

## Farm And Ranch Safety Week Proclaimed

AUSTIN — Governor Dolph Briscoe has proclaimed the week of July 25-31 Farm and Ranch Safety Week in Texas. "Although the farm and ranch environment contains many hazards," the governor said in his proclamation, "experience has shown that caution, common sense, skill and protective equipment can counter these hazards and keep accidents and injuries to a minimum. Texas farmers

and ranchers, their families and employees need to dedicate themselves to the task of safely producing the commodities needed by an entire nation."

The proclamation is part of a statewide farm and ranch accident prevention campaign being conducted by the Texas Safety Association, Texas Farm Bureau, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Future Farmers of America and Young Farmers of Texas. The week also concurs with National Farm Safety Week under the co-sponsorship of the National Safety Council and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

State Health Department figures show that there were 214 fatal accidents on Texas farms during 1973. That number is up 16.9 per cent over 1972. The highest ranking fatal farm accidents in 1973 were those involving firearms (42 deaths), drownings (41 deaths), tractors (26 deaths), fires and burns (24 deaths) and falls (20 deaths).

This year's national campaign is focusing on the fall with the theme, "ABC's of Avoiding Falls — Alertness, Balance, Care."

Joe Smetana, TSA vice president for farm and ranch safety, offered some basic suggestions for preventing falls:

— Watch your step. Survey your path to spot slipping, tripping hazards.

— Wear shoes and boots with slip-resistant soles and heels. Clean them before climbing, mounting farm equipment, or walking on hard, smooth surfaces.

— Keep walking surfaces free of ice, snow, manure, loose grain, etc.

— Never permit children to ride on farm equipment. Establish a "no riders" rule—no one should be on farm equipment other than those necessary for work operation or for instructional purposes.

— Use hand holds or rails when climbing off and on machinery. Use handrails on stairs.

— Inspect ladders before each use. Repair or replace if unstable or faulty. Set ladders on firm footing. Set straight ladder base out one foot for each four feet up. Don't overreach. Stay off tall ladders on gusty days.

— Keep buildings maintained. Fix broken flooring, steps, etc.

— Have a storage place for everything; put things away when finished. Good housekeeping is a falls prevention "must."

— Don't block your view when carrying large items.

— Look for hidden hazards when walking in weeds, tall grass, etc.

— Provide plenty of light so you can see where you're going and what you're doing.

— Fatigue, illness, excessive alcohol, worry, poor vision, anger, medications which make you drowsy, etc. make you less alert, more prone to fall.

— Take time to be safe.

## W. P. Scott Rites Thursday

William Percy Scott, 68, died Monday night at Hendricks Hospital after an illness of several weeks.

Funeral will be Thursday at 4 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Trent, with Rev. Price Matheson, associate minister, officiating.

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

Mr. Scott was born May 1, 1906 in Jones County just north of Merkel. He married Phyllis Sampson in Anson in 1933. They moved to Trent in 1937.

He was a member of Masonic Lodge #710 of Merkel.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Bill Scott of Austin and Joe Scott of San Angelo; one brother, Cecil Scott of Abilene; two sisters, Mrs. Howard Cunningham of Fort Worth and Mrs. Harold Miles of Grapevine and five grandchildren.

## Sublett Reunion

The Sublett Family held their 47th reunion at Inks Lake, Texas. The first reunion was in 1923 at the E.J. Orsborn farm, south of Merkel. Others were cancelled during World War II.

The reunion has been held all over Texas and New Mexico each year in July. At Inks Lake, over 70 people attended. It was one of the best. Boats, travel trailers, campers and cars arrived early from New Mexico and all parts of Texas.

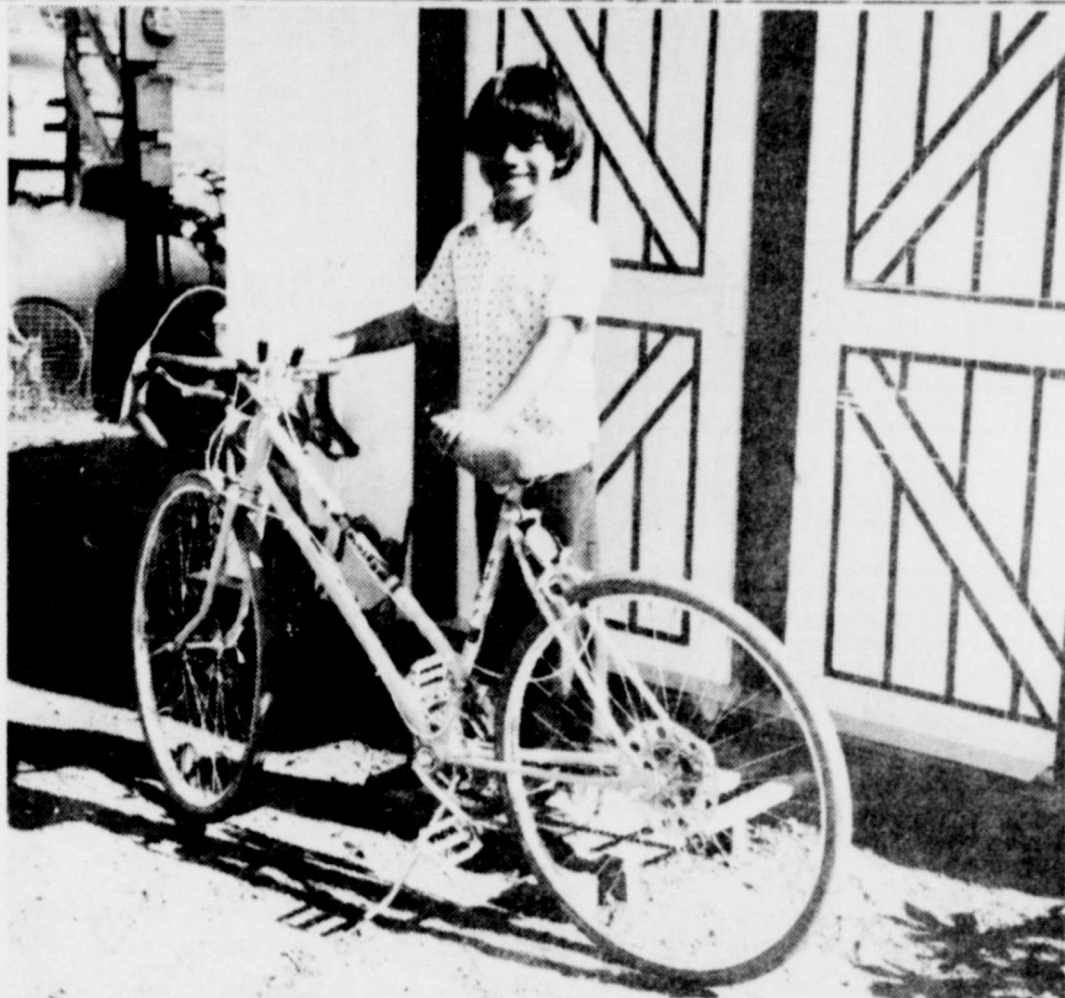
The oldest member present was Mrs. L. G. Hedrick of Sweetwater, and the youngest was Matt Shell, great-grandson of the Irl Walkers.

For the final meal, the group moved over to the beautiful back yard of Mr. and Mrs. Burl Walker of Shady Acres, Texas.

Many changes have been made. Ways of travel have gone from Hack, Surrey, Wagon and Model T's to modern cars, travel trailers and campers. Pallets were exchanged for Motel rooms. Camp fire cooking was traded for barbecue and fried chicken prepared in a nearby restaurant. Reminiscing and fellowship has not changed.

Relatives of Merkel attending were the Hicks, Bratthers, Orsborns and Walker families.

John Stoneman of Dallas was elected president and Mrs. Irl Walker, historian.



WINS BIKE — Alfred Flores Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Flores is shown here with his 26" 10 speed bike which he won by selling subscriptions in the Bicycle Contest sponsored by The Merkel Mail. (Photo by Troy Barnes).

## Fund Established At F&M for Baseball Park

A bank account has been set up at the Farmers and Merchants National Bank to accept funds for the Merkel Youth's Ball Park Project.

Donations may be made to the account and will be published in the Merkel Mail. The project's purpose is to build two baseball parks which will accommodate all age youths. One field will be for teenage boys and the other will be a multi-purpose softball field designed so that girls ages 8 and up can play softball.

This is a project everyone should be interested in because it will provide a place for our area youth to play ball. Along with the Little League and T-Shirt program already in existence, Merkel could give every boy and girl in this area a chance to play ball from age 7 to 18. There is also the possibility of adults using the fields if enough interest is shown in adult teams.

These proposed baseball fields could be a great asset to Merkel and the youth of Merkel, as well as Trent and Tye.

There will be another meeting of those interested in working on the project July 30 at 8:00 at the Asteroid Restaurant.

Donations are as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Pat Cypert, \$5.00.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Wade, \$10.00.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Cypert, \$2.00.

## Merkel 4-H'ers At Congress In Dallas

Wanda Braune and Teresa Clemmer are among 5 Taylor County 4-H members attending Texas 4-H Congress in Dallas this week. They left Abilene by chartered bus Tuesday morning and will return Friday evening.

This year's Congress will focus on the area of "Careers" and is designed to help older 4-H members develop a strategy for career selection. Numerous opportunities will be provided for the delegates to discuss various occupations and to visit business enterprises located in the Dallas-Ft. Worth metropolitanplex.

## Little League

There will be a little league meeting Thursday at 8:00 p.m. at the Merkel Restaurant, announced John Lozano, president.

All managers and assistant managers and ladies auxiliary members are urged to attend.

## City Council Approves New Trash Ordinance For Merkel

The Merkel City Council has adopted a new Trash Ordinance, No. 362 for the city. The ordinance was necessary for the city to be in compliance with regulations of the Environmental Protection Agency as well as state agencies. The city has received 2 citations recently for the way the sanitary landfill has been operated. The mayor told the council members that the City of Merkel would be subject to a fine of up to \$1,000 a day if they did not meet the EPA requirements for the operation of a sanitary landfill.

The council approved the new ordinance as presented. The Merkel Mail is publishing the entire ordinance as a public service so residents may know the new regulations in their entirety. Mayor Allen instructed the City Secretary, Roy Kimbrell, to send the agency a copy of the new ordinance to show that the City is in compliance.

Kent Satterwhite was sworn in as a City Alderman by the city secretary. Satterwhite was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Vernon Wade who resigned to accept a position on the Merkel Police force. Mayor Allen appointed Satterwhite to oversee the Water and Sewer Department.

The council was presented a copy of the budget for the coming year. City Secretary Kimbrell, in presenting the budget, pointed out that the proposed budget will act as a guideline for the city fathers.

The budget reflected some salary increase for city employees, but it was pointed out that they were just proposals and not final. Mayor Allen told other council members that the entire council would need to act on salary increases. The mayor requested that the secretary prepare a list of city employees and what their present salary is and other pertinent information. The council will consider the matter at a later meeting.

The council was given a report on Cable TV for Merkel by Mayor Allen. Allen told the members present that Cable TV is still alive for Merkel. He said the company is having trouble getting a waiver from the FCC. He said that the company had asked that he contact Congressman Omar Burleson concerning the matter.

Other matters considered by the Council were:

Approved a \$679.00 expenditure to the Police Department for new communication equipment. Police Chief, Jim

Broussard stated, "the new equipment will pay for itself in approximately six months, and improve communication with other City, County, and State agencies".

Henry Guenther will be hired as part time police officer. Guenther, a retired Tech. Sergeant, of the United States Air Force, has consented to work part time for \$40 per month, to keep his police officers standing in Texas.

The Council will be soliciting bids for gasoline and service work of city vehicles, from all local concerns.

It was also decided to purchase a new battery charger for the Fire Dept.

ORDINANCE NO. 362

BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS:

SECTION NO. 1

DEFINITIONS: The following words when used in this Ordinance shall have the means ascribed to them in this section:

(a) Garbage - Term "garbage" shall mean all animal and vegetable matter, such as waste material and refuse from kitchens, residences, grocery stores, butcher shops, cafes, restaurants, drug stores, hotels, rooming, boarding, and apartment houses, and other deleterious substances, not to include dirt, concrete, tile, plaster, rocks, and other such substances.

(b) Trash - The term "trash" shall mean rubbish such as feathers, coffee grounds, ashes, tin cans, paper bags, boxes, glass, newspapers, magazines, and such other paper products, grass, stubs, flowers, yard cleanings, grass clippings, leaves and tree trimmings, not to include dirt, concrete, tile, plaster, rocks and other such substances.

(c) Person - The word "person" shall include both singular and plural and shall mean and embrace any person, firm or corporation, their agents, servants, tenants and employees.

(d) City - The word "city" when used in this ordinance shall mean the City of Merkel, Taylor County, Texas.

(e) Pronouns - Pronouns in the masculine gender shall include the corresponding word in the feminine or neuter gender.

SECTION NO. 2

DEPOSITING GARBAGE, TRASH, ETC. ON STREETS, VACANT LOTS, ETC.:

It shall be unlawful for any person to sweep, haul, throw, or deposit any garbage, hand-bills, trash, dirt, concrete, rocks, brick, plaster, tile, glass, stagnant water or dead animals into, upon, or along any drain, gutter, alley, sidewalk, parkway, street, or va-

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## New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Mack Bigbee are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Queena Carmel Bigbee, arriving Saturday, July 20, 1974, 11:57 a.m. at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene, Texas, weighing 7lbs. 1 oz.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Mack Bigbee and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Vincent. Maternal grandparents are Mrs. Pat McAllister and the late T. B. McAllister. Paternal great-grandmothers are Mrs. Faye Purser of Trent and Mrs. Hassie Bigbee of Corpus Christi, Tex. Maternal great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Price R. Floyd.

## Farmers Union Meet Thursday

Farmers Union will have meeting Thursday night at 8:00 at the Asteroid Restaurant.

All members are urged to attend.

## Vacation Bible School To Begin July 29 At First Baptist Church

Vacation Bible School will begin at First Baptist Church in Merkel on July 29 and continue through August 2, pastor Kenneth F. Jones has announced. The school will begin at 9 o'clock each morning, and will dismiss daily at 11:30 a.m.

"We have purposely waited until late in the summer to have our Vacation Bible School," pastor Jones said, "in order that our boys and girls will have this particular activity to help them round out a summer fun. The Little League season and the school recreation program keep our children busy the earlier part of the summer months, so we have waited until now for V.B.S. We hope the parents of our community

will urge their children to come to Vacation Bible School at our church."

The school will be made up of five separate departments, and will be for boys and girls, ages 4 through 13. Departments will be on the school grade basis, and will include children up through the 7th grade in school.

"We would like for all children to attend, and we want everyone to know they are welcome, regardless of their church preference," the pastor said. "On next Monday morning, we ask that the children assemble in front of our church auditorium, and be ready to begin the school at 9 o'clock. Parents are also welcome to come and observe the school in progress."



FAITH SINGERS GOSPEL QUARTET  
Lewis & Lillian Pack and Linda & Donnie Clepper

## Ray Pack Show To Have Ann Dye As Guest

The Ray Pack Show will present a musical concert for benefit of the Merkel Youth's Ball Park Project which has been started by a group of interested citizens and parents in Merkel.

The musical will be presented at 8:00 in the High School Auditorium Monday, July 29.

Making a guest appearance with the Ray Pack Show will be Ann (Mildred) Dye of Tye. Mrs. Dye appeared for two years with the show in Abilene and Lubbock. She has recently returned to this area. She and her husband, Bill, live with their two children, Donald and Roger, at Tye. Her husband is C. S. manager for Sears in Abilene. Mrs. Dye issued an invitation to everyone to come out and support the benefit for the Merkel Teenage Baseball League.

The Ray Pack Show consists of Duke, Dwayne, Pee Wee and Ray Pack. They play country, rock and pop music. Ray and Duke have been playing together nearly six years. Pee Wee and Dwayne have been with the group three years. Also appearing at the event will be Lewis and Lillian Pack and Donnie and Linda Clepper from Brownwood. They will sing religious selections.



ANN DYE  
... guest appearance

## New Principal At Trent ISD

The new principal for Trent Independent School District is Roy Neff, graduate of West Texas State University. Neff, 27, will also serve as High School boys and girls basketball coach.

He and his wife, Lynn, and 2 1/2 year old daughter, Tami Suzanne, moved to Trent last month, from Rolls, a AA school east of Lubbock where he was head basketball coach.

Neff, who is a 1965 graduate of McAdoo High School, played on State Championship basketball teams in 1963 and 1964; and he was named as an All-State player in 1965. While attending and playing basketball at South Plains College in Levelland, they won the Western Jr. College conference in 1966.

He received his Bachelor of Science degree from West Texas State University in 1968. He completed his study for a Master's degree and Administrator's Certificate at Texas Tech University in Lubbock in 1970.



WINNER OF CASTILLE'S GRAND OPENING PRIZE — Mrs. Kenneth McDaniel was presented an 8 place setting of silverware by Pat Castille, Monday at Castille's Hardware and Gifts, (formerly Bullocks's). Winners of the \$5 Gift Certificates were, Betty Allday, Marie Beard, and Faye Ueckert. (Photo By Troy Barnes).



SECRET PLACE YIELDS BIG CATCH — L to R, Brad Pursley 14, and Dwain English, 14, both of Merkel came to The Merkel Mail to show their 7 1/2 lb. catfish. The wet, muddy, and excited boys would not tell where the catch was made. (Photo by Troy Barnes).



## Mrs. Mary Grimes New HECE Teacher

Mrs. Mary Grimes will head the HECE program at Merkel High School this year. Mrs. Grimes, her husband, Don, and her 8 month-old daughter moved to Merkel recently from Abilene. Her husband works for GO International in Abilene. Mary is a 1972 graduate of Abilene Christian College, with a Bachelor of Science in Home Economics.

She did her student teaching in '72 and in '73 was a substitute teacher in the Abilene Public School system.

HECE is an on-the-job training program for high school students who are interested in home economics related occupations. The student attends class until 1:30 each day and is employed for a minimum of fifteen hours each week in a home economics related occupation. In addition to regular school classes, the student receives daily instruction related to the world of work and the home economics occupation in which she is employed. Juniors and Seniors, 16 years of age or older, are eligible to participate in the program.

Examples of approved occupations for HECE students include the following. Cloth-



MARY GRIMES  
...HECE teacher

ing Assistant, Companion to the Elderly, Consumer Aide, Dietitian Aide, Food Service Employee, Floral Designer, Housekeeping Management Assistant, Physical Fitness Assistant, Child Care Aide, Art and Craft Aide, Fashion Coordinator, Home Furnishings Aide and etc.

Some advantages to the student is 1. assistance in selecting and obtaining a training job in keeping with interests and abilities, 2. The related studies class supplements the on-the-job training, 3. Offers a try-out period to test students' interest and

aptitude in the occupation selected, 4. Increases his employability upon completion of high school, and 5. Provides an opportunity to discover need for additional skills and information while still in school.

Advantages to the employer are 1. Makes possible better trained employees, 2. Provides both a present and future source of employees, and 3. Offers opportunity to participate in an educational program of benefit to the community.

Some of the students and their jobs, if placed already, are as follows: Patsy Ascencio, Debbie Beard (Merkel Drug), Beverly Mawson, Beverly Gilmore (Crawfords), David King (Stuckeys), Jody Barnes, Rick Bodin, (Pottery Business), Ester Hernandez (School Cafeteria), Johnnie Cyndie (Wilsons), and Cindy Lindsey (School Cafeteria).

Mrs. Grimes stated she has several openings in local businesses for boys if any junior and senior boys are interested. Also, if any students or merchants are interested in this program, contact Mary Grimes at Merkel High School.

## Miss Kimbrell, Hudman Exchanged Vows July 19

Becky Lynn Kimbrell and Michael Paul Hudman were united in marriage Friday afternoon, July 19, 1974 in a private, double ring ceremony. Larry Gill, minister of the Church of Christ, officiated.

Becky is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kimbrell of 1506 Heath, Merkel.

Mike is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hudman, Rt. 1, Merkel.

The bride attended Merkel High School and was active in band and choir.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Merkel High School and was an active member of FFA.

Hudman is presently employed by Piggly Wiggly Food store in Stephenville where he plans to attend fall classes at Tarleton State College.

The couple will live at



MRS. MICHAEL HUDMAN  
...nee Becky Kimbrell  
390 West Frey, Stephenville, Texas.

## Girls Softball News

By MELBA GLASSCOCK

The Merkel Bombers beat Trent girls last Thursday, 18-16. Friday night they played the Hawley Bluejays and lost both games. They played against girls a lot older than they and really tried hard, but lost anyway.

Plans are underway to build a softball field and a hardball field for the Merkel, Trent and Tye children. There are several money making projects underway and we will be looking for the support of everyone to help out in this worthwhile project for our youth. Contributions may be made at the Farmers and Merchants National Bank.

## Shortages 'Acute'

AUSTIN—Baling wire and fertilizer shortages are termed acute in numerous counties around the state according to figures recently issued by the Texas State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) in College Station.

Agriculture Commissioner John C. White said the figures reveal that the baling wire shortage is acute in 62 counties and tight in 95. Baling twine is acute in 39 counties and tight in 81.

Nitrogen fertilizer supplies are reported as acute in 17 counties, phosphate in 11 and potash and mixtures in eight.

The report is issued monthly by the ASCS as a monitoring service. State findings are forwarded to the Federal Energy Office in Dallas. The report was started with the onset of the fuel shortage and it continues to monitor gasoline and diesel supplies.

No counties reported acute fuel shortages during June and only 33 mentioned tight gasoline or diesel supplies.

White said fuel problems generally can be alleviated quickly because agricultural producers receive top priority in this area.

## Moore - Isom To Exchange August Vows

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Moore of 1406 Sunset, Merkel, have announced the engagement and approaching marriage, of

their daughter, Gloria, to Rodney Isom.

The couple plan to marry August 17, 1974.

Miss Moore is a graduate of Merkel High School. Attending McMurry and North Texas State. She is employed at Old Abilene Town Gift Shop.

Isom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Isom of 2026 Lowden, Abilene, attended Abilene High School and is employed at Old Abilene Town.

## Nixon Asked To Sign Bill

WACO — The Texas Farm Bureau Board of Directors has asked President Nixon to sign into law an emergency livestock credit bill just passed by Congress.

The legislation provides up to \$250,000 credit for individual livestock producers. Eligibility would be limited to bona fide farmers and ranchers, as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Here is the text of the telegram which was signed by TFB President J. T. (Red) Woodson of Gober:

"The Texas Farm Bureau Board of Directors, representing 152,380 family members, urgently requests that you sign H. R. 15560 (livestock credit legislation).

**SENIOR CITIZENS SCHEDULE EVENTS**  
1st Monday Night of Month singing.  
2nd Tuesday Noon Covered Dish Luncheon.  
Game Nights Every Thurs. & 4th Monday 4th Thurs. GAME Night Reserved for Talented Amateurs

## VACATION NEWS

Mrs. Marie Shanks and her daughter Phyllis recently returned from a three week tour of Colorado, Wyoming, and Montana. They visited Mrs. Shanks' uncle in Buffalo, Wyoming and saw some of Phyllis' Great-Grandfather Mathew Larkin's Indian relic collection in the Johnson County Museum at Buffalo.

They visited with four daughters and one son who lives in Butte. Mr. and Mrs. Chris Martin and Mark, Mr. and Mrs. Tom McGarry, Chris, and Leigh Ann, Miss Cecelia Steinborn, and Mrs. Jim Steinborn, Ronnie and Ray.

On July 4, the two hour parade was led by Evel Knievel, who was Parade Marshal. The family get-together barbecue was attended by 23 people. A special tour of the Weed Concentrator and a trip down into the Berkeley Pit, which is the largest all-truck operated Copper Mine in the U.S., was of special interest as Mr. Shanks was an employee of the Anaconda Co. for many years. Mrs. Shanks son, Jim, is employed by Anaconda Co. at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Steinborn have a new baby girl, Jennifer Marie, born in Edgewood, Maryland, June 10, Mrs.

Shanks has 12 grandchildren now.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Schultz, Rt. 2, Merkel, are being escorted on a trip by their son, Harv.

The Schultzes are visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Warren and family. Mrs. Warren, formerly of Merkel, is their daughter.

The trip is to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn, of the 6th community, flew to Virginia, to visit their son Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Mashburn.

The Mashburns are touring Washington D.C. and other points of interest.

They also plan to fly to Washington state and California in August, to visit other children. On their return, they will move to Virginia.

The Mashburns have been on a job in Wichita Falls, the past year.

Seeing them off were, Mrs. Mattie Shaw, Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Royce Mashburn, Wichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Hardin and children, of Lawn, and Mr. and Mrs. Wade Shaw of Gainesville.



In the Public Interest  
by CONGRESSMAN LES ASPIN  
Member, House Armed Services Committee

Why does peace cost more than war? I think it's basically because we're not having very intelligent weapons and we're not making very intelligent use of the money that we have.

The weapons are costing just unbelievable amounts of money because of cost overruns and because of gold-plating fancy weapons.

One Plane:  
\$14-20 Million

If you plot the cost of weapons systems and then how much it costs for the replacement, and then how much it costs for the next replacement, they just go up geometrically. For example, we're now replacing the F-4 plane which costs roughly four million dollars apiece with the F-15 and the F-14 which will cost anywhere from 14 to 20 million dollars apiece.

Now there's no reason for that increase in cost. One F-15, or one F-14 is not 4 to 5 times better than one F-4. It's just gold-plating, excessive costs, excessive equipment, excessive fanciness on these weapons systems.

Incredible Waste

And if we're going to have a strong defense, we've got to somehow develop ways in which we can develop a weapons system which is simple and reliable and not the kinds of things that we are buying now. It's just incredibly wasteful. That's just one area.

There are other areas of manpower and other kinds of waste which are the same. We've just got to be much more careful how we spend our money.

The F-14 mentioned above is being developed by the Navy. The F-15 is being developed by the Air Force. The F-4 which was originally a Navy plane is being used by both the Air Force and the Navy at the present time.

And so for the one plane to replace one single plane, a plane which has served both services, we are now developing two planes, one for each service—extremely expensive planes.

Reader comments are welcome. Send to: IPI, 201 Main Street, Arlington, VA, Room 219, Washington, DC 22202. IPI is a project of the Ford for Peace.

## Riney To Teach At Blackwell

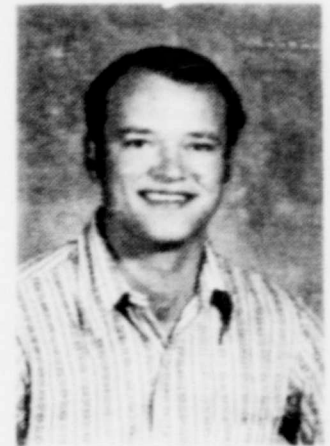
Larry Riney, a graduate of Hardin-Simmons, will be employed by the Blackwell Public Schools, for the 1974-75 school year. He will be teaching Business and English in high school.

Larry, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Riney, will live in Blackwell.

Riney has been employed this summer in the Merkel Public School tax office.



LARRY RINEY  
...to teach



MR. AND MRS. BRUCE THOMAS  
...new teachers

## Husband And Wife Teach At Trent

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Thomas have moved to Trent recently from Blackwell. Mrs. Thomas (Jere), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Les John-

son of Abilene, will be teaching Home Economics in Trent High School. She graduated from Cooper High School in Abilene in 1968 and attended Stephen F. Austin College. She is a 1972 graduate of ACC, with a major in Home Economics.

Mr. Thomas will be in charge of Jr. High boys' and girls' athletics. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Pat Thomas of Midland. He is a 1967 graduate of Abilene High School. He graduated from McMurry in 1971 with a Bachelor of Science in Physical Education and a minor in speech.

Coach Thomas previously taught in Blackwell for two years. The Thomases own land 6 miles north of Merkel.

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<b>LADIES SANDALS \$3.99</b>	<b>100% POLYESTER DOUBLEKNIT SUITS \$55.00</b>	<b>GIRLS 7-14 BLOUSES \$3.99</b>
<b>GIRLS SANDALS 1/2 PRICE</b>	<b>MENS KNIT SHIRTS \$4.99 VALUES TO \$8.99</b>	<b>STRETCH NYLON BRIEFS 89c</b>
<b>GYM SHOES GOLD COLOR \$5.99</b>	<b>NOCONA BOOTS \$45.00</b>	<b>GIRLS NYLON BRIEFS 59c</b>
<b>BOYS SIZE 13-16 TRACK SHOES \$3.99</b>	<b>MENS PERMANENT PRESS COWBOY CUT JEANS \$8.99</b>	<b>NYLON PANTY HOSE THAT FIT 2 PAIR \$1.00</b>
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## CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

<b>5 %</b> 30 DAYS	<b>5 1/2 %</b> 90 DAYS	<b>6 %</b> 12 MONTHS	<b>6 1/2 %</b> 30 MONTHS	<b>7 1/4 %</b> 4 YEARS
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MERKEL, TEXAS



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ORDINANCE NO. 362

An ordinance of the City of Merkel, Texas, defining garbage, trash and rubbish and prescribing methods for depositing garbage, trash and rubbish on the streets, vacant lots and premises; prescribing duties of owners, occupants, etc. of cans or containers, setting out requirements as to containers used for garbage and trash; designating the placing of garbage and trash cans for collection; providing rules for trash not in containers; prescribing the duties of owners, occupants, etc. as to the placement of cans for collection; providing duties of owners and occupants to use metal containers which are provided by the city where so provided; providing for the disposal of dead animals; providing for the disposal of rock, dirt, concrete, brick, tile, plaster, resulting from construction of remodeling; providing for the disposal of waste from tree trimming operations; providing for a systematic and efficient collection system; providing for a owner or occupant of premises see that receptacles are emptied on a systematic basis; providing for the drainage of wet garbage; on a systematic basis; providing for operating hours and days at city dump ground and attendant; providing for the locking of the premises of the city dump grounds; providing for the covering of trash and garbage each day; providing for no burning at city dump grounds or within the City of Merkel; providing no salvage to be taken from city dump ground by any person; providing for the duties of the Health Officer as to inspection and enforcement; providing for a penalty and providing publication and effective date of this ordinance; a repeal of all conflicting ordinances; and providing for the severability of the parts of this ordinance.

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## As It Looks From Here

By REP. OMAR BURLESON  
17th District, Texas



WASHINGTON, D.C. - Another new agency of government is being created out of an existing program which provides legal services to the poor.

As of now, the office of legal services in the office of Economic Opportunity, is able to provide legal advice to those who cannot afford to pay, but a new measure passed by the House of Representatives and now in the U.S. Senate, creates a Federally funded program run by a private corporation with a Board of Directors.

As the bill was first drawn, there was provided what is known as "back-up" services. This meant that the corporation could contract with universities to research legal questions sent them by its lawyers. It was argued that these back-up centers for research would be a waste of money and it was dropped out of the bill. Also deleted was a wide range of services in connection with any legal difficulty. The latest version would provide aid only in civil cases and not including criminal matters. It also has a prohibition against government lawyers taking cases involving school desegregation, abortion, selective service or military desertion and matters dealing with political activities, labor matters or demonstrations.

Under the office of economic opportunity there is evidence that in many of the larger cities, lawyers went out and brought in clients in whose name all sorts of claims were filed. In other words, the lawyers found the people to fit certain cases instead of cases fitting the individual. In many instances the clients realized no benefit of any kind but were used as a tool for all sorts of suits.

No one should be denied access to the courts when they have a real cause but for legal grievances to be created is something else. The record indicates that hundreds of suits were filed with little expectation of being finally successful but with a hope of settlement out of court or for a fee from the Government.

At least it is a hope that with changes made in the pending proposal some of these ridiculous activities may be ended.

With consumer protection and a 1,001 other governmental services, this appears to cover just about everything, except spiritual advice. This would probably be added if there were not a Constitutional provision separating church and state.



### CANTALOUPE COOLER

- 1/2 cup cantaloupe
- 1/2 cup ice water
- 1 1/2 tsp. fresh lemon or lime juice
- 2 tsp. sugar
- 2 Tbsp. crushed ice

Place cantaloupe in blender and run until cantaloupe is pureed or mash cantaloupe and press through sieve. Add remaining ingredients. Whizz and shake vigorously until frothy. Serve garnished with a slice of lemon or lime or a sprig of fresh mint. Yield: 1 serving (about 1 cup).

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## Farm-facts

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John C. White, Commissioner

Vegetables Growing... Cattle Advisors' Names...  
Brucellosis Again... Screwworms Increasing... Cotton Report Awaited

**COMMERCIAL VEGETABLES** mean around \$140,000,000-\$150,000,000 a year to the Texas economy, and tasty, healthful foods for everyone. Only California and Florida rank higher in commercial vegetable growing, although Texas ranked first in 1972 in harvested acres of watermelons, cabbage, and spinach. The Rio Grande Valley and Winter Garden areas are the biggest producers of vegetables but there are many commercial vegetables grown all over the State. As an indication, the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service estimates the following acreages for harvest this year: 55,000 acres of watermelons, 4,500 acres of tomatoes, 5,400 acres of onions, and 1,000 acres of cucumbers. Of course other vegetables, like green peppers, lettuce, carrots, turnip greens, spinach, and cantaloupes are grown in Texas.

**THREE TEXANS** are on the new Cattle Industry Advisory Committee announced by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. They are: James W. Campbell of Pampa, Tobin Armstrong of Armstrong, and Harold D. Florence Jr. of Dumas. The large committee is supposed to provide counsel on cattle production, marketing, international trade, economics outlooks; but will meet only as needed when called by the chairman, Dr. Richard L. Feltner, assistant secretary for marketing and consumer services.

**TALKING ABOUT** the suffering cattle industry, cattle growers in Freestone, Leon, and Milam Counties face more brucellosis testing before shipping beef or dairy breeding cattle. Those three counties, and some counties in Oklahoma and South Dakota, have been taken off the modified-certified brucellosis areas. Navarro, Wood and Cherokee have been restored to the modified-certified brucellosis areas. A part of Bailey County, Texas has been placed under quarantine for psoroptic cattle scabies after an infestation was found in a feedlot late in June.

**SCREWORM** control officials report that there were 628 confirmed screwworm cases in 71 counties of Texas during June. Counties reporting their first screwworm cases in 1974 included Edwards, Reeves, Crane, Upton, Hays, Williamson, San Saba, and Menard. Over all of Texas, there were 628 cases of screwworms reported in June, Bee County leading the list with 55 cases, followed by Kennedy with 51 and Brooks with 48. There were only 145 cases reported in June, 1973 and 15,889 in June, 1972. There have been 1,500 confirmed screwworm cases so far this year in the State.

**COTTON FARMERS** are waiting for the USDA's first cotton production estimate August 12. It is expected that the 1974 crop will produce less than 13.4 million bales, because the crop reports earlier are believed higher than the number of acres actually planted. In late June, USDA estimated it thinks the 1974-75 cotton supply will be below the 1973-74 supply of 16 million bales. The August 1 carryover is estimated to be 3.5 million bales. On the High Plains, a total of 2,271,000 acres are estimated planted or being planted, and that is 20% below the total in 1973.

### TEL Class Has Breakfast

The TEL Class of the First Baptist Church met at the Asteroid Restaurant for breakfast.

Hostesses were Ruby Jenkins, Bessie Perry and Mrs. Ora Griggs.

Members present were: Mmes. Essie Warren, Mary Moser, Bessie Clack, Minnie Carey, Dewey Fleming, Bessie Perry, Jewell Criswell, Ora Griggs, Ruby Jenkins, Fannie Keith, Blanche Teaff, Paralee Gibson, Mae Seago and Callie Newsom. Bessie Perry gave the thanks and Mae Seago delivered the devotion. Bessie Clack, secretary, gave the report.

### Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Swinney of Lubbock visited last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Buchanan.

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### Riding Club Event Results

#### Western Pleasure

12 and Under - Norman Frazier, 2. Shannon Boyd, 3. Sherri Williams, 4. Jay Gibson, 5. Vickie Campbell, 13-16 - 1. Cindy Boone, 2. Sherri Frazier, 3. Susie Toombs, 4. Terry Gramburger, 5. Charles Hatfield, 17 and Over - 1. Kathryn Whisenhunt, 2. Barbara Whisenhunt, 3. Lynn Dokey, 4. Felix Boyd, 5. Jarrett Pinckley.

#### Boat Race

5 and Under - 1. Mike Dokey, 2. Tiffany Allday, 3. Amber Whisenhunt, 4. Wade Toomb, 5. Kyle Coker, 6-8 - 1. Kevin Coker, 2. James Allday, 3. Brooks Boyd, 4. Hue Pannell, 5. Robbie Williams.

#### Roping

1. Deris Hutcheson, 2. Elby Frazier, 3. Kenny Hogan.

#### Ribbon Roping

1. Elby Frazier - Norma Frazier, 2. Deris Hutcheson - James Allday, 3. Don Dudley - Vickie Campbell, 4. Allen Frazier - Eddy Sparks, 5. James Boyd - Brooks Boyd.

#### Head-Heeling Steers

1. Deris Hutcheson - Benny Melton, 2. Walter Henslee - Joe Golson.

#### Barrels

12 and Under - 1. Tamara Golson, 2. Lisa Dokey, 3. Jeff Toombs, 4. Sherri Williams, 5. Buddy Stout, 13-16 - 1. Cindy Boone, 2. Susie Toombs, 3. Terry

#### Gramburger, 4. Charles Hatfield, 5. Sherri Frazier, 17 and Over - 1. Kathryn Whisenhunt, 2. Barbara Whisenhunt, 3. Jack Hogan, 4. Jarrett Pinckley, 5. Mary B. Phillips.

#### Flags

12 and Under - 1. Jeff Toombs, 2. Lisa Dokey, 3. Sherri Williams, 4. Buddy Stout, 5. Vickie Campbell and Norma Frazier (tie).

13-16 - 1. Cindy Boone, 2. Charles Hatfield, 3. Creg Hutchings, 4. Sherri Frazier, 5. Penny Hatfield.

17 and Over - 1. Jarrett Pinckley, 2. Kathryn Whisenhunt, 3. Barbara Whisenhunt, 4. Lynn Dokey, 5. James Dean.

#### Poles

12 and Under - 1. Jeff Toombs, 2. Tamara Golson, 3. Eddie Sparks, 4. Lisa Dokey, 5. Sherri Williams, 13-16 - 1. Cindy Boone, 2. Susie Toombs, 3. Charles Hatfield, 4. Terry Gramburger - Sherri Frazier (tie), 5. Creg Hutchings.

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# New Trash Ordinance

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can lot, or upon any public or private premises within the corporate limits of the city.

## SECTION NO. 3

**DUTY OF OWNER, OCCUPANT, ETC., TO PROVIDE CANS OR CONTAINERS:**

Every owner, occupant, tenant, or lessee using or occupying any building, house or structure within the corporate limits of the city of residences, churches, schools, colleges, lodges, commercial, industrial, business or other purposes, shall provide and maintain garbage cans and receptacles of sufficient number and type as hereinafter specified, to hold the garbage and trash that will normally accumulate on the premises.

## SECTION NO. 4

**REQUIREMENTS AS TO CONTAINERS SUED FOR GARBAGE AND TRASH:**

Each of such owners, occupants, tenants, or lessees described in the preceding section of this ordinance shall provide an adequate number of suitable metal containers or other suitable receptacles approved by the Mayor, for garbage and trash which must be substantially constructed, water-tight and of a solid and durable grade of metal and not less than twenty (20) nor more than fifty-five (55) gallons capacity (provided, however, as any and all fifty-five (55) gallon containers wear out or become unusable, they shall be replaced with thirty (30) gallon containers, and the combined weight of the container and the contents shall not exceed one hundred (100) pounds. All containers after January 1, 1975, shall be provided with suitable lifting handles on the outside and a close fitting metal or other approved cover which shall also be equipped with a handle. The container must not have any inside structure such as inside bands or reinforcing angles or anything within the container to prevent the free discharge of the contents. Containers that have deteriorated, or that have been damaged to the extent of having jagged or sharp edges capable of causing injury to city collectors, or other persons whose duty it is to handle the containers, or to such an extent that the covers will not fit securely, will be condemned by the city, acting through its health officer or his duly authorized representative, and if such containers are not replaced after notice to the owner or user of such defective condition, they shall be confiscated.

## SECTION NO. 5

**LIDS OR COVERS OR CONTAINERS TO BE KEPT SECURE AND FASTENED EXCEPT WHEN IN ACTUAL USE:**

The lids or covers of all garbage and trash containers shall at all times be kept secure and fastened so that flies and other insects may not have access to the contents thereof. Such lids or covers shall only be removed while the containers or receptacles are being filled or emptied, as the case may be.

## SECTION NO. 6

**PLACING GARBAGE AND TRASH CANS FOR COLLECTION:**

If the house, building, or premises from which the garbage and trash is to be collected and removed is adjacent to an alley, the owner, occupant, or lessee of such premises shall be required, and is required, to place the containers adjacent to the alley for collection, in order that they may be easily accessible to the collector from the outside of any fence that may surround the premises. In the event that is not practicable to collect and remove garbage and trash from the alley, or if there be no alley adjacent to the premises, the owner, occupant, tenant, or lessee of the premises, shall place the container for collection so that the collector shall not be required to go more than twenty (20) feet beyond the collection vehicle for the purpose of collection; nor shall the collector be required to service containers situated within a fence unless such containers can be easily removed by the collector without going inside of such fenced area. In no event shall the collector be required to enter buildings, garages, breezeways, carports, or other structures to make collections. No container shall be placed either for storage or collection at a point nearer the street than the front of each principal building, house, dwelling unit, or structure concerned. In the event it is not practical to place the containers for collection as above specified

the Mayor and City Council, by resolution, shall determine whatever different location of the container is necessary.

## SECTION NO. 7

**COLLECTION OF TRASH NOT IN CONTAINERS:**

In the event trash is of such a nature that it cannot be put in the regulation containers, it shall be placed in disposable containers or tightly tied and bundled and placed in neat and orderly piles, and placed adjacent to the alley or on the edge of the alley, in order that it may be removed conveniently. Tree limbs and hedge clippings shall not exceed five (5) feet in length and no single bundle, tree limb, stump or cutting shall exceed one hundred (100) pounds in weight. Trash collected under this section shall not exceed two (2) cubic yards by volume or a single truckload, whichever is the greater, on any one collection day. Provided however, it shall be unlawful for any person to place trash in an alley or street so as to obstruct or hamper vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

## SECTION NO. 8

**DUTY OF OWNER, OCCUPANT, ETC. TO USE METAL CONTAINERS PROVIDED BY THE CITY:**

Every owner, occupant, tenant, or lessee, using or occupying any building, house or structure within the corporate limits of the city of residences, churches, schools, colleges, lodges, commercial, industrial, business or other purposes, shall be required to use the containers herein specified for such purposes.

## SECTION NO. 9

**DISPOSAL OF DEAD ANIMALS:**

Dogs, cats, or other dead animals shall not be placed in garbage or trash containers. The dead animal pickup service of the city will, upon notice to do so, remove such small dead animals.

## SECTION NO. 10

**DISPOSAL OF ROCK, DIRT, CONCRETE, BRICK, TILE, PLASTER, ETC.:**

Rock, dirt, concrete, brick, tile, plaster, waste, glass, roofing, scrap building materials, or other trash resulting from construction or major remodeling of buildings or resulting from a general cleanup of vacant or improved property just prior to its occupancy, or resulting from sizeable amounts of trees, brush and debris, cleared from property in preparation for construction, will not be removed by the city as regular service.

## SECTION NO. 11

**WASTE FROM TREE TRIMMING OPERATIONS:**

It shall be the duty of any person employing, engaging or otherwise paying a contractor, professional tree trimmer, or any other person, to trim and prune his trees or shrubs to have the trimmings and debris removed at the contractor's expense. The city will not remove trimmings and debris created by such persons as regular service.

## SECTION NO. 12

**COLLECTION, ETC. TO BE CARRIED ON IN A SYSTEMATIC AND EFFICIENT MANNER:**

The collection, removal, and disposal of all garbage and trash shall be made at least once each week from houses, buildings and premises used for residential purposes and certain types of places of business as weather conditions and other uncontrollable factors will permit. Such collection, removal and disposal of garbage and trash shall be carried on in a systematic and efficient manner, keeping the city in a clean and sanitary condition.

## SECTION NO. 13

**DUTY OF THE OWNER, OCCUPANT, ETC. TO REPORT AFTER SEVEN (7) DAYS:**

Every owner, occupant, tenant, or lessee of a house or building used for residential, public, business or commercial purposes is required to maintain constant supervision and surveillance over the garbage and trash cans and receptacle on his

premises. If the cans and receptacles are not emptied and the contents removed by an agent or representative of the city or other duly authorized person for a period of seven (7) days, he must notify the City Secretary of the city of this fact within three (3) days.

## SECTION NO. 14

**GARBAGE AND TRASH TO BE DRAINED BEFORE PLACING IN CAN OR RECEPTACLE: ANIMAL MATTER TO BE WRAPPED IN PAPER:**

All garbage and trash that is mixed with water or other liquids shall be thoroughly drained before being put in garbage and trash cans or receptacles for collection. All animal matter that is subject to decomposition shall be well wrapped in paper or other combustible material before being deposited in such container or receptacle.

## SECTION NO. 15

**OPERATING HOURS AND DAYS: ATTENDANT ON DUTY:**

The city dumping grounds shall be open for dumping four (4) days of the week, on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, and an attendant shall be on duty during such operating hours to direct the unloading of trash and garbage and other refuse or debris or signs shall be in place directing such dumping. No person shall unload or dump trash, garbage or other refuse or debris in any area of the city dump other than the area in current use as directed by such attendant or signs in place. The hours for such dumping shall be from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. each day.

## SECTION NO. 16

**LOCKING OF PREMISES OF CITY DUMP GROUNDS:**

The gates of the city dump ground shall be locked at all times other than those times hereinabove set forth for the operating hours and days and no person shall unload or dump or attempt to unload or dump trash, garbage or debris or refuse at any time not during such operating hour.

## SECTION NO. 17

**COVERING OF TRASH AND GARBAGE EACH DAY:**

All trash and garbage dumped during the day shall be covered with a good and sufficient layer of clean dirt so as to prevent the breeding and habitation of said city dump grounds by vermin, insects and other disease carrying animals or organisms.

## SECTION NO. 21

**NO BURNING AT CITY DUMP GROUNDS OR WITHIN CITY OF MERKEL:**

No person shall ignite or set fire or permit a fire to continue burning to or in any trash or garbage or refuse or dump any trash, garbage or refuse which is affire at the city dump ground, nor shall any person set fire to or permit any fire to continue burning in any trash or garbage within the City of Merkel.

## SECTION NO. 19

No trash or garbage which is burning, smoldering or has any live fire therein shall be permitted to be dumped by any person at the city dump grounds.

## SECTION NO. 20

**DUTY OF HEALTH OFFICER OR HIS AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE AS TO INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT OF ORDINANCE:**

In addition to the usual enforcement agencies of the city, it is hereby the duty of the City Health Officer or his authorized representative to make inspection trips at regular intervals to determine whether or not garbage and trash is being properly collected, removed, and disposed of as required by the provisions of this Ordinance or by other applicable Ordinance and Statutes. In the event it is found that this Ordinance or other applicable Ordinance or Statutes are being violated, appropriate and timely action shall be taken to insure full compliance with its or their provisions.

## SECTION NO. 22

**PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE:**

This Ordinance shall be published in the Merkel Mail in the City of Merkel, and shall become effective and be in full force and effect ten (10) days from the date of the last publication.

## SECTION NO. 23

**REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES:**

All Ordinances or part of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

## SECTION NO. 24

**SEVERABILITY OF PARTS OF ORDINANCE:**

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council of the City of Merkel that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance are severable and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or contrary to superior law by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this Ordinance since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation of any such unconstitutional or invalid phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or sections.

## SECTION NO. 21

**PENALTY:**

Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof in the Municipal Court of the City shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$200.00 and each offense and each day such violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

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## Ladies Golf News

By ANNETTE CLARK

For Tuesday, July 23, The Name of the Game is "Throw-Out" - any two bad holes of your round can be thrown out. This sure helps the golfers who shoot a couple of 10's, but puts the rest of us who shoot ALL 10's. Lots of fun!

Ladies, don't forget every Tuesday is Ladies Day at the Merkel Country Club. Game winners each week will be announced at the Game - Supper - Business meeting August 13, 1974.

## Riding Club Will Host Barn Dance

The Merkel Riding Club will have a good ole timey Country Western Barn Dance Friday night, July 26 at 8:00 p.m. at the Merkel Lions Club Building. Music will be furnished by Jimmy and the Rounders of Abilene. Admission will be \$1.00 per person.



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# LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

As one who has recently had considerable experience handling and caring for domesticated animals, I wish to publicize a fact which I believe many pet owners herabouts simply overlook. In the Merkel area, there appears to be an unusual tick infestation this year which hop about in dry grass and jump onto all sorts of animals conceal themselves in the hair and suck the blood from your pet's body, as well as bite the animals, causing much pain. People who are busy and neglect to regularly inspect their pets will likely be horribly surprised to discover not only large clusters of ticks but also beaves of crawling, biting fleas hidden inside the hair and wool of sheep, cattle, dogs and cats, biting into their hides. Then, even if such are removed and one neglects to thoroughly spray animal's sleeping quarters, or permits them to run with other infested pets, the same job must be done all over again. These ticks and fleas can jump onto the hair of small children who play with animals, infect the young humans also. If a child is too young to complain (as an animal cannot), you soon have double-jeopardy problem on your hands, particularly due to the fact these pests can cause a serious blood disease, just as mosquitoes can spread sleeping sickness and such.

Ticks, although whitish in appearance, are very difficult to see and can easily be felt than observed, if you rub your fingers under the animal's neck, ears and top body, which forms into a sort of round ball, full of the animal's blood; fleas are even more difficult to see because they are smaller, can better conceal themselves inside the animal's hair. When such as mites, fleas or ticks crawl down deep inside your pet's ear drums, commence biting, scratching, sucking in those tender areas, the pain becomes unbearable, often drives the animal insane, sometimes destroys it's hearing completely, especially if clusters of the ticks become so thick and numerous that they completely stop up the ear drums. Just three weeks ago, I spotted a young Doberman-Pinscher pup running wildly, crying pitifully, rolling in the grass. Only after I fed him my entire lunch (it was almost starved) could I get hold of it. Then on lifting it's ear lobes I discovered that huge ticks by the score clung thickly over both inner ear drums, completely shutting out the animal's hearing ability. The inner ears resembled a seasoned professional wrestler's 'cauliflower' ears; also, ticks clung all over it's body, even around it's eyes, had sucked most of the dog's blood. The pup could hardly stand, it was so weak.

Carrying it in my arms, blood sucked out but had even contracted a hopeless disease should be mercifully put to sleep. I paid him two dollars to do this and as the little fellow quickly went permanently to sleep upon the doctor's table, it's tail weakly beat back and forth against my arm, as if, in the only way it could, it was thanking me kindly for helping it out of it's intense pain. Someone had thrown this dog away, perhaps feeling that the people where he threw it out I took it immediately to a veterinary, who said that it had not only had most of it's

would take it in, care for it in their stead. Instead, it had starved, suffered miserably until it lost it's hearing, reason - and it's life.

Please, never throw an animal away! Have it put to sleep as a last resort. And, - examine your pets weekly! Sheep-dip, or an equal mix of olive oil and camphorated oil, will kill both fleas and ticks. As a last resort, rub an equal mix of kerosene and warmed bacon grease into an animal's fur, then bathe with soap and water.  
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3 LB. CAN \$1.39 (1 LIMIT)  
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