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The Lord's Acre program and
sale, held in the Community Cen-
ter at Pioneer Church, Nov., 19,
was a big success, according to
A. . Scott, committee chairman."
"Total proceeds came to s1,332.25,"
said Scott.
Preceeding the sale a barbeque
supper was served, with the Allen
D. King Sr. family donating a a
calf and Mr.and Mrs. Scott bar-
bequing the meat.
Gifts were accepted sor the
MERKEL'S GOODFELLOWS MEET.
SET 1966 G0AL OF $\$ 750.00$
Many "\$503.68 were contributed dur- Welfare Board in screeing applimas this year thanks to the or- ing the 1965 drive," said Belcher, cans.
ganizing of the Merkel Goodfel- of it was spent for grocer- $\begin{aligned} & \text { People desiring Goodfellow aid } \\ & \text { ies, shoes, toys and a small are asked to write in request to }\end{aligned}$ A group of Merkel merchants amount for miscellaneous items.
All spent here in Merkel. We now and civic leaders met Monday,
Nov. 28, at the Merkel Restaurrant to formulate plans for the rant to
drive.
Prece Precceding the election of
Goodfellow mittees for the Drive, last year's chairman, Truman Belcher, re

## FIRST METHODIST

TO HEAR MCM BAND
The McMurry College Band of ing Lynda Davis; "The Bells of
Abilene will present its "Worship St Mary's," by Adams: "How Abilene will present its "Worship st Mary's."" by, Adams, "How
Through Music" service in Mer- Great Thou Art," by Hine, feaThrough Music service in Mer-
kel's First Methodist Church on
Sunday morning Sunday morning, Dec. 4, as the
Sund
band begins a four . day tour
through eight West Texas cities Dr. Revmond T. Bynum's Mc Murry musicians will also appear
in Lamesa, Brownfield, Slaton, Hale Center, Ralls, Floydada and Spur.
The Merkel program will in- diers,", with the band and chorus. Clude therkel program will in- Dr Bynum, directors of the band
che Soul," by Ritter; "The Beautifut
Garden of Prayer," by the band Garden of Prayer," by the band
and featuring soloists Lnda and featuring soloists Lynda
Clack and Gary Cauble; a hymn
medley for the vibraharp, featur--
Palmer Mobil Sets Ron Palmer, son of Mr. and
Mrs. Nolan Paimer. is having a
Grand Opening for the newly re-
modeled and redecorated Mobil
Service Station, lecated on North
First Street just west of Palmer
Motor Co.
Ron, a graduate of Merkel Heigh
School, has had several years'
experience in servicing cars. Af.
ter his 4 y years with the Marine
Corps (1961-1965) Ron has been
associated with his father in the
automobile business, selling and
servicing.
"Service and quality is our
aim," said Ron "and the staff at
Palmer Mobil invites all of you
to come by a and see us and our
new equipment."
Grand opening for the station
will be Friday and Saturday, Dee.
2and 3, "and," says Ron, "there
will be prizes for all."
Onen Hon Holse Set

## arter sume

 tured Saturdey Dec. 3 when BillWood, owner of Bill's Flowers sets Open House from 3 until 7 "With the Christmas spirit in the air," said Bill, "people of
the Merkel area are invited to come by and see the many Christ-
mas ideas now on display." mas ideas now on display."
Bill's Flowers is located 1025
North 2nd Street.

Grand Opening YOUNG TEXAN AWARD GIVEN BARRY OLIVE the Merkel Chamber of Com-
merce or The Merkel Mail.
Belcher was elected to head the Belcher was elected to head the
1966 Goodfellow Drive, with Mrs. W. R. Cypert as co-chairman.
Other committees are Clothing. Mrs. Mary Mosier, chairman:
Gifts, Ray Wison, chairman, Rev. Newton Daniel, Onis Crawford
and Johnny Hammond; Toys, Ray Woodard, chairman, Mary John-
son., Richard Walker, D A. Bishop. Dale White, and Mamie Pat-
terson, with Bill Wood as adult terson, winh Bill Wood as adat
Headquarters for the Goodfellows will be the building on North
2nd and Kent, previously occupied 2nd and Kent, previously occupied
by Max Murrell Chevrolet Co.
Mrs. Mosier explained that "anyone desiring to leave cloth-
ing may do so at the Chamber of
Commerce office, or Barnett Commerce office, or Barnett Bar-
ber Shop."
Vincent Barnett and Mrs. Betty
Whisenhunt will head the collec. Whisenhunt will head the collec-
tion committee for the colthing.
"We are asking that clothes be "We are asking that clothes be
clean mended and on hangers.
ready to distribute," said Mrs. ready to distribute," said Mrs.
Mosier.
Mrs. Derrell Farmer will head Mrs. Derrell Farmer will head
the Doll Collection Committee.
Mrs. Farmer requests Mrs. Farmer requests that
"anyone having dolls to contribute
to contact her at 923 -5550." to contact her at 928-5250."
"We can make Goodfellows 1966 the best yet." said Belcher,
"But we'll need the help of every Merkel citizen.
 service." Each candidates' un-
selfish activity receives equal
weight weight with scholarship and ex-
tracurticular achievements in the racurricular achievements in the
judge's evaluation. Candidates are judge's evaluation. Candidates are
"spotted" by teachers, principals
and superintendents of the schools "spotted" by teachers, principals
and superintendents of the schools
which they attend outstanding leader in the field
he chooses to pursue he chooses to pursue.
Any consideration in this award that he may receive will be.
used exactly for its intended pur used
pose. In recommending Barry for
Zone Three Young Texan Van Zone Three Young
Rutherford, superintendent of
Noodle - Horn School wrote: A senior at Noodle Horn School,
"Barry O Olive is a very capable Barry is in athletics having parand intelligent student. He pos- tic' ated and lettered in basket-
sesses outstanding talent in art, bal, volleybal and track. He has and has a very aggressive mit
it creative and constructive ir the fields of electronics, sci-
 The in Sunty School and Tra.e.


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## Optimist Club Honors 13 Area Students At Banquet

## Thirteen high school students. representing Noodle. Trent and

 Merkel were honored Monday evening by the Merkel Optimist Club in recognition of Youth Apprecia-
tion Week. A capacity crowd at tended the optimist Banquet, held
at the Merkel Restaurant, at the Merkel Restaurant.
Students hoored for their out.
standing achievements were Janstanding achievements were Jan-
iec ilil, Barry Oive and Evlon
Cook, Noodle; and Joyce Scott, Deris Hutcheson and Glenna Rig
gan. Trent. gan, Trent.
Merkel students honored were
Joyce Button, Nancy Evans, MaJoyce Button, Nancy Evans, Ma-
mie Paterson, Richard Waiker,
Ray Woodard, Mary Johnson and
Robert Wilson.


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FOR COTTON RESEARCH snd PROMOTION.


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MRS. J. L. MEEKS
DIES AT AGE 45

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HOUSE PAINTING Carpenter Repairs Tape and Bedding<br>Sape and Beding Painting Sind<br>See LEE WARD

## N 0 T I C E

edtorial statevent on cotton research and pronotion progray

Congressman W. R. Poage of Waco, chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, described the need for the Cotton Re search and Promotion Program in his speech at the recent convention of Texas Farmers Union in Mineral Wells.

Congressman Poage said that "of all major crops, cotton is in the deepest trouble" He pointed out that the surplus is at an all time high and that synthetics, although higher priced, have moved into the cotton markets.
"I think it is perfectly clear," said Poage," that unless we, as cotton producers, are willing to make some substantial effort to cotton producers, are wiling to make some substantial effort to more and more markets to synthetic fibers - and I greatly fear that if farmers should show, by rejecting the referendum, that they are unwilling to finance any serious effort in behalf of their own product, that we may well lose the government help which we are getting in connection with our cotton prices
"The average cotton producer is getting almost half of his refurns in the form of government payments of one kind or the other. I am afraid that if cotton farmers were to
reject this referendum, that a great majority of the Members of Congress, whe come from cities, not rural areas, will throw up their hands and say that cotton isn't worth saving. On the other hand, if farmers agree in the referendum to put up the dollar a bale, they will show by their votes that they are trying to help themselves, and I believe that thd Congress will continue to provide substantial assistance over a reasonable period of time. With this much invoived, I feel that sound business requires that we approve the referendum on cotton research and promotion by an overwhelming vote."

KA. This Editorial Paid for By Taylor County Farmers Union, Joe McDuff, President


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The Merkel Mail
publishers statement



Mr. Cotton Producer:
KNOW THE FACTS BEFORE YOU VOTE ON THE COTTON CHECK-OFF! The Issue Is Government Control of The Dollar!

1. Cotton's real problem is bad legislation and the planned give-away of export markets.
2. THE COTTON RESEARCH AND PROMOTION LAW AUTHORIZES AN OCCUPATIONAL TAX ON COTTON WHICH IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL IN TEXAS.

The Law authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to determine how, where, when and if the funds collected are to be spent.
4. The cotton board authorized by the law would be a rubber stamp for the Secretary. This is politics.

COULD YOU REALLY GET A REFUND OF YOUR \$1 PER BALE? READ THE LAW:

Why must producers pay all of the cost when mills will profit most ?
THE COTTON RESEARCH AND PROMOTION ACT WILL SET A PRECEDENT FOR ALL OTHER AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.
Most bad legislation is passed by poorly informed good people. Read the Law!

- VOTE AS YOU PLEASE -- BUT PLEASE VOTE

TAYLOR COUNTY FARM BUREAU


Merkel Grad On Band Tour mond a McMurry Coilege Band member will be with that organ-
fzation when they start a four ization when they start a four
day tour Dec. 4 .
Hammond is the son of Mr and Hammond is the son of Mr. and
Mrs. J. W. Hammond 1000 So. 4th, Merkel. A McMurry sopho-
more, he is majoring in physics. Gracuating from Merkel High
School in 1965 he was a member School in 1965 he was a member
of the Merkel High School Badger The Indian Band will travel to concerts in high schools and comand Lamesa. The band will also Center, Ralls, Floydata, and
Spur before returning to Abilene

## NEED <br> Forced-Air Heating System?

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FROM THE MAYOR

SMALL TOWNS TO BE AFFECTED BYFUTURE POPULATION RISE

$\begin{array}{ll}\text { la－} & \begin{array}{l}\text { proaching this density，so great } \\ \text { in }\end{array} \\ \text { This the they are like the king }\end{array}$ of took．This population explosion is of necessity going to over
into the less dense areas． In Merkel and other small towns
BADGER TALES
Gy DEBI CORDER


Christmas vacation is＂just
around the corner，＂and Thanks－
giving wasn＇t very far gone when
we got to giving wasn＇t very far gone when
we got to thinking about that
 ater Christmas Parade．We will done more in the last few years receive a pretty trophy to put in than at anytime in our history to $\begin{array}{ll}\text { our display case for participation } & \text { help small towns gain back their } \\ \text { lost population．Towns under 10，}\end{array}$ and MAYBE another one for be－ ing very outstanding！
Well Bronwy Gamble＇s Well Bronwyn Gamble＇s near－
finished with War and Peace． ly finished with War and Peace．
I＇tl tell you，it＇s just about time
to；she＇s just renewed it five times from the library．
Somebody＇s real＇y been having a Somebody＇s real＇y been having a
jolly old time of it on the Tye school bus．Nothing really unus－
ual－just a few seats were cut
and torn．None of did it，but just to the Tye kids were assigned certain seats

BASKETBALL
schedule

## Merkel 4－H Club BADGERS SHARE To Meet Today IN＇BALLOTING＇ <br> Truby Musical Slated Dec． 3

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 All－District picks in the Thurs－
$\begin{aligned} & \text { Richard Walker，Badger end，} \\ & \text { day，Nov．24，release．}\end{aligned} \quad$ was one of twelve Class A All $\begin{array}{ll}\text { day，Nov．24，release．} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Richard Waker，Badger end，} \\ \text { was one of twelve Class A All }\end{array} \\ \text { Badgers claiming six positions } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Area } 1966 \text { players picked by the }\end{array}\end{array}$ Badgers claiming six positions Area 1966 players picked by the
are End，Richard Walker，sen－Abilene Reporter News，with are End，Richard Walker，sen－Abilene Reporter News，with
ior，180：Guard，Ray Woodard， senior，165；Backs，Felix Castilli，Felix Castillo and Nick Davis for

## シャス（＂）GRAND OPENING green stamps <br> Friday and Saturday－December 2 and 3

 A Truby Musical will be heldSaturday，Dec． 3 at $7: 30$ p．m．
with a country and western jam－ with a country and western jam－
boree． boree．
Truby Truby is located eight miles
south of Anson on FM Road 707 ． The last show of the season will feature music by the Black
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Merkel and Joyce Warner as fea． tured singers．

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## FREE PEPSI COLA

David West was honored by
Pack 20 of Cab Scouts when the
Cubbers met Monday，Nov．28．
David，son of Mr．and Mrs．Bob


Thanksgiving program presented by Kathryn Criswell，Dayna Mc－
Aninch，Betsy Johnson，Liz gan and Robert Boyd． Mmes．Jack Boone．B．L．Bond， The club ret and John Boyd． phan as a new member． Robert Boyd，publicity chair－
man，reminded the club that ＂cooking classes will soon be scheduled．＂
The club＇s Christmas program
will be presented Thursday will be presented Thursday，Dec．
1 at the Taylor Electric Building． Each member is to bring a gift that cost less than $\$ 1.00$ said
Boyd．＂Candy and fruit Boyd．＂Candy and fruit brough
to the meeting will be put in the to the meeting will be put in the
basket that will be given to the Rest Home．This is the club＇s David West Earns Cub Wolf Badge UP TO SOCG DiscouxT－Mo Do All Brand Major Oils The Finest In Wash and Lubrication PERMANENT ANTI－FREEZE $\$ 1.59$ gal． OPEN＇THL 10 O＇CLOCK ＂COME TO SEE ME－THANK YOU＂ RON PALMER

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|  | JEWEL BOXES ${ }^{\text {J }} 3{ }^{\circ}$ |
| SHOP CRAWFORDS FOR YOLR CLOTHING NEEDS－－－LAY－AWAY FOR CRHSTMAS－－FREE GIFT WRAPPING |  |
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## MRS. EDNA KAULA TO SPEAK DEC. 8



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## Conservation

 Work Advancing and Mrs. Ethel Canida of Steph-
evville.
Mt. and Mrs. Charles Fikes
visited Mr. and Mrs. Pe. Wikn visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Whit
house and children in Oden, Ark rousc and children in Oden, Ark,
during Thanksiving. They al
visited Mr. and Mrs. James Tra Ior in Fort Smith, Ark.
Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry and Mrrey and Misted. Mrs. E. Effie Nash at vernon Saturday.
Mrd Mrs. Orval Ely ate
Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. Thanksgiving dinner with Mr.
Ely's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Ely of Tye.
Mr. and Mrs. Doug Stephenson

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