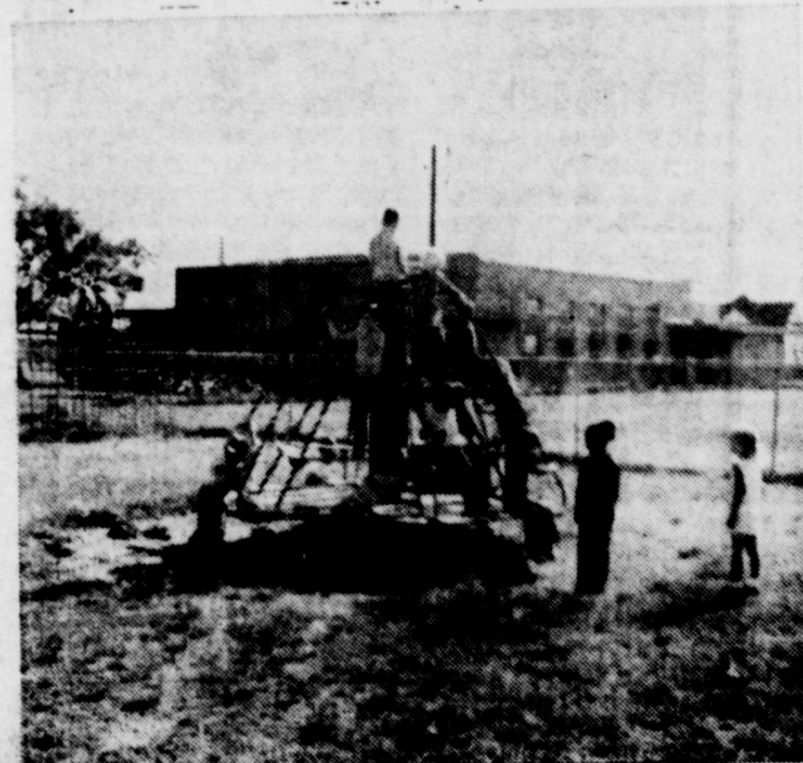




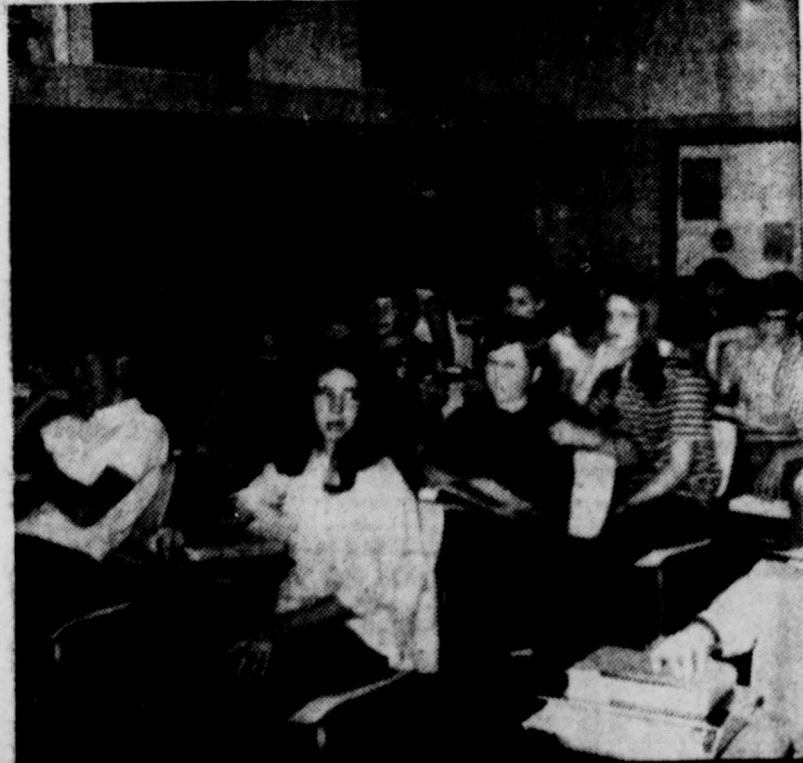
SCHOOL BELLS RANG Monday for around 44 kindergarten students who began their first school day by playing a game of Duck Duck.



STUDENTS FROM THE KINDERGARTEN class go to school from 8:15 to 2:30 and several of the students from the class come from Tye and Noodle.



MRS. HOLLOWAYS FIRST GRADE class enjoys a break from their first day of classes by playing the Merry-Go-Round.



MR. GEORGE MARTINS 8th grade class set waiting for their first assignment. (photo by Connie Harris)

Wozencraft Services Held

William A. Wozencraft, 91, longtime resident, died at 1 a.m. Saturday in Hendrick Memorial Hospital after a short illness. Funeral was held Sunday in the Starbuck Chapel.

The Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiated, assisted by the Rev. Jackie Reynolds. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

He was born Sept. 28, 1881, in Gladsden, Ala., and moved to Comanche County in 1899. He married Daisy McMillan Oct. 20, 1907, in Comanche.

They moved to the merkel area in August 1925. He farmed for some years and later became a restaurant owner. In 1942 he became a security officer in San Francisco. He retired from that position in 1951. He then moved back to Merkel.

His wife died in 1952.

Mr. Wozencraft was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors are four sons, W. E. and C. M., both of Big Spring, Alvin of Merkel and David of San Francisco, Calif.; a daughter, Mrs. Ester Collins of Nevada, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. J. L. George of Freeport; 15 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by four sons. Woodrow died in 1937, W. I. died in 1969, and Monroe and Morris died in 1972.



Dr. William Chapman
...McM professor

Congregation Has Guest Speaker Sun.

Dr. William Chapman, will be guest speaker for Grace Presbyterian Church this coming Sunday.

Dr. Chapman is Professor of Religion at McMurry College. Dr. Chapman received degrees from Wooster Presbyterian School at Princeton Theology Seminary and include Bachelor of Divinity, Minister of Religious Education and Ph.D. in Theology.

The Chapmans reside at 2410 Hollis Dr. in Abilene.

First Baptist Church Youth Crusade Set August 24-26

The First Baptist "Back to School-Back to Jesus" Crusade will be held August 24-26. Services will be at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, with Sunday services at 11:30 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Preaching will be by Randy Fout, new Youth Director at the First Baptist Church. Fout, a senior at Hardin-Simmons is from Boise, Idaho.

Merkel Chamber of Commerce Announces City Park Plans

The Merkel Chamber of Commerce held its regular monthly meeting of the Chamber office Tuesday night. Highlight of the meeting was the Beautification Committee's announcement that their project is securing a fenced city park.

Site of the park will be announced later.

"This is something that Merkel has needed for a long time," Mrs. Blanche Hewitt, committee chairman, said. We plan to make the park a place where the family can take the kids and

have an enjoyable outing," she continued.

Members of the Beautification Committee besides Mrs. Hewitt are Mrs. Larry White Mrs. Larry Justice, and Jimmy Atkinson.

"If our plans materialize, we will have approximately a city block of land and we plan to

put a chain link fence around the park," Mrs. Hewitt said. The committee chairman also discussed the possibility of installing playground equipment in the proposed park.

In other action, the Chamber officially dropped the Community Fund. Each agency supported by the Fund will now have to hold their own fund raising drive.

The Chamber of Commerce will continue to sponsor and support the Summer Recreation Program and the Merkel Library. A drive chairman for these two agencies will be appointed at the next Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Membership Drive Chairman Herman Carson announced that the Chamber had reached its goal of 15 new members. This brings the membership in the Chamber to 100. "I am very pleased with the results of the drive," Carson said. "The success of the drive is due to the hard work of the Committee members serving with me," he said. Other members of the Membership Drive Committee are: Bill Button, Don Hart, and Benny Melton.

New Chamber members are Ann's Flowers, Tom LeMasters, Jack South Grain Co., Joe McDuff, Adcocks Cleaners and Circle A Western Wear, Cook Washateria and Car Wash, Merkel Restaurant and Motel and the Merkel Country Club.

Benny Melton, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce said those who haven't been contacted are still eligible to join and will be contacted by one of the members of the committee."

Vegetable Contest Will Highlight 4th Trades Day

Trades Day in Merkel will take on a new flavor this coming month when the event is held Saturday, Sept. 1. The Retail Development and Promotion Committee of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a contest for vegetables grown by local residents.

A prize of \$5 each will be offered to the person bringing in the largest cantaloupe, watermelon, squash, and cucumber.

Persons wishing to enter the contest are urged to bring their entries to Ed's Feed and Seed Store anytime before 2 p.m. on Trades Day. The contest will close at 2 p.m.

Each entry will be weighed and the Trades Day Committee will reveal winners after 2 p.m. A spokesman for the committee said persons need not be present to win. Winners can either pick up their prize or it

will be mailed to them.

The committee suggest that people making entries donate their entries to the Nursing Home after the contest is over.

Anyone wishing to participate in the Trades Day and Flea Market are urged to do so. Anyone having questions concerning the Flea Market should feel free to contact any member of the Committee. Members are Fred Starbuck, David Gamble, Onis Crawford, Johnny Hammonds, and Duane Shugart.

Fred Starbuck, chairman of the Retail Promotion and Development Committee reminded persons interested in participating in the Trades Day that sidewalk space is free on a come, first served basis. "There is several buildings available in downtown Merkel that anyone can rent. However, they will have to make private arrangements for their use, he said.

Two Trent Teachers Receive Recognition

Mrs. Jon Henderson and Mrs. Lee Rudd, teachers at Trent Public Schools, received outstanding honors recently.

Mrs. Jon Heder, mathematics and science teacher at Trent High School, was named as Outstanding Secondary Educator of America for 1973. Nominated by her principal earlier this year, she was selected for this honor on the basis of exceptional service, achievements, and leadership in the field of secondary education. Mrs. Henderson is now eligible to receive

the Outstanding Secondary Educator of the Year Award Trophy. Each year, those honored are featured in the awards volume, "Outstanding Secondary Educators of America."

Mrs. Henderson is a native of Cranfills Gap, Texas. She graduated from West Texas State University in Canyon, with a Bachelor of Science degree. Before moving to Trent, she and her husband, who is a teacher of Vocational Agriculture with the Trent School, both taught for three years at Cal Farley's Boys Ranch near Amarillo. The Hendersons have one son, Jon Michael, who is seven years old.

Mrs. Lee Rudd (Edith), teacher at Trent Elementary School has been chosen Outstanding Elementary Teacher of America for 1973. Also nominated by her principal earlier this year, she was selected for this honor on the basis of her professional and civic achievements.

Outstanding Elementary Teachers of America is an annual awards program honoring distinguished men and women for their exceptional services in the field of elementary education. Mrs. Rudd is now eligible to receive the Outstanding Teacher of the Year award Trophy, along with having her biography featured in the awards volume, "Outstanding Elementary Teachers of America."

Mrs. Rudd is a native of Dixon, Texas, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hale. She attended the Trent Schools and received her B.S. and M.E. in Elementary Education from McMurry in Abilene. After teaching for 10 years in Eskota, Mrs. Rudd returned to Trent where she has been teaching for the past twenty-eight years in the second, third, and fourth grades.

Six Flags To Begin Final Week

Arlington, Tex. — Six Flags Over Texas begins its final week of daily operation for the 1973 season August 26th.

After Labor Day Six Flags will be open Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. The weekend schedule will be in effect through December 2.

Barry Owens of Abilene, a junior at H-SU, will lead the singing.

Besides four spirit-filled services, the weekend will include a full length motion picture entitled "The Youth Americans" Friday at 9:00 p.m., recreation Saturday at 3 p.m., and a dinner for all youth at 6 p.m. Saturday.

Millard King Rites Held

Millard G. King, 92, retired farmer, died at 4:10 p.m. Friday in Starr Nursing Home after a three - month illness. Funeral was held Sunday at First Baptist Church.

The Rev. Ted Bingham, Baptist minister, officiated, assisted by the Rev. N. S. Daniels, Methodist minister, and the Rev. Kenneth Jones, Baptist minister.

Burial will be in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

Mr. King was born Feb. 12, 1881, in Georgia and moved to Llano County in 1888 and to the Merkel area in 1901. He married Lena York in 1911 in Abilene. He was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors are two sons, Miller King of Rt. 5, Abilene and Millard G. King Jr., of Rt. 1, Hawley; one daughter, Mrs. Price (Ethel) Mitchell of Merkel; two sisters, Annie Fukua of Abilene and Winnie Rogers of Fresno, Calif.; four grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren.

One son, Roy, died in 1947.

Three Merkel Couples Make Trip to Venezuela

The Howard Carons, Robert Higgins, and Carroll Bensons recently returned from a trip to Venezuela.

The Carsons and Bensons drove to Miami, Florida. En route they visited the battle-grounds and cemetery at Vicksburg, Miss., the oldest house and school house in the United States at St. Augustine, Fla., the Fort of San Marcos and the Kennedy Space Center.

The Higgins met the two couples in Miami, where they boarded the Viasa Airline for Venezuela. They spent six days at the Macuto Sheraton Hotel overlooking the Caribbean Sea.

A cable car trip was made over 7,000 ft. mountains to Caracas, the capital of Venezuela. A visit was made to Colonial Tovar, a German village. Shopping, swimming and golf were enjoyed by the three couples. They returned by way of Gulfport, Miss., visiting the Bellin-gart Garden near Mobile, Ala., and the French Quarters of New Orleans, La.

Mr. Carson was winner of a contest sponsored by Golf Magazine enabling he and three golfing partners to make the trip. The Lloyd Robinsons were unable to make the trip.

Badgers Will Scrimmage Wall Team Friday at 5:30

The Badgers will host Wall Friday Aug. 24 at 5:30 p.m. in a controlled scrimmage. "Wall is a perennially tough ball club that should really mature and unify the enthusiastic Badgers," said Coach Paul Woodfin.

Booster Club To Hold First Meeting Mon.

The Merkel Badger Booster Club will hold their first meeting of the year Monday, August 27 at the Taylor Electric Cooperative building at 7:30.

President Vincent Barnett urged all members and anyone else interested in becoming a booster club member to attend.

football players Friday night and doing a lot of substitution and experimenting at various positions. We need to get several slots settled so consistency can be improved," stated Woodfin.

Last Saturday night in an intra-squad scrimmage, the Badgers demonstrated fine hustle and hitting. The coaches and fans were very pleased with what they saw. "This group of boys are very eager and they like to hit," said Coach Woodfin.

The public is invited to come out and watch the Badgers perform Friday afternoon. There will be no admission charge.

The 7th and 8th grades will scrimmage Roscoe at Badger Stadium Aug. 30 at 5:30 p.m. Come on out and back the Badgers!!

Anita Reed Becomes Bride of James Burch

Anita Jo Reed and James A. Burch exchanged marriage vows on Wednesday, August 15,



MRS. JAMES BURCH
... formerly Anita Reed

at 6 p.m. in the home of Loree Svadlenak at Taft, Texas.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Reed of Merkel. Burch is the son of Mrs. Clarence B. Burch, Jr. and the late Mr. Burch of Taft.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Lorene Hill. Best man was Johnny Mayo. The Reverend John Taylor of the First Baptist Church of Taft, officiated.

The bride attended Merkel school and graduated from Trent High School in 1973.

The bridegroom is a 1970 graduate of Taft High School and attended Bee County Junior College.

After a brief trip to San Antonio, Abilene and Merkel, the couple will make their home at Taft where Burch is employed by the International Harvester Company.



MRS. TIMMY JOE GOLSON
... formerly Becky Bryan

Morton-Thomas Engagement Told

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Morton of Stamford are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Sandra Kay to Richard Lee Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Leroy Thomas of Merkel. The bride-elect is a 1973 graduate of Stamford High School.

The future bridegroom is a 1971 graduate of Merkel High School. He is now employed at Childs Ready-Mix Concrete Co. of Abilene.

They will be married Sept. 14 at 8:00 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Gilmore, 401 N. Webb, Stamford, Texas.

Three Top Girl Rodeo Performers at WT Fair

Appearing at the West Texas Fair and Rodeo will be three of the top Girls Rodeo Association title holders. Top money winner and World Champion Barrel Racer is Gail Petska, of Norman, Oklahoma. In her second rodeo season the 23-year old contestant moved from 13th place ranking to take the title 7 months later. Of the 65 rodeos she entered in 1972, she won prize money at 50. At the National GRA Finals, she took seven 1st place titles and two 2nd — of the 10 events she entered her total wins were \$17,104 — a money won record.

Competing with Mrs. Petska will be Jeana Day, the girl who led the GRA ratings from April to October of 1972.

Also competing will be Allene Gayler, twice former National Finals Rodeo Champion. In 1972 she finished 4th for the World Championship.



SANDRA KAY MORTON
... to wed in Sept.

Bryan, Golson Vows Were Read Saturday

Rebecca Ann Bryan was married to Timmy Joe Golson in a ceremony Saturday at Trent Baptist Church. Officiating was the Rev. Kenneth Jones of Merkel.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Harvey J. Bryan of

Merkel and Mr. and Mrs. Joe C. Golson of Trent.

Organist was Mrs. Roy Davis and soloist Mrs. Clovis McElmurry.

Judy Ernovak of Merkel was maid of honor.

April Moore of Hawley was flower girl. Lighting candles were Sue Bryan of Merkel, sister of the bride, and Tamarah Golson, the bridegroom's sister. Her attendants wore orange dotted swiss gowns.

Best man was Charlie Fierston of Houston.

Tony Golson of Lenorah, brother of the bridegroom, and Rocky Bryan, the bride's brother seated guests.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of lace over satin with long lace sleeves. She wore a set of pearls worn by her mother at her wedding.

The groom carried a Bible that has been in the Golson family a long time.

The couple was graduated from Trent High School and will live at 109 Rose in Merkel.

The bridegroom is employed by Big State in Sweetwater.

Sr. Citizens Very Active

The Senior Citizens of this area have been busy this month. They have had good singing and game nights according to club reporter.

The Bake Sale the Senior Citizens held last Trades Day was termed as a good one. People are still ordering more cakes and pies, so their bake sale next Trades Day should be the best yet.

Members are urged to bring cakes, pies, and other pastries along with canned goods to sell at their next bake sale which will be Saturday September 1.

There will also be tables available for rent in the Senior Citizens Building.

One table will be reserved for any donations of any kind for the club. If you have something you no longer want, notify the club and it will be picked up. All proceeds will go to improve the club.

A stove has been purchased and carpet has been donated by one of the local business men and was layed by club members.

The Senior Citizens express gratitude to all who have helped them.

The last luncheon was one of their best, with 66 present.

New members are invited to join and enjoy the facilities of the Senior Citizens Building.

Hob Robertson is August president and September president will be Irl Walker.

Trent Friendship Class Has Hobo Party August 16th

The Friendship Class of Trent Baptist Church held their monthly social in the home of Mrs. Winnie Dickerson, Thursday night Aug. 16. The members came dressed in hobo attire.

After a salad luncheon was enjoyed, the group retired to the living room where games were played and lots of laughing done.

Mrs. Yates Sipe then brought a fine devotional on "People rich" rather than "Money rich", "Thou shalt not Covet."

Secret Pal gifts were exchanged and Secret Pal names revealed. The group drew for Pals again for another 3 months.

Mrs. Vera Sharp received the remembrance gift for being the "Best Dressed Hobo."

Elizabeth White is Class teacher.

Settlers Meet Sat. at Truby

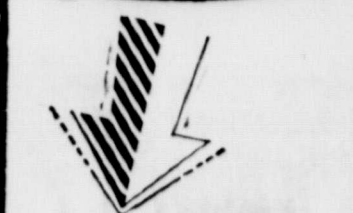
The Truby community will hold an Old Settlers Reunion Saturday at the Truby Community Center.

All interested persons are invited to come and bring a basket lunch. Coffee and cold drinks will be served.

Many college students are serving as volunteers in Veterans Administration hospitals to help young veterans injured in Vietnam. More are needed in all of VA's 168 hospitals.

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By JANIE CLARK

Well, another year at Merkel schools has started. I'm Janie Clark, reporter for the High School Student Council and will be telling you what's happening at MHS every week.

The Student Council is going to be a very important thing this year.

The new officers are: President, Terry Reed; Vice President, Jeff Cox; Secretary, Cynthia Steck and Business Manager, Tonja Crenshaw. There will be a representative and an alternative from each home room, so anyone interested needs to start campaigning.

This year the Student Council is selling candles as one of their money raising projects. These will be sold until about the first of October. At that time, the Student Council will start selling fruit cakes for Thanksgiving. We hope to have many projects the coming year.

Football practice has started and our team looks better than ever. There are about 40 boys coming out that are full of enthusiasm, and ready for action.

Our first football game is set for September 14, and with all the spirit from our cheerleaders, pep squad, band and twirlers and school body, we're bound to play some great games.

The first week of school is almost over and the second one's coming up, so be back here next week for more news from MHS.

September SS Checks Will Be Early

Some 29,000,000 Social Security Checks will have an unusual date on them next month - September 1st, according to R. R. Tuley, District Manager in Abilene, Tex.

The usual date is the 3rd of a month except when that is Sunday, in which case Saturday's date — the 2nd is used. Since in September of 1973, Labor Day comes on the 3rd making the 2nd fall on Sunday, it was decided to use September 1st. Thanks to the cooperation of the Treasury Department and the Post Office, some 50,000 beneficiaries in the Big Country should get their checks for August two days early.

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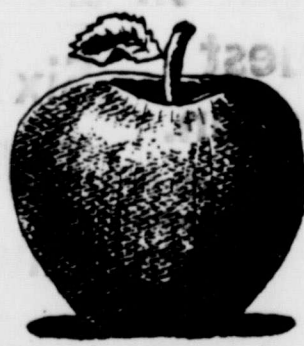
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Chairmen Named For 14th Annual Cattlemen's Roundup

Appointments of the area chairmen for the 14th annual Cattlemen's Round-Up for Crippled Children have been announced by Charlie Morris of Abilene, general chairman. The area chairman plays a key role in the success of this unique fund-raising event to support the non-profit West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene, Texas. Over the past thirteen years the Round-Up has raised well over one million dollars to help his multi-faceted treatment center carry on a comprehensive program of rehabilitation and diagnostic services for the handicapped of the Southwest. This year's budget is \$524,500, with the 1973 Cattlemen's Round-Up for Crippled Children expected to raise \$130,000 of that amount. During the Round-Up, leading ranchers throughout Texas and other southwestern states donate cash and livestock of all kinds to be sold at one of the special auctions. The Cattle Sale is set for September 24th at Ranchers and Farmers Livestock Auction in Abilene, with Horse and Sheep Sales set for early October in Abilene and Coleman. General Chairman Morris stated, "This has been a good year for the cattlemen, and I can't think of a better way to make this a good year for thousands of handicapped children and adults, than by making an extra effort to make this year's Round-Up the best yet." Morris added, "The cattlemen has played a major role in making the Center a haven of hope to more than 20,000 handicapped people over the past twenty years." Among the area chairmen is Sam Swann of Merkel and R. L. Bland of Trent. Anyone wishing to donate cattle to the annual Round-Up is asked to contact his area chairman or notify the West Texas Rehabilitation Center at 4601 Hartford, Abilene, Texas, 79605, or phone (915) 692-1633. Livestock will be picked up and transported free of charge and may be kept in the Center's modern holding pens.



MR. AND MRS. DAVID (Toby) Collins of Wilcox, Arizona, and children Connie, Polly and David spent several days last week visiting his aunt, Mary Collins.

IVA NELLE BOCKMAN returned from a two week vacation visiting her brother and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. Bob Bock-

man of Shamrock. Rev. Bockman is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Leland.

DR. W. T. SADLER spent a few days at Hendrick Hospital last week but was able to be back in his office seeing patients Tuesday.

C.M. SGT. AND MRS. G. R. Peachey are now living in Lubbock where he is stationed at Reese Air Force Base. Mrs. Peachey spent the month of May in Thailand with Sgt. Peachey, who is a 25 year veteran of the Air Force. The family accompanied him to Lubbock.

MR. AND MRS. JOE McCARTHY and son Mark of Pasadena visited last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris and Melissa Ayne. Also accompanying the McCarthy's was Ronnie Milam.

Ladies Golf Assn. Holds Weekly Meet

The Merkel Ladies Golf Assn. held their weekly golf day at the Merkel Country Club Tuesday afternoon. 3 Twenty-five ladies participated.

This week they took off two holes of the nine played. This brought a lot of scores down and there were a lot more smiling faces.

Two prizes were awarded, one to Debbie Doan for the highest score and the other to Jo Ann Smith, for the lowest. They each received a new golf ball.

Two new members joined this week. They are Breda Jackson and Ann Wade.

Anyone wishing to join the Merkel Ladies Golf Association should contact, Betty Jane Tittle, Gerald McGee at the Country Club if your family is a member, the cost is \$3 to join the Ladies Golf Assn.

VA to Help Veterans Qualify

The Veterans Administration has initiated new measures making it easier for married veterans to qualify for guaranteed home loans.

Administrator of Veterans Affairs Donald E. Johnson said VA regional offices have been told of the July 16 changes.

"In consideration of current social and economic patterns, VA will hereafter recognize in full the income and expenses of both the veteran and spouse in determining ability to repay a loan obligation," Johnson explained.

He noted VA is required by law to determine if the contemplated terms of repayment bear a proper relation to the veteran's anticipated income and expenses before approving a loan.

The spouse's income has always been considered for this purpose, but in the past, local rules which had the effect of discounting the young wife's income were often imposed. Under the new policy, no such local rules will be imposed and the wife's income will be given full consideration.

VA guarantees 60 per cent of home loans (maximum \$12,500) private lenders make to servicemen, veterans and eligible widows of World War II, Korean and Post-Korean conflicts and the Vietnam era.

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RECIPES

PEAR RELISH
Mary Russom
1 qt. pears, peeled and cored
1 large onion
1 large sweet pepper
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Grind above ingredients.
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1/2 cup vinegar
1-4 cup sugar
1 tsp. salt
2 tsp. prepared mustard, or seed
1 tsp. celery seed
1 tsp. tumeric
Cover and cook slowly 1 hour. Add decorative pepper, if desired.
Yield: 3 pints

Vet Questions And Answers

Q — I was discharged about ten years before the current G.I. Bill was passed. Did I lose out on educational benefits altogether?

A — Not necessarily. For on-the-job training, apprenticeship, farm cooperative and flight training, you have until August 1975 to use your eligibility. Other education benefits expire May 31, 1974, the eighth anniversary of the current G.I. Bill. All eligible veterans have 8 years to take advantage of education benefits. Time is computed from the date of discharge or the date the benefit first became available, whichever is later.

Q — What is VA doing to help the severely disabled Vietnam veterans get jobs?

A — In addition to providing medical care and compensation, VA is hiring many handicapped veterans including some who must work in wheel chairs or are blind. In addition, VA is working closely with universities, other government agencies, and business and industry to help disabled veterans get jobs.

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Butman Reunion Draws 100

Descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sam Butman Sr. met at the Butman Methodist Youth Camp, Saturday, Aug. 18, for a family reunion.

Butman family children present were: Will, Louis, Lottie Everett, Ford, Gladys Swinney, and Mary Russom.

A day of reminiscing, kodaking, swimming, and a fine dinner was enjoyed by many who were meeting for the first time since 1957 when the family had a reunion at the same location.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Will Butman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Baird and Judy, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Wilson, Mrs. Bill Wilson and Chad and Terry, Mrs. Homer Newby and Pamela of Elgin, Tex., Mrs. Phyllis Cartwright, Sandra and Cileste, Mrs. Sam Butman Jr. and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Scott, Carolyn, Daniel, Kelly, Amy, and Holly, Mr. and Mrs. David Scott, Jeff and Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brnovak and Judy, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Alexander, John and Allison, Mrs. Forest Harlow;

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Also, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Pyburn, Lanny and Stephen, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Riley and Billy Ray, Mark and Douglas Ray, Mrs. Tom Russom and Tommy.

Visitors present were Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Phillips of Big Spring, Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Kirk, pastor of Pioneer Church, Mrs. Alice Dudley, Mrs. Ada Demere, Mrs. Annie Winn, Cindy Hutchins, Douglas and Toni Turk and Novis J. Whitaker.

Relatives were from the Texas Triangle: Houston, Fort Worth and Odessa.

Riggin's Meet at Nelson Park

The Riggan Reunion was held Aug. 11th and 12th. Saturday the family met at Ester Luke's Rent house and Sunday at Nelson Park in Abilene.

One of the brothers, Columbus Riggan, was in the Starr Nursing Home and was unable to attend.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Gold Riggan, and Clovis, Jerry and daughter, Christy, all of Lamesa, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Riggan, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Riggan and sons; Sue, Tim and Larry and daughter, Linda of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan of Stanton, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Riggan of Eules, Grant Riggan of Big Spring, Mrs. Faye Haney, Mrs. Jessie Conley, Jeane Stone, Mrs. Mary Harris and son, Warren Harris, Audrey and Evelyn Conley, Mr. and Mrs. Al Leveritt and daughter, Mari Sue, all of Houston; Also, Mrs. Gloria Stone and son, Eddie, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bankhead of Burkburnett, Paula Bewley of Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. Murrel Riggan and sons, Lonnie and Tim, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Conley, son Ricky and daughter Kay Lynne, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Swinney, Mrs. Grace Riggan, Mrs. Leona Conley, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Riggan and sons Derrell, Donnie and Danny, Mr. and Mrs. Kent Satterwhite and daughter Kim, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Bartlett and sons Ronnie and Randy Holmes, all of Merkel;

Also, Mr. and Mrs. Denzil Riggan and daughters Cherry and Angie, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rice and son Brandon, all of Sweetwater and Lucille Hodges of Winston Salem, N.C., and Haney and Mattie Hodges of Cripple Creek, Va.

Friends attending were Mrs. Ester Luke and Bart Whisenhunt, both of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris of Abilene and Delbert Dearing of Fredericksburg.

Sgt. Wilson Helps Launch USAF Missile

LOMPOC, Calif. — Master Sergeant James O. Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reno Quartaroli, 4505 Lobos Ave., San Jose, Calif., recently helped launch a U.S. Air Force Minuteman intercontinental ballistic missile from Vandenberg AFB, Calif.

Sergeant Wilson, a missile maintenance technician with the 351st Strategic Missile Wing from Whiteman AFB, Mo., traveled to Vandenberg for the mission.

The launch was one in a series of operational testing launches conducted by the Strategic Air Command (SAC). The missile, selected at random from those on alert at Whiteman, was transported — with its maintenance and launch crews — to Vandenberg.

The crews operated from the Vandenberg control center where they monitored the missile in an alert status. When the launch message was received from SAC headquarters, the crews reacted, launching the missile as they would from their home base in a combat operation.

Sergeant Wilson is a 1965 graduate of Richmond (Calif.) High School. His wife, Dorothy, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill C. Waldron of 172 Indian Creek Drive, Tye, Tex.

John C. Crain Killed In Accident

John C. Crain, 76, of Trent, died Wednesday morning at 9:15 a.m. as a result of an accident while working under his truck. Services will be held at 4 p.m. Friday at Trent Baptist Church with Rev. Kenneth James and Rev. Tommie Beck officiating.

Burial will be in Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

He was born Feb. 8, 1897 in Hunt County, Texas. After serving for a period of time in World War I, he moved to the Trent area in 1920. He married Madge Hale Sept. 25, 1921 at Trent.

Mr. Crain was a charter member and secretary-treasurer of

Merkel-Trent Barracks to the Veterans of World War 1 2248. He was a director and vice-president of the Home State Bank of Trent and a longtime member of the Trent Baptist Church.

Survivors are his wife; one son, Joel of San Angelo; one daughter, Mrs. Ralph (Lady Fred) Caffey of Walhalla, North Dakota; one brother, Oscar of Lubbock; three sisters, Mrs. Jo Leonhardt of Sherman, Mrs. Beula Bradshaw of Greenville, and Mrs. Molly Smith, of Shreveport, La.; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

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BUDGET HEARING
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TRENT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Clayton Brazelton
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Dr. Garrison Promoted To Major

Dr. James S. Garrison, son of James E. Garrison, Tye, was promoted to Army major while serving as a resident in the physical medical section of Letterman Army Medical Center at the Presidio of San Francisco, Calif.



Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

The Stith Community received a good rain Wednesday. Mrs. Fletcher Jones reported two inches and one tenth at her place.

Mr. and Mrs. Babe Tarpley attended a family get-together in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hamlin Stanaland in Jayton Sunday, August 12.

Mrs. Marvin Holloway Sr. of Tye visited Mrs. Fletcher Jones Sunday.

David Row of Bledsoe spent several days with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley. Mrs. Pauline Row of Bledsoe and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Row and baby of Lubbock visited the Bradleys one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley visited several times last week at Hendrick Hospital with Holt Ford who is critical ill.

Visitors attending services at the Stith Baptist Sunday morning were Mr. and Mrs. Larry Watson and Jo Ann and Susie Bauchoffer of Graham.

Mrs. Jja Burns and Mamie Hardin spent a week in Midland with Mr. and Mrs. Billy Harris and Kathy, and also visited Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Beard and children of Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Mashburn of Wichita Falls and their granddaughters, Tami and Jerri Euteneien of Seattle Wash., spent several days last week with Mrs. Marshburn's mother, Mrs. Mattie Shaw.

The Mashburns were recently transferred from Greenfield, Mass. to Wichita Falls.

Others visiting Mrs. Shaw were M. J. Shaw and Roxie Meeks of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Shaw and baby of Irving and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mashburn and Jason of Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Burns of Clyde, Mrs. Marvin Holloway Sr. of Tye and John R. Reddin visited Mrs. Ruby Reddin Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bradley were visitors Friday night.

Tamie and Jerri Euteneien returned by plane to their home in Seattle, Wash., Wednesday after a visit with their great grandmother, Mattie Shaw.

Vet Questions And Answers

Q — I lost my certification of attendance card which my employer signed. What can I do about this?

A — Call VA and provide them with your enrollment information. Upon verification with your employer, VA will take action to issue your check.

Q — Are VA doctors up to date on new medical knowledge? I see the doctors generally have to take continuing medical education courses.

A — Yes. All of the VA hospitals are affiliated with medical schools, colleges or universities, or other educational institutions, and many VA doctors are on the medical school staffs. This gives VA a great advantage in continuing medical education.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Mary Dinning Banach, 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 24th day of September A. D. 1973, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 13th day of August A.D. 1973, in this cause, numbered 8303 on the docket of said court and styled Patrick Walter Banach, Plaintiff, vs. Mary Dinning Banach, Defendant.

ning Banach, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: The parties were married on or about Oct. 21, 1967; on or about March 31, 1971, they separated. There was born to this marriage a child, Mark Anthony Banach, a male born April 6, 1967. No community property has been accumulated during this marriage and there in good cause for waiving the prohibition of remarriage as contained in Sec. 3.66 of the Family Code, 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 13 day of August A.D. 1973.

(SEAL)
Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas
By Sandra Van Cleave, Deputy.

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TO: Joyce Kay Spencer, 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 24th day of September A.D. 1973, to Plaintiff's Petition filed

in said court, on the 6th day of July A.D. 1973, in this cause, numbered 8273 on the docket of said court and styled In Re: Adoption of Tamara Lynne Spencer, A Minor.

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.

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 8th day of August A.D. 1973.

(SEAL)
Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas
By Myrna Lawrence, Deputy.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Jo Lene R. Larsen, defendant, GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 104 th. 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 17th day of September A.D. 1973, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 31 day of July A.D. 1973, in this cause, numbered 8348 on the docket of said court and styled Jack Lester Larsen, Plaintiff, vs. Jo Lene R. Larsen, Defendant.

ant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Petitioner & Respondent were married on or about Dec. 31, 1969; and separated on or about Jan. 15, 1970. The marriage became insupportable because of discord and conflict of personalities. There are no children born to this marriage & none are expected; no community property has been accumulated during this marriage as is 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 31 day of July A.D. 1973.

(Seal)
Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
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By Sandra Van Cleave, Deputy.

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Farmcast

Compiled From Sources Of The Texas Department of Agriculture
John C. White, Commissioner

Crop conditions throughout the state are described in almost unbelievable words: excellent, best ever, prospects couldn't be better.

Already, a wheat crop of more than twice the size of last year has been harvested in Texas, a total of 95,200,000 bushels plus a new record high per acre yield of 28 bushels. Texas is the fourth ranking state in the nation in winter wheat production.

Grain sorghum harvest is virtually complete in Central Texas with excellent yields reported. Several farmers have reported yields of 5,000 pounds and above on dryland. Prices, too, are the best ever.

Over the state, grain sorghum harvest is halfway finished. On the High and Low plains, good rains have increased dryland crop potentials.

Peanut harvest is active in the southern half of the state, but is still behind last year's schedule. A good dryland crop is now indicated.

Cotton harvest in the southern area is also lagging behind schedule. Cotton from the High Plains to the coastal bend is making good to excellent progress.

Insects, as usual, have been present in many areas. Cotton root rot is also a problem in Central Texas due to rains in June and July.

Soybeans, a crop which is going to become more and more important in Texas in the years ahead, are making excellent progress throughout the state in

areas where it is produced — the High Plains, East Texas and the upper Gulf Coast.

Soybean acreage in Texas this year is twice that of last year. Total acres are now set at 450,000.

Good rains recently throughout parts of the state have revived short-range conditions and replenished stock water.

Range conditions are described as generally quite good. One of the best hay crops in history has been made in Texas this year; the only problem is a shortage of baling wire in some localities.

Fall sheep and goat shearing is underway on the Edwards Plateau and the Trans-Pecos areas.

STOCKER cattle on Texas farms and ranches as of July 1 is estimated by the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service at 5,495,000 head. This compared with 4,911,000 as of Jan. 1. Stocker cattle exclude cows, replacement heifers, 500 pounds and above, bulls, and cattle on feed.

Stocker cattle numbers as of July 1 are sharply above Jan. 1 where the cow-calf operations are dominant. Numbers as of July 1 are down from Jan. 1 levels on the northern High plains where Jan. 1 numbers were at a higher level because of stocker cattle shipped in for winter wheat pastures.

Stocker heifer, steer and bull calves under 500 pounds total 4,534,000 head, which represents 73 per cent of 1973 estimated calf crop.

CREWORM build-ups are expected throughout the state as the fall season approaches. Generally, this has been one of the best screwworm - free years in Texas in a decade.

With the fall season's approach, producers are urged to check livestock regularly, treat wounds on livestock for screwworm control, and submit suspected screwworm samples to the fly laboratory at Mission for verification.

Cooperating with this plan can mean a continuance of the success of the screwworm eradication program the rest of this year, officials at the fly lab at Mission say.

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MULBERRY CANYON 4-H

By TARESA ENGLISH

The Mulberry Canyon 4-H Club met Thursday, August 9th, for their regular monthly meeting. Members cleaned up the grounds and club house for their program.

The meeting was called to order by President Johnny Gray. The 4-H Pledge and Prayer was led by Lesa Swinney and Sherrie Williams led the American Pledge.

Teresa Clemmer gave a report on the district 7 dress revue held recently in Abilene in which she was a participant.

Graduating senior trophies was presented to Judy Brnovak and Mrs. R. E. Clemmer accepted the trophy for Mark Clemmer, who is already away in college.

Mr. and Mrs. George English were elected new adult leaders.

Some 60,000 black veterans are being studied by Veterans Administration doctors to learn more about sickle cell trait in relation to their general health.

Dr. and Mrs. Sadler in memory of Wade Ensminger
Mrs. Nellie Wall, Mrs. Lola Richardson, and Mrs. Lena Walker in memory of Wade Ensminger

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A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Divorce: Married Nov. 23, 1965 - separated June 1972. One child - Caryn Lynn McCurrin born August 28, 1966. No items of community property accumulated during marriage, 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 14th day of August A. D. 1973.

(SEAL)
Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas
By Marie Adkins, Deputy.

26-4c

Accent On Health

If you could virtually insure your child against having five dangerous diseases, would you make the effort?

State Health Department officials strongly emphasize that immunizing children against early childhood diseases is worth both the time and expense — for the child's health and the health of others.

Under ideal circumstances, only a few visits to a clinic or private physician are needed to complete the immunization schedule during the child's first year and a half of life.

You say it's an inconvenience? There's no real threat you say? Don't fool yourself into thinking the "conquered" diseases are really conquered. Sure, your child is safer from disease than his or her grandfather might have been, but consider this:

—Two of the four cases of paralytic polio reported in Texas last year struck children under two years old.

—Children under the age of five were the target of almost 30 per cent of the 41 cases of diphtheria and about 35 per cent of the 20 cases of tetanus.

—43 per cent of the approximately 1600 cases of ordinary measles reported by age in Texas last year occurred in children under the age of five.

—Of the 185 reported cases of

whooping cough or pertussis in Texas last year, 50 per cent of those whose age was recorded were four years old and under.

You say your child is strong and healthy and can withstand a few days in bed. Communicable disease? Think about children still to be born. If your child has rubella and infects a susceptible neighbor, friend, or acquaintance during the first months of the pregnancy, the chances are that the newborn, if the newborn does arrive, might suffer blindness, deafness, retardation, and heart disease. Is it worth taking such a chance, when a single immunization for rubella could eliminate the possibility of your child causing such a tragedy?

A 1971 State law requires that all children entering school must be immunized against diphtheria, tetanus, polio, measles, and rubella.

In those areas where no local facilities exist to provide immunization services, the State Department of Health will provide or administer the required vaccines.

As a further result of the 1971 law, Texas schools now maintain a record of the immunizations of every student in the State.

In an attempt to increase immunization among the very young, the State Health Department has implemented an Infant Immunization Surveillance Program. The program essentially

involves mailing cards to parents of newborn and one-year old children, informing them of recommended vaccination times, and asking them to check and return the cards. Reminder cards are issued to non-responding parents, and field referrals are issued to local health departments and Immunization Service Aides if parents do not respond to the reminder cards.

The recommended timetable for immunizations is as follows: At the ages of two, four, and six months, infants should receive DTP injections for diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis, as well as oral polio vaccine. When the child is one year old, he or she should be immunized for measles, and rubella. The DPT and polio immunizations should be repeated when the child is between 15 and 18 months, and again, when the child is between four and six years old.

Health Department officials emphasize that parents can help reduce disease in Texas by having their children immunized early, as suggested by the timetable, and responding promptly to health department inquiries.



COWBOY — This cowboy, Brian Massey, doesn't have to go to school. His 'deputy' mother, Mrs. W. L. Massey, also corrals Jason and Ginger while Pam attends school. (Photos by LaVonne Bunch)



WHOSE LONESOME? — Mrs. Ronnie Aldridge and Mark cut out dragons and horses while waiting for sister Lori to return from second grade and their "coach" from his school duties.

New Courses Added At Rolling Plains

Meat processing and marketing is the latest addition to course offerings at the Rolling Plains Campus of Texas State Technical Institute.

According to information from school officials, this new course offering will get under way with school registration on September 4 and 5 with classes to begin September 6.

Recently named director of the new program is Larry Jaster, who has transferred from the James Connally Campus at Waco. He has announced that prospective students need to be made aware of some special admission policies. Any student entering the meat processing-marketing program should carry a current health card and must show proof of having adequate accident and hospitalization insurance. Students entering this new course of study will be expected to provide their own knives, scabbard, hard hat, boots, and steel.



NO COMPETITION — Mrs. Johnny Montgomery cuddles her son, Ronnie while she has "extra" time. Peggy and Tammy will soon be home from primary school with exciting news.

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DPS Predicts 42 Will Die in Labor Day Traffic

AUSTIN — Colonel Wilson E. Speir, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, today warned that 42 persons may lose their lives in Texas traffic during the long Labor Day weekend.

The holiday officially begins

Warning Out On Grain Swindlers

AUSTIN — Texas Agriculture Commissioner John C. White warns Southern Low Plains farmers to beware of unscrupulous buyers of grain sorghum this harvest season. "Make sure you know your buyer," he cautioned.

"Unfortunately, every year we get reports of a few buyers making shady deals with farmers that can lead to a complete loss of profit for the farmer," Commissioner White said.

"Farmers who are going to sell their crop at the turn-row from unknown buyers should demand cash, or should make careful inquiry to see that the buyer's check will be honored," Commissioner White said.

is imperative that farmers this With prices at good levels, it year more than ever before, make certain they knew the buyer of their grain sorghum, or take the time to make sure that what seems to be a legitimate deal is just that White urges.

"It won't take but a few minutes to investigate the buyer, and that time can mean the difference between a good profit or no money at all from your grain sorghum crop this year," White said. "These men move with the harvest and reports are that they are moving throughout the state now

Mrs. Jenkins Named to Honor Roll

DENTON — Dr. Gustave Ferre, vice-president for academic affairs at North Texas State University, has released the spring semester honor roll which lists 1,221 NTSU students.

Of the 14,582 students enrolled at NTSU in the spring semester, some 231 were listed on the 4.0 (or all "A") honor roll and 990 were named to the 3.5 listing, which includes those students whose grade average was midway between an "A" and a "B."

Gail Gentry Jenkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gentry, Route 1, Merkel, was named to the 4.0 honor roll.

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"NEITHER GIVE PLACE TO THE DEVIL"

Ephesians 4:27

Or as the Revised version reads: "And give no opportunity to the devil." How many times do we give a place in our daily living for the devil to live with us? How often do you give him an opportunity to work his temptation and sin in your heart? You can discuss many things here but lets first examine the context of the verse.

- Walking worth of the vocation or opportunity of being a child of God — verse 1.
- Growing into the likeness of Jesus — verse 13, 14.
- Putting off sinful living — verse 22.
- Verses 20-27 — Putting on the new man of righteousness and true holiness which includes speaking truth, not being angry to the point of it causing you to sin, thereby giving place to the devil.
- He goes on to mention working instead of stealing, not using corrupt speech, grieving the Holy Spirit, uncontrolled thoughts (verse 32), and being kind and forgiving each other as God does.

One therefore concludes that "giving place to the devil" or "giving him an opportunity" within our lives is simply not being the kind of person Jesus was, not conducting ourselves in the manner herein described, and not possessing the beliefs he did. One is made to ask certain questions then as we examine whether or not we are giving a place in our thinking and living to the devil . . . are we giving him the opportunity to cause us to sin:

- If I claim to be a Christian, why do I take offence so easy with other people . . . verse 2?
- Why are all those who profess to be Christians not "endeavoring to keep," "eager to maintain" unity in our religious teaching and beliefs . . . verse 3?
- As he mentions in verse 4, 5, 6 what that unity is, why aren't we united on it?
 - "one body" — Eph. 1:22, 23 says the body is the church. Why are there 350 churches?
 - "one Spirit" — why do some say he works miracles and some say he doesn't?
 - "one hope" — Are there really hundreds of ways to reach heaven when Jesus said there is only one road (Matt. 7:13, 14)?
 - "one Lord" — Why do we give 'things' first place and Jesus 'second' place if he is our Lord?
 - "one faith" — Why are there so many beliefs, different doctrines among religious people?
 - "one baptism" — why are there 3 kinds of baptism practiced, and some say its not essential at all?
 - "one God and Father" — Why do we accept this one and not the others? Someone needs to answer these questions? Maybe we need to re-examine what "giving place to the devil" is?

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