

The Merkel Mail

Mrs. Warren typifies Homecoming

There were parades, bonfires, pep rallies, Homecoming Queens, Mr. X and Coming Home Queens.

There was food, good times in discovering old friends and a football victory.

Then, there was Mrs. Eva Williams Warren.

Mrs. Warren was sitting serenely playing the piano when I approached her in the Senior Citizens building Saturday. The Senior Citizens building was appropriate for headquarters for the exes.

There were art exhibits, food being served and friendly chatter going on as the Merkel High exes caught up on happenings from as close as this year all the way back to those first Merkel classes.

Meanwhile, there came this melody across the room and hidden behind the art exhibit sat Mrs. Warren—playing away as if she was born to a piano.

And, in fact that pretty well is fact as the 90-years-young graduate of the 1901 Merkel class taught music until last year.

"I finally told everyone I was quitting for good last year," she said with a smile upon her lips, as if to indicate that she might still be coaxed back from retirement.

While playing the piano with gusto is quite an accomplishment for Mrs. Warren at her age that isn't what set her above the other exes present last weekend.

Mrs. Warren, besides being one of two remaining survivors of the Class of 1901 and the oldest grad present for the Homecoming, is still able to drive her own car and live her own life.

As she pointed out, she quit teaching music in Knox City for good last year. But, she drove to the homecoming in her own car and lives by herself in Knox City.

She planned to stay over Saturday and visit her many friends at the Methodist Church before returning home. Her parents helped found several functions of the church and she was active in church work in Merkel before she moved to Knox City in 1921.

She has been present for every Homecoming Merkel High has had.

Mrs. Warren got her education under way at the young age of four when her father H. C. Williams started her in

school. Williams was a teacher and former postmaster in Merkel. She thus graduated at 14 and was shipped off to Missouri for her formal education.

She still fondly claims Missouri as part of her "home" and says she is indeed fortunate to be from both Missouri and Texas.

She took her first teaching job in Merkel and then moved to Knox City in 1921 with her late husband Ellis Warren, of Merkel.

They had no children.

Mrs. Warren, who was recently placed among the World's Who's Who of Music, says she keeps plenty busy driving back and forth to Abilene on business, and is interested in "lots of community activity, church, club and sorority work."

Looking around at the crammed gathering she said "There are more senior citizens here today than ever before. We seem to be really in the majority."

She was one of 12 graduating in 1901 and said there is still one other living member in El Paso—a twin girl—although she couldn't recall her name.

Turning again to the piano, Mrs. Warren paused long enough to request that we put in a note of thanks to the many courtesies people "have shown me."

Outside the parade was getting ready to start. It was led by the police department and the Merkel High band, it turned out to be short with only one float—that by the Taylor County Home-makers. There was a short pep rally in front of the Senior Citizens building at the conclusion of the parade.

Friday night the students held a snake dance downtown and a bonfire, pep rally on the west side of the Stadium.

Lee Baker was another of those exes finding Merkel for the first time since he graduated.

Baker was a member of the 1917 class. Sporting literature on his cattle business in Arkansas and a class picture, Baker said he had run into about 20 of the 37 members of the class.

"I recognized most of them," he said. "They really haven't changed much," he mused. Of course he turned to memories and his cattle business in Arkansas and about this being the first homecoming he has attended.

Then there was Flossy Campbell Martin who sauntered up and wanted to know why she hadn't gotten an 8-column headline on the fact that she was coming to town.

Mrs. Martin had put an ad in last week's Merkel Mail warning her "friends and foes" that she was coming. However, she complained that it was buried between two obituaries (cards of thanks).

But, as we explained, we put it where it would be sure to be read. She arrived from El Paso and was really into the swing of activities and enjoying all her old friendships.

At the game Saturday night, June Gregory was named Coming Home Queen and George English was named Mr. X. They were presented awards by Mayor Lou David Allen.

Senior Judy Diltz was voted Homecoming Queen among the four candidates.

A business meeting and individual class reunions were held after the football game to conclude another homecoming.

And, here's to you Mrs. Ava. Hope we see you roaring up in your Chevelle again next year, representing the Class of '01, reminding us all of how young we really are.



PLACE OF HONOR—Homecoming Queen candidates had a juniors Sherry West and Tammy Martin and seniors Deborah White and Judy Diltz. Miss Diltz was named Homecoming game against Jim Ned Saturday. Last year's queen, Netta Stephan, center, is waiting the start of the game with candidates

THE MAIL



By Carl Dingler

Hearing what they wanted to hear and finding a possible way out without going to the people for new taxes, the Merkel School Board may be about ready to take action on updating the schools and providing much needed classrooms.

However, they may yet hold out for a stopgap measure and put it off on the next Board. The plan for a \$60,000 5-year loan to build four classrooms for the Merkel Elementary School and remodel the bus barn at Tye to add two classrooms appears the immediate goal. Although, it is not a popular one with all board members it is one that can be put into action immediately.

This plan would be more expensive and would not eliminate the problem. There would still have to be a major building program considered within the next year.

Four classrooms would not solve anything except allow the school to meet the needs they have now. By the time the classrooms could be built two or three more classrooms would be required for the elementary school.

This doesn't allow for immediate needed space in the middle school and high school and at Tye.

The \$60,000 figure was presented because it was believed that this was all the Board could borrow without calling a vote of the public and asking for bond approval.

But, Superintendent Travis Davis, in looking through the new legal book the Board recently purchased, found that the \$60,000 was limited only to time warrants. The schools may borrow up to 75 per cent of last year's general operating fund budget.

This is what the Board will be looking into among other options at the September 21 and 28 meetings.

Meanwhile the Board heard some figures and construction talk that pleased them. The representative from Associated Contractors Inc. presented the Board with a \$14 to \$15 estimated turnkey job for a 3,000 square foot steel building which would house four classrooms.

Best figure thus far the Board has received for any type of construction is \$20 to \$24 per square foot. Board member James Boyd said that bids could go as low as \$12 a square foot, providing the steel buildings are large enough (he recommended 10-classroom buildings for the elementary and middle school and for a new science and administrative building for the high school).

This would provide the district with the necessary classrooms and space to expand for around \$200,000 he noted. Equipping the buildings would be an added expense.

But, as Boyd noted, this is a far cry from the \$1.6 million estimated for renovation and the addition of but five classrooms as presented earlier this year by a Sweetwater Architectural firm.

Too, the contracting firm said the school could get by without hiring an architect and could meet state building codes with the use of an engineer—all things the Board liked to hear.

However, the need, even with the economy program of

building could run close to the million dollar mark, providing everything is done that is needed to bring the facilities up to par for the next 10 to 12 years.

A new science building is indeed needed. If this is done then refurbishing and rebuilding the old labs into classrooms would be required.

Administrative offices for the superintendent and tax office are needed, adequate classrooms for the co-op program are needed in order to get them out of the small rooms of the nearby house being used for classes.

Funds are needed for the football stadium, replacement of roofs are needed, more parking area for elementary bound teachers and parents is needed, and on and on.

Still, it would take more than a year to bring the issue to the public to determine a bond vote outcome. The School Board doesn't have that time.

They have to take action now to stem the plunge and to prevent the Merkel system from losing possible accreditation and thereby losing state funds.

The enrollment is climbing (101 more than last year) and is expected to rise at an estimated 5 per cent each year. With the several proposed housing projects in the district, increased taxes and state income from more students is expected to help offset the operating expenses.

But, the Board is going to have to have a place for the students and a place where they can be given equal education (Equal to that of other high school students in the state).

As Boyd mentioned, they need to provide the best education possible for the most economical dollar possible. They also need to build a plant that will be sound and one that can carry the district into its future.

No easy task. However, this School Board appears up to the challenge and appears ready to take that first necessary vote toward solving the matter. That first step is always the hardest—Isn't it?

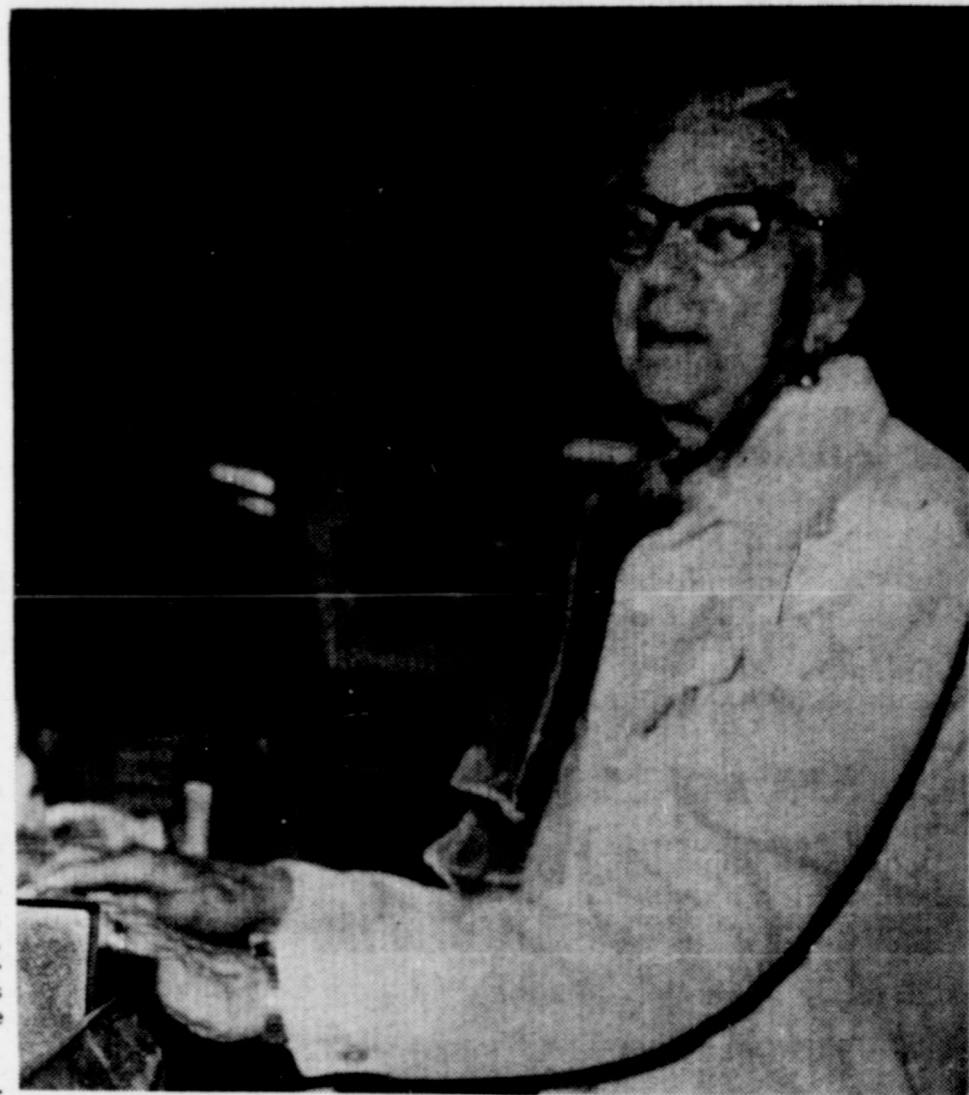
Or, as someone once said: "Nearly anyone can steer a ship in calm seas."

The annual meeting of the Taylor Telephone Co-operative is September 28 at 2 p.m. in the Merkel High School auditorium.

Incidentally, Taylor Telephone is planning a project for the first of the year which will involve laying 500 miles of underground cable at a cost of more than \$2 million.

What is the present bond indebtedness of Merkel Schools? Merkel has two bond issues outstanding. The one by Merkel will be paid off in 1980 and the other incurred from Tye upon the merger with Merkel will be paid off in 1984.

Jim Ned has a steel school building with a brick front. Most of the students don't realize it is a steel building. It is at least 18 years old and reportedly little maintenance has been required.



Mrs. Ava Walker Warren at Homecoming

Thames to have opponent

Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace Walter Thames will face some opposition for his office after all.

Thames virtually won election to the JP post in the primaries when no one filed to run against him on the Democratic ballot.

Thames was named by the Taylor County Commissioners to fill the term of Lewis Millett who resigned in March with two years to go on his term.

Thames name will be on the November general election ballot and had anticipated no opposition. At least that is the way it was until Tuesday when Marie Cunningham of Merkel announced her intentions to run as a write-in candidate.

Mrs. Cunningham and her husband operate the Dairy Bar in Merkel. They

have six children.

Mrs. Cunningham is an 8-year resident of Merkel and is a registered voter. When asked why she had decided to run she said, "I think we need a change."

The 37-year-old Mrs. Cunningham said this is the first time she has run for public office. "I have talked to several people about it (running) and they are all for it," she said.

She said the fact that she and Judge Thames have had at least three confrontations since he took office and the fact a charge by Thames is pending in an Abilene Court against the Cunninghams had nothing to do with her decision to run.

"Somebody (me or someone else) needed to run against him," she said. "He needs to be gotten out of office."

Plowboys pose big obstacle for Badgers

"Somebody's going to be undefeated after this week," is the way Merkel Coach Jerry McLeod describes Friday's showdown with Roscoe's Plowboys.

Game time is 8 p.m. at Badger Stadium and will end a 3-game home stand by the Badgers who are sporting a 2-game win streak—the same as Roscoe.

Roscoe, another member of District

8-A—the same as Baird and Jim Ned—is a bit stronger than the previous two Badger opponents.

Roscoe defeated Jayton, 27-6 and Rotan, 22-0, to build momentum toward the Badgers.

The two teams appear about evenly matched on defense, both having allowed but one touchdown in two games.

However, Roscoe appears to have a more balanced offensive attack and will be capable of giving the Badgers a tough workout—if not whipping.

Last year Roscoe won 20-6 in district over the Badgers.

Coach McLeod said the Plowboys have real good size and sport a tough defense. "We should be evenly matched," he said.

Roscoe runs a variety of things, with the wing, power I, straight T and will put a man in motion. On defense they use a 2-7 formation.

Roscoe has lived up to its preseason ranking with the two wins. The Plowboys were favored to win District 8-A.

Quarterback Marc Box has ability to mix rushing and passing as he shared rushing honors with tailback David Drake against Jayton with 119 yards and against Rotan he hit 8 of 15 passes.

Wingback Thurman Williams had 137 yards rushing last week including a 93-yard run to set up one of the touchdowns. Drake had 88 yards rushing, scored twice to go with his opening week performance of 117 yards rushing, and a touchdown.

Steve Freeman will be the receiver the Badgers will have to contain. Freeman and Williams are returning all-district selections along with Drake who was all-district on defense.

Other familiar faces the Badgers will recognize include center Randall Smith, tackle Steve Smith, Donnie Hope at noseguard and Thad Haynes at defensive halfback. Also, split ends Johnny Jay and Jeff Madison.

After Friday's game the Badgers will end non-district combat against Class AA Eastland in Eastland, September 24.

Eastland beat Cross Plains, 21-6 and lost to Ranger, 10-7 thus far.



Coming Home Queen June Gregory, Mr. X George English

Trent Homecoming Sept. 25

The Trent Homecoming is September 25 with day-long activities.

A breakfast is scheduled Saturday morning at 7 a.m. and activities continue through the day with the Trent High Gorillas playing Blackwell at 8 p.m. in a non-district six-man football contest.

More complete information on Homecoming activities will be available in next week's Merkel Mail, as they are completed.

Trent High has an open date on its football schedule this week in order to prepare for the Homecoming opponent.

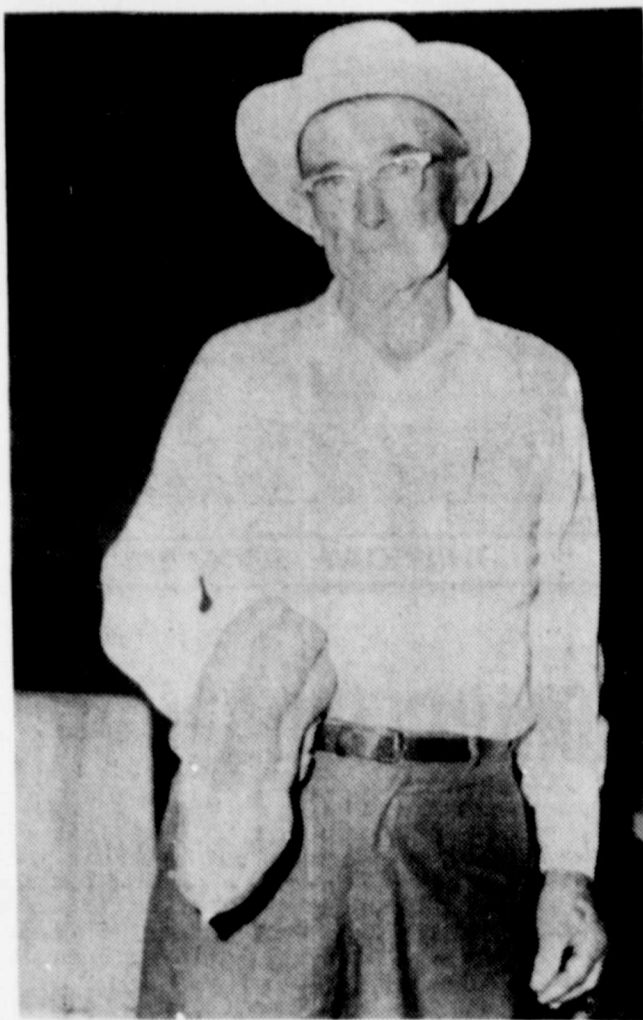
Month's tour

Mrs. Andy Shouse and Miss Novis Whiteaker of Abilene have just returned from Dallas where they joined Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Warren on a Pacific Coast and Canadian tour for the past month.

They traveled more than seven thousand miles through ten states and two provinces in Canada, going as far north as Jasper, Canada and to Vancouver and Victoria on the west coast.

Some of the major points of interest included the Royal Gorge, Estes park, Pikes Peak, Glacier, Rocky Mountain, Yellowstone, Lassen Volcanic, Yosemite, King's Canyon, Sequoia, and Mesa Verde National Parks, as well as Lakes Tahoe and Louise. What Mrs. Shouse really considered the highlight of her tour was the fact that she visited her niece and nephew that she had never seen and their families in Seattle, Washington and a sister-in-law visiting them from California.

Miss Whiteaker's cousin and wife rode the ferry over to Seattle from Silverdale to visit with her.



BIG POTATO--O. D. Bland of 1003 Kent Street holds a 5-pound sweetpotato he got out of his garden recently.

Final rites held for Grantham

Services for William Grantham, 82, of Trent were held Thursday at the Trent First Baptist Church, He died Tuesday of an apparent heart attack.

The Rev. Jim Lawless, associate pastor, officiated and burial was in Trent Cemetery, directed by Starbuck Funeral Home of Merkel.

Born November 24, 1893, in Bolivar, Tennessee, he married Ivy Marie Freeman in October 1921 in Bolivar. They came to Trent in 1929 and he had lived in this area ever since. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Trent First Baptist Church. Mrs. Grantham died in 1958.

Survivors include three sons, Curtis and William, both of Abilene, and Gerald of Roscoe; a daughter, Mrs. Robert (Zella) Price of Abilene; two brothers, George of Bolivar, Tennessee, and Ernest of Memphis, Tennessee; two sisters, Eva Dean of Amarillo and another sister of Bolivar; 13 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. Two sons preceded him in death.

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Watson set for concert

The Youth of the Merkel United Methodist Church are sponsoring a concert Wednesday night (Sept. 22) at the Methodist Church.

All youths and grownups are invited to the concert at 7:30 p.m. Also, a dinner at the Fellowship Hall is set for 6 p.m.

Johnny Ray Watson will head the concert. He recently returned from a trip to Japan.

Watson was a leading scorer and most valuable player at McMurry College in 1970-1971. He has appeared in numerous concerts with Andrae Crouch and the Disciples, with the Billy Graham Crusade in Lubbock, and now has his first album out--The Straight and Narrow Path.



Johnny Watson

Adult classes available

There is still time to register for the Adult Education classes being conducted at Merkel High School each Monday and Tuesday night.

Anyone interested in taking one of the courses being offered free may register any Monday or Tuesday night from 6 until 8 p.m. at the High School.

Classes are being held in Room 1, according to director Stephani Walker.

Free instruction, books and supplies by certified teachers is being given with classes in adult basic education, English as a second language, preparation for GED (High School equivalency certificate and College preparatory courses and senior citizens special interest classes.

Adele Jones rites held

Graveside services were Friday at Rose Hill Cemetery for Adele Jones, 58, of Merkel who died Thursday at Starr Nursing Home in Merkel after a lengthy illness.

Larry Gill of Merkel officiated with Starbuck Funeral Home in charge of services.

Born August 12, 1918, at Honey Grove, she had moved to Merkel in 1956 and had lived in this area since. Mrs. Jones was a member of Starbuck United Methodist Church. She once worked for Taylor Electric Co-Op in Merkel for nine years.

Survivors include a son, Robert of Abilene; a daughter, Linda Reeger of Cleburne; two brothers, Ralph Shipman of Roxton and Clinton Shipman of Charlotte, South Carolina; and two grandchildren.

Pete Neill services held

Services were held Friday for Pete Neill, 72, of Trent who died Wednesday. Services were at First Baptist Church with the Rev. Riley Fugitt, pastor of First Baptist Church in Clyde, officiating. He was assisted by the Rev. Bill Williams of Abilene.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery, directed by Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born September 25, 1903, at Trent, he was a farmer and had lived in the Trent area all his life. He was a Baptist and a member of Woodmen of the World. He had lived in Abilene the past two years.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Robert O'Rear of 1025 Burger in Abilene; and several nieces and nephews.

Book presented

Xi Nu Chi president Louise DuBose presented the Merkel Library with a book Saturday.

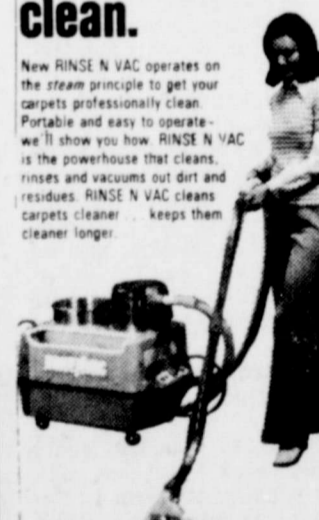
The sorority presented the novel Trinity by Leon Jris to Librarian Martha Sue Justice.

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The same is true in the kitchen and laundry room. Wash only full loads in the dishwasher. Wash and dry only full loads of clothes. Don't overdry. It makes clothes harsh and stiff and wastes fuel. **Speaking of the kitchen,** you can save gas by planning oven meals around dishes that can be cooked at the same temperature. When using top burners, tailor the flame to fit the pan.

Get your house in order. Make sure you have six inches of insulation in the attic. And check regularly to make sure it hasn't settled. Make sure your exterior walls are insulated. Check the weather stripping around doors and windows, and make sure they stay closed when the heating or air conditioning is on.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS GENERAL ELECTION NOV. 2, 1976

NUMBER ONE ON THE BALLOT (S.J.R. 49)

Repealing Sections 49-d and 49-d-1 of Article III of the Texas Constitution, S.J.R. 49 amends Section 49-c of Article III of the Texas Constitution to provide for and authorize an additional \$400 million in Texas water development bonds that may be issued on approval of two-thirds of the members of each house of the Legislature for such water development purposes as the Legislature may prescribe.

The amendment contains a specific prohibition against the use of state funds for the development of water resources from the Mississippi River and also requires that before any single water development project may be undertaken requiring the expenditure of more than \$35 million in bond proceeds, it must be approved by resolution of the Legislature.

The amendment removes the constitutional requirement that certain revenues must be used to retire water development and water quality enhancement bonds and removes the constitutional interest rate limit on such bonds.

The wording of the proposed amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

NUMBER TWO ON THE BALLOT (H.J.R. 99)

H.J.R. 99 proposes an amendment to the Texas Constitution to increase from \$100 million to \$200 million the amount of Texas water development bonds which may be issued and outstanding by the Texas Water Development Board to provide grants and loans for water quality enhancement purposes as established by the Legislature.

The wording of the proposed amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

"A constitutional amendment to increase from \$100 million to \$200 million the amount of Texas Water Development Bonds that may be issued for water quality enhancement purposes.

boleta es lo siguiente: "La enmienda constitucional autorizando un incremento de \$400 millones de la cantidad de Bonos del Desarrollo de Agua en Tejas que podrán emitirse al ser aprobada por dos terceras partes de la legislatura; enmendando y consolidando disposiciones de Secciones 49-c, 49-d, y 49-d-1 del Artículo III de la Constitución de Tejas; y revocando Secciones 49-d y 49-d-1 del Artículo III de la Constitución de Tejas."

NUMERO DOS EN LA BOLETA (H.J.R. 99)

H.J.R. 99 propone una enmienda a la Constitución de Tejas para aumentar de \$100 millones hasta \$200 millones la cantidad principal agregada de bonos para el desarrollo de agua en Tejas que se puede emitir y que están en circulación por el Texas Water Development Board para proveer donaciones y préstamos para la mejora de la calidad de agua como establecido por la Legislatura. La fraseología de la enmienda propuesta como aparecerá en la boleta es lo siguiente: "Una enmienda constitucional para incrementar desde \$100 millones hasta \$200 millones la cantidad de Bonos de Desarrollo de Agua en Tejas que podrán ser emitidos con el propósito de mejorar la calidad del agua."

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Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Buntin of Merkel and Mr. and Mrs. Rochell Smith of Gruver. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Holt and Mrs. Stanley Walker of Merkel and Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Finks of Gruver.

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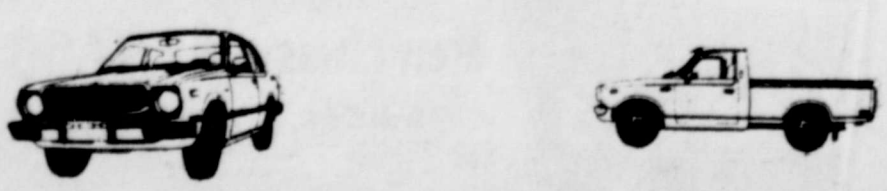
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Trent has 'Piercing' tumble

It was a "Piercing" defeat for the Trent High Gorillas Friday night as they fell to a trio of Pierce griders from Benjamin, 32-12. Junior Keith Pierce at least 190 pounds proved a bruising runner with his strength and quarterback Johnny Pierce provided some brainy ball handling to Keith and sophomore Joey Pierce to overcome a scrambling Gorilla defense.

Johnny scored three times, Keith once and added one kick of a PAT for 8 points and passed once to Pedro Estrada for another score. James Mays scored once and passed to Herbert Beaver for another as Trent battled from behind to remain in contention until the final 4:30. The loss evens Coach Bobby Campbell's season record at 1-1 as Trent takes a week off before playing Blackwell, September 25 in Trent's Homecoming contest.

The Gorillas had 169 yards rushing on 31 carries with Mays getting 140 of those on 19 carries before he was injured late in the game. Alan Morse had 20 yards on 8 carries and Herbert Beaver added nine yards on four carries.

Quarterback Robert Freeman hit four of 12 passes for 30 yards while Mays hit one of 2 to Herbert Beaver for the 42-yard touchdown. Bobby Brazelton caught a 19-yard pass, Morse one for 9 yards, Rocky Bryan one for three yards and Mays one for a 3-yard loss.

Meanwhile, Benjamin's Mustangs were running but ran out of downs at the Benjamin 16 when Bryan caught a 3-yard pass with Trent needing 8 yards.

Benjamin managed to cover the 67 yards to score the go ahead touchdown in six plays with Johnny Pierce scooting up the middle the final 28 yards with 1:09 left in the third period, Keith Pierce kicked the extra points and Trent trailed, 14-6.

Trent got into trouble early the fourth period when Bryan received a bad snap on a fourth down attempted punt. Benjamin set up at the Trent 30 and scored five plays later with Keith Pierce going the final 8 yards at 8:26.

This time Trent got possession of the kickoff and had two incomplete passes. Mays took off on third down from the Trent 38 and got to the Benjamin 23 before being tackled. A flag at the Trent 27 for clipping, however brought Trent back to the 38.

This time Mays let go a pass as far as he could throw. Herbert Beaver took the football away from Estrada and completed the 42-yard touchdown pass with 7:56 to go and Trent was back in the contest, trailing 20-12.

Gilbert Beaver provided some excitement on the kickoff when he snatched the kick by Bryan away from a waiting Mustang and ran for the goal.

The officials first ruled that the ball was Trent's at the Mustang 39, however, on

passed long for Bryan at the goal. It fell incomplete as the half ended.

The Gorilla defense, paced by Mays, Herbert Beaver, Bryan and Brazelton contained the Mustangs on the first series of the third quarter and advanced from their 24 to the Mustang five.

Mays ran 13 yards, Brazelton caught a 19-yard pass, Morse caught a 9-yard pass and Mays ran for 8 more. But, with first down and goal to go from the three, Mays lost two and also lost the football on a fumble.

After Benjamin was forced to punt, the Gorillas got another opportunity but ran out of downs at the Benjamin 16 when Bryan caught a 3-yard pass with Trent needing 8 yards.

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the deadball rule. They then changed their mind and gave the football to Benjamin, claiming the ball didn't go 10 yards.

With that change of scenery, Benjamin moved on to score in 10 plays as Johnny Pierce kept the final yard at 4:30 and the Gorillas trailed, 26-12.

Mays was thrown for a 10-yard loss on the first play after the kickoff and then gained a yard while scrambling but was hit hard by Keith

Pierce and was carried from the field.

Herbert Beaver lost three yards and then gained 12 to the Trent 35 on fourth down with 18 yards needed.

Then with 29 seconds to play and Benjamin facing fourth down from the Trent 23, Keith Pierce fumbled the ball pitched to him. Still, he picked it up and threw to Estrada for the touchdown.

Concert

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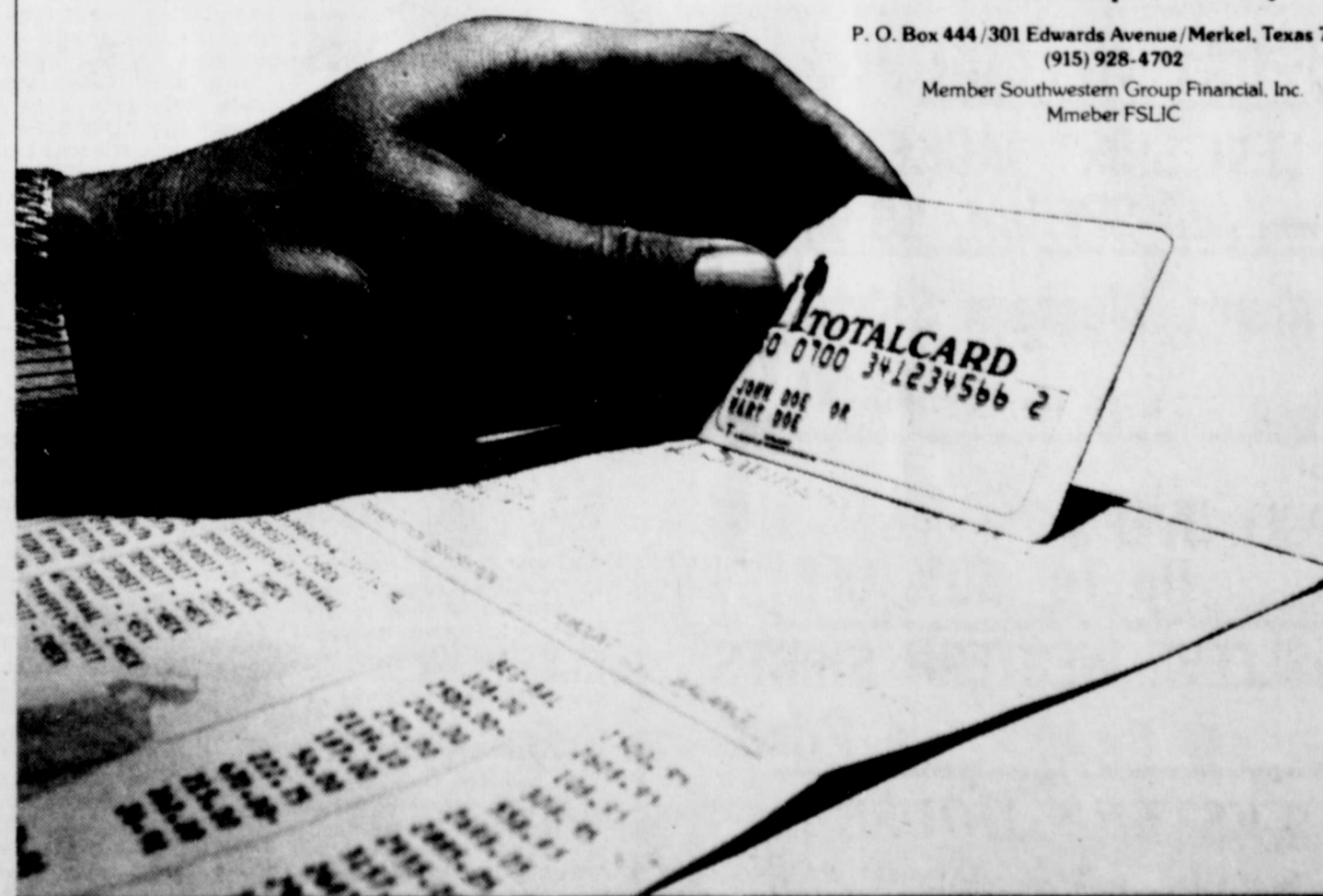
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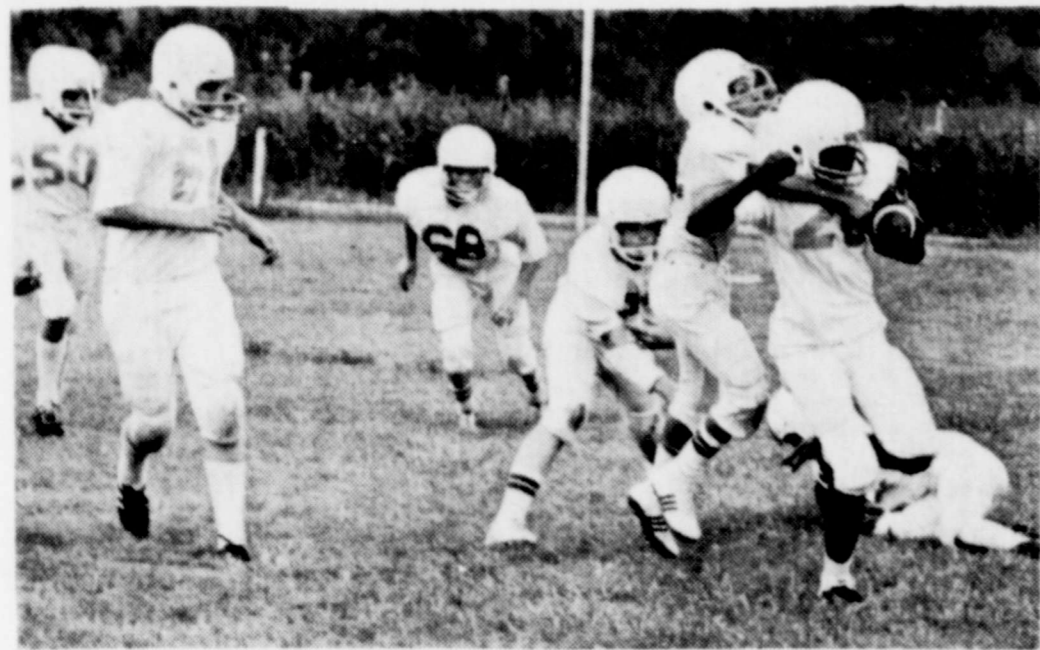
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Seventh Grade showdown between Merkel (with ball), Jim Ned

Seventh grade falls in opener

Jim Ned's seventh grade scored on its opening series and held off Merkel for an 8-0 football victory in Lawn Thursday.

It was the first game for the Merkel charges who didn't get to play any offense the first quarter and very little the second quarter.

Richard Parks scored the

touchdown and ran the extra points on the first play of the second quarter. On Merkel's first offensive play of the game, it fumbled and lost the football.

Merkel attempted to rally the final quarter with Danny Ruggan recovering a Jim Ned fumble at the Merkel 26. Gary Tutt, Royce Fowler, David

Wilkinson did good jobs running the football but time ran out on the Merkel charges.

The seventh graders travel to Roscoe Thursday for their second game of the year. Game time is 5 p.m.

Junior Varsity stumbles, 6-0

James Allmand took advantage of a Merkel collision to score what turned into the winning touchdown Thursday night as Jim Ned Junior Varsity edged Merkel, 6-0, in a game at Lawn.

Merkel had Allmand contained for little or no gain when Rudy Biera and another defender ran over each other attempting to down Allmand.

The Indian back continued around the wrecked Badgers for 39 yards and the touchdown the first quarter for a 6-0 lead.

A lead which stood up for the victory although Merkel had several opportunities to score.

Merkel also fumbled on the first play after the kickoff and didn't manage but three plays on offense the first quarter.

The Badgers got to the Indian 33 on passes by Mike Sims to Randy Cox but ran out of downs. That was the nearest to the goal the Badgers got the first half.

Clifford Dye recovered a fumble for Merkel at the Badgers 45 and on a fourth down punt Billy Masburn gave Merkel new life at the 12 yard line when he fell on a loose punt. This was Merkel's first serious threat.

Biera had punted 60 yards when Masburn fell on the football which had hit a Jim Ned player. However, Merkel couldn't overcome the Indians defense and was on the 14 when they ran out of downs.

Again the fourth quarter the Badgers got to the Jim Ned 30 before being halted. Later the Badgers put heavy pressure on the Indians punting team and got possession at the Jim Ned 12 after a high snap got the Indians in trouble.

However, with fourth down and 3:25 to go, the Badgers had been shoved backwards to the 26.

Merkel travels to Roscoe Thursday for its next game, scheduled for 7:30 p.m.



Merkel Junior Varsity surrounds Jim Ned runner

Badgers stun Jim Ned Indians, 21-6**Smith, Shaw, Whisenhunt honored**

Larry Smith, Mark Shaw, and Bart Whisenhunt received special honors by the Merkel Coaching staff for their outstanding performance against Jim Ned last week.

For the second week Smith and Shaw were honored, Smith was named outstanding offensive athlete and Shaw outstanding defensive athlete.

Whisenhunt was recognized as playing an outstanding game on the specialty team.

Smith scored 13 of Merkel's 21 points, led rushing with 68 yards on 13 carries, caught two passes for 53 yards and punted for a 36.3 average.

Smith also leads the district in scoring for the season with 25 points after two games.

Shaw was again in on 14 tackles, seven behind the line of scrimmage. He had six unassisted tackles against Jim Ned.

It was a rather routine football victory the Merkel Homecoming crowd witnessed Saturday night as the Merkel High Badgers whipped Jim Ned's Indians, 21-6.

However, it was an uncommon event as it gave the Badgers two straight victories and equaled last year's win record. It's for sure the Badgers can't do any worse than last year's 2-8 record.

The victory also made up for last year's 20-15 loss to the Indians.

Coach Jerry McLeod said his charges weren't especially up for the Saturday game against the Indians.

"It was a good thing they were flat or we would have been in real trouble," he said.

"We just played well enough to win," is the way he put it.

Of course, one has to take into account the speed of Mark Shaw who was having a second straight outstanding game on defense.

Shaw appeared to be in on 75 to 90 per cent of the tackles and kept the frustrated Indians gulping for air all night.

Too, the defensive antics of John Biera who was downfield on every punt to stop any gain in this department and who intercepted a pass for an 11-yard touchdown added to the Jim Ned woes.

And, you have to give the Badger defense real credit for pounding the Indians for a 6-yard loss the first half on 19 rushes and for limiting them to 38 yards rushing on 43 carries for the game.

And, Grant Murrell and Roger Doan added fumble recoveries--Murrell's set up one of the Badger touchdowns.

Meanwhile, it was half-back Larry Smith who led the offensive charge with his running, pass receiving and punting.

Smith carried the ball 13 times for 68 yards, caught two passes for 53 yards, punted four times for a 36.3 average and scored two touchdowns and kicked an extra point.

Smith is the leading scorer in District 6-AA with 25 points in two games and he has helped Merkel into the first place season standings with a perfect record. But, the entire offensive line and defensive team shared in honors Saturday night with their team effort.

Quarterback David Pfister, handling the ball much better this week, hit 4 of 9 passes for 66 yards and ran for 47 more yards on 14 carries, executing the handoffs and a few options with more poise.

Fullback Keith Austerman added 26 yards on six carries and Ricky Howes had 27 yards on five carries.

The Badgers had 168 yards running and 66 passing. How-

Holson for another 6-year loss) Murrell fell on a Russ Jennings fumble.

Pfister kept the football across left tackle for 11 yards and then ran for six more to the Indians 19. Howes got nine yards to the 10 and Smith called upon to romp easily across the right side of the line for the touchdown at 8:32.

Smith then kicked the extra point for a 7-0 Merkel lead.

That's the way it stood at halftime as both teams spent the rest of the second quarter at midfield or with the Indians backed up to their 13.

The Indians came out the third quarter attempting to make a battle of it. They took the kickoff and marched 61 yards in eight plays to score. Lesley ran 14, Holson 19 and Terry Taylor 10 yards to keep the drive going. At 9:15 Taylor broke up the middle for 11 yards and an easy six points. Attempt to score two points and put Jim Ned in front failed.

The Badgers, not to be snuffed so easily, took the kickoff and methodically blurred 58 yards in 9 plays to score again. Smith again went over right tackle the final three yards at 9:10.

This time Shaw, who was holding for Smith, passed to Biera for the two extra points, giving Merkel a 15-6 edge.

The Badgers then lost three straight fumbles but a flustered and tired Jim Ned couldn't move the football to take advantage of the opportunities.

Biera then downed a Smith punt at the Jim Ned 11 and on the first down, Holson attempted a pass into the flat. It was a floater and Biera easily ran in for the kill, taking the football and stepping the 11 yards to make it 21-6 with 3:53 to play.

Brad Pursley almost got a touchdown late in the contest when he fielded a fourth-down punt by Jim Ned's Matt Marshall (who was the big man defensively against the Badgers) and returned it down the south sideline 42 yards.

However, a penalty at the Merkel 31 canceled the score and three plays later Merkel ended the game with Smith gaining five yards from the Merkel 37 to the Merkel 42.

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Eighth grade loses, 28-0

In a hard-hitting battle, Merkel's eighth grade fell to Jim Ned, 28-0 in Lawn Thursday afternoon.

Jim Ned backs and defenders pounded the Merkel crew for touchdowns in each quarter. It is the second straight loss for the eighth graders.

Jerry Atwell and Jim Beuchamp scored on runs the first half and Bobby Cleveland ran for extra points to give Jim Ned a 14-0 lead.

Cleveland Tut passed 8 yards to Kevin Dean and to Cleveland for extra points and Beuchamp bulldozed 9 yards for another touchdown the second half.

Dwayne Sloan stopped one Jim Ned drive before half-time with a pass interception at the Merkel 15.

Merkel never could get cranked up against the hard charging defense and didn't threaten throughout the game.

The eighth graders go to Roscoe for their next contest at 6 p.m. Thursday.

Stamford 9th Grade foe

Merkel's Ninth Grade freshman football team will get its first combat as a unit Thursday.

The freshmen were scheduled to play Colorado City last week but Colorado City had a conflicting schedule and canceled the game. Some of the freshmen saw action with the Junior Varsity against Jim Ned, however.

The freshmen will meet Stamford at 6 p.m. Thursday at Badger Stadium. They had been scheduled to play Wylie at 7 p.m., but the Wylie game has been changed to September 30.

Meanwhile, the Seventh, Eighth and Junior Varsity teams go to Roscoe for games, starting at 5 p.m. Thursday.



Eighth Grade action, Merkel attempts handoff

BADGER TRACKS

Hello again! This week was a big one for Merkel High and its axes. The Badgers won the homecoming football game 21-6. We are really proud of the guys.

The Homecoming Parade was a real success. We want to say thanks to Gary Hicks and Bob Hammond for doing a great job as Homecoming

chairmen, and would like to express our gratitude to Palmer Motor Company and Max Murrell Chevrolet for the cars they loaned to the high school and homecoming committee. Thanks to all Merkel merchants and supporters.

Congratulations to this year's homecoming queen Judy Diltz daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Diltz. Coming home queen is Mrs. June Gregory and Mr. X is George English.

FFA Officers
The Merkel FFA Chapter met Tuesday morning to elect officers for the year. Officers elected were President Larry Smith, Vice-President Grant Murrell, Secretary John Biera, Treasurer Tommy Sloan, Reporter Kathryn Irvin and Sentorian Glen Graune. Activities for the FFA Chapter for this year were discussed and some 60 students will attend the State Fair of Texas in Dallas Saturday, October 23, for Rural Youth Day.

Some 30 students went to the Big Three Pig Farm at Roby last Tuesday September 8, and selected about 50 head of Barrows to show in different stock shows throughout the year. They were accompanied by Chester Collinsworth, Vocational Agriculture teacher.

Walkers visit
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Walker of El Paso are visiting the Harold Walkers this week and attended Merkel Homecoming. She is a graduate of the 1924 class.

were elected for the 76-77 school year. They are Suzie Hewitt, Lisa Shugart, Kim Mashburn and Becky Watts.

Lambda Beta

Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the Methodist Fellowship Hall, Tuesday, September 7th with Betty Allday serving as hostess. Roll call was answered to the question "How does understanding one's self help a person through life?" Plans for the Homecoming Roundup Lunch and Poor Boy Art Show were discussed. Judy Elliott was elected Valentine Sweetheart and Ginny Yaddow, alternate.

Reynolds reunion

Mrs. O. J. Reynolds and Bob went to Youngsport in Bell County on Labor Day to a family reunion.

Xi Nu Chi

The Xi Nu Chi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Tuesday September 7th at the home of Louise DuBoise. The meeting was called to order by President Louise DuBoise. Committee reports were given. The program "The Modern World" was presented by captain Kathy Leverich and co-captain Jocille Brady. A very interesting program was given.

Members present were Mrs. John Brady, Mrs. Bobby DuBoise, Mrs. Peck Eager, Mrs. Bob Garner, Mrs. Robert Harris, Mrs. Jimmy Leverich, Bobby Mansfield, Val Patterson, Mrs. George Starbuck and Mammie Steck.

Merkel schools menu

MONDAY	Hot rolls Chickenfried steak Cream gravy Whipped potatoes Lettuce and tomato salad with choice of dressing
TUESDAY	Beef tacos with taco sauce
WEDNESDAY	Link sausage Blackeyed peas with snaps Cabbage per relish Jello with whipped topping
THURSDAY	Fried fish with tartar sauce Buttered corn Seasoned spinach Hot rolls Lemon pudding
FRIDAY	Sloppyjoes Pickled relish Sliced onions Pork and beans Buns Chocolate no-bake cookies Orange juice
Sith HD Club	The 5th Home Demonstration Club met on September 8, in the home of Miss Louise Hudson. Mrs. Jones opened our club and welcomed all back after a months absence. Dolly Reddin brought the devotional and Buelah Brady brought our prayer. Roll call was answered with a sewing tip. Recreation was a game given by Daisy Mashburn. Our program was on hanging baskets and flowers that could be used. It was given by Vada Hudson. <p>Those attending were Louise Hudson, Vada Hudson, Daisy Mashburn, Mae Jones, Margaret Dickerson, Dolly Reddin, Buelah Brady and 3 children.</p> <p>Officers that were elected for another year are Vada Hudson, president; Dolly Reddin, vice-president; Daisy Mashburn, council delegate; Louise Hudson, secretary-treasurer; and Margaret Dickerson, reporter.</p> <p>Refreshments were served by Dolly Reddin.</p> <p>Dugout aid sought centennial writing on that subject.</p> <p>Thank you very much. Ralph A. Smith, Prof. of History Box 8223 Abilene Christian University Abilene, Texas 79601</p>

IT'S TOUCHDOWN TIME

HARVEST THE PLOWBOYS



Homecoming Queen Judy Diltz kissed by Mayor Lou David Allen

LET'S MAKE IT 3 IN A ROW



JUNIOR HIGH SCHEDULE Seventh-Eighth Grade

Date	Opponent	Time	Location
Sept. 2	Baird 8th	6:00	There
9	Jim Ned 7th	5:00	There
	Jim Ned 8th	6:00	There
16	Roscoe 7th	5:00	There
	Roscoe 8th	6:00	There
23	Eastland 7th	5:00	Here
	Eastland 8th	6:00	Here
Oct. 7	Colorado City 7th	5:00	Here
	Colorado City 8th	6:00	Here
14	Winters 7th	6:00	Here
	Winters 8th	7:30	Here
28	Winters 7th	6:00	There
	Winters 8th	7:30	There
Nov. 4	Wylie 7th	6:00	Here
	Wylie 8th	7:30	Here

COACHES—Greg Henderson, Russell Gee
PRINCIPAL—John Cain



1976 Merkel Badgers Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time	Location
Sept. 3	Baird	8:00	Here
11	Jim Ned	8:00	Here
17	Roscoe	8:00	Here
24	Eastland	8:00	Here
Oct. 1	Colorado City	7:30	Here
8	Ballinger	7:30	Here
15	Winters	7:30	Here
22	Stamford	7:30	Here
29	Open date		
Nov. 5	Wylie	7:30	Here
12	Coahoma	7:30	Here

COACHES—Jerry McLeod, Edgar Cowart, Tony Mauldin
CHEERLEADERS—Becky Watts, Kathryn Irvin, Marsha Clyburn, Cindy Boone, Gay Pfister.
TRAVIS DAVIS, Superintendent LEE PRESSWOOD, Principal



A LOOK AT MERKEL AND DISTRICT 6-AA

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS			INTERCEPTIONS			DISTRICT 6-AA					
RUSHING			FUMBLE RECOVERY			SEASON STANDINGS					
No.	Yds.	Avg.	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Team	W	L	T	Pt.	Op.
Smith	29	145	5.0	2	0	Merkel	2	0	0	33	6
Pfister	24	82	3.4	0	0	Wylie	1	1	0	26	62
Howes	16	78	4.9	1	0	Coahoma	1	0	1	33	13
Austerman	17	62	3.6	1	0	Colorado C.	1	1	0	7	21
Total	84	367	4.3	2	0	Stamford	1	1	0	35	13
2 Opponents	81	113	1.2	2	0	Winters	0	2	0	25	49
PASSING			SCORING SUMMARY			SCORING LEADERS					
No.	Cp.	Yds.	Int.	TD	EP	TD	EP	TP			
Pfister	12	5	85	0	1	Smith, Merkel	4	1	25		
2 Opponents	11	4	53	2	0	Moore, Winters	3	0	18		
RECEIVING			TEAM TOTALS			FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE					
No.	Yds.	TD	First Downs	22	15	Roscoe at Merkel	8 p.m.				
Smith	3	72	1	1	2	Colorado City at Cisco	8 p.m.				
Howes	1	9	0	1	2	Bangs at Wylie	8 p.m.				
Biera	1	4	0	1	2	Stamford at Sweetwater	8 p.m.				
Totals	5	85	1	2	4	Comanche at Ballinger	8 p.m.				
2 Opponents	4	53	0	1	0	Coahoma, open	8 p.m.				
PUNTING			LAST WEEK'S RESULTS			SEPT. 24					
No.	Yds.	Avg.	Penalties, yards	15-145	13-319	Merkel at Eastland	8 p.m.				
Smith	8	353	44.1	7	4	Colorado City at Post	8 p.m.				
2 Opponents	13	415	31.9	4	0	Winters at Eldorado	8 p.m.				
			Score by quarters			Albany at Wylie	8 p.m.				
			Merkel			Hassel at Stamford	8 p.m.				
			2 Opts.			Ballinger at Coleman	8 p.m.				
			0 0 6 6			Tahoko at Coahoma	8 p.m.				

Dallas Cowboys 1976 Schedule

Date	Opponent	Kickoff (Dallas Time)
Sun., September 12	PHILADELPHIA	1 p.m.
Sun., September 19	at New Orleans	1 p.m.
Sun., September 26	BALTIMORE	3 p.m.
Sun., October 3	at Seattle	1 p.m. (3 p.m.)
Sun., October 10	at New York Giants	1 p.m. (noon)
Sun., October 17	at St. Louis	8 p.m.
Sun., October 24	CHICAGO	1 p.m.
Sun., October 31	at Washington	4 p.m. (3 p.m.)
Sun., November 7	NEW YORK GIANTS	1 p.m.
Mon., November 15	BUFFALO	8 p.m.
Sun., November 21	at Atlanta	1 p.m. (noon)
Thu., November 25	ST. LOUIS	2:30 p.m.
Sun., December 5	at Philadelphia	1 p.m. (noon)
Sun., December 12	WASHINGTON	3 p.m.

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Harris to attend MS meet

Mrs. Bill (Karen) Harris will represent Heart of Texas chapter at the National Multiple Sclerosis Society's 30th Anniversary Conference at the Statler Hilton Hotel in Washington, D. C., Thursday through Sunday. Some 400 delegates from Society chapters in 50 states and the District of Columbia will attend the 4-day meeting to review progress in the fight against multiple sclerosis begun in 1946, and to discuss direction of research in the future.

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Construction issue hot School Board topic

Future construction was the big item of business at the regular meeting of the Merkel Independent School District September 7 at Merkel High School. The School Board, facing increasing pressure to provide facilities for a growing number of students in the district, worked until 12:40 a.m. attempting to agree on a solution. They set a special meeting for September 28 to discuss the situation further and to attempt to come to agreement. In other action the Board accepted the report of the Taylor-Callahan Co-op meeting, approved the Region XIV Service Center plan for crime and drug education, employed two custodians, held an executive session and heard Superintendent Travis Davis' report on the football game against Baird and the increased enrollment.

The Taylor-Callahan Co-op named Ferrell Newton and Hallie Gee to two year terms on the Advisory Board with Newton elected chairman and Travis Davis secretary. Sharon Brown, Darlene Christian, Margaret Settle and Elaine Daniels' resignations were accepted and employed were Beverley Blair, Margaret Settle and Betty Davis as special education teachers and Shirley Martin, Sandy Davis and Shirley Tucker as instructional aides. The Co-op's audit was accepted and the budget approved. The Co-op expected to have \$359,903 in revenue this year with the salaries for the 36 teachers, aides, counselors and director totaling \$320,466. The projected expenditure is expected to equal the revenue. Leon Walker is director of the Taylor-Callahan Co-op and presented the report to the Merkel School Board. As agent for the Co-op, the school board accepted the results of the Co-op's September 1 meeting. Merkel's share of the cost for the Co-op's special education is \$3,707 and Trent's is \$1,007. The Board then adopted the 1976-77 Crime Prevention and Drug Education plan of action in co-operation with Region XIV Service Center. This is the second year for the operation of this program and Merkel High is to furnish a representative and pay his expenses to meetings. The district is paid \$600 for the program but the funds are paid into the co-op program to allow more benefits from pooling of funds. Films and assembly programs on crime prevention and on drug education will be scheduled during the school year. Gary Sanders and John Roys were hired as new custodians. The School Board then went into executive session at 8:10 p.m. to discuss what President Charles Jacobs called "a problem" and reconvened the open session at 8:42. Jacobs said a problem was discussed and no action was necessary. It was not reported what the problem involved. The bids on the cafeteria freezer was on the agenda but no new bids were received and nothing new on securing a freezer for the cafeteria was presented. Davis reported the number of new students has increased to 101 above last year and that only six of the newcomers are from the construction crew in Merkel now. The construction crew is expected to be in Merkel for six months repairing bridges on the Interstate. Davis said the school had bought a liner to paint the stripes on the field after the one they had broke and they had to borrow one from Hamlin for last week's opening game. Actually, the one from Hamlin also was not in working order and the coaches had to line the field with a hoe. They finished at 7:15 before Friday's 8 p.m. kickoff with Baird.

Davis said "our old field sure did look good. Believe it is the best since I've been here," in referring to the condition of the football playing field. He said \$1,052 was collected for the game with half going to Baird. Also, Davis said the doors for the three entrances have arrived and that a bid to install the three doors was \$2,265. Therefore, he said Obie Coker with some outside help hopes to install the doors on weekends and hopefully save most of the proposed installation cost. Moving to the future construction and the crowding situation, the Board discussed the ag situation where 77 students have only one instructor. The Board expressed concern for a better agriculture program and additional teachers. The Board is concerned that a more rounded ag program isn't available in Merkel. They said they hope to remedy this in the future. Too, the playground and equipment condition on the Merkel elementary playground was discussed and it was pointed out that the chemistry lab is in "pretty bad" condition. The nonuse of the library in the Middle School also was discussed and Davis said the library would be opened for the student's use. It had been closed awaiting the building of a partition in one end for a teacher work area. Then, Dewayne Clark and Britt Gamble of Associated Contractors Inc. of Abilene talked to the Board. Travis and Jacobs had talked with them Tuesday and had visited facilities at Jim Ned High School. Jacobs said, "We asked them to come and to help us out a little bit and give us some advice. We need to reach a lot of decisions on what type of buildings, floor covering, wall covering, heating we need and to help jell our ideas in which direction to go." Clark, a contractor, said about 95 per cent of his work is in erecting steel buildings and that is what he proceeded to recommend to the Board. Using 3,000 square feet as an example (the site of four classrooms which Davis estimated the Elementary school needs right away) Clark said it could be erected for \$14 a square foot and with carpet it would cost about \$15. Most of the architects and other people the Board has talked to has estimated the cost in the \$20 to \$22 per square foot range for both steel buildings and regular construction. It was estimated that it would take four months to build such a steel building. At \$15 a square foot the new building would cost \$45,000. This is considered a turnkey job with the school having to install lockers, desks and other teaching equipment. It would have four classrooms and two restrooms. This same firm built the Ben Franklin store in Merkel and the Divide High School, Clark noted. The cost would be less the larger the building, according to Clark. After Clark had left, the Board got down to discussing the issue further. Jacobs was recommending getting a \$60,000 loan to build the immediate four classrooms and waiting to see what action the state Legislature takes towards funding schools. He also was for putting off any bond issue for at least a year, claiming the taxpayers would not favor any increase in taxes at this time. Member Boyd expressed his opinion that they would be wasting money by building only four classrooms when they could build a 10-classroom building for a much larger savings. In fact, he said that for \$200,000 the school could possibly build two 10-room buildings which would relieve the crowding at all three schools in Merkel. Member Leroy Teaff said that Tye also would have to have more classrooms next year. However, Teaff didn't

want any bond issue or added loans. He pointed out that with a bond issue or loan the school would have to pay back the loan and continue to maintain the present old facilities. "Where's the money coming from?" he asked. Boyd favored a bond issue if that would save the taxpayers money and would solve the problem of crowded classrooms. The four classrooms would be filled upon completion and the situation would not be solved, it was noted. Too, the matter of all the other repairs and things needed to update the school plant came in for discussion should a bond issue be called. "You would be getting back into the million dollar range then," Davis noted. Boyd was not for such a figure, however. Davis noted that it would take at least a year to get around to a vote on any proposed bond issue and that some form of action is needed immediately. The Board was about to consider the \$60,000 loan but decided to wait until September 28 at the special meeting, allowing them more time to consider the different proposals and requirements. Jacobs said the Board needs to get something started by January and "We need to determine where we want to build, what we want to build and how many rooms we need." Next regular board meeting is September 21 at 7:30 p.m. Boyd said the four-room proposal would "Just wind up costing us more money and won't solve anything." He said he is in favor of any program that will give "us the most building for the dollar invested." Boyd also favored a public hearing and letting the public know the needs of the school district. "I think most people are smart enough to know when something needs to be done," he said. "We are about 10 years behind right now." Jacobs still felt that now isn't the proper time to present a bond issue to the public. The Board instructed Davis to look into the situation of securing a short term loan and to come up with any other proposals to help the Board make a decision at the September 28 meeting.

Ray earns degree
Kenneth D. Ray, formerly of Merkel and now living in Midland, has earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Texas at the Permian Basin in Odessa. He was one of 102 completing degree requirements during summer terms.

Young Homemakers
The Taylor County Young Homemakers met Thursday at the home of Mrs. Larry Beasley. An interesting program on making shades and draperies was given by Roberta Watters. It was decided to have a Homecoming float in the parade. Becky Watts was nominated as the Little Sister for September. Tonya Meeks was nominated to run for Vice-President at the State Convention, September 25. The Farmers and Merchants Bank donated a savings bond for our door prize at the Convention. Plans were made for a booth at the Halloween Carnival. Those present were: Candi Martin, Mary Hill, Melba Fisher, Ida Seymour, Robbie Hicks, Tonya Meeks, Terry Martin, Linda Beasley and Ann Jacobs. Next month's meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Richard Hill. The program will be about Microwave Cookery.

completes training
Sergeant Marisela Asencio, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Asencio of Merkel has graduated from the Tactical Air Command Non-Commissioned Officer Leadership School at Bergstrom AFB, in Austin. Sergeant Asencio is a 1974 graduate of Merkel High School and attended Draughts Business College, Abilene.

McDonald has winning gelding
Don McDonald of Merkel owned and Bud Rankin of Coahoma showed the grand champion gelding, Firey Freckles, at the first Paint Horse show at the West Texas Fair in Abilene Friday. McDonald also won for stallions, 1974 with Delco. Grand champion stallion Paint Horse was Happy Ole Man, owned by E. E. Robinson of Abilene and shown by Carl Robinson. Jeff Williamson's Yellow Socks of Blanco was grand champion mare.

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(Seal) Irene Crawford Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas By Sandra Harris, Deputy.

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Council hires Abilene engineering firm

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Thursday, September 16, 1976

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Merkel Volunteer Fire Department and Auxiliary working for TV benefit

The Merkel City Council approved the engineering firm of Yates and Decker of Abilene to do the \$30,400 work on the water line project of the Community Development Block Grant program and approved payment of bills at its regular meeting at City Hall Friday morning. Next regular meeting is September 24. The Abilene firm submitted a \$2,600 bid for the initial cost of the planned HUD project. Anything over the initial contract will be charged on an hourly rate. Only other bid was from a Lubbock firm for 9 per cent of the cost or \$2,736. Actually, the two bids were close to the same amount as the entire \$30,400 will be spent, according to the City Council. Any funds left over from the proposed project will be spent on additional water lines. City Coordinator J. A. Sadler informed the Council that the Lubbock firm had a good reputation and is well established and that the Abilene firm is closer and would be easier to work

with on the project. Councilmember Darrell Farmer made the motion to hire Yates and Decker and Kent Satterwhite seconded the motion. It passed by the three councilmen present. In answer to Satterwhite's question, it was revealed that Iky Garrett has been working as a part time policeman since September 3. Jerry Hill also has been hired as the city's auditor and Sadler was authorized several days off to visit his son who is moving to Colorado. Bills approved for payment totaled \$15,036.35. There were \$4,898.32 in general fund, \$9,521.63 in water and sewer and \$445.15 spent on rebuilding the engine of the ambulance. The bank balance is \$36,029.90 plus \$20,000 in certificates of deposit. Sadler also told the Council that there had been some mistakes in the initial billing of the water bills from the new computer system in Abilene, but that hopefully most of them had been caught before they were mailed to customers.

The Council also instructed Sadler to tell Police Chief Paul Crouse not to drive the ambulance over 85 m. p. h. and that if he was caught doing so again that it would mean automatic firing. It was noted that several of the city employees are refusing to ride with the Chief in the ambulance because of reportedly excessive speeds above the 85 m. p. h.

Auxiliary to meet
The Ladies Auxiliary of the Merkel Fire Department has scheduled a meeting Monday. They will meet at 7:30 p. m. at the Fire Station.

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1/2 LB. BOX
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MEADOLAKE **OLEO**
SOFT LB.
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28 oz. BAG
49¢

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DEL MONTE 303 **FRUIT Cocktail** 2 FOR **79¢**
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18 oz. JAR
79¢

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2 5 oz. CANS
65¢

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26 oz. BOT.
63¢

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59¢

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