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Merkel Graduate On Honor Roll
 of Merkel High School, has been honor roll at Texas State Technic.
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grade average.
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FOR MARCH OF DIMES - Steve West, president the Merkel Elementary Student Council, presents Mrs. Larry White a check for $\$ 55.85$ contributed by students of the elementary school Mrs. White is area chairman for the "Mother's March," and Steve is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby West. (Staff Photo)

## County Stock Show Names Area Winners

| A group of Mulberry Canyon 4 H Club members, a Trent High School senior, a Merkel Junior High School eighth grader, and two Merkel High Schoolers brought home some top prizes at the annual Taylor County Livestock Show held at the West Texas Fair Grounds and the County Coliseum this past Saturday. |  |  |
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|  | Reserve Champion - Monty | Heavy Cosbred - 1 . Mark Clem- |
|  |  | mer; 3. Johnny Gray; 4. Robert |
|  | Showmanship - Williamson, | Surie R |
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|  | Heavy | eses Clemm |
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| From Mulberry Canyon, BeverTy Gilmore won two championships and the showmanship trophy and | Finewool Champio Gilmore. | Heavyweight Har |
|  | Robert and Mark Clemmer two first places in the sheep show. |  |  |
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| Mrs. Lloyd Gilmore and an eighth grade student at Merkel Junior |  |  |
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| High was the big winner in the sheep division and also winner of the showmanship award, given |  |  |
| by the Taylor County Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association. |  |  |
| Goat Raisers' Association. Robert Clemmer, a senior at | from the bed at West |  |
| Merke High School, won the Hampshire class at the County Show |  |  |
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| for the second straight year. He |  |  |
| also had the regional champion |  |  |
| one other time. His brother, Mark, |  |  |
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| second time in county. Both are |  |  |
| sons of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Clem- | ile" for all her friends |  |
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| Mark Wiliamson, a senior at Right about Christmas time she played for the church service |  |  |
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| presented tif the South Abilene Kiwanis Club. He is the son of |  |  |
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| and Mrs. Mark Williamson |  |  |
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| in the County Show include: |  |  |
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| Sharp: 4. James Kris; 5. Martin hundreds |  |  |
| Ty, all Trent. | Pootiles, daschunds | man |
| Reserve Champion - Mark hounds, beaters - and many.milliamson. |  |  |
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| Lightweight Crosbred - 5. Mike | Picking up two of |  |
| Snowden, Merkel. Mrs. Earthman sid |  |  |
| Heavy Crosbred - ${ }^{\text {a }}$. Tom Mc-Leod: 5. Randy Scott. |  |  |
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| Lightweight, all other - 2 . |  |  |
| 5. Robert Whitehead, Merkel. |  |  |
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| eavy - all others - 1. Mont |  | pictures, and programs about |
| ey; 2. hamner; 3 . |  |  |



DOGS! DOGS! DOGS! - Dogs and more dogs - all shapes, sizes and all breeds fill many shelves and tables in Mrs. T. T. Earthman's home. With music (piano) her No. 1 hobby, her collection of dogs from "all over" runs a close second, and Prince, her real-live dog, keeps close watch. (Staf f Photo)

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James Justice
Funeral services for James W.
Justice, 8, former Merkel resi-
dent. were heid Tuesday, Jan, 19
in Merkel Church of Christ with
Billy Patton, minister, officitaing.
Mr. Justice died Fridf, at his
home in Albuquerque, N.M., of
an apparent heart attack.
Burial was in Rose Hill Ceme-
tery under direction of Starbuck
Funeral Home.
Born Nov. 4, 1912 in Nocogdoch.
es, he moved to Jones County in
1924. He moved to Albuquerque
in 1940 .
Survivers include his wife; two
daughters, Mrs, Jerry Jenkins of
Albuquerque and Christy Justice
of the home; two brothers, Cecil
of Arlington and V. R. of Mer.
kel; two sisters, Mrs. W. C. Rhod-
en of Abilene and Mrs. H. M.
Kelley of Arlington; his mother,
Mrs. O. L. Justice of Merkel.

Home of Monahans.
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Mr. Thornton was born July 21 ,
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ploye. Survivors include his wife of
Monahans; three sons. W. D. of
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both of Madera, Calif; 11 grand-
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DOMESTIC SUBSIDIARIES, OF THE
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largest fire call made, said Ad
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18. and City of Trent, 8 . Adcock said that the "busies
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62ND SESSION - At twelve noon on Tuesday, Jan. 12,
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62ND LEEESLATURE IN 'FULL SWING'
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The Lambda Beta Chapter of
Beta Sigma Phi met Jan. 19 in
the home of Mrs. Larry Hewitt the home of Mrs. Larry Hewitt A program on Let's Talk on
the Reatio and Television," was
presented by Mrs presented by Mrs. Jimmy Lever-
ich and Mmes. Vernon Wade and ich and Mmes. Vernon Wade and
John Brady presented a discus.
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Following the program, mem-
bers were divided into groups and bers were divided into groups and
participated in expression panto$\underset{\substack{\text { mimes. } \\ \text { Sorority }}}{ }$
Sorority members present were
Mmes. Brady. Bob DuBose Lev. erich, Billy Latas, Mamie Steck, Wade and Larry White Also Mmes. Robert Harris, Dar-
Ia Mawson, Billy Neff, Phil Seymore, Billy West and hostess, Mrs.
Hewitt.

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THOMPSON-MABERRY VOWS ARE READ
Wedding vows for Danna Kay vows; Mrs. Marvin Sharp was pi-
Thompson and Arthur Lewis Ma- anist; Mrs. Freddie Kiser, vocal-
-berry of Trent were read Janberry of Trent were read Jan
uary 8 at Sylvester Baptist Church.
The Rev. R The Rev. R. V. Thompson read $\begin{gathered}\text { Parents of the couple are M } \\ \text { and Mrs. Melvin C. Thompson }\end{gathered}$ MULBERRY $\quad \begin{aligned} & \text { and Mrs. Melvin } \mathrm{c} \text {. Thompson of } \\ & \text { sylvester and Mr. and Mrs. Al- } \\ & \text { bert Maberry of Trent. }\end{aligned}$ CANYON 4-H $\begin{gathered}\text { Mrs. Ted Simpson was matron } \\ \text { of honor. Bridesmaids were Sheila }\end{gathered}$ CLUB NEWS By BEVERLY GILMORE The bridegroom's brother, Gorputting the finishing touches on er. Lisa Ross was flower girl.
their animals to be shown in the
Abiliene Livesteck Show, fourteen
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Quarterly Report of Taylor County Treasurer


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Mrs. R. Burfiend Named President Of Stith HD Club
The Stith Home Demonstration
Club met Jan. 13 for the first meet-
was deted. Mrs. Roger Burfiend was elected president, to fill the son resigned. Mrs. Paul Hu
was elected vice presider was elected vice president.
Names were drawn for pals for the next three months. Hostes gift went to Mrs. Flecther Jones Mrs. Burfiend, hostess, serve refreshments to nine members.
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1st - Let this be understood - What WE desire or like or dislike, what is pleasure to us does not determine whether or not a thing is right OR wrong as far as God is concerned.
2nd - The Bible has all the answers to every issue of life today on how to please God and what is sin either in command or principles. II Peter 2:2-4
3rd - You first must honestly consider these questions: (if you are not willing to be honest with your self and God you need to begin with a Bible subject far removed from this one - the subject of God's authority and your conversion or heart. Is is
is right this subject need never be discussed.)
s right th
A. Do you honestly want to know what God has said
B. Will you refrain from dancing if the Bible does condemn it (if not, this discussion will profit you little)?
C. Does dancing increase your interest in spiritual things and living for Christ or does it fit I Peter 2:11?
D. Are you, by dancing, following the example of Jesus Christ (I Peter 2:21)?
th - Consider, in the light of your own answers, God's questions and determining factors:
A. Proverbs 7:27, 28 (Galatians 6:7, 8) If its not questionable why is it such a problem to those who are really trying to live for Christ?
B. Matthew 7:16-20. Make an honest evaluation of what goes on during and after the majority of dances and see what noted authorities have said of its fruit.
C. What time are they always held? John 3:19-21. Trat doesn't mean everything at night is wrong, but how many successful dances are held regularly during the day hour ones? hour ones
D. Which did it originate with? I John $2: 15-17$

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