

Merkel Sweethearts to be presented

Beta Sigma Phi's annual Valentine Dance and Sweetheart presentation will be held Saturday night at the Abilene Civic Center.

Music for the dance will be provided by Southern Comfort, a four-piece band from San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Click will be special guests at the dance. Recently the Beta Sigma Phi City Council held a benefit

Tasting Tea in memory of the Click's daughter, Donea. The Council will present a check from that benefit to the Clicks Saturday night.

During the presentation of the Valentine Sweethearts, Bill Askew, drama teacher at Lincoln Junior

High, will be the emcee. B. A. Honey of the Abilene Model A Club is providing a 1928 Ford to be used in the presentation.

Charlotte Starbuck, Xi Nu Chi; Judy Elliott, Lambda Beta; and Mychele Hammond of Alpha Nu Nu will be

presented as the three Merkel chapter sweethearts. Fifteen Abilene chapters will also present their sweethearts.



Charlotte Starbuck

Charlotte has been a member of Beta Sigma Phi 3 years. She is currently social chairman, telephone chairman and city counsel representative for her chapter Xi Nu Chi. Past offices held are recording secretary and ways and means chair-

man. She has been active in boy scouts and taught a religion class at Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church, and was also business administrator for the church two years. She was the Mothers March of



Mychele Hammond

Dimes chairman for Merkel in 1976.

Charlotte and husband George have one son John age 10. She works part time at Starbuck Furniture and her main interests are sewing, gardening and reading.

Mychele Hammond has been a member of the Alpha Nu Nu Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi for two years. She is the telephone chairman and the treasurer for the chapter, and served on the social committee and the ways and means committee last year.

Mychele is the advertising manager for The

Merkel Mail and is a member of the Methodist Church of Merkel. She is involved with the Merkel Miss Softball America League of Merkel and coached Merkel's Mini-Minor Division last summer. She attended Angelo State University for two years, where she was on

the Dean's List four semesters. Her husband, Bob, manages the Ben Franklin store, along with his father, Johnny Hammond. They have one daughter, Dana, who is 1 year old.

Mychele's interests include reading, swimming, tennis, and sewing.



Judy Elliott

Judy Elliott is a member of Lambda Beta Chapter in Merkel. She has been in Beta Sigma Phi for two years. She has served on the telephone, ways and means (2 years) and membership committees.

Judy and her husband, Ricky have a Fina Service

Station where she helps out part time. They have two daughters, Tami 9 and Kristy 7, and is a Brownie Leader for 22 first graders.

Judy goes to the First United Methodist Church where she is serving as a communion steward.



News and Thoughts

By Martha Sue

Justice

A big congratulations go out to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Holt of Trent. They celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary last month. Mrs. Holt also celebrated her 75th birthday recently.

While talking to Linda Williams last Thursday she mentioned that she and husband, Pat, were going out that night to celebrate their anniversary. When I asked how long they had been married she said—I think seems like 100 years.

I heard by the grapevine that Coach McLeod and Bob Eastus had a tough Indian Wrestling Contest. The problem is—I didn't find out who won.

Strange things have been going on at 301 Kent. D. A. Bishop and Harold Watts bought a used Loader and have been supposedly overhauling it. The problem is—in the process of overhauling it—somehow they must have accidentally also souped it up. At this point no one is sure whether it's a Loader or an Armored Tank! Another question everyone is asking—where did that engine come from!!!

This past week-end was almost unbelievable. The sun was shining for two days and as usual the fishing fever was bothering me real bad, however—it was necessary to do a little house cleaning! My house had gotten to the point that either it had to be cleaned or we all were going to have to move out. If you've never been to my house you have missed an experience. Most of the time it is very cluttered—in fact I remember when I lost one of my children for two days in the debris before I found him! All kidding aside it was a beautiful two days even if it was used in cleaning. Now at least one room of the house is clean!

Don't forget to attend the very important PTO meeting and also do what you can to help the Mothers March of Dimes.

McNary to be ordained

David McNary, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. McNary of Merkel, will be ordained at the Kenwood Baptist Church in Dallas. The ordination will be Sunday, February 13th at 3:00 p.m.

David completed his training at the Dallas Baptist College in Dallas.

David and wife, Pat, have two children, Krista

and Scott. David and Pat both are graduates of Merkel High School.

Pat is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bunch of Merkel.

The McNarys will be moving in the near future to Big Spring, where David will be pastor at the Airport Baptist Church.

Cathy Crouse named leader

Cathy Crouse has been named Merkel High's 1976-77 General Mills Family Leader of Tomorrow. Cathy won the honor by competing with other seniors here in a written knowledge and attitude examination on December 7. She will receive a certificate from General Mills, sponsor of the annual educational scholarship program, and becomes eligible for state and national honors.

The State Family Leader of Tomorrow, to be chosen through judging centered on performance in the December 7 test, will receive a \$1,500 college scholarship, with the second-ranking participant in the state receiving a \$500 grant. The state winner will also earn for

his or her school a 20-volume reference work, "The Annals of America," from Encyclopaedia Britannica Educational Corporation.

In April, the 51 winners representing every state and the District of Columbia will be the guests of General Mills on an expense-paid educational tour of Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia, and Washington, D. C. During the tour personal observations and interviews will be conducted to select the All-American Family Leader of Tomorrow, whose scholarship will be increased to \$5,000. Second, third and fourth place winners will receive scholarship increases to \$4,000, \$3,000 and \$2,000, respectively.

Jaycees To Meet

The Merkel Jaycees will have their regular meeting at the Merkel Country Club. The meeting will be held Thursday, February 10th at 7:30 p.m. All members are urged to attend.

Urgent! PTO Meeting

There will be a PTO Meeting February 15, 1977, 7:30 p.m. at the high school auditorium.

A Drug Abuse program will be presented the first part of the evening by a group from Abilene.

This program is one that everyone needs to hear. PTO officials have asked that everyone, whether you are a PTO member or not, to please come to this meeting. Children are also invited to this particular meeting.

We Need You

Due to weather, ball games, etc., the Mothers March of Dimes has been postponed until February 14th. Anyone willing to help please contact Barbara Buntin at 928-5926 or see at 405 Marion. Please Volunteer—We Need Your HELP!

Safety Program Presented

Merkel High School Superintendent, Travis Davis opened the program "Highways of Agony," Tuesday, by mentioning some of the fatal accidents in and around the Big Country area.

Davis cautioned the students about their driving and said that they should always add to their safety by driving with their full attention.

Merkel High School coach, Jerry McCleod was introduced to show

the film, "Highways of Agony." Before showing the film, McCleod said that he would like to mention that seven times more young people in the 15 to 24 age bracket were killed in car accidents. He also said that that age group held the highest number of fatal car wrecks.

"Highways of Agony" was a truly realistic film. All types of car accidents were shown with very little left to the imagination. Details were given as

to the cause of the accidents with pictures also shown of the deaths and survivors relating to each one.

All in all this program and film will not be forgotten by the students. It was and is a truth, but a sad truth. Car accidents can be cut down and must be stopped in the fatality category.

"Highways of Agony" was a definite eye-opener. Merkel High School is to be commended for a splendid program.



Merkel High School Student Council, meeting with the evaluation team from Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

7th Grade Wins District

Retiree Honored



Pat McAlister proudly displays a new picture which is just one of the many new items at the Merkel Restaurant since remodeling had been completed.

GIRLS

The last basketball game for the 7th and 8th grade girls was Monday night against Eula. The 7th grade girls came out on top to beat Eula 13 to 3 and also win the district championship title for 7th graders. The scorers were: Mary Fariello, 1; Loyce Baker, 6; and Nancy Click, 6. The other players on the team are: Roberta Duran, Michelle Brown, Christine Franklin, Rene Aiken, Sirintorn Prasarn, Yvonne Swinney, Stacy Seymore, and Kim Smith. These girls have done an excellent job playing basketball, and we want to congratulate them.

The 8th grade girls had a very close game Monday against Eula. Eula won by one point, but Merkel didn't let them win easily. Our girls played an outstanding game offensively and defensively. The scor-

ers were: Kay Amerine, 7; Sheri Williams, 2; Norma Frazier, 16. The other members of the team are: Charlotte Watts, Judy Castille, Vickie Campbell, Lisa Allen, Dee Ann Smith, Ann Melton, Carla Corbin, Jan Melton, Laticia Powell, Angie Wells, and Cindy Doan.

Robbie Hicks said, "I have thoroughly enjoyed coaching these girls for 2 years. They are all fine athletes. I also want to thank my managers who have helped me considerably, Delisa Roysden, Kim Gary, and Janice Jacobs."

BOYS

Coach Gee, of the Merkel Middle School is very proud of his 7th grade boys basketball team. He said, "We were undefeated until Monday! I don't know what happened then, but Eula beat us 12-2. However, we still won district

and are definitely proud of the team!"

Merkel's January 24th game turned out with Merkel winning over Jim Ned 9-3. High pointer was Danny Riggan with 9 points.

January 31st, Merkel beat Wylie 14-4 with Danny Riggan again high point player making 10 points for his team.

Miss Mary Collins, who recently retired after 43 years of service at the Farmers and Merchants National Bank in Merkel, was honored with a dinner party at the Merkel Country Club, Saturday evening, February 4.

Mrs. Andy Shouse was emcee for the program which followed. All present participated in the program in some way,

and a good time was had by all. Gifts were presented to the honoree.

Those enjoying the sumptuous meal and fellowship were: Florence Berry, Vivian Davis, Ruth

Pangle, Maurine White, Aileen Knight, Lucille Kelley, Helen Benson, Vera West, Anna Belle Shouse, Val Patterson, Margaret McAninch, Mattie Lou Wozencraft, and Vada Hudson.

Girls Varsity Basketball

February 1-Stamford 51, Merkel 57

The varsity girls evened the score with Stamford and defeated them in second round play by a score of 57-51. (Stamford won the opening round game 41-35.) The team

shot 40 percent from the floor and 50 percent from the line.

Gayle Teaff was high with 26 points. Cindy Boone followed closely behind with 21 points. Kandi Ascencio rounded out the attack with 10 points.

Merkel 12 15 17 13
Stamford 11 17 8 15

February 4- Wylie 69, Merkel 37

On February 4 the girls closed out their season by being defeated by Wylie, who won the district with a perfect 12-0 record. The game score was 69-37. Merkel was only able to hit 12 of 39 shots taken.

Gayle Teaff, 18; Cindy Boone, 11; Kandi Ascencio, 4; Gay Pfister, 2; and Annemarie Rankin, 2.

Merkel 6 10 11 10
Wylie 19 25 12 13

Playing defense for Merkel has been Cindy

Byrd, Senior; Freda Crenshaw, Junior; Gina Farmer, Sophomore; Pam Morgan, Junior; Rhondia Toney, Senior; and Kathryn Irvin, Sophomore. The guards have held opponents for the season to only 40 points a game. The team finished with 14-10 overall record. In district play, they finished behind Wylie then Coahoma with a 7-5 record.

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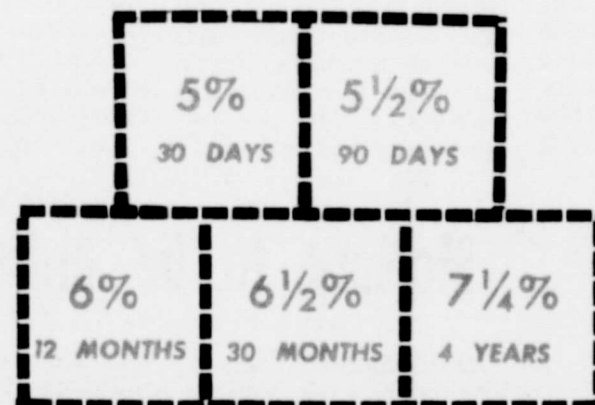
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Senior Citizens met February 8 for their luncheon. There were more than 60 present. Rev. Lynnwood Harrison was the speaker, speaking on "Meeting God Face to Face." There were 8 at the birthday table. Mrs. Dewell McLean drew the lucky number from Wilsons Grocery and Mrs. Dennis Butler from Carsons Grocery. The singing was well attended. Everyone is urged to come to the singings the first Monday night of each month.

Public Notice

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 Dated January 12th, 1977.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
 THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Carroll Dwayne Sanders, Respondent:
GREETINGS:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable Domestic Relations court, Taylor County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County in Abilene, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of Beula Wynne Love, Supervisor, Taylor County Child Welfare, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 15 day of November, 1976, against Carol Ann Sanders and Carroll Dwayne Sanders, Respondents, and said suit being numbered 12,545-DR on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Interest of Michael Jay Sanders, a Child," the nature of which suit is a request to Terminate Parent-Child Relationship. Said child was born the 25th day of June, 1975, in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas.
 The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.
 If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.
 The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.
 Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this the 3rd day of February, 1977.

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Merkel-Stamford

The Merkel Badgers jumped out to an early lead over the Bulldogs but saw the lead disappear by halftime when they trailed 36-37. The third quarter was in favor of Merkel and lead by six at the end of that quarter. The lead stayed in the hands of the Badgers until less than 2 minutes to play when the score was tied. The two teams exchanged points and Merkel tried unsuccessfully to stall the game away once they regained the lead. Stamford tied the game to send it in overtime at 74-74. In the first overtime it appeared that Stamford was on their way to victory when they took a 4 point lead, but the Badgers came back to tie the score as the first overtime ended. The second overtime was similar to the first, Stamford obtained the lead and Merkel came back at the end to tie the score with less than 15 seconds to go in the contest. Donny Riggan then stole the inbound pass and when an attempted shot was blocked, Grant Murrell got the loose ball and dropped in a 6 foot jump shot at the buzzer to give the Badgers the victory.

Brad Pursley had 24 points, 6 rebounds and 3 steals; Donny Riggan shared scoring honors with Pursley, he also had 24 points, 7 rebounds and 3 steals; David Pfister had 18 points, 11 rebounds and 3 steals; Keith Wolf had 12 points, 7 rebounds and 2 blocked shots; Mike Sims had 8 points, 3 steals and a rebound; and Grant Murrell had 2 points, 1 steal and a rebound.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO CHENPHEN GREATHOUSE, Respondent:

GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County in Abilene, Texas at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of WALTER E. GREATHOUSE, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 2nd day of FEBRUARY, 1977, against CHENPHEN GREATHOUSE, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 12,810-DR on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Matter of The Marriage of WALTER E. GREATHOUSE and CHENPHEN GREATHOUSE," the nature of which suit is a request for DIVORCE.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any

judgment or decree dissolving the marriage and providing for the division of property which will be binding on you.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this 2nd day of February, 1977. (Seal) Irene Crawford Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Faye Lyons, Deputy.

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National VICA WEEK

This week (February 6-12) is National Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA) week. Starting next week we will begin our series of weekly reports covering the Multiple Occupational Cooperative (MOC) students of Merkel High School. These reports will consist of photos of the students on

the job and information concerning their various fields of work.

Our local VICA Chapter was recently recognized in the Texas Association VICA News which is published quarterly for their fund raising efforts in the domino tournament held last October.

Officers for MOC are as follows: President, Doyle Russell; Vice President, Linda Williams; Secretary, Johnny Holmes; Reporter, Salinda Justice; Parliamentarian, Ben Castille; Sergeant at Arms, Jerry Butman; and Treasurer, Tommy loan.

Teacher and sponsor for our VICA Chapter is Mr. Phillip Pursley. We would like to thank him for all the help and guidance he has provided for us this year.

MERKEL 4-H NEWS

The Merkel 4-H Club met February 3 at the Stith Community Center. President Tonya Moore called the meeting to order. Danny Taylor led the American Pledge, Jay Gibson led the 4-H Motto and Pledge, and Brooks Boyd led the 4-H Prayer.

Cindy Boone and Tonya Moore were in charge of the program "nursing Talk." We had four ladies from the Merkel Garden Club to present talks. Mrs. Odie Clark and Mrs. Ora Griggs showed some dry flower arrangements and a shadow box. Mrs. W. L. Brown told about her arrangements "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow." She gave a very interesting talk and was kind enough to call the Today arrangement, "The 4-H Club." Mrs. Olga Peachy is program chairman for the Garden Club and we appreciate all the ladies coming for our meeting.

We also had a Tasting

Merkel Defeats Wylie

Merkel staged a come from behind win over the Wylie Bulldogs to tie them for the second half of the district race. Wylie and Merkel both have 3-1 marks to lead the district. Both teams have two games remaining to decide what team represents the district. Coahoma and Stamford are only one game back of first with two losses.

Wylie jumped out to an early lead and lead as much as 15 points at one time during the first half. The Badgers cut the lead to 8 points by half time, and the game was tied several times during the fourth quarter. Merkel took the lead and kept it with less than 30 seconds to go in the contest. The game was played before standing room only in the Wylie gym.

In the contest Donny Riggan lead the scoring with 21 points and had 7 steals and 6 rebounds; Keith Wolf had 14 points, 9 rebounds and 3 blocked shots; David Pfister had 12 points, 5 rebounds and 3 steals; Mike Sims had 10 points, 2 steals, and 4 rebounds; Brad Pursley had 13 points, and 1 rebound; Grant Murrell had 2 rebounds; and Ricky Howes had 1 rebound. The Badgers are now 3-1 in district play and 16-10 on the year.

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Tea by the members of the Foods group. The members prepared the food they were to enter in the County Food Show Saturday. All members and guests got to sample the different dishes. We want to congratulate the members on their work this year. Blue ribbon winners at the County Food Show Saturday, February 5th were: Seniors Vickie Reddin, Cindy Boone and Tonya Moore. Juniors, Marsha Greene and Shannon Boyd. Red ribbon winners were Juniors Loyce Baker and Jerry Miller.

The next meeting will be March 1st and the program will be a demonstration workshop.



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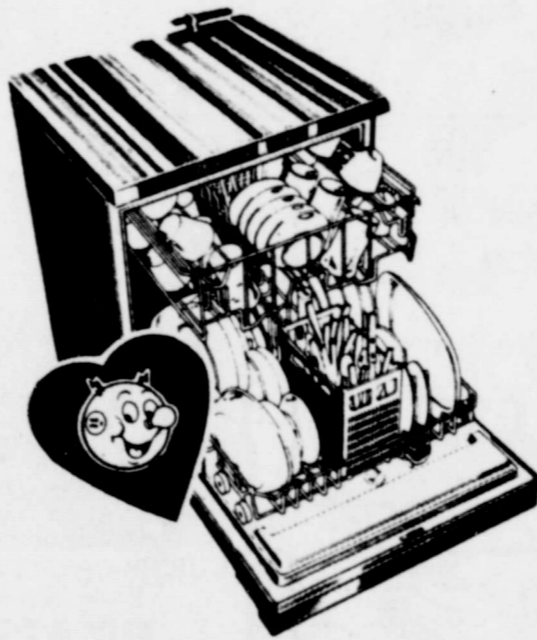
We also have our pies made daily, made to order. Our cream pies are chocolate Cream, Lemon Meringue, Key Lime Meringue, Coconut Cream, Butterscotch at 50 cents a slice or \$2.50 for a whole pie. Our fruit pies are Apple, Peach, Apricot, Cherry and Pumpkin at 50 cents a slice or \$2.50 a whole pie. We also serve Pecan Pies priced the same as above pies.

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Miss Pittman Dies

Miss Loraine Pittman, 15, of Route 4, Temple died Monday, January 31st in a Temple hospital after a long illness.

Funeral was at 9 a.m. Wednesday, February 2nd in Seaton Brethren Church with the Rev. Milton Maly, the Rev. Jack Badgero and the Rev. Earnest Thompson officiating. Burial was in Anson Cemetery in Anson.

Miss Pittman was born in El Paso. She was a student in the Rogers school district and a member of the Clover Leaf 4-H Club and the National Honor Society. She also participated in

school athletics. She was a member of East Highway Baptist Church.

Survivors are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Zeph Pittman of Temple; two brothers, Calvin Pittman of Temple and Glenn Pittman of Jacksonville, Florida; two sisters, Emma Pittman and Cynthia Pittman, both of Temple; her grandmother, Mrs. Emma Pittman of Anson; and her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Halbert Rister of Merkel.

Mrs. Zeph Pittman formerly George Ann Rister was a 1959 graduate of Merkel High School.

Funeral Held for Pearlie Maddera

Pearlie Mae Maddera, 65, of 304 Peach in Abilene died at 1:15 p.m. Friday in Hendricks Memorial Hospital following a lengthy illness. Services were held at 4 p.m. Saturday, at Starbuck Chapel.

The Rev. T. C. Melton of Elmcrest Chapel in Abilene officiated. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery, directed by Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born February 9, 1911, in Blount County in Alabama, she moved to Taylor

County in 1918 and married Clint Maddera in 1929 in Merkel. They moved to Abilene in 1948.

Survivors include her husband; a son, Buddy of Abilene; three daughters; Ludy Maddera and Sue Maddera, both of Abilene, and Lena Dodson of Orange; four brothers; Floyd Bryan and Harvey Bryan, both of Merkel; and Lonnie and Benson Bryan, both of Abilene; a sister, Gertrude Huffstuder of Blackduck, Minnesota, and five grandchildren.

Edith Diltz Dies

Mrs. W. L. (Edith) Diltz, 81, of Ponca City, Oklahoma, and formerly of Abilene, died at 6 p.m. Thursday, February 10th in a Ponca City hospital after a long illness. Services were at 10 a.m. Monday, February 7th at graveside at Elmwood Memorial Park.

Born July 21, 1896, in Canyon, she was a graduate of West Texas State University and taught Spanish at Merkel High School until she married W. L. Diltz August 29, 1921, in Canyon.

Mr. Diltz was a banker in Merkel before they moved to Abilene. He died in 1953. Mrs. Diltz moved to Ponca City in 1976. She was a member of Central Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include a son, Emory of Ponca City; a daughter, Mrs. Peter Paul (Betty) Blanda of Pampa; and five grandchildren.

Last Rites held for Homer Campbell

Homer James Campbell, 72, of Marble Falls died Friday morning following a short illness. Services were at 2 p.m. Sunday in First Baptist Church.

The Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor of First Baptist Church officiated. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery directed by Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born September 10, 1904, in Merkel, Campbell had lived in Marble Falls the last six years. He was a retired farmer and rancher.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth; a son, H. J. Campbell Jr. of Denver City, Texas; two daughters, Mrs. Jerry Garrett of Victoria and Mrs. Jim Young of Goliad; a brother, S. D. Campbell of Merkel; a sister Laura Campbell of Merkel; nine grandchildren; and a great grandchild.



Five Generations

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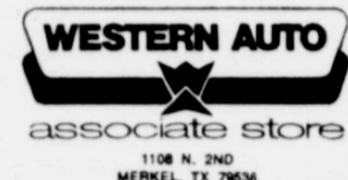
All boys age 8 to 11 and their parents are urged to attend the Blue and Gold Banquet February 11 at the Lions Club building at 7 p.m. There will be a promotion ceremony at the banquet and new officers recognized.

If you're a boy age 8 to 11 and not in Cub Scouts tell mom "Let's join," and

Visits

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Shouse and sons Scott and Mathew from Dallas were visitors in the homes of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Patterson and Mrs. Andy Shouse over the weekend. They were here primarily to celebrate the birthdays of Mrs. Shouse's father, Joe Patterson, and sister Kathryn Walla who was here with her husband and daughter, Mike and Nikki Jo from Colorado City.

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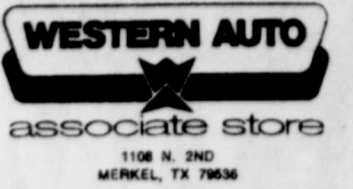
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Xi Nu Chi News



Tarvins celebrate 50th

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Tarvin will be honored by their family in observance of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with open house from 2 to 5 o'clock Sunday, February 13th at the First Methodist Church in Barnhart. They have two children, Arthur L. Tarvin of Barnhart and E. Clinton Tarvin of Perryton. They have 7 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

They were married February 11th, 1927 in the parsonage of First Methodist church in Merkel by the Rev. W. R. McCarter. They moved to Barnhart January 7, 1932 where they have lived since. Mr. Tarvin operated a Mobil

George Hobbs

Funeral Held

George W. Hobbs Jr., 51, of Canton and formerly of Merkel, died at 5:30 a.m. Thursday, February 10th at the V. A. Hospital in Dallas following a lengthy illness. Services were at 4 p.m. Friday at the Hilliard Funeral Home in Canton.

Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Saturday at Rose Hill Cemetery in Merkel.

Born April 8, 1925, in Van Zandt County, he had lived in Merkel 20 years before moving to Canton in 1958.

Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Tuesday, February 1st, in the home of Bobby Elliott. The meeting was called to order by President Betty Allday. Roll call was answered to the question, "Which do you prefer stage drama or television drama?"

The program, "Drama and Theatre" was presented by Captain Ginny Yaddow, and Co-Captain Mary Hill. They presented the drama *Sorry, Wrong Number* with excellent sound effects and props.

Plans were discussed for the Beauty Pageant, which will be held April 16th.

Members present were as follows: Betty Allday, Anne Booth, Milly Bright, Pat Castille, Betty Coker, Ann Doan, Bobby Elliott, Judy Elliott, Gloria Henslee, Robbie Hicks, Mary Hill, Chera Hohnertz, Faye Jones, Linda Leddy, Sarah Lucas, Terri Martin, Minyon Seymore, Glenda Teaff, Barbara Welch, and Ginny Yaddow.

Xi Nu Chi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi held their regular meeting at the Abilene Savings Building February 1st.

The meeting was called to order by President Louise DuBose. A business meeting was held and committee reports were given. Charolette Starbuck reported Xi Nu Chi will be

hostess for City Council meeting February 9th, at the Lone Star Gas Building in Abilene.

The program was presented by Louise DuBose Captain with Charolette Starbuck assisting on Lively Arts: The Fabulous Flicks and Theatre.

Members present were: Mamie Steck, Charolette Starbuck, Jocille Brady, Louise DuBose, Elizabeth Eager, Opal Garner and Connie Harris.

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COFFEE

10 OZ
JAR \$2⁴⁹

HERSHEYS
COCOA

HOT MIX

16 OZ
CAN 98¢

KIMBIES
DIAPERS

DAYTIME
30 CT. \$2²⁹

BORDEN
Low Fat MILK

2 1/2 GAL
CRTN \$1⁶³

FROZEN FOODS

WHOLE SUN
ORANGE
JUICE

MORTON 5 FOR \$1⁰⁰

POT PIES 4 FOR \$1⁰⁰

PATIO DINNERS
MEXICAN 2 FOR \$1⁰⁰

COOKING OIL \$1⁴⁹

CAL RIPE 2 FOR 89¢

2 1/2 CAN 69¢

GOLD MEDAL 2 LIMIT 95¢

5 LB BAG 2 LIMIT 95¢

HORMEL 12 OZ CAN (2 LIMIT) 95¢

BORDEN
OLEO

SOFT
LB. 43¢

HORMEL
CHILI

PLAIN
303 53¢

BRANDY
TOWELS

JUMBO
ROLL 53¢

HERSHEYS
CANDY

6 PACK
CRTN 79¢

BORDENS 12 OZ
COTTAGE CHEESE 53¢

BORDEN
BUTTER MILK 1/2 GAL CRTN 83¢

HORMEL 5 OZ CAN
Vienna SAUSAGE 3 FOR \$1.00

DOVE

BATH SOAP 33¢

LIQUID
PALMOLIVE

GIANT
BOTTLE 69¢

KING
TIDE

BOX \$1⁸⁹ (1 LIMIT)

FAMILY
CASCADE

BOX \$1⁷⁹

WESSON PEACHES FLOUR SPAM

CHOICE BEEF



CLUB STEAK

POUND \$1³³

ROAST GROUND BEEF

CHOICE BEEF
CHUCK LB. 79¢

HAM

ARMOUR STAR
BONELESS
COOKED 3 LB CAN \$5⁴⁹

BACON

ARMOUR
POUND \$1²⁹

SAUSAGE

GOOCH
COUNTRY
STYLE LB. 79¢

BEEF

HORMEL
BREADED
PATTIES LB. 98¢

FRESH BEEF LIVER

LB 69¢

BAMA 18 oz.
JAM OR JELLY
RED PLUM JAR 65¢

HUNTS 300
Fruit Cocktail 3 FOR \$1⁰⁰

WHITE HOUSE QT
APPLE Juice JAR 53¢

HUNTS 300
TOMATOES 3 FOR \$1.00

DEL MONTE 303
Sweet PEAS 3 FOR \$1.00

DEL MONTE 303 CUT
Green BEANS 4 FOR \$1.00

LIBBY'S -C.S. 303
Golden CORN 3 FOR \$1.00

KOUNTY KIST 12 OZ
W.K. CORN 2 FOR 53¢

PEPTO BISMOL
TABLETS 24 CT. BOX 89¢

ROBITUSSIN
COUGH SYRUP 4 oz. BOTTLE \$1³⁹

AUNT JEMIMA 2 LB BOX
PANCAKE MIX 69¢

TEXAS
ORANGES

5 LB. BAG 63¢

CALIFORNIA
AVOCADOS 5 FOR \$1⁰⁰

WASHINGTON
PEARS LB. 29¢

FRESH
CUCUMBERS 2 FOR 29¢

DELICIOUS
RED APPLES LB. 25¢

RUSSET
SPUDS 10 LB. BAG 89¢

MAXI PADS
KOTEX 12 CT. BOX 69¢

MORRISON
KITS CORN PAN BISCUIT MIXES 6 FOR \$1⁰⁰

DEL MONTE SWEET PICKLES 12 OZ. JAR 59¢

SODA POP
7-UP 32 OZ. 6 PACK \$1²⁹ PLUS DEPOSIT

WE GIVE GIFT BOND STAMPS
Double on Wednesday with \$5.00 or more

WE WELCOME FOOD STAMPS
CARSON'S
SUPER MARKET
MERKEL TEXAS
FRESH VEGETABLES
FREE DELIVERY MON WED FRI
BEST MEATS IN TOWN