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Cotton Harvesting Is Approaching Full Capacity

gressed significantly, approaching full capacity early this week, but inclement weather slowed it during the latter part of the week; reports B. B. Manly, Jr., in charge of the USDA's Abilene Cotton Classing Office. The Abilene Classing Office processed 52,000 samples during the week ending November 10, bringing the season total to 125,000 samples.

The quality of the samples classed showed some improvement. This week 56 percent were in white grades, and 45 percent were light-spotted. This compares to 45 percent

Jones Elected To Baptist Board

CORPUS CHRISTI--Kenneth Jones, pastor of First Baptist Church, Merkel, was elected here Thursday to a major position on a Texas Baptist board during the annual meeting of the 2-millionmember Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Rev. Jones was re-elected to the 192-member Executive Board, which is comprised of laymen and ordained church leaders from across Texas and conducts the business of the BGCT between annual sessions.

harvesting pro- white and 56 per cent within light-spotted grades the previous week. Grade 41 was the predominant grade at 28 percent. Twenty-four percent was grade 42, and 15 percent was grade 51. Bark reductions declined from 24 to 19 percent this week.

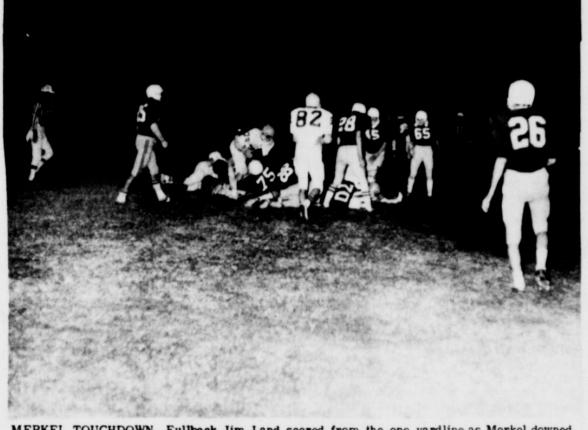
> Staple length this week were as follows: 3 percent staple 29; 25 percent 30; 48 percent 31; 19 percent 32, and 5 percent staple 33 or longer. Staples were a little longer this week. A week ago predominant lengths were: 47 percent staple 30 and 34 percent staple 31.

Micronaire readings were stable with 92 percent in the premium range as compared to 90 percent in that category a week ago.

According to the Agricultural Marketing Service, prices increased during the week, especially for the higher qualities. Grades 32 or higher, with staple 31 or longer, brought about 36.90 cents above the government loan. Grades 42 or lower, with staple 30 or shorter sold for 30 to 32 cents above the government loan. Grade 3231 with premium micronaire, brought up to 54.40 cents per pound, while a 4230 premium mike, brought around 50 cents per pound. Grade 5229, premium mike sold for about 44 cents per pound.

Reports also indicate cottonseed are beginning to improve in grade.

Conservation Service at Abi-Merkel 'B' Wins 12-0 Over Wylie lene, said conservation measures not only protect the soil



MERKEL TOUCHDOWN -- Fullback Jim Land scored from the one yardline as Merkel downed the Wylie Bulldogs 9-0. Pictured is Larry Toliver No. 82 and Scott Tarpley No. 70. No. 26 is Wylie's Quarterback Dale Doby. (Photo by Connie Harris)

SCS Urges Sound Conservation Practices

Farmers in the Abilenearea who bring additional land into crop production in 1974 are being urged to use sound conservation practices.

Bob Price, district conservationist for the U.S. Soil

from erosion but also increase price increases.

production. "Some people are predicting farmers will bring several thousand acres of former 'setaside' acreage back into crop production in Texas in the next year," Price said. "This is considered to be the best and quickest way to check food

"But it's also the quickest way to increase dust storms, sediment pollution, and other erosion problems unless sound conservation measures are installed," Price pointed out. "There is a lot of land

in our Middle Clear Fork Soil and Water Conservation Dis-

Badgers Defeat Wylie 9-0, To Play Plowboys Friday 7:30

The Merkel Badgers won their second straight game Friday dropping the Wylie Bulldogs 9-0 in an actionpacked thriller.

It was a defensive game all the way as neither team could penetrate the goal line, even though both teams had good opportunity.

Merkel started the game's lone touchdown drive with 5:30 left in the third quarter. Moving the football from their own 15 yard line following a punt, the Badgers went 85 yards in 17 plays, running nine minutes off the clock. The plunge by Jim Land for six points, came with four minutes in the fourth quarter gone. Johnny Frazier kicked the extra point. Merkel scored the other two points in the last two minutes of the game, when Back Jim Land dropped Wylie Quarterback Ron Gibson in the end zone for a safety.

Things looked bad for the Badgers early, as they fumbled the very first play of the game, Wylie covered the fumble on the Badgers' 30 yard line. Jeff Cox had just returned the kick-off from the ten for a 20 yard run.

The Badgers defense went to work and forced the Bulldogs to try a field goal from the 20.

The Wylie Bulldogs worked the ball to Merke! one yard line where a tough Badger defense forced a fumble that Merkel covered on the five. In the second quarter, the Bulldogs mounted a threat with

in the first half when Johnny Frazier missed a seven-yard field goal following a Badger

Chili Supper At Roscoe Fri.

A Chili Supper is being sponsored by the Roscoe Band Boosters Friday night, November 16, before the Roscoe-Merkel football game.

The supper will be held at the school cafeteria from 5 to 7 P.M. Ticket prices will be \$1.50 for adults and 75¢ for children under 12. Menu items will be chili and crackers, drinks and pie.

The Roscoe Club would like to issue a special invitation to all Merkel football fans to go a little early to the game and have a good meal with

them.

Mrs. W. M. Elliott Services Held Saturday

Mrs. William M. Elliott, 90, died at 9:10 p.m. Thursday in Starr Nursing Home, Funeral was at 2 p.m. Saturday at Starbuck Chapel.

Born Laura Shelton Dec. 23,

She was a member of the

Survivors are a son. Roy of

Dallas; three nieces and two

Pioneer Methodist Church

members will again recall the

past when the traditional

Lord's Acre Sale starts Sa-

turday, Nov. 17. A fellowship

supper will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Grace Presbyterian Church.

nephews.

The Rev. N. S. Daniel, associate pastor of Merkel United dent. Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial was in Rose Hill Fire Dept.

47-vard drive. Jeff Cox completed two of six passes for sixty-five yards. One to End Doug Hutchings for 20 yards and one to Larry Toliver for 45 yards.

The Badgers out first down the Bulldogs 12-4. The Badgers had 213 yards rushing to the Bulldogs' 61

Merkel now has a 2-7 season, with a 2-4 District record. Wylie is now 0-6 in District play.

The Merkel Badgers will play their final game of the season Friday as they invade Roscoe.

Roscoe has a 2-4 district record after upsetting the league leading Aspermont Hornets last week. It was Aspermont first district defeat.

The Road Runners **Play For Senior** Citizens Nov. 15

The Road Runners, well known throughout West Texas, will give a concert in the Senior Citizens Hall Thursday Nov. 15 at 7 o'clock.

There will be no admission charge. This is strictly a courtesy of the Road Runners in playing for the Senior Citizens, but the public is cordially invited to attend says Mrs. Dewel McLean, presi-

Merkel B defeated Wylie B Stanley West, Glen Braune, Bart 12-0 Thursday Nov. 8. Thegame was scoreless till the last quarter.

Keith Austerman made a TD on the 40 vd run over tackle and a 78 yd. run over tackle. this team earlier this year Outstanding players in offense were Keith Austerman.

"What Thanksaiving Means To Me"

Mrs. Jo Barnett and Mrs. Joe Holloway's first grade students in Merkel have an art display which can be seen in the Taylor E lectric Co-op window.

The handwork depicts family scenes of the holiday. Turkey pictures are predominant.

Garden Club **Meets Thursday**

The Merkel Garden Club meets Thursday Nov. 15 at 3:00 p.m. in the home of Mrs. W.S.J. Brown, 312 Oak St. With Mrs. John Shannon and Mrs. Dee Grimes as co-hostesses.

Mrs. Erma Black, Mrs. John Shannon and Mrs. W. T. Sadler will bring the program.

Lisa Gregory, a junior in

Merkel High School was cho-

sen Little Sister of the Month

for November by the Taylor

County Young Homemakers

last Thursday and at their regular monthly meeting. Miss

Gregory is the daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gregory,

Lisa is in Homemaking II

and is a member of the F.H.A.

She plays the clarinet in the

She has worked on the an-

nual staff for 3 years and is

assistant Editor of the 1974

Lisa worked on UIL exposi-

Last weekend she entered

She is active in church work

at the Merkel Church of Christ.

prose reading at LCC tourna-

Merkel High School band.

tionary writing last year.

112 Cherry, Merkel.

Badger yearbook.

ment

Lisa Gregory Named

Little Sister of Month

Whisenhunt. In defense outstanding players were Roger Doan, Bruce Spear, Kim Howerton and Stanley West.

Merkel B was defeated by 50-6.

They will play their last game against Jim Ned here at 7:30 Thursday, Nov. 15.

New Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Leach announce the birth of a baby girl born Tuesday November 12 at 9:40 a.m. in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene. She will be known to all as Lillian Del-ann, She weighed in at 6 lbs. 7 ozs. Maternal grandparents are

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bettes of Abilene and great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tomb.

> OPEN HOUSE Sunday

Honoring Mr. and Mrs. Travis Davis 2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Corner of Trundy and FM 126 South

November 18, 1973

is E. L. Power, Zone Manager for Pontiac. Serving as Master of Ceremonies for the dinner at the Westwood Club in Abilene was Dick Banham, Pontiac District Manager from Abilene. (Staff Photo)

Nolan Palmer Receives 25 Year Service Award

25 YEARS SERVICE -- Nolan Palmer is shown receiving

a plaque commemorating his having completed 25 years

as a Pontiac dealer in Merkel. Presenting Palmer the plaque

Pontiac Motor Division officials presented Nolan Palmer a 25-year plaque in recognition of his operation of Palmer Pontiac Sales and Service in Merkel.

Palmer was presented the plaque at a meeting at the Westwood Club in Abilene. There was approximately 30 dealers from 27 counties at the meeting. The meeting was called to discuss the questionnaires mailed to persons pur-

In 1937, Palmer began operating a Mobil service station, adding appliances and sporting goods in 1944 to the gasoline and tire business. He was a Mobil consignee for 20 years. The post war years brought about a move to the present

LISA GREGORY ... little sister

chasing new Pontiacs.

site of the Mobil station and in 1948, Palmer became a

Pontiac dealer. That first year, allocation was 2 new cars per month, plus a used car trade. Palmer has boasted that into national recognition of having the largest volume sales of comparable areas.

Mr. and Mrs. Palmer live at 401 Locust. Their daughter, Pat Leveridge, resides in Seattle, Wash. Their son Ron lives in Abilene and operates Holiday Motors.

1948.

Few dealers have reached/ the 25 year mark, Attaining that distinction hasn't been easy. "I've seen some good years and I've seen some bad years," says Palmer. "I'd like to extend my sincere appreciation to the area folks for their patronage."

Palmer Pontiac has sold 5,341 new automobiles since

trict which can be used for cropland safely if managed properly," Price said. "Yet there are other soils which are so susceptible to blowing the Wylie offense. or washing that they should never be used for crop pro-

duction." Price said he hopes farmers will use soil survey information available from his office before putting new land in cultivation.

"Soil surveys have been made on all the land in Taylor County," Price said. "These surveys show which soils are best suited for crop production and which soils are most susceptible to erosion. They can also show which soils are most productive." SCS is giving top priority

to helping farmers plan conservation measures on new land brought into cultivation. For information, contact the local SCS office at Abilene, telephone 677-7862.

Mrs. Nancy Teaff Services Held Monday

POST_Mrs. Nancy Catherine Teaff, 79, of Post died at 2:40 p.m. Friday en route to a local hospital following an apparent heart attack. Funeral was held at 2:30 p.m. Monday at Tye Baptist Church. The Rev. Ted Bigham, Bap-

tist pastor, officiated. Burial will be in Rose Hill Cemetery at Merkel. Mrs. Teaff married Will

Teaff in December 1913 in Merkel. She was a resident of Post for 48 years. Survivors are four sons, Howard and Roy of Post, N.B. of Sweetwater and Auda of Lubbock; five daughters, Mrs. Evalee Roberts of Houston, Mrs. Irene Cockrell of Post. Mrs. Sybil Watson of Coleman, Mrs. Georgia Stotts of Lubbock and Mrs. Jinnie Bayer of Plains; three brothers, Roy Maddox of Cisco, Albert Maddox of Snyder and Ferri Maddox of Colorado Springs, Colo.; 26 grandchildren; 20

great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren, She was preceded in death by her husband and a daughter, Merle Popham.

an 85 yard drive, However, on the seven-yardline, Back Steve West stepped in to in-1882, in Arkansas, she moved tercept a pass and shut down to the Merkel area in the late

1890s. She was married in 1901 Merkel was also frustrated in Merkel. Her husband died Jan. 1, 1955.

Senior Citizens News

There was a good turn-out at the noon luncheon Tuesday at the Senior Citizens Hall. Mrs. W. T. Sadler gave the Devotional on "The Nature of Friendship," followed by a musical program given by Miss Gloria Moore and Mrs. Annette Clark. The selections were "I'm Always Chasing Rainbows," "What Ever Will Be, Will Be" and "When You and I Were Young Maggie."

First Baptist Sponsors City Wide Youth Choir

First Baptist Church is sponsoring a city wide youth choir which will present a Christmas program just be-

fore Christmas. Rehearsals will be every Wednesday night at 8 p.m. at

the First Baptist Church, under the direction of Randy Fout, youth director.

All youth between the 7th grade and college grades are invited to participate in this program.

MHS Drama To Present **Fantasy Plays**

The Merkel High School's Drama Department will present seven rewritten fantasy plays called the "Fabulous Fairy Tales," at the Auditorium, Monday, Nov. 19 at 7:30 p.m.

Vicki Babbington, instructor, announces that prices for the production will be 50¢ for students, 25¢ for adults.

Cemetery.

Turkey Shoot

A Turkey Shoot sponsored by the Merkel Fire Department will be Sunday Dec. 2nd and Dec. 9, from 1-5 p.m. Location will be announced later.

A concession stand will be operated by the Ladies Auxiliary.

Pioneer Methodist Plan Annual Lord's Acre Sale Nov. 17th

names were included in this venture.

The quilt auction is the highlight of the sale each year. Last year's quilt was auctioned off twice for a total of \$280.00. Don Dudley will be the auctioneer again this year. Cakes, homemade jelly and candy will be among the sales items. The Rev. Ken Kirk is pastor of the church. Mr. Leroy Riney is sales chairman. Site of the annual event will

be the Butman Community Center, 14 miles south of Merkel



LORD'S ACRE SALE .- Mrs. Sam Butman hurries to fin her patterned quilt, "Windblown Girl," for the annual Lord's Acre Sale. Also pictured on the right is the friendship q made by families of the Pioneer Methodist Church.(Ph LaVonne Bunch)

with the sale following. In 1951, the idea blossomed to add money to the church's treasury for mission causes and benevolences. In later years, merchants began to donate items for sale. Church families embroidered their families embroidered their on FM 126. names into a fellowship quilt Everyone is invited. for sale, former pastors'



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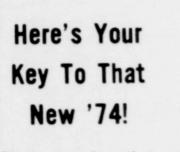
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Starr Nursing **Home News**

By Mary Outlaw

I would like to fill in on the

happenings at the Nursing

able to visit us in our home

and only get the news by ra-

dio, TV and newspaper and

to those who receive the Mer-

do know that Brenda and Jim

The churches who have filled

their appointments lately are

First Baptist Church-Merkel,

Tye Methodist Church, Stith

Baptist Church, Tye Baptist

Church, Calvary Baptist

Church-Merkel, Merkel As-

sembly of God, First Baptist

Baptist Church-Trent, Church

of Christ-Trent, Noodle Bap-

tist Church, Salvation Army

Church-Abilene, Hebron Bap-

tist Church, Tye Church of

God and Hodges Baptist

Church. All of the churches

brought good services and we

do appreciate them very much.

Jackie Reynolds held services

at Hebron Church and he came

over to hold a service at the

Home. We will always remem-

ber Jackie for he used to sing

each Sunday at the Nursing

Home at 9 o'clock a.m. He

was never too busy to come

each Sunday with the other

First Bapt'st Church people.

Then he began to preach and

we have never forgotten him

or what he did to make our

vation Army Church for bring-

ing their music and the Her-

shey Bars they brought each

Many of our patients have

gone "home" since my last

article was written. A Chris-

tian knows what that means.

We wish to thank the Sal-

patients happy.

patient.

We had a real treat when Rev.

and meats.

some time.

Mrs. Concho Tinoco, age 97 and 1/2, Mr. Alvin Wozen-This has indeed been a busy craft, age 92 and Mr. Milard summer and fall and it seems King, age 92. Some of these that all I have had time to do patients were with us over five years, others long enough for us to love them as our family and we miss them.

> The Tye Scouts have been visiting the patients and singing and bringing them gifts they made which we appreciate.

All the patients have had lots of visitors but space won't permit names at this time. Visitors are always welcome.

Well, we finally got Uncle Home, especially for those un-Tom Bagby for a patient. We are very glad to have him in our home. He is considered one of the best friends I ever had. For years he used kel Mail in other states. I to fish with Wiley and me. We wish to thank the nice

Hair, my grandchildren of people who have brought us Chandler, Arizona, reminded white sheets for pads. We are me that I hadn't been writing always in need of white rags. the news from the Home for Our sympathy goes out to

Mrs. Ollie Brookerson who lost her son by death last Mrs. Ollie Brookerson who lost her son by death last week. Mrs. Brookerson will be 95 the 21st of this month, but plays the piano to entertain the other patients and is really a nice person, Come by and ask her to play the piano for you sometime.

Before Halloween, the Trent W.M.U. ladies decided to go on a Trick or Treat just before Halloween so they could treat all the patients here in our home. So they went from house to house and members from each church in Trent gave gifts to them so on Halloween, Carolyn Frazier, Vera Sharp and Barbara Henderson brought a paper bag decorated with goblins and pumpkins and etc., with candy, chewing gum, talcolm powder, Kleenex, cookies and lotion for each patient. It was the best Halloween the Nursing Home has ever had, and we thank the people of Trent for being so nice and remembering our little family.

We wish to thank Hettie and Warren Price of Baird for the nice mustard greens they gave us last week. The patients really like greens and enjoyed them so much.

We want to thank the ladies from the many clubs and or-

ganizations who bring cupcakes



PACK 20 CUB SCOUTS -- Den One came in Second Place in their race at the annual Pushmobile Derby Sunday, which was held on the K-Mart parking lot. Winning was from left to right Ronnie Williams, Eddie Harris, Randy Leverich, Kyle Wolf, Calvin Cooley, Billy Taylor and Willie Taylor, seated. Not pictured was Scott Alves. (Photo by Jim Conley)

Cub Scouts Attended Pushmobile Derby

Pack 20 Cub Scouts went that den are Willie Townsend, to K-Mart Sunday for the an- Kevin Farmer, Frankie Aus-

nual Pushmobile Derby. The termann, William Martin, Gary Webelos Den came in Second Tutt, Leo Ortega, Victor Or-Place in their race. Boys in tega and Leighton Beaty, Mrs.

News Rodeo Club

GUARANTEED

USED CARS

By LEE ANN BUTMAN The Merkel High School Rodeo Club held a meeting on Wednesday at 8 p.m. at Don McDonald's.

The meeting was called to order by Wiley Wilson, It was decided the MHS Rodeo Club will hold their meetings the first Monday of every month. The meetings will be held at the Merkel Restaurant at 7:30

A motion was made to reelect officers, was seconded, and put to vote and was carried. The newly elected officers are: James Allison,

President; David Kraatz, Vice-

President; Cindy Whisenhunt,

Secretary-Treasurer; Lee Ann

Butman, Reporter; and Rita

Watts, Sweetheart.

The MHS Rodeo Club Sponsors are Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Rick Mullin.

The members present at the meeting were : Jeanina Griffith, Jackie Minze, Cindy Byrd, Bart Whisenhunt, Pam Hagar, Roger Doan, Rita Watts, David Sparks, Tonja Crenshaw, James Allison, Lee Ann Butman, David Kraatz, Audy Byrd and Cindy Whisenhunt.

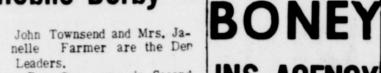
Some of the MHS Rodeo Club members will be entering the Sweetwater All Girl Rodeo held November 17. The deadline for the entries are November

The next MHS Rodeo Club

Meeting will be held Wednes-

day, November 28, at the Mer-

kel Restaurant at 7:30 p.m.



Den One came in Second Place in their race. Boys in Den One are Randy Leverich, Kyle Wolf, Willie Taylor, Billy Taylor, Eddie Harris, Ronnie Williams, Calvin Cooley Phone 8-5151 and Scott Alves. Winona Wolf and Kathy Leverich are the Den Leaders.



Ladies Golf News

The Merkel Ladies Golf As-sociation monthly meeting and supper has been changed to next Tuesday, November 20 at 6:30 p.m.

With the time changing and the cold weather, it has been difficult for all the ladies to complete a round of gol on Tuesday evening. Come to our monthly supper and visit with everyone and discuss what can be done this winter when the weather is too bad to play golf. We want everyone to stay interested until next spring when we can make plans to play golf regularly.

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and gifts each month for each patient that has had a birthday

in that month. It is so very nice for them to remember them on their birthdays. The patients enjoy Bro. Newt Daniels' visit each week. They call him "the candy man". Bro. Daniels we appreciate you for your visits to each individual. You have brought happiness to

Merkel. The patients are still enjoying the Abilene Reporter-News that David Gamble furnishes them to read each evening. It is so nice of Mr. Gamble to do this for the patients who can read or enjoy being read to. Also, we thank The Merkel Mail for the five issues of the Mail they send to us each week.

many during your stay here in

Mrs. Juanita Griffin of California has gone home after visiting her brother, Billy Jo Holley. Billy Jo passes out the evening papers and does little jobs around the Nursing Home. Billy Jo has been with us for several years.

We went up to Plainview and gathered 18 bushels of tomatoes which we have enjoyed fresh, canned and frozen. We divided some with our friends and neighbors.

We have some hogs we have been feeding. It won't be long until butcher time. The patients are looking forward to good fresh sausage to go with their hot biscuits they have each morning.

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FOR SALE -- 9 week old Cross Breed pigs. Ph. 692-37-2tp 0439, Abilene,

FOR SALE .- Massey Ferguson tractor. Ph. 928-5909. 38-ltc For Sale -- Hereford Breeding Bulls. See Tom Seymore or ph. 928-4895. 35-4tp

House for SALE -- 3 bedroom, large living room, located on Rt. 1, Trent, Texas 1 block south of school building. A-1 house. Will help secure finance. To be seen by appointment. Cyrus Pee, Agent, Merkel, Texas. Ph.

35-tfc FOR SALE -- 4 good used 15 in. tires, 3 General-1 U.S. Royal. Val Byrom, Rt. 1, Merkel. Ph. 736-6633. 38-1tc

928-5613.

Card of Thanks

WE EXTEND DEEP APPRE_ CIATION to all our friends who did so much for us during our recent bereavement. The many beautiful expressions of sympathy and floral offerings were most helpful. Myrtle and Roy Elliott

Missionettes

By SUSAN ALLGAIER

The Missionettes had 18 present at their weekly meeting Friday.

We made plans for a program to be given for the W. M. C. at the Assembly of God Church Tuesday night at 7:30.

Susan Allgaier was voted reporter at the meeting.

> Refreshments were furnished by Leisa Rayburn.

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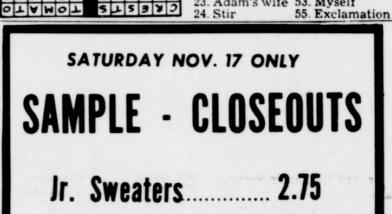
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54. Supplication

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DOWN 25. Part Rugged rock 27. Grating 28. Beer Contest 29. Thing: law English school 31. Cry 33. Musical 4. Mousy mammal instrument Made rigid 35. Publication 6. Seniors: director 37. Makes irate abbr. Apex 40. Trees . Not closed 41. Slender 9. Lesser 43. Allow 10. Stake 44. Musical 11. River duck syllable 45. Snake 12. Unequal things 46. Reared 20. Dry 47. Songs 21. Element 49. Exist 22. Listen 51. Sight organ 23. Adam's wife 53. Myself



CONTRACTOR DE LA CONTRACTORIZICA DE LA CONTRACTOR DE LA C BADGER points, Jimmy Land scored

one touchdown with Johnny

By JANIE CLARK

The Badgers did it again Fri-Frazier kicking the point. Then day night against the Wylie a little later, Jimmy Land, Bulldogs. The Badgers played pushed the Wylie quarterback a great game and won 9-0. It back in the end zone for a was Wylie's Homecoming and safety. Now our record is 2-4 they were just so sure of for district. But at the end of winning, but by halftime they the season, its going to end found out it was going to be up 3-4 with the Badgers beattougher than they expected. ing the Roscoe Plowboys this Nobody scored until the last Friday. quarter and that's when Mer-

At the Pep Rally Friday the Freshmen finally won the competition yell, with the Sophomores winning the signs, Now the Sophomores are the only ones that haven't won the competition yell. So come on you Sophs, get after it!

The Student Council is selling fruit cakes. There are 1-1b. and 2-1b. bars, and 3-1b., 4-lb. and 5-lb. tins. If you want to order a fruitcake, call 928-5833.

Last Wednesday the Band went to UIL marching contest, getting a III rating. This is a good rating so congratulations Band!

The basketball season is starting right after football season is over. The girls teams have already started practicing. They have a game Saturday against Coahoma at Coahoma. I want to wish them lots of luck.

The boys start practice Saturday with Coach Aldridge picking the best ones for the A team that day, and then practicing 4-5 hours every day from then on. This year is going to be an even better year than last year, with our teams winning district, bi-district, reregional and state.

This Friday is the last football game of the season, with the Badgers playing the Roscoe Plowboys. So why don't all you Badger fans come out and sit in the Rose stands and back the Badgers!

GORILL

By CINDY BEASLY

Hi! All the students are get-

ting back to the grind of re-

gular classes after having six

weeks tests last week, Report

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FALSE VIEWS OF TRUTH # 2

2. IT IS FALSE VIEW OF TRUTH TO HOLD THAT MEN CAN "TAKE AWAY FROM" IT AND THE RESULT STILL BE ACCEPTABLE TO GOD.

Jesus stated: ". . . and if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophe ecy, God shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the tree of life, and out of the hely city, which are written in this book." (Revelation 22:19)

At times, men are prone to be selective in their approach to studying the Bible. They are unwilling to study all of the Bible, to face up to all that it teaches. Rather, they select certain passages which enjoin men to do certain things which they are willing to do, but they simply refuse to read or to listen to passages which lay upon them obligations which are distasteful to them, or what is different from what they have already been taught. But the passage just above makes it clear that such an attitude and such actions are not pleasing to God.

Through Moses, God said to Israel, "Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, nelther shall ye diminish from it. ..." (Deuteronomy 4:2) Again He said, "What thing scever I command you, that shall ye observe to do: thou shalt not add thereto, nor diminish from it." (Deut. 12:32) It is clear that the word of God is perfect; it doesn't need anything that any of us can add to it. It is a false view to held that we have the right to add anything to or to diminish anything from God's truth. As that truth now stands, it is able to furnish man "completely unto every good work" (I Tim. 3:16, 17) Why can't men learn to love and to trust God's sacred word?

3. IT IS A FALSE VIEW OF TRUTH TO HOLD THAT MAN CAN PERVERT IT AND STILL BE PLEAS-ING TO GOD.

In writing to the churches of Geletia, the Hely Spirit inspired Paul marveled that they were forsaking the true gospel for another (false) gospel. He said that there were some among them who would "pervert the gospei of Christ". (Galatians 1:6-12) He then went on to point out that if either men or angels "should preached unto you any gospel other than that which we preached unto you", they would be under the anathema of God. To "pervert" means to change one thing to another. When one "perverts" the gospel of Christ, he is making something else out of it. He is twisting it. The gospel of Christ is "the power of Ged unte salvation" (Romans 1:16). Whencom disinterprets it (holds that it means what it does not really mean), then the result is "another ges-

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> WANTED -- Part time cook and part time nurses aide. Ap-38 ply in person at Starr Nuring Home. 37-2tc

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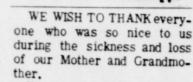
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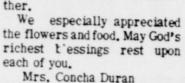
one who was so nice to us during the sickness and loss of our Mother and Grandmother.

the flowers and food. May God's richest t'essings rest upon



Frank Duran

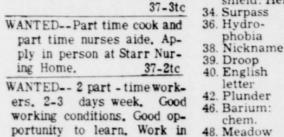
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By SUSAN DONALDSON

Mrs. Marie Briggs from Wilcox, Arizona visited her sister, Lillian Lollar. Mrs. James Cosper fell down

the stairs at Hendrick Hospital and hurt her ankle.

Mr. G.W. Teaff is in the hospital. George Watson is still in the

Irs.Harrison Celebrate 93rd Birthday

Mrs. W. A. Harrison of Anson, formarly of Merkel, will' be honored on her 93rd birthday, Sunday Nov. 18 in the home of her daughter, Mrs. John H. Swinney at Trent. Her friends are invited to come by between 2 and 4 p.m. say hello.

stith Homecoming Fuel, Fertilizer May Be Set November 25 Homecoming at Stith will De Nov. 25th with a memorial service at the church, Following the Memorial service, lunch will be served at the Community Center. Each person is asked to

bring a basket lunch.

NOVEMBER SPECIAL 500 gal. Septic Tank 100 ft. of perforated Drain line embeded in Ievere **Completly** installed \$250 DON DICKERSON 928-5952

hospital. His wife, Darlene, is a special education tercher at Merkel.

Allan Isom is home from the hospital, His father, Mr. De-Witt Isom, is postmaster at Tye.

Mrs. H.E. Goodgion, her daughter, Mrs. Joanne Moore, her two daughter-in-laws, Mrs. Luanne Goodgion and Mrs. Sue Goodgion, and their children went to Floydada to visit Mrs. Galloway. E-4 Jimmy E. Conner, son

of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Conner, completed Jump School at Fort Benning, Georgia. He returned in time to celebrate his 20th birthday. After leave, he will return to Fort Hood at Brownwood. Here to welcome him home was his grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Conner.

COLLEGE STATION-Far-

mers may find it just as dif-

ficult to obtain fertilizers and

fuel during the coming year,

according to Dr. Michael

Sprott, economist in manage-

ment with the Texas Agricul-

The tight supply-demand ba-

lance of certain nitrogen and

phospate fertilizers is the re-

sult of several factors. First

is the release of 62 million

acres that were set-aside in

is the strong foreign demand

for fertilizer, making export

prices much higher than do-

further aggravated the situa-

tion, continues Sprott, Like

other items in world trade,

fertilizer prices currently may

Devaluation of the dollar has

mestic ceiling prices.

Another important influence

tural Extension Service.

1972.

CEMETERY FUND

Mrs. O. H. Griffin las in memory of Mrs. J. B. Mr. and Mrs. Box Murphy Foster in memory of John Toombs, Mrs. A. B. Harris and J. C. Riggan John Lee Colbert son in memory of M. G. King, **Ruth Smith** Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson in memory of Mrs. A. B. Harris Mrs. Robert R. Buford in memory of Mrs. J. B. Foster

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Jr. Claude and Inez Smith Mrs. F.G. Sears Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Doug-

values have risen in relation

fertilizers should soon be

eased by expansion of phos-

phoric acid production, but the

outlook of nitrogen fertilizers

is far less promising. The

supply of ammonia, the source

of most nitrogen fertilizers,

depends on the availability of

natural gas, its feedstock. With

each natural gas curtailment

faced by the ammonia pro-

ducers meaning reduced pro-

duction, the supply of nitrogen

fertilizers could fall one mil-

lion tons short of world demand

in 1973-74, says the Texas

The shortage of phosphate

to the dollar.

omist.

W. A. Wozencraft and Mrs. J. B. Foster Mr. and Mrs. Dean Higgins in memory of Mrs. Houston Robertson Modell Eoff Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Click in memory of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Click Mrs. Milton R. McDonald in memory of Mark Bernard Bell Mr. and Mrs. Jerry T. War-Mrs. D.M. Whisenhunt J. T. Warren Estate Virgie Mae Campbell Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Irvin Louise Woodward Louise Winter Mrs. George A. Smith Holland Teaff Mary Anna Mayfield in mem-

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Mrs. Opal Simpson Estelle B. Spears Mr. and Mrs. Donald L. Steel

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Boney in memory of S. T. Bird Mr. and Mrs. Joe Douglas in memory of S. T. Bird Mr. and Mrs. Booth Warre n in memory of Stacy T. Bird

in memory of Norman Sloan Dixie H. Middleton Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert El-

Bird Mr. and Mrs. Philip T. Weis-

bach



CUTTINGS FROM TWO PLAYS -- South Plains College drama students Richard Nance of Merkel as George and Lana Fitts of Andrews as Curley's wife rehearse a scene from the cutting of "Of Mice and Men." Selections from the play and "I Never Saw Another Butterfly" will be presented on Tuesday (Nov. 6) as a Chamber Theatre production at SPC. The curtain will rise at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building. No admission will be charged. Helen Roberts, assistant professor of speech at SPC, will direct the plays.

Burlap Suggested As Ideal to Dress up Room

The housing and home fur-**COLLEGE STATION--Treat** nishings specialist, Texas Agyour recreation room walls ricultural Extension Service, to burlap, suggests Anna Marie Texas A& M University System, noted that burlap hides cracks,

> 'It also helps sound absorption and provides flexible space for hanging and rearranging wall collections frequently.

"When using colored burlap, buy enough for the entire job. Dy e lot colors vary -colors frequently do not match from different dye lots," the specialist warned.

"Necessary supplies include wall sizing and brush, fabric paste and large brush, drafting tape, steel measuring tape, sharp knife, short nap paint roller and a plasterer's trowel."

For best results, fill large cracks and holes with spackle or crack filler, Miss Gottschalk added. Cut panels slightly larger

sides.

than the correct length, she instructed.

Starting on an inconspicuou

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and damp if you're after

marsh birds. A small flask

of 90-proof Famous Grouse

Scotch helps warm up in-

sides and unkink stiffened

limbs. Famous Grouse, the

only 90-proof Scotch in the

country, is an ancient blend

newly imported from Scot-

the man who likes

The pictorial appeal of

and depth of striking photo-

graph enhances the camera-

GO ON A FALL CAMERA HUNT make you hungry. Also cold

One of man's most fundamental urges, to hunt, to pit his skill against the wits of some other living creature, has been curtailed these days for a variety of ecological reasons.

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But it is always open season for the hunting of animals with a camera, satisfying the hunting urge and offering a trophy of skill without harming the quarry. Bird photography in particular provides the fascination of stalking, seeing without being seen, close approach,

victory.

observation and deduction, perseverance, and loss or

The thrill of capturing closeup, intimate scenes from birdlife belongs to the caman on-the-rocks drink to era hunter whose 'trophies' keep tasting like Scotch, grace his wall with a sense not just ice water halfway, through. This, plus a thermos of life rather than death. of tea and you're ready for

Equipment can be minimal or elaborate. The 35 MM the five to six hours it camera you got for Father's might take to photocapture a bird at close range. Or 12 Day with a closeup and wideangle lens, a folding stool, hours for an eagle. notebook and pen can sufa bright-eyed, alert bird in its natural habitat; the clarity fice. You could add a portable blind and a tripod with

a tilt-top. Don't forget plenty of sandwiches; miles of stalk- hunter's reputation as a man ing through field and forest of taste, skill and wits.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS County of Taylor

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain Execution issued out of the Honorable County Court at Law Court of Taylor County, of the 1st day of October 1973, by Mrs. Chester Hutcheson of said Taylor Co. for the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Six & 55/100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a, Execution, in favor of Downing Brothers Electric in a certain cause in said Court, No. 7934 and styled Downing Brothers Electric vs. Clarence Presswood. placed in my hands for service. I, Jack Landrum as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the 15th day of October 1973, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: Lot 26, Block 3, River Sides Addition to the City of Abilene, Texas known as 3234

Presswood and that on the first Tuesday in December 1973, the same being the 4th day of said month at the Court House door, of Taylor County, in the. City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., by virtue of said levy and said Execution, I will sell above described Real Estate at public vendue, for each, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Clarence Presswood. And in compliance with law,

as the property of Clarence

give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceeding said day of sale, in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Taylor County, Texas.

Witness my hand, this 15th day of October, 1973.

Jack Landrum, Sheriff Taylor County, Texas

By R. P. Blackley, Deputy.

patches and blotchy color. Bible

acts When Gutenberg invented the printing press in 1456,

the first thing he published was his famed Bible. One of the 41 known copies of the Gutenberg Bible, now in the Library of Congress, is valued at \$300,000-a record price for a complete Bible.

The Bible has much to say about money, like this: "Like the partridge that gathers a brood which she did not hatch, so is he who gets riches but not by right; in the midst of his days they will leave him, and at his end he will be a fool."

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Par-

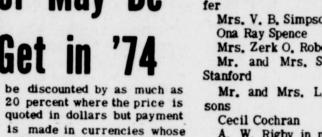
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Mrs. Simmons T. Callaway

A&M University System econliott in memory of Stacy T. Farmers experienced a tight fuel situation during spring

bach Mr. and Mrs. Ennis Reiden-

Dr. and Mrs. Philip T. Weis-



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the short supply of LP gas,

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keep farmers from obtaining

enough propane for crop dry-

The Economic Research

Service of the U.S. Depart-

ment of Agriculture, aided by

energy staffs in many states,

is emphasizing farmers' fuel

needs to the Department of In-

terior, where the nation's pe-

troleum fuel policies are made.

The policy makers understand

the peculiar seasonal needs

of farmers and are committed

to providing them with suf-

ficient fuel in a timely man-

ner to prevent crop losses,

notes Sprott.

planting this year and expect

a similar situation this fall.

" Although the diesel supply for

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ing farm accounts.

ing.

Mr. and Mrs. Craig Jones Mis. Paul West in memory For next spring, the gasoline of Stacy Bird and diesel situations appear mildly optimistic. Although

farmers will be permitted to **MHS Students** plant more acres, more fuel is being imported and allo-Attended cated to distributors servic-Tourney The big fuel concern is over

> Nine Merkel High School students attended the Lubbock Christian College Invitational Speech tournament, Saturday, Nov. 10. Twenty-three schools were

represented. Mrs. Pat Dudley and Miss

Vicki Babbington accompanied the group. Students entered in various

competitions were as follows: Prose reading: Andy Hart, Lisa Gregory and Cynthia Steck Extemperaneous: Terry Boden and Gale Ware

Poetry: Anetta Stephan and Darel Bunch

Oratory: Andy Hart, Jerri Stephan and Cathy Fariello.

mal Lulius For a free pamphlet called

"Materialism and Freedom," based on a radio sermon of "The Lutheran Hour," send your name and address to: Room 220, International Lutheran Laymen's League,

2185 Hampton Ave., St. Louis, Missouri 63139.

run a sharp knife through the crease at the ceiling and floor, remove excess. "Continue this procedure around the room until finished. "To change wall color later, simply paint over the burlap."

wall to "get the feel of the burlap," hang the first panel. "Press burlap against wall

"Next, go over entire panel

with a roller or trowel. By

overlapping selvage edges of

each panel, a sharp blade can

be run down the seam, both

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taining a perfect butted seam.

"To fit fabric top and bottom,

PUBLIC NOTICE with your hands, smoothing it straight across the top. Then press it against the wall at the THE STATE OF TEXAS center, working out to the

To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Tex-

South 4th St. and levied upon

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

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Mary Edna Mayo, 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 fortytwo days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 3rd day of December A.D. 1973, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 9th day of October

A.D. 1973, in this cause numbered 8601 on the docket of said court and styled Richard Gregory Mayo, Plaintiff, vs. Mary Edna Mayo, Defendant,

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Divorce. Married Aug. 13, 1964; separated August 5, 1970. 1 child Michael Anthony Mayo, born Jan. 16, 1966. Child resides with Petitioner. No community property, 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 the 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 23rd day of October A.D. 1973. (SEAL)

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas By Marie Adkins, Deputy. 36-4tc

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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 publica-tion to be at least twentyeight 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: Alicia M. Drummond, DEF ENDANT, 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 fortytwo days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 10th day of December A.D. 1973, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court,

on the 28th day of September A.D. 1973, in this cause, numbered 8565 on the docket of said court and styled Douglas Dwain Drummond, Plaintiff, vs. Alicia M. Drummond, De-

fendant, A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Divorce, Married on Feb. 17, 1971; separated prior to filing of suit. No children and no community property 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 man-dates 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 26th day of October A.D. 1973. (SEAL)

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Teras By Marie Adkins, Deputy

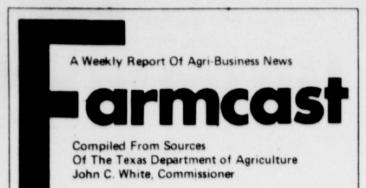
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ROYAL DESSERTS, BLUE BONDET. MARGARINES, TRIDENT AND DENTYNE GUMS, AND FLINTSTONES, CHOCKS AND BUGS BUNNY CHILDREN'S CNEWABLE VITAMINS. MAIL PROOFS OF PURCHASE TO: TREAT OF LIFE, U.S. COMMITTEE FOR UNICLE, DOX 4319, CUNTON, 10WA, 52734



Down and Up ... Changes in Regulations ... Fuel Problems ... Red Meat Production Declines

A seven per cent drop in the all farm products index of prices for Texas farmers was noted by the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service.

The livestock and livestock products was down nine per cent and the all crops index was down five per cent below a month ago

Prices received by farmers for hogs, beef cattle and calves were down from a month ago. Corn and grain sorghum prices were also down from a month ago.

Ten commodities were above parity. Wheat at \$4.23 per bushel was 73 cents per bushel above parity. Rice is almost \$5 above parity. Potatoes are 54 cents above the parity ratio of \$4.31 per hundredweight.

In livestock categories, hogs at \$39.80 average are \$2.50 above parity. Calves averaged \$58.30 which is \$4.30 above parity. Sheep at \$17 are \$4.50 above parity. Beef cattle are \$2.60 under parity; lambs are \$12 under parity.

Grain sorghum at \$3.47 per hundred is 50 cents below parity. Cotton at 37.5 cents per pound is almost 30 cents under parity.

Egg prices averaged 57.9 cents per dozen which is almost six cents below last month and six cents below parity. Mohair at \$2.40 per pound is about 90 cents above parity; wool at 97 cents is about 25 cents under parity.

REGULATIONS relating to cattle scabies and brucellosis are affecting some Texas counties.

Federal guarantines for cattle scabies were lifted from Parmer and Potter counties. Castro and Deaf Smith are still under quarantine. Scabies are caused by tiny parasitic mites that puncture the skin of cattle and feed on the body fluids released through the wounds. Scabies does not affect the animal's meat, but can cause loss of weight and decreased feed efficiency.

Health regulations governing interstate shipment of breeding cattle from 11 counties in Texas have been changed.

The action was based on the counties' compliance, or lack of compliance, with state-federal requirements aimed at eradicating brucellosis.

Kenedy County regained its modified-certified brucellosis area status while Baylor, Bell, Cass, Henderson, Leon, Mitchell, Navarro, San Saba, Tom Green, and Uvalde counties lost their status for failing to meet certain minimum requirements of the eradication program.

FUEL problems continue to haunt Texas agricultural producers. Diesel at present appears to be causing the most concern. LP gas is in short supply in some areas. The general situation seems to be one of confusion, especially concerning the mandatory allocation of diesel.

Fertilizer shortages are also being reported as are occasional reports of lack of baling wire.

Homemakers Presented **Christmas Program** The Taylor County Young

monthly meeting.

gift ideas.

presented the annual Christ-

mas program, "Visions of Su-

garplums." The 40 members

and guests present went home

with many festive recipes and

After the business meeting

during which the chapter de-

cided on a project for the

local rest home. Every mem-

ber present honored Mrs. Billy

Patton with a cake and a sil-

Mrs. Patterson

Receives "Order

of Rose" Degree

Xi Nu Chi Chapter of Beta

Sigma Phi met Tuesday, No-

vember 6, in the home of

After the regular business

session, the program was gi-

ven by Mrs. Jack Boone, as-

sisted by Mrs. Edgar Tipton

and Miss Christi Boone, Sub-

Those attending were Mmes.

Boone, Tipton, Benson, John

Brady, Don Watts, Bob Gar-

ner, Peck Eager, Bob DuBose,

Weldon McAninch, Glenn Rc-

bertson, Harry Bullock, Ma-

mie Steck, Val Patterson and

Thursday, November 8, Mrs.

Val Patterson received "The

Order of The Rose" degree,

presented in ceremonies held

at the Episcopal Church of the

Heavenly Rest, 602 Meander,

Abilene. This is an honorary

degree conferred on a mem-

ber presently active in a chap-

ter and who has fifteen or more years of active parti-

cipation in a chapter.

dy and Mamie Steck.

their home Sunday.

Walker.

Cisco, Sweetwater, Sylvester,

Rotan, Stamford and Merkel

met to celebrate the birthdays

of Mrs. Hazel Alldredge of

Rotan and Mrs. Alice Web-

ster of Jal, N. Mex., both

of whom are sisters of Mrs.

ject was "Good Lives,"

guest Miss Boone.

Mrs. Carroll Benson.

ver platter. She has been a Homemakers met November number of the chapter for 6 8 in the home of Mrs. Joe years and will be moving to Gregory for their regular Savanah, Ga. the later part of this month. She will be Kathryn Cawley, represenmissed by all. tative from Lone Star Gas,

Visitors present were Mrs. Jerry Russell, Mrs. Herman Aiken, Mrs. Clayton Brazelton, Mrs. Sandra Fowler, Mrs. Rose Chronister, Mrs. Geneva Watts, Mrs. Helen Benson, Mrs. Homer Laney, Mrs. Marvin Holloway, Mrs. Howard Laney, Mrs. Lycia Hardin, Mrs. E. C. Patton, and Mrs. Hollis Mitchell.

Members present were Mmes. Glen Bicknell, Wyman Wilkerson, Danny Sanford, Jerry Miller, Billy Fowler, Billy Bob Toombs, John Ba-Stanley Toombs, John tey, Schaefer, Charles Jacobs, Hugh Baker, Spencer Taylor, John Beasley, Freddy Toombs, George Martin, Jim Jacobs, Larry Beasley, Richard Caton, Billy Patton, Jerry Ross, Obie Coker, Mack Seymore. Travis Davis, Phillip Pursley, Bobby Toliver, Joe Gregory and Roland Pack.



AUDY BYRD Those attending were Mmes. ... FFA sweetheart Glenn Traff, Edgar Tipton,



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By JAMES ALLISON

Tuesday, November 6th,

there was a meeting of the

Merkel Chapter of the Future

Farmers of America at the

Agriculture Department at

Merkel High School, Present

for the meeting besides the members were two guests, Mr. Alvin Braune and Mr. Joe Hen-

ry and Advisor C. H. Collins-

cluded the initiation of first

year members. There were

several Greenhand members

initiated into the chapter. Re-

quirements for this degree are

to be actively enrolled in a

Vocational Agriculture class,

have a Supervised Project Pro-

gram or to have made plans

Roger Ely, Senior at Merkel

The 73-74 school year

Audy Byrd, a sophomore at

Merkel High. She is the daugh-

Byrd. Audy is also active in

Mrs. Mathews

94th Birthday

The children of Mrs. R. H.

Mathews are holding Open

House for her on her 94th

Birthday Nov. 16 from 2 to 5

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Cadette News

Friends are invited to come

Observes

The business meeting in-

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ENERGY CONTROL MEASURES STRESSED

Americans now consume about 29 percent of available energy in industry, 25 percent in transportation, including getting back and forth to work, 21 percent for residential and commercial purposes and 25 percent for utilities, according to information distributed by the Office of Emergency Preparedness.

Those persons who live on bus lines are encouraged to ride a bus back and forth to work. It takes up to five times more energy to get a person from home to work in an automobile than it does by bus. For those who are not near bus lines, car pools are suggested

Those who must use their cars are asked to reduce speed. A car traveling at 50 miles per hour uses' approximately 10 percent less gasoline than one traveling at 60. Jack rabbit starts are wasteful of gasoline, as is the habit of speeding up in traffic only to have to apply the brakes quickly and more often.

Proper maintenance of your automobile will cut its gasoline consumption. Such things as keeping it tuned and keeping tires at proper level of inflation also add to the number of miles per gallen.

Trips to the grocer, the bank, the cleaner and other everyday errands should be planned to make one trip do the work of several

Conservation of heating fuel is also important. Lowering the temperature when the house is unoccupied and at night can be an important factor. Weatherstripping, insulation and good storm windows and doors are fuel savers.

Closing draperies can also deflect drafts thus saving another small amount of fuel.

In the summer, many of the same principals as those used for conserving heat can also save on air conditioning.

For both heating and cooling systems, keeping them in good condition, replacing air filters when they become clogged and having professionals check them periodically will also cut energy consumption.

Of course, the simple measure of turning off lights and appliances when they are not needed is one of the easiest ways of conserving many kilowatt hours of electricity.

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year. The Healy family left for one. Also, at the meeting, Monday. High, was elected Vice Presi-F.F.A. Sweetheart is Miss ter of Mr. and Mrs. Teddy the Rodeo Club and Band and THERMAL KNIT MENS has been a MHS twirler. DOUBLE KNIT **BLANKETS** SLACKS \$6.99 \$12.00 4 UP 100% POLYESTER FILLED

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By PATSY BIERA The Cadettes have three new members. They are Susie Shelton, Charleen Fariello and SWEATSHIRTS Vicki Hernandez, The Cadettes went to the cotton gin. They saw the process of how cotton was made into bales. The refreshments were

served by Patsy Biera. There were eight attending the meeting.

The Veterans Administration during the fiscal year 1973 spent more than \$2.5 billion in communities throughout the nation for medical and related care and supplies in connection with the agency's hospitals and clinics.

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| 11 | WEST, David | QB | 5-7 | 130 | Soph. | 0 |
| 20 | FRAZIER, Johnny | HB | 5-8 | 140 | Jr. | 0 |
| 22 | COX, Jeff | TB-QB | 5-7 | 140 | Sr. | 1 |
| 25 | WEST, Steve | TB | 5-10 | 165 | Jr. | 1 |
| 30 | LAND, Jim | FB | 6-0 | 160 | Sr. | 2 |
| 33 | WATTS, Bill | FB | 5-7 | 150 | Jr. | 0 |
| 40 | DUBOSE, Danny | HB | 5-11 | 125 | Soph. | 0 |
| 42 | SPARKS, David | TB | 5-10 | 135 | Soph. | 0 |
| 50 | HOWES, Randal | С | 5-10 | 165 | Jr. | 1 |
| 51 | ASCENCIO, Junior | G | 5-10 | 195 | Sr. | 2 |
| 52 | COX, Larry | С | 5-8 | 145 | Jr. | 0 |
| 60 | MORENO, Mendes | Т | 5-10 | 225 | Jr. | 1 |
| 61 | KRAATZ, David | G | 5-6 | 130 | Soph. | 0 |
| 62 | COX, Ronnie | Т | 5-9 | 165 | Soph. | 0 |
| 63 | COX, Jerry | G | 5-10 | 155 | Jr. | 1 |
| 70 | TARPLEY, Scott | G | 5-7 | 150 | Jr. | 0 |
| 72 | BOONE, Galen | Т | 6-0 | 150 | Jr. | 1 |
| 81 | KING, David | TE | 5-8 | 135 | Soph. | 0 |
| 82 | TOLIVER, Larry | TE | 6-1 | 175 | Sr. | 0 |
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