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First Scrimmage Friday at 6 P.M.

The Merkel Badgers will get the 1977-78 football pre-season schedule off to a start this Friday evening at 6:00 p.m. when they meet the Anson team at Badger Stadium here in Merkel.

The scrimmage game will involve the junior varsity and the varsity team.

Badger Coach Jerry McLeod said that the upcoming contest between Merkel and Anson should be a real good test for the Badgers. "Anson has almost all of their varsity squad returning this year and it should give us a good evaluation of where our strengths and weaknesses are," he said. McLeod said that competition in the district should be close this year. "Mer-

kel definitely will be a contender to win district. We have seven lettermen returning this year. However, we will not be playing them in the same position as last year. We have moved them around a lot and it seems to be working real well. Brad Pursley will start at quarterback this year. Brad is a good all-around athlete and we expect him to do a good job for us," he said.

McLeod said that the Badgers were showing a lot of enthusiasm and that everyone's attitude was real good.

One week from this Friday, August 26th, the Badgers will meet Hamlin for their next scrimmage. The Hamlin contest will be played in Merkel also.



KEEPING THE DOCTOR AWAY—If the old saying 'an apple a day will keep the doctor away' is true, then Ben Hicks should be extra healthy. Pictured above is Mrs. Hicks with an apple tree in their yard that has an apple 15 inches in diameter. All the apples on the tree are unusually large. The tree was planted 3 years ago. This is the second year it has produced. (Staff Photo by Tommy Jones)

Work Started on New Housing Development

Ground breaking for a new housing development on the east side of Merkel was held August 8th. The new sub-division will be known as Humphreys Village and is being developed by Mrs. Joyce Keenan and her mother Mrs. Craig Humphreys of Merkel.

Mrs. Keenan said that the overall development has room for over 100 lots. The first phase of the development will have approximately 50 home sites.

Keenan Land and Development Company is in the process of installing water, sewer, and electrical service to the area. Mrs. Keenan said that the development would have underground utilities.

The site will be restricted to single family houses. Mrs. Keenan said the price range of the homes will range from the low 30s upward. "There will be no restriction on the high side but we want to insure a development that will be a credit to Merkel on the low side," she said.

The lots will average 80 by 120 feet and will be complete with water, sewer, utilities, and paved streets.

Assisting Mrs. Keenan and Mrs. Humphreys in developing the project is Tom Shay. Mr. Shay is Mrs. Humphreys son-in-law. Shay said he expects the development should be ready for housing to start by mid-September. "We will have all the utilities in

**Booster Club
To Meet
Thursday Night**

George English, Merkel Booster Club president, has announced the first meeting of the club. It will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Big Country Inn. The meeting will be a regular business meeting to discuss the upcoming football season.

Trent Schools to Conduct Study

During the 1977-78 school year, the Trent Independent School District will be

Tejanitos Win Over Anson

George Slaughter hit a home run with two men on base to give the Tejanitos a 7-5 win over the Anson Angels. Trailing 5-4 going into the bottom of the 9th, the Tejanitos got back to back singles from B. Moreno and Frank Rodriguez. The next batter, Daniel Moreno, flied out. George Slaughter with the count on him of one strike and one ball, hit the next pitch over dead centerfield to give Merkel the victory.

Merkel collected 12 hits during the game to Anson's five hits. Pitchers for Merkel were Richard Hernandez and Tony Biera.



MRS. JOYCE KEENAN, MRS. HUMPHREYS
...announce development

by the last of September, but building could start before then," he said. Keenan Land and Development Company has

Advice Column Starts in MM

This week **THE MERKEL MAIL** is starting a new column. It is an advice column called **Dear Mimi**. The column will offer advice to all ages, but primarily was started to help the youth of our

area. The column is being written locally by a person familiar with our area. All questions will be answered anonymously. Everyone is invited to write to Mimi in care of the Merkel Mail, P. O. Box 428.



News and Thoughts

By Martha Sue Justice

The softball games at the Little League park will be held again this week. The Women will play Thursday at 7:30 p.m. and the men will play Friday at 7:00 p.m. Anyone wishing to play ball is welcome to come on out and have fun. It will cost you only \$1. And this dollar will benefit the Merkel Little League Program. See you at the ball park.

As everyone knows by now, Omar Burleson will not seek re-election to his 17th Congressional District seat in Congress after his current term. It is with regret that we see Mr. Burleson go. For 16 terms the Congressman has served the people of this district well. We think that his Middle of the road-on conservative philosophy is best for the nation. His seat on the Ways and Means Committee was most important. His voice for this district was heard. With other influential Congressmen stepping down, such as George Mahon of Lubbock, West Texas will not have the influence it once had.

We wish Congressman Burleson and his wife, Ruth, the very best after they return to their home in Anson.

The clean-up project the city is undertaking around the school's Vocational Agriculture barn is moving along nicely. Most of the bushes and small mesquite trees have been cleared away to make the land usable by the VA students and personnel.

President Franklin Roosevelt said that all we had to fear was fear itself. However, the people of New York City had more than fear to fear. It was the Son of Sam. Police finally caught him after an intensive man hunt. He had killed several young women and terrorized New York City in the process. We are glad we won't have to decide just punishment for him. Does he need mental treatment or punishment?

With Omar Burleson Stepping out of the political arena there will be several seeking his place in Congress. A. L. (Dusty) Rhodes of Abilene is the first to announce. Bet there will be a lot of others.

Ted Smith Attends Graduate School

Ted L. Smith, Senior Vice President of the Farmers and Merchants National Bank completed two weeks of study at the Southwestern Graduate School of Banking in Dallas on August 5th. This is the first of three years of study for Smith. Upon completion of the course, he will receive a certificate in commercial banking equivalent to a masters degree.

Smith will also complete a years extension course from the school before completion of the course.

The Southwestern Graduate School of Banking completed its twentieth session August 5 with the graduation of 204 seniors from 23 states.

The commencement address, titled, "A Banker's Responsibility," was given by Charles L. Childers, president of Tyler Bank and Trust and president of the Texas Bankers Association. Childers is a graduate of Class I and a member of the SWIGSBIE Board of Directors.



TED L. SMITH
...taking course

The graduation ceremony culminated three years of successful participation in case studies, lectures, extension programs and research assignments. Students attended on-campus sessions for two weeks each summer for their three consecutive years at SWIGSBIE.

Merkel Learn To Swim Program Big Success

Two class of the Red Cross Swim Program were held recently at the Merkel Country Club Pool. During the week of July 25th fifty-six children were enrolled with thirty-eight

enrolled in the second class on August 1st. Water Safety Instructors, Basic Water Aides, Swimmer Aides, cooperative and well-behaved children contributed to the

highly successful program. Dorothy Norman, Water Safety Instructor and Coordinator from Abilene, Darrell Nuber, Water Safety Instructor, Abilene, Dana Nuber and Dale Nuber, Basic Water Aides from Abilene, and Swimmer Aides Gayle Teaff of Tye, Linda Watson, Brad Wade, Kandi Ascencio, Scott Cain, and Jackie Owen, all of Merkel, spent a total of 322 hours working with the 94 children from the Merkel area in the Swim Program.

Merkel residents are indeed fortunate to have the swim program made available to them by the American Red Cross. The facilities of the Merkel Country Club Pool, the sponsorship of Farmers and Merchants National Bank and Taylor Electric Cooperative, and the job of enrolling the students by the Merkel Chamber of Commerce enabled many young Merkel children to learn to swim.

Five Merkelites Receive Degrees

Five persons from Merkel received degrees from Hardin-Simmons University at commencement

CAP ENERGY FUNDS AVAILABLE

Community Action Program of Abilene has a program to provide emergency financial help to eligible households which can prove financial need, as a result of having large energy bills, or having paid fuel bills, gas, butane, and electric since October 76.

Families that meet poverty guidelines, or on limited income, such as welfare, social security, or SSI.

These forms must be in Abilene by August 31, 1977. For more information call Mrs. Leon Harris, 928-5204 or 928-5859.

Musical Set Saturday at Stith

There will be a country-western musical at Stith Community Center Saturday night at 7:30 p.m. All bands are welcome to come. Everyone is invited to come and join in the fun. The snack counter will be open during the musical.

Jones County Taxpayers to Meet

There will be a meeting in Anson, Thursday, August 18th at 8 p.m. in the High School Auditorium for the West Jones County Taxpayers Association. Everyone is invited to attend.

exercises held August 12 at the university. Receiving degrees were:

Minnie Mae (Mitzi) Hart received a master of education degree.

Danny Lee Carter, son of M. L. Carter of Merkel received a bachelor of Business Administration degree.

Curtis Don Clyburn, son of Mrs. Curtis Clyburn of Merkel, received a bachelor of science degree.

Patricia Madge Neff of Merkel received a bachelor of science degree.

Johnny Reid Thompson, son of Mrs. Alva Jean Thompson of Merkel, received a bachelor of science degree.

Seventy-six students received degrees in the summer commencement, which was held at 8 p.m. in Behrens Chapel-Auditorium. Delivering the commencement address to the August graduates was Elwin L. Skiles, Jr., assistant counsel for Texas Instruments Incorporated of Dallas and son of Dr. Elwin L. Skiles, H-SU president.

Tanzanian Minister for Agriculture John Samuel Malecela and Dr. Skiles received honorary Doctor of Humanities degrees during the ceremonies.

Mike Steck gets Degree

Michael Earl Steck, son of Mrs. Mami Steck of Merkel, received a M. S. T. degree in agriculture from Tarleton State University at Stephenville. Commencement exercises were held Sunday, August 14th.

School Notes

CLASSES BEGIN AUGUST 29th FOR MERKEL SCHOOLS.

Merkel Schools will start August 29th. Travis Davis, School Superintendent announced that new students to Merkel Schools and any Kindergarten student who has not pre-registered should register August 23rd-25th. They need shot records and birth certificates in order to register.

HIGH SCHOOL BAND PRACTICE HAS STARTED

Mr. Tony M. McGowan, high school band director, has started pre-school rehearsals. Rehearsals will run from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. with time for marching and playing. Since the marching style is being changed this year, the pre-school rehearsals will be very important for all members of the High School Band.

BUDGET HEARING

There will be a budget hearing of the 1977-78 Merkel School Budget held August 18th at 8 p.m. in the High School Teacher's Workroom.

8th GRADE FOOTBALL...

The Merkel 8th grade football teams has their first game the first week of school. Coach McLeod has ask that all 8th graders interested in playing football come work out Monday, August 22nd. The workout will be at the Middle School Gym. Anyone having questions can contact the coach at the field house.

SEASON TICKETS...

Season tickets to the Badger football games should be available around September 1st, according to an announcement this week. More details will be announced later.

Dear Mimi
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DEAR MIMI

Dear Mimi:

I have a problem. All my friends smoke and drink and stuff like that. They say that I am chicken because I don't do that. How should I tell them that I hate to do those things? Sign me, Hate To Do It.

Dear Hate To Do It:

Lots of kids have this same problem. I am glad you want to be different.

Maybe you should not hang around with them anymore. There are many boys and girls who hate doing these things also, but they do them thinking they will be popular. Make new friends, be yourself, and you will become a nicer person. Soon you will find you are popular and for the right reason.

Dear Mimi:

There is this guy that I like and I guess he likes me. At least, I hope so. I want to know how to act near him. He is a sophomore and I am a freshman. Sign me Stars In My Eyes.

Dear Stars In My Eyes:

Be friendly and talk to him about things that interest him.

Be lady-like and let him see that you are a nice person and one that he will enjoy.

Try to avoid being pushy. Most guys don't really like this type of girl.

A nice smile goes a long way. With pleasant talk, and a lot of fun things to do, you should keep his interest.

Dear Mimi:

I have this problem. My mom and dad always fight and everything. My next door neighbors even hear them. How should I tell them to stop fighting all the time? Sign me, Tired of Fighting.

Dear Tired of Fighting:

Talk with your parents, express your love for both of them, and tell them that their fighting makes you unhappy. Maybe they will try harder to get along. A talk with your minister might help, and if all else fails, see if they will go to a marriage counselor. Try hard not to take sides and do your share of making your home happy.

Dear Mimi:

My son insist on doing "his own thing." My husband and I work hard, spend plenty of time with our family, take them to church, and try to teach them respect, manners, and good morals. My son thinks we are old fashioned and tells us so. Last month, he eloped with a girl that we do not approve of. Where did I go wrong? Sign me, Weary Mother.

Dear Weary Mother:

You may not have gone wrong. With the best of homes, this could happen. Today's young people tend to feel that parent's past their values off on them. It takes some maturity to realize that the parent has their best interest at heart. Relax and try to accept your daughter-in-law. Maybe you'll approve of her more than you think. It is possible that you will see the things you have taught "shine through" in your son's home. There is an old saying--One's home-whether good or bad-is not completely forgotten when one grows up. I have a feeling your son will come through alright.

This column is written for people of all ages. People in Merkel, surrounding areas, or Any Place, U. S. A., who have problems or wish to correspond with Mimi should send them to Dear Mimi, Merkel Mail, Box 428, Merkel, Texas 79536. Names will not appear with letters and will be kept confidential.

Ladies Golf News

July 26, ladies were playing for low net. Glenda Watts was the winner.

August 2 was for most pars. Faye Robertson won.

August 9 was couples night. We had a good response. Those attending were: Glenda and Ned Watts, Christi and Finley Barnett, Faye and Lloyd Robertson, Minyon and Phil Seymore, Jo Ann and Dean Smith, Ida and Mac Seymore, and Jo Ann and Terry Gardner.

The Hully-Gully play resulted in a tie for first by Faye and Lloyd Robertson and Jo Ann and Terry Gardner.

New officers were elected for next year. They are: President-Glenda Watts; Vice President-Fanelle Boney; Secretary-Fay Boney; Reporter-Jo Ann Gardner.

We're looking forward to a new and even better

LOOK WHO'S HERE!

Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Doan of Merkel, are happy to announce the birth of a son, Samuel Klint. Born Thursday, August 11, 1977 at 2:27 a.m. at Hendrick Medical Center. He weighed 6 pounds and 6 1/2 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long. Klint has one brother, Ronny Kyle, age 5 1/2.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Ford Smith, Jr. of Merkel. Paternal grandmother is Mrs. Fay Doan also of Merkel and the late V. L. Doan.

Merkel Riding Club WWI Vets To Meet Saturday

The July winners for the Merkel Riding Club are as follows:

Boot race- 1. Dawn Henslee; 2. Shala Miller; 3. Amy Sparks.

(8 and under)- 1. Candace Henslee; 2. Mike Dokey; 3. Denese Pursley. (9-12)- 1. Eddie Sparks; 2. Dayna Pursley; 3. Jerry Miller.

(13-17)- 1. Vicki Campbell; 2. Penny Hatfield; 3. Buddy Stout.

(18 and over)- 1. Patti Shotwell; 2. Charlie Hatfield; 3. Barbara Whisenhunt.

Roping- 1. John Rogers; 2. Charlie Hatfield; 3. Walter Henslee.

The prizes given were 1st place; saddle blankets, 2nd place; show halters, 3rd place; lead chanks.

The Merkel Riding Club will be sponsoring a junior playday August 27, 1977. The events are Barrels, Flags, Poles, Steer Riding, and Calf Scramble. The age groups are 12 and under, 13-15, and 16-19. Steer riders age group is 14 and under and they must have a minors release that is notarized before entering. The events will be \$3.00 per event. Books open at 6:00

p.m. and close at 7:30 p.m. and starts at 8:00 p.m. All around belt buckles will be given in each age group.

The results of the Saturday night playday are as follows:

Boot race- 1. Bridgett Vaughn; 2. Amy Sparks; 3. Cody Vaughn; 4. Dawn Henslee and Roy Manahan; 5. Shala Miller.

Barrels (8 and under)- 1. Mike Dokey; 2. Denese Pursley; 3. Candace Henslee.

(9-12)- 1. Lisa Dokey; 2. Eddie Sparks; 3. Dayna Pursley; 4. Joy Gibson; 5. Jerry Miller.

(13-17)- 1. Buddy Stout; 2. Vicki Campbell; 3. Rodney Carroll; 4. Penny Hatfield; 5. Dana Russell.

(18 and over)- 1. Patti Shotwell; 2. Charles Hatfield; 3. Don Simpson.

Flag (8 and under)- 1. Denese Pursley; 2. Candace Henslee; 3. Bridgett Vaughn.

(9-12)- 1. Dayna Pursley; 2. Eddie Sparks; 3. Joy Gibson; 4. Jerry Miller.

(13-17)- 1. Vicki Campbell; 2. Penny Hatfield; 3. Buddy Stout; 4. Dana Russell; 5. Rodney Carroll.

(18 and over)- 1. Charles Hatfield; 2. Don Simpson; 3. Patti Shotwell.

Poles (8 and under)- 1. Denese Pursley; 2. Mike Dokey; 3. Candace Henslee; 4. Bridgett Vaughn; 5. Roy Manahan.

(9-12)- 1. Eddie Sparks; 2. Lisa Dokey; 3. Jay Gibson; 4. Jerry Miller.

(13-17)- 1. Rodney Carroll; 2. Penny Hatfield; 3. Vicki Campbell; 4. Clyde Carroll; 5. Buddy Stout.

(18 and over)- 1. Patti Shotwell; 2. Don Simpson; 3. Charles Hatfield.

Calf roping- 1. John Rogers.

Ribbon roping- 1. John Rogers and Denese Pursley; 2. Don Simpson and Candace Henslee; 3. Oscar Vaughn and Bridgett Vaughn.

Steer roping- 1. Don Simpson and Charles Hatfield.

Steer riding- 1. Rodney Carroll; 2. Eddie Sparks; 3. Mike Dokey.

Robertson Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Robertson and Todd spent a week at Brownwood State Park.

Mrs. Robertson's family had a reunion on the 5th, 6th, and 7th. Those attending were Mrs. Willie Hicks of Hamby, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Collum and Tera of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Gaylon Hicks, Kim, and Kevin of Azel, Mrs. Bruce Haile and Missy of Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hicks, Doug, Wayne, Rodney, and Steve of Hamby, and David Robertson. They all enjoyed boating, fishing, and skiing.

Todd did a lot of hiking and canoeing with Glenn Sprinks whose father is a Ranger in the Park.

There were one sister and two brothers that did not get to make the reunion.

Todd had spent most the summer away from Merkel. He spent 2 weeks in Freeport with his sister Vickie Bibb and flew to Dallas and spent 2 weeks with his Aunt Genieve Ballard. He had a good time but missed his friends in Merkel.

New Veterans Administration procedures for educational assistance payments require written requests to the schools by new students for advance payments.

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Due to circumstances beyond our control, we are unable to run the remainder of the pictures of the children.

The WWI Veterans and the Ladies Auxiliary will meet Saturday, August 20 for their regular meeting. The meeting will be held in the Taylor County Electric Co-Op building at 12:00 p.m. for a pot luck dinner. Members are asked to bring a covered dish. Mrs. Karl Bonneaux issued an appeal for all members to be present so plans can be made for something different for the next meeting. "We ask all members to make a special effort to come and give us your suggestions. Tell your neighbor to come with you. We need to keep up our attendance," she said.

SUNDAY DINNER SPECIAL

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Chicken Fried Steak; Red Beans, French Fries, Texas Toast \$1.95

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MONDAY	Government 213	6:30-9:30	American National Government
	Sociology 213	6:30-9:30	
TUESDAY	English 113	6:30-9:30	English Composition and Rhetoric
	Psychology 113	6:30-9:30	
WEDNESDAY	History 113	6:30-9:30	History of the U.S. to Reconstruction
	Speech 123	6:30-9:30	
THURSDAY	English 213	6:30-9:30	Readings in English Literature
	Math 103	6:30-9:30	

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One Course - \$63.00; Two courses - \$79.00; Three courses - \$108.00; Full load of four courses - \$138.00. Books not included.

REGISTRATION DATE

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GARAGE SALE: Thursday and Friday 8:30 till ?? 403 Cherry. 26-1tp

GARAGE SALE: Thursday 9:00 to 5:00 at South 2nd and Lois. Old items marked down. 26-1tp

GARAGE SALE: 601 Edwards, Thursday and Friday, 1961 Chevy Pick-up, air conditioner, glass, dishes, what nots, toys, dolls, and lots of misc. 26-1tp

MOVING SALE: Furniture, childrens and teens clothes, bicycles, albums, tapes and tape player, dishes, Friday, 5 blocks west of the Post Office turn right in Trent. 26-1tp

CARD OF THANKS

The cards, letters, phone calls, flowers, gifts, food, and wonderful prayers from so many friends while I was in the hospital, makes it impossible for me to thank each of you personally. Me and Odell appreciate it with all of our heart. May God get the glory for your beautiful love. Thank you so much and May God Bless and use you for his name sake is my prayer.
Winnie Dickerson
26-1tc

We want to thank the people in Merkel, Noodle, and Hebron who comforted us in so many ways in our time of sorrow. For the food, flowers, and consoling music, we are truly appreciative. May God Bless each of you. The family of Forest Black.
26-1tp

MISCELLANEOUS

YARD SALE: Friday and Saturday. Clothing for the entire family, lots of misc. 507 Thornton. 26-1tp

WANTED BABYSITTING in my home. Will take and pick up from school. Call Laura Pack 928-5879. 26-1tc

Miscellaneous

MERKEL VFW POST 5683 MONTHLY REG. MEETING 8:30 P.M. SECOND THURSDAY POST & LADIES AUXILIARY Y'ALL COME NOW!

MASONIC MEETING
Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710 on 2nd Saturday and 4th Thursday of each month at 8:00 p.m. Visitors welcome. Members urged to attend.
TED PARGMENT, W.M. ROY MASHBURN, SEC'Y

LAND FOR SALE? Call Collect-Bill Largent, Farm and Ranch Mgr. at Frances McClure Inc., Realtors. 3157 South 27th Abilene. 698-3211, Night 698-2375. 46-tfc

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The Westgate Mall Association and the Muscular Dystrophy Association of Abilene announced today that the "Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telethon" would be staged at Westgate Mall this year. The Telethon is on the Labor Day weekend, beginning at 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 4, and ending 5:30 p.m. Monday, September 5. Jerry Lewis hosts the show live from Las Vegas for 45 minutes each hour. The remaining 15 minutes will be live from Westgate Mall. M. D. A. volunteers will set up their stage in the main hallway of the mall and work the 2 1/2 hours of the show. KTXS-TV (12) will carry the show with Mr. Bob Izzard acting as Master of Ceremonies. Mall promotion director, John McCoy, Albert Watts, M. D. A. Chapter President and Bob Izzard Telethon MC made the announcement at a news conference today at the Mall.

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Merkelites Granddaughter Takes Show Honors

The granddaughter of two Merkel couples, Theresa Scott, took the national showmanship win here recently during the National Junior Hereford showmanship competition.

Miss Scott, from Rising Star, is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Scott and Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Tipton of Merkel. Her great grandmother, Mr. Sam Butman, also lives in Merkel. Her parents were raised in Merkel. Theresa is Texas Limousin Queen of the Limousin Cattle-men's Association. This past week-end she won National Junior Limousin Showmanship Award. She showed a heifer to reserve championship.

Miss Scott, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Payton Scott of Rising Star, was named champion of the

National Junior Hereford Showmanship, contest held in conjunction with the All-American Junior Hereford field day in Llano.

Miss Scott had to top finalists from 29 states in order to win the coveted honor in the competition which brought more than 2,000 individuals to the Granite Hills Hereford Ranch here.

In her show ring history, Miss Scott's many far-flung wins have included the grand champion steer of the world's largest livestock show and rodeo, the Houston Livestock Show. And, out of the show ring, she showed to do equally as well as a model, having won the State 4-H Dress Revue in recent years.



Theresa Scott ...wins honor

Mrs. Everett, Mrs. Russom Attend Bloys Camp Meet

Mrs. Lottie Everett and Mrs. Mary Russom of Merkel recently attended the 88th annual meeting of the Bloys Camp Meeting at Fort Davis, Texas.

Preachers for the week long event were: Rev. David Ray of Abilene, Baptist; Rev. Gilbert Davis, Fort Worth, Christian; Rev. W. L. Underwood, Houston, Methodist; and Rev. David L. Stitt, Houston, Presbyterian.

The four demoniations meet the second Tuesday in August every year for the week of services. Mrs. Everett and Mrs. Russom reported that the five daily services and the music programs were very inspirational.

Everett had several guest at their cabin for the week of services. They included: Rev. and Mrs. Allen Forbus, Merkel; Rev. and Mrs. Ray Johnson, Abilene; Rev. and Mrs. Dallas Denison, Brownfield; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Bob Neff and Family—Tammy, Randy, and Pam; Cindy Smith, Scott Cain, and Joe Swinney, all of Merkel; Mrs. Theta Keame, Sweetwater; Mrs. Ora Lee Bennett, Sweetwater; and many friends they have met at the camp meeting over the years.

Mrs. Everett and Mrs. Russom reported the largest crowd ever was in attendance this year. They estimated the crowd at 3,000.



BAND RECEPTION—Pictured above is Merkel's new Band Director Tony McGowan, Left, and Band Booster Club President Mrs. Roydsen, right. The reception was held Tuesday night, August 9th. (Photo by Tommy Jones)

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Rhodes Announces For 17th District

A. L. (Dusty) Rhodes announced on Tuesday, August 16, that he is a Democratic candidate for the U. S. House of Representatives in the 17th District.

The Abilene attorney and businessman held a series of news conferences throughout the district on Tuesday to discuss his campaign plans.

The Rhodes announcement came one week after Rep. Omar Buleson said August 9 that he does not plan to run again. Rhodes, however, had made public since early June his intention to seek Buleson's congressional seat.

"I have decided to make public my intentions to run at this time," Rhodes said, "because I am eager to get in touch with friends throughout the district to seek their advice and support."

"I have been prohibited by federal election law from being as active as I want to be," Rhodes explained. "By making this formal announcement, and by filing with the Federal Election Commission, I will be able to communicate with many hundreds of people that I've not yet been able to see."

In recent weeks Rhodes has visited 19 of the 33 counties of the 17th District.

"I have found tremendous encouragement wherever I have gone," he said. "Support is strong in every county," Rhodes



A.L. (DUSTY) RHODES
...candidate

declared. "And people of all walks of life have urged me to run." He said his support has come from businessmen, farmers and ranchers, teachers, young people, county and precinct chairmen, and hundreds of ordinary citizens.

A 45-year-old trial lawyer, Rhodes has practiced in virtually all the county, state and federal courts in the 17th District over the last 17 years.

"In my practice, I have become closely involved in the lives of thousands of people through the years," Rhodes related. "I understand people's needs, their hopes and their fears. For me, politics will always be a very personal thing. This, I believe, is my strongest asset as I begin my campaign for the Congress."

Trent Lunch Program Explained

The Trent School serves nutritious meals every school day. Students in grades K-12 may buy lunch for 75 cents.

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To apply for free or reduced price meals for your children at anytime during the year, complete the attached application and return it to the school. The school will let you know whether or not your children are eligible within 10 days of receiving your application. If you do not agree with the school's decision, you have a right to a fair hearing. This can be done by calling or writing: Roy Neff, Box 105, Trent, Texas; Phone number 826-2411.

In certain cases, foster children are also eligible for these benefits. If you have such children living with you and wish to apply for such meals for them, please notify us or indicate it on the application.

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CJC Sets New Class In Cosmetology

A new cosmetology class will begin in early September at the CISCO JUNIOR COLLEGE BEAUTY SCHOOL. Instructor Alta Dixon has announced. The school is currently accepting applications for places in the class.

The class beginning next month will be a one year program for licensed beauty operators, and in it students will be given the necessary preparation for taking the state exam upon completion, Ms. Dixon said.

The Cisco school accepts either men or women as students, and a high school diploma is not necessary for enrollment in the beauty program. The cost is \$150 tuition plus about \$75 worth of equipment and books, the latter of which may be purchased in installments during the course of the year's program. Some of the many cosmetology subject areas covered in the general course are: shampoo, hair and scalp treatment, cold waving, chemical hair relaxing, hair coloring, wigs and hairpieces, manicuring, facials, hair styling, and hair cutting.

Blackburn Visitors

THE MERKEL MAIL
Thursday August 18, 1977

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Blackburn and family of Greenfield, California, were visitors this past week in the home of Mrs. Wade Ensminger. Also visiting with Mrs. Ensminger was Mrs. DeWelle McLeair, Mr. Blackburn, Mrs. McLeair, and Mrs. Ensminger are all cousins.

Miss Fudge, Edward Gilliam

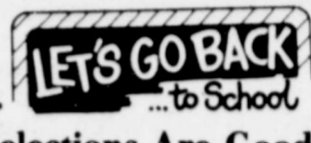
Plan October Wedding

Nancy Fudge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Carson and the late Gerald Fudge, and Edward Gilliam of Abilene, will be united in marriage on October 1, 1977 at the First Baptist Church.

graduate of Merkel High School and attends McMurry College. A graduate of Coleman High School, the prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Garland R. Gilliam of Coleman. He is employed by the City of Abilene.

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September 5	Labor Day
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November 15	1st Quarter-60 Days
November 18	Inservice
November 24-25	Thanksgiving
December 22-30	Christmas
January 6	THIRD SIX WEEKS
February 17	2nd Quarter-58 Days
February 24	Inservice
March 27-31	Spring Break
April 7	FIFTH SIX WEEKS
May 17	Third Quarter-57 Days
May 18	Workday
May 19	Workday

There Will Be 15 Holidays,
4 Workdays, and 6 Inservice Days

Total Number of Class Days 175

Trent's Tammie Dee Hicks Is Posse Queen

Tammie Dee Hicks, a sophomore at Trent High School, is serving as Queen of District IV (Region VI) of the American Association of Sheriff's Poses and Riding Clubs. She is a member of The Sundowners' Riding of Snyder, Texas and competes in regional playday events. She recently returned from National Association finals at Bowie; she had qualified to compete in seven of eight events in the intermediate girl's class.

The highlights of Tammie's reign are receiving and accepting invitations to ride in parades, rodeos, or playday grand entries, and acting as a royal ambassador in rodeo presentations. She is always mounted on her 3 year old horse, Chiquita, which she herself trained and broke to ride.



The famous "penny black" stamp issued in Victorian England in 1840 became the first postage stamp in history.

"By perseverance the snail reached the ark."
C. H. Spurgeon

"The evening of life brings with it its lamp."
Joseph Joubert

Tammie is the 15 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Hicks of Trent. At Trent High School Tammie is involved in 4-H, FFA, FHA, is an avid sports participant, and will serve as a cheer leader this forthcoming year.

Tammie represents District IV, Region VI as a member of an Association whose motto is "Horsemanship, Sportsmanship, and Citizenship," an ideal in which each member is proud. The American Association of Sheriff's Poses and Riding Clubs was organized in December of 1952, almost 25 years ago; they now have acreage near Bowie, Texas where playday finals are held and where an office has been established. The association is divided into seven regions with a duly elected vice president presiding over the governing board of each region.

District IV officers are: Buford Hull of Big Spring, president; Hoy Hamilton of Snyder, vice president; Mrs. Buford (Jerry) Hull, secretary-treasurer, and Bill Blankenship of Snyder serves as an executive board member. Raymond Rae of Abilene serves as Region VI governing vice president. District IV membership includes the Scurry County Junior Riding Club (Snyder), Scurry County Sheriff's Posse (Snyder), The Sundowners



TAMMIE DEE HICKS
...District IV Queen

(Snyder), The Howard County Youth Riding Club (Big Spring), Howard County Sheriff's Posse (Big Spring), and the Sweetwater Blues Riding Club (Sweetwater).

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KBGG Radio Welcomes New Program Director

Radio station KBGG recently announced the appointment of Steve Sparks as Program Director. Steve was born in Merkel in 1946 and graduated from Cochise College in Douglas, Arizona. After moving to Abilene in 1966 Steve entered the field of broadcasting and has worked in various stations in the Abilene-Sweetwater market for the last ten years. Steve told reporters, "It's good to be back home. I'm looking forward to working with KBGG's staff and the people of Merkel. I'm really excited about our new facility too. We have the best people and the best equipment of any station I've ever worked at."

In addition to his duties as Program Director Steve Sparks is the new morning announcer at KBGG (6 a.m. to 10 a.m.) and also Promotion and Public Affairs Director for the Merkel station. Steve is optimistic about KBGG's future. "When we increase our transmission power and add an FM facility we should be better able to serve the surrounding communities, as well as Merkel with the best in country music and news."

Sparks replaces Alan Reynolds, the former Program Director, who will assume duties as Executive Vice President of Big Country Broadcasting. KBGG's staff also includes Rip Willis, Music Director; Dorothy Calhoun, Office Manager; Scott Hensley, News Director and Station Tour Guide and announcers Bob Long, Rev. Bob Jones,

Miss Booth Named To Honor Roll

The College of Education of The University of Texas has named 214 students to its 1977 spring semester honor roll.

To be listed on the education honor roll, a first-year student must earn at least 54 grade points during semester, passing all courses. Students with more than first-year standing must earn at least 55 grade points. Total grade points are calculated by multiplying the number of semester hours undertaken by the value of each grade (A equals 4 points).

The list of honor students, announced by Dean Lorrin Kennamar, included; Tammy Anne Booth of 902 North Second in Merkel.

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