



PEACE in 1972

NEW YEAR'S DAY AROUND THE WORLD

Six New Year's days in a year? Certain!

It depends on where you are at the time. Here they are:

1. January 1 — The time we celebrate New Year's.

2. In that part of the Occident wherein the Greek Orthodox faith prevails Jan. 1 falls upon Oct. 13.

3. A traditional Chinese New Year's celebration starts Feb. 8 and lasts to Feb. 13.

4. If you visit the country of Thailand, April 1, you'd find a great ceremonial festivity underway — nothing less, in fact, than New Year's.

5. In Arab nations, the Mohammedan New Year's is celebrated Sept. 4.

6. Sept. 10 is New Year's in the ancient country of Ethiopia. New Year's day has been observed for over 5000 years, according to World Book Encyclopedia.

Nearly everywhere and at all periods it has been a day of rejoicing.

Cheerleaders Plan Chili Supper

Cheerleaders of Merkel High School will sponsor a Chili Supper Monday, January 3.

The supper will be held at the School Cafeteria from 5 to 8 p.m.

Tickets for adults are 75 cents, tickets for children under 12 are 50 cents.

Proceeds will be to underwrite the football banquet.

Tickets may be bought from cheerleaders Debi Teaff, Stephanie Walker, Sandra Cox and Marsha Jordan.

P. O. OPEN

The Merkel Post Office will be open from 8:30 to 12:30 Friday, Dec. 31. There will be city delivery and rural route delivery Friday. Assistant Postmaster Joe Alves said the post office will only have holiday service Saturday, Jan. 1.

GOODFELLOW DEBTS MET BY DONATIONS

This was a better Christmas for those in need in the Merkel area because of a lot of Goodfellows.

Mrs. W. R. "Pinky" Cypert, co-chairman of the Merkel Goodfellows with Lawrence Hewitt, said Monday that the Christmas provided by the Goodfellows for needy families was met by donations.

Donations reported this week were:

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| Mrs. W. A. McCandless in memory of her daughter, Ava Boswell | \$ 2 |
| Glamour Bar, Alice and Barbara | 5 |
| Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hughes | 10 |
| Mr. and Mrs. Darel Williams | 10 |
| Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson | 25 |
| Mrs. Jennings Winters | 5 |
| Betty Jane Tittle | 5 |
| Connis and Opal Williams | 5 |
| Total | \$ 67 |
| Previous Total | 309 |
| Present Total | \$376 |

25 Year Award To Go to Graham

Onis W. Graham of Trent will be the recipient of an award watch from Skelly Oil Company when he completes his twenty-five years of employment with the company in February of 1972.

Graham, who began work as a pumper for Skelly Oil Company in 1947 says he's "worked at the same place, same kind of job for twenty-five years."

Graham has a daughter, Mrs. Frederick (Carolyn) Koplin and two grandchildren, Frederick Graham and Kelly, who live in Thousand Oaks, Calif.

MERKEL RIDER FOR FAT STOCK SHOW

FORT WORTH (Sp.) — Plans for a mammoth all-western parade through downtown Fort Worth to mark the opening of the 76th annual Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show are underway, reports Tom B. Saunders, parade chairman.

The 1972 Stock Show and Rodeo is set Jan. 28 through Feb. 6. "Early reservations for places in the Stock Show parade show

quite a number of riding clubs, school bands and horse-drawn floats," Saunders said. "However, anyone is allowed to participate, and we still have room in the line-up."

Merkel will have a representative in the Grand Entry on Saturday, February 5. Benny Melton, executive secretary of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce, said Tuesday. Merkel will be recognized then.

In keeping with tradition, only marching units and horse-drawn vehicles are allowed. No motorized vehicles are accepted. Reservations for a place in the 1972 parade are being taken at the Stock Show office, P. O. Box 150, Fort Worth, Texas 76101.

Advance ticket purchases for the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show and Rodeo are running ahead of any recent years, reports A. C. Isham, ticket manager.

Melton notified the Merkel Mail that tickets are in the Chamber office for Saturday, February 5 for Merkel fans. Tickets are \$3.50 each.

The 76th annual Stock Show and Rodeo is scheduled Jan. 28 through Feb. 6 on Amon Carter Square on the city's near West Side.

Included in the 1972 show will be more than 11,000 head of fine livestock and 20 performances of the Stock Show Rodeo.

More than 500 top professional cowboys and challengers will be vying for more than \$86,000 in rodeo prize and netry money.

Top stories for Merkel for 1971 were the Merkel and Trent Banks setting an "all time" record in deposits and a safety lighting project approved for Loop interchanges and FM 126 interchange for the Merkel area.

Merkel and Trent banks closed out the year 1970 by setting an all-time record for the amount of money on deposit and for funds on loan.

Deposits in the two area banks "as of the bank call made on Jan. 6, 1971 as of conditions on Dec. 31, 1970 totaled \$5,731,455, an increase of \$889,097 over the same date a year ago."

Both banks showed an increase in deposits and the ratio of loans to deposits showed that Merkel and Trent area "were in an excellent financial condition."

A safety lighting project for Merkel was included in the approved expenditure safety and betterment and improvement of state highways and farm to market roads in District 8 for 1972.

This announcement was made by District Engineer, J. C. Roberts, to the Merkel Mail for the Sept. 9 edition. Joe E. Lassiter, chairman of the Highway Roads Committee of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce, advised the Merkel Mail at that time that Mr. Roberts had included the lighting of a portion of IH 20 in his Safety and Betterment Program to the Headquarters Texas Highway Department in Austin.

Work on the lighting project is scheduled to begin during 1972.

Other news by the months as recorded in the Merkel Mail included:

JANUARY

Joe E. McDuff was welcomed in the first meeting of the 1971 Taylor County Commissioners. McDuff replaced veteran Joe Cypert after 12 years of service as commissioner.

Merkel's Livestock Association

reported a large entry and good crowd at their Annual Stock Show. Mike Ray won grand champion and James Allison reserve. Stock Show purse totaled \$800,000. Showmanship trophy went to Mike Ray.

Trent's Randy Scott won showmanship trophy at the Livestock Show held there.

Chamber Directors met and discussed plans for the 1971 year.

A group of area young people named winners in the County Stock Show held at the Taylor County Coliseum included Beverly Gilmore, Mark Clemmer, Robert Clemmer, Mark Williamson, Suzy Riney and Mark Dudley.

Area Texas Farm Bureau members attending the Legislative Conference in Austin included Buster Horroin, Jack Hancock and State Representative Grant Jones.

FEBRUARY

Joe Holloway was named Outstanding Farmer for 1970 by the Middle Clear Fork Soil and Water Conservation District.

Jarrett Pinckley was elected president of the Merkel Riding Club at their annual Banquet. Jan Beck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Beck, was named to represent the club at the Fort Worth Rodeo.

Merkel High School Badgers clinched the District 7-AAA title in Basketball with their win over Hamlin. Allen Arwine was high point player.

Mrs. Don Dudley, an English teacher in Merkel High School, was named Outstanding Conservation teacher for 1970. For the six years she has been teaching she has had the district's Sweepstake winner.

Carl Murrell becomes partner in Chevrolet business with his son, Max Murrell.

Merkel farmers attending the Texas Farmers Union Legislative Day activities in Austin were Morris Smith, Tom Seymour, Cramer Reynolds, C. M. Seymour and Mike Manigal.

Stephanie Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Walker, and Al Henager, son of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Henager of Clyde, were named Taylor Electric Cooperative's winners for the 1971 Washington, D.C. Tour.

Little League Association meets and plans for summer league.

Merkel Mail Editor Mrs. Dave Brumbeau, was named chairman of the Taylor County Red Cross Drive to be held in March.

MARCH

Merkel Elementary and Pri-

competition in the Annual Conservation Poster activities, sponsored by the Soil and Water Conservation District.

Don J. Hart, assistant manager of Erath County Electric Cooperative was named manager of Taylor Electric Cooperative. B. J. Gist, company coordinator, made the announcement to the press. Hart took over duties on March 16.

Fred Starbuck was elected president of the Chamber of Commerce for 1971-72. Owner of Starbuck Furniture and Starbuck Funeral Home, he has been active for many years in civic affairs in Merkel. New directors named for the Chamber were Mrs. Ray Wilson, E. A. Conley and Duane Shugart.

Benny Melton was elected to head the Merkel Little League Association. Other officers named were Danny Doan, vice president; Mrs. Joe Dell Gregory, secretary-treasurer; and Gregory, player-agent.

Merkel Housing Authority meets to discuss plans for additional units for Merkel, with the board president, Howard Carson, presiding.

Three MHS seniors were named on All-District Basketball Team. They were Allen Arwine, Paul Thames and Tommy Anderson. Ronnie Aldridge was named all district coach.

Grass and brush fires keep Merkel Volunteer Fire Department busy. Waymon Adcock, Fire

Chief, said the department answered eight fires in February and twenty-five in March.

Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet held. Dr. Elwin Skiles, president of Harding-Simmons University was principal speaker. Outstanding Citizen was Joe Cypert and Outstanding Farmer, Bobby Toliver.

Glen Reed, Merkel Scoutmaster, was recipient of the Silver Beaver Award at a banquet held at the Abilene Civic Center.

Merkel and Trent Future Homemakers of America observe FHA Week with programs and service activities. Vickie Robertson is Merkel president and Judy Brnovak is Trent president.

APRIL

Paul and Kerry Thames were named Young Texan of the Month by the local Optimist Club. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Thames.

Merkel High School wins first place in one-act play contest held here. Best Actor award went to Mark Dudley. Named to All-District Cast were Judy Hester, Richard Nance, Suzy Wilson.

Truett Thompson is named Merkel Postmaster.

Charles Jacobs was elected to school board and Lou David Alden on City Council at joint elections held at the Merkel High School.

Local students taking Science Fair honors included Terry Reed,

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COTTON CROP SHOWS PROMISE

Merkel area cotton farmers are not going to produce a record crop for 1971, but there are going to be more bales than were expected earlier in the year.

Joe Higgins, manager of the Merkel Co-Op Gin, said this week that it looked as if there would be between 1,500 and 2,000 bales for 1971.

Waldo Cox, Co-Op Gin bookkeeper, said chances were good for 2,000 bales, "but it's sure no cinch."

"This gin was built in 1933 and there has never been a season like this," said Cox. "It's taking a lot to make a bale."

He said cotton was making about a quarter of a bale to the acre.

Higgins and Cox said the late season has caused a lot of brush.

Higgins said, "seed stalks just ran up and didn't make any cotton."

New Year Singing This Friday at 6

The Victory Baptist Church at 307 El Paso will have singing Friday night from 6 until 12 p.m.

"We will be singing the old year out and the New Year in with old time Gospel songs," said pastor, the Rev. W. G. Richardson. "Refreshments will be served and everyone is invited."



MIKE WALKER
... assigned to Sheppard AFB

Completes Basic

COMPLETES BASIC — Airman Michael T. Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon R. Walker of 1414 Stewart St., Merkel, has completed his U.S. Air Force basic training at the Air Training Company's Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to Sheppard AFB, Tex., for training in the civil engineering structural pavements field.



WHAT WILL IT BE? — Three young Merkelites are seriously contemplating their New Year's Resolutions. Working out a set of "promises" ready to be enacted come New Year's Day are, from left, Janie Clark, Kathy Hendricks and Jan Beck. (Staff Photo)

SHOUSES HONORED ON ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Shouse Sr. of Abilene were honored at a reception Dec. 19 in the Gold Room of the Merkel Restaurant. The occasion was the observance of their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Their children, O. C. Shouse Jr. of Pasadena, Aubrey Shouse of Odessa and Mrs. Charles Vison of Menahans hosted the celebration.

Serving were their granddaughters, Mrs. Errol Rutledge of Abilene, Mrs. Charles Collins of Menahans and Judy Shouse of Odessa.

A Christmas theme was carried throughout with red cloths on the tables and a large tree trimmed in gold. A special table for the honored couple was decorated with white china love birds, surrounded by holly. At one end

of the table there was a snapshot taken the day the Shouses were married. On the other end stood a frame containing picture of the three great-grandsons.

Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Peterson, best man and matron of honor at the couple's wedding, were special guests at the celebration.

Guests attended from Santo, Lubbock, San Angelo and Kansas and a host of friends and relatives from the area.

The couple was married Dec. 21, 1921 at Sulph.

Mulberry Canyon 4-H's Meet

Mulberry Canyon 4-H's Christmas Program was observed Dec. 9 with president, Mark Clemmer, presiding. American Pledge was given by Lisa Hughes and Bart Whisenhunt gave the 4-H Pledge. Inspiration was given by Johnny Gray and there were poems read by Lisa Hughes and Lesa Swinney. Program was presented by Thersa English and Teresa Clemmer.

Mark Clemmer reported on the judging team which went to National. The meeting was adjourned and gifts were exchanged. Games also were played before refreshments were served.

Members present were Judy Brnovak, Cindy Whisenhunt, Bart Whisenhunt, Lisa Hughes, Lesa Swinney, Beverly Gilmore, Johnny Gray, Thersa English, Dwaine English, Teresa Clemmer, Mark Clemmer, Mike Swinney and Tommy Swinney.

Two From Merkel Receive Caps

The Calvary Baptist Church in Abilene was the scene Dec. 17 for the Capping Ceremony of the Vocational Nursing Students of Hendrick Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Jeanne Watson, director of the Vocational Nursing School, was mistress of ceremonies. The Rev. Jerry Poteet, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, brought the address to the students. Caps were presented by Mrs. Janet Purvis, vocational instructor, and Mrs. Betty Pickeet, president of the 1971 class lighted candles.

Among the twenty-four receiving caps were Miss Elizabeth Ascencio and Mrs. Charles Mashburn, both of Merkel.

A reception for the students, hosted by the Hendrick Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, followed in Fellowship Hall.

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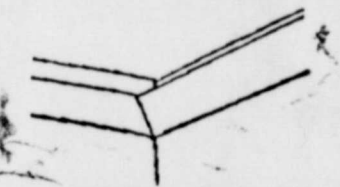
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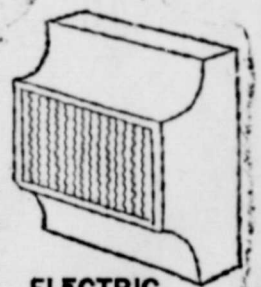
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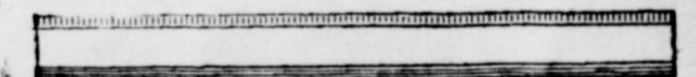
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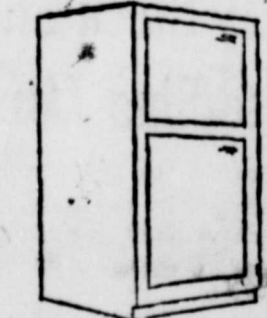
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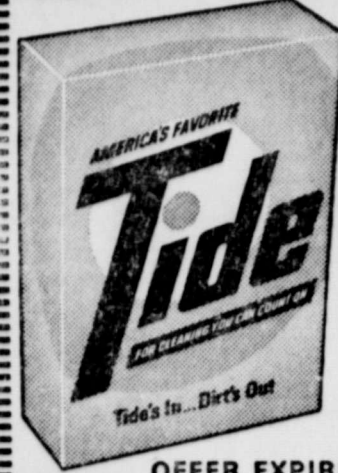
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MERKELITES' KIN RECEIVES HONORS

Karen McWilliams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood McWilliams of Big Lake and granddaughter of Mrs. J. A. McWilliams of Merkel has been named Semifinalist in the 1971-72 National Merit Scholarship Program.

"The approximately 15,000 Semifinalists appointed in September are among the nation's most intellectually talented high school seniors," said Robert Maguder, principal of Reagan County High School, where Karen is a senior.

Karen will be among the 15,000 who will compete for some 3,000 Merit Scholarships to be awarded in 1972. She scored a 142 on the NMSQT, which equals the 98 percentile, according to Ellis Mills, counselor for the Reagan County School. High School grades accomplishment, leadership qualities, and extra-curricular activities of the Finalists are evaluated, along with test scores, in selecting Merit Scholarship winners.

Her parents, (Sherwood was born and raised in Merkel) lived in the El Paso Gas Camp forty miles northwest of Big Lake until about three years ago and Karen had the long bus trip to and from school for nine years. It was in September, Sherwood, operator at the plant, received

Odessan Named Insurance Queen

Miss Connie Furman of Odessa has been named "Miss Farmers Insurance Group of Texas" at the state and regional level of the contest the insurance organization is sponsoring to select a queen for its 1972 Tournament of Roses parade float, according to Darrell F. Norris, regional manager.

Theme of this year's parade is "The Joy of Music," and the Farmers Insurance Group float theme is "I Love You Truly" after the famous wedding song.

Miss Furman, sponsored by Agent Larry Green of Odessa, will now be entered in the national finals.

The national winner will receive an all-expense-paid trip to Pasadena to ride the Farmers Insurance Group float New Year's Day and attend the Rose Bowl football game.

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VOTER CERTIFICATES COULD BE RECORD

According to Burl King, Taylor County Tax Assessor - Collector, a total of 19,175 voter certificates have been issued for the 1972 registration, with "approximately one thousand applications on hand for certificates."

King explained that "these certificates will not be issued until after the first of the year," due to a re-programming of the Unitab Company's computer.

King urged all Taylor County citizens to "get their applications in by Jan. 31, when he will run the first alphabetical list of qualified voters."

The certificates are not valid until March 1, and a voter may register anytime during the year under new rules, as long as he does so a month before an election he wants to vote in.

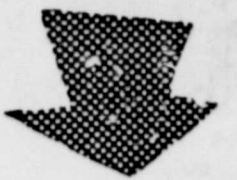
"Getting your applications in early can guarantee your right to vote," said King, "for if a large number of applications flood this office just before the primary on May 6, many could not be issued in time."

Any U.S. citizen 18 years of age or older can register to vote, provided he satisfies the residence requirements for the election he desires to vote in. Requirements are one year before the election for state elections and six months for county and city elections.

King also explained that a person who will be 18 years of age

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- 2 Lord, what will YOU have me to do? - Acts 9:6KJV
- 3 Search for God with all of your heart - Jeremiah 29:13; Matthew 7:7-11.
- 4 Give your heart to God - Proverbs 23:26
- 5 Set you will and determination to do what the Lord wants you to do - Mark 14:36
- 6 Apply yourself to know the Lord's will with the intention of obeying it when you learn it - John 7:17; Matthew 7:21-27
- 7 Be faithful to the Lord's will - Revelation 2:10
- 8 TRUST the Lord with all your heart - Hebrews 6:17-20; Proverbs 3:5-7.

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Merkel Couple Exchanges Vows

Miss Suzie Riney and William Boyd exchanged wedding vows December 18 in Abilene.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Riney of Route 2, and Mr. and Mrs. John Boyd of Merkel.

The bride is a senior student at Merkel High School and the bridegroom is a 1969 graduate of Merkel High School. He is employed in the farming and cattle business. They are making their home presently at the Casa de Barcelona Apartments in Abilene.

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MERRITT PLUMBING

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Debbie Fincher and Ronnie Sanford.

Chamber Membership Drive, directed by Duane Shugart, adds twenty-five new members.

Taylor Electric Cooperative holds 30th Annual Membership Meeting.

David Gamble is elected to lead the Merkel Lions Club for the 1971 - 72 year. Other officers elected were Mack Fisher, first vice president; Fred Starbuck, second vice president; Bill Button, third vice president; Onis Crawford, secretary - treasurer; Herman Carson, tail twister, and Edwin Reed, lion tamer.

Area 4-H'ers win in Elimination Contests.

MHS Badger Annual dedicated to Ronnie Aldridge.

MAY

Dr. Uved D. Vincent, president of Angelo University, was speaker at Commencement Exercises. High point seniors named were Paul Thames, valedictorian, Mike L. Lean, salutatorian, and Gail Gentry, high point girl. Forty graduating seniors received diplomas.

Bernell Teaff was named president of the board of directors of the Farmers Coop Gin.

All-Sports Banquet, sponsored by Booster Club, honors eight outstanding athletes. They are Paul Thames, Buster Tarpley, Kelvin Gamble, Mary Doan, Allen Armwine, Jerry Holmes, Billy Diltz and Sandra Cox.

Rural Electrification Administration approved \$1,162,000 loan to Taylor Telephone Cooperative to assist financing of improvements and additions to existing systems.

Trent High School's high point students for 1971 are Mark Williamson, valedictorian; Owen O'Kelly, salutatorian; and Lee Ann Williamson, high point girl.

Seven members inducted into the National Honor Society include Kerry Thames, Marsha Jordan, Patricia McDuff, Sandy Hogan, Cindy Wade, Sandra Cox and Phyllis Yates.

Mrs. Mildred Mitchell of Trent is named Outstanding Teacher

by the Soil and Water Conservation District.

JUNE

Summer Recreation Program begins. Bill Tate is director.

Area Scouts attending three-day conference are Alan Reed, Steve Walker and Terry Reed.

Area 4-H'ers leaving for State Meet are Robert Clemmer, Mark Clemmer, Rusty Holloway, Wanda Braune, Mary Beth Boyd, Johnny Gray and Cindy Whisenhunt.

Richard A. Pierce, owner of R. A. Pierce Manufacturing Corporation holds Open House. Large crowd from Merkel and area attended the open house of new business located on Interstate 20 east of Merkel.

Pinckley Estate gives building on North Second Street to Merkel Library.

Merkelites leaving on the European Grand Tour are Cathy Carson, Mark and Mike Dudley, and sponsor, Mrs. Don Dudley.

Red Cross Learn to Swim Program begins with several from Merkel and area attending.

JULY

Taylor County 4-H Livestock Judging Team wins in State Competition and prepared for National Competition in Chicago in November. Members are Rusty Holloway, Wayne Eaton, Mark Clemmer and Robert Clemmer.

Postal Service Day observed by Merkel and Trent Post offices.

Support for Community Action Program in Merkel and its area was voted by the Merkel Chamber of Commerce directors. Frank Mason with the Abilene CAP office appeared before C-C directors and outlined many programs that would benefit the people of Merkel and area.

Merkel 4-H Annual Meeting held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moore. Exhibits were shown and demonstrations explained. Year pins were presented.

Merkel Post Office is rated outstanding during the inspection of Abilene SPC office of "Clean Up Week."

Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club holds Annual Tour.

AUGUST

Officials discuss IH 20 inter-

sections.

Underground Cable construction begun by Taylor Telephone Cooperative. Installation, together with modification and additions to existing central office equipment will "result in upgrading to maximum 4-party service and direct distant dialing."

Exchanges to be affected are Noodle, Nubia, Nolan, Crews, Bradshaw, Newton and Wingate. Emergency Department of the Merkel Volunteer Fire Department gets high rating by Bob Barnes, field consultant with Texas State Department of Health. He remarked, "Merkel is unusually well-equipped for a town this size."

Individual membership drive begun by Merkel Chamber of Commerce, headed by Duane Shugart.

Merkel Public Schools begin 1971 - 72 year. School enrollment shows slight increase. Ten new teachers on staff.

HEARTS BEAT AS ONE AT MOON LANDING

When the Wise Men watched with awe the brilliant stars in the heavens that wonderful night so many hundreds of years ago, it would have been lunacy for anyone to predict Man's landing on the moon centuries later. In fact, the word "lunacy" comes from the Latin word "luna," meaning "moon." Lunacy was supposed to be caused by changes in the moon. (And who knows? To some degree perhaps it is.)

To predict a world of peace, where men actually live in harmony with one another throughout the year, men of good will and indelible faith continue to hope for such a world.

Is it any farther-fetched than man's dreaming of landing on the moon?

For if ever Man had evidence of oneness among humanity, he experienced it at moon-landing, 1969. Wise men today know it is one world.

Through modern technology and the magnificent courage of astronauts, man on the moon became a reality.

Through God-given gifts man has achieved this awesome milestone. A fragile craft, launched from Earth, floating in a galaxy of a billion billion stars, found its

SEPTEMBER

First International Junior Rodeo was held at the Riding Club Arena with a large number of entries. Betsy Johnson, Merkel Riding Club Sweetheart, lead the grand entry and welcomed fans to the two-day performance. Ruth Ann Welch was named Rodeo Queen.

Vincent Barnett was re-elected to head the Merkel Booster Club at their first meeting. Other officers elected were Lawrence Hewitt, vice president, and John Brady, secretary - treasurer.

Bill Button is named chairman for the 1971 - 72 Community Fund Drive. Mrs. Lawrence Hewitt is secretary - treasurer. Taylor Telephone Cooperative holds 16th Annual Membership Meeting.

OCTOBER

Ford Smith Jr. and Freddy Toombs represent Farmers Union in Washington, D.C. Fly - In on Oct. 7.

MHS Badger Band wins a first in Abilene Christian College's Annual Band Festival.

Joe Alves is named assistant postmaster of the Merkel Post Office.

Judy Brnovak and Rusty Holloway are named Gold Star Girl and Boy for 1971-72.

West Texas Utilities has extra large crowd at their Annual Open House.

Merkel - Trent Barracks, host 17th District WWI Convention. Karl Bonneaux, district commander, welcomed guests.

Girl Scout program is revived in Merkel.

NOVEMBER

Large crowd attends Merkel's Annual Homecoming. Bobby Dufosse is elected 1971 - 72 president. Mrs. Genevieve King chosen Coming Home Queen. Ford Smith Jr., Mr. X., and Debbie Bowen, High School Homecoming Queen.

Merkel Community Fund is re-organized with articles of association and by-laws compiled and published.

Distribution of free groceries to Merkel area participants scheduled to begin Dec. 16. In their regular meeting, Taylor County Commissioners approved a request by the CAP that a sub-section of the county's surplus commodities food program be located in Merkel.

DECEMBER

Taylor County 4-H Livestock Judging Team takes 7th place in National Competition in Chicago, with thirty other states competing.

Downtown streets lined with watchers as Merkel presents its Annual Christmas Parade. Winners in Miss Merry Christmas contest were Carol Whisenhunt, Gayla Toliver and Krista Alves.

Merkel Goodfellows volunteer time and money to help the needy at Christmas time.

Mrs. Don Dudley named counselor for foreign study program to be held during the summer months of 1972.

First Food Distribution begins Dec. 16 at the Sub-Station at the Merkel Lions Club building. Merchants say Yule buying season has been good.

NURSING HOME NEWS

By MARY OUTLAW

CHRISTMAS has come and gone and all the patients had a wonderful time, thanks to everyone who had any part in making this one of the best the patients have ever had.

MRS. MATTIE CADE was sick and had to go to the hospital. We hope that she will soon be well and back with us.

MRS. LOUISE METZ of Scottsdale, Ariz., visited with her daughter, Mrs. Caroline Davies, during the holidays.

THE CHURCH, the organizations and schools came and sang carols, some brought gifts and some made plate favors which were very nice. The carols were enjoyed by all.

TWICE A YEAR the Salvation Army Band comes and presents a program. They came on Dec. 19 and brought gifts for each one and gifts to be used in the home. This was greatly appreciated.

WE WISH TO THANK the ones who brought the deer meat to the home and what isn't used for roasts will be used for chili, which we all enjoy.

I SPENT CHRISTMAS with my grand and great-grandchildren and Jim, Pam and Ricky Hair in Chandler, Ariz. The oranges, lemons and grapefruit were beautiful at this time of year. Your friends in Chandler send all their best regards.

MRS. BRONKSON, who is past 90 years of age, was sick before Christmas but made it o.k. during Christmas. She is still able to play the piano which everyone enjoys.

MRS. HARP has been on the sick list, but is better at this time. She also plays the piano.

W. C. LANDERS got to spend Christmas Day with his brother, Jack, in Mineral Wells. You remember W. C. is our patient in the wheel chair and lived at Brickhaven before coming to live in our home after his mother passed away.

MRS. ROBERTSON'S sister came and spent a few days during Christmas and they visited in her son's home with her son, Loyd.

MRS. YBERRA got to go home and spend Christmas with her family, which made her very happy.

MR. GUY BROWN spent Christmas with his daughter in San Angelo, but was eager to get back to the Nursing Home as he says, "Merkel is his home town." Please, when you are visiting in the Home, come by and say Hi to Mr. Brown. He is always happy to visit with his friends.

WE HAVE A NEW patient, Mr. Roberts, and he says this is the "next place to home," and that he is very happy with us. He is 89 years old and has always lived by himself until he came to live with us. I am sure he misses his friends who used to play dominoes with him especially Mr. Ewing who passed away this fall. If anyone would like to play a game he is a pretty good player.

WE WELCOME Mrs. Estell Acker from Rowan, into our nursing service. She is in charge of nurses from 6 a.m. until 2 p.m. Come by and meet her. She is a very nice person and a very capable nurse. Mrs. Smith from Abilene is in charge from 2 until 10.

WE EXPRESS OUR sympathy to Mrs. Ruth Smith in the loss of her son, Bill, who lived in California. She worked at Sadler Clinic for so long, then later worked for me after the hospital closed.

MRS. JOSEPHINE BRISENDINE is doing fine after being so ill. She is Neva Stinson's mother. You remember Neva worked in the Home here four years and lives at Clyde and works at the Clyde Nursing Home.

WE ARE STILL having fruit salad fixed from the fruit that everyone brought to the home during Christmas.

THE LADIES FROM the Church of Christ of Trent made cakes for the Home at Christmas which were enjoyed by all. We are still enjoying the nice vegetables that were given to the Home which we prepared for the deep freezer. The farmers have been so nice to our Home this year and we do appreciate it.

THANK YOU, Jim and Joan Smith for all the figs and peaches you gave the Home for preserves.

WE APPRECIATE the sheets Mrs. Cox brought to the Home. We can always use white rags of

YOU NOTE in the Merkel Mail expressed our appreciation to everyone.

AGAIN LET me say thank you for being so nice to the patients and to the Nursing Home and may the year 1972 be a happy and prosperous one for each and every one.

COME TO SEE US!

THE MERKEL MAIL, MERKEL, TEXAS
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Thursday, December 30, 1971



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Deaths, Funerals

Walter R. Graves

Walter R. Graves, 82, of Lubbock, died Thursday, Dec. 23 at the Colonial Nursing Home.

Funeral was held Monday in Sanders Memorial Chapel in Lubbock. Graveside services were held in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born Dec. 2, 1877, he was a retired painter. His wife preceded him in death. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. C. A. McDonald of Lubbock and Eva Jane Graves of Clovis, N.M.; three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Alvin Brown

Alvin Sylvester Brown, 69, of Pampa, brother of Lonzo Brown of Abilene, died Dec. 25 in a Pampa hospital.

Funeral was held in the Pampa Church of the Nazarene Monday at 10 a.m. Burial was held in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Brown was born July 28, 1902 in Johnson County. He was a retired carpenter.

He married Annie May Walker.

Survivors are his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Bina Shaw of Pampa and Mrs. Estelle Owens of Sulphur Springs; three sons, G. W. of Lubbock, Estel of Carlisle, N.M., and Burl of Austin; two brothers, Lonzo of Abilene and W. P. of Wichita Falls; four sisters, Mrs. Ruby Burris of Lubbock, Mrs. Mary Sines of Snyder, Mrs. Beatrice Fuller of O'Donnell and Mrs. Annie Spears of Yuma, Ariz.; grandchildren: one great-grandchild.

Miss Edna Lefler

Funeral for Miss Edna Lefler, aunt of Mrs. Dave Brumbeau, was held Tuesday, December 28, in Fort Worth.

Other survivors include a sister, Miss Mary Belle Lefler; nephews Walter Lefler of Abilene and Leon Lefler of Fort Worth; a sister-in-law, Mrs. E. E. Lefler of Abilene and a number of grand nieces and nephew.

Maxie Banner

Funeral for Maxie M. Banner, 82, of Abilene, was held Monday in Kiker - Warren Chapel with the Rev. John DePoore, officiating.

Burial was held in the Rose Hill Cemetery.

Survivors include 13 nieces and 11 nephews.



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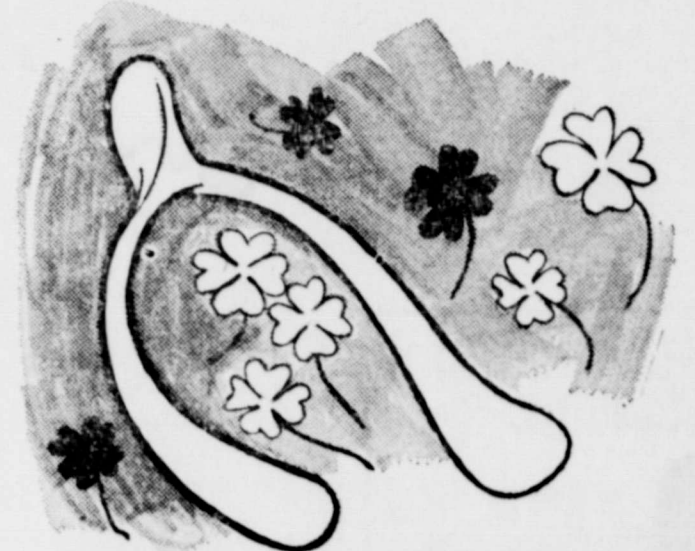
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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: R. G. (Bud) Farmer, Defendant, Greeting:

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 17 day of Jan, A.D. 1972, to Plaintiff's First Amended Petition filed in said court, on the 16 day of July A.D. 1971, in this cause, numbered 6330 on the docket of said court and styled Lynda Gayle Farmer, Plaintiff, vs. R. G. (Bud) Farmer, Defendant. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: The parties were married on or about Sept. 3, 1961 and ceased to live together on or about June 1, 1970. Petitioner sues for divorce and requests that she be given custody and support of the minor children. There is no community property accumulated, 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 6 day of Dec. A.D. 1971.

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
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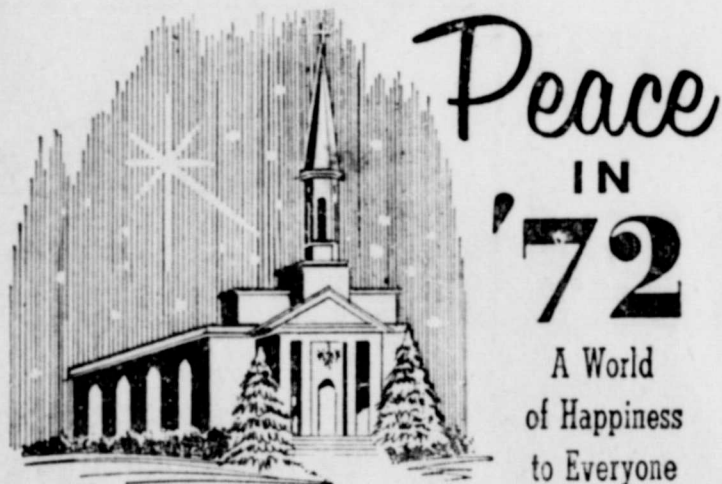
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