



**IN DISTRICT PLAYOFF** — Merkel Badgers will meet the Anson Tigers Thursday evening at Rose Field House in the first round of District 7-AA playoffs. Coached by Ronnie Aldridge, center, Badgers are, from left, Danny

West, Danny Higgins, Billy Diltz, Larry Hewitt, Kerry Thames, Monty Tittle, Steve Teaff, Randy Rigney and Jeff Cox. Not pictured is Jackie Sims. (MHS Photo)

## Merkel Badgers Play Anson Tonight 7:30

The Merkel Badgers and the Anson Tigers will clash Thursday night, Feb. 10, at 7:30 in Rose Field House on the Hardin-Simmons University campus in the first round of District 7-AA playoffs.

Hamlin, Anson and Merkel tied for the district championship, with identical 8-2 records.

Hamlin will meet the Thursday night winner Monday, Feb. 14, at the same site.

Thursday night's contest will mark the fourth meeting between the Badgers and the Tigers with the series record now standing at 3-0 in Merkel's favor.

Scoring bulk for the Badgers

has been carried mostly by seniors Kerry Thames, Billy Diltz and Monty Tittle.

Thames has scored 551 points in 28 games for a 19.7 average per game; Diltz has scored 514 points for an 18.4 average, and Tittle has scored 308 points for an 11.0 average.

Thames and Diltz were the number one and number two scorers in the district race respectively. Each averaged over 20 points per game.

Larry Hewitt and Steve Teaff were key factors in the Badger defense that held district opponents to less than 50 points per game.

Merkel will go into the playoffs with a 24-4 season record. The best wins of the season came at the expense of Colorado City, Brownwood, Lakeview, Hawley and three victories over Clyde.

The Badgers team had good success in their three tournaments winning first at Clyde, third at Hardin - Simmons and

consolation at Colorado City.

"The season's success can be attributed to hard work, dedication, and pride of the entire Badger squad," said coach Ronnie Aldridge. "The Badgers were picked third in the district race, after having lost eight seniors off last year's district championship squad."

Other than the starters previously mentioned, the Badger squad includes Danny West, Randy Rigney, Danny Higgins and Jackie Sims.

Prices for Thursday night's game will be \$1.00 for everyone at the gate and 50 cents for students if purchased previously in the school office.

### Monday Singing

The Second Monday Night Singing will be Feb. 14 at Victory Baptist Church.

Time is 6:30 p.m. and "all who enjoy good singing are invited."

## MERKEL 4-H'ER WINS IN DISTRICT

Jerrie Stephan of the Merkel 4-H Club took top honors in the District 7 4-H Food Show held in the Nolan County Coliseum annex in Sweetwater Feb. 5. Theme of the 59 entry show was "Special Occasion Food" and Jerrie won the Bread and Cereal Group with her own version of Wild Rice.

As a winner, Miss Stephan is now eligible to represent District 7 at State 4-H Roundup to be held at College Station in June.

Overall scoring in the Food Show is done on the basis of Record Book, participant's knowledge of foods and nutrition as determined from the diet's menu, recipe and questions from the judges, the food prepared and the table setting.

Competing at District or State level in 4-H is not new to Jerrie, a freshman at Merkel High School. She has represented Merkel and Taylor County in the District Dress Revue, District Eliminations Contest and last year competed at State Roundup in the Share the Fun Contest as a member of a square dance team which placed 8th at State.

Presently serving as vice president of the Merkel 4-H, she has won the County Clothing award in 1968 and 1969; County Dress Re-



**JERRIE STEPHAN**  
... takes top honors

view medal in 1970; County Food awards in 1966 and 1967 and the Citizenship Award in 1971, in addition to many ribbons accumulated through the years as a 4-H'er.

Jerrie has not completely devoted her 4-H endeavors to inside activity. She has had a Safety project and even though she has not had a livestock project, it is not unusual to find her showing animals for her fellow 4-H'ers at Livestock Shows.

Her busy life is not all 4-H work either. Her wide variety of interests include being an active member of the Lutheran Youth

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## FIRST BAPTIST Sweetheart Banquet Monday

"Candlelight in Roses" will be the theme for Monday evening's Sweetheart Banquet, sponsored by the young people of First Baptist Church.

Banquet time is 7:30 p.m. and will be at the Downtown Motor Hotel in Abilene. Cost is \$2.50 per person and reservations may be made by calling the church office.

Guest speaker for the occasion will be Jim Miller of Fort Worth, who has recently returned from a singing tour in California.

## Aiken Receives Five Year Pin

A five-year service pin was presented to Herman Aiken, line-man service man for West Texas Utilities at Merkel. The pin was presented to Aiken by Lloyd Cope, district manager for West Texas Utilities and Bob Kennedy, WTU vice president. Bill Button is manager of the Merkel plant.

Following presentation, the group had lunch at the Merkel Restaurant.

## WINNERS IN ESSAY CONTEST NAMED

Mark Dudley, a senior at Merkel High School, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Dudley was named overall winner in the annual Soil Conservation Essay contest held recently by the Abilene Soil and Water Conservation District.

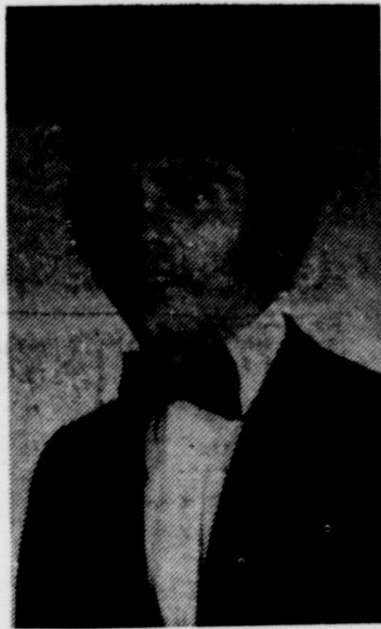
Area winners include: Eleventh grade — Dan Clyburn, first; and Allen Gregory, Trent, second.

Tenth grade — Susan Reid, first; Terry Crocker, Wylie, second, and Lee Ann Graham, Jim Ned, third.

Ninth grade — Cindy Beasley, Trent, first; Gwen McIntire, Wylie, second, and Mary Watson, Jim Ned, third.

Eighth grade — Mindy Marshall, Jim Ned, first; Cindy Stewart, Buffalo Gap, second, and Patricia Carter, Wylie, third.

Seventh grade — Lou Ann Shoots, Jim Ned, first; Ronnie Mann, Butterfield, second and



**MARK DUDLEY**  
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Vicky Brookerson, Buffalo Gap, third.

## DIRECT DISTANCE DIALING SERVICE 'SCHEDULED SOON'

The addition of Direct Distance Dialing (DDD) service for Merkel customers is scheduled soon, according to Harvey Womack, business manager for West Texas Telephone Company.

Womack said that with DDD, placing a station-to-station call is simple and easy, and gives the customer the lowest possible rate for long distance calling. The customer simply dials "1" to access the DDD network; plus the area code, if different from his own; plus the number.

If the customer does not know the number, he can get free directory assistance by dialing "1"; plus the area code of the distant city; plus 555-1212.

"This '1-Plus' DDD service will be a major improvement for customers in Merkel," said Womack, "and is an addition that we are pleased to make."

Womack added that an instruction booklet, explaining the proper use of DDD, would be mailed to each customer just prior to putting the new service into effect.

Party line customers are asked to note one change in their dialing instructions. The call number for calling a party on your line has been changed from 119 to 449. The remaining instructions are the same. Please use this number after February 11, 1972.

## CITY AND SCHOOL ELECTIONS APRIL 1

City and School Board elections will be held Saturday, April 1.

In the school board meeting Monday evening, members set the trustee election for April 1 to "fill the expiring terms of Orval Ely and Charles Jacobs."

Mrs. Ida Mae Strickland, school secretary, said that candidates may file at the high school office Monday through Friday during school hours.

City Councilmen whose terms

expire are Pete Morgan, Ted Smith and Mack Seymore.

As of presstime Wednesday, councilmen or trustees had not been contacted as to their intent to file for re-election.

Deadline for candidates to file is Wednesday, March 1, with 3:30 p.m. as deadline for school trustees and 5 p.m. for councilmen.

Candidates for City Council will

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## GIRL SCOUTS BEGIN COOKIE SALE FRIDAY

It's cookie time in West Texas — and in Merkel.

Feb. 11-20, 2,000 Junior, Cadette and Senior Girl Scouts will be out to sell 56,000 boxes of cookies. And a goodly number of this 56,000 boxes will be sold here in Merkel, in Trent and the area by Junior Girl Scouts and Cadettes.

Mrs. Billy Walters is handling the local and area 1972 sales, and Junior and Cadette Scouts will be getting cookies and instructions from her.

The annual cookie sale supports the camping program of the West Texas Girl Scout Council. Proceeds from the sale operate the council's permanent campsite located eight miles south of Sweetwater, according to local Scout chairman, Mrs. Don Glasscock.

"We are planning to participate in this spring and summer camping program at Camp Boothe

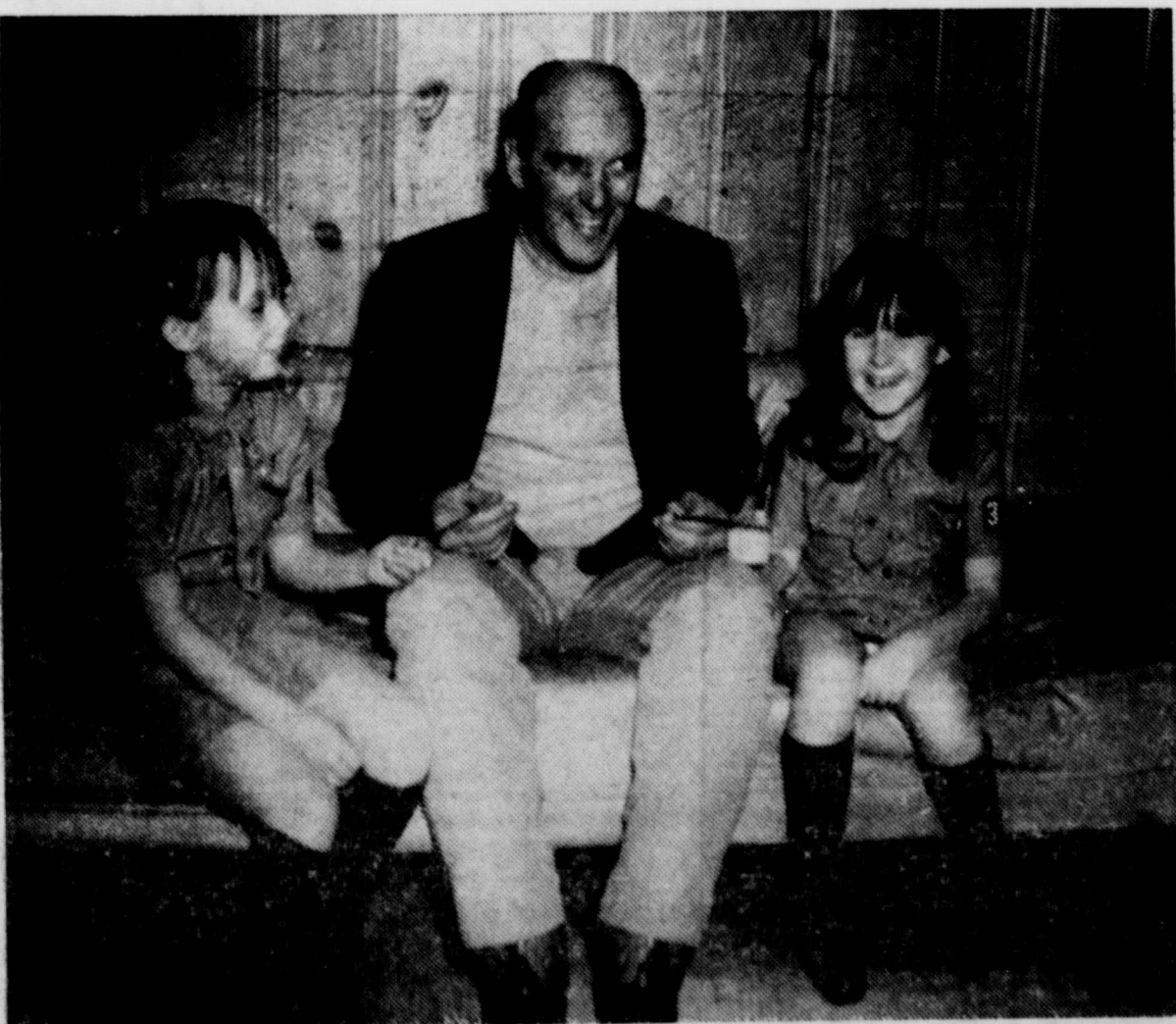
Oaks," said Mrs. Glasscock, "and your purchasing of cookies from our Scouts will help in sending several to the summer camp."

In addition, cookies sellers are able to earn part of their own camp fee. Last year 111 girls earned a part of their camp fee by selling over 100 boxes.

The local treasury will keep \$1.00 for each case of twelve boxes sold. Thus funds finance the troop's week-end campouts, parties and service projects, said Mrs. Walters.

For the first time, local girls will be selling the new family size package of mints, peanut butter, shorties and sandwich.

The boxes will sell for \$1.00. "Regular purchasers of the Girl Scout cookies will note that they have increased in price," said Mrs. Walters. "However, additional cookies have been added to each box."



**TWO INVITATIONS FOR ONE** — Benny Melton is all smiles as he accepts an invitation each from daughters, Ann, left, and Jan to the Father - Daughter Scout Banquet to be held Saturday at 7 p.m. at the school cafeteria. Each Scout in the inter-troop activity will bring valentine box suppers for their fathers. A short program will be followed with the awarding of badges. Fred Starbuck will be master of ceremonies. (Staff Photo)



**IT'S COOKIE TIME** — And the Merkel Girl Scouts and Cadettes will be seen around town and area, beginning this Friday with cookies in hand, giving their "top sales pitch," — to help the Scouts here, in Texas and over the Nation. Getting a "head start" on selling cookies are Wendy Hogan, left, and Jodi Jinkens. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. June Hogan and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Jinkens. (Staff Photo)

**THE FIZZLE FAMILY**

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

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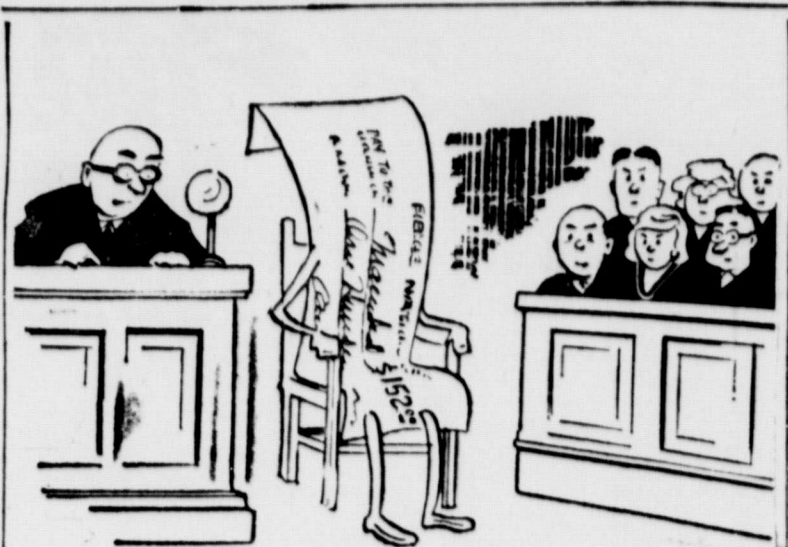
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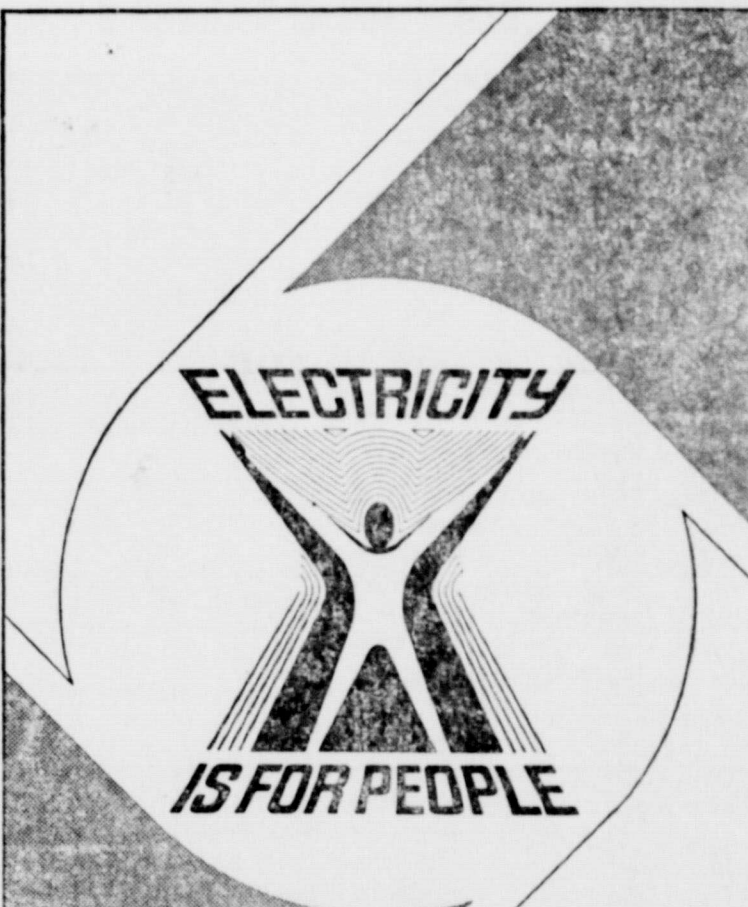
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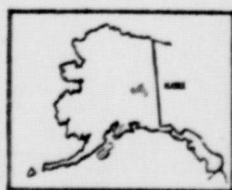


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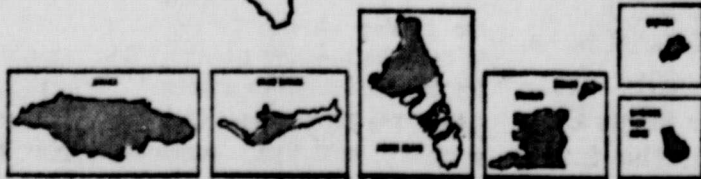
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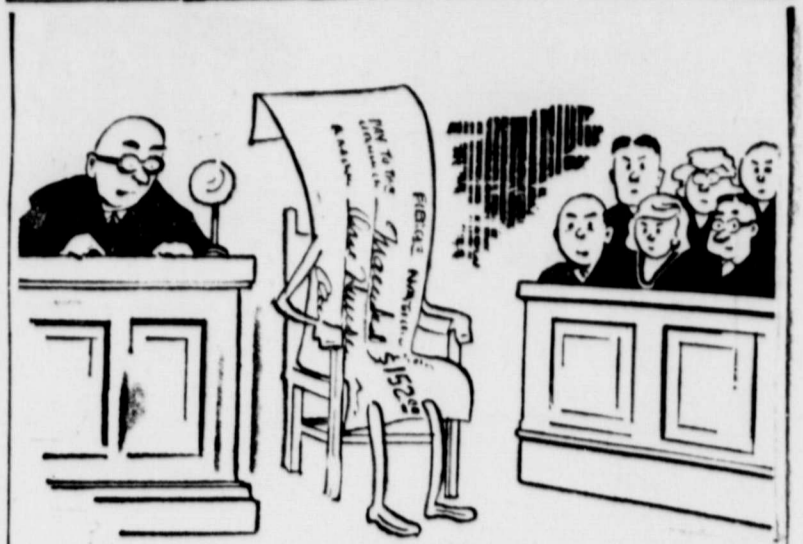
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MAY I TAKE THIS METHOD of thanking our neighbors and friends for their kind expressions of love during my stay in the hospital. Your cards, visits, flowers, and prayers meant so much to me.  
Mrs. S. D. Campbell

### TWO

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file at the City Hall during office hours.  
Absentee voting commences on Wednesday, March 13, and ends Tuesday, March 28.  
Elections will be held at the high school gymnasium and polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

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MIKE McLEAN  
... gets scholarship

### '71 Salutatorian Is Honored

Mike McLean, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McLean was named recipient of a 1971-72 scholarship by the Mesquite District Texas Federation of Women's Clubs at a recent executive committee meeting held in Abilene.

A 1971 graduate of Merkel High School, Mike was chosen from among six applicants. He is a freshman student, majoring in electrical engineering at Lamar University, where he is on an honor scholarship and work program.

While attending Merkel High School, Mike was named best all around boy for 1971, was secretary of National Honor Society, and played basketball and football. He was in the Badger Band, took part in school plays and club activities and was salutatorian of his graduating class.

Mike was recommended for the scholarship by the Fortnightly Study Club of Merkel and presented to the Mesquite District by president, Mrs. S. C. Dixon.

### ONE

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organization of Abilene's Zion Lutheran Church, clarinet player with the MHS Badger Band, a member of the Annual staff, the Drama Club, Future Homemakers of America and reporter for her freshman class.

She plays basketball on the MHS freshman team and maintains a 90 average in her class work.

Busy you say?  
Yet, not so busy that Miss Jerrie Stephan does not find time to enjoy one of her favorite pastimes - riding her candy yellow Yamaha 90 Motorcycle!

### SOUND ADVICE

"Rock" Music Hazard  
Highly amplified "rock" music may or may not be pleasing according to individual tastes, but it is a very real hazard to the human hearing mechanism, according to the Beltone Crusade for Hearing Conservation.  
The crusade, sponsored by Chicago-based Beltone Electronics Corporation, world leader in hearing aids and electronic hearing test instruments, is designed to make persons aware of the vital need to protect their hearing ability.

Crusade officials stress that it is the amplification level, not the type of music that determines whether or not the listener is endangering his hearing. Whether an individual's preference runs to "rock" or Bach, the results are likely to be the same, if the sound intensity is excessive.  
To illustrate their point, they said that the sound level in discotheques often runs as high as 110 to 120 decibels (dB). For comparison, a normal conversation would measure only about 60 dB, and a "hot" motorcycle about 110 dB. And, such excessive music sound levels are not confined to discotheques, but also have been found in teen-age dance halls and even at high school dances.

Citing specific examples of how the excessive sound level of highly amplified music can harm the human hearing mechanism the crusade officials pointed out that tests conducted by the University of Tennessee showed that among 15 randomly selected rock musicians, 10 registered notable high frequency range hearing deficiencies, and one 19-year-old musician was suffering from a hearing loss that would be common to a person several times his age.

CLASSIFIEDS GET QUICK RESULTS

## SENIOR CITIZEN CLUB TO BE ORGANIZED

An organizational meeting for Senior Citizens in Merkel and the area will be held Wednesday, Feb. 16 at the Lions Club Community Center building. Time will be from 10:30 a.m. until 2 p.m., with lunch being served at noon.

"This organizational meeting is being sponsored by interested Merkel ministers," said the Rev. Russell McAnally, pastor of the United Methodist Church. "Ministers will be giving their time and interest for the organization of a Senior Citizens Club, but will not be the sponsoring agents."

McAnally said that "it is hoped that there will be enough interest exhibited by those in attendance to organize and have complete charge of all future activities by this group."

Persons attending are asked to

### Baptist Men's Rally Feb. 24

The Baptist Men's Rally will be Thursday, February 24, at Luaders Encampment! Grounds beginning at 6:00 p.m. with the evening meal. The program to begin at 7:00 p.m.

Guest speaker for the rally will be Tommy Phelps, evangelist from Amarillo, who was a professional wrestler for seventeen years before being converted to Christ.

The association to be represented at this meeting will be Cisco, Abilene, Callahan, Haskell-Knox, Sweetwater and West Central.

All men and boys are invited to hear Tommy give his personal testimony.

### Crusade Revival

"Our Encounter Crusade," sponsored by the Abilene Baptist Association, will be held in the Taylor County Coliseum March 12-17.

Following the week of Encounter in Abilene, the First Baptist Crusade will begin in Merkel on March 19, and continue through March 25.

The Rev. R. B. Hall of Abilene will serve as evangelist and Phil Hall, director of youth and music for the local church will direct the revival music.

Rev. Hall is on the administrative staff at Hardin-Simmons University, having come to that position from the pastorate of First Baptist Church at Littlefield.



JAN BECK  
... club sweetheart

### Riding Club Officers Named

Jerry Russell was elected president of the Merkel Riding Club at their annual banquet held Jan. 24 at Taylor Electric Cooperative. L. J. Gray was named secretary-treasurer. New directors are Gray and Lewis Cook. Holdover directors are Maurice Johnson, Beck, David Gamble, and Tuffy Stevens.

Jan Beck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Beck was chosen Riding Club Sweetheart for 1972-73. Jan is a sophomore at Merkel High School.

Seventeen families attended the annual affair.

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MARYLEE NOSTER  
... education major

**Merkel Graduate Junior at LCC**

Marylee Noster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Noster, 1404 Herring Drive, has enrolled for the spring semester at Lubbock Christian College.

Miss Noster, a returning junior is majoring in Secondary Education with teaching fields in P. E. and English. She is a member of CD's, women's social club and the P.E. majors club.

LCC is a small, private, senior college offering BA and BS degrees in 16 majors.

**BROWNIE NEWS**

By CHRISTI BRADY

On Feb. 1 the Brownie Troop met in the Scout Hut with their leaders. The group elected officers for February, Lois Baker was elected president and Lu Ann Williams, treasurer.

Plans were made for a trip to Dyess AFB, which will be taken at their next meeting.

Members made figures from clay which will be fired in the Ceramic Shop at Dyess.

Refreshments were served to 15 Brownies by Lu Ann and Deane Patton.

**LONE STAR GAS CO. ANNOUNCES EARNINGS**

DALLAS — W. C. McCord, president and principal executive officer of Lone Star Gas Company today announced the largest annual earnings in the company's 63-year history, with earnings per share of common stock rising 12 per cent to \$2.26 compared with adjusted earnings per share of \$2.02 for the prior year.

The gas utility executive said that the earnings record was the third in as many years, in each of which strong improvement has been achieved. "It is with satisfaction that we compare earnings of \$2.26 per share for 1971 with \$1.43 for 1968, a 59 per cent gain in just three years," McCord said.

Net earnings for 1971 amounted to \$33.2 million on consolidated revenues of \$272.9 million compared with adjusted net earnings of \$26.7 million and consolidated revenues of \$259.8 million in 1970.

The record high consolidated revenues were achieved even though gas sales were down approximately \$24 million because of abnormal warm winter heating weather. This was more than offset by sales gains from all other segments — oil, natural gas liquids, chemical fertilizer, plastic products, and well servicing — which contributed to the notable earnings improvement.



Stith News  
By MRS. FRITZ HALE

If the weather permits cotton harvesting will be over this week in the Stith area.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Shaw returned to their home in Gainesville Tuesday after a few days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn and Mrs. John Shaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley and the F. J. McDonalds attended the funeral of Miss Vera McCoy Wednesday at Elliott's Chapel of Memories. Burial was in Elmwood Memorial Cemetery.

The Bradley's and McDonalds visited Alanzo Peterson at Hendrick Hospital. Mr. Peterson was brought to his home in Merkel Saturday and is doing very well.

Curtis Clyburn made a business trip to Hamlin the first of the week.



DONALD STAMPER  
... in USAF

**Finishes Training**

SAN ANTONIO — Airman Donald L. Stamper, son of Mrs. Margaret Farrand of 370 Orchard St., Sharon, Pa., has completed his U.S. Air Force basic training at the Air Training Command's Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to Keesler AFB, Miss., for training in the administrative field.

Airman Stamper attended Merkel (Tex.) High School. His father is Donad L. Stamper of Tye, Tex.

**Film to Be Shown Friday at 7 PM.**

A planned program implemented through the Youth Committee of the Abilene Mental Health Association for Mental Health, will begin this Friday, when a film, "Just a Minute" will be shown at 7 p.m. over KTXS-TV.

The project is designed to present ideas for enriching relationships between parents and children and teachers and children, according to Mrs. Rex Kyker, Mental Health Association representative.

"Three films have been professionally produced to provoke thought and discussion among youth and adults, to stimulate all of us to create an enriched home atmosphere, effective discipline, sincere family talk, and a family rapport to cope with the push to maturity," said Mrs. Kyker.

Two other films will be shown in March and April — "Yellow Women," scheduled over KTXS-TV for 7 p.m. Friday, March 24, and "Listen to the Rain," on April 21.

Through the Project, the Abilene Association for Mental Health hopes to strengthen the primary community resources that influence the emotional health of youth — namely, the home, the school, and the church.

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ROBERT C. BENSON  
... assistant ag-agent

**Merkelite Moves To Plainview**

Hale County Judge, Henry Heck, and District Agricultural Agent, Billy C. Gunter, announce the hiring of Robert Carroll Benson as Assistant County Agricultural Agent for Hale County to fill the position which Jimmie D. Walker held.

Mr. Benson is married and has one daughter. He is a graduate of Texas A&M University in 1967 with an Agricultural Education Degree. He served as assistant county agricultural agent at Wichita Falls, from June 1967 until March 1968 at which time he entered the Military service. He served as a captain in the Army in Air Defense Artillery.

He will be working with County Agricultural Agent Ollie Linder and Assistant Agent James Esler. He assumed his duties February 1.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Benson of Merkel.

**Goodman HD Club**

The Goodman Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Karl Bonneaux with president, Mrs. Garland Price, presiding. Mrs. Carl Carey lead in prayer; a game was directed by Mrs. Dennis Butler, and roll call was answered by seven members. Mrs. Price gave the Council Report. Council recommendations were read, moved and adopted.

A program on "Family Business Center," was discussed by members.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. Frank Carter, H. H. Windham, Price, Carey, Butler, Dan Butler and Bonneaux.

**Danny Dean Lee**

Funeral for Danny Dean Lee, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Earnest Lee, who was found dead at his home Monday was held Tuesday, Feb. 8, in the Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

He was born March 10, 1971 in Fort Worth.

Survivors are the parents; paternal grandfather, Floyd Lee of Merkel; paternal grandmother, Mrs. Floyd Lee of Austin; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Jowers of Merkel.

**'Youth Quake' Set For February 12**

Young People of First Baptist Church will be responsible for securing 100 per cent attendance of all young people at the "Youth Quake," to be held Saturday night, Feb. 12 at 7:30 at the Southside Baptist Church in Abilene. The Quake is designed to "motivate youth to participate actively in the Lay Witness Training and in the ministries of the Crusade," to be held at the Taylor County Coliseum March 12-17.

"There will be a bus leaving from our church at 6:45 p.m.," said Phil Hall, youth director. "and be sure and bring a friend with you."

**ROUND-UP**  
By ELAINE BRUMBEAU

MERKEL was well represented at the Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo this past Saturday. Merkelites going as a group were the Lee Tuckers, Duane Shugarts, Yates Sipes, J. M. Heatlys and Bobby Tolivers.

Others attending in groups or seen viewing the rodeo were the Clovis McMurrays, Ray Wilsons, Jerry Byrds, Teddy Byrds, Benny Meltons, Marnie Steck, Mike Steck and Shawn Moore. And of course the Walter Whisenunts who left in time to get Cindy there to "represent" Merkel. And a former Merakelite seen there was the Jimmie Hobbs, now living at St. Jo.

MRS. CLYDE CHANCEY reports that son, Douglas and family, live in Santa Maria, Calif., and "all is well." Doug, who attended school at Noodle, is in heavy equipment construction at Santa Maria.

His wife, Patsy Anderson, also a former Merakelite, is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jess Anderson. The "report" is due to a legal currently appearing in the Merkel Mail concerning one Douglas Chancey. (spelled like Doug's but not Doug), had caused some concern. Goes to show that

perhaps we all have a "name-sake" somewhere in this big old wide - wide world.

MRS. WALTER FRAZIER, up Aspermont way, attached a note to her subscription check, and says "greetings to all my Merkel friends." She also adds that it has been "very cold up there — as low as 18 degrees in the mornings and 30 degrees the highest for the day."

T. W. VANTRESE, of Cave Springs, Arkansas, also sends a note of greetings along with his sub renewal. Know that Mr. V. would love to hear from his Merkel and area friends and Cave Springs is where you write him.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION  
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Leonard Dean Garrard, 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 20th day of March A.D. 1972, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 2nd day of Feb. A.D. 1972, in this cause, numbered 6910 on the docket of said court and styled in Re: Plaintiff, vs. Sarah Clair Garrard, et al, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Adaption, 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 2nd day of February A.D. 1972.

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD  
Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas  
By Faye Terry, Deputy, 50 4c

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Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD  
Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas  
My Marie Gill, Deputy, 50 4c

## Mrs. Neff Hosts Beta Sigma Phi

The Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Feb. 1 in the home of Mrs. Billy Neff. Mrs. John Brady presented the program on "The Connoisseur." She was assisted by Mrs. Jimmy Leverich.

Members present were Mmes. Brady, Almeda Bullock, Bobby DuBose, Robert Harris, Leverich and Billy Lucas.

Also Mmes. Darla Mawson, Neff, Phil S. Moore, Mamie Steck, Larry White, Larry Justice, Gary Lollar, George Watson and Jewel Cotton.

## LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas — GREETING:

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: Mary Lucille Mann, 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 6th day of March A.D. 1972, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 6th day of January A.D.

1972, in this cause, numbered 6246 on the docket of said court and styled R. L. Mann, Plaintiff, vs. Mary Lucille Mann, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and defendant were married on March 15, 1950 and separated about June 2, 1967 and that there is one child, Danny Ray Mann, 12 years of age, 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 20th day of January A.D. 1972.

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD  
Clerk, Domestic Relations Court Taylor County, Texas  
By Marie Adkins, Deputy, 48 4c

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Edward Bates, Respondent, 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 20th day of March A.D. 1972, to Petitioner's Petition filed in said court, on the 29th day of October A.D. 1971, in this cause, numbered 6704 on the docket of said court and styled Peggy Lou Bates, Petitioner, vs. Edward Bates, Respondent.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: It is a suit for divorce and child custody, 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 4th day of February A.D. 1972.

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD  
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By Faye Terry, Deputy, 48 4c

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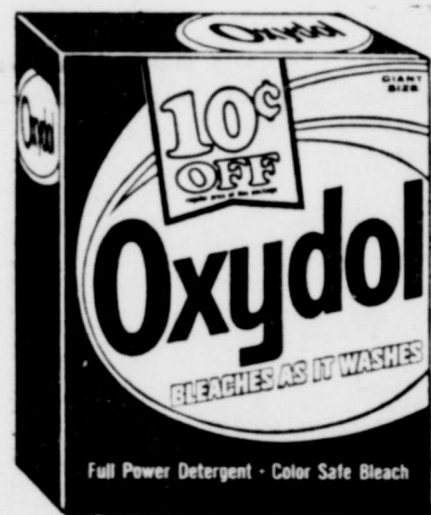
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