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Merkel PTA Meet Tonight at 7:30

Merkel Parent - Teacher Association will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Presenting the program will be the fourth grade Tonettes, under direction of band director, W. G. Reed.

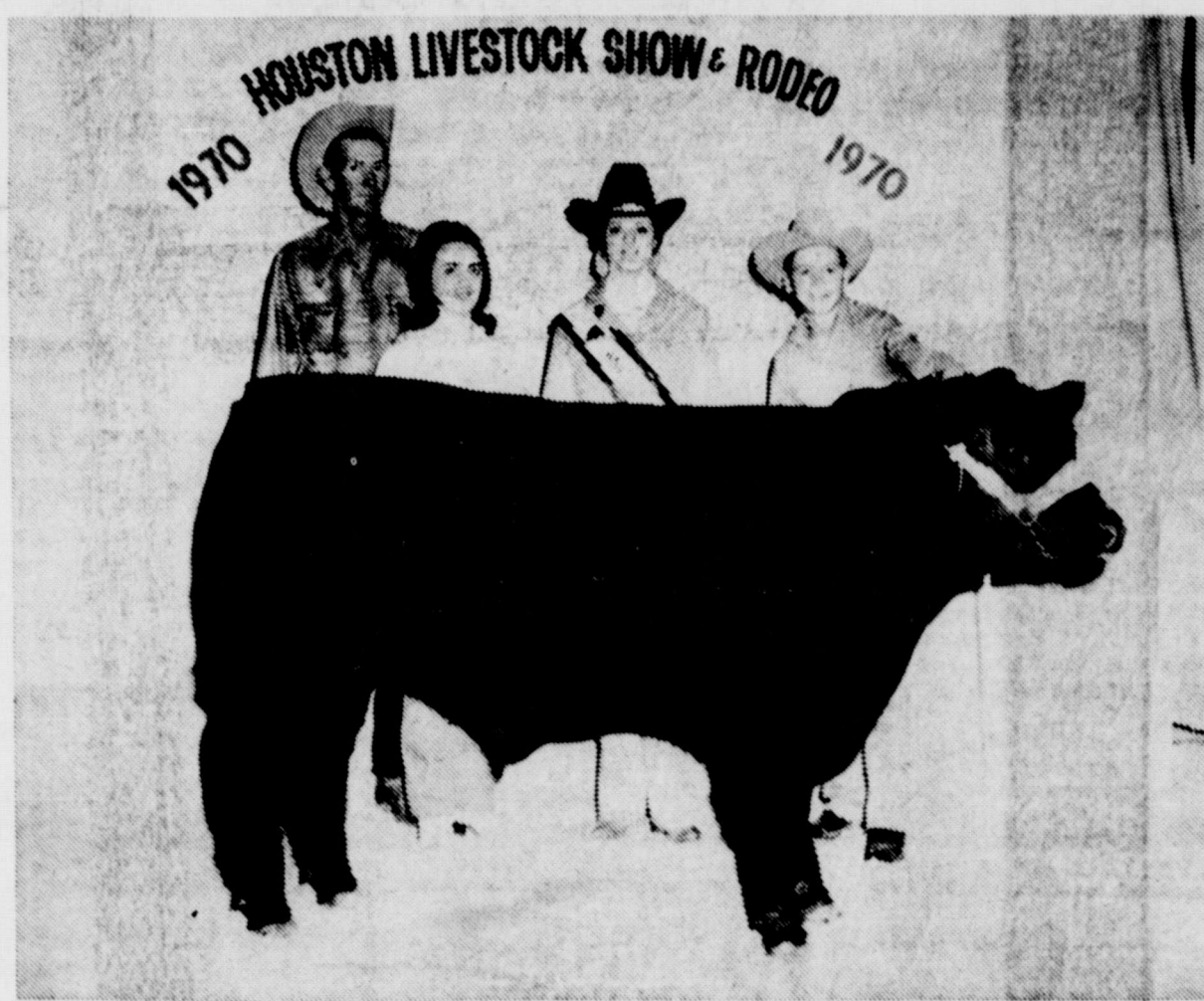
President, the Rev. James Merrell, urged that parents and teachers make plans to attend this meeting. The attendance trophy was presented to the Sophomore Class for the February meeting, and will be presented at this meeting to the class having the largest number of parents attending.

Two in Trent File Candidacy

Two candidates, both incumbents, filed for position on the Trent School Board. They are Ronnie D. Freeman and L. Yates Sipe.

The election is set for Saturday, April 4 at the Trent City Hall. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

Election judge will be W. P. Hood.



RESERVE CHAMPION — Rusty Holloway, right, is shown with his Reserve Champion steer at the Junior Angus Show, 1970 Livestock and Rodeo Show held in Houston. With Rusty and the champion, are from left, his father, T. L. Holloway, Lee Ann Holloway and Janet Schmidt, Texas Angus Queen from Mason. (Photo Courtesy American Angus Association)

C-C Banquet Ticket Sales Termed 'Good'

Ticket sales for the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet were rather "brisk" Wednesday morning, according to Benny Melton, executive secretary.

"With the program we have planned and with Congressman Burleson as our guest speaker we are expecting an unusually large crowd," said Melton.

Tickets are \$2.50 each and may be purchased at the Chamber headquarters, at the Merkel Drug, Starbuck's, The Merkel Mail, Farmers and Merchants National Bank, Wilson Food Store and Ben Franklin Store.

Other highlights of the banquet program will be the installation of incoming president, Johnny W. Hammond and the recognition of Outstanding Citizen and Outstanding Farmer or Rancher.

Ballot for choosing the Outstanding Citizen and Farmer or Rancher is found on page 5 of this

edition. Melton urged people to take time to write down their choices and get them in the mail.

"We do have a deadline (March 23) for this important part of our banquet program," said Melton. "And we also have to get

information to engravers for placement on trophies."

The banquet will be held at the school cafeteria and is to begin at 8 p.m.

Welcome committee includes Earl Hughes, Mack Fisher and Mrs. Dave Brumbeau.

WORLD WAR 1 VETS TO HOST MEETING

The Merkel - Trent Barracks No. 2248 and the Ladies Auxiliary will be host this week to the 17th District World War One Veterans Meeting, according to Commander Karl Bonneaux.

Meeting at the Taylor Electric Cooperative building, registration will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday. A noon meal will be served by members of the Auxiliary. Price is \$2.00.

Commander Bonneaux urged all members of the Merkel - Trent Barracks to attend and extended an invitation to all "interested veterans and widows" to the district meeting.

Guest speakers include Mike Nunlin, Department Commander

and Frank E. Sage, District Commander.

Speaking to members and guests of the Auxiliary will be Mrs. Frances Hardy, department president and Mrs. Anna Kay Haille, district president.

"Officers and members from other districts have indicated they will be at this meeting," said Bonneaux, "and we are planning a good program."

Friday Singing

Third Friday Night Singing will be held this Friday at 7 p.m. at the Victory Baptist Church.

F. E. Yates, association president, invites Merkel and area people to attend.

Mrs. Burluson to Be Honored

Mrs. Omar (Ruth) Burluson will be honored Friday, March 27 at a tea in the home of Mrs. Horace Boney at 1412 Herring Drive in Merkel.

Co-hostesses are Mmes. Robert Malone, Nolan Palmer, John Hardesty and Dave Brumbeau.

Ladies of Merkel and the area are given a special invitation to call between the hours of 4 and 5:30 p.m.

DRAMA CLUB TO PRESENT THREE ONE ACT PLAYS THIS SATURDAY

Playgoers are in for varied entertainment when they attend the Merkel High School Drama Club's presentation of three one-act plays this Saturday. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. Director is Mrs. Don Dudley.

Plays to be presented by The Pretenders are "Juliet and Romeo," "The Happy Scarecrow," and "The Bald Soprano," comedy and Juliet, one of Shakespeare's early plays, reflects a tender, moving story of young love. Romeo is played by Terry Wade and Juliet by Debbie Teaff.

Search for happiness is the theme of the "Happy Scarecrow" and was written by I. E. Clark, high school drama teacher at Schulenberg, Texas. The play has a surprising and beautiful ending.

Playing the role of the "Scarecrow" is Roger Beaird, and Vicki Payne is the fairy, Donna Phillips is the witch.

"The Bald Soprano" is the first high school production presented in Merkel from the theatre of the absurd. Written by Eugene Ion-

esco when he was learning to speak English, the author originally intended his play to show the tragedy of peoples' use of languages. Most people have come to identify this play as a comedy.

The cast includes Randy Doan and Judy Hester as Mr. and Mrs. Smith; Mark Dudley and Cathy Beaird as Mr. and Mrs. Martin; Carolyn Gilmore, Mary, the Maid; Steve Doan as the fire chief, and Suzy Wilson as the clerk.

Crews for the Spring Festival include:

Costumes
Head: Carolyn Gilmore, Marsha Jordan, Kathy Griffin, Betty Acencio, Debbie Teaff, Debbie Bowen, Carol Yates and Stephanie Welker.

House Crew
Head: Kathryn Criswell, Donna Dille, Ja Nell Laster, Barbara Higgins, Beth Hicks, Cleo Juan Douglas.

Sound and Light
Head: Randy Doan, Paul

Thames, Roger Beaird, Billy Jackson.

Publicity Crew
Head: Cathy Beaird, Jan Beasley, Margo McAlister, Christi Wiley, Cindi Wiley, Sheila Smith, Mike Warren, Mike Steck, Jeanie Fincher and Mark Dudley.

Mak's Up Crew
Head: Jeanie Fincher, Steve Walker, Suzie Wilson, Debbie Bowen, Debbie Teaff, Dian White and Betty Acencio.

Stage Crew
Steve Doan, Mark Dudley, Mike Warren, Mike McLean, Mike Allen, Larry Hewitt, Don Whisenhunt, Kathy Griffin, Dian White, Judy Hester and Monty Tittle.

Property Crew
Head: Vicki Payne, Jan Beasley, Mike Steck and Suzie Wilson.
Stage manager for the three productions is Terry Wade. Head of stage crew for Romeo and Juliet is Steve Doan; Bald Soprano, Mark Dudley; and Happy Scarecrow, Mike Warren. Student directors are Donna Phillips and Judy Hester.

NOMINEES SELECTED FOR TEC DIRECTORS

The Nominating Committee of Taylor Electric Cooperative met at 2 p.m. on March 9th to select nominees for directors whose terms expire in 1970.

Committee members are Weldon Edwards of Clyde, chairman; R. E. Clemmer, Mulberry Canyon; Billy Vinsen, Abilene; H. H. McLeod, Trent; and Jarrett Pincly, Merkel.

Nominated for Zone I, Taylor County, to succeed Mr. Comer Haynes, who asked not to be re-nominated are J. D. Sanducky Jr., of Merkel and Bernel Teaff of Tye.

Nominees in Zone II which is

Eastland, Callahan, Shackelford and Jones counties are Jack Morrow of Hawley, incumbent and Harvey Allred of Stith.

In Zone III which is Fisher, Nolan and Coke counties are O. S. Moore, incumbent, and Jimmy Guthrie of Nolan.

Additional nominations may be made by petition and nominations may be made from the floor.

Date of the annual meeting is April 18th.

Poster, Essay Winners Honored

Conservation essay and poster winners from Merkel and area were honored Monday night by the members of the Middle Clear Fork Soil and Water Conservation District and by Taylor Electric Cooperative Inc. Parents, teachers and district conservation teacher and conservation farmer also were honored during the occasion.

The banquet at the Abilene Christian College cafeteria honored Joe McDuff of Merkel, conservation farmer, and Mrs. Mildred Toombs of Trent, conservation teacher.

Norman Winter, manager of Taylor Electric Cooperative presented essay award; Clive Pierce, Taylor County superintendent of schools, presented the teacher award, and J. Riley Miller, director of the STWCP, presented the conservation farmer award.

Essay winners from this area were Linda McAninch, Trent, first in Rural school district; Carolyn Gilmore, Merkel High, second; Gail Gentry, first; Mark Dudley, second; Don Clyburn, third, and Teresa Clemmer, first.

Poster winners were Shannon Bagby, first; Grant Sandusky, second; Russell Grantham, Trent, third, and Rita Ann Watts, Trent, second.

SEYMORE WINS TRIP TO SAN FRANCISCO

Connie Mack Seymore, Farmers Union Insurance agent at Merkel has qualified for the company's Mile High Club, according to Fred Brown, District manager for this area. Brown stated that membership in the Mile High Club is achieved only by outstanding insurance sales and service to policy holders.

Seymore will join approximately 50 other Mile High Club members and their wives in San Francisco April 3 for a four day expense paid trip. Headquarters will be the Sheraton - Palace Hotel.

During the four - day conference, members will have the opportunity to meet with company management and hear nationally recognized experts in the insurance industry, as well as enjoy the many recreational facilities scenic and historical places of San Francisco and the area.

Of the approximately 90 members winning the April 3 trip only three from Texas qualified.

Seymore has been an agent for Farmers Union Insurance for three years and is a longtime resident of Merkel.

Lions Club Hears Katharyn Duff

Katharyn Duff, assistant editor of the Abilene Reporter - News, told members and guests of the Lions Club noon luncheon Tuesday that we are a "product of a distinctive generation of people who come to this area and settled the land."

"We are only a generation or two away from these people who had to make do with what they had or could find," said Miss Duff. "And we are so close to this frontier."

Miss Duff, a native of Sylvester, remarked that it was "almost like a homecoming to visit in Merkel."

During the business meeting, president Don Warren appointed the nominating committee for the election of officers at their meeting in April. Committee includes Newton Daniel, chairman, Booth Warren and Cyrus Pee. A report on the Broom and Mop Sale project will also be given at the April meeting.



"DEAD" SCARECROW — But not for long. The good fairy, played by Vicki Payne is just about to get her magic wand and turn the Scarecrow, Roger Beaird, into a human being so he can go out into the world and search for happiness. This scene and many more will be "in action" at the Festival of Drama Saturday.



"I SHALL PROPOSE — Another "Scarecrow" scene when Don Whisenhunt, playing the part of the king is "doing his thing" by proposing to princess, Betty Acencio. Playgoers are in for many a laugh when they attend the performances presented by the High School Drama Club this Saturday at the high school auditorium. (Staff Photos)

THE FIZZLE FAMILY



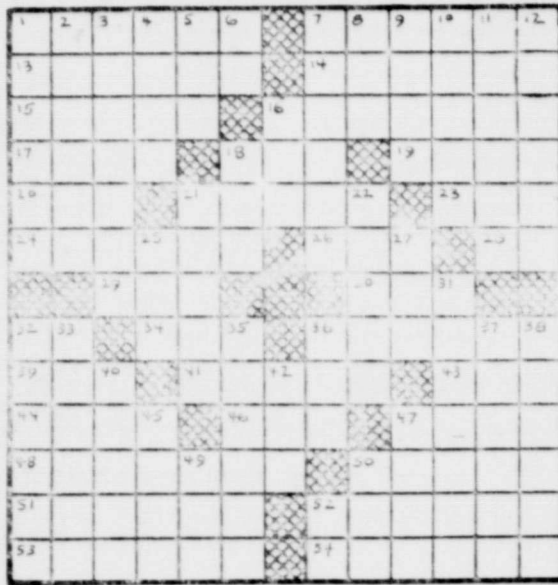
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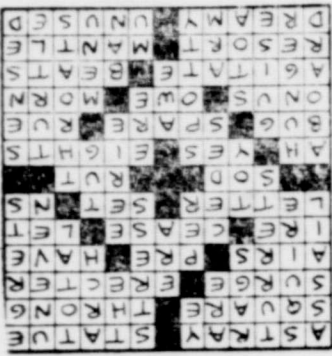
Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- 1. Wandering
- 7. —of Liberty
- 13. Of four equal sides
- 14. Crowd
- 15. Roll in waves
- 16. Builder
- 17. Ventilates
- 18. Before: prefix
- 19. Possess
- 20. Anger
- 21. Desist
- 23. Permit
- 24. Epistle
- 26. Fat
- 26. Nova Scotia: abbr.
- 29. Grass square
- 30. Groove
- 32. Exclamation
- 34. Affirmative
- 44. Burden
- 36. Numbers
- 46. Be indebted
- 39. Insect
- 47. Morning
- 41. Extra
- 48. Arouse
- 43. Regret



Answer to Puzzle



DOWN

- 1. Attack
- 2. Country gentleman
- 3. Small towers
- 4. Tatters
- 5. Be
- 6. You
- 7. Emphasis
- 8. Article
- 9. Curved part
- 10. All
- 11. Not level
- 12. Herons
- 16. Age
- 18. By
- 21. Yields
- 22. Weird
- 25. Plaything
- 27. Pull
- 31. Gullets
- 32. On a ship
- 33. Need for food
- 35. Uneven
- 36. Before
- 37. Shelled reptile
- 38. Perceived
- 39. Appearance
- 40. Reverence
- 43. Portico
- 47. Bill of fare
- 49. Give
- 50. Weapons
- 50. Prohibit
- 52. Greek letter

Brushing Up, Brushing-In



HUNDREDS OF YOUNGSTERS shown here are taking part in New York City's first mass "brush-in" conducted by students of the New York University College of Dentistry. Above, an NYU dentist shows the children proper toothbrushing technique before they begin their big "brush-in." Heart of the "brush-in," in which all the kids brushed together, is a 5-minute brushing with a special stannous fluoride prophylactic paste. With regular practice and good oral hygiene, this paste can help eliminate up to 95 per cent of dental cavities normally expected to develop. Toothbrushes for the "brush-in" and regular toothpaste for daily at-home use, were contributed by Crest. The first toothpaste to receive recognition from the American Dental Association as being effective in reducing decay, Crest also contains stannous fluoride.

LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS:
TO: BILLY RAY LEE, Defendant in the hereinafter styled and numbered cause:
You are hereby commanded to appear before the Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County,

Texas, to be held at the Court-house of said County in the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of forty two (42) days from the date of the issuance hereof; that is to say, at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. of Monday, the 6th day of April, 1970, and answer the petition of BARBARA JO LEE, Plaintiff, in Cause No. 152, styled BARBARA JO LEE vs. BILLY RAY LEE, in which the following person is Plaintiff: BARBARA JO LEE, and the following person is Defendant: BILLY RAY LEE, which petition was filed in said court on the 11th day of November, 1969, and the nature of which said suit is as follows:

A suit for divorce arising out of the marriage of BARBARA JO LEE and BILLY RAY LEE and incidental relief including the division of the community property between the Plaintiff and Defendant, the restoration of the Plaintiff's name prior to marriage and for attorney's fees.

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

WITNESS Irene Crawford, Clerk of the Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County, Texas.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT at office in the City of Abilene, Tay-

Watts Enrolled In 2-Week Course At Texas A&M

COLLEGE STATION — Martin N. Watts of 1209 South 9th St., Merkel, is among 10 technicians enrolled in a two-week Basic Carrier Course at the Texas Engineering Extension Service's Telephone Training Center.

Watts is an equipment repairman for Merkel Telephone Company.

TEES is a part of the Texas A&M University System with the telephone center located at the A&M Research Annex.

Instructor Darrell Witt noted specific types of carrier are not taught, but are referred to as a means of showing how a system functions. The course provides basic knowledge of theory and practice, Witt pointed out.

"Upon completion of the course, the trainee will have sufficient knowledge to understand carrier and apply this understanding to his job," Witt explained. More advanced courses on specific types of carrier and microwave are planned for the near future.

On USS Peoria

USS PEORIA — Navy Fireman Apprentice Dannie C. Goodgion, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard E. Goodgion of 128 Cole St., Tye, participated in commissioning ceremonies aboard the tank landing ship USS Peoria at Long Beach, Calif.

His ship is of a new design which provides for greater speed and efficiency.

ler County, Texas, this 23rd day of February, 1970.

(Seal)
IRENE CRAWFORD, Clerk of the Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County, Texas
By Faye Terry Deputy.
Issued this 23rd day of February, 1970.

IRENE CRAWFORD, Clerk of the Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County, Texas
By Faye Terry Deputy 52 4c

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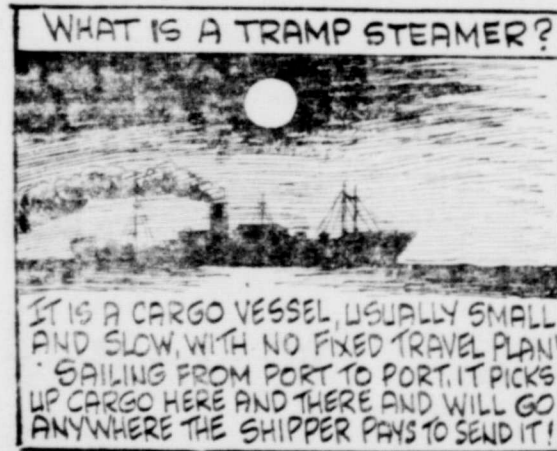
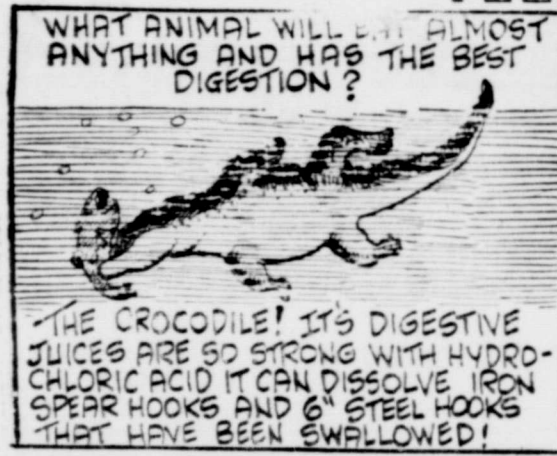
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CARD OF THANKS

OUR HEARTFELT THANKS to all who extended comforting sympathy and help in our recent sorrow. For the beautiful service, floral offerings, food, and other kindnesses. Our special thanks go to the Rev. James Merrell, The Starbuck, and to the Nursing home, we are deeply grateful. The Rosa E. Chancey Family



MERKEL BOOSTER CLUB
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Tickets on Sale at Door
Merkel School Cafeteria

COWBOY REUNION PLANS UNDERWAY

The 1970 Texas Cowboy Reunion, widely recognized as the world's largest amateur rodeo, will be held in Stamford on July 2, 3 and 4. There will be three night performances and a matinee on the afternoon of July 2 in the downtown area.

Officials for the organization this year include Eugene Swenson, president; Carl Swenson, vice president; Mrs. Jimmie S. Walker, secretary; John R. Rice, treasurer.

Directors are H. G. Andrews Sr., Bernard Baile, Russell Crowner, A. C. Humphrey, A. J. Mills, A. M. G. Swenson, W. J. Swenson, Eugene Swenson, Carl Swenson.

Working chairmen are local citizens interested in making the show one of the best each year, most of whom have served over 20 years in his capacity. Deans of this list are Sam Baize, chairman of stall reservations and Roy Craig, souvenir program chairman. Others are H. G. Andrews Jr., legal affairs; John Bennett, grandstand and parking; Charles

Merkel Relatives Attend Birthday Celebration

The oldest person living in Gatesville - Mrs. J. M. (Lizzie) Melton - was honored this past Sunday on her 100th birthday.

Relatives from Merkel attending the celebration were Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Owens, J. L. Melton and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Melton.

Other relatives, formerly of Merkel, attending were Margie Land and daughter, Tammy of Houston, and Mary Elizabeth Graham and son, Randy, who has just returned from a tour of duty in Vietnam, also of Houston.

Mrs. Melton's family and relatives from Merkel celebrated the occasion at the Gatesville Community Center, followed by an open house.

Mrs. Melton makes her home with one of her daughters, Mrs. Charles Patterson. Her other daughters are Mrs. Addie Grier of Umpqua, Ore.; Mrs. Willie Bealy of McGregor; Mrs. Ruby Sters of Calvert, and Mrs. Velma Paulk of North Hollywood, Calif.

Although Mrs. Melton suffered a broken arm and a broken hip in 1962, she still get around "on her own" with the aid of a walker. Her favorite pastime is piecing quilts - work she does without eyeglasses.

She was born in Missouri in 1870. When she was three years old, her family came to Dallas in a covered wagon. She has lived in Correll County for 93 years, and in Gatesville since 1964. Her husband died in 1913.

Political Announcements

The Merkel Mail is authorized to announce the following candidates for office in Taylor (and Jones) Counties.

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries May 2 and June 5, 1970:

For Congressman, District 17
OMAR BURLESON
(Re-election)

For State Representative, District 62, Place 2
GRANT JONES
(Re-election)

For Commissioner, Precinct 4; Jones County
J. G. (DUDE) HEALD

Subject to the actions of the Republican Primaries May 2 and June 6, 1970:

For State Representative, District 62, Place 2
MARVIN W. SAPAUGH

MERKEL MAN NAMED TO COLLEGE BOARD

Billy Patton, 1408 Sunset, Merkel, minister of the Church of Christ in Merkel, has recently been named to the Board of Development of Lubbock Christian College.



BILLY PATTON
... LSS board

Patton is a graduate of Lueders High School and has attended ACC, a past president of Little League, is secretary-treasurer of the Booster Club and writes a weekly article for the Merkel Mail. He and his wife, Linda, have two children, Andria Deneen, five, and Anthony Dean, two.

LCC is a small, private, liberal arts college where teachers teach and students study in a quiet Christian atmosphere. The college stage between Junior College and senior college. The first four year class will be graduated in May of 1972.

Improvements at the rodeo grounds are under way now in order that everything may be ready for another big show this year.



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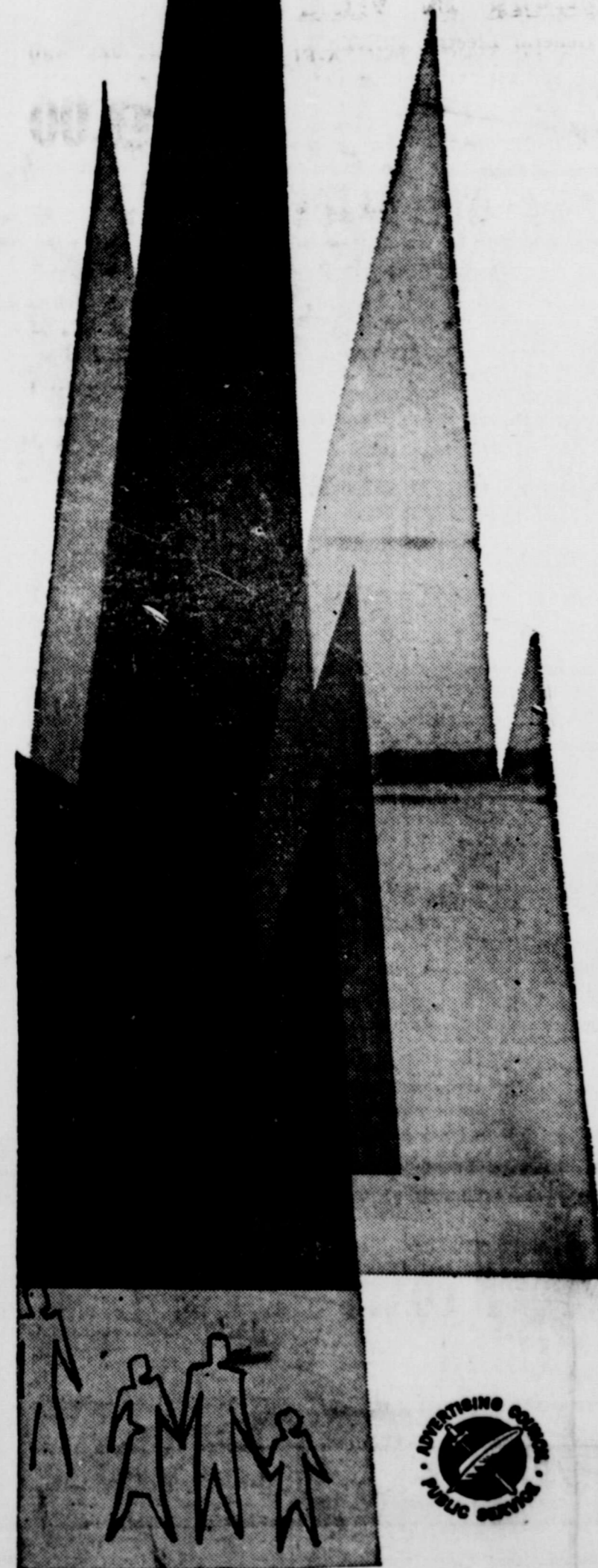
Find the strength for your life...

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



Senator Ratliff On Ag Committee

L. Governor Ben Barnes today announced the appointment of three senators to the Committee on Development of Agricultural Production Potential in Texas.

Barnes named Senators Bill Patman of Ganado; David Ratliff of Stamford; and J. P. Werd of Meridian to the study group. The lieutenant governor designated Patman as chairman.

Created by S. R. 870, the Committee will study all means by which development of the Texas agricultural production potential for the next decade can be encouraged and realized.

"Texas ranks third in the U.S. in total cash income from agriculture and I think we can be first," said Barnes.

"This Committee will work to provide new ideas on how Texas can increase its cash income and insure the steady growth of agribusiness in Texas."

Compere HD Cub Hears Mrs. Cox

The Compere Home Demonstration Club met March 12 in the home of Mrs. Ernest Spurgin. Mrs. Les Cox gave a talk on her recent visit to Germany. Mrs. Thomas Rushing displayed artistic work in decoupage.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. Clayton Dillard, Don Adair, Ab Hunter, Hugh Taylor, Bennie Anderson, Slyde Chancey and Duayne Johnson.

Also Mrs. Jee Amason, Spurgin and four visitors, Mrs. Carl Jackson, Thomas Rushing, Grady Bishop and Mrs. Cox.

Lord's Supper To Be Observed

Members of Grace Presbyterian Church have been invited to join First United Methodist Church members in celebration of the Lord's Supper Thursday, March 26 at 7:30 p.m.

The Rev. Jim Sinclair, pastor of the Grace Presbyterian Church, expressed appreciation to the Methodist members and said "order of worship would be announced next week."



PENNY LEAH TANNER ... plans June wedding

Tanner-Carson Engagement Told

The Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Tanner of Stratford announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Penny Leah to Mr. Paul N. Carson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Carson.

Wedding date is June 20 and will be at the First Baptist Church in Merkel.

The bride-elect attended Merkel High School, graduated from Stratford High School and is attending the School for Medical Record Technicians at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene. She will graduate in June.

The bridegroom-elect is a graduate of Merkel High School and is a student at Texas Tech, Lubbock.

BE MY GUEST, BUT PLEASE...

Only you can prevent forest fires!



Black-Ross Vows Are Exchanged

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Black of Merkel announce the marriage of their daughter, Wanda Gail, to Mr. Sammy Lee Ross, son of Mrs. June Lambert of Merkel and Mr. Cecil Ross of Abilene.

Vows were exchanged in a double ring ceremony Saturday, March 14 at the home of the bride's parents. The Rev. James Sinclair, pastor of the Grace Presbyterian Church read vows.

Elaine Brady was maid of honor and Dan Dickerson was best man.

Mr. and Mrs. Black attended Merkel High School and are presently living in Trent.



MRS. SAMMY L. ROSS ... formerly Gail Black

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ROUND-UP

By PAT BYRD

A joint tourist conference, sponsored by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce and the South Texas Chamber of Commerce was held in Del Rio on March 13-14. Earl Hughes is a director of West Texas Chamber of Commerce on the Tourist Committee. He was accompanied to Del Rio by Mrs. Hughes and granddaughter, Cindy Wade. They visited the Amistad Lake, and Ciudad Acuna, Mexico.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oda Clark over the weekend was their son, Glenn, who was en route from El Paso to Wichita, Kan. Other weekend visitors were their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. McNeil and sons, Mrs. Ora Griggs and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baccus.

Merkel Mail has been swamped this past week with teenagers — and all have had one topic of conversation. That is the upcoming plays to be presented this week by the Drama Club. Seems there's a mixture of fun, frolic and tragedy in store for all who attend.

Activities around the "abandoned" home of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Hobbs were stepped up Saturday, when with all furniture and belongings (plus youngsters)

Hancock-Yates Vows Exchanged

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hancock of Stith, announce the marriage of their daughter, Dorothy Marie, to Mr. Paul Yates, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yates of Holt, Florida.

Vows were exchanged in a double ring ceremony Tuesday, March 10 at the home of the bride's parents. The Rev. Jesse Swindell, officiated.

After a wedding trip to Pensacola, Fla., the couple will live at Killeen, Texas.

were stored in two pickups and one trailer and headed northeast to the little city of Saint Jo where the Hobbs will be calling their home for some time.

And if you haven't moved or assisted in a moving for some time — you must know it's quite an experience. Everyone shared in the fun and the work — even to fixing a flat on a pickup. And then there were those times when we had to take a head count of youngsters to be sure we had them all "tucked" in safely. Occasionally there was more "diggin'" than usual, because we all came up with a different count.

All this evolved around the Duane Shugars, Jerry Byrds, their kiddos and the Jimmy Hobbs and their three.



Keep on serving. Keep on learning.

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ADVENTURES AT THE JADE SEA

Stith News
By MRS. FRITZ MALE

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bradley of Stephenville spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. M. E. West. While here, they also visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley.

Ghonda Tarpley of Arlington, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Babe Tarpley and Buster last week. Other visitors in the Tarpley home were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gregory and children, Mr. and Mrs. Garth Gregory and children, Abilene, and LeAnn Holloway.

Mrs. Don Wallace and Damon of Germany, will spend the remainder of March and the month of April with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Potts, Anson, and also with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wallace, Abilene. Mrs. Wallace and son are spending this week in the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Holloway and children and Buster Tarpley attended the Fat Stock Show in San Angelo last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Chancey and Sandra of Richardson and Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Hobbs, Grand Prairie, attended the funeral Sun-

day, March 8, for Mr. Chancey's mother, Mrs. H. C. Chancey, held at Starbuck Funeral Chapel. Burial was in Cannon Cemetery in Stith. The Chancey family and Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Hobbs also visited Mrs. John Hobbs and the Benny Hobbs family.

G. C. Bond, father of Mrs. Orval Ely, is very ill in the Eastland Hospital.

Those attending the Musical at the Merkel High School auditorium Saturday night included Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Clyburn and children, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reddin and children, Mrs. Roy Mashburn, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Thomas and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Burfield and David.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Ely were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benny Hobbs Tuesday. Visiting Mrs. John Shaw in Merkel Sunday were Mrs. Roy



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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: George Thomas Collins, 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 the issuance of this citation, same being the 20 day of April A.D. 1970, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 14 day of Jan. A.D. 1970, in this cause, numbered 5259 on the docket of said court and styled Jacquelyn Sue Collins, Plaintiff, vs. George Thomas Collins, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on Nov. 6, 1969 and lived together until Dec. 29, 1969. Plaintiff sues for annulment of marriage, 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 5 day of March A.D. 1970.

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By Marie Gill, Deputy.

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1970 EASTER SEALS — The first sheet of 1970 Easter Seals was presented to Governor Preston Smith by John Fenley 5, of Tioga, Texas in behalf of the Texas Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults. Young Fenley is the official Texas Easter Seal Child. Easter Seals were mailed to Taylor County residents earlier this month, and all contributions will benefit the West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene.

IT'S A SNAP by Yashica



AT THE TURN OF THE CENTURY, THE "IN" WAY TO TOP OFF A VACATION AT THE BEACH WAS BEING PHOTOGRAPHED BEHIND YOUR FAVORITE PROP. BUT SMOKY EXPLOSIONS AND ACHING MUSCLES FROM LENGTHY POSING WERE PART OF THE PRICE YOU PAID.

MODERN TRAVELERS OPT FOR THE REAL AND SPONTANEOUS, RATHER THAN THE POSED AND MAKE-BELIEVE WITH EASY-TO-USE CAMERAS LIKE YASHICA'S ELECTRO 35 WITH TRANSISTORIZED SHUTTER, IT'S A SNAP TO TAKE THE TRUE PICTURE, DAY AND NIGHT, INDOORS AND OUT.

OUR HEALTH

By J. M. Amberson, M.D.

Question: What can be done about unsightly varicose veins?
Answer: Enlarged veins on the legs and thighs are a health problem for many men and women since there's a heavy dragging sensation in the legs, often accompanied by general tiredness and lack of energy. It is estimated that over half of all women over fifty and one out of every four men suffer from this condition. What to do about this often unsightly condition depends largely on how serious and bothersome it is. Light cases respond to self-measures. Resting, Dr. Amberson with feet propped up higher than the head, gives relief. If you must stand because of an occupation or profession (teachers, dentists, barbers, and sales persons are frequent sufferers) then you should invest in support hose or light elastic bandages to relieve the abnormally swollen or dilated veins.



Seriously distended veins can be removed successfully by surgery. But the most common treatment for a serious condition is called "stripping." Here the superficially distended veins are tied off and the circulation of the blood reroutes itself to other veins.
Question: Do bath oils have any therapeutic value?
Answer: Some do. Anyone who has used a good bath oil knows that when she is done, her skin feels smooth and velvety and the unattractive roughness of such spots as knees, elbows, and heels is less obvious. Dry skin becomes dehydrated temporarily and the oils and moisture that have been lost are replaced. For centuries, women used oils in their baths to retain and restore the suppleness of their skin. Today many women are using cosmetic bath oils which are perfumed. For the majority of women these oils have no ill effects and do give the skin a very pleasant afterglow. However, there are many persons for whom dry skin is more than a minor annoyance. Elderly people who suffer from Xeroderma, a painful dry skin condition, housewives with so-called "dish pan" hands, persons with eczematitis or psoriasis—all need the therapeutic aid of a bath oil to relieve the itching discomfort of dry skin, and for them the perfumed cosmetic ones are not the best choice. Many dermatologists suggest a bath oil like Alpha-Keri for the relief of the flaking, itching and discomfort of dry skin.

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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Petitioner and respondent were married May 25, 1963 and became separated prior to the filing of this petition for divorce. Petitioner prays that she be awarded the 1962 Falcon Automobile as part of the community property; that she have custody of the minor child; that respondent be required to pay a reasonable amount of child support per month, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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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 12 day of March A.D. 1970.

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By Marie Gill, Deputy.

three one-act plays Saturday, March 21 in the auditorium. The plays being presented are "The Bald Soprano," "The Happy Scarecrow," and "Romeo and Juliet."

A number of the FHA girls and Mrs. Bean went to Stephenville last weekend for a FHA Convention.

The First Baptist Church is sponsoring a musical entitled "Tell It Like It Is." Everyone is invited to attend. Practices take place every Wednesday night about 8 or 8:30 and then again on Sunday at 5 p.m.

BADGER TALES

By MIGNON CRAWFORD

The seniors had a very successful car wash and bake sale. They only have one more project left, which is radio day at KWFA Saturday. Be sure and listen. The Drama Club will present

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ABUNDANT LIVING (part 1)

Jesus said, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." That means "above average."

How does one have "abundant" living in today's difficult, troublesome times? Here are some suggestions. (It is assumed that you agree one can not be a real success at living abundantly without principles of right character.) These also help make us successful physically as well as spiritually.

1. **FIX THE RIGHT GOAL.** Philippians 3:7-14 — "I press toward the MARK for the PRIZE of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Not just the goal to live "good" but reaching heaven. You can't live like a goat and die like a sheep. Consider Matt. 7:21-23; and Matt. 25:31f.
2. **PREPARATION TO ACHIEVE THAT GOAL.** I Peter 2:2; II Timothy 2:15; 3:16, 17. You must know the rules before running the race. You must Prepare — educate yourself before your goal can be reached.
3. **BE CONTENT WITH WHAT YOU HAVE,** use what you have. Philippians 4:11; I Timothy 6:6. STOP complaining about your health and what you DON'T have.
4. **DRIVE** Colossians 3:23-25. Put your heart into it. What's worth doing is worth doing well."
5. **RESOURCEFULNESS!** Read Psalms 119. When complications, obstacles, unexpected circumstances appear to block your path, you must be equipped with this to solve the problems and continue on your course. God's Book does that if you know it.
6. **PERSERVERANCE** — Stick-to-It-iveness. Galatians 6:9.
7. **CONTACT WITH, AND THE GUIDANCE AND CONTINUOUS HELP WITH GOD!** This is most important. It takes all 7, but you can't reach heaven without staying close to God!

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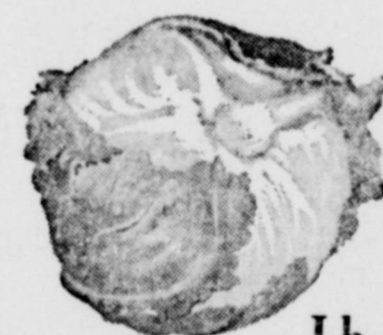
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