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Voters Will Elect

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### **District 8A Track Meet** Held at Snyder March 31

The weather cooperated, the track was beautiful, and the competition was rugged at Snyder, Saturday, March 31 in the District 8A track meet.

Roscoe was the toughest team winning the first place trophy with 121 points.

Merkel's Junior Varsity came up with 63 1-6 points for 3rd place in that division. Ruben Hernandez ran the prize winning mile and Mendez Moreno put the shot on a blue ribbon.

The Varsity Badgers placed

### **FU Sale At Merkel Gin** Saturday

Taylor County Farmers Union will sponsor a farm equipment sale at 10 a.m. April 7. The consignment sale will be held at Merkel Co-Op Gin according to Billy Bob Toombs, county Farmers Union presi-

Toombs said proceeds from the sale will go toward keeping lobyist in Washington working on farm programs. All types of consignments will be welcome he added.

Terms of the sale will be 10 per cent commission with a minimum commission of \$1 and a maximum of \$50. There will be no P.O. charge Toombs said.

Anyone wishing to consign equipment should contact Mark Malone at 928-4970, Connie Mac Seymour Insurance at 928-5379. or any member of Taylor County Farmers Union.

The organization would like consignments submitted as early as possible, Toombs said.

### Little League **Tryouts Set** For Monday

Little League tryouts will start Monday afternoon, April 9 at 5:30 p.m. at the Little League field. Tryouts will be held Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

These tryouts are for boys ages 9-12, that did not play in Little League last year in Merkel and boys who were in T-Shi league last year.

4th overall in the contest, sending 5 boys to Regional at Lubbock, April 14. They are the sprint relay team: Steve West, Larry Toliver, Jeff Cox, Rudy Costillo and half miler Darel Bunch, who clocked a 2:01.9 for the district record. Rudy will also compete in the mile race.

According to Coach Jerry Jones the 1973 season has been a success. "We've had a large number of boys enlisted and the program is tough, really bringing out the best effort and performance they have."

"We've had some disappointments, a few injuries but for the most part, it's been a rewarding time for all concerned" said Coach Jones.

Bunch, a sophomore, joins two other Merkelites as district record holders. Roger Moore jumped 22'8" a decade ago and Doug Barnhart ran the mile in 4:46.0 in 1964.

### Syble's Beauty Nook to Have **Open House**

Syble Riney owner and operator of Syble's Beauty Nook will have a formal grand opening Monday, April 9 from 2 to 6 p.m. at her newly opened shop at 215 Edwards.

Abilene Beauty College in 1960 and has 13 years of experience in the field of cosmology. Known to all as Syble, she opened her newly decorated shop March 20.

Mrs. Riney and operator Jerri Cotton will be on hand Monday to show Merkel area residents the newest beauty shop in Mer-

Mrs. Riney invites all her friends to come by and register for prizes to be given away Monday at 6 p.m.

### **Plant Clinic** April 3rd

Dr. Emroy Boring, entomologist, and Dr. Robert Berry, Plant pathologist from the Texas Agriculture Extension Service at Texas A & M University will conduct a plant disease clinic April 3, from 9:30 until 12:00 A.M. at the Abilene Garden Club Center, 300 West-



EATING COTTON CANDY at the Fisher Bros. Circus, which was in Merkel last Wednesday, March 28th, was Judy, left, and Jodie Jenkins, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Jenkins of Merkel. (Staff Photo)



GONE TO WASHINGTON — Two members of the Taylor County Farmers Union will appear before the Senate Agriculture Committee in Washington Wednesday and Thursday. Yates Sipes, left, from Trent and Bobby L. Toliver, right, from Merkel, left Tuesday morning for Dallas where they boarded a plane for the Fly-In Trip to Washington. About 20 members of the Texas Farmers Union are going on the Washington Fly-In. The Senate Agriculture Committee is to hold hearings on the cotton portion of the new Farm Bill which Congress will write this session. (Staff

### Naman Raps Nixon's **Livestock Price Ceiling**

dent, Jay Naman, charged that President Nixon's decision to put a ceiling on meat is characteristic of the lack of understanding that this Administration has of the problems of farmers and ranchers. In a statement released from the statewide farm organization's office in Waco, Naman said:

"It is shocking that President Nixon would point an accusing finger at the livestock producer in his frenzied effort to find a scapegoat for mounting inflation, when the facts show that many consumer prices have gone up faster than meat and with less justification. For instance, if cattle prices had wages since 1950, cattle would now be bringing over 80 cents per pound; or if they had gone up at the same rate as hospital care costs, cattle would now be bringing \$1.80 per pound. Instead, cattle are still only averaging 42 cents per pound. The same formula can be applied to other livestock and it is obvious that livestock prices have not gone up as fast as other consumer goods, nor are livestock producers' profits excessive. In fact, after twentyfive years of little or no profit, livestock producers are beginning to make a meager return in a very high risk business.

"It is clear that although the ceiling is on meat at the retail level, the highly organized and integrated meat distribution industry will maintain its profits and use the price controls to depress the price of livestock to the producer. Farmers and ranchers still must sell on the competitive market while the large chain stores set prices. They must now exact their profits by driving livestock

Texas Farmers Union presi- prices down.

"The American consumer should be wary of government imposed ceilings on meat. They could result in artificial shortages and blackmarketing. Nothing but time, a good grain crop and a price incentive will produce more livestock. Only competition at the processing and distribution levels will keep the retail price of meat within

"Consumer boycotts and pro-

### **Trent Seniors Present Play**

The Trent Senior Class will present "Her Kissin' Cousin" Tickets may be purchased from any member of the senior class for \$1.00 for adults and 75 cents for students. Tickets at the door will be \$1.25 for adults and \$1.00 for students.

ducer withholdings provide no long-range solutions to the problems of inflation and spread of price between the farm gate and the consumer. Rather, it is time for the Administration to deal with the persistent problems facing farmers and consumers by developing a national agricultural and food policy that will assure farmers an adequate price and consumers abundant food supplies at stable prices. This is preferable to 'caving in' to political pressures from those who don't understand the problem.

"It is clear that the Administration 'shot from the hip' in announcing meat price ceilings. It is unfortunate that no one with an understanding of the problems of farmers and ranchers has the ear of President

> Mrs. Earl Palmer hosted a birthday dinner for her father, M. M. Owen Sunday on his 83rd birthday.

> Those attending was Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Durham of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Ratliff of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. George Berry of Graford and Mrs. Cora

City Officials Sat. Election Judge for the city election will be Betty Cypert. Serving as judge for the school election will be Bryan Dunigan. All voting will be at the Merkel

The polls will open at 7 a.m. and remain open until 7 p.m.

### **School Consolidation Due Saturday**

Due to the increasing changes being made in the State Foundation Program, it is very important that the citizens of the Merkel and Tye school districts give serious consideration for consolidating the two districts. A vote to consolidate would enable the two schools to receive more money from the State to expand such programs as counselor services, special duty teachers, teacher aides, salaries for professional and

Saturday will be a busy day

for Merkel voters. They will go

to the polls to elect a new may-

or, two city councilmen and two

school board members. They

will also vote on the proposed

consolidation of the Merkel and

Tye School Districts.

### Election Information

Due to a more than usual number of items to be considered on Saturday, April 7, the following information may be of some assistance to voters: We are asked to cast ballots for

1. One County trustee 2. Two local school trustees-

The names of Bobby DuBose and Danny Doan, incumbents, have been filed for re-election. Other members of the board are Ben Hicks, president; Johnny Teaff, vice president: Joe Henry, secretary; Charles Jacobs and Robert Stephan.

3. Consolidation of Merkel and Tye School Districts - All certified voters are eligible to vote on this proposal.

4. Assumption of bonded indebtedness of Merkel and Tye School District instruction pertaining to this item-

If you are a certified voter and have rendered some type of property for taxation, you place your ballot regarding bonded indebtedness in box labeled "A." If you are a certified voter but have not rendered some type of property for taxation, you place your ballot in box labeled "B."

### M. M. Owen Celebrates Birthday

Berry of Weatherford.

High School Gym. Voters are reminded to vote out early in order to give election judges and workers time to count the All candidates are running un-

paraprofessional personnel, kin-

dergarten education, special ed-

udcation, vocational education,

incentive aid for consolidation,

If the two districts combine

their average daily attendance,

they would be eligible to re-

ceive incentive aid, a very im-

portant state-aid in the future

There are many advantages

for students attending a middle-

size school. Each student has

an opportunity and is encour-

aged to participate in such ac-

tivities as sports, literary pro-

grams, student councils, honor

societies, music programs, and

other activities. In larger sys-

tems, it is difficult, unless you

are an outstanding student, to

be able to represent your school.

The large number of students

wanting to participate reduces

A study of the curriculum of

the Merkel schools will show

that the school is offering about

as many courses as a student

can take including vocational,

regular academic requirements,

music, special education, major

sports, physical education, etc.

Due to the fact that the Mer-

kel-Tye schools would conform

to a middle-size school in size,

each student would be a well-

known personality to teachers,

administrators, and to the stu-

dent body; this factor would

create a feeling of belonging and

represented on the school board.

each would be able to advise

and assist the other in formulat-

The Merkel-Tye approach to

consolidation does not follow

the usual pattern, the elimina-

tion of a school. The proposed

plan emphasizes the importance

of schools making use of all

facilities within the consolidated

district. Since the Tye school

buildings are in excellent condi-

tion and can be maintained ec-

onomically and enlarged as Tye

grows, and incorporating the

school in the over-all school

system would eliminate the need

for voting bonds as a result of

Plans call for maintaining the

Voters of the two districts

have an opportunity to pool

their strengths and build a

middle-size school system which

would meet the present and

Tye School as a first class

the consolidation.

elementary school.

Since both districts would be

being wanted.

ing school policies.

a student's opportunity.

grouping of school districts.

Gros . Running for Mayor of II kel is Lou David Allen. Alis owner of Allen Sales Co. r. is also a sales representative for several other companies. The Allens, who reside at 1111 So. 10th St., have lived in Merkel for the past three years. They have two children.

Darrell Farmer and Vernon Wade are the candidates for City Council. Farmer is employed by Taylor Telephone Co. He and his wife have three children. The Farmers reside at 1408 Stewart. Wade is owner of Ann's Flowers. He and his wife have two children. They reside at 901 Ash.

Both incumbent members of the school board whose terms expire filed for reelection. They are Danny Doan and Bobby Du-Bose. Doan is employed by Taylor Electric Cooperative. He and his wife and two children reside at 1404 S. 11th. DuBose is owner of DuBose Texaco and Butane Service. The DuBoses have three children and reside at 810 Trundy.

### F&M Bank Deposits Up

Loans and deposits showed an increase at Farmers and Merchants National Bank for the 1st quarter ending March

The bank showed deposits up by \$389,467 over the December 1972 bank call. Loans were

Commenting on economic conditions of the Merkel area, Booth Warren, president of the bank, said: "Conditions speak for themselves. We have had more than nine inches of rain since Jan. 1, and that is a record for January-February-March of any year. We have a wonderful wheat prospect and might make a real good wheat crop this year. We also have a relatively large acreage in wheat.

"Conditions are approaching the ideal in our area, and we are very optimistic.'

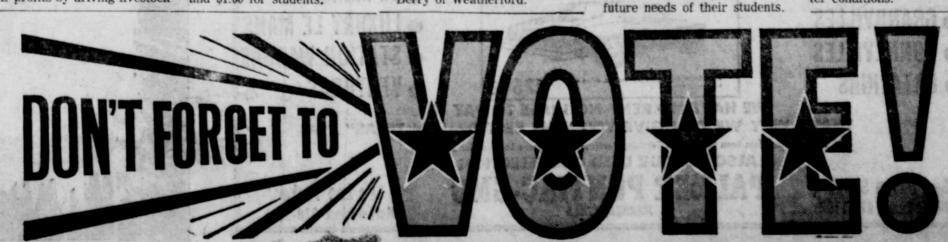
The same story is true for Home State Bank in Trent. Deposits for the bank were up by \$218,942, with loans also showing an increase.

"It sounds ridiculous," said J. G. Wilkes, president of the Home State Bank in Trent, "but we need some dry weather so we can harvest our crops.

"We're sure beef prices are high, but there's a lot of other things that are high, too."

Among Abilene and Taylor County banks, loans zoomed to an all-time record high at the end of March. Loan figures increased more than 40 per cent since last year - almost a \$50-million increase.

Loans reached \$171,678,252 for the five Abilene banks and \$175,-006,863 for the eight banks in Taylor County at the close of March 2 8, 1973 - date of the bank call for both national and state governments for first quarter conditions.



### **NEW ARRIVALS**

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hester of Bedford, Texas are the proud parents of a baby girl, Kathy Diane, born March 12th. She weighed 7 lbs. 11 oz.

They also have another daughter, Monica, age 32 months.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Buster Hester of Merkel and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Alexander of Canton, Ohio.

Mrs. Hester visited her new

granddaughter for a week after

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Jacobs announce the birth of a baby boy named Collin Clark, born at 1:42 a.m. March 28th. Collin was 201/2 inches long and weighed 7 lbs. 10 oz.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Muse of San Antonio and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Jacobs of Merkel.

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JERRY JEFFREY, Mgr.

Funeral for L. E. Ford Jr. 58, retired Merkel carpenter who died Thursday, March 29th, in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene after a long illness, was held at 3 p.m. Sunday in the Merkel First Baptist Church.

The Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor, officiated. Burial was in Stith Cemetery under direction University in Abilene. She is of Starbuck Funeral Home in Merkel.

Born Feb. 27, 1915 at Stith, he lived all of his life in Taylor County. He was a carpenter before retiring several years ago.

Survivors include his wife, Mattie Ruth: two sons, Don of Pecos, and Bobby of Merkel; two daughters, Mrs. Don (Ethel) Putman of Morocco and Mrs. David (Billie) Sobczyk of Augusta, Kan.; his mother, Mrs. L. E. Ford Sr. of Abilene; one sister, Mrs. Doyle Maxwell of Abilene; two brothers, W. B. of Abilene and Jerry of Kemah.

### Sr. Citizens Singing Held

A crowd of 50 enjoyed the Singing Monday night at the Se ior Citizens Hall. All-day luncheon and meeting will be Tuesday April 10th. Mrs. Lem Dudley is acting president this

1,886.59

9,000.00

50,000.00

10,000.00

### L. E. Ford Jr. Miss Wiley, Mr. Sandusky Services Held Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Carmack are announcing the engagement of her daughter, Cynthia Anna Wiley, to Jerry Don Sandusky, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sandusky of Rt. 3, Merkel.

The bride-elect is a '70 graduate of Merkel High School and is a junior at Hardin-Simmons employed as Assistant Director at one of the recreational areas for the City of Abilene. Her finance is also a 1970 graduate of Merkel High School and is employed with the City of Mer-

The couple will be married June 16 at 8:00 p.m. in First Methodist Church in Merkel.



CINDI WILEY . . . to wed in June

### THE

By ALLEN GREGORY

April 5, 1973 is going to be an exciting day for the Trent High School Seniors. We are putting on a three act play, "Her Kissin' Cousin," in the gymnasium. The scheduled time for the performance is 7:30 p.m. Admission is

### McAninch To Lead Corp Unit

Austin's Marine Corps Reserve Unit got a new commander during change-of-command ceremonies Friday evening at the Marine Training Center on Barton Springs Rd.

Infantry Capt. Tom McAninch was presented the unit colors of B Company, 1st Battalion, 23rd Marines by outgoing commander Capt. Bob Jones, who is being assigned to a Houston unit. One of McAninch's first tasks will be to take the five officers

and 150 men of his command on a two-day exercise at Camp Swift near Bastrop. The rifle company will be part of a regimental-size field

exercise in which units of the 23rd Marines, comprising about 1,000 men, will battle a simulated aggressor force. McAninch is a Vietnam veteran and holder of the Combat

Action Ribbon. The Navy Commendation Medal with Combat "V", the Presidential Unit Citation and the Republic of Viet nam Meritorious Unit citation with Gallantry Cross and Palm.

McAninch, 29, a native of Merkel, is a graduate chemistry student at the University of Texas. He is married to the former Carolyn Anderson of Merkel. They have a daughter, Court

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis McAninch of Rt. 2, Mer-

75 cents for stulents and \$1.00 for adults, and tickets will be sold at the gate. However, gate tickets are \$1.00 for students and \$1.25 for adults. Tickets are now on sale. To purchase your ticket, contact any

one of the Seniors. Lots of hard work and effort have been put forth in the production of this play, and we feel each and everyone of you will enjoy it. There are eight characters in the play. Actors portraying these roles are Diane Bishop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Bishop, Tom Mc-Leod, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. (Spud) McLeod, Jo Reed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Reed, Bill Hamner, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hamner, Becky Bryan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bryan, Kris Jame son of Mr. and Mrs. James, Judy Brnovak, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brnovak, and Roy Sharp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Sharp. All these students have worked diligently and put forth a lot of time on this play. Also for the ones not acting in the play, we have been working very hard with all the preparatory situations. This goes for the director, prop committee, make-up committee, lighting committee and everyone else, who has been in one way or another, involved with

We, the Seniors, owe a special thanks and appreciation to our English teacher, Mrs. Kay Wofford. She has helped us all a great deal, really more than most of us think. This play was made possible by her, mainly because she was interested in us and our play. She has spent mar., enany hours with us, working on this play. Her benevolence has been overwhelming and has helped make matters a lot easier. She has worked with each one of us individually and has given us all her support and appreciation. Mrs. Wofford, we give you a pleasant and absolutely most deserved word of thanks.

We invite everyone to come and see our play. We like it, and you will too. You will like it; it's HILARIOUS. You will be glad you saw it. See you

#### THE MERKEL MAIL, MERKEL, TEXAS Thursday, April 5, 1973 Page Two

### Merkel 4-H To Meet April 5th

The Merkel 4-H Club will hold its monthly meeting Thursday, April 5 at 7:30 p.m. Everyone who is working on a demonstration for County Eliminations Contest should be prepared to give it at this meeting.

### MULBERRY **CANYON 4-H**

By TARESIA ENGLISH

Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club met March 15.

Members present were Patricia Boyd, Bill Haltzapple, Beverly Gilmore, Loyd Williams Jr., Bart Pursley, Brad Pursley, Mark Clemmer, Teresa Clemmer, Anna Marie Rankin, Dale Rankin, Jess Rankin, Lisa Swinney, Judy Broonovak, Lisa Hughs. Dwain English and Taresia English.

We had a visitor, Robert Boyd.

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It seems to me that a movement of the rejection, hostility toward religion and a movement of a revival of religious interest are both active at the present time. And because of the importance of religious interest, more emphatically because of the importance of eternity we must stress two points:

1. The Bible is authoritative (it has God's authority) and the final revelation from God through Christ and the Holy Spirit and that intelligent investigation of this source will re in the discovery of truth, which you must then decide whether or not you love God's truth enough to respond in surrenderance to it. SUG-GESTED READING: John 6:63; 7:16,17; John 8:31,32; II Thessalonians 2:9-12; II John 9-11; Revelation 22:16-19.

2. The Bible not only CONTAINS the word of God, it IS THE word of God. SUGGESTED READING: II Timothy 3:16,17; Galatians 1:6-12; Ephesians 3:1-7.

Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him. Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.' Proverbs 30:5,6.

"Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding." Proverbs 23:23.

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MONUMENTS and CEMETERY CURBING M. A. (Sarg) NOSTER 1404 Herring Dr. Merkel Texas Phone 8-5565

MASONIC MEETING Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710 on 2nd Saturday and 4t4h Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome.

Members urged to attend. JOHN DAVIS, W.M. ROY MASHBURN, Sec'y.

FREE - Six puppies, 2 females, 4 males. Come by trailer house behind Dr. Williams home north on Noodle Rd. after school hours.

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### Higgins-Green Wedding Planned For May 19th

Mr. and Mrs. Orien Higgins have announced the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Barbara Jean to Ricky Otis Green of Dallas, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Green of Haskell

The bride-elect is a 1970 graduate of Merkel High and attended Angelo State University and is now attending North Texas State University at Denton. The bride-elect was an honor student at ASU The prospective bridegroom

is a graduate of Paint Creek High School and attended Angelo State University and is employed by Navajo Freight Lines.

The couple will be married May 19 in the home of Rev. Kenneth Jones.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS County of Taylor

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain Execution of Judgement issued out of the Honorable County Court at Law Court of Taylor County, on the 21th day of February 1973, by Writ of Execution of said Judgement of the County Court at Law for the sum of Five Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Seven & 39-100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a, Judgement, in favor of H. Lee Smith, Wendell Mathis, and Bobbie Wolf in a certain cause in said Court, No. 7792 and styled H. Lee Smith, Wendell Mathis and Bobbie Wolf vs. Elm Oaks Inc. and Betty P. Horton Individually, placed in my hands for service, I, Jack Landrum as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the 6th day of March 1973, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: 181.96 acres out of the L. Bowerman Survey No. 84, the Robert Turner Survey No. 25 and Lot 3, Mc-Donald's Subdivision of the W. W. Sills Survey No. 23 and The Family of L. E. Ford Jr. 24 in Taylor County, Texas.

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This week, April 1-7, is Texas Industry Week. It is a time when Texas is showing appreciation to the industry she now has and a time when she tells prospective industry that they are welcome in Texas.

Merkel is no exception. We have a lot of good things going for us. In the last ten years Merkel has added several new business to her business roles. The newest is Glene Manufacturing Company. There is Wimbish Trailer Sales, the new motels along IH-20, Pierce Manufacturing Co. and others. We are very proud of these new industries in Merkel. But we are equally as proud of the 'old' business establishments that serve the people of Merkel. Palmer Pontiac and GMC is celebrating their 25th year in business. Merkel Drug has been in business for over 40 years. We have two fine grocery stores. Both Wilson's and Carson's have been in business in Merkel for a long

The competition for new industry has become very tough. Most cities and towns in Texas are actively seeking new industry to their communities. One of the reasons for this is that a community can not maintain the status quo. Either they go up or they go down. Merkel has been fortunate in getting the new business we have over the past ten years.

Merkel has a lot to offer a prospective industry. Admittedly it does not have the labor force for a 'huge' industry. But it does have a lot to offer a small industry. Take for example our fine school system. Then there are the churches, a strong bank, access to an Interstate highway, railroad and not too far from an airport in neighboring Abilene.

Merkel can offer a good atmosphere to raise a family. Without the problems of the larger cities, Merkel is close enough to a large city that her people can enjoy all the benefits that the large city offers. In about 20 minutes a person can be at the rodeos, the fair, or Coliseum watching Johnny Cash or whoever is enter-

Another important ingredient that Merkel offers is a very favorable tax structure. This is important to a company seeking a new location. School and City taxes are both favorable.

The way industries are obtained is through hard work by the citizens of the town. Let's all get behind the efforts of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce in attracting industry to Merkel. Offer your services in any way that the Chamber can use to tell the story of Mer-

In recognition of the new businesses in Merkel over the last 10 years. The Merkel Mail is running an ad on Page Five of this issue.

### 6 3tc **Trent Woman** Initated In Psi Delta

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of Trust Records, Taylor Coun-

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Taylor County, Texas

Taylor County, Texas.

day of March 1973.

And in compliance with law,

Linda J. McAninch of Trent has been initated into the Psi Delta chapter of Sigma Tau Delta English Honorary Society at Texas Tech University in Lub-

Sigma Tau Delta is an organization of junior and senior students with a major or minor in English. Members must hold a 3.0 overall grade average and at least a 3.5 grade average in English. Grade requirements are based on the university's 4.0 system. Dr. Dale Davis, assistant professor of English, is sponsor of the Texas Tech chapter of Sigma Tau Delta.

Miss McAninch is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mc-Aninch, Rt. 2, Trent.

Initiation ceremonies were conducted March 20, at the spring banquet of the Texas Tech chapter of Sigma Tau Delta. Nearly 40 juniors and seniors were initiated into the honorary society.

### LEGAL NOTICE

"The annual report of the Dodge Jones Foundation is available at its principal office for inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days after the date of publication. The address of the Foundation is First National - Ely Building, Abilene, Texas. The principal manager of the Foundation is Melvin W. Holt."

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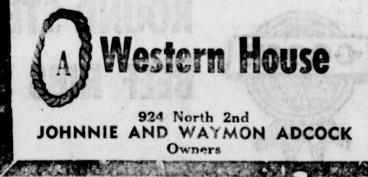


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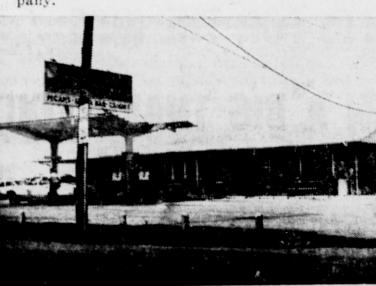
The following is 1st of a picture series of the industrial growth of Merkel.



PALMER MOTOR COMPANY IS CELEBRAT-ING its 25th Anniversary this month. Nolan Palmer, owner of the business, entered the Magnolia service station business in 1936 and later opened up Palmer Pontiac Motor Com-



GLLENE MANUFACTURING COMPANY opened up in September of 1972 and has presently 6 employees. The company manufactures ladies blouses in a wide selection of styles and



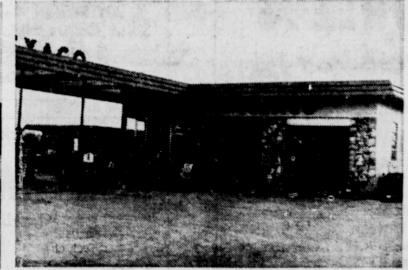
STUCKEY'S OPENED FOR BUSINESS IN 1962 snack bar. Manager Jim Torrence and his wife have been managers for the past 3 years.



MAX MURRELL PURCHASED BADGER CHEVROLET in 1963 and moved into their new location on Interstate 20 in Nov. of 1965. Offered at Max Murrell Chevrolet is not only sales, but service and a paint department.



WYLIE TRUCK TERMINAL AND THE SHAM-ROCK CAFE were opened in 1963. Fred Crenshaw manages the terminal which is open 24 hours a day and includes showers, bunks, and diesel fuel. The Shamrock Cafe is managed by Mrs. Bulah Schultz and has just recently opened a spacious dining room.



**Dubose Texaco and Butane Service** located on Interstate 20 is owned by Bobby Du-Bose. DuBose opened the Texaco Service Station 9 years ago and purchased the Butane service from Irvin Thompson in 1972.



CRAWFORD'S DEPARTMENT STORE is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Onis Crawford and have moved into a new location 1 year ago. The store

not only handles clothing apparel but also has a shoe department.

# THEMERKE

### **'Know Your Fire Department'**

'Know Your Fire Department' (First in a series of articles by Audra Horton).

The Merkel Volunteer Fire Dept. was organized June 14, 1909 by passage of City Ordinance No. 63. This ordinance provided for two companies to the fire department, the Chemical Co. No. 1, and the Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1. It also provides a fire chief and assistant fire chief to be elected by members of the Fire department. This ordinance also gives the right - of - way to a fire truck on an emergency run. The driver, fireman, or city may not be held responsible for an accident to property or animal while in the line of duty unless said accident was wanton and

In 1910, an ordinance was passed creating the office of Fire Marshal. It is the duty the fire marshal's office to in vestigate all fires within the corporate City of Merkel. If the Fire Marshal suspects arson, he may call in outside help in investigation of the fire. He may press charges if arson is proved.

In 1912, the City Council passed an ordinance making it illegal to drive, ride, or propell an automobile, hack, buggy, wagon, engine, or car or other moveable or moving vehicle over a fire hose belonging to the City of Merkel. If you are found guilty of this you may be fined not less than \$10.00 or more than \$100.00.

The fire station was located by City Hall on the Railroad rightof-way by North 1st and Kent Streets. The first fire truck was a horse drawn wagon. The horses pulling the wagon were named Damon and Phythis. Both horses were well trained to come to the wagon at the sound of the fire alarm. All the men had to do was hook the horses to the wagon and they were ready to go. The horses and wagon were replaced in 1924 with a Model T.

The first fire chief of the fire dept. was Frank Ferrier. Other known chiefs are N. A. Dowell, W. L. Burns, Jimmy Toombs, Carlton Vicks, Woodrew Woozencraft, John Mansfield, and presently, Waymon Adcock. Fire Chief Woodrow Woozencraft died when the spokes of the 1927 Dodge broke and the truck turned over him. This is the only death received by a fireman in the line of duty. Members shown on books in 1937 are Alvin Woozencraft, J. Parker Sharp, Milton Chase, W. A. Whitley, Jr., Bob Flower, Carlton Vicks, Shorty Petrie, Joe Self, T. O. Niell, Louis Carson, Jack Huffman, S. C. Dowell, Roy Robins, Jr., and Jack Higgins.

The fire department does not fight fires exclusively. They go to wrecks on the highway, administer first aid where needed and fight subsequent fires. They aid in seach of lost children, serving as headquarters if necessary. They even rescue tree-stranded pets.

The fire station moved to 107 Lamar, behind City Hall, in

#### April of 1947. The fire dept. had two trucks at this time, a 1927 Dodge and a 1938 Ford. They moved to the present location in August of 1966. There are now four trucks in service, a 1968 Chevrolet Pumper and a

1954 Ford Pumper for fires in the city, and a 1952 Dodge and a 1954 G.M.C. for grass and pasture fires. The men are in the process of building a tank for a new 1954 G.M.C. rescue truck has been ordered and is expect-The Merkel Fire Dept. has

had a long and exciting life. It is no longer in its youth, but is by no means approaching old age. It is well organized and well run, and will last many more years, with the corporation of the people in the City of

### Z. Johnson **Rites Held**

Zedic L. Johnson, 70, of Merkel, a retired building contractor, died at 6 p.m. Monday at his home here after suffering an apparent heart attack.

Funeral was held at 3 p.m. Wednesday at First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Russell McAnally officiating. Burial was at Rose Hill Ceme

Survivors are his wife; one son, Zedic Glen of Fort Worth: granddaughter, Karen Johnson of Fort Worth: two brothers, Elmer of McAdoo, Tex., and Homer of Big Spring, Tex.; two sisters, Gertrude Lange of San Antonio and Edna Dickerson of Los Angeles,

### Garden Pilgrimage

Abilene Garden Club will have its annual Home And Garden Pilgrimage Thursday, April 19. Tickets will be on sale at each of the homes and will sell for \$1.25. The homes will be open from 10 until 12 in the morning and from 1 until 4:30 in the afternoon. Homes on the tour will be:

Mrs. M. C. Curry, 649 Westwood, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Moorman, 726 Beech Street, Dr. and Mrs. Elwin Skiles, 2211 Cedar Street (H.S.U.), Mr. and Mrs. John Hamil, 310 East Ambler (Ambler east toward A.C.C. Turn left immediately

past Cedar Creek bridge), Mr. and Mrs. A. L. (Dusty) Rhodes, Nugent Road (From Ambler turn north on Fort Phantom Road. Over 120 overpass. One mile past Horne's turn left. Watch for pilgrimage sign at y in the road. White house on left one half mile past y.

Q - Why is the Veterans Administration's budget for fiscal year 1974 being reduced?

A - VA's budget is not being reduced. Overall expenditures will be some \$300 million higher than in the current fiscal year.

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### **Brownie News**

By LOYCE BAKER

Brownie Troop 103 met Tuesday, March 27. The second year brownies helped the first year brownies to make their dunkin bags. These dunkin bags will be used this summer when they go to day camp.

Melba Glasscock served refreshments of cookies and punch to the girls.

### Cadette News

By BECKY PAGE

Monday, we had our regular meeting. We made kaper charts for the camp out at Camp Booth Oaks, which we will take soon. We met at Sue Baker's house. Refreshments were served by Tammy Martin.

Four girls attended the meeting.

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### 'The Educational Scene' Fortnightly Program Topic

Mrs. Ray Wilson was hostess to members of the Fortnightly Study Club on March 27. Subject for the program was "The Educational Scene," it was presented as a Symposium: 'Testing vs. Your Child' . . . Mrs. S. C. Dixon; 'Montessori' . . . Mrs. Don Dudley; 'Trends on the College Scene' . . . . Mrs. David

### R. A. News

The R. W. Terry Chapter of the Royal Ambassadors had their weekly meeting April 3rd. We got our new Crusader books. Last week new officers were elected for the new quarter, and they took office April 3rd. One new member joined with total membership thirteen.

### **Junior Scouts**

By LUPE ORTEGA

March 28 the girl scouts met at the scout hut at its usual

The Junior Girls made some trash cans out of egg cartons. They enjoyed making them.

Refreshments were bought with the troop money.

Gamble; 'Education in Danger'
. . .Mrs. Don Hart. A roundtable discussion followed the speakers.

Members present were Mmes. Stanley Toombs, Carl Hughes, Andy Shouse, Ray Wilson, Comer Haynes, Don Hart, David Gamble, Mack Fisher, Charles Eager, Bryan Dunigan, Don Dudley, S. C. Dixon, N. S. Daniel, Johnny Cox and Christine Collins.

Next meeting will be held at the Merkel Restaurant.



MACK SEYMORE 102 Edwards 928-5379 Merkel, Texas Adults need two glasses of milk daily, while children, teenagers and pregnant and lactating mothers need even more, reminds Karen Kreipke, foods and nutrition specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University.

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Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley and F. J. McDonald attended the funeral services for Owen Canon 68 which was held at the Methodist Church in Rocky, Okla., Friday.

Mr. Canon grew up in the Stith community, he was a cousin of Paul Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley and Mrs. F. J. McDonald attended the funeral of L. E. Ford at the Merkel First Baptist Church Sunday afternoon. Burial was in the Stith Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Butler and Jennifer Lynn of Garland spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry. It was Jennifer Lynn's first visit to her grandparents hane. She is two months old.

Visiting Ruby Reddin this weekend were Oleta James and Willie Mae Winters of Abilene; Billy Jean Nichols of Brady; Bennie Casper, Pearl Mcartney of Tye; Mary Buntin, Mamie Hardin and Mrs. Jim Burns

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fowler and children of Denver, Colo., spent last week with Mrs. John Hobbs and the Benny Hobbs family.

Mrs. David Hale spent several days with Charles Hale and Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale. She went back to Wichita Falls Friday. Her husband David, is stationed at Sheppard AFB.

Friday night at 7:30 the regular singing will be held at the Hodges Baptist Church. All singers are invited. Pete Tanner is president.

Iron-on pattern cloth converts a paper pattern into cloth permitting a try-on before cutting the garment,

### Homemakers Workshop Planned Sat.

More than 100 members of the Area IV Young Homemakers of Texas are expected for a workshop Saturday at Abilene Christian College McGlothlin

Campus Center. Theme will be Make Your

World Beautiful. Registration and coffee will be at 9 a.m. The program should

be over by 3 p.m. Speakers will be Dr. Genevieve Blair, Your Beautiful World of Childhood, 9:30 a.m.; Mrs. Jayne Whitaker, A Better World Begins With Me, 10:15 a.m.; the Rev. John DeFoore, Your Beautiful World of Love, 1:30 p.m., and Roy Shake, Make

Your World Beautiful, 2:15 p.m. Executive committe and chapter representative meeting will be at 11 a.m. and break for lunch at 11:30 a.m.

The ACC Home Economics department is preparing the pro-

will participate in the 1973

Scout-O-Rama April 14. at

In the Scout-O-Rama the Boy

Scouts demonstrate skills they

have learned through various

steps in advancement and ac-

tivities. Tickets may be pur-

chased from any Boy Scout and

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will enable you to see the won-

derful work and skills our boys

learn, also you will be eligible

for prizes donated by Westgate

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The new Scoutmaster is

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is Asst. Scoutmaster. Terry

out the Scout-O-Rama.

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Scout Troop 18 To Take

Part in Scout-O-Rama '73

Merkel Boy Scout Troop 18 Reed will serve as Senior Pa-

trol Scribe.

### Jr. Badgers Take Second Place at Colorado City

traveled to Colorado City last Friday to participate in the Jr. Lone Wolf Relays. The Jr. Badgers came in second in the meet with 731/2 points and a second place trophy. "It was an overall team effort from everyone that won the second place for the Jr. Badgers," said Coach George Martin.

100 Yard Dash-1. Keith Austerman, 11.2; 4. Garland Childers, 11.9; 5. Larry Smith, 12.0. 220 Yard Dash - 2. Keith Austerman, 26.0

70 Yard Hurdles - 6. Keith Wolf, 11.5.

220 Intermediate Hurdles -3. Keith Wolf, 32.4; 5. Bart Whisenhunt, 34.0; 6. David Hendricks, 34.2. 660 Yard Dash - 5.

Roger Doan, 1:42.3; 6. Grant Murrell, 1:43.1. 1320 Yard Relay - 3. Merkel,

trol Leader, with Charles Knight

as Asst. Senior Patrol Leader.

Tony Helmer will be Troop

Scribe, Alan Mawson as Quar-

termaster, Kelley Wolf-Patrol

Leader, Rusty Watts-Asst. Pa-

trol Leader, Drew Mawson-Pa-

The Radio Merit Badge was

awarded to Charles Knight and

Alan Mawson at the weekly

Troop meeting Thursday night.

The Merkel Jr. High Badgers 3:01.5 (Garland Childers, Roger Doan, Thomas Jones, Larry Smith)

> 440 Yard Relay - 3. Merkel, 51.1 (Garland Childers, Stanley West, Larry Smith, Keith Aus-

High Jump - 6. Roger Doan, Pole Vault - 5. Brad Purs-

ley, 7'6". Shot Put - 2. Keith Austerman, 39'3"; 6. Keith Wolf,

Discus - 6. Keith Austerman,

The next meet for the Jr. Badgers will be the Jr. Badger Relays at Merkel on April 14, 1973. There will be both boys and girls divisions. Preliminaries begin at 9 a.m. with finals beginning in the afternoon at 2:30. Everyone is invited to come and watch the Jr. Badgers run in this meet.

Teams entered in the boys division are Merkel, Anson, Wylie, Baird, Aspermont, Roscoe, Albany, Cisco, Clyde and in the girls division Merkel, Anson, Wylie, Baird, Aspermont, Albany, Cisco and Clyde.

The Jr. Badger Relays are sponsored by such fine merchants as: Cal-Tex Feed Yards of Trent, Farmers and Merchants Bank, Carson's Super Market, Taylor Electric Co-Op, Merkel Drug, Max Murrell Chevrolet, Wilsons Food Store, DuBose Texaco, Adcock's Cleaners, Palmer Motor Company, Taylor Telephone, Mansfield Feed, The Glamour Bar, Bullock Hardware, Higginbotham Lumber, J.V.'s Recreation and Tessie's Snack Bar and West Texas Utilities.

### 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: Mario Rodriquez, de-

fendant, GREETING: YOU ARE HEREBY COM-MANDED 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 14 day of May A.D. 1973, to Plaintiff's Petition filed

in said court, on the 9 day of Oct. A.D. 1972, in this cause, numbered 7543 on the docket of said court and styled Jovita Rodriguez, Plaintiff, vs. Mario Rodriguez, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: A suit for Divorce 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 27 day of March A.D. 1973.

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas

By Marie Gill, Deputy.

### **LEGAL**

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: Ronald William Bratt, GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COM-MANDED 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 30th day of April A.D. 1973, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court,

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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ing citation, of which the herein

below following is a true copy.

TO: Keith Lewis Carter, Sr.

YOU ARE HEREBY COM-

MANDED to appear before the

Honorable Domestic Relations

Court of Taylor County at the

Courthouse thereof, in Abilene,

Texas, by filing a written an-

swer 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

THE STATE OF TEXAS

Defendant, GREETING:

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

within the State of Texas

GREETINGS:

on the 19th day of March A. D. 1973, in the cause, numbered 7931 on the docket of said court and styled Ex Parte Joseph Kenneth Bratt, A Minor Child.

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.

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The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof. and make due return as the law

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 19th day of March A.D. 1973. (SEAL)

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas By Myrna Laurence, Deputy

day of March A.D. 1973, in this

cause, numbered 12,287-B on the

docket of said court and styled

In Re: Keith Lewis Carter, Jr.

A brief statement of the na-

ture of this suit is as follows.

to-wit: change of name as is

more fully shown by Plaintiff's

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hand and the seal of said court

at Abilene, Texas, this the

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD

Court, Taylor County, Texas

13th day of March A.D. 1973.

Clerk, 104th District

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Petition on file in this suit.

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#### John C. White To Speak at Sweetwater

Texas Agriculture Commissioner John C. White will be speaker at the annual meeting of the Sweetwater Production Credit Association April 6th at Nolan County Coliseum in Sweetwater.

White is scheduled to speak at 11:15 a.m. He is expected to discuss state and national issues now facing agriculture, according to F. C. Shillingburg, Sweet-

water P.C.A. President. The Texas Department of Agriculture, which White heads, has more than 40 ongoing problems relating to agriculture and the total economy of Texas.

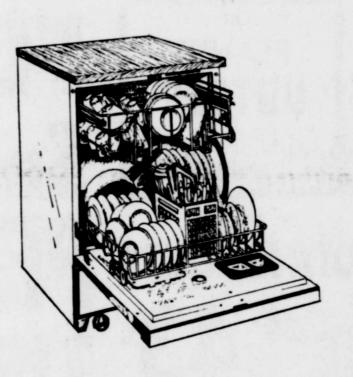
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You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty - eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Danny Robinson, Defend-

ant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HERBEBY COM-MANDED 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 fortytwo days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 23 day of April A.D. 1973, to Plaintiff's Petition filed

in said court, on the 19th day of Jan. A.D. 1973, in this cause, numbered 7800 on the docket of said court and styled Karron Robinson, Plaintiff, vs. Danny Robinson, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows: to-wit: A suit for divorce as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in

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.

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