD OF THANKS

We desire to express to our kind neighbors and thoughtful friends our heartfelt thanks for their many expressions of sympathy. The beautiful floral offerings were appreciated. We wish especially to thank Dr. Sadler and Dr. Warren for their fine services and the Lawson Rest Home for its kind care and treatment of our beloved mother. The Children and Grandchildren of Mrs. Cora E. Curb

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank everyone who was so kind and helpful to me during my illness, especially Dr. Sadler and Dr. Warren, and all the nurses who did everything possible for me, and those who sent cards and flowers. May God bless everyone of you.

The Jess Anderson Family

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for their many kindnesses, words of comfort and to the doctors for their efficient services and untiring efforts in the recent illness and death of our beloved father, Rev. J. W. Hampton, and also to the undertaker for his efficient services and to our many friends for the beautiful floral offerings.

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anniversary with a barbecue steak supper Saturday night by their family.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Taylor, and Miss Joyce Wilson of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Talma Wilson and family of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wilson and family of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Foy Steadman and family and Miss Sarah Wilson of Trent. All enjoyed themselves and the Wilsons received many gifts.

Two Programs Will Be Presented By Grade Schools

The highlight of the observance of American Education Week in Merkel will be the presentation of two programs by pupils in the elementary schools.

The primary grades 1-4 will present a variety program in keeping with both Book Week and Education Week on Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 12, at 2 p. m. in the school auditorium. All parents and patrons are invited.

The Elementary School, grades 5-8, will present a similar program at 1:45 p. m. Friday afternoon, Nov. 14, in the school auditorium.

During Education Week, Nov. 9-14, parents and citizens are invited to visit the elementary classes any time during the day. They are especially invited to visit the Book Fair to be held in Room 12 of the Elementary School and in Room 12 of the Primary School.

All visitors are urged to register at the fair in order to be eligible for the book to be given away at the end of the fair. Parents may buy any of the books displayed at the two fairs.

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C. B. Rust, Secy.

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REV. GLEN BRASWELL

That was interesting news about the help that our Rev. Glen Braswell is giving in the establishment of the First Southern Baptist Church in Montana at Billings. Billings now has a mission.

Rev. Braswell has the vitality of youth and the urge of accomplishment and achievement. In pushing forward the establishment of the First Southern Baptist Church in Montana we can feel sure that it will be accomplished and that it will be another glory in the crown of our local minister.

We feel proud of him and we feel that we express the wish of everyone in Merkel that his good works shall flourish and grow bigger as time passes.

THE LARGENTS

The Largets have done it again — entered the American Royal at Kansas City and come off with many honors in the Hereford contests.

W. J. Largent and Son won two first places, two seconds, one fourth, and one fifth place in the livestock show. Roy R. Largent and Sons won a fourth place, two fifth places and two eighth places.

When you consider that Merkel is a small dot on the map when it comes to looking at the whole

United States, the achievements that the Largets have made are marvelous and a great honor not only to them but to Merkel and the whole surrounding area.

We congratulate The Largets, we congratulate W. J., we congratulate Roy R., we congratulate their sons. We hope that they continue to win more honors. It is a great publicity for Merkel; it is a great honor for Merkel.

Winning places — and firsts at that — in the American Royal Livestock Show is a mark of highest distinction. We are happy that our fellow townsmen won this honor.

NOODLE BASKETBALL

Noodle takes its basketball straight; it believes in winning. And in most cases it does win. But when it loses, as happens to the best of teams, it makes news. Last week we reported that it was nosed out by the team from the Key City in the last two minutes of play. They scared the Abilene folks!

C. M. Brown, coach of the boys, and A. H. Hill, coach of the girls, are doing splendid work making their teams outstanding. We congratulate them heartily.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS

Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Marshall celebrated their golden wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Coats observed their 50-year wedding anniversary.

Many people came to congratulate them, 126 to the Marshall festivity and 95 to the Coats celebration. Folks came from near and far, many sent greetings, many sent gifts.

It was a happy occasion for those who had been together for 50 years, years of disaster, years of triumph, years of sorrow, years of happiness, years that had ripened into a golden color.

Together they had traveled the road of life, giving birth to children, rearing children, sending them to school, sending them out into the commercial world, giving them material aid, giving them spiritual guidance and the moral stamina to lead good lives, better lives, uplifting lives.

These folks, celebrating their golden wedding anniversaries, point out the golden spark in married life, laying the lie to the remark that marriages are mostly unhappy and lead to divorce. They have shown that there can

be fine happiness in marriage, in long marriage.

May we add also our best wishes for long life to these happy folks.

"WHITE-ICISM"

That's ALL — and the Sage of Figfield adds that happy marriages do not seek the limelight, the failures do.

Junior Badgers Win Over Trent In Stiff Defense

The Merkel Junior Badgers won again over the Trent Juniors Thursday of last week at Trent 20-0.

The Trent lads did an outstanding job at defense but could not click with their offense. However, they showed great improvement over the last time they played the Badgers.

Coach Leon Walker's boys received the kickoff and drove to the Trent 15-yard line where Trent intercepted a short pass by Kermit Rutledge. In the second play from scrimmage Kermit intercepted a Trent pass and crossed the goal line untouched. The kick was not good. Score, M, 6, T, 0.

With the wind to their backs in the second quarter, the Badgers took over the ball at the midfield and drove to the Trent 20 where a pass from Narciso Ribero to Kermit was good for the score. The play from scrimmage was made good by a scrimmage for the point. Score, M 13, T 0.

Trent's defense was going strong and no scoring was done in the third quarter by the Badgers.

In the last period the Badgers, right at the beginning, scored again on a run from Trent's 20-yard line by Jackie Russell. A pass from Narciso to Jerry Miller was good for the point.

All the Junior Badgers played and everyone did an outstanding job.

The Juniors were to play again last Tuesday against Anson's Juniors.

ABOUT CEILING PRICES

By Ted Gouldy
 It is considered a certainty by livestock men and packinghouse men at Fort Worth that another effort to get ceiling prices and compulsory grading removed from cattle and hogs will be made right away.

The fact that compulsory grading adds considerable expense to the cost of meat has been cited by packers as hurting the consumer—who eventually pays the bill.

The fact that many retail meat handlers have not given their customers full benefit of lower wholesale prices is allegedly responsible for some curtailed consumption of meat and has made slipping cattle and hog prices lose ground faster.

Reason advanced by the trade for thinking cattle growers and hog men will redouble their efforts was the recent victory of the sheep industry in getting the wholesale ceilings and compulsory grading and classification removed.

This fight launched at Fort Worth early this year by sheepmen, Fort Worth market men and packers, has won plaudits from people all over the nation in the livestock or meat business.

Parity on Oct. 15, as announced by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, on livestock and wool was announced last week: Average prices, effective parity prices and percentage of parity are: Beef Cattle .22.00 20.80 106%
 Veal Calves 23.80 23.20 103%
 Hogs .18.60 21.10 88%
 Lambs .22.20 22.80 97%
 Wool .50.4 58.9 -8 1/2%

The losers in the recent elections have nobody to blame but themselves.

They did not promise a good general rain — and about three-fourths of the country could surely use one.

While feed supplies are critical

ly short in many areas — stock water and drinking water are becoming critical in many places.

What Other Teams Are Doing

By Marion Clemons

The Stamford Bulldogs chewed up the Anson Tigers and spit out a final score of 41-0 in what was likely the deciding game for the conference winner. Ken Lowe tallied two of the Stamford touchdowns with Simmons, Kelley, Humphrey and Wash each coming in for a single score. Willie Goza and Don Watts were outstanding for Anson, but were unable to move against Stamford's formidable forward wall. Well, let's see — Stamford defeated Merkel 38-6. Stamford defeated Anson 41-0. Covering Helms as passer and Sammy Neal as receiver, the Badgers might edge further up in conference standings tonight.

Hamlin dropped the Colorado City Wolves by the close margin of 20-13. By the way, the game which Merkel had scheduled with Colorado City in CC for Nov. 14 will not be played until Nov. 21, whole the Wolves' game with Stamford for tonight has been cancelled completely. This will be the final conference game for the Badgers.

Season Standings			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Stamford	8	0	1.000
Anson	7	1	.875
Merkel	5	3	.625
Hamlin	5	3	.625
Rotan	4	4	.500
Colorado City	4	4	.500

Conference Standings			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Stamford	3	0	1.000
Anson	2	1	.667
Hamlin	2	1	.667
Merkel	1	2	.333
Colorado City	1	2	.333
Rotan	0	3	.000

"Jumping Jacks" Is Funniest Ever At Queen Theatre

In Hal Wallis' "Jumping Jacks" the Paramount Picture which plays Sunday, Monday and Tuesday at the Queen Theatre, Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis give a riotous demonstration of what happens when an enemy song-and-dance man and his girl-happy buddy join the paratroops. Punctuated with bright music, lively dancing and romance, the demonstration stacks up as the screwball team's freshest and funniest screen chore to date.

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Mellingers Attend Men's Wear Meet At Dallas

Isadore and Meyer Mellinger attended the Men's Wear Convention in Dallas from Sunday to Wednesday.

Mrs. T. H. Tarbet Dies In Big Spring Of Heart Attack

Mrs. T. H. Tarbet of Ackerly, formerly of Merkel, died in a Big Spring hospital of a heart attack Oct. 27. Mrs. Tarbet is the former Flossie Hendrix, native of Corinth, Ark., who was married to T. H. Tarbet at Rule. Mrs. Tarbet was the daughter

of Mrs. J. E. Hendrix and sister of Mrs. C. E. Westenhover.

Seventh Grade Elects Officers At Its Meeting

New officers have been elected in Miss Phillip's seventh grade room. They are: President, Mena Stello; Vice-President, Shirley Bagby; secretary and treasurer, Barbara Harris, parliamentarian, Beckley Ray; police, Donald Ford and reporter, Glenda Ann Melton.

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Sunday:
Sunday School... 10:00 a. m.
M. Y. F. ... 7:00 p. m.
Prayer Meeting... 7:30 p. m.
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Wednesday:
Prayer Service... 7:30 p. m.

New Live Oak Baptist Church
Sunday:
Sunday School... 10 a. m.
Morning Worship... 11 a. m.
Training Union... 6:45 p. m.
Evening Worship... 7:30 p. m.

Trent Church of Christ

Sunday:
Sunday... 11:00 o'clock
Bible Class... 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship... 11:00 a. m.
Evening Services... 8:00 p. m.
Thursday:
Ladies Bible Class... 4:00 p. m.

Noodle Baptist Church

Sunday:
Sunday School... 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship... 11:00 a. m.
Young People's Class... 6:30 p. m.
Evening Service... 8:00 p. m.

Merkel Church of Christ

Sunday:
Bible Study... 9:45 a. m.
Morning Service... 11:00 a. m.
Young People's Bible Class... 6:30 p. m.
Evening Services... 7:30 p. m.

Trent First Baptist Church

Sunday:
Sunday School... 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship... 11:00 a. m.
Training Union... 6:45 p. m.
Evening Services... 7:30 p. m.
Tuesday:
U. M. U. ... 9:30 a. m.
Wednesday:
G. A.'s and R. A.'s... 6:30 p. m.
Prayer Services... 7:30 p. m.
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Sunday School... 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship... 11:00 a. m.
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Morning Services... 11:00 a. m.
M. Y. F. Services... 6:30 p. m.
Wednesday:
Prayer Services... 7:30 p. m.

Noodle Church of Christ

Sunday:
Bible Class... 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship Service... 11:00 a. m.
Young People's Service... 6:30 p. m.
Evening Worship... 7:30 p. m.

Merkel First Baptist Church

Sunday School... 9:45 a. m.
Morning Worship... 11:00 a. m.
Training Union... 6:30 p. m.
Evening Worship... 7:30 p. m.
Young People's Service... 7 p. m.
Evening Service... 7:30 p. m.
Wednesday Prayer Service... 7:30 p. m.
W. F. M. S. meets at 2:30 p. m.
Wednesday:
Prayer Services... 7:30 p. m.

Amity Baptist Church

Morning Service... 11:15 a. m.
Sunday School... 10:30 a. m.
Evening Bible Class... 6:30 p. m.
Evening Services... 7:30 p. m.

Merkel Calvary Baptist Church

Sunday School... 9:45 a. m.
Morning Service... 11:00 a. m.
Evening Bible Class... 6:30 p. m.
Evening Worship... 7:30 p. m.

Merkel Assembly of God

Sunday school... 10 a. m.
Morning Service... 11 a. m.
C. A.'s (Young People)... 7 p. m.
Evening Worship... 7:30 p. m.
Tuesday W. M. C. ... 2 p. m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 7:30 p. m.

Pioneer Memorial Chapel

Sunday School... 10:00 a. m.
Morning Service... 11:00 a. m.
Evening Services... 8:00 p. m.
Wednesday:
Evening Prayer Service... 7:30

Merkel First Methodist Church

Sunday:
Sunday School... 9:50 a. m.
Morning Worship... 10:50 a. m.
M. Y. F. ... 6:30 p. m.
Evening Worship... 7:30 p. m.

Merkel Grace Presbyterian Church

Sunday School... 10:00 a. m.
Worship Service... 11 a. m.
Evening Service... 7:30 p. m.

Comper Baptist Church

Sunday School... 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship, 2nd and 4th Sunday... 11 a. m.

Dr. Lee Podolsky Will Conduct Music Workshop

Dr. Lee Podolsky, internationally known pianist, teacher, and lecturer, will conduct a music workshop at Hardin-Simmons University Friday and Saturday, Nov. 7 and 8. Dr. Podolsky will lecture on "The Modern Approach to the Modern Piano."

Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation News

Conservation activities often require special equipment to get a job done quickly, efficiently and economically.

In the above photo, Tom Russum, Middle Clear Fork Soil Conservation District supervisor, is inspecting a combination drill and phosphate spreader recently purchased by the district. Since delivery, this piece of machinery has been used to drill winter peas and vetch and rye, both with and without phosphate.

"This and other equipment was purchased by the district from state appropriated funds," Russum said. "Most farmers and ranchers cannot buy such equipment for use on a limited acreage of their farms, and to meet an urgent need of land owners and operators, the district has purchased and is purchasing various of such equipment. It is placed in convenient locations about the district and leased at nominal rates to anyone who cares to use it," he added.

Mr. Russum, who lives two miles east of Butman Church, has a district-owned grass drill, hydraulic freso and the new combination drill with phosphate spreader at his farm.

W. D. Ramsey, supervisor in the north end of the district near Comper, has a two-row grass and legume seeder at his farm and is to get a new grass drill before grass-planting season in March. Two tumbling fresnos are owned



TOM RUSSOM

so's farm near Stith and the other is at Bob Riney's farm near Mt. Pleasant.

Chicago Gets Set For Stock Show Nov. 29 Thru Dec. 6

Agriculture's greatest show will celebrate its 53rd year as plans take effect for the 1952 edition of the International Live Stock Exposition. The big annual spectacle is slated for November 29 thru December 6 in the International Amphitheatre of the Chicago Stock Yards.

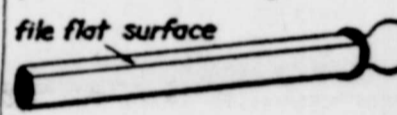
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freshmen and one senior from Merkel. They include Billy George Reid, Mary Francis Criswell and Joy Winona Johnson.

WHAT WILD TASTE!

Notes on the passing scene in Merkel.

A few businessmen were sitting around, and they were not of the TBM variety, discussing serious business. At one point a lighter tone was brought in and they began to discuss hunting wild game. Someone remarked, "I don't like their wild taste." "What's the matter with wild taste?" casually spoke up Fred Starbuck. "I lived on wild game until I was 20."
"Must have been rabbits," someone remarked.

Coleman O'Brien At Management Meet in Big Spring

Coleman O'Brien, work unit conservationist, S. C. S., is attending a range management school in Big Spring this week.

B. C. Ray Serving With U. S. Depot

Serving at the U. S. Naval Supply Depot, Guam, Marianas Islands, is B. C. Ray, storekeeper third class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Ray of Route 1. The Supply Depot at Guam is a secondary supply point for the conflict in Korea, and a main supply station for ships in the Marianas area.

Buddy McKeever Is Now Teaching While At College

Buddy McKeever, McMurry College student from Merkel who is majoring in education, is filling his practice teaching appointment at South Junior High School in English. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. McKeever, and a senior at McMurry.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE GAME

Two of the Big Four were out of the game, leaving only Bobby Owens and Dale Dudley. Doyle Black had an early foot injury and Ralph Bartlett was out with a broken rib suffered in scrimmage last week.

Good band and pep squad shows were put on in midtime by Merkel and Rotan.

A large crowd of Merkelites attended the game.

It was an ideal football night with a slight breeze that was cool and not cold.

Coach Carroll Benson wore a hat, not a cap!

Editor Hy White dragged along a heavy Missouri overcoat. (He did not get to use it.)

Co-captains were Thomas Watson and Derrell Kelso.

Rotan's average weight was 161 pounds while Merkel weighed 152.

L. C. Awalt, personnel and safety supervisor for the National Gypsum Co., at Rotan, announced the plays over the PA system. (No, Lester, there were no half yards gained or lost, according to Mr. Awalt).

There was real sportsmanship

at the game: Rotan sang 'Hello, Badgers, Hello!' Merkel yelled

nine rabs for the Yellowhammers. Mr. Awalt was gracious enough

to announce that Doyle Black was itor White was in the press box. spotting for Merkel and that Ed-

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