## The Merkel Mail

## Thussdary, May 281985 ... Medeal, Texas



Maintenance crews busy on addition to Elementary school

Construction work on an additi- David Casey told The Mail enough classrooms for next year,
tion to Merkel Elementary is well Tuesday "We ended the year with in fact, if we wanted to double up tion to Merkel Elementary is well Tuesday "We ended the year with
540 students. This building will
under way here. under way here.
The facility will house five first allow us to move our students grade classrooms and a second from the Catholic Church and will grade classroom, as well as open up a room for our library." restroom facilities. by MISD maintenance employees Church for classrooms when stuand being payed for with local dent enrollment increases put too funds.
City tax rebates unchanged The City of Merkel is almost $\$ 9$ Merkel
dead even in sales tax rebate $\$ 9,309.06$. dead even in sales tax rebate
money so far this year as compared to 1984. Tye's rebates are running well by local merchants at the time of
So far, Merkel has received ahead of last year. So far, they sale and is then rebated mond $\$ 28,971.45$ compared to $\$ 29,003.54$ have received $\$ 31,089.20$ and that back to the city where the
is 33 per cent more than they had purchase was made

## Trent grads, local suits...


school property for any illegal contraband.
Work is moving right along a
the new city park lights and poles were being installed for the tennis courts. Meanwhile, the other city park
is bracing itself for Fun Day. Angela has been taking reservations for food and activity booths and you can get ahold of her by
call $928-5722$. call $928-5722$.
Fun Day donation tickets are available at some local merchants
and they will be sold to raise and they will be sold to raise money for park improvements.
So far, the Chamber has constructed a shelter, bathrooms and planted trees and shrubs at park with Fun Day proceeds. We have come up with on
summer activity for youngsters. summer activity for youngsters.
Walt Disney Films will be shown at 2 and 7 p.m. each Friday at the
Old Merkel Lions Club Building. Old Merkel Lions Club Building.
Tickets are $\$ 1$ each and children under 3 are free, but they must be supervised by their parent. A complete list of the movies is
in this week's paper. in this week's paper. Iown we ought to see the shette down, we ought to see the whea
harvest start soon here. harvest start soon here.
Jack South told me there are
 plenty of grain cars available, so pass an Education Retorm. just stay jiry enough long enough
to cut.
We have had some fierce lookin
weather late in the evenings lately weather late in the evenings lately way.
There have been some impres sive lightning shows associated with recent thunderstorms, but no
unnel clouds nearby.

We'd like to welcome a coup
new businesses here, Wayne Thompson Auction, located in the
Old Lions Club Building here, and Old Lions Club Building here, and
Duane Shugart Motors on Kent Street. We wish them much success onimic endeavors.
You may hear a strange voice on The Morkel Mall phones during
the summer, our daughter Kim will be working here daughter Kim The Texas legitat y getting legislature is certain-
with it this session aren' they.
The grou
The group has tackled a lot of egisiation that had been left Blue Law , in the past, including drinking age, belts, raising the tate income, new loes
povision have also held fast to the
in fact, if we wanted to doube one
here and there, we could make one
more classroom out of the room we will have when the addition is finished."
The buil The building will be completely
furnished for classroom activities and will be ready for the start of school in September. The building will be about 6,700

## Graduation Friday for Trent

Trent High scnool will be the Class of 1985 Friday holding graduation ceremonies for at the Trent School Gym<br>Kevin Bentch, minister of the rent Church of Christ will be the uest soeaker

## Baptist sets vacation school

Countryside Baptist Church ( 6 the eighth grade will be neld at the ment will be held at the church ${ }^{1235)}$ will be having evening having a seminar at 609 El Faso in ing this time, the parents can visit Vacation Bible School. The classes Merkel in conjunction with this.) their child's room, see their work will be from 7:00-9:00 p.m. There will be crafts, Bible study, and have some refreshments.
Tuesday, May 28th, through Fri- games and refreshments each Everyone is invited For a rid Tuesday, May 28th, through Fri- games and refreshments eaih Everyone is invited. For a ride
day, May 31 st.
Classes for

## Disney movies here

 Local children will be able to see your supervision.Walt Disney films here each The movies are 16 mm reels and $\begin{aligned} & \text { Gang; June 28- Apple Dunlin Gang } \\ & \text { Rides Again; July } 5 \text { - The One and } \\ & \text { Friday at } 2 \text { and } 7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} \text {. at the Old are all G rated. }\end{aligned}$ Only Genuine, Original Family Friday at 2 and 7 p.m. at the Old are all G rated.
Lions Club Building, now West The schedule for the films is: $\begin{aligned} & \text { Only } \\ & \text { Band; July } 12 \text {-Rescuers; July } 19\end{aligned}$ Texas Auction Arena on South May 24 Bedknobs and Broom. Hot Lead \& Cold Feet; July 26 - Oid sticks; May 31-Gus; June 7- Davy Yeller; Aug. 2, Darby O'Gill and
Second Street here.
Tickets for the films are $\$ 1$ and Crockett; Jne 14 ; Snowball Ex- the Little Popole; Aug, 16 . The Tickets for the films are $\$ 1$ and Crockett; Jne 14 Snowball Ex- the Little People; Aug. 16 . The
hildren under three will be press; June 21-Apple Dumling Computer WWore Tennis Shoes; children under three will be press; June 21- Apple Dumling Computer Wore Tennis Sho
admitted free, they will require


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Trent Seniors

and Mrs. Curtis
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Trent school awards given


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ed over a brief business meeting, Mern present were: Lenora officers conducted by Alice King. Humphreys, Linnie Fisher, Lottie
Hisher
Everett, Inez Detrick, Mary Click New officers installed were: Everett, Inez Detrick, Mary Click
Becky Rogers, P President; Mary Ada Clark, Jewell Criswell, Cleo Sadier, Vice President; Leota Georgia Allday, Shirley Mc Bride, $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Sherrell, 2nd Vice President; Alice Peggy Black, Alice King, Leota } \\ \text { King, 3rd Vice President; Olga } & \text { Sherrell and Olga Peachy, Hos- }\end{array}$
Countryside Baptist sets seminar
be conducting a seminar for high direction of Mr. and Mrs. Darel ane classes will be from 7:00-9:00 All high school age students are (behind Skinny's) here in Merkel. bring a friend. For more informa-
This is in conjunction with Vaca- tion or a ride call $928-5432$ (the
Obituaries
Gurley Williams
died May 11 th at Parkland veteran of World War II. ..... Hother, Goldia Malone of Merkel
mot wife; daughters Brend with Don Whalet of Rose Hill Cemetary here under at
Born May 2, 1919 in Birming-
ham, Ala. he was a retired oil field
worker and farmer.
He had lived most his wife; daughters Brenda Siar of
Plano and Linda Hunt of Merkel;
sons Lloyd Williams of Trent,
Bobby Williams of Oklahoma City,
James Williams of Miles, Jimmy
Williams of Cleburne, Jerry Wil-
liams of Trent and. Charles
Williams of Merkel. He was
preceded in death by a son Robert
and a daughter Deborah.
Pallbearers were grandsons and
son-in-laws.
'Lindy Smith"
Gene AshGene Ash of Waco, died at $1: 30$ man. He was raised and gradua
p.m. May 19th at the VA Hospital ted from High School in Hico. Hep.m. May 19 hh at the VA Hospital led was a veteran of World War I22 at 1 p.m. at were held May22 at 1 p.m. at the Starbuck He is survived by sisters MaideeChficiated. Burial followed at Rose Ft. Word Margaret Peacock ofHill Cemetary here under the of Loma thand Mary Alica Reecedirection of the Starbuck Funeral Gibson of Merkel and BessieBorn Dec. 23, 1923 in Quanah, he Chapman of Roscoe, Murry Chapwas a retired telephone repair- man of San Angelo and Carl

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| 1979 |  |  |  |

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Farm value of goods up 5.4 per cent
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the farm value of a typical basket value averaged 34 percent of the As far as 1985 is concerned,
of food increased more in 1984 retail cost for a market of food increased more in 1984 retail cost for a market basket of Stegelin foresees a continuation of a continued hefty supply of whole increase. The farm value of the U.S. years because abundant food keep food price increases in the : increases, more of the food dollat
will
go to the farm-to-retail Department of Agriculture's mar- supplies held down farm prices to 4 percent range.
ket basket of foods rose 5.3 percent while retail prices rose farm to the farm-to-retail price last year, points out Dr. Forrest because of rising processing and of recent years by rising more Stegelin savs. last year, points out Dr. Forrest because of rising processing and of recent years by rising more
slowly at supermarkets and gro
Stegelin, economist with the Texas distributing charges. Agricultural Extension Service, The farm-to-retail price spread sery stores than at eating places The Texas A\&M University Sy- rose 3.2 percent, about equaling and restaurants. The farm-to-re-
the overall rem.
stem. the overall rate of inflation for the tail price spread will continue to

However, because of depressec economy-3.7 percent, notes the be the culprit in rising food prices, farm prices over several years, economist. At the same time, food adds the economist. And retail the 1984 farm value of foods was prices rose more slowly than the prices of imported foods and fibers | only 7 percent above the $1980 \begin{array}{l}\text { Consumer Price Index for all ggain will rise less than prices o' } \\ \text { value, says the enonomist. } \\ \text { consumer nroducts and services-domesticallv produced food and }\end{array}$ |
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#### Abstract

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Vet emergencies discussed
by Kathryn Banner, DVM Merkel possible. If severe bleeding is
present, apply direct pressure or a Veterinarian Clinic pressure bandage to the area There are many situations that Avoid exciting the animal. Do not constitute a veterinary emer- let the animal eat or drink unless gency. If you have, or think you specifically advised by the veterihave, an emergency, remain narian. In cases of poisoning or
calm. Call your veterinarian to suspected poisoning, take the caim. Cally your veterinarian to original container along to the (where and when) and to get first veterinarian. The ingredients are aid and safety instructions. These important as far as treatment is instructions can make a difference concerned.
even a life and death difference. Some emergencies in large
Calling ahead also alerts the animals are colic or bloat, grain veterinarian who can start getting overload (overeating of concennecessary equipment and medi- trate feeds), Johnson grass poison-
ing, wheat poisoning, milk fever,
cine together. ing, wheat poisoning, milk fever,
cine together.
If the animal is to be moved, and birthing problems. For smali care should be taken to prevent animals, some emergencies are injury to the animal or the people severe trauma (as in hit by a car), handling the animal. Physical eclampsia (milk fever), snake
restraint may be needed For bite, heat stroke and birthing example, a hurt dog may need a problems.
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Several local mem-
bers of Brownies here have earned a Brownie-
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Camp Boothe Oaks near Sweetwater.
The girls earned the trip through annual co-
okie sales okie sales. are Crystal Boone, Robin Cochran, Julie, Lan-
ion ford, Lori Pirraglia, Ai-
mee Roberson, Amanda mee Roberson, Amanda
Sanders, Rikki Casady, Tiffany, Hill, Marijke Holmes, Jackie Rogers, Brandy Casper, Shera Hammond and Misti Harvey.
Tips on keeping the a/c going

Few things are worse than a humid day-except the bill to get it fixed.
Preventative maintenance can
help avoid a help avoid a possible breakdown
during the summer months and make an air conditioner run more efficiently, says housing specialist Dr. Peggy Owens.
he largest single the largest single users of home
energy, proper service and main tenance can help consumers hold down electric bills," remarks the Texas A8M University Agricul-
tural Extension Service home economist.
Checking the system for warning signs is a simple matter, in front of the air supply vents il the air feels lukewarm, it could indicate a problem with the
ductwork, compressor, evaporator or refrigerant.
You should
ment from the vent. If you don't, it may indicate a fan problem, dirty filter, dirty evaporator coils ductwork leaks.
Then check the condenser unit
outside. It's normal for the air being discharged from the unit to be hot. If it isn't, there could be "Fixing or maintaining a tral air conditioning unit is usually not a job for a do-it-yourselfer Owens cautions. But because a owners should know what to expect for their money," Owens advises.
The specialist suggests that a maintenance service call should -Lubricate the condenser fall bearings, if not permanently sealed.
-Clean the
condenser coil ions on the condensor he operating current and supply voltage with volt amp meter.
-Check the refrigerant levels and pressures.
-1 nspect the
-Inspect the compressor start
-Clean or replace the blower filter
-Lubricate an unsealed blower Check and adjust the belt tension and inspect the belt if the fan is belt-driven. Clean the blowe wheel. heck the fin evaporator coil and unit.
nit.
-Clean and inspect the drain -Check for excessive attic air eakage into the return air chamber of the blower unit
Ask the service technician to rovide a checklist of the maininsure that you're getting the mos for your service dollar, recom
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