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Up
The
Canyon
By TOM
RUSSOM

The weather is ideal across the Canyon this week, of course, deer hunting would be better if the weather were a little cooler.

Up until now, there's been about twenty five deer killed in and around the Canyon. The story of the hunters is about like last year. The deer are coming down out of the brush at night and going back into the brush in the daytime. Due to the warm weather, they stay in the shade. But, anyway, the hunters are going to get plenty of deer.

On the opening day of the deer season, the Farm Road 126 that leads from Merkel to Nolan, perhaps had more vehicles on it than at any other time since it has been built.

As for wildlife, the Canyon was at one time the home of the coyote, bobcat and the prairie dog. Now it's the home of deer, quail and good fishing.

The Canyon perhaps has become one of the best homes for the good deer hunting than any area in West Texas, with its mountains and good fertile valley land, that grows feed and small grain for winter grazing. And after all, the landowners are taking more care of the wildlife year after year. We find this year that deer hunters have come in from as far as five hundred miles away to hunt.

Mrs. A. R. Toombs and Mrs. F. R. Demerie, both of Merkel, were attending church at Pioneer Church Sunday. Both are the oldest church mothers of the Canyon, and former residents here.

We want to remind everyone again about our Lord's Acre Program and sale this Saturday night, Nov. 18. There will be almost anything in the world you would want to buy at the sale. We will have our supper at 6:30 p.m. and program and sale afterwards.

We extend our sympathy this week to the Earl Stevens family in the loss of husband and father. And also, our sympathy goes to the J. K. Blair family in the loss of husband and father.

The regular Third Friday Night Singing will be held this Friday at the Victory Baptist Church in Merkel. We are expecting a good crowd and a good singing. John Crain of Trent is president.

We regret very much to hear this week of the death of Odie Latimer of Fresno, Calif. His sister, Mrs. Sam Butman, received word of his death Tuesday. Odie was one of the best all-time baseball players. He was raised in the Mulberry Canyon, and has many good friends here.

'LORD'S ACRE SALE' SCHEDULED NOV. 18

Saturday, Nov. 18 is the day set for the Lord's Acre Sale and Program in Mulberry Canyon.

Tom Russom, planning chairman, said the annual supper would "be served at 6:30 p.m., with sale and program to follow."

"This is an annual event," said Russom, "and people attending will find many, many items displayed for sale."

Planning Committee members, besides Russom are Murrell Rigan, Buddy King and Barry Scott. The Sale and Program, which began sixteen years ago, has con-

CITY SALES TAX VOTE IS SET DEC. 9

An election to approve or turn down a proposed one per cent city sales tax for the City of Merkel has been set for Saturday, Dec. 9.

In a report from council members this week, the consensus is that "we hope such a tax will help our financial problems."

"Merkel is not alone in needing additional revenue to meet rising operating costs," said Bill Button, City Council member and Mayor Pro Tem. "Over three thousand towns and cities in the United States have city sales tax, and hundreds more will vote this most equitable means of revenue."

Derrell Farmer, council member, points out that with the HemisFair '68 at San Antonio, thousands more tourists will now be passing Merkel. "Some will stop for meals and lodging and this will add pennies to the sales

tax for Merkel," said Farmer. "At present only property owners pay the tax," said Bobby DuBose, "but with the city sales tax, everyone pays their fair share for fire, police and other city conveniences."

Merkel's Mayor Johnny Cox explains that "higher operating expenses are made higher by many demands of additional services not made a few years ago."

"No budget can be balanced with past revenue and present-day operating expenses," said Cox. "Without the deferment of needed projects and the curtailment of many demanded services."

Polling place will be the Merkel City Hall, and Mrs. F. Y. Gaither will be presiding judge. Mrs. Betty Cypert is alternate presiding judge and clerks will be Mrs. Ruth Cox and Mrs. Ruth Huffman.

TRENT AND JAYTON TO CLASH FRIDAY

Trent fans agree "it was a mighty close game" between their Gorillas and the Loraine Bulldogs at Trent, Friday evening.

The Gorillas' win puts Trent and Loraine in a two-way tie for second place in District 4-B play.

The last District game for Trent will be at Jayton this Friday, Nov. 17.

And that "close game" lasted until the fourth quarter when halfback Larry Hellum punctured the Bulldog defense and raced 68 yards for the TD. No points after.

Homemakers' Officers Attend Area Workshop

"A Better Year for YH" was the theme of Area IV Young Homemakers' Leadership Training Workshop held at Abilene Christian College Nov. 11.

Bulldogs scored in the third quarter when their halfback Ronnie Finley went over from the four.

Leaders for the program were Mrs. Sammie Pittman, area consultant from Stephenville and Mrs. Hugh Baker, area IV president of Merkel.

Gorillas' first TD came in second quarter when Gaylon Brnovak went into the end zone for the touchdown. No extra points.

State officer from Area IV, Mrs. Pete Jordan of Hamilton gave suggestions concerning workshop planning for 1968.

The Third Friday Night Singing will be held this Friday, Nov. 17 at the Victory Baptist Church.

An Area IV workshop was announced for March, 1968.

Singing will begin at 7 p.m. and church pastor, the Rev. W. G. Richardson invites "anyone who likes good singing to attend."

Members were urged to attend the State Convention in Austin, Jan. 12-13, 1968.

Mrs. Edgar Pochis, Area IV reporter from Miles, said "there are now 18 chapters in Area IV with two more possibilities."

Third Friday Night Singing

MERKEL P-TA MEETS TONIGHT AT 7:30

Highlight of Merkel Parents-Teachers Association meeting this Thursday night will be a Panel Discussion by members of the school board. The meeting will be at the school auditorium and will begin at 7:30.

Merkel School Board members are Odie Griffin, president; Joe McDuff, vice president; Joe Henry, secretary, and Ben Robert Hicks, Orval Ely, Johnny Teaff and Roscoe Shields.

Mrs. J. Lynn Knight, program

chairman, said that a program such as this had been in the planning stage for quite some time.

"An awareness of school policies and programs is important for parents and teachers of the Merkel school system," said Mrs. Knight. "Attend your P-TA meeting tonight and perhaps many of your questions will be answered."

Registration will begin at 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 24, with a program Saturday evening. Mrs. Karl Bonneau is chairman of the entertainment committee.

Proceeds from the sales were once used to "bring needed income to the congregation," but today the program is directed toward uniting people of God in a larger ministry of helpfulness to others who stand in need of Christian brotherhood and assistance."

Van Rutherford, superintendent of the Noodle School will give the welcome.

Sunday noon meal of turkey and dressing will be served by the Junior class of Noodle High School. "Tickets for the meal will be \$1.25 for adults, 75 cents for children."

Sunday's schedule besides the noon meal will include visitation, entertainment and the crowning of the homecoming queen.

Host committee includes Mr. and Mrs. Troy Sloan, publicity; Mrs. Hollis Irvin, registration; Mrs. Vessie Justice, food; J. E. Touchstone, nominating, and Allen R. Morgan, girls.

Homecoming officers, besides Cypert are Cline Satterwhite, and Mrs. Bobby Barbee, secretary.

Awards Banquet Scheduled By Merkel Optimist Club



TEN AREA STUDENTS TO BE RECOGNIZED

The Merkel Optimist Club will give special recognition to ten area young people at an Awards Banquet to be held in the Golf Room of the Merkel Restaurant tonight at 7:30.

Ralph Newton, awards chairman, said the young people chosen for this special event are from Noodle, Trent and Merkel. The honoree's parents, and superintendents and principals of each school will also be guests.

"We have many young people today who are giving in so many worthwhile ways to our communities," said Newton, "and once again the Optimist Club, plans an Award Banquet to honor them."

Newton explained that the young people to be honored have been chosen by a committee who based its findings on outstanding characteristics.

Decisions are based on leadership, participation, achievements, contributions to the community, loyalty and merit.

"These young people who we have chosen are leaders in their school," said Newton. "They stand out in athletic ventures as well as scholastic events. They are

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Future Homemakers and Future Farmers, as well as members of National Honor Societies. They have all set their goals high, and as Optimists, we believe a 'pat on the back' can help them achieve these goals."

Curly Hayes, of the Public Service Department of the West Texas Utilities, and well known in athletic circles, will be principal speaker for the banquet.

W. R. (Pinky) Cypert, will ask the invocation, and Ralph Newton, the benediction.

Max Murrell will be Master of Ceremonies, and Bill Button will present certificates to the honorees.

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Speaking to delegates of the National Outlook Conference on Rural Youth held in Washington's departmental auditorium Humphrey termed today's American youth as "marvelous, the best in the world." The Vice President saluted the many young people that have volunteered for such programs as the Peace Corps, VISTA, the Job Corps, and other worthy causes.

Prizes will be given in the amounts of \$5, \$3 and \$1 for first, second and third places to the elementary school students presenting the best Christmas Poster. The Primary school students will also be invited to enter posters and will be awarded the same prizes.

Rural Youth Cited By VP Humphrey

CC president, Herman Carson, said that further plans for the parade will be announced later.

The Vice President let it be known, however, that his confidence in the majority of rural youth is stronger today than ever.

We do plan to give prizes for the best floats entered, and merchants will be contacted concerning this activity.

Christmas Parade

Chamber of Commerce Directors, in a meeting Tuesday afternoon, set Saturday, Dec. 9 as Merkel's Christmas Parade date.

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BAND FAVORITES — Merkel Junior High School's Band Favorites are Michael Ray and Jan Beasley. Michael is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ray, and Jan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Teaff. Both were named favorites at the Junior High School Pep Rally. (Photos Courtesy Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc.)

NOODLE SCHOOL'S HOMECOMING IS NOVEMBER 25-26

The 1967 Homecoming activities for the Noodle School will be Nov. 24 and 26, according to Homecoming president, W. R. (Pinky) Cypert.

"No invitations will be sent because of loss of homecoming records in a fire at the J. E. Touchstone home during the summer," said Cypert. "Area residents are urged to notify friends and relatives of the homecoming event."

"The reunion of ex-students and former residents of the community is held every three years on the weekend following Thanksgiving," said Cypert.

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First Aid Course Tentatively Set To Begin Nov. 21

A Red Cross Standard First Aid Course will be offered in Merkel at the Fire Station tentatively set for Tuesday, Nov. 21, and will begin at 7:30 p.m. Interested persons may contact Fred Starbuck or Waymon Adcock for exact date.

Authorized Red Cross instructors will be Mrs. Elizabeth Willson and Mrs. Katie Damme, both of Tye.

The course consists of ten hours of instruction, two hours each session, and should be completed within two weeks, said Mrs. Willson. "Succeeding dates will be decided upon after the first meeting."

DISTRICT GAME WAS A 'CLOSE ONE'

Merkel fans were disappointed at the score but not disappointed by the way the Badgers played as the Hornets of Aspermont took the district crown with a score of 28 to 27.

And the score was 14-0. Then Aspermont came to life and the Hornets completed a pass and the score was 14-6. Aspermont missed the conversion.

This was Merkel's only loss this season. The Hornets had lost one game in pre-season play.

On the second play after the kickoff the Hornets intercepted a pass. Aspermont scored.

The Badgers who have played their hearts out all season against heavier teams have been plagued with a shortage of manpower. This shortage of manpower showed on those who had to give their all for 60 minutes.

The score was 14-12. Aspermont missed the conversion.

The team that lost in the fourth quarter wasn't the team that started off fresh with two quick touchdowns and two conversions to make the score 14 to 0.

The Badgers showed the stuff champions are made of. Thompson got open at midfield, grabbed a pass from Hornet Meador and it was goal on an 82-yard pass-run combination.

The first TD came on a 71-yard pass from quarterback Ray Davis to Johnny Thompson.

Wade kicked and the score was 21-12.

A bad snap from center on a punt attempt gave the Badgers the ball on the Hornets' 25 and on the first play Jimmy Williams went around end and over the goal line.

That's the way it was at halftime. The second half was a different game. Merkel got behind with poor field position. And the plunging drives and hard runs of Aspermont made the second stanza a different game. The Hornets could do no wrong.

Danny Wade made both kicks.

But they knew they had been in a game — one that could have flopped either way before the last 10 seconds of play.

HIG COST OF FIRES States rose from \$78 million in 1875 to almost \$1.37 billion in 1964, reports the Insurance Information Institute.

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LEGAL NOTICE

ORDINANCE CALLING SPECIAL ELECTION FOR ADOPTION OF LOCAL SALES TAX WHERE PAPER BALLOTS ARE USED.

NO. 346

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS, ON THE QUESTION OF THE ADOPTION OF A ONE PERCENT (1%) LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX WITHIN THE CITY; DESIGNATING THE DAY OF THE ELECTION AND THE POLLING PLACE; APPOINT ELECTION OFFICIALS THEREFOR; PROVIDING THAT ALL DULY QUALIFIED RESIDENT ELECTORS SHALL BE QUALIFIED TO VOTE; PRESCRIBING FORM OF BALLOT; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF ELECTION; CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO SAID ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS Article 1066c, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes (Acts 1967, 60th Legislature, Regular session, Chapter 36, page 62) authorizes the governing body of any city, town or village in Texas to call an election for the purpose of adopting a local sales and use tax within such city, town or village; Now, Therefore, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS:

Section 1. That a special election shall be held in and throughout the City of Merkel, Texas, on the 9th day of December, 1967, at which election there shall be submitted to the resident qualified voters of said City of Merkel, for their action thereupon, the following propositions:

"FOR adoption of a one per cent (1%) local sales and use tax within the city."

"AGAINST adoption of a one per cent (1%) local sales and use tax within the city."

Section 2. That said election shall be held at one polling place for all qualified voters of the City of Merkel, Texas, and the polling place and presiding officers for said election shall be, to-wit:

Polling Place
Merkel City Hall
Presiding Judge
Mrs. F. Y. Gaither
Alternate Presiding Judge
Mrs. Betty Cypert
Clerks

Mrs. Ruth Cox
Mrs. Ruth Huffman
The Judge presiding at such election shall appoint such additional Clerks as may be necessary in order that, in no event, shall there be less than two Clerks serving.

Section 3. That said election shall be held in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and all duly qualified resident electors of the City of Merkel, Texas, shall be qualified to vote.

Section 4. That the ballots of said election shall conform to the requirements of Section 2, Subsection G, of Article 1066c, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes (Acts 1967, 60th Legislature, Reg-

ular Session, Chapter 36, page 62), and to the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Election Code of the State of Texas, as amended, and the language to be printed thereon shall include the following:

OFFICIAL BALLOT
INSTRUCTIONS: Place an "X" in the square beside the statement indicating the way you wish to vote.

(-) FOR adoption of a one per cent (1%) local sales and use tax within the city.

(-) AGAINST adoption of a one per cent (1%) local sales and use tax within the city.

Section 5. That election judges and clerks are directed to comply with Article 6.06, Election Code of the State of Texas, as amended (Section 2 of House Bill 181, Acts 1967, 60th Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 452, pages 1026, 1028), which provides that a square shall be placed beside each proposition in which the voter is instructed to place an "X" or other clear mark to indicate the way he wishes to vote; but which also provides that failure of a voter to mark his ballot in strict conformity with the directions on the ballot shall not invalidate the ballot, and the ballot shall be counted if the intention of the voter is clearly ascertainable, except where the law

expressly prohibits the counting of the ballot. It is specifically provided that the election officers shall not refuse to count a ballot because of the voter's having marked his ballot by scratching out the statement of proposition for which he does not wish to vote.

Section 6. That notice of the election hereby ordered and called shall be given: (a) by publication on the same day of two successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation published within said City of Merkel, Texas, the date of the first publication to be at least twenty - one (21) days prior to the date set herein for such election; and (b) at the City Hall in the City of Merkel, Texas, not less than twenty (20) days prior to the date set herein for such election. It is hereby found and determined that the MERKEL MAIL is a newspaper published within the City of Merkel, Texas, and is a newspaper of general circulation within the said City of Merkel, Texas.

Section 7. That the Board of Aldermen hereby finds that an emergency exists requiring ordinances to be read on two separate days, in that the immediate passage of said ordinance is necessary for the preservation of the public peace, safety and welfare in that it is imperative that additional sources of revenue be made available to the City of Merkel, and that such election be held at the earliest possible date in order to determine the availability of such sources of revenue, and

said rule is hereby suspended, and this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

PASSED this 6th day of November, A. D. 1967.
(Seal)

WILLIAM H. BUTTON
Mayor Pro tem
William H. Button

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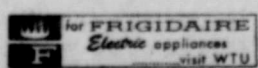


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MASONIC MEETING
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ALLEN MORGAN, W. M.
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WANTED - Service station attendant for Merkel Truck Stop. Night shift, beginning at 6 p.m. Call Merkel Restaurant, 928-4923. 37 2tc

GARAGE SALE - Thursday and Friday at 704 South 3rd. Mrs. Lon McDonald. 37 1tc

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 1fc

SPOTS before your eyes on your new carpets. Remove them with Blue Lustre. Rent electric shampooer \$1. Bullock Hardware, 928-5316. 34 1tp

WANTED - Bookkeeping. Prompt Service, pick up and delivery. B. J. West, 1411 South 5th. 928-5617. 35 3tc

TAMALE SALE - 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. every Saturday. A. C. Asen. c/o. 108 Haynes. 36 2tp

LOST - Set car keys on red key case. Possibly lost in yard. If keys of this description found please call Merkel Mail, 928-5712. Reward.

WANTED TO BUY - Used piano. 928-4942, Ann Baggett. 36 2tc

- For Rent -

FOR RENT—Two bedroom house, clean, plumbed for washer. Reasonable rent. North FM Road 126 on school bus route. Mrs. C. K. Russell, 928-5168. 37 1fc

FOR RENT—Large, two bedroom, furnished house, 211 El Paso. Phone 928-5777. 37 1fc

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FOR RENT - Furnished three room house and bath. Call 928-4861. 36 2tc

FOR LEASE - 27 acres cotton allotment in Taylor County for lease for two years. Guy Gannaway, 1011 Condro St., Phone 754-4673, Winters, Texas. 37 2tp

- For Sale -

FOR SALE - Two bedroom house, 2 baths, den, living room, kitchen, garage, and fenced yard. Call 928-5492. 9 1fc

FOR SALE - 1954 Chevrolet, new battery, \$125. Call 928-5103 or see at 705 Ash St. Merkel. 36 2tp

FOR SALE - Hampshire pigs. Call Dennis Deen, Noodle 736-6447. 36 2tp

FOR SALE - Cedar posts. Lloyd West, Rt. 2, Merkel. 846-4168. 36 2tp

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THANKS TO OUR MANY FRIENDS in Merkel for the cards, letters and prayers, during my stay in the hospital in convalescence. Being away from home so long, makes the remembrances even more appreciated.

Gratefully,
GLENN CLARK

AGRI-TOUR EXHIBIT DRAWS LARGE CROWD

Texas Agri - Tour Trailer, on parking lot Tuesday, drew a large exhibit at Carson's Super Market crowd from the Merkel area.

The Tour Trailer, is a new idea for familiarizing the people of Texas with the food and fiber products that are produced in their state.

The exhibit, touring the state, consists of a mobile home featuring narrated color slides that tell the story of Texas agriculture.

Visitors noted the shopper's hints, explaining "how best to best select agricultural products to stretch the shopping dollar" and the cooking suggestions showing new ideas for preparing and serving Texas agricultural products.

Free brochures were available for those visiting the Agri - Tour Trailer.

Texas Agri - Tour is made possible by a joint effort of the Tex-

MERKEL PAGEANT

BY MAIL STAFF

There's one little boy in Merkel who will stop wondering if he has friends.

It, before noon Friday, Nov. 10, 1967, one fifth grader, age 10, ever pondered on the idea of "whether anyone likes me or not," then this "ponderer" can stop pondering.

Seems a game of "puddle jump-



BILLY W. PAYNE
... USAF defense member

Radar Technician

CORVALLIS, Ore. - Master Sergeant Billy W. Payne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack C. Payne of 713 Dunnam St., Pasadena, Miss. is a member of the U.S. Air Force defense organization that has been selected as best in the United States.

Sergeant Payne's wife, Barbara, is the daughter of Carter J. Cox of Rt. 1, Tye, Tex.

Sgt. Payne is assigned to the Air Defense Command's (ADC) 26th Air Division that has won the coveted General Frederic H. Smith Trophy. The trophy, which honors a former Air Force vice chief of staff now retired from active duty, was presented at division headquarters, Adair Air Force Station, Ore., Nov. 7.

Completes Drill Sergeant Course

FT. LEWIS, Wash. - Army Staff Sergeant Jimmy L. Smith, whose father, James T. Smith, lives at 1422 North First St., Merkel, Tex., completed a drill sergeant course Oct. 13 at Ft. Lewis, Wash.

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TRENT HOMECOMING OFFICERS NAMED

Officers to head Trent's 1968 Homecoming activities are Sherman Driggers Jr., president; Welton Beasley, vice president, and Mrs. Spud McLeod, secretary-treasurer.

Recognized during the Home-

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Nov. 20 - Hamlin boys and girls A here at 7:00 p.m.
Nov. 27 - Roscoe 7 and 8 boys and girls there 5:30 p.m.
Nov. 30 - Dec. 2 - Trent Tournament boys
Dec. 4 - Hawley boys and girls A here at 7:00 p.m.
Dec. 7-9 - Merkel Tournament girls
Dec. 11 - Hamlin boys and girls A here at 7:00 p.m.
Dec. 18 - Anson boys and girls A here at 7:00 p.m.

coming business meeting Nov. 4 were Trent High School graduates of 1917. They were Mrs. Gertrude Dowdy of Abilene and Mrs. Floy Marvey of Denton. Joe Nalley of Merkel and Mrs. Ed Burks of Trent were the "oldest Exes" present. Alton Martin of Bay City "traveled the longest distance."

Entertainment for Homecoming was provided by a singing trio from Trent, Misses Betty Sharp, Pam McMurray and Sheila Hammer; the Trent High School Band, and a musical trio, the Talsman from McMurry College.

During the half - time activities of the Trent - Hermleigh football game, Mrs. Ola Lee Winn was crowned Homecoming Queen. Sheila Hammer was presented a bouquet of roses as Band Sweetheart and Larry Hellums was recognized as Football hero. Football Sweetheart, Cresta Sipes was presented a plaque by Hellums.

It's News To Me by Betty Carroll

How To Look Like A Girl THE SHORT SHIFT is still the No. 1 fashion favorite. But today's look is "all girl," achieved with jewelry, according to Sarah Coventry, leading direct seller of costume jewelry. The long chain necklace is now worn around the hip, an all-girl placement. The pin is centered below the neckline. Earrings and bracelets are big, bold, beautiful. Versatile Sarah Coventry jewelry mixes, matches, adapts. It's all girl!

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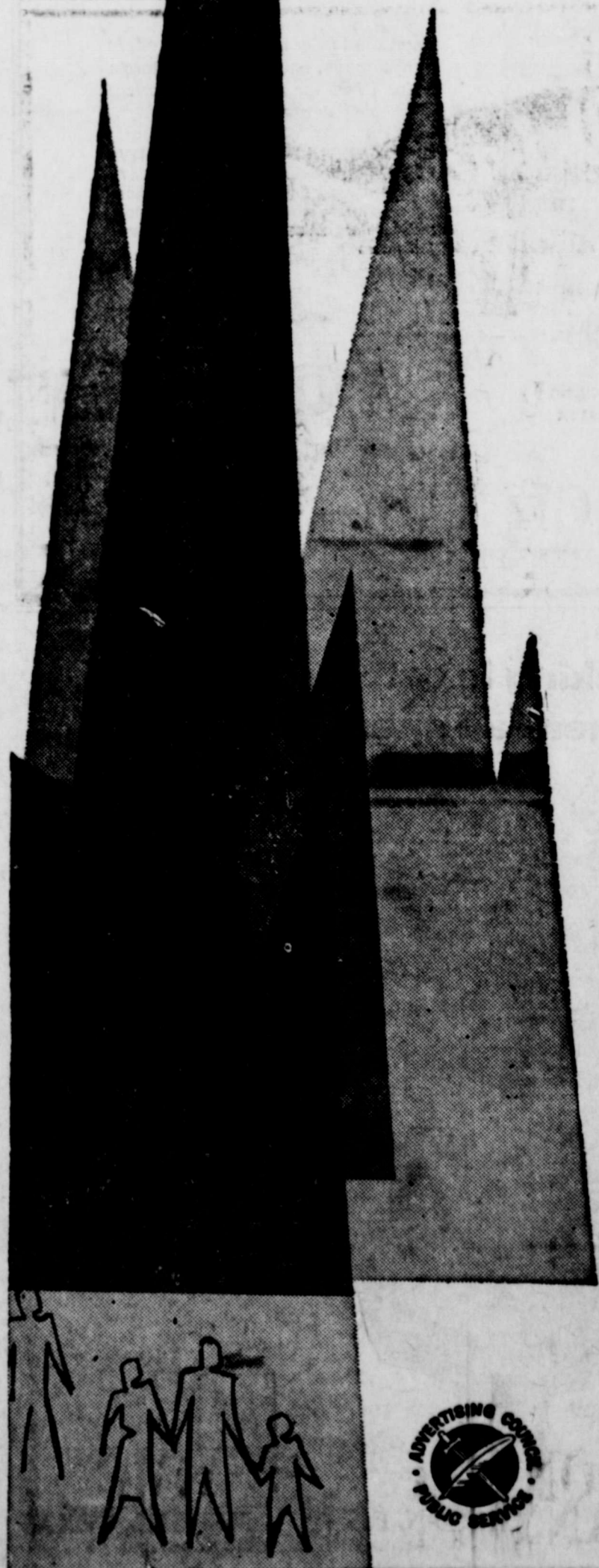
Find the strength for your life...

Does it seem to you sometimes that the world has gotten so crowded and complex that you just don't count at all in the grand scheme of things? It's not uncommon, that feeling. We feel helpless... unable to alter or even really to understand ourselves and the world we live in.

Faith is missing—and because of that, spiritual strength is.

But faith and spiritual strength can be found, nourished. Then they grow within you through regular worship. This week go to your church or synagogue. Start to build a fuller, more meaningful life. Cherish your faith and keep it strong so that it may strengthen you.

Worship this week



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

BOOSTER PRESIDENT RECEIVES THANKS

EDITOR'S NOTE — Letters to the editor do not necessarily express the view of the editor nor of this paper. But The Merkel Mail will continue to run letters to the editor as long as some are not libelous, in good taste, and they must be signed.

Dear Editor:

Almost everywhere you go nowadays, the word image is being spoken. A committee's image, conventions' image, a city's image.

And Merkel's image is being seen in many ways... and one of the most important right now is Merkel's image at the home football games.

Dan Allen, our football announcer, has helped in many ways with his fair manner of announcing games, to carry a good image of Merkel quite a ways out of our city limits.

We, as citizens of Merkel, should be appreciative of this, and I believe we are.

Sincerely,
GEO. T. MOORE

Dear Editor:

Just this past week I was in attendance at the Merkel Badger-Aspermont Hornets football game. As I sat in the stadium I was more appreciative as the game progressed, of our own football announcer.

Looking at the football announcing business from the fans' viewpoint, I believe we have had one of the fairest announcers anywhere!

Dan, we thank you for your fine way of announcing.

Sincerely,
MRS. BARBARA WHISENHUNT

Dear Editor:

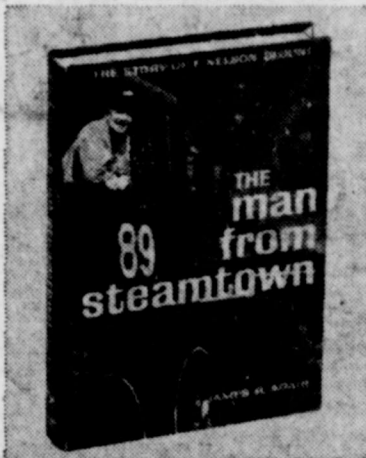
Quite a lot of talk was going around this past weekend concerning football announcing.

And it came to my mind that we have an outstanding football announcer... Dan Allen.

Even though Dan is president of the Merkel Badger Booster Club, guest teams and fans would never know from his manner of announcing, that he heads this fine organization.

At Booster Club meetings and at Pep Rallies, Dan might be right in there rooting for the Badgers, but when he gets in that announcer's box...

GETTING ON THE RIGHT TRACK TO GOD



F. Nelson Blount was a young millionaire who could read the fine print on business contracts but was unable to read the big, bold print in the Bible he loved, that marked out the road to Salvation.

There was a hunger and emptiness in his life unassuaged by wealth. He even bought a railroad to fulfill a lifelong ambition to become a railroad engineer, and organized a world famous museum, Steamtown, U.S.A., in Vermont. His restlessness led him into big game hunting, stunt-flying, and deep sea fishing.

Blount's remarkable life is excitingly told by James R. Adair in "The Man From Steamtown," just published by the Moody Press of Chicago. It describes the tragic accident to his wife that suddenly revealed to him the source of his emptiness. Though a lifelong nominal Christian, he was never truly "close" to God. Seeking the help of a friend, he "saw" for the first time the big, bold print that showed the Way, and forced to kneel and pray aloud, discovered the road to Salvation.

He became the country's most unusual "missionary," and the physical and spiritual adventures described in "The Man From Steamtown" make the book mandatory reading for Americans in this turbulent era. The trip the reader takes with F. Nelson Blount will provide unexpected rewards, and lead him on the only journey that truly matters.

ce's box up in the Badger Stadium, he's all business — fair business, that is.

We like for people who visit our city, to go away with kind thoughts about us, and Dan, we thank you for helping those thoughts along.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
E. A. CONLEY

Trent Girls, Boys Play Hawley In Basketball Nov. 21

Trent's High School Girls' Basketball team will play Hawley at Trent, Tuesday, Nov. 21. Both boys and girls A teams will play, said Ralph Newton, school superintendent.

In Monday, Nov. 13 game with Robert Lee, Trent's A team won 62-54. High scorer was Ann Riggan, 31, for Trent; Robert Lee's Lois Heuval, 24.

B team score was Robert Lee 57 Trent 42.

In Tuesday night's game, with Wylie, the A team score was Trent 53, Wylie 52. Ann Riggan was high with 26, and Wylie's Marcia Glenn, high with 11.

B team score was Wylie 56, Trent 40.

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Arthritis Booklet Just Published

The disease that afflicts man more commonly than any other is the subject of a new booklet, "Osteoarthritis, A Handbook for Patients," issued today by The Arthritis Foundation.

It is the third in the Foundation's current series of handbooks on major forms of arthritis. The others, published last year, are on rheumatoid arthritis and gout.

In 20 pages of questions and answers, the new osteoarthritis pamphlet describes the disease and how it differs from rheumatoid arthritis and explains how it causes trouble. Symptoms, diagnosis, treatment and current research are covered, with emphasis on the importance of prompt and proper treatment to prevent disability.

Osteoarthritis, A Handbook for Patients, has been approved by the Committee on Public Education of the Arthritis Foundation's Medical Council.

Single copies may be obtained at no charge from the Northwest Texas Chapter, P. O. Box 1748, Fort Worth, Texas 76101.

Rolling Plains Slates Program

Four meetings are to be held in November to "kick-off" the Rolling Plains Economic Program, according to Norman Brints, Area Farm Management Specialist.

"The purpose of the meetings will be to inform the public about the program and provide a sound basis for launching the Rolling Plains Economic Program," said Brints.

Time schedule and place for the meeting for Taylor County residents is Nov. 20, Roberson Chapel, Administration Building, Abilene Christian College in Abilene.

BADGER TALES

By DEBI CORDER



The second six weeks of the first semester is moving along faster than can be realized. Before we know it, we will be having six weeks tests again, and our themes, reports, etc., will be due.

Almost everyone dreads the end of the six weeks because they almost always wait until the last minute to do assignments.

Saturday all of the band students will participate in the Marching Contests at Odessa. We are all determined to work harder each day we practice because this year Merkel is going to have a Sweepstakes Band (right?). The twirlers will also be judged on their twirling ability. Here's hoping we all do the very best we are able.

Last Monday, the student body met in the auditorium for the third Southern Assembly program year. The man presenting the program was Mr. Singer,

who is an author, having written a total of 58 books in his lifetime. His main interest was that of spies and undercover agents, of which he related to us his knowledge. After the program the winners of the 501 Conservation Essays were announced.

It was the students of Merkel High and the citizens of Mer-

kel would like to tell you that to us we think you are the greatest and you always will be. Regardless of the score last Friday night, we had a much better game than Aspermont. I say, this is still Badger Country.

Thanksgiving is that day of the year when we are all thankful for our many blessings, such as two days off from school. I hope everyone enjoys the holidays — our first of the season.

Vickie Warren To Be Honored

Mrs. Clark Hamner of Trent is hosting an announcement tea this Saturday, honoring Miss Vickie Warren, bride-elect of Lyndel Quattlebaum, also of Trent.

Co-hostesses are Meses. Mark Williamson, Weldon Beasley, Betty Hamner and C. W. Edwards.

Miss Warren is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Warren of Trent, and former residents of Shamock.

Quattlebaum is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Quattlebaum, and a graduate of Trent High School. The wedding is set for December 29.

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You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Robert James Brooks, Defendant, Greeting:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County at the

Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty - two days from the date of issuance of this citation, same being the 4 day of December A. D. 1967, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 20 day of September A. D. 1967, in this cause, numbered 3642 on the docket of said court and styled Mary Brooks, Plaintiff, vs. Robert James Brooks, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about Oct. 28, 1964 and became separated on or about July 27, 1966. Plaintiff sued for divorce on the grounds of harsh and cruel treatment. Plaintiff asks for custody and support of the minor child, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

The officer executing this writ

JOHNNY COX

Bookkeeping
Income Tax Service
Notary

114 Edwards 928-4943

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Merkel Independent School District

Covering Receipts and Disbursements
For the Period of September 1, 1966
To August 31, 1967

RECEIPTS:

Local Sources	\$183,179.74
County Sources	20.28
Federal Sources	5,417.34
State Sources	201,512.87

Total Revenue Sources \$390,130.23

NON-REVENUE:

Loans (Busses)	\$ 5,845.36
Sale of Property and Insurance	29,880.27

Total Non-Revenue \$ 35,725.63
Total Revenue for the Year \$425,855.86
Balances from preceding Year 97,278.80

Total Funds Available For the Year of 1966-67 \$523,134.66

EXPENDITURES:

1. Administrative and Instructional	\$257,655.53
2. Vocational Expenses	2,294.87
3. Physical Education	5,316.38
4. Pupil Transportation	24,672.00
5. Operation of Plants	23,154.25
6. Maintenance of Plants	37,611.01
7. Fixed Charges	5,727.05
8. Food Services	1,800.00
9. Student Activities (extra-curricular)	1,034.48
Band	2,396.49
10. Capital Outlay	3,014.70
11. Debt Services	39,537.90

Total Disbursements \$404,214.66
Balances on August 31, 1967 budgeted for 1967-68 operational costs \$118,920.00

\$523,134.66

MACK FISHER

Signed: Mack Fisher
Superintendent of Merkel Schools

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- Dolt
- Coin
- Color
- Wing
- Forms of transport
- Young cat
- Incentive
- Pull
- Stitch
- German article
- Seaport
- Pronoun
- Through
- Humans
- Bag
- Artery
- Bone
- Withdraw
- That one
- Iberia
- Compass point
- Suffix: enzyme
- Terminate
- Pen
- Stove
- Silkworm
- Consumed

DOWN

- Tree
- Mohammedan title
- Make big
- Pulled
- Boy's name
- Musical syllable
- Gantry
- Obtained
- Attacker
- Publicize
- French river
- File
- Weight
- Conceal
- Biblical name
- Without
- Slimy
- Negatives
- Place
- Pass the
- Cooking vessel
- Japanese coin
- Card
- Sun's disk: Egypt
- Disen-cumber
- At all
- Beast
- Wards off
- Beer mug
- Scrap
- Existence
- Whole
- Grains
- Scruti-nize
- Pronoun
- Measure
- Stroke
- Prepared

Answer to Puzzle



shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 20 day of October A. D. 1967.

(Seal)
Attest: R. H. ROSS Clerk,
Domestic Relations Court
Taylor County, Texas
My Marie Gill, Deputy.

LEGAL NOTICE

NO. 22,425
GERMAN THOMPSON
vs.
KARL RANDOLPH HAYNES
IN THE JUSTICE COURT,
PRECINCT 1, PLACE 1,
TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO ANY SHERIFF OR ANY CONSTABLE WITHIN THE STATE OF TEXAS — GREETING:

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
CITATION BY PUBLICATION
TO: Karl Randolph Haynes, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Silas E. Clark, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1, Place 1, Taylor County, Texas, at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty - two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 11th day of December, A.D. 1967, in this cause, Numbered 22,425 on the docket of said Court and styl-

Cotton Growers Announce New Executive VP

Charles Bragg, a native of Tahaoka, has been employed as the new executive vice president of The Rolling Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., replacing Charles Stenholm who is soon to become associate manager of the Stamford Electric Cooperative.

Bragg is currently employed by

ed German Thompson, Plaintiff, vs. Karl Randolph Haynes, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Being a suit for damages in the sum of \$80.00 growing out of an automobile accident on December 4, 1966 on Highway No. 84 (Coleman Highway) south of the City Limits of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this the 25 day of October, A.D., 1967.

(Seal)
Attest: SILAS E. CLARK,
Justice of the Peace,
Precinct 1, Place 1,
Taylor County, Texas.

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NOODLE NEWS

By MRS. CLAYTON DILLARD

People of Noodle are enjoying a beautiful day this Monday; farmers are busy getting in what cotton is left in the fields — the defoliated cotton. Due to the wet damp weather, we haven't had much of a harvest yet.

Mrs. J. E. Boaz Sr., celebrated a birthday Sunday by having all her children home. Besides her children, there were many friends who dropped in to wish her "happy birthday."

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Benningfield attended the funeral of Jack's sister at Wylie (near Dallas) Sunday, Nov. 12. The people of the Noodle community extends sympathy to the Benningfields.

We also extend sympathy to Mrs. Kyle Blair and sons in the loss of husband and father, J. K.

the USDA in Washington, D.C. serving as acting head of the Cotton, Peanuts and Tobacco branch of the Policy Promotion Program and Appraisal Division.

Blair of Hurlwood. The Blairs are former residents of the Noodle community.

Mr. and Mrs. Vessie Justice left for Midland Sunday to be with their daughter, Mrs. Bill Poplin, who was to have major surgery Monday morning.

Young people of the Noodle Baptist Church held a Youth Rally Sunday afternoon, with approximately fifty attending. These young people were from churches in Jones and Taylor counties. Refreshments were served by the women of the church.

The Clayton Dillard's entertained Clayton's aunt over the weekend. She is Mrs. Ella Bell of San Diego, Calif., and Mrs. Bell, 87, is a frequent visitor in Taylor and Jones counties — traveling nowadays by plane.

Sonny Dillard, and wife, Lou, dropped in on the Clayton Dillard's this weekend to "show off" their new baby boy. The Sonny Dillard's are living in Houston, and Sonny is a nephew of the Clayton Dillard's.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jackson had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Cox in Merkel Sunday. Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Jackson went to Cisco to be with Mrs.

Jackson's brother, Bob Staten, who was in an automobile wreck at Vernon. Bob and his wife are doing fine.

Beta Sigma Phi Has Pledge Ritual

The Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Nov. 7 at the Taylor Electric building for their fifth meeting.

Pledge Ritual was conducted by president Mrs. Bobby DuBose. New Pledges are Mrs. Jackie Doan and Mrs. W. J. Roddy.

Members voted to order and sell the new Beta Sigma Phi Cook Book as "an extra project."

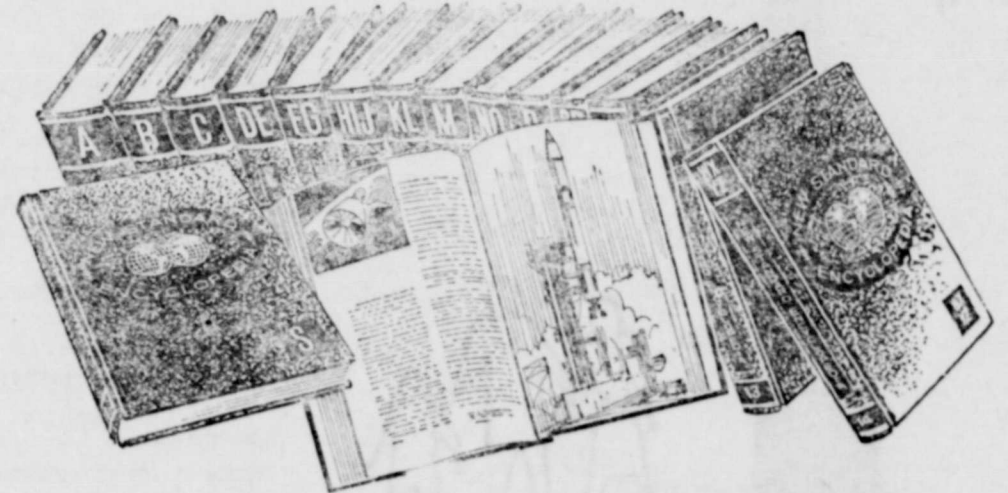
A program on the "History of Dress" was presented by Mmes. John Brady, Jimmy Leverich and Val Patterson. On display was a Montgomery Ward catalog dated 1905.

Attending the Tuesday evening meeting were Mmes Dan Allen, Lawrence Hewitt, John Brady, Leverich and DuBose.

Also Mmes. Roddy, Glenn Teaff, Patterson, Opal Derstine, Mammie Steck, Larry White, Glenn Sandusky and Horace Hargrove.

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IN WHAT STRANGE WAY DO CATS PERSPIRE?
CATS PERSPIRE THROUGH THE PADS OF THEIR FEET...AND NOT THROUGH THE SKIN OF THE BODY AS HUMAN BEINGS DO!

Star Nursing Home News

By MARY OUTLAW

PFC Glenda Sue Berry, who has been stationed at Fort McLellan, Ala., is visiting her mother, Bonnie Jones. Glenda is a former employe at the Nursing Home and we congratulate her on her choice of an army career. She is being transferred to Fort Bragg, N.C.

Our thanks go to Mr. David Gamble for sending the Abilene Reporter - News to the patients at the Nursing Home. They look forward to the paper each evening.

We are sorry that Mrs. Maggie Higgins, who is in Hendrick Memorial isn't doing so good at this writing. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

We want to thank Mrs. Ada Smith's daughter, Mrs. Allen Terry of Fort Worth for the nice box of candy she brought the nurses.

Thanks to Mrs. Sue Ellis and Mrs. H. L. Ellis for the nice hot peppers they brought to the home.

We canned and put in the deep freeze seventy - five quarts of mustard greens, given to us by Mrs. Warren Price.

Mr. Wiley Love has been very ill again, but is improving at this time.

Mrs. Bobby Frazier of Miles, visited Mrs. Mary Frazier last week. She took Mrs. Frazier to Abilene for treatments. She really loves to "go to town," even at the age of 92.

Mrs. L. A. Sargent of Abilene visited her father, Mr. Adams, Saturday.

Mr. Oden Hubbard visited his daughter, Mildred Herrell in Abilene.

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lene over the weekend.
Mrs. Lula Bishop visited her son and family over the weekend.
We have a new patient. He is Mr. Willard Pogue, and we would like for his friends to visit him here.

Mrs. Sudie Ward's nephew, B. K. Brookreson of Tuscola, visited her last week.

Boots Beard of Abilene visited his mother, Rosa Beard, last week.

We wish to express our sympathy to Mrs. Emmie Herron, our cook, in the loss of her mother, Mrs. Latham of Hamlin.

The First Baptist Church of Trent filled their appointment Sunday. We had a good service.

The First Methodist Church in Trent will be here this coming Sunday, and we will be looking forward to hearing them.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Carroll of Abilene visited Mrs. Carroll's mother, Mrs. Bresencine last week.

Mr. Tatum visited his daughter, Mrs. Browning, at Stith, Sunday.



Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

The Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be at the Stith Community Center, Sunday, Nov. 19. After dinner, there will be singing and visiting. Hope to see you there.

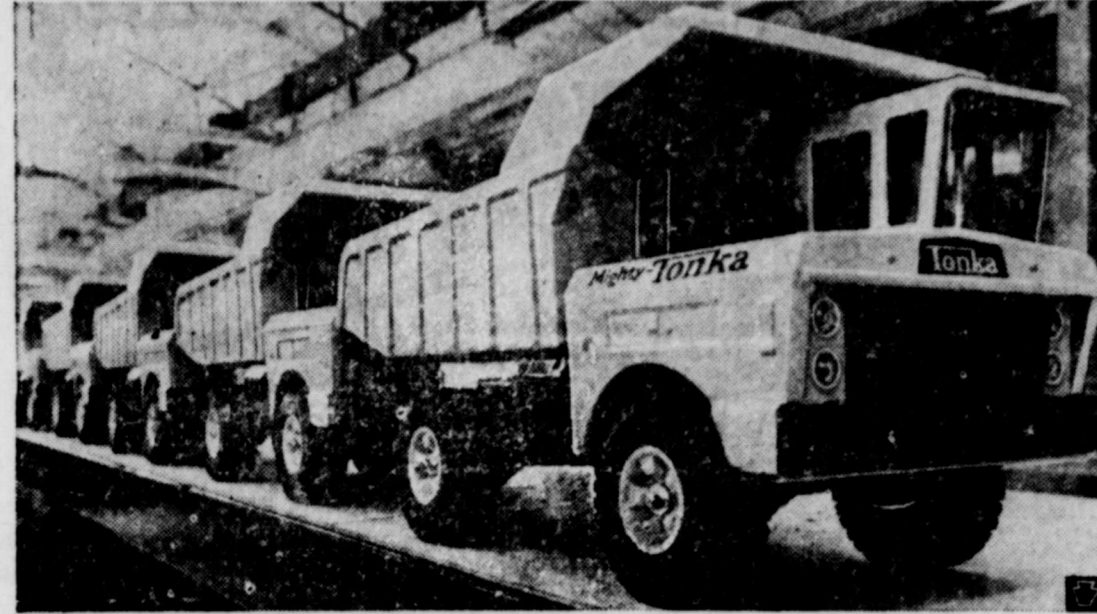
Mr. and Mrs. Grady Sanders of Dallas, spent Saturday night with Mrs. Nora McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Stanley and Myrna Liles spent Sunday of last week in Big Spring with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Spears, and they also visited Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hodges.

J. E. Swindell Jr. of Athens visited his mother, Mrs. J. E. Swindell and the Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Swindell and son, recently. Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Blackburn and Allouez of Hawley, visited

Speed Up Assembly Line

Plenty Of Trucks For Youngsters' Toy Season



THE WORLD'S BUSIEST TRUCK assembly line, shown here, isn't in Detroit; it's in Mound, Minnesota, where Tonka Corporation is producing tens of thousands of steel toy trucks every day to meet its 1967 goal of more than ten million individual toys before Christmas. Rolling off automotive-type assembly lines, these dump trucks are made of automobile-gauge steel, finished with real truck paint.

the Swindells Sunday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones went to Fort Worth last week to see their first great - grandchild, Jason Douglas Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Jones. The baby was born Oct. 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones spent Saturday and Sunday in De Leon with Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reddin and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn, Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Hicks and children, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Holloway and children and the Babe Tarpley family attended the Merkel - Asperment football game at Asperment Friday night.

Samatha and Jo Nell Mashburn of Carlsbad, N.M., are visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn and Rodney. Mrs. Mashburn, Jo Nell and Samatha spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Hardin and James at Lawn.

Visitors in the Fritz Hale home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Blackburn and Allouez of Hawley. Also Mr. and Mrs. James Hale, Shirley and Mike, Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning visited the Rev. and Mrs. Jack Bedford and children at Cottonwood Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Browning and children of Tuscola, Mildred and Lonnie

Harris, Dallas, and the Rev. O. B. Tatum spent Sunday in the John Browning home.

Gleaners' Class Meets for Social

The Gleaners Sunday School Class of First Methodist Church met in Fellowship Hall Wednesday, Nov. 8, for a business meeting and social. Hostesses for the occasion were Mmes. O. E. Harwell, Winnie Cypert, Minnie Howard and Winnie Walton.

Mrs. Denzil Cox led the group in singing. Mrs. Ethel Canada gave the devotional, and Mrs. Mary Click asked the prayer. Mrs.

Ruth Anderson was pianist for the singing.

Class president, Mrs. Howard, presided at the business meeting. Attending were Mmes. F. Y. Gaither, Harold Odum, W. W. Toombs, Lon McMurray, Dee Grimes, W. S. J. Brown, Leon Toombs and Sallie Moore.

Also Mmes. Anderson, Cox, Marvin Douglas, Harwell, Canada, Ross Ferrier and John Shannon.

Also Mmes. Click, Cypert, Walton, Howard and Miss Mable McRee and Miss Bessie Reidenbach.

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by Horace Elmo

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VALUES

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80 Square Print 39c Yard

ONE LOT OF FALL Fancy Percale 3 Yards \$1.00

Brown Domestic 5 Yards \$1.00

2 POUND ROLL OF Bleached Cotton Batts \$1.19 Roll

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PASTEL SOLID COLOR \$1.98 DOUBLE BED SIZE each
STRIPE AND FLORAL \$2.79 DOUBLE BED SIZE each
WHITE PILLOW 98c PAIR CASES
STRIPE AND FLORAL \$1.39 PILLOW CASES Pair

REMEMBER TUESDAY, NOV. 21ST IS DOLLAR DAY

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J. E. Stevens Dies at Age 65

Funeral services for James Earl Stevens Sr., 65, were held Monday, Nov. 13 at the Trent Methodist Church, with the Rev. Jim Sharp, pastor, and Phil Speers, minister of the Trent Church of Christ, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Stevens, a longtime resident of the Trent Community, died Sunday, Nov. 12 at his home in Trent after an illness of one year.

He was born May 11, 1902 at Corsicana, and moved to Merkel with his parents in 1908. The

family moved to Trent the same year.

He married Gertrude Alice Cox March 27, 1921, at Trent where he farmed until his retirement about a year ago.

Survivors include the wife; one son, James Earl (Tuffy) Jr., of Trent; one daughter, Mrs. D. A. (Doris) Hutcheson, of Abilene; two brothers, Bill of Wichita Falls and Roy of Littlefield; one sister, Mrs. Jessie May Sabin of San Antonio; five grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Jeff Anderson, Pete Neil, Fred Horton, F. H. Duncan, Homer Laney and Ed Sandusky.

Attends Meeting

Mrs. Virgil Patterson attended the Methodist Conference on Christian Education in Dallas Nov. 6-10.

Held at the Statler - Hilton, the conference meets every two years to discuss Methodist Church School curriculum materials and related subjects.

Mrs. Patterson is an elected member of this conference.

Visits in Houston

Mr. and Mrs. Oda Clark of Merkel visited recently with their son, Glenn, while he was in the Southeast Memorial Baptist Hospital in Houston.

The Clark's visited until Nov. 4, when Glenn was released from the hospital.

Reports Mrs. Clark, "Glenn is fine now and back at work." He is manager of the Sunshine Biscuit Company on the Gulfgate Freeway.

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 - FRESH GREEN ONIONS 2 Bn. **15¢**
 - GOLDEN BANANAS Lb. **12¢**
 - OCEAN SPRAY FRESH CRANBERRIES Lb. **29¢**
 - CALAVO AVOCADOS 2 for **29¢**
 - RED SPUDS 20-Lb. Bag **59¢**

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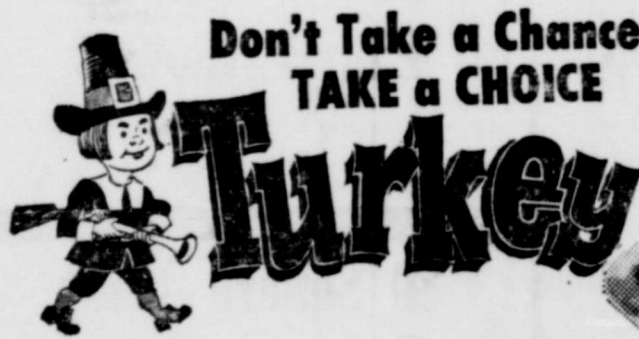
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- ROAST STEAK **69¢**
CHOICE BEEF ARM or ENGLISH LB.
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- HAMS **53¢**
YOUR CHOICE WHOLE or HALF LB.
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4-OZ. CAN
- KRAFT'S MARSHMALLOW CREAM Pt. **19¢**
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- CHEF BOY-AR-DEE MEAT BALL STEW 30-Oz. Can **59¢**

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