The Merkel Mail

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Thursday, January 21, 1988 . . . Merkel, Texas



The judge takes a look at lambs in last week's Merkel Livestock Show. Local FFA members will be

competing in the Taylor County Show this weekend in Abilene.

Boys tied for district lead; girls start" second season"

team ended their first half of important and they say Wylle can 12 points. Amber Whisenhunt led district play in a tie for third place while the Badger boys remained tied for the lead in the district linger is 19-0 and ranked 8th so we the second quarter, we did not race with two wins last week.

and 4-0 in district play as they ever happens, happens. intered a crucial week this week with game against Abilene Wylie Tuesday (details not available at press time) and Ballinger here Jan. 26th. Ballinger and Merkel are the only two unbeaten team in district play while Wylie is one game back with a single loss. Ballinger is 19-0 on the season and rated 8th in the state.

Colorado City 61-35 as four Badgers had double figure games. Lynn Hays led the way with 19 while Wade Toombs, Kenneth Jowers and Monty Griffin each added 10. Boys coach Johnny Hampton told The Mail Tuesday "This was not one of our better performances, we just played well enough to win. We played very well in the first half and let up in

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them by seven in the second half." The boys then made that long road trip to Sonora and came the local Little Dribblers Basket- All interested parents and home with a 70-35 win. Jowers led ball program will be held Monday coaches are encouraged to attend. with 20 while Shayne Newberry added 18 and Ted Seymore had 10. Hampton said of that game enough to win. We played a good until Friday to sign up. Persons and 1 p.m. at Heritage Hall

The Merkel girls basketball coming up "All the games are and Betsy Hellums each led with Falcon, reserve champion Noe be tough at Wylie ... I guess I will with 10 rebounds. Coach Whisenget educated Tuesday night. Bal- hunt said "We lost the game in will have to go out and try to play rebound well and we just didn't The boys are 15-5 on the season two real good games and what- play with any spirit."

> The Merkel girls ended their of district play at 3-3 and started first half of district play last week the second half at Wylie Tuesday. tied for third with Clyde. Wylie The girls will at least have to tie was undefeated and won the first for second in the second half of half while Coahoma was 2nd with play for a chance at the playoffs.

The girls opened last week with Coach Whisenhunt said she was a 57-30 win over Colorado City, proud of her freshmen girls team Teresa Lucas led the way with 16 who came from behind from 7 while Amber Whisenhunt and points to down Clyde here Monday Last Tuesday, the boys downed Michele Dudley each added 11. night. She said she was proud of Whisenhunt led the team in the spirit the girls displayed on rebounds with 9. Girls coach Jan the floor. Whisenhunt told The Mail "We played pretty well. We did a good job of looking for the open man on district contest here Friday with offense and had good hustle. The Jayton and then Ballinger comes girls just played real consistent to town Tuesday. Both boys and and also rebounded well."

Last Firday in Sonora, the girls teams will be in action on those took a 50-46 loss. Carolyn Lally nights.

the second, we only outscored Little Dribblers will organize Monday

An organizational meeting for at 7 p.m. at Taylor Electric.

Games this week include a non-

girls varsity and junior varsity

Commodity registration deadline is Friday

People wanting to receive USDA distribution Hampton said of the big week receive food in the Feb. 6th day.

"Again, we just played well surplus food commodities have You may sign up between 11:30 second half as we held them to 13 who do not have a new registra- Thursday or at City Hall from 7:30 tion number will not be allowed to a.m. until 4:30 p.m. each week

Basketball, pioneers, banquet, band boosters, stock shows

by Cloy A. Richards

Abilene Wylie Tuesday night. I forgotten. don't know the outcomes at this writing and was hoping to be able The Chamber of Commerce a 15-5 season record and a 4-0 start for a pleasant evening. in district play into Tuesday's war

Merkel lost descendents of two need and deserve our support. pioneer families here this week

of the Mulberry Canyon area and Quinnie Eller from the Noodle Community. These women and their parents helped shape this The only thing on people's area years ago and their contriminds around here early this week butions to Merkel and the surwas the big basketball games with rounding area should not be

to see some of the games but banquet is coming up, March 15th things didn't work out for us, and this year a magician will time-wise this week. The Badger entertain. Throw is some barboys are playing well and carried becued brisket and it should make

The girls game marked the start a few activities lined up over the owner of the home must be over of their second half of district next few weeks as they need to age 60 and meet income guideraise another \$3,500 for a trip to lines. To see if you qualify, you Nashville this spring. Details are may apply at the Merkel Senior in a story on Page One but they

with the passing of Lottie Everett The County Stock show is this

weekend and there will be a mess Merkel and Trent kids who have animals entered. Lambs will be shown Friday morning, swine Friday afternoon, cattle Saturday morning and the sale will be Saturday afternoon. All of that is going on at the county fairgrounds.

A new program that will pay for repairs and remodeling of rural homes is being sponsored by the West Central Texas Council of The Merkel Band Boosters have Governments. To be eligible, the Citizens Center from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Jan. 26th.

Band Boosters need funds for trip

Boosters are halfway to their goal tion in town to enter a team.

The Band Boosters will be spon- details.

The Merkel High School Band are challenging every organiza- students to become Boosters. The

of \$7,000 and they only have three The Boosters are also planning businesses join and their help is months left. The \$7,000 the Band a band concert at the football field appreciated. They will be pub-Boosters are trying to raise will be Feb. 27th at 1 p.m. Donations are lishing a thank you to all the spent on busses for the band's trip being accepted for the band in boosters as well as a list of names to Nashville. The high school band conjunction with the concert, soon in The Mail will be traveling to Nashville the There will be a \$500 door prize last week in April for concert awarded and you can see any of List, to enter the volleyball the Band Boosters for complete

soring a volleyball tournament. The Band Boosters are very Feb. 20th. There will be a mens small in numbers and they need and womens bracket. The entry everyone's help. They are asking at 846-4044 or come by the

group has had several local

To get your name on the Booster fee is \$30 per team. The Boosters every parent of MHS Band Elementary school between 1:00

Trent stock show held

by W. E. Dulaney

The weather was beautiful Saturday and the community of Trent took advantage, showing up in full force to support the Trent

FFA in their annual stock show. Judge Weldon Whitehead, ag teacher at Dublin, had a hard time nicking winners as each exhibitor tried their best for the blue ribbon.

Complete results are: Turkeys- grand champion- Cipi Falcon, Cipi Falcon, Noe Falcon, Fryer rabbits: Grand champion

Stacy Brazelton, Reserve champion Julie Clay, Mike Wallis, Lewis Knapp, Knapp, Mike Wallis, Chris Wofford, Terri Brazelton, Julie The girls finished their first half Clay, Scott Dulaney & Jason

McDaniel. Does: Grand champion Stacy Brazelton, reserve Terri Brazelton, T Brazelton, Travis Walker.

Bucks: Grand champion Terri Brazellon, reserve Becky Galvin, Laramie Boyd, Jennifer Oden,

Broiler chickens: Grand champion Jamie Ray, reserve Mindy Ray, Matthey Hackney, Hackney, Paul McDaniel, McDaniel,

Cattle: Heavyweight steer: Grand champion Britt Sipe, reserve champion Chad Sipe.

Angora Goats: Grand champion Brandon Bland, D. J. Bland, Kaci

Lightweight steers: Grand champion Scott O'Kelly, reserve O'Kelly, O'Kelly

Grand champion steer Britt Sipe, reserve champion Chad

Heifers: Grand champion Dock Carriker, reserve Mike Payne.

Swine: Light weight Duroc: William Self, Brian Massey, Jason Massey. Chris Jones. Heavy weight durocs: Mindy

Ray, William Self, D. J. Bland, Brandon Bland, Keith Oden; grand reserve champion Mindy Ray, reserve champion William

Light weight hampshires: Billy Davis, Jon Evans, Mark Payne, Mindy Ray, Lee Hunt. Heavyweight hampshires: Dock

Carriker, Chad Sipes, Jamie Masonheimer, Jamie Ray, Mike

Grand champion hampshire Dock Carriker, reserve champion

Other pure breeds: Grand champion Kaci Bland, reserve Brandon Bland, Dock Carriker. Light weight cross: Derek Gal-

vin, Lewis Knapp, Brandon Bland, Kaci Bland, Terry Spraggin, Brian Massey Medium weight cross: Tory Dean, Ginger Massey, Dean,

Massey, Massey Brothers, Massey Brothers. Heavy weight cross: Jamie Ray, D. J. Bland, Brian Massey, Cipi Falcon, Ginger Massey,

Jason Massey. Grand champion cross Jamie Ray, reserve champion Derek

Dock Carriker. Showmanship awards: goats-

Jamie Ray, reserve champion manship winner in the Swine Show at the Merkel FFA Stock

Fryers- Terri Brazelton, cattle- Massey

County stock show begins Friday

Brandon Bland, turkeys- Noe Scott O'Kelly, swine- Dock Car-

Falcon, broilers- Jamie Ray, riker, Overall showmanship Brian

The Taylor County Stock Show start at 1 p.m. Friday. will be held this weekend at the

county fairgrounds. The lamb show will start at 8 start at 1 p.m.

The cattle show will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday and the sale will

a.m. Friday and the pig show will Also going on this weekend is the Fort Worth Heifer show

Chamber plans annual banquet March 15th

The annual membership ban- three new members to the board quet for the Merkel Chamber of of directors. Commerce will be held March 15th at Heritage Hall at 7 p.m.

barbecued dinner will be served. organizations.

In a couple of related notes, the Chamber of Commerce wanted to Entertainment will be provided thank Pat Neff and her art this year by Lonnie Chevrie, an students at Merkel High School for Tickets are \$7.50 each and a decorations this year.

The Chamber also wanted to At the banquet, the Merkel remind everyone that the local Jason McDaniel, Robert Butman, Citizen of the Year will be cookbooks, Merkel Makings are Becky Galvin, Robert Butman, recognized, as well as a Woman of also on sale. The books are Jennifer Oden, Ashley Parker the Year by local women's service available at Independent American Savings, Ben Franklin, Ham-The chamber will also recognize mond Insurance Agency and the Chamber of Commerce office.



Grand champion swine show: John Paul Dudley was the show- . Snow

Pyburn & Jay off to a fast start

Merkel FFA member Steve Pyburn and his horse Sain Julian (nicknamed Jay) repreand Becky Pyburn of Mulberr

the horse's papers caused delay after delay and Steven finally

being a double bask, but was of no

showman usually takes up to a together only six months, they showman team has won ten about Steven and Jay. A short four Louisiana State 4-H & FFA Light They have been together the horse and showman you, however, that Gary McClain. Steven and Jay bearing the received the first place trophy in head of the USL Equestrian banner of the FFA to their first halter class at the Open Horse Program and a horse trainer, was parade where they caught they



the first place trophy in Western progress. But even Gary will tell

Show. One month later they won invaluable to their fast-moving eye of the spectators and the

Seymore, Anna Belle Shouse.

Fortnightly group elects new officers

Jan. 12th in the home of Becky Reports from officers and com-responding secretary. Clara B. Rogers with Bess Dixon as co- mittees were presented. The Walla- treasurer and Alice King-

call were suggestions to improve president. Bess Dixon- recording mentary as demonstrated by the

Alice King, president, presided They include Ida Mae Seymore- Ruby Hammond presented the over the business meeting. Roll president, Ruby Hammond-vice program... a skit of The Parlia-

All-region band tryouts are Saturday

one junior high and one senior Trent Jazz Band will be per- Anna Lou Ferguson, Mildred high will be chosen by the judges forming at the Trent Community Hamm, Ruby Hammond, Lucy consisting of school band direc. Club the first Thursday in Feb. Haynes, Edna Hill, Madelon Hor-

Walter is promoted to USAF tech sergeant

been promoted by the U. S. Air AFB. N. M.

Training Detachment at Cannon Rogers, Alwyne Sandusky, Ida

Herrera arrives for Philipines duty

Air Force 2nd Lt. Edward G. pines

Herera, son of Arturo Q. and Herrera, an airlift navigator, is Rebecca G. Herrera of Tye, has a graduate of Merkel High School arrived for duty with the 21st and a 1986 graduate of Texas



Trent gin through, local gin still at it

The Trent Gin has completed cording to Bennett Massey, mantheir ginning for the season and ager. finished the year with 6.891 bales. They could reach 8.000 bales They reported ginning 3,800 bales before the season is completed. He an average year, but a whole lot good year. They reported only a

ast year and called this a pretty said they should be finished by the

being stripped. He said it has been better than last year's ginning

of of paperwork still needed to be Votaw stationed in Virginia

At the Farmers Co-Op Gin here, U.S. Army Private Michael R. over 7,000 bales have been Votaw, son of J. Thomas and

ortation Company in Fort Eustis, Va. Votaw, an equipment records and parts specialist, is a 1984









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Trent cagers open district play this week at Highland

Bach Rilla basketball teams, Mi coming off a successful Trent. In the girls game. Trent and mistakes. Trumament weekend, traveled to Lueders-Avoca battled toe-to-toe. We got behind early when we Lueders-Avoca last Tuesday to for 'hree quarters with Trent were s'one cold', said Trent boys

halftime lead was too much for in 17 for Leuders-Avoca.

ake on the Raiders in high school entering the final quarter down by seach Ed Donahue. "We were 8

three at 33-30. The fourth quarter for 28 from the line and only shot In the boys game, the 'Rillas fell was even until the last 31/2 minutes 23 percent from the field and we behind early, trailing 20-8 at the when Lueders took control to ice just didn't play well for the first end of the first quarter enroute to the win at 52-38. The Lady 'Rillas three quarters. We are going to a 38-20 deficit at the half. In the were led by Rene Gibson with 13 have to learn how to play four second half. Trent outscored the and Tammy Collier who contrib-consistent quarters. Raiders 38-29 but the 18 point u'ed 10 while Amy Ford pumped. Fridays action saw the Trent

Trent to overcome. The 'Rillas Coach Doug Gore, who substi-confines of Trent Gym to play the were led in the game by Chris tuted for coach Robbie Shugart Rule Bobcats. Jones with 20 points and Mike who had to stay at home with a In the girls game. Trent over-

Payne who contributed 18, while sick daughter told The Mail "We came a cold first and third Oritz de Urbina led the Raiders played them close and were tied quarters by combining for 28

cagers returning to the friendly

late in the game but their press points in the 2nd and 4th stanzas enroute to a 40-21 rout of the Lady Bobcats. The Lady 'Rillas were led by Luci Masonheimer with 13 Both Trent Junior High teams In the boys bracket. Pete while Tammi Collier added 11. Sanford added 10 to lead Trent top with 9. With the win. Trent heads

In the girls bracket, Janet the first two rounds were Britt "We had an all-around good Gibson and Janet Marshall each Sipe who had 10 to go along with game," grinned Coach Shugart. scored 10 to lead Trent to a 28-14 Chavez's 17 in a first round 41-17 "Tammy & Luci played well and plucking of the Hermeligh Card- stomp over Novice while Tory this will help prepare us for a inals to bring home the 3rd place Dean and Mark Payne both district opener against Black-

Tarin. The 'Cats were led by Kyle Wilson with 19 and James Haliburton with 16. With the win, Trent enters district play with a 6-7

can keep it close we're going to keep 1st Team Defense: linemen win the close ones. Mike Payne

Highland Tournament and won Trent and kicker Chris Womack of Larry Carothers of Jonesboro, 'Rillas play well as a team and

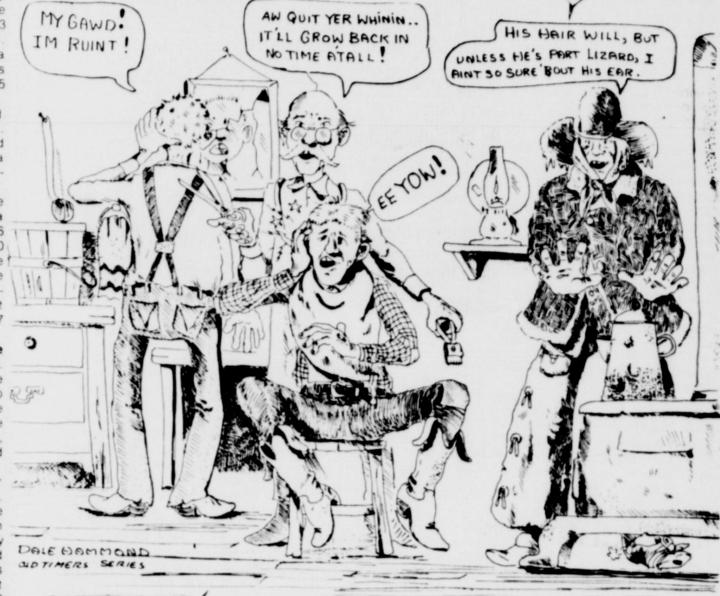
Poindexter and Tammy Collier

and is not afraid to hit the boards. Joe Tarin, has shown some. While the girls will have to while Twila Williams, who is often fantatsic ball handling abilities, contend with state-ranked Roscoe first off the bench, has played well. Post Lee Hunt is a valuable it is a safe bet that they will in her time on the court. Other addition to the Trent cagers using represent the district in the statevaluable reserves are Julie Clay his 6'4" height under the boards to playoffs either as the second

place finish in the Trent in- has a good range on his shots, ionship is not unlikely. vitational. The leading scorer is Carriker plays a smart game and by W. E. Dulaney

Post Rene Gibson can score can play inside or out while quard court n sports this season. Highlights of leigh. Three point shots at Trent champs he season include a big win over are in the capable hands of Jamie They boys also seem to be a safe the Rotan Yellowhammers and a Masonheimer and Chris Jones be to be a playoff participant. second place finish in the Trent while Lewis Knapp can be seen all None of the teams in Trent's Invitational. Highlights of the over the court diving for loose district have won more than five season include a big win over the balls. Dock Carriker either plays games, so if the 'Rillas can get Rotan Yellowhammers and a 2nd point guard or shooting guard and some breaks, a district champ-

contribute key rebounds and had a place team or if they can handle The boys team has played well season high of 34 against Herm- the Plowgirls as the district



THE GOOD OL' DAYS

Trent junior high cagers in tournament

were involved in a basketball Chavez popped 12 points and Jeff Rule was led by Larresa LaFevea tournament this weekend at Blackwell bringing home third a 34-19 brushing of Paint Rock in into district play with an 11-5

the 3rd place game. Other stars in record.

trophy. Other stars in the tourn- played well in the second round well. ament included sisters Anna and loss to Winters. Sarah Rios who led Trent to a first. With the tournament trophies lead change 10 times, the 'Rilla round victory over Novice 35-16 placed in the Trent trophy case, boys downed the 'Cats 57-56 Highland Hornets. Complete six-man all-state team

before falling into the consolation the 'Rillas will now prepare for behind 17 from Mike Payne and 10 bracket with a 36-24 loss to the the second half of district play, each from Lee Hunt and Joe by W. E. Dulaney

As reported in last week's Mail Paul McKee of Gustine, ends record. Trent's Scott O'Kelly and Lewis Doug Smith of Jayton and Sid Mail 'we had a good, fast start.

Knapp were named to the 6-Man Sulventor of Cheroken and center We're a 2nd half club and if we coaches association all-state team Sylvester of Cherokee and center We're a 2nd half club and if we for the 1987 season. The rest of the Scott Rowden of Wellman.

team is as follows. Ist team offense: quarterback Armando Aquilar- Fort Hancock, running backs William Covington of Christoval Linebackers left David was again tremendous and Lee of Lohn, J. Rowden of Wellman, of Christoval, linebackers Jeff Donahue.

Jamie Frazier of Bynum, deepback Victor Mondragon of Balmorhea, ends Andrew Sumner of Lohn, punter Kevin Driver of The girls team finished 3rd in the Jayton and Tony Timmons of Witharrel. Wellman, center Scott O'Kelly of 2nd Team defense: linemen the Trent Invitational. The Lady

MERKEL HIGH SCHOOL

teams will host Jayton

teams will host Ballinger

teams travel to Coahoma

TRENT HIGH SCHOOL

Jan. 22 Boys and girls, JV and Varsity

Jan. 26 Boys and girls JV and Varsity

Jan. 29: Boys and Girls JV and varsity

Jan. 22: Boys and girls at Highland

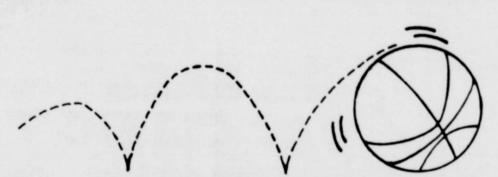
Jan. 29: Boys and girls at Roscoe

backs Jason Ussery of Christoval,

David Pendergrast of Wellman, have received outstanding efforts 2nd Team Offense: quarterback Jesse Martines of Lohn, Paul from all five starters at different Cirk Tidwell of Klondike, running Myers of Iredell, safety Buster times during the season. Guard Kirk Tidwell of Klondike, running Myers of Tredell, Salety Buste.

Redwine of Benjamin, linebackers Luci Masonheimer and wing Lance Moore of Iredell, Steven Morales of Jayton and Neal Frizzell of Silverton and Mike offense well while forwards B. J. Edwards of Silverton, deep back Pafford of Newcastle.

MERKEL & TRENT BASKETBALL



MERKEL JUNIOR HIGH

Jan. 22 & 23- 7th grade girls at the Jefferson Tournament in Abilene Jan. 25th: 7th, 8th & 9th grade girls at Jan. 25th: 7th. 8th & 9th grade boys host Jan. 28th: 7th grade girls at Jefferson in

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3-11c deck, central heat, horse barn with chain link fence. Call Ken The Merkel Mail Jan. 21, 1988- Page 4

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> FERNANDEZ. 10:00 A.M.

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the English language, once a week of January, 1988. for three consecutive weeks im- RILLA MAHONEY, Clerk mediately preceeding said day of Taylor County Courthouse sale, in The Merkel Mail, a Abilene, Texas newspaper published in Taylor 326th District Court

Witness my hand, this the 11th day of January, 1988. John W. Middleton, Sheriff

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: THOMAS LAVOIDE SMITH. Residence Unknown, Respondent.

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 A. M. on the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgement may be taken against

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The program provides for the rehabilitation of existing housing under the following guidelines: (1) Senior Citizens Center, 10:00 A. M. Be the owner of a single family dwelling in rural Taylor County at least one year prior to the time of 10:00 A. M. - 1:00 P. M. assistance and be the intended 3-1tc-40

By JoAnn Lackey, Deputy (Seal) occupant of the dwelling subsequent to the time of assistance

and (2) be 60 plus years of age. For further information, contact the West Central Texas Council of Governments, P. O. Box 3195.

Abilene, Texas 79604 915-672-8544 Qualified applicants should apply at their nearest Senior Citizen Center site: January 25, 1988 seeking qualified applicants for Buffalo Gap, Senior Citizen Cen-Citizen Center, 10:00 A. M. - 1:00 P. M.; January 27, 1988 Lawn Senior Citizens Center, 10:00 A. M. - 1:00 P. M.; January 28, 1988 Tye 1:00 P. M.; February 1, 1988 Tuscola Senior Citizens Center,

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Obituaries

'Lottie' Everett

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Charlotte Ford Butman (Lottie) Everett, 91, a daughter of pioneer farm and ranch family of the Mulberry Canyon area, died Tuesday at the Sears Nursing Center in

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Jan. 20th at Merkel's First United Methodist Church with the Son born Rev. John Wagoner, pastor, officiating, assisted by David Chaf-

Burial followed at Rose Hill Cemetery here under the direction of the Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born August 23, 1896 in Mulberry Canyon, she was the daughter of Sam & Madge (Vaughn) Butman. The Butman's were pioneer settlers of the Mulberry Canyon area and operated a large farming and ranching business.

She married Osward Everett He preceded her in death. She was

She was a Methodist and was very active in local Methodist menu. churches and activities in both Merkel's First United Methodist Church and the Pioneer Memorial Methodist Church. Her family donated the land for Camp Butman as well as Pioneer Memorial Methodist. She was a member of the Merkel Garden Club, the Order of the Eastern Star, the Women's Society of the United Methodist Church, was a communion steward and was a long time children's Sunday

School teacher She is survived by a sister Mary Russom of Merkel, as well as several nieces and nephews.

Serving as pallbearers were Don Russom, Jody Swinney, Tommy Marvin, Steve Butman, Curtis Wilson, Gaylon Brnovak. Honorary pallbearers were Barry Scott, Rex Martin, Ed Sandusky, Willard Vinson, Bill Cooke and Joe

Her family requested that memorials be made to Pioneer menu: Memorial Methodist Church.

Anvell Fitzgerald

Avnell Fitzgerald, 83 of Merkel, died Jan. 15th at Humana Hospital in Abilene

Funeral services were held Jan. 17th at First Baptist Church here with Wayne Keller, pastor, officiating. Burial followed at Rose

The funeral was under the firection of the Starbuck Funeral

Born Feb. 11, 1904 in Cameron. she was the daughter of the late James Little and Laura Etta Harbor) Little.

She married James Hardy Fitzgerald July 3, 1937. He died August 29, 1969. She was a housewife and a Baptist.

She is survived by two sons: Bill Williams of Anaheim, Ca. and B. W. Strother of Houston; si daughters, Etta Knapp of Arkansas, Wanda Benson of Waco, Patsy Campos of Burnett, Nita Windham of Merkel, JoAnn Jowers of Merkel and Betty Shugart of Merkel; two brothers Melvin Little of Waco and Dick Little of Waco: 25 grandchildren, 28 greatgrandchildren and 2 great-great grandchildren, as well as several

Serving as pallbearers were James Cowling, Michael Cowling, James Barouch, Joe B. Baker

Quinnie Eller

Landeros.

Quinnie Eller, 84, of Abilene, daughter of the late Mr. & Mrs. Wylie Roundtree, pioneer farmers n the Noodle Community, died

Christopher Shugart and Martin

Dixie and J. D. Lindsey are the proud parents of a 7 pound, 22 inch long baby boy, J. D. Jr. Born Dec. 11th at Hendrick Medical Center his great grandmother is Mrs. Claude Thomas of Merkel and Mr. & Mrs. Meriwartls of Gorman. Grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Hubert Meriwartls and V. H. & Mary Lindsey.

MISD menu

The following is the MISD lunch

Jan. 20: fried chicken with cream gravy, whipped potatoes, french green beans, jello with

Jan. 22: hamburgers, fries and all the trimmings. Orange wed-

Jan 25: chicken fried steak with cream gravy, snowflake potatoes. green beans, peaches with whip-

ped topping. Jan. 26: beef tacos with cheese. pinto beans, lettuce & tomato salad, taco sauce, plum cobbler.

Jan. 27: beef stew, vegetable salad, choice of dressing, fig bars. Jan 28: fish nuggets with tarter sauce, broccoli, buttered corn.

pineapple chunks Jan. 29: corn dogs, baked beans, french fries, peanut butter cook-

TISD menu

The following is the TISD lunch

Jan. 21: juice, biscuits, sausage; pimento cheese, vegetable soup, potato chips, cookies.

Jan. 22: juice, oatmeal, raisins, milk; corn dogs, french fries, pork & beans, salad

Jan. 25: cereal, milk, donuts; chicken patties, creamed potatoes with gravy, green beans, banana pudding, rolls.

Jan. 26: juice, donuts, milk mexican fiesta, corn, salad, corn bread, cupcakes, tea or milk.

Jan. 27: juice, cinnamon rolls, milk; frito pie, pinto beans, carrot sticks, cherry cobbler, Jan 28: juice, biscuits & saus-

age, jelly; barbecued chicken. sliced potatoes with sauce, english peas, cake, rolls.

Jan. 29: juice, pancakes, milk; hamburgers, french fries, mixed fruit, cookies.

Jan. 17th at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. at the Caps Baptist Church with the Reverend Kenneth Jones, retired Baptist pastor, officiating. Assisting was the Reverend Andy Anderson. pastor of the Caps Baptist Church, where she was a member. Burial followed at Rose Hill Cemetery

Mrs. Eller was born Sept. 25, 1903 in Hunt County and moved with her parents to the Noodle Community. She was a graduate of Merkel High School. She

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married Vertis E. Eller in Abilene Dec. 17, 1924. He preceded her in death Aug. 21, 1980

During the late 1940's and early 50's, she and her husband owned and operated a feed store, and later a grocery store here.

She is survived by two aunts, Mrs. Dee Derstiene of Lamesa and Mrs. Vivian Winter of Odessa, as well as several cousins.

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The Mobile Breast Cancer Detection Unit will be in Merkel on Wednesday, February 3.

The American Cancer Society has established guidelines for mammography in asymp. tomatic women. (Women who have no symptoms of disease). Those guidelines have been adopted by the American Academy of Family Physicians, American, College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, and The American College of Radiology. Those guidelines

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III. 50 years of age and over An annual physical examination and annual mammogram.

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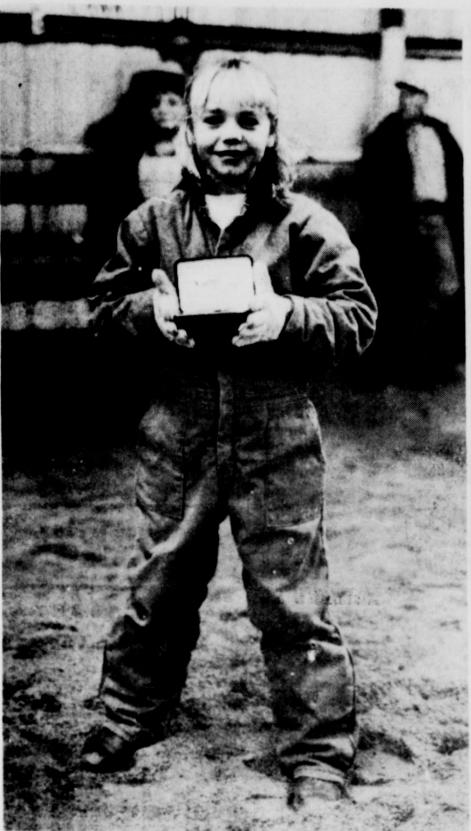


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§ Andrena Holloawy was the Cattle Show at the Merkel FFA § Melissa Harris was the lam Merkel FFA Stook Show showmanship buckle winner in the Stock Show

showmanship buckle winner in the Staff photo

The Merkel Mail Jan. 21. 1988 Page 7 Massey's on THS wing

It's very unusual for a freshman president of recreation. She is also to start to a high school varsity active in band winning several team but 5'9" wing. Ginger medals in competitions and is lead Massey is not your usual fresh- trumpet player in the Trent jazz man. Massey has been a valuable band. She was an all-star in the addition to the Lady 'Rillas this Hardin-Simmons basketball camp year combining with senior Luci and was named all tournament in Masonheimer to form a potent this year's Trent Basketball Tourbackcourt for the high-flying girls. nament.

"The perfect game for me would be for the team to play well Ginger, "Oh, I wouldn't mind state," she added. scoring 40 points," laughed Ginger from her wing position.

Besides playing basketball for is my first choice," said Ginger. year and is a member of FHA lives in Oklahome City. where she is running for area vice

"My individual goal is to make all-district and average 10 points and for me to keep my cool and per game. The main goal I have is contribute lots of steals," said to beat Roscoe and we want to win

She plans to attend the Univer-"but the team always comes sity of Texas, hopefully on a first." While Ginger hasn't hit the basketball scholarship, and wants 40 point mark, its not unusual to to coach Basketball. "If I wasn't see her contribute 10 to 15 points able to coach I would like to go into fashion design, but coaching

Trent, Ginger is also heavily She li as in Mulberry Canyon involved in Trent activities. She with her father, W. L., mother had the grand champion cross in Janie two brothers Jason and the Trent Livestock Show last Brian and has a sister Pam who

B. J. is a THS leader

I like forward, it's a position where I can be as competitive as I like I can also get the needed rebounds and score the needed poin's helping my team to win." 5'6" junior forward Billie Jean Phindex'er is a big reason the Lady Rillas have started the season at 7-3. The all-district forward is always around the ball and despire being a a junior, is one of the learn leaders and is always pushing the rest of the team to ry and play better.

Besides being an all-district baske ball player, B. J. is an active student at Trent High. She is a member of the National Honor Society, is the vice-president of he Future Homemakers, was class favorite her freshman year and has been class secretary her hree years at Trent. She is also active in the Trent Jazz Band and plays the clarinet in the marching band She was a member of the

all-zone hand her freshman year and played two roles in the state qualifying UIL One Act Play where she earned honorable menion honors for the all-star cast. She is also a cheerleader and is a letterman in track and qualified for regionals in tennis last year. She has been named to Who's Who in American High Schools.

"I really want to make first team all-district again this year and lead the team in scoring, but that doesn't matter as long as we beat Roscoe and make the playoffs. That's what's really important, she said.

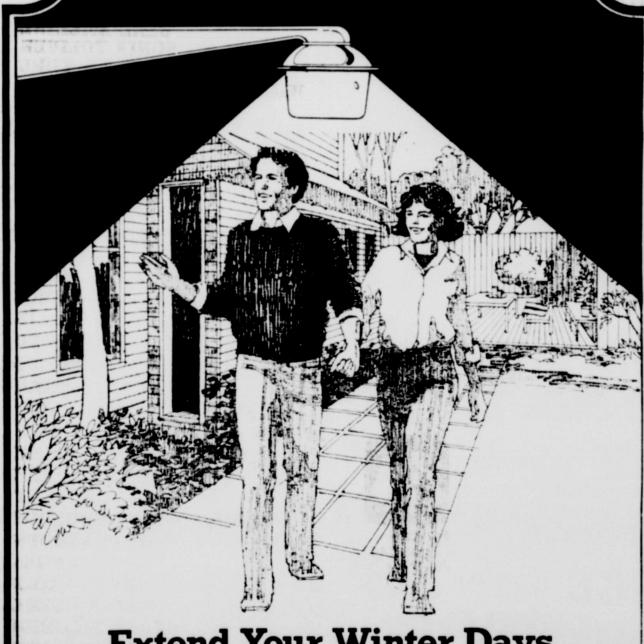
B J 's future plans are to attend the University of Texas and major in accounting with a minor in computer programming in her quest to be a CPA. She lives in Trent with mother Doris and father Eugene and has two sisters. Linda Schultze of Dallas and Sandy Taylor of Tyler.

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