All girls interested in playing softball in Trent this summer should register Saturday morning at the Trent Ag. Barn. Registration gets underway at 10 a.m. and will last until 3 p.m. There is a \$5 registration fee and a birth certificate is required for registration.

The Merkel Mail

Don't forget to buy your tickets for the Chamber of Commerce Banquet. The Banquet is scheduled for March 23rd at 7:30 p.m. at the Merkel School Cafeteria. Tickets are on sale at the F&M National Bank and at Boney Insurance.

15 cents



Thursday, March 22, 1979...Merkel, Texas

Due to heavy rains the track meet scheduled for Badger field last Thursday had two options, cancell or try to fit silks onto ducks; the track meet was cancelled. (Staff photo by glenn Richards)

Fire damages four hotel rooms

Big Country Inn manager Walter Harris was hospitalized Saturday afternoon for smoke inhalation as he attempted to put out a fire that damaged four rooms at the hotel Saturday afternoon.

The fire started in a heating unit and most of the damage was between the roof and room ceilings. Harris managed to extinguish most of the small blaze before a Merkel Volunteer Fire Department pumper arrived. The pumper used less than 500 gallons to put out the fire. Harris was released from Hendrick Medical Center Sundav

Electrical service was interrupted to the hotel's restaurant but was restored at approximately 10:30 Saturday night.

Neta Harris said, "We have decided to replace the old heater now instead of waiting for the summer." She also said that all but eight of the hotel's fifty rooms are scheduled to be ready to rent following repairs from a fire last month. Mrs. Harris also said they had never received an estimate from last month's fire because the insurance company has not closed the case. She added, "The case will not close until all repairs have been completed in a couple of weeks.

Land development ok'd by county

It looks like another land development will get underway in Merkel in the next two weeks following the Taylor County Commissioners Court approval of a plant motion from developers John Schreck, and Bill Black on acreage due north of the Allsups store in Merkel.

Gary Hackery represented the development, called Cedar Hills Estates, at the Commissioners meeting Tuesday in Abilene. Hackery told the commissioners that the developers planned to seek the young married market and offer 34 tracts of land ranging from one to three acres.

According to John Schreck, who owns a substantial portion of the Merkel Country Club, the lots are designed to build, on, or have room for outdoor activities. He and his partner, Bill Black, who co-owns Interstate Pipe Supply on I-20 plan to offer the lots in about two weeks Sales will be handled by Solex Realty.

Stenholm reports program changes

CONGRESSMAN CHARLES W. STENHOLM advised today that farmers who planted wheat for 1979 harvest now have another option to consider: they may graze cattle or cut hay on their wheat acreage. Wheat grazed or cut for hay under the special wheat acreage grazing ard hay program will qualify for the same deficiency payment rate as wheat harvested for grain

WHEAT PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS WILL be allowed to graze cattle or cut hay on wheat acreage equal to the higher of (1) 50 acres or (2) 40 percent of their total intended plantings of wheat, feed grains (corn sorghum and barley) and upland cotton.

THIS ACTION IS BEING TAKEN TO

those calves as well.

PRODUCERS PARTICIPATING IN THE special wheat acreage grazing and hay program must also comply with the normal crop acreage (NCA) requirements and with set-aside requirements for wheat harvested for grain and feed grain crops planted on their farm(s). There will be no advance payment or minimum payment guarantee this year as was provided in 1978 special whwat acreage grazing and hay program participants. The deficiency payment rate for 1978-crop wheat was 52 cents per bushel.

THE 1979 WHEAT DEFICIENCY PAYMENT rate will be determined in December and will be the difference between the established target price (\$3.40 per bushel) and the higher of either the national average market price during the first five months (June through October) of the marketing year, or the national loan rate (\$2.35) PRODUCERS WISHING TO USE THIS OPTION may indicate their intentions at their local Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) county office during the 1979 wheat and feed grains program signup period currently underway. The signup period ends April 30

Local students place in poster contest

Merkel and Tye students placed well as the Middle Clear Fork Soil and Conservation District's winners were announced Thursday

Leading the winners was Merkel fifth grader Gina Stuckey of Mrs. Rister's room. Gina won Sweepstakes Poster Contest as her poster was chosen the best of about 165 posters entered in the contest

Other local winners include: Christi Moore, a Tye Kindergarten student of Mrs. Paige took third place; Sabrina Boswell, a Merkel first grader in Mrs. Henderson's room placed third; Chris Shugart, a Merkel second grader in Mrs. Wade's room placed second; Clay Hammond, a Merkel fourth grader in Mrs. Neff's class placed second; and Gina Stuckey placed first in the fifth grade division.

Girls track running into bad weather

The girls track team has run into some nasty

The lone meet for the girls thus far came after

In Ballinger Pam Crenshaw took 2nd place in

the meet. Last year Pam placed third in the

district meet behind two graduating seniors, so

the district meet this year holds promise.

only three days of workouts due to the long

weather during their season thus far.

basketball season.

Cindy Boone who placed third in the high jump

encourage the production of more beef later on this year. Calves now on wheat pasture ordinari'y would have to come off and be sold about March 15 to permit the wheat to mature for harvest. while the action taken today would permit them to remain an additional 60 days or so. This should result in slightly higher rates of gain and therefore more beef later on this year. It should also encourage the movement of a few more calves onto wheat pasture and more beef from

Badger basketballers get honors

The all district boys 6AA basketball team has been chosen for the '79 season. Mike Sims, a 5' 8"

senior from Merkel made the 2nd team. All ten players on 1st and 2nd team are seniors. They are:

Named to the honorable mention list from Merkel were Mike Brady, Ken Wells, and Chris

Marty Akirs, a 6' 5" Jr. was named the most valuable player in the district.

43 Girl Scouts participated in cookie sales

Sherry Ferguson, Girl Scout Cookie Sale Chairman for S.U. No. 6, Merkel, reports that 43 Girl Scouts of seven Merkel troops sold cookies this year. Thirty-one girls earned the Cookie patch by selling four cases. Kim Richards earned the right to take her dad on the Brownie-Dad Special Camping overnight at Camp Boothe Oaks; and Angela Thomas earned 14 campership

by selling nine cases of the cookies. All girls will receive the new Girl Scout "Certificate of Merit" in recognition of their efforts in the 1979 Annual Cookie Sale of the West Texas Girl Scout Council. The girls have earned

money for troop activities and special projects, excursions and expenses of good program. Profits from the sale maintain Camp Boothe Oaks and other

Council properties. Girls winning patches and awards

Brownie Troop 107: Melissa Harris, Angie Moreno, and Liz Taylor. Brownie Troop 245: Angela Cannon, Staci Ferguson, and Amy Stuckey

Brownie Troop 109: Teresa Lucas, Michelle Barnett, and Pam Neff. Brownie Troop 241: Misti Doan, Robynn Dudley, Melissa Hallford. Bridget Acuna, and Cassandra Moreno.

Junior Troop 308: Abby Irvin, Tina Jaramillo, Emma Pepin, Angela Thomas (1, C.), Fondale Watson, and Michelle Woodard. Junior Troop 313:

Kelly Riney. and Lucretia Wade. Brownie Troop 244:

Cycle club competes

The Merkel Moto-Cross Club competed at the Spring Valley Moto-Cross in Clyde Sunday and managed to bring home one trophy

The Merkel Club, represented by three riders, competed on the wet, muddy track

David Kraatz led the team with a fifth place finish in the first race and a seventh place finish in the second race that was good enough for the overall fifth place trophy.

Steve Castille placed sixth in the first race and eighth in the second for an overall finish in eighth place

Chuck Knight managed a tenth place finish in the first race and could not compete in the second race

A&A Shell in Merkel sponsored one of the three riders last weekend and the club is in need of more sponsors. For more information, call 928-4827 after 5 p.m.

last year at destrict took 4th place in iBallinger while Amy McCoy took 4th in the district last year and finished the same at Ballinger in the 80 yard low hurdles.

Norma Frazier placed 6th in the shot put in Ballinger, as a sophmore Norma has a lot of puts left to look forward to. The girls will travel to Stamford on the 31st and end with the district meet on April the 6th.

Bigbee says he's ready for a change

Saying he is ready for a change, Joe Bigbee, a self-employed businessman is the voungest candidate for mayor in this year's election at 24.

Bigbee said the main reason he is running for mayor is that he would like to find out how the city conducts it's business and how tax money is spent.

He also said that he didn't think that people took enough interest in their community and he would like to see that change. Bigbee said "A lot of the people I have talked to were not registered to vote and were surprised to find out it was free to register.

Bigbee said, "If I am elected I will do what the people want me to do. If they have an idea on what needs to be done we need to get that project done.

Concerning city problems, Bigbee said the only complaint he has had from prospective voters is that something needs to be done about the streets in town

On his chances for winning Bigbee said, "I believe I have got a chance, if I didn't I would not have put my name on the list.

(Watch next week's Mail for an interview with Mayorial Candidate Ike Maxwell.)

Tax returns up

State Comptroller Bob sales tax Tye had the largest Bullock said that late percentage increase in returns from Texas merchants, as many as 2,400, have caused some cities in Texas to receive smaller checks in March, although that statewide trend must not have had much effect on Merkel and

The Girl Scouts are

sponsoring a Red Cross

Certification Course in

The course will be

given on April 2nd and

First Aid next month.

West Texas, a whopping 79 percent. Tye received a check for \$4,040, which was up \$1,312 over the same period a year ago. Merkel had a strong month in March. The tax rebate rose 15 percent from a year ago to

5th from 6 until 10 p.m. at Merkel High School. There is a \$6 charge and more information is available by contacting Sherry Ferguson at 928-5644

Tye's tax return on the \$7,007. local option one percent Red Cross Class

Lambda Beta postpones beauty pageant

Lambda Beta has announced a change in plans concerning the date of the annual Beauty Pageant.

Due to a conflict with the Junior Senior Banquet on April 21st, the pageant has been moved to May 12th. Deadline for entry will by May 4th.

All entries should turn in their entry forms to

an Elm Street improving the property of W.T. Berry, J.T. Dennis, Mr. Brown, George S. Berry, RA Miller and others. Mr. Chatwin, the foreman in charge, is thinking of moving his family to

Mychele Hammond at Boney Insurance before

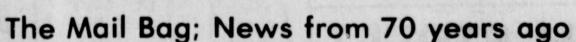
the deadline date. Entry forms can be found in

the Merkel Mail, at Boney Insurance or in the

school offices. All entry blanks must be signed by

For more information, contact any Lambda

Merkel to make this his permanent home. The cotton gins of the town are still busy ginning cotton and will be for some time. On all sides one sees that Merkel is growing and feels that he is in one of the best towns in Texas.



Last Monday the following Merkel people were visiting in the capitol city: W.C. Ferris, W.K. Horn, R.E. Foster, H.C. Hoover, R.M. Jones and Mrs. J.J. Wilbanks.

In every part of town property owners are making improvements in and around their homes. This week a crew of cement workers are

Beta member.

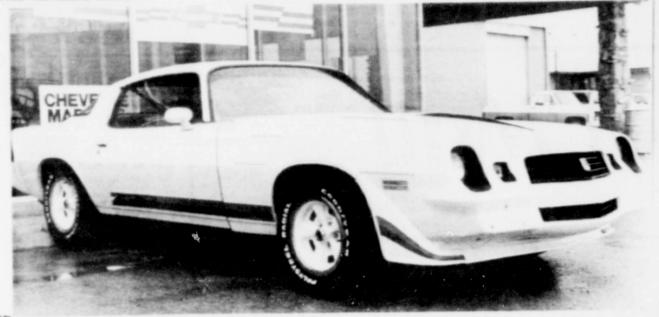
a parent before they will be accepted.

Monica Atkinson, Alyse Ferguson, Gina Stuckey, Amy Irvin,

Sabrina Frazier. Richa Hill, Christie Necessary. Darla Swinney, and Kim Richards (Br.-Dad)







(Staff photo by glenn Richards)

Charlie Himes, who made off with this Z-28 on the 12th called Max Murrell last Friday to tell him he could find his car at the Shamrock station on

the interstate. Apparently Mr. Himes drove the camaro 2800 miles to see his parents in Ohio and back and then returned it.

Readers respond to letter

letters to the editor

Dear Editor.

In response to Mr. Dale Hammond's Letter to the Editor in last weeks paper I would like to comment on some of his accusations. When Mr. Hammond spoke of attacks, one must question just who is attacking whom after reading his letter. He then unjustly slanders

in the future. Sincerely. very veiled but it is Dear Editor, most certainly a threat. In short, someone should recommend to Mr. Hammond that he read Proverbs 17:27-28.

It could be of use to him

members of Troop 59,

Patricia Miller Tye, Texas

Turner receives Eagle Scout honors

Tom Turner, son of Mrs. Charlotte C. Turner and the late Ike D. Turner, received his Eagle Scout award at a special Troop 59 Court of Honor in the Little Chapel of Alamo Heights United Methodist Church in San Antonio, Texas. Tom has been active in Troop 59

for five years, a leader other Eagle Scouts, and in the cam, ing and adult leaders. Col. activities program, and James Treadway gave has in recent months the Eagle Charge, and served as the Junior Assistant Scoutmaster. A Senior at Alamo Heights High School, Tom plans to be an engineer. Participating in the special ceremony were

Rev. Harold Perdue made the presentations of the badges. Mr. Forrest Middleton, former Scoutmaster of Troop 59, and Kevin Middleton, Eagle Scout, both of Austin, Texas, also took part in the ceremony.

A reception followed the ceremony and friends joined the family in congratulating Tom for having earned this highest award in Scouting

Tom's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. O.E. Harwell and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Gregory of Merkel ...

Thursday March 22, 1979 Stith HD

A beautifully pieced round the world quilt was one of the many homemade gifts brought to the Stith Extension Homemakers Club meeting March 14, 1979 at the Stith Community Center. Other gifts brought by members were aprons, pictures,

Legal notice

NOTICE OF CITY OF FICERS' ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION DE FUNCIONARIOS DE LA CIUDAD)

Notice is hereby given 1979, in the above named city for the purpose of electing the following officers for said city: Mayor, and two Aldermen. Said election will be held at the following polling places in said city: In Election Precinct No. 25, at Trent City Hall Building. The polls at each of the above designated

said election day be open from 7:00 o'clock a.m. to 7:00 o'clock p.m. The absentee voting for the above designated election shall be held at Trent City Hall Building, in said city, and said place of absentee voting shall remain open for at least 8 hours on each day of absentee voting which is not a Saturday, Sunday or an official State holiday, beginning on the 20th day and continuing through the 4th day preceding the date of said election. Said place of voting shall remain open between the hours of 8:00 o'clock a.m. and

5:00 o'clock p.m.

crocheted pot holders and flowers, an afghan, appliqued blouse, latch hook rug, knitted thimble holders, pillows, a money bouquet and many more.

The center will have a new front door and entrance after Friday or when weather permits.

day of April, 1979.

en dicha ciudad:

Trent City Hall.

las 7:00 p.m.

a las 5:00 p.m.

abril de 1979.)

Zula Darby

Mayor (Alcalde)

sponsored by the club is the third Saturday night Country-Western musical After a short business

One of the events

meeting the hostess, Mrs. Hazel Lay served refreshments to Mrs. Fletcher Jones, Mrs. Lenora Wilburn, Mrs. Vada Hudson, Mrs. Margarette Dickerson, Mrs. Daisy Mashburn and Louise Hudson.

The hostess gift was won by Daisy Mashburn.

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How do you serve eggs? Come to the next meeting March 28, 1979 and Mrs. Evilyn Wilburn, extension agent, is going to give a program on Eggs, Eggs, Eggs. The meeting is open to all irrespective of race, color, national origin, or economic circumstances



Vicki Spurr and would like others to question her character and integrity? He also mentions a "veiled threat" to which I suggest he re-read the next to the last paragraph of his letter. It may not be

Tye, Texas

In response to Mr. Hammond's letter in last week's paper, I would simply ask that Mr. Hammond be factual and specific with

tions he may have rather than resorting to unfounded emotional statements. My desire remains only to serve the best interests of students, teachers, and parents in the entire Merkel Independent

regard to any allega-

School District. Thank you, Vicki Spurr

City of Trent Name of City (Nombre de la Ciudad) that a City Officers' Election will be held on the 7th day of April,

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GOOD SUPPLY	NEW HEINZ GRAVY 12 OZ 49"	BEEF UP BUDGETS WITH SALE PRICED	FOLGERS COFFEE LB \$229	PRODUCE
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EGG DYE	HEINZ HAMBURGER DILL SLICES 16 OZ 69°	\$139	2/65*	TOMATOES 49 [°] LB
	KRAFT MAC & CHEESE DINNER 71/4 OZ 39	GOOCH SLICED LB 98	SLUSH PUPPIES LARGE SIZE 29'	POTATOES
TENDER VITTLES	SWEETENED 2 QT 49°	SLICED BOLOGNA LB \$139	GARDEN SEED	AVOCADOS EACH 25
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Thursday March 22, 1979



JA Sadler speaks to Fortnightly study club

The March 13 meeting of the Fortnightly Study Club was at the Big Country Inn with Mrs. Earl Hughes and Mrs. Ed Sandusky co-hostess. Mrs. J.W. Hammond,

Pres., introduced Mr. W. D. Blackmon and Miss Ann Johns with the Abilene Public Library, Evelyn Martin with the Merkel Library and J.A. Sadler City manager of Merkel.

Mr. Blackmon gave some interesting information concerning the relationship of the Merkel Library and the Abilene Library. The Merkel Library is a station of the Abilene facility receiving some supplies and exchange

DQ anniversary dinner the anniversary dinners.

Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Adcock, 1211 South 10th in Merkel, will receive special recognition from the Merkel Dairy Queen.

Of all the couples with wedding anniversaries in March who have signed up for the anni-

of materials. Mr. Blackmon asked Miss Johns to explain the methods of classifying and indexing books and materials to be placed in the library for public use. Then Mr. Blackmon explained ways and means of supplying volunteer help and funds for the local library. He said most people agree the needs should be met but were willing to let "them" do it. He showed by using the

letters t-for time, h-for

help, e-for energy, and m-for money. Combined

was a good formula for "them" to get the li-

brary going and asked

for community wide co-

The program, be-

lieved to be the first of its kind for Dairy

Queen, encompasses al-

most 50 DQs in Central

and West Texas that are

a part of the Chapman

Fast Foods organiza-

operation.

tion.

Evelyn Martin has the work started and Mr. Blackmon commended the work she is doing and said she can use volunteer help from any organization in town. Mr. Sadler gave information about the city of

Merkel owning the building and plans for doing more repair work.

During the business meeting Mrs. S.C. Dixon, Mrs. Aaron Sudderth and Mrs. Ray Wilson were elected as a committee from the Study Club to work with the activities of the Community concerning the Merkel Library. They are asking for donations of children's clothing,

Turners announce engagement

his doctoral from the Mrs. Ike D. Turner of San Antonio announces the engagement of her daughter, Susan Charlotte to Dr. R. J. Q. Adams. The bride-elect

University of California at Santa Barbara. The wedding is planned for May 26 in the All Faith Chapel on the campus of Texas A&M University

especially, for a rum-

mage sale in the old Ben

Franklin store building.

Call Mrs. Hammond at

928-5905 or 928-4933 and

she will unlock the

building to receive your

donations, etc. The funds will be used to-

wards renovating the

large room in the back

part of the Merkel Li-

brary to be used for a

Children's Story Hour

and also and adult edu-

cation facility. Your help is appreciated.

Those attending were

visitors Mr. Blackmon,

Miss Johns, Evelyn Martin, and J.A. Sadler

and members Mrs. S.C.

Dixon, Mrs. Bryan

Dunigan, Mrs. Charles Eager, Mrs. Mack Fish-

er, Mildred Hamm, Mrs. J.W. Hammond, Mrs. Comer Haynes, Mrs. Carl Hughes, Mrs.

Cleaning Cupboards

Today while cleaning cupboards With neat, housewifely art, I suddenly decided To clean the cupboards of my heart . . .

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I threw out CRITICISM To the trashpile - to the fire! I put in APPRECIATION And worthwhile thought to inspire.

threw out CONDEMNATION Which says, "You're wrong, I'm right". I put in CONSIDERATION For all folks, brown, black and white.

Yes, out too went COMPLAINING Grumbling about trivial things, I put in SMILES and LAUGHTER To ease tension each day brings.

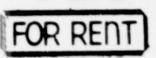
Friends, let's all clean out our cupboards, With help from God above. Throw out PRIDE and HATRED, too; Put in HUMILITY and LOVE.







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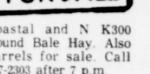
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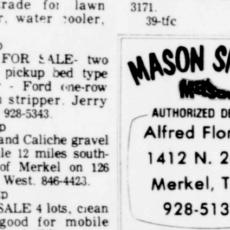
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phone 928-5195.





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or small house to rent. Call 928-5712 till 5:00.



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.

3 bedroom, living room, den, 134 bath, 112 lots; new carpet, FHA or VA. Call Toombs Real Es-Cravens 928-4860.



Thursday March 22, 1979

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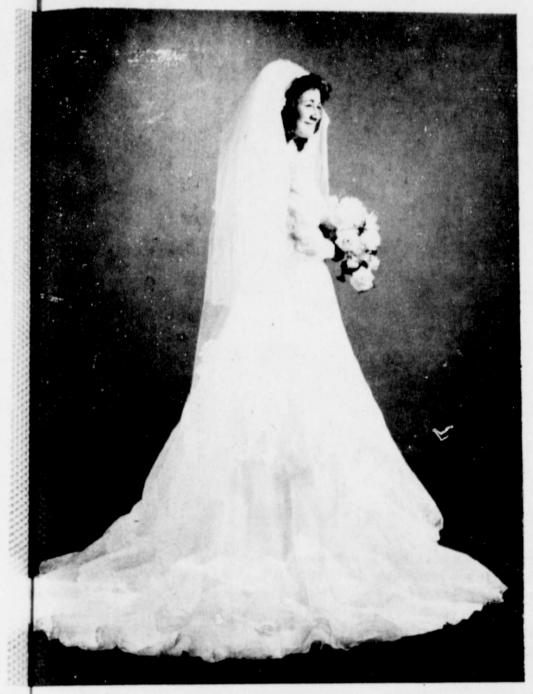


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MERKEL MAIL



Judy Lyn Guynes

Judy Lyn Diltz,

James Douglas Guynes wed

in friday ceremony here

versity.

Judy Lyn Diltz and James Douglas Guynes were married Friday night at the First United Methodist Church in Merkel.

The bride's parents

A rehearsal dinner groom is a graduate was hosted by the from Early High and groom's parents at the Merkel Country Club. Abilene Christian Uni-

Your Pastor is Quiting Sports. WHY?

Thursday March 22, 1979

Obituaries

James Kenneth Pee

James Kenneth Pee, 80, of Merkel died at 12:30 a.m. Sunday at his home following a sudden illness. Services were at 2 p.m. Monday at United Methodist Church with the Revs. Allen Forbis, pastor, and Russell McAnally, retired Methodist minister officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery directed by Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born May 5, 1898, in Merkel, he had lived in the Merkel area all his life. He was a farmer and was in the grocery business several years. He was an active member of the Methodist church and was on the administrative board for several years. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge for more than 50 years. He married Willie Toombs Aug. 11, 1929, in Merkel.

Survivors include his wife; a brother, Cyrus of Merkel; four sisters, Anna Dunn of Big Spring, Getrie Lou Hunt of Abilene, and Ruth Cox and Doris Guthrie, both of Merkel; and several nieces and nephews.

Big

He was preceded in death by a brother, Mason, and a sister, Eddie. Masons were honor-

ary pallbearers.

Mrs. Loyd Smith

Mrs. Loyd (Edna Mae) Smith, 69, of Tuscola died at 3:25 p.m. Thursday in Hendrick Medical Center after a short illness. Services were at 1 p.m. Saturday in Tuscola Church of Christ with Jodie Boren, minister, officiating. Burial was in McBee Cemetery, directed by

Fry Funeral Home. Born Edna Mae Aven Dec. 25, 1909, in Fallon, Nev., she moved to Taylor County at an early age and was raised by her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. C.F. Keller. She married Verner Graham Feb. 21. 1928, in Tuscola. He died March 12, 1935. She married Smith Aug. 10, Corpus Christi. lived in this ar of her life. She member of the

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Shirley Graham Wilkinson of Huntington Beach, Calif.; three sons, Charles V. Graham off Andrews, Carol H. Graham of Nacogdoches, and L.G. Smith of Tuscola; a sister, Beatrice Holt of Merkel; an aunt, Mrs. C.F. Keller of Abilene: and five grandchildren. Pallbearers were

Robert Reddell, Jeff Davis, Raymond Dickson, Tom Graham, Paul Graham, and Frank Thomas. Honorary pallbearers

were Vaughn Mitchell and E.B. Kidd.

Legal Notice that The Sayles Com-

Notice of Intention to Incorporate

Pursuant to the provisions of R.C.S. Art. 1302-2.02, as amended 1977 and of V.T.C.A., Bus. & Co., Section 6102(7)

Granddaughter

in play

Deverle Hunter, 58, of

Big Spring, formerly of

Merkel, died at 12:10

a.m. Sunday in Big

Spring following a sud-

den illness. Services are

pending with Starbuck

Born Feb. 14, 1921, in

Merkel, he had lived in

Big Spring for the last

four years. He served in

the Coast Guard during

Survivors include

three brothers, Buddy of

Merkel, Etsel of Arling-

ton and Bobby of Abi-

lene; and several nieces

pany, whose principal

business office is 1290

South Willis, Suite 218,

Abilene, Taylor County,

Texas, intends on or

before April 1, 1979, to

become incorporated

Funeral Home.

World War II.

and nephews.

The granddaughter of Merkel residents Mr. and Mrs. Will Butman is appearing in Thornton Wilder's Pulitzer Prize winning play, "The Skin of our Teeth" at Austin's Civic Theatre Delverle Hunter March 16 through April

Pamela attended Merkel Elementary School and is a graduate of Southwest Texas State with a degree in drama and history.

Pamela also has two neices in Merkel, Lottie Everett and Mrs. Maggie Renfro.

Easter Seal Drive

Easter Seals will be received by 45,000 households in the Big Country area during the next few days.

Easter Seal appeal letters have been mailed to persons in these Callahan, counties : Fisher, Haskell, Jones, King, Knox, Nolan, Runnels, Shackelford, Stonewall, and Taylor.

Easter Seal contributions may be sent to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, 4601 Hartene, Texas

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Anna Dunn of Big Spring, Getrie Lou Hunt Smith Aug. 10, 1939, at	6.103(7), without a change of firm ford, Abile Notice is hereby given name. 79605.
of Abilene, and Ruth Cox and Doris Guthrie, both of Merkel; and several nieces and Corpus Christi. She had lived in this area most of her life. She was a member of the Tuscola	Lambda Beta Beauty Pageant Entry Form
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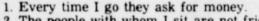
are Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Diltz of Merkel and the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Guynes of Early. The bride was given in

marriage by her father. The matron of honor was Mrs. Lloyd Dail and the bridesmaids were Mrs. Gaylon Brnovak, Becky Rister and Vicki Jefrey. Mindi Brnovak served as the flower girl and Tanner Boyd served as the ring bearer.

The groom's father, Jimmy Guynes served as best man and groomsmen were Jerry McLeod, Billy Diltz and Clayton Salmon.

Ushers were Bart Pursley and Leslie Bruce.

A reception was given following the wedding hosted by the parents of the daughter. Following a wedding trip to Colorado Springs, Colo. the couple will reside at 403 Kent. The bride is employed by Taylor Telephone Inc. and the groom is a coach and teacher at Merkel High. The bride is a graduate of Merkel High and the



- 2. The people with whom I sit are not friendly. 3. The seats are too hard and not at all
- comfortable.
- 4. I went to game after game and the coach never came to see me.
- 5. The referee made a decision with which I did not agree.
- 6. I was thrown in with hypocrites. Some came who did not watch the game.
- 7. Some games went into overtime and I was late getting home.
- 8. The band played a number I had never heard before.
- 9. They scheduled the games when I wanted to do something else.
- 10.1 was taken to too many games when I was a child.
- 11.1 once read a book and now I know more than the coaches
- 12.I will not take my children, I want them to choose for themselves which games they wish to see.

Does all this reasoning sound strange concerning sports. It is just the reasoning used by people as to why they do not attend church. I will have to admit that it does sound a little foolish.

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Trent News

Elementary school news

will be judged in Abilene

with the winners from

The second grade has finished taking their SRA achievement tests. We are eagerly anticipating the results of the test.

Our conservation posters were really good. We wish everyone could have won a prize. First place ribbon went to Teddy Moore. His poster

Track schedule

Here is the calendar for the Trent Track and Tennis teams: Thursday March 29 and Friday March 30 will be the Girl's golf District at Riverside Course in San Angelo.

Saturday March 24 will be the relays in Snyder at Canyon Reef. Sunday March 31 will be UIL at Robert Lee.

Monday April 2nd and 3rd will be the Girl's District Tennis Tourn. at Angelo State Univ. and the Boy's District Golf Tourn. at Riverside in San Angelo.

Thursday April 5th will be the Boy's district track meet at Robert Lee and Friday April 6th will be the girl's district track meet at Robert Lee.

Friday April 13 is the Easter Holiday. Tuesday April 17th and Wednesday April

other second grades in the area. The second place ribbon went to Kimberly Walker, third place to Jeffrey Hobbs and fourth place to Mike Carriker. We are really proud of these students. We are making plans to take a field trip to Abilene before school is out this year. We expect

mation paper on our choice of cat. We will be taking

math check-up tests before we move on to a new unit on estimation. We have a new math game to play called Money Bag and Math. In Social Studies, we are learning about China and the Hwang Ha River area.

Fifth grade

We are working on a special unit on "Cats" After our research, we will complete an infor-

this to be lots of fun.

Fourth Grade Trent 5th grade has finished their social studies book and are presently doing work on

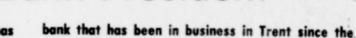
ca'' and "Springboards", both learning centers from the resource center.

In Science we are studying different organs and arteries and veins in the body and making a lifesize model. In Language we are doing research papers. Each individual chose the subject he or she wanted to write about so we're learning about many different things. We were pleased to have a visitor in our class on Tuesday, Barbara Reed. Barbara went to Trent Elementary in the 3rd Grade.



Bruce McGlothlin, presently living in Roscoe, has been selected as Home State Bank's new president after J.G. Wilks, retired and is now chairman of the board for the bank.

Wilks worked his way up from cashier at the



early 1900's. McGlothlin has been active in religious and civic

activities in Roscoe and plans to move his family to Trent at the end of the current school year. (Staff photo by glenn Richards)



18th will be the boy's district tennis Tourn. at Angelo State Univ Thursday the 19th and Friday the 20th will be the girl's regional in Abilene and Thursday the 26th and Friday the 27th will be the boy's regional in Abilene.

Roby track results

At Roby last weekend the Trent Track Teams showed good for the first meet of the year. Boys placed 6th and Girls finished 8th out of 14 teams.

Winning for boys was: Gilbert Beaver won a 1st in the 100 yard dash. His time was 10:5.

The 440 Relay team won a 3rd place. They are Gilbert Beaver, Herbert Beaver, Kerry Patterson and Kenneth Dunn.

Herbert Beaver won a 2nd in the long jump, with a 19' 2" jump, and a 6th in the high jump. The mile relay team won 6th. Those team members are Richard Beaver, Herbert Beaver, Gilbert Beaver and Kenneth Dunn. The girls finishers

were: Debbie Jackson won a 2nd in the high jump with a 4' 10" jump. Saundra Griffith won a 3rd in the mile run

with a time of 6:28. Sherrie Dunn won a 5th in the half mile.

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On Saturday the 24th the boys will run in the Snyder meet. The Gorillas finished 5th last year at Snyder. If good weather is available, several school records good fall. Snyder has a fast track. Two records have fallen this year while running in rain. Good weather should help turn some fast times

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Tye Times

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getting revenge against the city for reasons unknown, it sure is a poor way of expressing themselves. These signs are costing us money but are there for a purpose of safety and information. BEWARE that a few concerned citizens are now watching more than ever, not for the money but to save money that we can use elsewhere. CLEAN UP, FIX UP... the city of Tye has set April 2 for free trash hauling. Should you have trash that you have been wanting to get hauled off and don't have a trailer or truck, the city will furnish a crew and truck to haul it off for you. All you need to do is place your trash in front of your residence and then call city hall prior to April 2nd. They will take it from view each candidate For the next few with his or her qualifica-

weeks I will be reminding you that we have elections coming up on April 7th and all I hope to do is get everyone out to vote. I'll be conducting personal interviews of each candidate and give you a brief outline of them. The following people that will be running are: Place 1 Alderman - Patricia Miller, Arturo "Art" Herrera, Violet Law; Place 2 Alderman - A.J. Pence and Luanne Goodgion; Place 3 Alderman - Mrs. Otto Brazell and DeWitt Isom. Running for the 2 places on the Merkel School Board are Vicki Spur and Barbara Kotrlik. If these two people are elected this will fill the 2 places of representation on the much talked about dispute with the Merkel ISD. As stated before, this writer will inter-

tions, and some personal background of each. This will give you some insight as to whom you want to fill these offices of city council and school board. I urge each and every one of you to get out and vote on April 7 at the Tye Elementary School that Saturday. I'll keep reminding you of this each writing. If you don't get out and vote, I feel that you shouldn't gripe any as to what each candidate does after being voted into office. Thank you for calling

me regarding the Mer-kel and Tye suit. I have stated before that I will leave this up to the Editor of the Mail to report the facts as they are and it's coverage. Again thank you for your calls concerning this item. Just give me

some news and I will report it as it is told to me

It is a pleasure to be will take everyone's given thanks for the cooperation for this, the editorials, but I don't city is needing easehave anything to do with ments and permission to them. The Editor is the take down some trees, one to be thanked for some fences will have to allowing space and time be moved back to give the city and alley so the in the paper. I call this sewer lines can be an asset to the Mail, should you have someplaced. Yes, there will be some that will hinder thing to say, drop the Mail a letter and be sure this project, but with everyones help this long that you sign your name and they will write it up awaited item may soon be a reality instead of words. Wish to say to as you send it to them. Members of the Volunteer Fire Departeach person that has ment burned off the worked on this over the right-of-way along the past few years, thanks railroad plus a few vacant lots. Should you for your dedication and efforts in making Tye a need a lot burned off, do place to call home. This is the progress that we must work towards. it safely and call the department and we will send the truck and man-Betterment of your city, again our thanks for all power to assist you in helping you clean up that has been done and that area you want your continued support cleaned off. for a better tomorrow. week, so till next week,

THE MERKEL MAIL

Have you noticed the city in your back yard this past week? They are now clearing the right-of-ways for the

More Tye News

by Patricia Miller

Linda Armstrong, Chairperson of the Breath of Spring Bike-A-Thon, would like to announce that May 5th will be the official date for the Cystic Fibrosis Bike-A-Thon in Tye. The time will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. or until the last participant stops. Anyone wishing to partici-

ball game between the teachers and parents of Tye School was set. It will be on March 30th at 7:00 p.m. in the Tye gym. There will be a 50 cent fee for players and a 50 cent charge for spectators, 25 cents for children. Refreshments will also be for sale. Anyone wishing to play may contact me. Everyone is invited and en-

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g Mrs. Mitchell asing vocabulary an important part of pre-reading or readprogram. In the room we work on vocabulary wiedge and usage by wing films and filmtrips about unusual and different things and laces. A word is retainmuch easier if a association can made. For instance, you sound out the ord elephant phonetic-lly, but have never an elephant in the o or a picture of an ant, the word uld not become a part your vocabulary beuse it has no meaning or you. How about the ord ringtrap (ring' rap)? You can sound he word phonetically d you know what the ord looks like but does an anything to you d will you remember ? I won't because it s no meaning, it's a sense word. The e is true for children n they read a word is not in their bulary. arents can help by: ing books with picto their children being sure word iations are made; g to their children unfamiliar words explaining their ning; or by seeing

that children have varied experiences such as shopping, going to the zoo and on trips.

Resource Mrs. VanWin-

In addition to regular math activities, the most popular math exercise lately has been counting the number of days until Spring Break. Hope the weather will be nice so everyone can play outside. at Camp Boothe Oaks Speaking of the wea-Brownie - Dad Special. ther, the children in the Girls in Br. Troop 291 are DeDe Hall, Lisa Resource room are enjoying watching the Castle (Br.-Dad), Traci weather daily to decide if the old saying, Orr, Shelley Thorton, Beth Grubbs, Lori "March comes in like a Owen, and Stacy Boyd. lion and goes out like a lamb", is really true. Each day is labeled as a "lion day" or a "lamb day". Thus far, the "lion days" are in the majority. Early each morning, we discuss the name of the month, the day of the week, year, etc. Many younger school children have a very poor concept of time. As a parent, this is one area that can be effectively remediated or taught in the home and every elementary teacher will be most greatful. With an increased awareness of time, a student can structure

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Girl Scout News

Two Girl Scout Troops in Tye sold 65 cases of Girl Scout cookies in the 1979 Cookie Sale of the West Texas Girl Scout

Council. Cindy Armstrong, Cookie Chairman for Br. Troop 291 reports that 7 Brownies participated in the sale and each girl earned the Cookie Patch for selling 4 cases or more. Lisa Castle sold 7 cases, earning the right to take her dad campi

Phyllis Boyd, Leader of Jr. Troop 314 savs that five of her Juniors earned patches. Stephanie Boyd earned 1/2

campership by selling 14 cases. Salesgirls in Troop 314 are Sandra Kotrlik, Tracy Brown, Kelly Orr, Marie Terrell and Stephanie Boyd.

All the Scouts will receive the new Girl Scout "Certificate of Merit" in appreciation of their mnlish

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otice is hereby given original letters of inistration on the ate of Mattie B. gess, deceased, e issued to the unsigned on the 12th of March, 1979, in proceeding indicated ow my signature eto, which is still ding, and that The zens National Bank, lene, Texas now ds such letters. All sons having claims linst said estate, tich is being adminis-red in the County ow named, are hererequired to present same to the same, **Citizens** National k, at the address ow given. Suit upon Legal Notice TRUSTEE ELECTION ORDER AND NOTICE (ORDEN Y AVISO DE ELECCION DE RE-**GENTES**) The Merkel Independent School District

Board of Trustees hereby orders and gives notice of an election to be held on April 7, 1979, for the purpose of electing one trustee each for positions designated as Place 1 and Place 2.

(Por la presente la junta de regentes del distrito escolar independiente nombrado ordena y da aviso que se llevara a cabo una eleccion el dia 7 de abril de 1979 con el proposito de elegir un regente a cada puesto designado por numero 1 v 2.)

ABSENTEE VOTING by personal appearance will begin on Monday, March 19, 1979 and continue through Tuesday, April 3, 1979, from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm on each day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. (VOTACION EN AU-SENCIA en persona comencera en Lunes el 19 de marzo de 1979 y continuara hasta Martes el 3 de abril de 1979 desde las 8:00 am hasta las 5:00 pm en todos los dias que no sean sabado, domingo, o dia oficial de vaccaciones estatales.)

Merkel City Hall, 107 Lamar Street, Merkel is the address of the place for absentee voting in person and to mail applications for an absentee ballot. (la direccion indicada es del sitio para votar ausente en persona y para hacer

ments in the sale. The girls earned money for their troop program activities and special projects. Profits from the annual Cookie Sale help maintain Camp Boothe Oaks and other Council properties.

aplicacion para boleta de ausencia por correo.) The POLLING PLACES designated below will be open from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm on the day of the election. (Los sitios de votacion indicados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 am a las 7:00 pm el dia de la eleccion.) Pct. No. (Num. de pcto.) 1 Location (Direccion) Merkel High School Gym, South 3rd and Ash Pct. No. (Num. de pcto.) 2 Location (Direccion) Tye Elementary School Cafeteria, Tye, Texas. Signature (Firma) Charles Jacobs, Larry Dudley, Leroy Teaff, Pat Castille, James

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Kathy Corbin, daugh-

ter of Sherron Corbin,

won first place in the

fourth grade competi-tion and Cristi Moore,

daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Paul Moore, won third place in the kin-

dergarten competition.

Kathy and Cristi were

judged along with other

students from Abilene,

Merkel, Wylie, Buffalo

Gap, Trent, Lawn, Hamby and Butterfield.

Schools.

Corbin, Moore win poster contest

couraged to come. It has the makings of an enjoyable evening. Are you aware there

are between 300 and 500 qualified voters in the Tye area? In recent elections the most that have turned out is 125. This is an awfully poor showing by anyones standards. There are some very important issues before the City Council and School Board. The people that are elected will help make decisions on matters crucial to our community and school. Choose your candidates wisely and then go VOTE!

The poster contest was co-sponsored by the Middle Clear Fork Soil and Water Conservation District and Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc. The contestants were judged on four phases of conservation, wildlife, plants, water and soil.

Our thanks go out to the co-sponsors for providing the opportunity for our students to take part.

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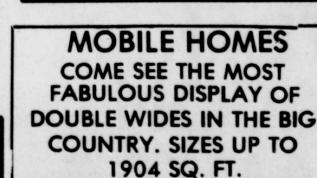
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