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PASSING — Quarterback Steve Teaff (11), goes back for a pass while tailback Paul Duran (33) sets up the block. Hornets rushing Teaff are Leland Workman (39), and Randy Collom (77).

BADGERS ON ROAD TO ROTAN FRIDAY

The Merkel Badgers will be on the road Friday night as they travel to Rotan to take on the Yellowhammers with kick off time set for 7:30. Rotan is 1-1-1 in district competition while the Badgers have a 0-0-3 record.

End Jimmy Land received a crushing blow in practice Tuesday afternoon when he received a broken wrist. Jimmy will be out the rest of this season and will be a great loss to the Badger team.

Last Friday the Badgers fell prey to the Aspermont Hornets 6 to 16. It was the sixth consecutive loss of the season for the Badgers.

The Hornets first score came in the first quarter when Johnny Lipham passed to Eugene Johnson on a 15 yard scoring play. Lipham scored the two point conversion.

The second Hornet score came in the third quarter when fullback

Kollin Shaddier drove in from the four.

Merkel's only score came when Albert Castillo caught an eight yard touchdown pass from quarterback Steve Teaff in the fourth quarter. The Badgers trial for another touchdown failed when Teaff was trapped in the end zone for a two point safety.

The passing game for the Badgers was double over the Hornets with 44 passing yards. The Badgers also had only 1 fumble while the Hornets lost 3 fumbles.

MERKEL	0 0 0 6—6	
ASPERMONT	8 0 6 2—16	
Merkel	Aspermont	
3	First Downs	10
93	Rushing Yardage	148
44	Passing Yardage	22
4	of 7 Passes Completed	2 of 15
2	of 2 Passes Intercepted	0
0	of 8 for 33 Punts, Average	5 for 36
4	for 45 Penalties, Yards	5 for 50
1	of 1 Fumbles Lost	3

COMMUNITY FUND GOAL SET AT \$4,000

Representatives of the various civic clubs and organizations met in the Merkel Restaurant Thursday, Oct. 19 to set kick-off date for the Community Fund Drive. Also to divide the residential area into districts for each organization to work and to set their goal.

The goal set was \$4,000.

Herman Carson, overall chairman for the Community Fund Drive, urged representatives to challenge each organization to work your district and help make this year's drive a success.

The Lions Club will work Cherry Street and everything east, while the Optimist, Booster Club and the Fire Department will work the Northside of town. The Taylor County Young Homemakers

will work Oak through Rose Street. Fortnightly Study Club will work both sides of Locust and Yucca. Both sides of Oak and Trudy will be worked by Lambda Beta, Beta Sigma Phi, with the Merkel 4-H Club working Sunset, Herring and Lois Streets.

Fair Share was the main topic of discussion at the meeting with stress on the share one could give. "If one thinks he can give only a few cents, it will be his fair share," Carson said. Also discussed was employees giving a percentage of their pay and an example of this would be 8 hours of work your pay.

Cards were distributed to the various clubs with stress on having the contributor to fill out his name and the amount.

Merchants have already been contacted for contributions by Carson, Bill Button, Breau, Vernon Wade, Benny Melton, Bob DuBose, Johnny Hammond, Horace Boney, Ted Smith and Don Hart.

Cubs are urged to have their area completely worked by November 20. Representing the various clubs were: Lions Club, Russell McAnally; Fortnightly Study Club, Mrs. S. C. Dixon; Optimist Club, Booster Club and Volunteer Fire Department, Bill Button; Lambda Beta, Beta Sigma Phi, Mrs. Robert Harris; and Taylor County Young Homemakers, Mrs. Glenn Bicknell.

Exemplar Chapter Attends ACT Play

The Exemplar Xi Nu Chi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi attended the Abilene Community Theater production of "Ten Little Indians," Thursday Oct. 19.

The chapter is studying public speaking and attended the play as part of their program.

Attending the play were Mmes: John Brady, Gerald Derick, Jimmy Leverick, Vernon Mansfield, Glen Teaff, Edgar Tipton, Weldon McAnich; Almada Bullock and Marnie Steck.

Goblin Carnival Set for Saturday

The Methodist Sr. Hi U.M.W.F. Halloween Carnival is Saturday night, Oct. 28 from 7 till about 11. Work is progressing real good but there is still a lot of work to be done before it will really be a great Halloween carnival.

Some of the booths are Dunkin Sam, Go-Fishin, Basketball skills and a lot of other things to try your luck at.

There is also a country store to browse through. All this and more makes up this year's carnival.

If you have a booth to put up, workdays are Wednesday 6:30 till about 10 and all day Saturday. You need to have your money in by November 4.

Booster Club To Meet Early

Merkel Booster Club will meet at 6:30 p.m., Oct. 30, at the REA Bldg, so that members may attend the Jr. Class Talent Show at 7:30. All members are urged to attend the 6:30 meeting.

Vincent Barnett, president, announced the Booster Club now has 102 members. Membership fee is \$7.50 for a couple, \$5.00 for the men and \$2.50 for the ladies.

Coach Woodfin said the Badgers had a very good spirit and attitude. They have been working hard and are looking forward to the Rotan Yellowhammers game Friday night at 7:30 at Rotan.

Garden Club Topic Flower Design

Mrs. W. S. J. Brown was hostess to members of the Merkel Garden Club on Thursday, Oct. 19. Fall flowers decorated the rooms and Mrs. W. L. Brown gave a program on the "New Class" of Flower Arranging. Two arrangements were "bare branches" and "Industry" which illustrated her table.

One visitor, Mrs. Hazel Light, was present and one new member, Mrs. Mary Russom. The following members answered roll call: Mmes. Oda Clark, Mary Click, Johnny Cox, Albert Criswell, Lottie Everett, R. M. Ferguson, Mack Fisher, S. D. Gamble, Odis Griffin.

Also Mmes. Ora Griggs, Dee Grimes, Earl Hughes, H. N. Odum, W. T. Sadler, John Shannon, Charlie Sherrill, Aaron Suderth, Jarrett Williams, W. L. Brown, W. S. J. Brown and Christine Collins.

Merkel 4-H Club Has Square Dance

The Merkel 4-H Club is sponsoring a County Wide Square Dance on October 28 at 8 p.m. in the Taylor Electric Building in Merkel. Every 4-H'er 7th grade up is invited. You may bring one guest. Joel Wilmon will be calling. Come looking forward to a great time! Parents are urged to come.

Secretary is Netta Stephan.



JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS — From left are Jeff Cox, president; Steve Donaldson, vice president; Tonja McAninch, secretary-treasurer; Susan Donaldson, business manager. (Staff Photo)

Merkel TO Share In Revenue Check

A bulletin mailed the City of Merkel on Sept. 30 from the Texas Municipal League explains in part the Annual Revenue Sharing Allocations.

"A detailed analysis of the general revenue sharing is to be mailed to us within the next few days," said Roy Kimbrell, Merkel City Secretary. "In fact the

bulletin is the only information we have received concerning our share in the revenue sharing checks pursuant to HR 14370.

According to an article in the Oct. 20 edition of the Abilene Reporter-News, the "first revenue sharing checks will be mailed to states, cities, counties and towns about the first week in Decem-

ber." This was announced by the Treasury Department on Thursday.

Allocations to Taylor County and to towns and cities under 2,500 were given in the Texas Municipal League Bulletin.

Allocation of \$66,423 will be divided between cities in Taylor County of 2,500 population or less.

"According to a government form which is not at this time available the exact amount for the city of Merkel has not been received," explained Kimbrell. "This allocation will be divided according to population and perhaps according to average income."

Taylor County Government total is \$402,275 and Abilene's total is \$1,316,252, according to the bulletin.

The first checks, numbering 38,000, will total about \$2.6 billion, and will cover payments for the first six months of 1972.

Voting in Cayon To Be Nov. 7

Precinct 27 Judge A. D. Scott urges all registered voters who live in Precinct 27 to come out and vote in the Nov. 7th General Election. Voting will take place in the Pioneer Memorial United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Polls will open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.

FORMER MERKELITES DIE IN PLANE CRASH

Tragedy struck two former Merkel families Friday afternoon when their light plane crashed into rugged ranchland 11 miles south of Goldthwaite.

Killed in the crash were Fred McCall, 34; his wife Margaret C. McCall, 32; and their three children, Lee Ann, 12, Troy, 10, and Melissa, 6. Also killed were Mrs. C. T. Carpenter and her daughter Christie Lou Carpenter, 17, all of San Saba.

Funeral for the seven was held Sunday in the San Saba High School gymnasium. Burial for the McCalls was in the City Cemetery in San Saba under the direction of Howell-Doran Funeral Home.

Graveside services for Mrs. Carpenter and her daughter were held Monday in the Shepp Cemetery near Winters under the direction of Spill Funeral Home of Winters.

Mr. McCall was co-owner of the Howell-Doran Funeral Home in San Saba, an owner of the

San Saba Nursing Home and a former lineman with Taylor Electric Co-op. He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Mrs. McCall was an administrator in training of the San Saba Nursing Home. She was a member of First Baptist Church and a Sunday School teacher and former employe of the Abilene Reporter-News.

Survivors of Mrs. McCall are three sisters, Mrs. Catheryn Kunkel of Dallas; Mrs. K. W. McCall of Lafayette, La. and Sherry Carpenter of the home, a brother, Wayne Carpenter of Abilene.

Mrs. Carpenter is survived by her father, Guy Gannaway of Winters; her son, three daughters; two sisters, Mrs. Bob Hook of Merkel and Mrs. Harold Waggoner of Winters; and eight grandchildren.

Christie Carpenter was born Sept. 26, 1954 and was a cheerleader and a senior at San Saba High School. She attended Merkel schools from 1965 to 1970.

Ladies Auxiliary To Meet Nov. 2

The monthly meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Merkel Fire Dept. will be held Thursday, Nov. 2 at 7:30 p.m. at the Fire Station.

All wives of volunteer firemen are urged to attend.

Senior Citizens Meeting Nov. 7

There will be a business meeting for all Senior Citizens Nov. 7 at the Senior Citizen Building at 7 p.m. according to the acting president, Mrs. Howard Beard.



SHIRLYNN ANN WHITE, daughter of Deputy Sheriff and Mrs. James R. White, 609 Locust, was honored at their home on her second birthday Saturday, Oct. 14.

Refreshments of cake, ice cream, fruit punch and coffee were served to ten guests. The home was decorated with favors of candy suckers and balloons.

Guests included friends and relatives of the honoree.

MRS. RILLA MARSHALL has been knocked out of action but plans to be back in the swing of things as soon as she can get back on her feet.

To hear Grandma Marshall tell about her accident it's a tale we all might listen to. Mrs. Marshall picked up a basket of clothes and found herself falling. So she did the most logical thing and that was fall into the nearby couch, but she missed and fell on her hip in the floor.

As everyone knows it's hard to keep Grandma down and the nurses at Hendrick had a time doing just that. After her surgery and now her visit to Williamsburg Nursing Home (a very short one), she said and we quote "If I could get my leg up, I would just kick myself."

We hope Mrs. Marshall is home soon again and keeps up her good spirits at the young age of 93 years.

CONGRATULATIONS are in order for three area students attending Hardin - Simmons University, who were among 43 H-SU students receiving scholarships amounting to \$17,000.

They are Patricia Ann McDuff, freshman from Merkel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe McDuff; Rob-

ert Serbin, freshman from Merkel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Serbin and Judy Dudley, sophomore from Trent, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buster Hester of Merkel.

JOHN TOWNSEND of Merkel, biology teacher at Abilene High in Abilene, has a brand new Doctor of Philosophy degree awarded him by Texas A&M University in August.

Dr. Townsend is, according to the school administration office, the only Ph.D. in an Abilene public classroom. There are some in administration, in supervisory positions. But he is the first teacher to win the high degree.

The new doctorate is his fourth sheepskin.

He received his Bachelor of Arts from McMurry College in May 1953, his Bachelor of Science from McMurry in August 1960, his Master of Arts from Baylor University in January 1968, now his doctorate.

Dr. Townsend is married to the former Sandra Patterson and they have two sons, John IV and Gene William and one daughter, Cassandra Lynette.

Noodle Carnival This Friday

The Noodle Patrol Club will hold their annual Halloween Carnival Friday night, October 27 at the Noodle School.

Concessions will open at 6 with the coronation to be at 7. Bingo will be sponsored by the junior class.

President of the NPC is Mrs. James Israel and Mrs. Tom Israel is reporter.

The public is invited to attend.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Robert Gutierrez, 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 November A.D. 1972, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 6th day of October A.D. 1972, in this cause, numbered 7539 on the docket of said court and styled In Re: Plaintiff, vs. Sandra Ann Gutierrez, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Adoption 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 6th day of October A.D. 1972.

(Seal)
Attest: **IRENE CRAWFORD**
District Clerk, Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County, Texas
33 #c

DR. ED DRESSEN

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Wednesday

Baked Turkey, giblet gravy, corn bread dressing, mixed vegetables, cranberry sauce, hot rolls, butter, fruit salad with fresh oranges, milk

Thursday

Fish Sticks, catchup, pinto beans, potato salad with peppers, hot rolls, butter, milk, jello with apple sauce pineapple

Friday

Hamburgers, oven french fries, pickles, onions, lettuce, tomatoes, milk peanut butter cookies

MHS JUNIOR NAMED 'SISTER OF MONTH'

Tonja McAninch, junior student in Merkel High School was selected as Little Sister of the Month by the Taylor County Chapter of Young Homemakers, Tonja is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted McAninch, Route 3, Merkel.

She is an active member of the Merkel Future Homemakers of America serving as vice president in 1971 and 1972; serving on the program of work and ballot committees in 1971 and 1972; attending the Area IV F.H.A. convention for 2 years and serving

as a voting delegate each year. Miss McAninch's school activities include drama club president, 1972; annual staff member, 1971-73; class officer, 1971-73; head cheerleader, 1972-73; and band secretary, 1971-73.

She was a member of the district and regional all-star cast for the U.I.L. one-act play in 1972 by being named Best Actress.

Also, she has participated in many worthwhile projects while being a member of the 4-H Club.

She is a member of the First Baptist Church, Merkel and is



TONJA McANINCH
... selected Little Sister

active in Youth Council work there.

Tonja plans to attend college and also do some traveling after graduation from high school.

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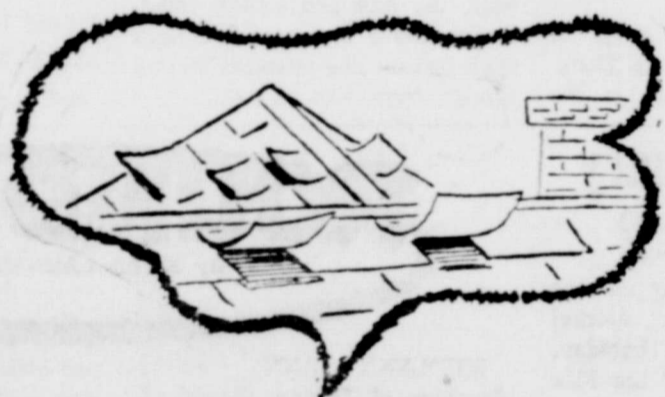


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Sybil Riney and Family

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Mrs. M. T. Head

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CARD OF THANKS I WOULD LIKE TO THANK all my friends for all the thoughtful prayers, cards and beautiful flowers during my stay in Hendrick Hospital. Again I say Thank You.
Mrs. M. T. Head

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CLASSIFIEDS GET QUICK RESULTS



Stith News
By MRS. FRITZ HALE

Cotton harvesting had just gotten under way when it was stopped due to the rainy weather last week. Three inches were reported here. It will be several days before the farmers can get back into their fields.

Louise Hudson returned home Monday, Oct. 16, after a few days visit with her brothers and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Hudson and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hudson. The Rex Hudsons visited Miss Hudson Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley and Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones attended the Baptist Association held at the Hamlin First Baptist Church Tuesday evening. Visiting Wednesday with the Bradleys were his three sisters and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Noel McDonald of Taft, Mr. and Mrs. Holt Ford and Mrs. Boyce Barnard of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wayne Berry, Gary and Annette of Schertz, Texas, and Mrs. E. L. Berry of Abilene spent the weekend in the Bradley home.

Mrs. Ruby Reddin and the John R. Reddins attended the Dallas Fair Saturday, Oct. 21. Mrs. Reddin attended the Golden Wedding Celebration of Mr. and Mrs. L. Lee Ward at the Asteroid Restaurant in Merkel Sunday, Oct. 22, and also visited Mrs. John Hobbs at Merkel.

Mamie Hardin visited Mrs. Lola Saffel and son, Don, and Cecil Peterson of Merkel. Mrs. Jim Burns and Mamie Hardin visited Mrs. John Shaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Lance Paulson, Cincinnati, Ohio, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dunagin and Randy. Mrs. Dunagin and the Paulsons visited Sunday in Odessa with Mrs. Margaret Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jackson and children. Mrs. Margaret Jackson returned home with them and is visiting in the Dunagin home.

Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benny Hobbs and Mrs. John Hobbs were Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Chaney and Sandra Richardson, Gaston Hobbs of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Hobbs of Grand Prairie.

Mr. and Mrs. Noel McDonald of Taft visited Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald last week.

Library Club Attends Meeting

Merkel High School Library Club sent two delegates, Steve Donaldson and Beverly Gilmore, to the annual district meeting of TeenAge Library Association at Big Spring High School Oct. 21.

TeenAge Library Association is a branch of the Texas Library Association, which is a branch of the American Library Association.

During the business session, the Merkel club was elected vice president (program chairman) for the next meeting, which will be in San Angelo Central High School.

Sponsor for the Merkel High School Library Club is Mrs. Ruth Wuidson.

Carnival to Be Tuesday at Trent

A night of activity and entertainment is on tap at Trent High School on Tuesday, Oct. 31, when the Halloween Carnival will be kicked off with the Queens' Coronation at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium. There will be two Queens crowned, according to Superintendent Dean King. One will be selected from Grades 1-8; and one from Grades 9-12. The Queens' Coronation is sponsored by the Community Club of Trent.

Following the Coronation, the Halloween Carnival will begin, with a variety of booths planned to offer something for everyone. Booths will close at 10:30 p.m. "The public is cordially invited to attend this event," states Superintendent King.

CLASSIFIEDS GET QUICK RESULTS



by Sylvan Lumiere, GTE Sylvania Lighting and Design Coordinator

Accident-Prone Home

Is your home accident-prone? Look around: Are the stairs littered with toys and books that someone forgot to bring to his room? Are you always bumping into that desk in the foyer? If you answer yes, you'll be pleased to know the cure for an accident-prone home is simple: proper lighting.

Start by placing a shielded fixture at the top and bottom of the stairwell, and make sure there's a control switch in both locations. Night lights, which plug into your regular outlets, can eliminate a number of nocturnal nasties, including the bruised shins of refrigerator-raiders and the stubbed toes of late night TV fans searching for the on-off button. These night lights give enough aid for dark-adapted eyes, but they're not bright enough to wake the sleepers.

Your living room also may need some illuminating. Many people have beautiful lamps in the center of the room, but manage to bump into coffee tables and stands before they find the switch. To eliminate this hazard, have a wall switch at the entrance and exit of each room. For diffused exterior lighting, try Sylvania's Soft White coated bulb in standard shape or as a chimney lamp. A minimum of 60 watts is recommended.

To do away with groping, keep spare bulbs and fuses in a handy place. And give everyone in the family a lesson on how to replace fuses or reset a circuit breaker. If blowing fuses are a common occurrence, call your local power company for an explanation.

Once you've got your house lit for safety, you'll be surprised at the drop in the number of family black-and-blue marks.

Environmental Grant Approved

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Congressman Omar Burleson announces approval of a \$75,000.00 Environmental Protection Agency grant to the Brazos River Authority for Water Quality Management Planning.

The purpose of the study is to develop a basin-wide water quality management plan for the Brazos Basin and adjoining coastal areas, comprising about one-sixth of the area of Texas. Taylor County is one of 68 in the Basin.

MISS TITTLE NAMED CAMPAIGN TREASURER

Miss Betty Tittle, Cashier of the Farmers and Merchants National Bank has been named Campaign Treasurer for the Merkel 1972 March Against Distrophy.

On Monday, November 6th, volunteer marchers will conduct a

BROWNIE NEWS

By LOYCE BAKER
Members of Brownie Troop 103 met Tuesday, Oct. 17.

Each girl made a symbol of God's eye from different colors of yarn. These symbols were first used by the Indian to keep away evil spirits.

Those attending were Deneen Seymore, Rene Aiken, Stacy Seymore, Oleta Walters, Roberta Ebran, Susan Allardier, Maria Moreno, Loyce Baker, Nancy Click and one visitor.

house-to-house appeal for funds to fight Muscular Dystrophy and related neuro-muscular diseases. Miss Tittle said, "The drive here in Merkel is part of the annual nationwide effort to fight Muscular Dystrophy. In the interest of public service and for the convenience of the volunteer marchers and donors, the Farmers and Merchants National Bank of Merkel will act as depository for the campaign."

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MR. & MRS. ERNEST HENDERSON SR.
... celebrate 50th anniversary

Children to Host 50th Celebration

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Henderson Sr., formerly of Noodle, will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary with a reception at the South Delaware Church of Christ Fellowship Center in Irving, Texas from 2 to 4 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 29.

PERSONALS

Relatives of Walter and Florence Jones were in Merkel Saturday putting markers in the cemetery and visiting around town with friends and relatives. Guests came from California, Fort Worth and Dallas.

married in Wood County. They lived in Noodle from 1922 to 1939. They have been Dallas area residents since 1940, moving to Irving in 1953.

The couple have three children, Mrs. Juanita Hahn of Fort Worth; E. N. Henderson Jr. and B. J. Henderson, both of Irving. They will be hosting the reception.

Mr. Henderson has two sisters, Mrs. Inez Smith and Miss Ina Henderson of 220 Oak, Merkel, and a brother, Atwell Henderson of Noodle.

They have eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

They are members of the Church of Christ.

BADGER TRACKS

By STEVE WALKER

This week I would like to dedicate the Badger Tracks from Merkel High to an old classmate and friend of the Senior Class, Christie Carpenter, who was killed in a plane crash last Friday.

Christie moved to Merkel in 1955. When she started to school, she had no problem adjusting to everyone or them adjusting with her. She was the talk of our 5th grade class (just as most any new comer will be).

After a year in Elementary School and through the 6th grade, Christie's popularity began to grow. The main reason for that was the way she got along with the kids in school.

She was active in most all the activities. In the 7th grade she became a Student Council representative, a pep squad member and an A team basketball member.

In the 8th grade she was elected as a new 1956-59 Cheerleader. She became a Red Cross member, a member of an Intramural girls football team called "The Invaders" and played another year on the A string basketball team. She was also voted Most Popular this year.

After completing the 9th grade, Christie moved to San Saba where her activities increased and her popularity strengthened. She was "one in a million" an

TCFB Members Adopt Trespass Protection

Effective Nov. 1, 1972 all members of the Taylor County Farm Bureau will have the official "No Trespassing" signs posted on their property to protect against trespass and other offenses.

This property protection plan offered by Texas Farm Bureau was adopted by the county board of directors at their recent county meeting.

The reward program is provided by the Texas Farm Bureau and affiliated insurance companies, and a reward of \$200 is offered for information leading to arrest and final conviction of persons committing trespass, felony theft, arson, or malicious mischief as defined by Article 1350 on property of a current Farm Bureau member.

The Cadette Scouts had their regular meeting Monday afternoon at the scout hut. We want everyone to come by and help for apples at our carnival booth at the Methodist Church this Saturday. We will also have a boat bobbing booth. Refreshments were served by Tammy Martin. Reporter is Mary Goodman.

Everyone is to meet at the Assembly of God Church at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 27. In case of rain, trip will be postponed until a later date. Reporter is Janet Wade.

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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 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: William Renfro Jr., Defendant. Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District 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 11 day of Dec. A.D. 1972, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 8 day of Aug. A.D. 1972, in this cause, numbered 33,931-A on the docket of said court and styled Newt Sherman, Reddy Qualls, a minor, by and through his father and next friend, Robert Qualls, Robert Qualls, and Gail Qualls Ind. Plaintiff, vs. Jewel C. Renfro Telford and husband, Sammy Telford and William Renfro, Jr.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: A wrongful death action and personal injury suit as is more

fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within sixty 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 24 day of Oct. A.D. 1972.

(Seal)
Attest: ERENE CRAWFORD
Clerk, 42nd District Court
Taylor County, Texas
By Marie Gill, Deputy.

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Quarterly Report of Taylor County Treasurer

On October 24, 1972, The Commissioners Court met in regular session, compared and examined the report of Mrs. Hayden Thomas, County Treasurer, for the quarter ending September 30, 1972, and found it to be correct and the amounts received and paid out to be correct since the preceding report.

FUNDS	Balance Last Q't'r.	Received This Q't'r.	Paid Out This Q't'r.	Balance This Q't'r.
Jury	\$ 19,094.26	\$ 838.05	\$ 9,349.73	\$ 10,582.53
Precinct 1	69,840.31	1,811.08	34,811.79	36,839.60
Precinct 2	92,801.56	3,070.60	34,908.51	60,963.65
Precinct 3	66,843.25	2,110.16	19,934.33	49,019.08
Precinct 4	97,914.40	3,486.86	28,970.44	71,560.82
General Fund	537,256.95	39,744.54	350,776.43	226,225.06
Pauper Fund	3,567.52	62,266.62	56,212.33	9,621.81
Road Fund Ser '47	230.00	.00	.00	230.00
Road Fund Ser '53	5.20	.00	.00	5.20
Road Dist. 1 Skg. Ser '53	5,132.21	269.07	.00	5,401.28
Officers Salary	67,987.84	144,464.76	183,075.49	24,377.11
Lateral Road	16,434.05	125.00	15,263.63	1,345.42
Road & Bridge R.O.W.	8,311.83	.00	.00	8,311.83
Perm. School Fund	2,491.77	.00	.00	2,494.77
Payroll Account	1,050.00	235,827.68	235,827.68	1,050.00
Permanent Improvement Skg. Ser '54	3,183.00	663.86	1,350.50	2,496.36
Law Library	2,738.45	2,201.00	2,601.54	2,337.92
Perm. Improvement Fd.	6,932.85	.00	.00	6,932.85
Road Bond Series '55	686.40	.00	.00	686.40
F.I.C.A. Tax	48,018.79	11,855.86	22,531.61	37,343.04
R'old Bond Skg. Series 1957	1,311.79	71.50	.00	1,383.29
Special R. & B.	500.00	.00	.00	500.00
State Commodity Food Plan Fund	1,163.17	4,986.77	4,898.66	1,251.28
State Criminal Justice Plan Fund	3,083.50	3,370.00	3,811.87	2,641.63
Coliseum Skg. Ser '67	26,296.52	1,582.19	34,462.50	3,416.21
Courthouse & Jail Bd.	100,471.10	340.42	100,811.52	.00
Courthouse & Jail Skg. Series '67	49,499.39	2,832.56	51,665.20	867.85
	\$1,237,260.02	\$ 521,919.58	\$1,191,293.76	\$ 567,885.84

BANK BALANCES

Citizens National	\$ 75,018.79
First National	131,012.67
First State, Abilene	139,959.21
First State in Tuscola	121,266.30
Bank of Commerce	100,628.07
	\$ 567,885.84
Time Deposits	373,700.00
Total Checking Account	\$ 194,185.34

Securities Owned By Taylor County — and by Permanent School Fund

Buffalo Gap School Bonds owned by the School Fund	\$ 6,700.00
Everman Independent School Bonds	8,000.00
State of Texas Veteran Land Bonds (face value \$2,000,000)	1,636.30
	\$16,336.30

TAYLOR COUNTY BOND INDEBTEDNESS

Issues	Original Issues	Bonds Outstanding	Bonds Outstanding
Bond Issue 1954	850,000.00	\$ 740,000.00	\$ 110,000.00
Courthouse & Jail Bond 1967	3,000,000.00	365,000.00	2,635,000.00
Coliseum Bd. Series 67	1,750,000.00	.00	1,750,000.00
	\$5,600,000.00	\$1,105,000.00	\$4,495,000.00

The Requirements of Art. No. 401 P.C. have been complied with, and a tabular statement has been filed as required.

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Junior Class Sets Talent Show

A premonition is being felt by all students of Merkel High School. The "night before" is coming and on this gruesome night, the Juniors are sponsoring a talent show. The acts to be presented include singing, comedy skits, guitars and the ghost-

ly appearance of an old charleston rendition.

As you have probably guessed, the "night before" is Monday, October 30, the night before Halloween. It is to be held in the haunted high school auditorium at the spooky hour of 8 p.m. Admission is \$1.00 for adults and 50 cents for all little monsters. Tickets will be sold at the door by Count Dracula and his friends. Everyone is invited to this masquerade of horror.

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CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF CONDITION OF "HOME STATE BANK" OF TRENT, TEXAS.

And Foreign and Domestic Subsidiaries, at the close of business October 10, 1972, a state banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District.

ASSETS	
1. Cash and due from banks (including \$0. unposted debits)	\$328,732.45
2. U.S. Treasury securities	175,000.00
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	4,220.65
4. Other securities (including \$2750.00 corporate stocks)	3,750.00
5. Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	150,000.00
6. Other loans	307,154.73
7. Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and other assets representing bank premises	4,720.50
8. Other assets	112,550.00
14. TOTAL ASSETS	\$972,698.88
LIABILITIES	
15. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$753,391.25
17. Deposits of United States Government	228.77
18. Deposits of State and political subdivisions	57,940.28
21. Certified and officers' checks, etc.	314.07
22. TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$811,895.17
(a) Total demand deposits	\$11,895.17
28. TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$811,895.17
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
25. Equity capital, total (sum of Items 26 to 43 below)	\$161,803.71
27. Common stock-total par value	\$25,000.00
(No. shares authorized 250) (No. shares outstanding 250)	
28. Surplus	103,000.00
29. Undivided profits	36,803.71
41. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$161,803.71
42. TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES, AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS (sum of Items 28, 29, 33 & 41 above)	\$972,698.88

MEMORANDA

- Average of total deposits for the 15 calendar days ending with call date \$789,978.43
- Average of total loans for the 15 calendar days ending with call date 451,610.80
- Unearned discount on installment loans included in capital accounts 9,265.50

I, J. G. Wilks, President, of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this report of condition is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. G. WILKS

We, the undersigned directors, attest the correctness of this report of condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief is true and correct.

DOW WILLIAMSON
J. C. CRAIN
H. H. McLEOD
Directors

(Seal)

State of Texas County of Taylor ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 10th day of October, 1972
BETTY HAMNER, Notary Public.

Election Day is Planting Day

When you vote this November for the next U.S. President, cast a ballot for a Dutch tulip as well. Election Day, the traditional time for important decisions, is the traditional time for planting the flower-bulbs that bloom in the Spring.

That brings to mind another important decision—which bulbs to plant come November 7th. There are thousands of tulips, daffodils, hyacinths, crocuses and "minor" bulbs to choose from. But as with Presidential preferences, there are tastes in flowers.

Do you enjoy the sight of tulips with long sturdy stems and beautifully molded cup-like flowers? Scores of colors are available. Or do your tastes tend toward the more exotic? Take your pick from tulips that look like lilies, peonies, waterlilies, even delicate balls of ruffled lace.

Golden Trumpet daffodils are a traditional favorite. But there are dozens of others—some with small red cups, some that flower in pure white or even pink, some that sport twice as many petals as the rest. They're all ready and waiting to be planted this Election Day.

Flower-bulbs can actually be planted on any day this fall, so if you're out visiting on November 7, don't despair. Just pick a day for planting well before the first heavy frosts arrive. Then go outside, dig a hole for each bulb, drop them in, cover them up



again and add water. The proper depth is twice the length of the bulb and well-drained soil is best.

The rules for bulb gardening on Election Day—or any day this Fall—are simple. Plant in the fall, plant bulbs in groups, and plant wherever Spring color will be welcome. It takes one afternoon, and all the rest comes courtesy of Nature.

Herring Auction Slated Nov. 11

Everything from trace chains to tractors will go on the auction block Saturday, November 11, 1972, at the Tex Herring Equipment Company in Lawn, Texas. The sale is the final phase of the 13th annual Cattlemen's Round-Up for crippled children to benefit the West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene, Texas.

Previous sales of cattle, horses, sheep and goats have raised \$163,000 of the round-up goal of \$120,000.

Any farm related items, such

as tires, implements, appliances, vehicles, motor oil, are being accepted.

NOTICE

If your club or organization is having a meeting, we would like to know about it.

Call or write in the time, place and when before noon Tuesday.

This is one of the new features of the Merkel Mail, Ph. 928-5712.

The Merkel Mail reserves the right to limit length of stories and edit for good taste.

CEMETERY FUND

The following made recent donations to the Merkel Cemetery Association:

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Ray B. Spurgin
Mr. and Mrs. C. Roy Stevens
Jessie Higgins
Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Buchanan
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Mrs. Ruby Jenkins
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Mr. and Mrs. Archie P. Farr
Lloyd Allen for Parmely Estate
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Erma Kirley
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Floyd A. Hutcheson
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Merkel Baptist To Participate At Convention

More than 6,000 Texas Baptists will descend on Abilene October 30-November 2, for four days of business and inspiration during the 87th annual session of the Baptist General Convention of Texas and its auxiliary meetings.

On Wednesday Nov. 1, members of Merkel's First Baptist Choir will be participating in the Abilene Baptist Association Choir at the evening service. This is the service that Art Linkletters will one

of the headliners at the main session.

The convention will be held at the Taylor County Coliseum and the Civic Center in Abilene.

Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor of the First Baptist Church, said that Wednesday evening services on Nov. 1 would be dismissed so that the congregation could attend the Abilene program.

Also, during the executive meeting, Rev. Jones will be re-elected to serve another term on the State Executive Board.

A large number of the local members plan to attend the four-day convention.

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Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- Forms
- Grassland
- Spud
- Furry animal
- Longs
- Having rows
- Tantalum: chem.
- Belief
- Like ebony
- Japanese measure
- English gold coin
- Challenge
- Man of valor
- Depart
- Girl's name
- In reality
- Suffix: plural
- Narrow bar
- Sea eagle
- Facts
- Falsehood
- Once more!
- Is suitable
- Squadron
- Apportion
- Reply
- Italian river
- Head rest
- Not broad
- Spanish "gold"
- Less deep
- Envy
- Mineral deposits
- Above
- Exists
- Disfigures
- Silkworm
- Islet
- Soft minerals
- Signal
- Let
- Learning
- Peel
- Vegetable
- Hotel
- Short sleep
- Rodent
- Poem
- Armed conflict

DOWN

- View secretly
- Garden tool
- Sweetsop
- Colleague
- Sicilian volcano
- Distress
- Body from outer space
- Ireland
- Turkish title
- Soiled
- Single
- Marry
- Article
- Rimmed
- Light wood

Answer to Puzzle

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100
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Girl Scout News

In a meeting Thursday Oct. 17, Junior Girl Scouts worked on their own Christmas gifts. They each did paintings and drawings for part of their gifts. Mrs. Glasscock will mail their drawings off and they will be made into each girls own personal gift.

Of course, the girls are wondering what their gift will be.

Two girls are working on their "Sign of the Star" badge. They are Debbie Glasscock and Shannon Bagby. As part of their project, they were to visit a place in their community they had never visited before. They visited the Senior Citizens building on Oct. 16 and were entertained by John Roys and Roper String Band, which they enjoyed very much.

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New Tricks for Halloween

They're coming — moppets dressed like witches, ghosts, monsters.

The main thing is to keep your cool, and plan ahead. If you do, Halloween might even be fun for you.

Consider these suggestions for Halloween night:

Have a progressive Halloween party. Join with four or five other neighborhood mothers. Each will hostess a half-hour happening, like bobbing for apples at one home, a treasure hunt at another, a hot chocolate and cookie party (Carnation's individual packets of Hot Cocoa Mix are handy for this) — the cookies can be molded to Halloween shapes.

•Or, if you're going to stick with the trick or treat tradition, consider mixing some good nutrition items in with candy, things like fruit, nuts, and single serving packets of Hot Cocoa Mix.

•On the all-important question of costumes, why not bring our little friends into the design of them? Even mini-kids can draw a picture of how they like to dress up. The bigger ones can, under guidance, use scissors and the sewing machine to make simple outfits.

•To create the proper atmosphere at your house, you might consider dressing in costume yourself and having a line-up of pumpkin heads of different sizes and expressions (happy face, mean face, etc.) You can bring out the best (or worst) in designing talent by having a pumpkin-carving party with the big kids helping the little ones to design the faces.

•To give the tricksters a shiver when they come in, hang black threads from the top of the front door — very cobwebby. Candle-light also helps impart the mood.

•For safety, why not have neighborhood mothers establish "check-points" along the trick or treat route, each mother holding a jack-o-lantern? This avoids the "watchdog" impression given if mother tags along with the kids. In some localities, have the youngsters carry flashlights so they'll be more visible to cars.



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