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Canyon By TOM

Bond Issue For Hospital Passes 3-1 Building Construction Is Discussed

Well, the weaher has a touch of fall in it - real cool nights and not too hot in day time. I like fall weather. It makes you want to get up and get out early in the morning, and get some air in your lungs. And too, with harvest time here - hay baling, milo harvest, and calf and lamb selling time - well, to me it's ideal.

On the farm and ranch it used to be ham and eggs, but most of the time now its bacon and eggs. I bought a little ham just to see how it smelled cooking along with that coffee brewing. Makes a pretty good fall time breakfast

News this week is mostly about everybody being busy. Farmers are getting ready to sow some fall grain and housewives always busy doing something.

This week we had a very nice card from the Rev. E. H. and Mrs. Phillips, saying they were doing real well. Rev. Phillips, former pastor of Pioneer Church, recent'y had a heart attack, but says he's doing very well at this time. And he says tell everyone "hello for us."

The rattlesnakes are on their way back to the mountains, and the deer are on their way down to the feed fields. Joe Seymore reports the deer are eating a lot of his mile.

Recently Hollis McLean came home from service to visit his family and parents. Just a very shor' visit, then he is overseas. I think his mother, Mrs. Dewell McLean, sends him the Mail, so our "hello" goes this week to Hollis, and to his wife and children who live in Big Spring.



THE BADGER WALL — Experience in the line could be the strong points of the Merkel Badgers this season. From left are, Ronny Mashburn, Gaylon Doan, Ray Davis, Joe Dudley, Tony Cas-

tillo, Ronnie Luke and Paul Carson. The Badgers and Baird Bears play this Friday at Badger Stadium. (Photo Courtesy Abilene Reporter-News)

MERKEL BADGERS STOP CLYDE BULLDOGS: PLAY BAIRD BEARS HERE THIS FRIDAY

Civde Bullldogs 48-6 here this past points on four touchdowns and dium. Friday night with a packed stadium of "football reacy" fans.

Spurred by the energetic Merkel Booster Club, the Badgers jumped off to a 22-0 first quarter lead, then picked up four Clyde passes while holding the Bulldogs to a minus 18 yards rushing.

Little - Big Felix Castillo, a speedy 125 - pounder gave the fans a pleasing sight when he proved the materials that made his an All - District performance

a six - yard plunge. Danny Wade booted both extra points. Davis tallied the third score from eight yards out on an option play, and Castillo the bonus points.

Clyde's quarterback Stanley Allen put the Bulldogs on the scoreboard in the second quarter on a 64-yard pass to fullback Jim Alex-

one run for the extra points.

Castillo opened the scoring on

a 21 - yard pass from quarterback

Ray Davis, then scored again on

In the third quarter, fullback Bob Tate scored on a six - yard dive and Castillo scored again from the four - Wade kicked the bonus points for both TDs.

Halfback Johnny Thompson intercepted a pass in the last quarter, and returned it 36 yards for another TD, and Castillo repeated the performance with an 85 yard returner. Wade kicked the extra point.

The Badgers, with the first win

Merkel Badgers pounded the last season. He chalked up 26 Bears this Friday at Badger Sta-

GAME AT A GLANCE

..... First Downs 8 Bob Byerly told Booster members 235 Rushing Yardage -18 Monday evening "we're looking 142 .. Passing Yardage .. 204 for a tough ball game. "Baird 6 of 10 Passes Completed 13 of 35 played Santa Anna a good game, 4 ... Passes Intercepted by1 and Santa Anna is rated fifth in 2 for 34 Punts, Average 7 for 28 the state." I think you'll see a 10 for 90 Penalties, yards 4 for 45 4 Fumbles, lost 0

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE A LIBRARY HERE IN MERKEL?

Would you like to have a library in Merkel?

Sounds rather fantistic, doesn't

But - it is possible.

This week, Miss Thelma Andrews, head librarian at the Abilene Public Library informed of the season, face the Baird Mayor Johnny Cox and the Mer-

kel Mail that from 2.500 to 3,000 books would be loaned to the Merkel area people to use aside from the Boo! mobile visits.

Miss Andrews informed the Mail reporter that Merkel would need to supply a building, provide necessary equipment such as book shelves, reading tables and a librarian's desk, and the staff to operate the library.

"What we hope to do," said Miss Andrews, "is to provide the books and then use the Bookmobile to exchange the collection periodically."

Getting a building is now being studied, said Cox. "The problem of installing shelves, tables and an operating staff would have to be on a time - contribution plan. It is all in the making, and very definitely would have to be studied from many angles, before becoming a reality."

Members of various Women's Clubs in Merkel are being contacted concerning the library.

Miss Andrews pointed out many advantages of having a library here in Merkel.

"You have access to so many reference materials," she said. "Children will be able to add to their store of reading.

"Club women will have access to many references.

"People in the area could increase their reading time, and Teachers' Association said the have a wider variety of books to

or civic organizations) interested in promoting a library in Merkel is asked to contact Johnny Cox at the Chamber of Commerce of-

TEMPORARY BOARD **NOW PERMANENT**

of the new Merkel Hospital in about one year was made at the first official meeting of th ehospital board since voters in the newly created hospital district voted by more than three to one to issue bonds and to construct the hospital.

Taylor County Precinct Two Hospital Bond issue passed Saturday, Sept. 9 by a little over a three to one margin as over three fourths of the registered cept the site donated by Mr. and voters turned out at the four poll-

create the district by bonds, 484 voted for and 149 against.

On the first proposition, Butman voters were 16 for and 6 against; Tye - Merkel box, six for and 30 against; Trent, 70 for and 4

Proposition II, which was to issue bonds up to \$525,000, passed 494 to 150.

In proposition Two, Butman had 17 for and six against; Tye-Merkel six for and 31 against; Trent, 70 for and 4 against; and Merkel had 401 for a 109 against.

Members of the temporary board hospital, on September 26. were sworn in as permanent died the resignation of Bill Button and installed A. L. Moore as a new membre in the ten member panel.

Lawton Finch, who has left the district, was the only absentee. His position will be filled by appointment.

The board canvassed the vote in the September 9 election and named the second Tuesday of each month as their stated meeting night, with called meetings every Tuesday night until construction was underway. The Farmers and Merchants National Bank of Merkel was named depository for district funds.

Trent Gorillas Smash May Tigers

A large crowd of Trent fans were on hand at May last Friday evening to see the Gorillas stop the Tigers in a score of 20-6.

First TD came on an 8 yard run by Tim Riggan - and Riggan's two extra points.

Gaylon Brnovak's pass to Glenn Bryan in the second quarter scored the second TD, and in the last quarter Larry Hellums scored on an 85 yard run.

GAME AT A GLANCE TRENT

7 Firs downs 9 145 .. Yards gained rushing .. 187 55 .. Yards gained passing ... 48 1 for 15 penalties, yards 11 for 75 seventh grade student.

Members present decided without taking a vote to by pass any attempt to obtain a Hill Burton federal grant as this would deny construction approximately 18 months. (Hill - Burton applications are accepted only in May of each year and are not passed upon until September, according to information furinshed the board.) With David Gamble voting no

in order to study possible sites further, the board voted to ac-Mrs. John Shannon. However, efforts will be made to limit the On Proposition I, which was to types of businesses that may be opened adjacent to the new hospital, it being expressed that "tin shops or such" would detract from the hospial.

John M. Cutbirth, representing the First Southwest Co., advising the bond financing of the district witnessed the canvassing of the votes and swearing in of the new directors

Robert D. Goyette, representing Brasher, Goyette and Rapier, acchitects, engineers and planners, said he would have preliminary plans for a 20 - room, 30 - bed

three months to draw up working plans and about eight or nine months construction to have the hospital ready for occupancy.

Trent Grad Now Athletic Director

Doyle Howell, a 1948 graduate of Trent High School, has been named head football coach and athletic director of the Jal. N.M. School System. He has been assistant football coach and head track coach at the school for the past year.

Howell's coaching experience includes 10 years at Fabens, Tex., two years at Carrizo Springs, and one year at Jal.

While at Fabens Howell's team wen four disrict championships in track and three in football. He was line coach and track coach at Carrizo Springs.

He attended Odessa Junior College and was named to the All Conference Junior College Football team. He received his bachelor of science degree and also master of education degree at Sul Ross College where he made honorable mention All Conference tackle.

The head coach is a member of the Methodist Church, the Lions Club and the Masonic Lodge. His wife, Rachel, teaches physical education in Jal High School. The 3 of 9 .. pases compleed .. 4 of 7 couple have one child, Gordon, a

TEACHERS

YOU'RE GOING TO BE HONORED!

Teachers of the Merkel Public Schools will be given special recognition at a Teachers' Appreciation program Thursday, Sept. 21 at the high school auditorium.

Mrs. J. Lynn Knight, program chairman for the Merkel Parent program would begin at 7:30 p.m.

"The people we are honoring are your children's teachers," said Mrs. Knight, "and what better way can we show our appreciation for what the teachers do for our children than to set aside a PTA program for them. Your

attendance is urged."

Vincent Barnett, PTA president said this is a program that as parents we have been looking forward to. "It is a parent - planned program and we as parents can honor our techers now with our attendance."

PTA officers for the 1967-68 school year besides Barnett are Mrs. Glenn Teaff, vice president and Mrs. Jerry Russell, secetary-

Mrs. Larry White is member chairman and Mrs. Knight is program chairman.

MERKEL FARMER CARRIES OUT CONSERVATION PLAN

J. C. Jacobs carries out complete conservation plans on his farm south of Merkel.

Last year Jacobs developed a complete conservation plan on this 240 acre farm. The plan included important conservation practices such as parallel terracing, rootplowing, range seeding, crop rotation, range management and contour farming.

Jacobs installed 25,000 linear feet of parallel terraces to control water erosion and conserve moisture. He rootplowed 74 acres of mesquite infesed rangeland and established Blue Panic, K. R. Bluestem and Sideoats Grama.

been weak in grass production for several years. After rootplowing and range seeding, I can expect

R. E. Clemmer, supervisor of the Middle Clear Fork Soil and Water Conservation District, said J. E. Jacobs has made a real servation plan."

Jacobs said "The pasture has

accomplishment by improving his land through a well scheduled con-

Cost - share assistance was provided through the Great Plains Conservation program.

dependable grazing for my live- "SCRAMBLE" IS ON

FOR \$600 PRIZE

Fifteen have enrolled in the Mail Circulation Campaign and are well underway in the "scramble" for votes and the first prize manager, Mr. F. L . Nickeson,

of \$600.00., according to campaign "Judging from the results of the

COMPLETE CONSERVATION PLAN — J. C. Jacobs, left, developed a complete conservation plan on his 240 acre farm. In picture at left, Charles, center, and Jim Jacobs are observing maize crop growing on parallel terraced land. In picture at right, Jacobs, Jim and Charles are standing in pasture seeded last spring to Blue Panic, K. R. Bluestem, and Sideoats Grama. (Photo Courtsey SCS)

first few days' returns the campaign promises to be a big success in every way," said Nicke-

Prizes awaiting the winners include \$600, first; \$300 second; \$200 third; \$100 fourth, and \$75 for fifth prize.

All workers who do not win a prize will be paid a commission on their sales.

"This is the big opportunity period, during which 500,000 votes will be given for each \$30.00 in subscriptions,' explained Nickeson. "This is the right time for you to help your favorite candi-

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The aim of the campaign is to acquaint every person in the trade territory with The Merkel Mail. It will help the publisher improve the paper and the service to the large trade area embraced by the paper.

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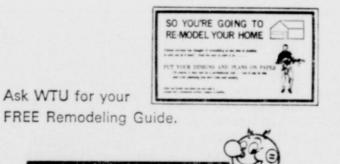
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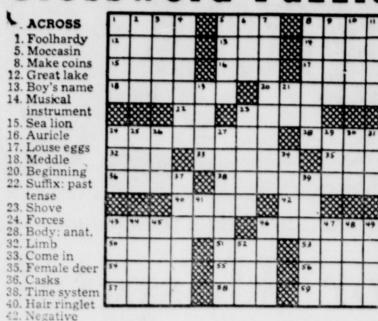
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THE MERKEL MAIL, MERKEL, TEXAS Page Seven Thursday, Sept. 14, 1967

Crossword Puzzle



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25. Born

53. Earth 57. Food bits 23. Corolla part 54. Ponce de- 58. Vision organ 24. Largest deer

59. Delineated

divisions 9. Wading bird 46. Capable 10. Short letter 47. Prevaricator 11. Examination 48. Gaelic

Thelma Dedmon visited Mrs. Nora

Several folks from Stith was on

hand Friday to see the Merkel

The Baptist WMU ladies will attend the all day Home Mision program at the Hodges Baptist

Martha Perry of Irving spent last week with her parents, Mr.

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INSURANCES

McDonald Thursday.

Badgers beat Clyde

Church Thursday.

See

Day holidays.

Stith News RITZ HALE

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Hudson, Fort Worth, visited Louise, Bob and Hollis Hudson over the Labor

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning visited Mrs. Ona Spence, Abilene, Friday and was supper guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Browning and children, Tuscola. The Rev. O. B. Tatum of Starr Nursing Home in Merkel spent Saturday in the Browning

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Welch and children, Mrs. A. M. Evans, and Mrs. Thelma Dedmon of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley Thursday. Paul Bradley is doing much better. He and Mrs. Bradley were back in church Sun-

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hill, Las Cruses, N.M., visited Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Hawel Burk of Abilene visitted the Hales Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Hale visited Mrs. J. F. Goodwin in Anson General Hospital Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald spent the Labor Day weekend in Midland with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Stephenson and Melissa Ann. They celebrated the first birthday of Melissa whose birthday was Aug. 31 and Mrs. McDonald's birthday was Aug. 17.

T. Burns of Abilene visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burns

Ira Stanley was on the sick list ast week.

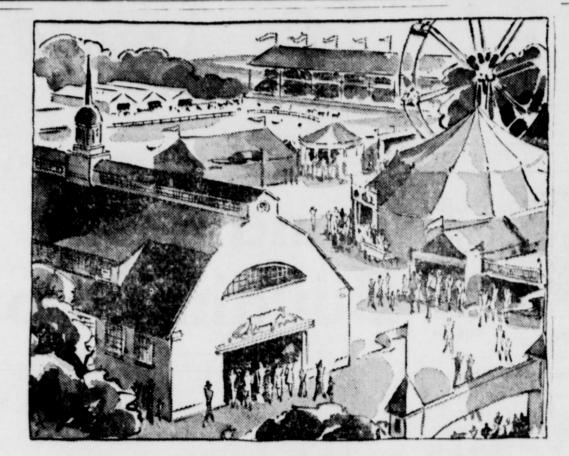
Mrs. A. M. Evans and Mrs

and Mrs. Fred Perry. Other visitors in the Perry home last week were Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Perry, Tye, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Walsh, Tuscola, and Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald. Mr. and Mrs. Perry and Martha attended the family reunion of the late Mr. and Mrs. list this week. Mr. and Mrs. Inlo

from the Marines.

children have all been on the sick J. O. Armstrong held in the home Gregory and children of Midland,

of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones in and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gregory of Merkel Sunday. Dale Farmer, son Merkel, visited the Tarpley home of Mrs. Jones was home on leave recently. Mr. and Mrs. Tarpley attended the funeral of the infant Mr. and Mrs. Babe Tarpley and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Gregory in Big Spring. They also visited Mr. Gaston Gregory who



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Miscellaneous -

FOR MONUMENTS and CEMETERY CURBING M. A. (Sarg) NOSTER 1404 Herring Dr. Merkel, Texas Phone 8-5565

MASONIC MEETING Stated Meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710 on 2nd Saturday and 4th Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome.

Members urged to attend. ALLEN MORGAN, W. M. DAN BUTLER, Sec'y.

MED A NEW WELL DRILL-ED? An old well cleaned out? Call Robert Higgina, 4-5998. Also sell and install 51-tfc Meyers Pumps

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RUMMAGE SALE - Beginning Saturday, Sept. 9. Located at "the old Ford house" on Edwards Street, downtown Merkel. Open on Saturdays only. through the fall months. Clothing and misc. items. Sponsored by Gleaners Class of First Methodist Church

27 tfc LOST bright carpet colors. Restore them with Blue Lustre. Rent electric shampooer, \$1. Bullock Hardware, Phone 928-

PATIO SALE - 505 Yucca Street, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Clothing, shoes, hats, crochet, electric appliances and miscellaneous articles. You all come. Mrs. H. R. Chancey. 28 1tp

LOST - Gold charm necklace. Charm about size of half dollar. In center, has Star of David. Lost possibly in Merkel. Reward for return. Call 928-5029.

CLOSE OUT on Beauti Control 14 off. Room 202, Asteroid Motel. Glamour Bar.

GARAGE SALE - Beinning today, Thursday. Odds and ends including bahw bed, kitchen cabinet, tables, portable wardrobe, . chaise chair, sewing table, dishwasher and other items. Rt. 1, 928-5040. Mrs. F. E. Ransford. 28 2tp

HELP WANTED to operate dishwashing machine. Daytime. Asteroid Restaurant, 928-4756.

todian. Contact Mack Fisher, Superintencent of Schools. Phone 928-5813. 28 2tc

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FOR SALE - Windmill and steel tower. 928-4955.

FOR SALE - Armstrong flute. used one season, \$50. Birchwood slab door, with facing and hardware, \$7.50. 1412 Sunset. 928-

FOR SALE - Toy poodle pups. Trade, Terms, Dee Davidson, 1421 North 2nd. 28 tfc

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Subscription Drive Standings

The first tabulation of votes and positions in the Merkel Mail Subscription Campaign shows the race to be very close, from top to bottom. Who will be on the top next week? Who will be on the top on October 6th?

Glenna Steen, Trent	49,900
Mrs. Ruth Cox, Merkel	49,800
Sandra Doan, Merkel	49,700
Carolyn Sue Ford, Merkel	49,600
Mrs. H. J. Martin, Merkel	49,500
Mrs. Clyde Bunch, Merkel	49,400
Mrs. Billy (Sarah) Lucas, Merkel	49,200
Mrs. G. R. Peachey, Merkel	49,100
Dolores Adair, Merkel	48,800
Mrs. Raymond D. Kraut. Merkel	48,700
Mrs. B. L. Hook. Merkel	48,200
Mrs. Jack Boone, Rt. 1, Merkel	46,600
Mrs. Harold Sloan, Rt. 1. Merkel	16,500
Mrs. Jerry D. Byrd, Merkel	16,000
be en derry Dr. D. J. J. H. Merrier	20,000

RIDING CLUB



Winners in Saturday's Riding Gail Boone, Pam Sandusky. Club events are listed in first, second and third order

Barrels

9 and under - Bart Whisenhur, Patricia Boyd and Christy Boone. 10 thru 12 - Debbie Fincher, Johnny Gray, Tim Wozencraft. 13 thru 15 - Dayna McAninch, Jeff Whisenhunt, and Gail Boone. 16 thru 19 - Terry Wozencratf, Jean Read and John Read. Open - Jarrett Pinckley, Ted

Flag Race

10 thru 12 - Cindy Whisenhunt, Debbie Fincher, Johnny Gray. 13 thru 15 - Dayna McAninch,

McAninch and Barbara Whiser-

16 thru 19 - Terry Wezencraft, Jean Read and Randy Bond. Open - Jarrett Pinckley and Alvin Wozencraft.

Pole Bending

9 and under - Patricia Boyd, 10 thru 12 - Cindy Whisenhunt, Johnny Gray and Debbie Fincher. 13 thru 15 - Jeff Whisenhunt, Kathryn Criswell and Suzie Riney. 16 thru 19 - Randy Bond, Bill Hatley and John Read.

Open - Barbara Whisenhunt. Ribbon Roping - L. J. Gray, Don Dudley and Bill Hatley.

Tie Down Roping - Walter Whisenhunt, Don Pudley and Ted McAninch.

CIVIC NEEDS TO BE

Cox. Wendell Bedichek, executive who is in charge of grants and director of West Central Council aids for the Parks Division of of Governments, stated that he the Parks and Wildlife Departwould be in Merkel Thursday, men of Texas. Sept. 14 at 3:30 p.m.

Bedichek informed Cox would like to meet with a representative group of Merkel citizens "to discuss civic needs, with particular emphasis on the possibility of a park for Merkel."

The meeting will be held at the Merkel Chamber of Commerce on Edwards Street.

Students Enter Cisco College

Students from Merkel who have completed pre - registration procedures at Cisco Junior College are Richard White, Donald L. program. Doan and James L. Davis.

Mrs. B. J. White; Donald, the summer, and Shirley Evans,

Also accompaying them will be

John Wolfe of the F.H.A.

"This will be a meeting of importance to Merkel citizenry," said Cox, "and we urge as many to be here at 3:30 p.m. as possible."

Reading Program **Winners Named**

Winners in the Merkel Summer Reading Program were Ricky Jernigan, high school, and Shirley Evans and Janie Clark, Elementary, according to Mrs. Zel Whitaker, coordinator for the

Rickey, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Richard is the son of Mr. and L. Jernigan, read 13 books this son of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mar-Doan, and James, son of Mr. and shall Evans, and Janie Clark, Mrs. William L. Davis, all of daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clark Jr., tied with 7 books each.

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BADGER TALES

By DEBI CORDER



Three long hot months of summer are gone for us students at Merkel High. We have returned to the "old grind" and are trying to realize we have lessons to prepare, schedules to meet, and believe me, it isn't easy after three months of doing nothing in the way of lessons.

The first week of school is always a new experience for everyone, including no: only freshmen but sophomores, juniors and seniors, as well. It takes e erycne a little while to find their classes and one might even open the wrong locker a few times, but eventually things work out.

The building seems new compared to the sooty walls at the latter part of last year. The walls are painted a pleasant green and we have modern acoustic ceilings and flourescent lights.

Third Friday **Night Singing**

The Third Friday Night Singing will be held this Friday, Sept. 15 at the Victory Baptist Church at 307 El Paso Street.

The Rev. W. G. Richardson, church pastor, said the singing would begin at 7:30 p.m., and "everyone is invited to attend."

WEEKEND VISITORS

Weekend visitors in Mrs. C. P. Stevens' home were Mrs. Myrtle Lock of Hamlin; Mrs. Mattie Lee Story of Nebraska; Mrs. Delda Carrol and daughters, Hillsboro, and Mrs. Nancy Wise and children of Abilene.

Our first football game against C'yde was a real success. The score being 48 - 6. The band dic. fairly well, considering it was

the first game and all. The seniors are really a priviledged class this year. We received our senior ring on the very first day of school, have practically a new school building to meet in, and are going to get to build our bonfire at homecoming this

Finley Barnett has acquired a new name - he is known now as "Four - Eyes." This may be due to his new black spectacles he has been wearing lately.

Who got kicked out of the 7th period study hall the first day of school and was told not to return because "they were polluting the

Sorority Club Hears Mrs. Teaff

Lambda Beta Chaper of Beta Sigma Phi held its first regular meeting of the new year Sept. 5 in the home of Mrs. John Brady.

Plans were discussed concerning the upcoming Annual Halloween Carnival. Mrs. Larry White

is Carnival chairman. The Fall Rushing program was presented to chapter members by Mrs. Brady, membership chair-

In speaking to the group on "The Body Beautiful," Mrs. Glenn Teaff told sorority members that God made the human body, and it is by far the most exquis te and wonderful organization which has come from the Divine hand.

"It is a study for one's whole life," she said.

Presenting the program with Mrs. Teaff were Mrs. Larry Hewitt and Mrs. Opal Derstine. The program topic was taken from the international program outline book of "Beauty."

Members reviewed summer socials which included a June 24 social in the home of Mrs. Glenn Teaff and a backyard party and ice cream supper July 28 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Du-

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WELCOME SIGN OUT ON STEWART STREET

There's no doubt abou it. Sgt. James Henry Pruett is welcome at 1412 Stewart Street in Merkel!

Ex - Sgt. James Henry Pruett, that is.

Pruett, who just this week returned from Vietnam is the son in law of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lewis of the Stewart Street address, and when he and his wife Joy re-

FARMERS UNION

Members to Hear **State President**

The Taylor County Farmers Union Annual Convention will be held this evening at 7:30 at the high school cafeteria, according to county president, Pete Morgan.

"We will begin eating a barbeque supper at 7:30," said Morgan, "and the meeting is scheduled to begin at approximately 8:30.

Jay Naaman, Farmers Union state president, will speak to the group.

Members and persons interested in the Farmers Union organization are "urged to attend."

Merkel 4-H Meets: Elects Officers

The Merkel 4 - H Club met Sept. 7 at the Taylor Electric Cooperative building, elected officers and 'outlinned plans for the year.

Officers elected are Robert Boyd, president; Kathy Mansfield, vice president; Dayna McAninch, secretary: Gail Boone, reporter, and council delegate is Kathryn Criswell.

Organization leaders for the new year are Mr. and Mrs. John Boyd and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mc-Duff.

turned Thursday, Sept. 7 from Dallas they were faced with signs everywhere in the front yard.

"Welcome home, Sgt. James

"Welcome home, Ex - Sgt. Jim Pruett.

"Welcome home, Jim, and

Quite a bit of rushing was going on by Mrs. Lewis Thursday morning, trying to get all the

welcome signs out before Jim and

"Jim Pruett is welcome here."

Joy arrived at noon. Jim, son of Mrs. James Davis of San Angelo, and formerly of Merkel, attended grade school in Merkel, graduated from Brownwood High School in 1962, attended Odessa Junior College in 1963, married Joy, 1964 and entered

On Aug. 23, 1966, Jim's duty in Vienam began. He was News Director for the First Air Cavalry in An Khe.

the Army in 1965, training at Ft.

Upon completion of his year's duy in Vietnam, which ended in August of this year, Jim was prcsented the Bronze Star for "distinguishing himself by outstanding meritorious service in connection with ground operations against the hostile force in the Republic of

Mrs. Pruett, a 1963 graduate of Merkel High School, has completed her requirements at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene for a registered nurse, and will enter a hospital in Oklahoma City, Okla., for further training. Jim will be connected with radio station WKY News Department in

SO - WELCOME HOME, Sgt. James Henry Pruett, Ex - Sgt. James Henry Pruett - to the U.S., to Texas - to Merkel, and to 1412 Stewart Street.



WELCOME HOME SGT. PRUITT - Sgt. James Henry Pruett received a hearty welcome Thursday noon, when he turned in at 1412 Stewart Street in Merkel. And it took a bit of rushing, too, for his mother-in-law, Mrs. Ed Lewis, to get all the welcome signs out. (Staff Photo)

YOUNG HOMEMAKERS Peace Corps Test TO MEET TONIGHT Slated Sept. 16

The Young Homemakers will meet again in Merkel this month, according to Mrs. Hugh Baker,

The meeting will be held at the Taylor Electric Cooperative building Thursday, Sept. 14 and will begin at 7:30 p.m.

"This will be a county chapter," said Mrs. Baker, "and the name of the chapter wil be decided at tonight's meeting. Since this is a county chapter, women outstide the Merkel School District are welcome to attend and to become members." (A county chapter is made up of members from Oklahoma City. Both will be leav- more than one school district).

Mrs. Curtis Robbins of Abilene will present a program on "Making Papier Mache Pins," She is currently serving as Area IV

During the business session of- Robbins of Abilene.

ficers for the coming year will be elected and also two voting delegates chosen for the upcoming Area IV Y.H.T. Convention in Abilene on Sept. 23 at the Star-

The announcement of the chapter's "Little Sister" will be made. Baker said. "She will enter area competition and be eligible for a \$25.00 savings bond as Area IV winner. The 'Little Sister' Award goes to an outstanding FHA girl, who is a senior in high

Women joining "Young Homemakers in August were Mmes. Gary Douglas, Tommie Cutler, Billy Lucas, Dink Whisenhunt, Billy Bob Toombs, Ronnie Toombs and Baker, all of Merkel, and Mrs. Dickie Dannheim and Mrs.

Merkel area residents interested in putting their skills to use in developing nations around the world are invited to take the Peace Corps Placement Test at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 16, at Room 2201, New Post Office building in Abilene.

The Peace Corps uses the Placement Test to determine how an applicant can best be utilized overseas. The test measures general aptitude and the ability to learn a language, not education or achievement. The test, which takes about one and one half hours, requires no preparation and is non - competitive - an applicant can neither pass nor fail.

Twenty - eight Marines lost their lives when the battleship USS "Maine" was mysteriously sunk in the harbor of Havana, Cuba, Feb. 15, 1898.

LOCAL CHURCHES

The National Red Cross has set for itself the goal of making and filling more than one half million Christmas gift bags for our service men and women in Vietnam, according to production chairman, Mrs. C. W. Presley of Abi-

And Merkel has been asked to share in this activity.

Johnny Cox, Merkel area representative, said that thirty of the ditty bags were assigned to Merkel.

Three churches in Merkel have agreed to make and fill the bags. The churches are Church of Christ, First Baptist Church, and Methodist Church.

Heading the activity from each Thursday, Sept. 28.

church are Mrs. Waymon Adcock, Church of Christ; Mrs. W. T. Sadler, First Bapist Church, and Mrs. J. Lynn Knight, First Methodist Church.

"Small items are needed," said Cox, "and may be left at the church where contributors attend."

"Of course the Taylor County Chapter wants to do its share," said Mrs. Presley, "and we hope to produce 400 ditty bags that have been filled with small gifts."

Deadline for the thirty bags from Merkel will be Wednesday, Sept. 27, so that Cox can take them to the monthly meeting at the Red Cross headquarters in Abilene on



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During the business meeting officers were elected for the 1967-

Mrs. Josey Shanks asked the closing prayer.

Members and guests attending were Mmes. Clara Rider, Mary Jones, Irene Pomroy, Callie Anderson, Clay Satterwhite, Myrtle Walker, W. A. McCandless and

Also Mmes. P. F. Harris, Eva Lee Buchanan, Lige Harris and

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ments have been made in

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THE MERKEL MAIL, MERKEL, TEXAS Page Two Thursday, Sept. 14, 1967

Mmes. Finch, Shanks, Price and

College Bound **Veterans Apply** Now for Benefits

Texas veterans who have been accepted for college this fall Office at Waco to make arrangements for benefits available to them under the GI Bill.

Application forms should be obcopy of the veteran's separation

Sisters Reunited After Fifty Years

According to a Bakersfield newspaper, the sisters were separated when in their teens and

Jose Lerma advised the police department that he was not the one they were seeking, but their neighbors, the Jose Durans, living at 107 Haynes Street was the

Mendez's was the scene of the reunion between the two sisters. Neither Mrs. Mendez nor Mrs. Duran had seen the osean, so a trip to San Jose and Santa Cruz to visit relatives, included a side trip to the sea shore.

Elects Officers Club met at the Community Center Friday, Sept. 8, with Mrs. Dan Butler as hostess. meeting with prayer, and group singing followed

should apply immediately to the Veterans Administration Regional

Jack Coker, manager of the Waco VA Regional Office, pointed out that veterans with more than 180 days continuous military service, with any part of that time after January 31, 1955, were eligible for monthly allowances of

tained from and returned to the Waco VA office along with a document, DD Form 214.

The VA Regional Office will then issue the qualified veteran a certificate of eligibility which he should submit to the school when he enrolls.

The reunion of Mrs. Maria Mendez of Bakersfield, Calif., and Mrs. Jose Duran of Merkel, occurred recently through the help of the Abilene Police Department and Jose Lerma of 109 Haynes Street in Merkel.

had lost touch with one another.

Mrs. Mendez's son, Raymond, relates that while they were discussing the family genealogy Mendez suggested that they get in touch with the police department in Abilene in an attempt to locate one Mrs. Leonora Lerma. (Mrs. Lerma had remarried and was now Mrs. Duran)

family being sought.

So on Aug. 15 the home of Mrs.



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Goodman Home Demonstration

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