

# The Merkel Mail

Thursday, February 21, 1980...Merkel, Texas

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Nancy Click goes up for two of her 17 points against Slaton (Staff photo)

## Slaton advances, down Badgers in playoffs

The Merkel girls are out of the playoffs, but for the second straight year, it took the defending state champs to knock them out. A pesky zone and fine inside play from the Slaton Tigers powered Slaton into the regional tournament with a 70-52 win over Merkel in Snyder Tuesday night.

As late as the third quarter, the Badgers were within six points but in the stretch, Slaton's press and strong inside play made the difference.

Junior Norma Frazier and Sophomore Nancy Click led the way for the Badgers with 17 a piece and Sophomore Sara Prasarn had 10 and Junior Kay Amerine added 5.

Slaton came out cold in the first quarter missing six straight shots but their defensive pressure held the Badgers at bay. The Badger's only lead of the night was at 3:14 left in the first quarter.

Slaton closed out the first quarter by going to their full court zone press and scored 8 unanswered points.

Norma Frazier picked up her fourth foul early in the third quarter and sat out seven minutes of that quarter. Slaton ran off to an 18 point lead by the end of the third quarter, Slaton had built their lead to 18.

Slaton's defense and strong shooting kept the 18 point lead intact through the final stanza.

The Merkel girls have now won two district 6-2A championships in a row, and they will be their last for awhile.

Next year, the Badgers will be playing in a different district. That also means it will be the last time they will run up against the Slaton Tigers in the playoffs.

The second quarter was a Slaton clinic on the press until 3:20 left in the half. Slaton had built up a 15 point lead but the Badgers came back with three quick baskets from Click inside and three jump shots by Frazier. The Badgers went in at half time down 30-22.

Seniors Gwen Tarpley, Becky Watts, Gayla Bowerman and Sherry Ascencio played their last game for the Badgers Tuesday.

Although graduations will hurth next year's team, the Badgers will have four returning starters next year in Frazier, Click, Amerine and Prasarn, as well as Jackie Casey, Trish Powell, Judy Castille and Stacy Seymore returning from this year's varsity.

Merkel head coach Jan Averitt racked up the district championship in her first season here and she is already making plans for spring training.

## Cookie sale soon

The 1980 Cookie Sale Kick-off luncheons were held this week in Abilene at the Girl Scout Service Center and in Big Spring at Furrs. Service Unit Cookie Chairmen from the sixteen counties of the West Texas Girl Scout Council attended the pre-sale training in order to help Troop Cookie Chairmen prepare each Girl Scout troop to sell effectively.

Mrs. Jayree Shaw, Council Cookie Coordinator, announced February 29-March 15, 1980 as the time of this year's sale.

Bill Ayers, Fort Worth Representative of Famous Foods of Virginia, said that all Girl Scout cookies are made with 100 percent pure vegetable shortening and all are absolutely free from artificial preservatives. Seven varieties being

sold in the sale: Thin Mints, Peanut Butter Patties, Sandwich Cookies, Shortbread, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Sesame Wheat Crackers, and the Grahola Cookie. All seven sell for \$1.50 a box; all seven can be kept in the freezer for year around enjoyment.

The Cookie Sale gives Girl Scouts an opportunity to earn money for troop activities. There are individual girl awards including a cookie patch, Brownie and Dad overnight, Camperships, and Cookie Currency credit for Council events and Wider Opportunities. The Council Cookie Pusher Award is given for selling the most cookies by a Brownie, a Junior, a Cadette, and a Senior Girl Scout.

The Cookie Chairman in your town is Sherry Ferguson, 928-5644.



The Badgers lost thier Bi-District playoff with Slaton

Tuesday 70-52. (Staff photo)

## Fire department holds pancake supper

The Merkel Volunteer Fire Department held a fund raising pancake supper at Pug and Leo's Restaurant here Monday night.

The firmen donned women's clothing and acted as waitresses for the dinner.

Bettye Conley of Merkel was the winner of a drawing for a pair of boots.

Local food firms, distributors as well as citizens donated most of the food and drink for the supper and most of the ticket sale proceeds will go directly into the Merkel Volunteer Fire Department.

## Board meets tonight

The MISD board of trustees will hold their February meeting Thursday night at 7:30 in the science classroom near the superintendent's office.

The meeting was delayed from Tuesday because of the bi-district girls playoff game against Slaton Tuesday night.

Included on the agenda are an approval of textbook committee recommendations, a consideration of the 1980-81 school calendar, a superintendent's report, bond issue report and an executive session. The meeting is open to the public.

## Filings close March 5th

With the filing deadline for Merkel School and City seats nearing, filing activity has started for local offices.

Merkel school board incumbents Leroy Teaff and Kenny Hogan have filed for reelection.

In the city elections, Paul Crouse has filed for a seat on city council. Incumbents Jerry Byrd and Pete Morgan had not filed as of Monday morning and Ted Smith, who is filling the unexpired term of Jimmy Atkinson, has also not decided to be a candidate.

Filing deadline for both school and city elections is 5 p.m. March 5th.

## Frazier's 24 points leads Badgers to second straight district championship



Norma Frazier draws a bead on the basket in the district championship game against Coahoma. Frazier's 24 points led the Badgers to a 46-41 win and the district title. (Staff photo)

The Merkel Badger girls team made it two in a row as they got by the Coahoma Bulldogs 46-41 at the Mabee complex at Hardin Simmons University in Abilene Saturday night.

The Badgers were forced into a playoff game for the district title after losing to Coahoma in the last game of the regular season. Norma Frazier's 24 point performance made the difference Saturday night.

The Badgers ran off to an eight point lead at the end of the first quarter, got to 13 ahead at the end of the half and stgartered turing the ball over in the fourth quarter to let the Coahoma girls get close.

Guard Gwenn Tarpley, who fouled out late in the game, led the team on the floor with hard passing and good defense. The other guard, Kay Amerine, got a few points on the fast break, and also played well on the defensive end.

But it was Frazier's 24 points that was the factor. Early in the second quarter, Frazier scored eight straight points on a back door play, set up by passes from Tarpley.

At the end of the game, Coahoma fought back to within three before a long pass from Frazier to Jackie Casey who layed it in, secured the win.

The Badgers did not have long to rest on the win as they traveled to Snyder's Curry County Coliseum to prepare for their Tuesday showdown with two time state champion Slaton.

The district championship was Merkel's second in two years following a 15 year domination of girls basketball by Wylie. The championship also was directed by first year coach Jan Averitt.

## Council closes case on police, court complaints

Merkel City council made four decisions Tuesday evening at a special called meeting concerning a local woman's complaint against the Merkel Police Department.

Ann Talent of Merkel filed a complaint against Merkel Policeman John Davis concerning the he handled a speeding citation.

The council went into an unusually long executive session to review statements concerning the incident from witnesses. Merkel Mayor Lou David Allen announced following the executive session that council had reached four decisions concerning the incident.

Mayor Allen said "There seems to still be a difference of opinion as to what actually happened, it appears that the officer over reacted in an unusual circumstance, we believe the officer could have acted in a more diplomatic manner, and we are instructing the Police Chief to review the incident with the officer and to emphasise that non-diplomatic behaviour will not be tolerated."

The mayor added that he felt the matter was closed and that the matter is now in the hands of the Police Department.

City council had also received a letter of complaint against the Merkel Municipal Court.

Council again went in executive session. When council went back into open session, Mayor Allen said "Council has reviewed some fines levied in some municipal court cases, office personnel (City Hall employees) should tell callers concerning traffic fines they should be told what the fine is. If they don't want to pay the fine, they have the right to appear before the judge. It should also be publicized that Tuesday is the day that city court is in session from 9 until noon and from 1 until 5 p.m."

Merkel Police Chief ray Pack said that "As far as John Davis is concerned, you have tabled this matter again. Pack went on to say that he did not feel that Officer Davis had been given opportunity to defend himself against the allegations. Both Davis and Pack agreed that Officer Davis reacted in the manner they were taught to not argue, and do their duty."

## AAM members in Washington

by Cloy A. Richards

The American Agriculture Movement is converging on Washington again. This time, they left their tractors at home.

The Hereford office of the American Agriculture Movement told the Mail Monday that the AAM members were gathering in Washington this year to seek meetings with government, USDA officials, and their congressional representatives.

The group has been rather quiet since they crept toward Washington last year. That does not mean that they have not been busy.

The AAM in Texas has helped two production associations on the Rolling Palms sell excess wheat, cotton, and cotton seed export their products to more profitable overseas markets.

AAM has also acted as go-between for various groups interested in production of alcohol for fuel

and gasahol.

The group may get a lot more done in DC this year without their tractors. One spokesman at the Hereford office told us "the reason we are leaving the tractors behind this year is that diesel is too (expletive deleted) expensive. Most folks would lose a bundle of money is they had to pay for diesel for a West Texas to Washington, D.C. trip, and most of the folks making the trip are not interested in losing any more money."

The filing deadline for school and city elections is only about three weeks away (March 5th) and there are no contested races as of Monday.

Two persons have filed for the school board. They are incumbents Leroy Teaff and Kenny Hogan. Paul Crouse has filed for a spot on the Merkel City Council.

# National FFA week is Feb. 18-24

This week, February 18-24 is known as the National FFA Week.

The FFA was founded in 1928 in the city of Chicago, Illinois. There, a group of people who were interested in the youth of America and agriculture, got together and formed the Future Farmers of America. Since that day in Chicago, the FFA has grown in number and strength, now being over 600,000 members in the United States, Puerto Rico, Guam and other U.S. territories and possessions.

At the first meeting in 1928 a motto was constructed:

- Learning to do
- Doing to Learn
- Earning to Live
- Living to Serve

Also a creed was organized and written.

### FFA CREED

I believe in the future of farming, with a faith born not of words but of deeds-achievements won by the present and past generations of agriculturists; in the promise of better days through better ways, even as the better things we now enjoy have come to us from the struggles of former years.

I believe that to live and work on a good farm, or to be engaged in other agricultural pursuits, is pleasant as well as challenging; for I know the joys and discomforts of agricultural life and hold an inborn fondness for those associations which, even in hours of discouragement, I cannot deny.

I believe in leadership from ourselves and respect from others. I believe in my own ability to work efficiently and think clearly, with such knowledge and skill as I can secure, and in the ability of progressive agriculturist to serve our own and the public interest in producing and marketing the product of our toil.

I believe in less dependence or begging and more power in bargaining; in the life abundant and enough honest wealth to make it so-for others as well as myself; in less need for charity and more of it when needed; in being happy myself and playing square with those whose happiness depends on me.

I believe that rural America can and will hold true to the best traditions of our national life and that I can exert an influence in my home and community which will stand solid for my part in that inspiring tasks.

Some of the members will be traveling to Houston Monday to compete in the stock show that week. Those attending will be Ann and Jan Melton, Mr. and Mrs. Benny Melton, Taresia and Bonnie English, Todd Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Robertson, Mike Pape, Bucky Crouse, Keith Middleton, Keith Beddingfield, Chris Mashburn, Dayna Faglie, Danny Riggan, Kevin Farmer, Billy Ray Riley, Michael Jordan, Mr. Jerry Goode, Melisa Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris, Brad Elliot, David Wilkerson, Kelly Knight, Walter Elmore, Mark Bland, O.C. McKeehan, Todd Gregory, Jay Cambell, Mr. Bill Riley.



Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller

## Miller's celebrating 50th anniversary

In honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller, their children and grandchildren are hosting a reception in their home at 710 So. 8th, Merkel, from 2 until 4 o'clock in the afternoon of Sunday, Feb. 24th.

Ralph and Ann were married Feb. 20, 1930 and have resided in the Merkel and Trent area all of their lives. They are semi-retired but

continue to stock farm south of Merkel.

The wedding party includes: Ralph and Sandy Miller, Jean and Johnny Teaff, Jack and Mitzi Miller, Jerry and Sherry Miller, Bill and Stephanie Fracheseur, Mike and Marsha Teaff, Steve and Carrie Teaff, Gayle and Keith Maxey, Brad Miller, Michelle Miller, Jay, Jerry Jr., Kerry, Shayla and Andy Miller.

Everyone is invited.

## Pursley clears 17'2"

Former Badger track star Brad Pursley finished second in the NAIA indoor tournament this past weekend in Kansas City.

Pursley cleared 17'2" and placed second be-

hind Abilene Christian University teammate Billy Olson.

Brad had three attempts at 17'7" and he came close on one of the attempts.



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Photos taken at District Championship

## Compere club meets, next meeting March 12

The Compere Extension Homemakers Club met Feb. 14 at Mrs. Don Adair's home.

The president, Mrs. Ab Hunter, presided over the meeting and Mrs. Hazel Spurgin gave the prayer.

Mrs. Hugh Taylor directed recreation with two Valentine games. "The Dieter's Prayer", a humorous "Joke on Diet" and "Family Contract."

Roll call was answered with "How did you sleep last night?" Mrs. Taylor read the minutes and gave the finance report.

Program on "Matress Bymanship" was discussed by members. The hostess showed members her new "water bed" and explained its fine points and how it operates. Each member

had a brief rest on the bed.

The club will meet at the Stith Community Center March 12 at two o'clock with Stith Club. The program will be on "My Rights as a Woman" with R.L. Garrett of Anson in charge. It will be a question and answer program.

The club voted unanimously for Mrs. Clyde Chancey as a nominee to be voted on at council for the district meeting.

The next meeting will be at Mrs. Ab Hunter's home Feb. 28.

Refreshments were served from a beautifully decorated table, with the valentine theme, to Mrs. Ab Hunter, Hazel Spurgin, Dewey Ramsey, Clyde Chancey, Hugh Taylor, Clayton Dillard, Wilson Williams, the hostess Mrs. Don Adair.



Gwen Tarpley, daughter of Bill and Bobye Tarpley works at Walls as a material handler and says she plans to work after graduation, full time



Gayland Childers is a senior MOC student at Merkel High and is employed by Milligan Texaco in Tye. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Childers.



Diana Saldana, daughter of Robert and Hilda Saldana is a senior at work at Jay Vee in the Westgate Mall. She is a cashier and also creates window displays. She plans to train to become a radiologist following graduation.

## Stith club holds clean-up day

The Stith Extension Homemakers met at the Community Center at 10:30 o'clock February 13 for a "clean-up day." After sweeping, mopping and dusting, the group sat down to a delicious lunch featuring all kinds of chicken dishes along with other goodies.

After lunch, the president, Margaret Dickerson, called the group into a business meeting. The opening was a poem "Friends" read by Vada Hudson, the hostess.

The Valentine theme was carried out in the decorations and games. Daisy Mashburn had two games, President's riddle and writing your name (blindfolded) in the center of a heart.

The game prize, a box of Valentine candy, went to Genoa Shaw. A box of Valentine candy, the hostess gift, went to Margaret Dickerson bringing \$2.50.

In the business meet-

ing, a motion was made to pay the butane bill. The need for a propane tank for the center was discussed and ways to finance the buying of a tank.

The program was on Magic Chicken Recipes.

After adjourning, some of the group stayed and worked outside, hoeing weeds. The two guests, Roy Mashburn and Wade Shaw started work on an out building. The work was finished Saturday. Others attending were Margaret Dickerson, Louise Hudson, Mae Jones, Annie Lee Sledge, Genoa Shaw, Vada Hudson, Grace Lee Brown, Hazel Lay and Daisy Mashburn.

The next meeting will be February 27th. Grace Lee Brown will give a book review. All club meetings and programs are open to all irrespective of race, color, national origin or economic circumstance.

## Son receives service pin

Sid Williams, division line foreman of Pecos Community Public Service Company, was honored with a party for his 15 years with the company. He received a 15 year pin.

Sid and his wife live at 1500 Morris in Pecos,

with their two daughters, Wanda and Janice.

He has a married son, James James, his wife Fonda, and daughter, Nesha Gail, also live in Pecos.

Sid is the son of Mrs. E.G. Williams of Merkel.

## Goodman club Feb. 22 meeting

The Goodman Extension Homemakers Club, met in the home of Mrs. D.P. Adams with the president, Mrs. Garland Price presiding with 8 members and 2 children present. Prayer was by Mrs. Dennis Butler.

Game by Mrs. Vivian Winters. A thank you letter was read from the Rehab Center notifying us the quilt we donated sold for \$115. Mrs. Frank was nominated as club delegate to go to district meeting.

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was given by Mrs. David Carter. Some points? Buy a mattress that fits your needs soft, firm, or firmer. Test it. Be sure and find out the makings as some materials are fire hazzards.

The club will meet next time Feb. 22 in the home of Mrs. Dan Butler. Everyone welcome regardless of race, creed, color or economic circumstance.

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### Card of Thanks

We want to say thank you to all our friends for the many acts of kindness shown us during this time for the food, flowers, cards, visits and prayers. The Tommie Lu Diltz Family 52-1tc

The Merkel Fire Dept. would like to thank the following for their donations in making this Pancake Supper a success. Kennedy's Meat-Sausage; Gandy's-Milk; Ben Keith Co.-Butter; Cain Coffee Co.-Coffee; Carson Groc.-Bacon; Whole Sale Food Supply Inc.-Pancake mix, syrup; Merkel Locker Plant-Sausage; Anonymous-Bacon; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Patton-Money; Pug & Leo's Restaurant; Merkel T.V. Cable-Tickets; Handy's Groc.-Tea; Also thanks to Harriett Austermann for the advertising you gave us last week in your letter to the Editor. It helped to make our Supper a Big! Big! Success. Waymon Adcock Chief, Merkel Fire Dept. 52-1tc

### Legal

#### THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Josephine Eleftheriades, Respondent; GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County in Abilene, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of Steve Eleftheriades, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 9th day of January, 1980, against Josephine Eleftheriades, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 3407-C on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Matter of The Marriage of Steve Eleftheriades and Josephine Eleftheriades, the nature of which suit is a request that the Court grant divorce to Petitioner. Petitioner request to be appointed conservator of Child. The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree dissolving the marriage and providing for the division of property which will be binding on you. The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption. If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be...

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## Tye council lets sewer bid

by Harold Boyd

As most people know, your City Council met in regular session February 12th at the Community Center. All members were present and took 15 agenda items into consideration.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and then council accepted another 25 year franchise for the Taylor Electric Cooperative, which produces revenue for the city.

The police report was read showing some 34 charges filed, most of them were minor. The municipal court report was read and accepted. Jo Ann Moore, city secretary, gave a financial report which was accepted. A long debate followed concerning raising the refuse rates for the truck stop and council voted to raise the rates.

Council also approved a plan that would allow the city to contract with Abilene's city attorney for legal service. Abilene City Council must also approve the plan.

Our city employees had a representative meet with council concerning benefits for city employees. Benefit guidelines were re-written.

Some of you may or may not know that we are about to get a new city hall where each major department will have their offices. The specifications regarding size and changes were discussed. Advertisement for bids were to be published as soon as possible.

The hiring of someone to clear the new city hall site was discussed and bids were accepted.

The big event, was what I have been mentioning in the past several columns. Bids were opened last Thursday and the respons was good. A bid was let and the contractor has 180 days to complete the Tye end of the Sewer collection system and then the City

of Abilene will build a new lift station to complete the new system.

A reminder to people considering running for mayor or city council. The filing deadline for city elections is March 5th. Our city election for these positions will be held in conjunction with the school election which will be held at Tye Elementary in April.

I am somewhat enthused regarding the progress of our city staying and following the complex sewer system program. It will finally become a reality. As for comments regarding roads and water, I feel that we should complete one project at a time and go on to the next top priority item. I would place the water system as the next project. Some of us have good service, others have it not so good. We will be forced to upgrade this system in the near future. Again, this will cost money but it will be an investment in the community as for convenience and good service.

The next item covered would be to grade the streets as we can. By taking the most used streets first, and placing a better base on them or paving them. Then, I would like to see something for the young and elderly in a truly useful community center where they can exercise and create, along with a park. These items can be accomplished with good, responsible leadership that we have witnessed over the past two years. I have agreed with some moves, and disagreed with others, but this is a democracy and if we all agreed on everything, what a dull and uneventful town we would have.

I hope that I have covered everything for this week, and if I failed, it is because I haven't heard from you. Till next week, I will bid you most appreciated readers good health. Tell your advertisers that you read it in the Merkel Mail, they will appreciate it as well as your patronage.

## Obituaries

### Tommie Diltz

Tommie Lou Diltz, 89, of Merkel, died at 1 a.m. Tuesday in a Midland nursing home after a long illness. Services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel.

The Rev. John Mikow, pastor of Merkel Presbyterian Church, officiated. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born June 12, 1890 in Linnville, Tenn., she was a long-time Merkel resident, having moved there in 1894. She married Philip Diltz July 23, 1913 in Rockwall. He preceded her in death May 22, 1964. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include two sons, P.A. Jr. of Midland and Tommy of Merkel; three daughters, Doris Coats of Big Spring, Miriam Wright of Lubbock and Mickey Winter of Merkel; a sister, Mrs. R.M. Diltz of Abilene; 10 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

### Ina Henderson

Ina Faye Henderson, 67, of Merkel, died at 4:25 p.m. Thursday in West Texas Medical Center in Abilene after a brief illness. Services were at 2 p.m. Saturday at Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel.

Larry Gill, minister of Merkel Church of Christ, officiated. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born Sept. 7, 1912 in Rains County, she had lived in the Merkel area most of her life.

She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include two brothers, Atwell Henderson of Merkel and Ernest Henderson of Inez Smith of Merkel; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Tommy, and a sister, Irene Eoff. Nephews were pallbearers.

### James Hass

James Carlton Hass, 63, of Arlington, formerly of Merkel, died at 8:45 a.m. Sunday at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Dallas after a lengthy illness. Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel.

The Rev. Kenneth Jones, Baptist minister, officiated. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born Oct. 28, 1916, in Jones County, he was raised in the Merkel area and farmed there. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the Eastern Star. He was a Baptist.

He married Opal Mae Deen Oct. 12, 1942, in Merkel. She died April 23, 1972.

Survivors include a stepson, James Reece of Mount Carmel, Ill.; a daughter, Jimmie Griffin of Arlington; seven brothers, Virgil of Brownwood, Ray and Harrell, both of Baird, Gordon of Abilene, Stanley of Hobbs, N.M., Paul of Big Spring and Billy of Moab, Utah; three sisters, Dorris Reece of Clyde, Charlie Ryan of Kansas and Ruby Deen of Merkel; five grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

The family will be at 1503 N. Second.

### David Boyd

David Young Boyd, 79, of Big Spring and formerly of Trent, died at 7 a.m. Tuesday in Big Spring after a lengthy illness. Services were at 4 p.m. Wednesday in the Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel.

The Rev. Fred Largent, pastor of the First Evangelical Methodist Church in Sweetwater, officiated. Burial was in Trent Cemetery.

Born Nov. 5, 1900 in Scranton, he had lived in the Trent area most of his life. He was a farmer and served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a member of the Woodmen of the World.

He was a Methodist. Survivors include a sister, Norma Murdock of Big Spring; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by two brothers,

Fenton and Dick; and a sister, Beulah Mae.

Pallbearers were Billy Joe Bowers, F.H. Duncan, Vertis Ross,

### Local's on dean's list

The following local students were named to the Dean's List at McMurry College for the fall semester.

Randy Joe Bigbee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Bigbee from Merkel; Vicki Burnett, a

psychology major and wife of Daniel J. Burnett of Merkel; religion major David Scott of Tye, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bouce Scott of Perryton and Nannette Turner, wife of Donald Turner of Trent.

### says Merkel a good place

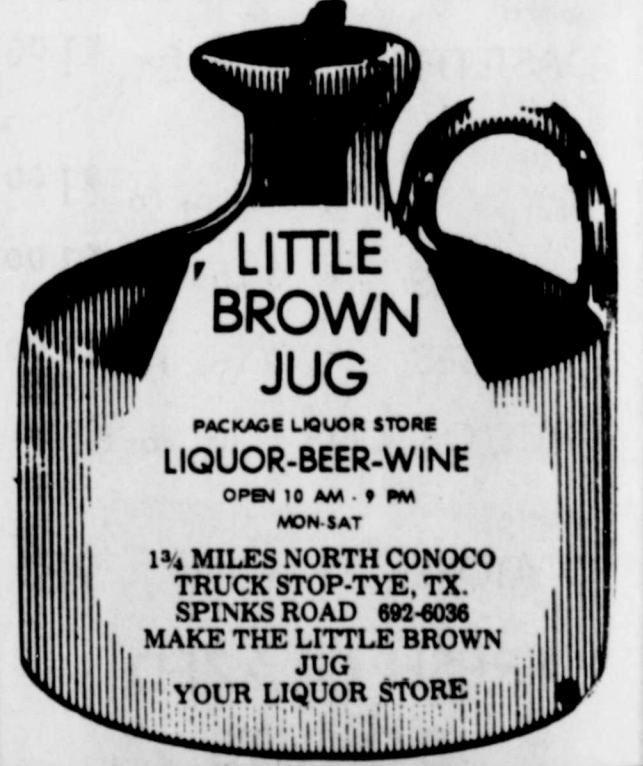
Dear Mr. Richards

I would like to write to the Merkel Mail and just say Merkel is a great little town. We lived there 17 years and we loved it. We raised our three children there and when people talk about Merkel the way they do I just can't go along with them. We had a great church there and the most wonderful people in it and a great pastor, Bro. Joe Davis, and when we left Merkel it was just like giving up kinfolks to us. We never had any problems raising our children in Merkel, and another thing about Merkel.

Zed Bright, Mark Williamson, Clovis McMurray, Carlton McLeod and Carl Edwards.

When people need help in Merkel, people in Merkel are great to help in any way. We would of never left Merkel but we found a better position here in Odessa, and that is why we left Merkel. We hate to see Leroy Austermann go as Chief of Police. We really like him. We also like the police you have got now, Ray Pack. Good luck to him as Police. We would love to hear from the people in Merkel. We miss Merkel very much. Good luck to all.

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## Council congratulated on Pack appointment

Dear Editor:  
I would like to congratulate your city council in their appointment of your new chief of Police, Ray Pack.

I have known Ray for the past 10 years and feel their choice was a good one. Ray is a Merkelite and is probably well known throughout West Texas and through the country music world for his singing and music writing.

I have seen two Ray Packs and the one you have now is the Ray I saw several years ago. My personal dealings with Ray have always been warm, fair and honest.

Ray is seasoned in making judgements and sound decisions and will give his fellow man the benefit of the doubt. Give Ray and the members of his department all of your support and you will never regret it, you will receive it back two-fold as for a warm person and one who will go out of his way to help you.

Ray has always given 110 per cent. He has given of himself prior to coming into law enforcement when he and The Halfbreed gave benefits for the Abilene State School, Miss America Softball and other charities. Back him, give him your honest support and I guarantee you will never regret it. My congratulations to ray and the Merkel City Council on your choice and the best of luck.

Harold Boyd

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## Fortnightly study club meets

The February 12 meeting of the Fortnightly Study Club was in the Fellowship Hall of the Methodist Church. The social committee, Mrs. Buster Horton, Mrs. Bryan Dunigan, and Mrs. Charles Eager were hostesses. During the social time, Mrs. Annette Clark played piano selections.

Among the members displayed were pictures of George and Martha Washington and their two adopted grandchildren. Also, a hand-woven bedspread made by Mrs. Haynes' great-grandmother of New York in the year 1838.

Mrs. Johnny Hammond, President, welcomed the visitors. Mrs. S. C. Dixon, program chairman, introduced the program theme: American Heritage, and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mrs. Carl Hughes, Mrs. Fd. Sandusky, and Mrs. Buster Horton sang a medley of olden songs: Carry Me Back to Ole Virginny; Love's Old Sweet Song; Long, Long Ago; and Home, Sweet Home.

In presenting "George and Martha Washington: American Heritage," Mrs. Comer Haynes' opening remarks were "Welcome to Mt. Vernon." As she related the story of George Washington and Martha Custis Washington, she used poems and several stories from a book written by their great-granddaughter to give glimpses into the personal lives and activities of the family of our first President of the United States.

## Lambda Beta holds dinner

Lambda Beta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi held their annual Valentine DINNER PARTY Feb. 2 at Buffalo Gap Steak House. The festivities were to honor this year's Valentine Sweetheart Kay Teaff.

Those attending were Kay and Larry Teaff, Gayla and Roger Beard, Annette and Junior Clark, Judy and Ricky Elliott, Belle and Dale Hammond, Gloria and John Henslee, Mary and Richard Hill, Nancy and Kenneth Hogan, Chera and Harold Hohertz, Beverly and Phil Reed and Mynon and Phil Seamore.

## Garden Club

The members of the Merkel Garden Club wish to thank these contributors to the Merkel Garden Club Cemetery Fence Fund. Without the help of friends, they could neither have built, continued to build, nor maintained the beautiful structure to enclose our loved ones graves: Mrs. Ira Cross and Irene honoring Mr. Ira Cross; Mrs. Mack Fisher honoring Mrs. Earl Baze; Mrs. Mack Fisher honoring Mr. Mack Fisher; Mrs. Ada Clark honoring deceased friends; Mrs. Johnny Cox honoring Mrs. Earl Baze; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Pargament honoring Mr. V.M. Valgamore; and Miss Minnie Coats honoring Mr. Don King and Mr. Murry Toombs.

## New girl

Logan, Linda and Matthew Cravens adopted a baby girl Nataliee Lauren born Nov. 26, 1979. We would like to thank everyone for helping us welcome her with so much excitement and enthusiasm.

As a finale, while Annette Clark played The Minuet, Mrs. Haynes told the story of the Grand Ball in honor of their granddaughter's wedding and how George and Martha so gracefully joined in dancing the minuet.

Mrs. Haynes is a retired teacher from the Merkel School System, holding B.A. and M.A. degrees with speech and English majors from Hardin-Simmons University receiving the Olsen Medal for highest academic achievement. She has also done graduate work at the University of Colorado, Boulder, Colo., Texas Christian University, Ft. Worth, and Texas University, Austin.

Those attending this Guest Day program were visitors Mrs. Ruth Cox, Mrs. T.K. Anderson, Vada Hudson, Jewel Criswell, Georgia Allday, Verdine Patterson, Mary Cleo Sadler, Vera West, Peggy Black, Ruth Huffman, Cora Reeves, Cynthia Pinckley, Michelle Hammond, Floy Hicks, Leota Sherrill, Evelyn Martin, Cricket Sloan, Elsie McDonald, Ouida Reid, Mary Click, Thelma Griffin, Annette Clark, Modell Eoff, Ruth Hogan, Mrs. Russell McAnnally, Ida Mae Seymore, Mrs. Ben Ro-

bert Hicks, and Mrs. Dent Gibson.

Members attending were Mrs. C.B. Crown, Miss Mary Collins, Mrs. Johnny Cox, Miss Avis Deavers, Mrs. S. C. Dixon, Mrs. Bryan Dunigan, Mrs. Charles Eager, Mrs. Mack Fisher, Miss Mildred Hamm, Mrs. J.W. Hammond,

Mrs. Comer Haynes, Mrs. Buster Horton, Mrs. Carl Hughes, Mrs. Earl Hughes, Mrs. Allen King, Mrs. C.B. Knight, Mrs. Ed Sandusky, Mrs. Aaron Sudderth, Miss Maurine White, Mrs. Alf Walla, Mrs. Allen Forbis, and Mrs. Lynnward Harrison

## Toliver's announce birth

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Toliver would like to announce the arrival of Kacey Adam, 8 pounds, 10 ounces. Kacy was born Feb. 6, and he has

## Frosh boys end year 7-4

The Freshman Boys basketball team finished their year last week with a ten point win over Wylie.

a big brother, Kory. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Toliver, Paternal grandmother is Mrs. W.D. Toombs.

The boys, led by Jimmy Leonard's 17 points, finished their season at 7-4. They were coached by Doug Guynes.



## Bayne, Fisher wed in Abilene

Tammy Rene Bayne and William Allen Fisher were married Saturday, Feb. 9 at North Park Assembly of God Church in Abilene.

Rev. H.S. Earp of Abilene, grandfather of the bride, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bayne of Abilene. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy A. Fisher of Merkel.

Tammy Currie of Abilene was maid of honor. Billy Fisher was his son's best man. Amanda Bunch of Merkel, niece of the groom, was flower girl.

Seating guests were Michael Fisher of Mer-

kel, brother of the groom, and Rodney George of Abilene.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Parents of the bride hosted the reception at the church.

The bridegroom's parents were hosts for the rehearsal dinner in the fellowship hall at the church.

The bride attends Abilene High School and is employed at Connie's at the Mall of Abilene.

The bridegroom attended Merkel High School and is employed at Mike's Wrecking in Abilene.

The couple will live in Abilene.



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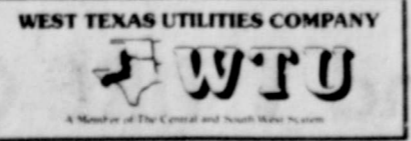
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# Trent News

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## Trent seniors

### set for last fund raiser for trip

Saturday, February 23 the Senior Class will be having a trash haul. This will be one of the last money-making projects for the trip.

Seniors will leave from Midland, March 12 at 11:20 and fly to Hollywood. The seniors will be gone a total of nine days. Places of interest will be Disneyland, Knotts Berry Farm, NBC, Universa-

City, Las Vegas. While in California, the seniors will be staying at the Inn of the Park at Disneyland.

On Wednesday, February 20, a parents meeting will be held at the school library. The purpose is to give parents information about the trip.

The seniors would like to thank everyone who has helped to make this trip possible.

Congressman

**Charles W. Stenholm**



Congressional Comment

WASHINGTON, D.C. — In today's world, it often seems that everything influences everything else. The current state of the U.S. economy and our lagging defense capability indicates the need for significant changes if we are to meet the challenges which lie ahead. There is no question that a healthy economy and a strong defense are inter-related, and are of vital concern to our national security.

Following the end of World War II, the U.S. emerged as the undisputed leader and spokesman for the "Free West." At that time, the U.S. had unequalled productive capacity, economic strength, and a seemingly endless supply of resources within our own borders. Through short-sighted policies, however, we have failed to maintain this position of prominence. As a result, we are experiencing high inflation, a dependence on unstable foreign energy sources, and an inability to deal with the global and political events which are threatening our national security.

Energy is, perhaps, the most serious issue facing the American people today. Current policies have tended to prolong our dependence on foreign energy sources, and have discouraged incentives for more domestic production. Short-sighted policies have prevented the U.S. from developing alternate energy sources, have failed to stockpile energy reserves, and

have done nothing to reduce consumption of precious energy supplies. No one will dispute the importance of maintaining and guaranteeing our oil supplies, and this can best be accomplished through the use of a strong defense, which can only be provided through a strong economy.

President Carter has proposed increasing defense expenditures by 4 1/2 percent a year in real terms (or beyond the rising costs which have occurred because of inflation) for the next five years. I think it is noteworthy that defense expenditures in the U.S., in real terms, have been lower in recent years than at any time since before the Korean War. Some will ask how our economy can possibly afford more government spending on defense, but not on social programs. The answer is simple: the survival of the country is not threatened by the scope or effectiveness of our social programs — it is threatened by our inability to provide for an adequate defense.

The United States can use its economic and military power to strongly influence the behavior of those who control foreign energy sources. In years past, great powers have guaranteed themselves their supply of essential materials by using their economy to support a strong military force which was willing to assure access to foreign resources. Our own economic strength can provide us with the capacity to do the same thing.

## Census begins March 11th

Beginning March 11 and continuing through March 28, enumerators will systematically canvass their assigned enumeration districts. Using the address list compiled by the Census Bureau, they will add any unlisted housing units and delete any demolished or otherwise nonexistent housing.

At each door they will ask for the name and telephone number; determine if a Spanish language questionnaire or other foreign language help is needed; and then leave the questionnaire, calling attention to the fact that it is to be filled out and mailed back on April 1 in the enclosed pre-addressed postage-paid envelope.

Householders will be sent a postcard in early April to remind them, if they have not already done so, to fill out and mail the questionnaire. Enumerators will contact, either by phone or in person those households that have not returned their completed questionnaires within a reasonable time.

This experiment of having enumerators drop off questionnaires, rather than having them mailed out, will be done in four other areas in the country. It is an entirely new census technique in which the Census Bureau seeks answers to several questions. Would enumerator delivery of questionnaires and reminder postcards improve return of completed questionnaires? Would listing of occupied and vacant housing units at the time questionnaires are delivered help to insure that none was missed? If the answer turns out to be "yes" to these questions, is the degree of improvement enough to make the method worth the extra cost?

This census district is one of the 385 throughout the land where the mail-back method is being used. But in those areas not in the experiment, the addressed questionnaires are delivered by mail on March 28 and no reminder postcard is sent. Here the mail carrier makes a time-of-delivery address check. The Census Bureau estimates that more than 90 percent of the U.S. population lives in these 385 mailback areas.

There are 24 more census districts in which the remaining population lives. These areas are outside the large cities and their suburbs. On March 28, mail carriers will distribute unaddressed questionnaires to each residential mailbox. Householders are asked to fill them out and hold them for census takers who will begin picking them up March 31.

However, all districts are alike in one respect in that some households will fall into a sample and be asked to provide more information about each person and about the housing. In places of 2500 population or more, one-in-six households will be in the sample. In areas with populations of less than 2500, one in every two households will fall into the sample. This large sample in less populated areas is necessary in order to provide statistically adequate data for use as the basis for Federal revenue sharing program allocations. Households not in the sample will receive the "short" form which has seven population questions about each person and 12 housing questions about the dwelling.

The Census Bureau says that having the questionnaire in the home for several days before it is to be mailed back on April 1, or held for census taker pick-up, enables the family to fill it out in privacy, and when each member is likely to be present at some time and can provide accurate information about himself or herself and about the housing.

## Trent FHA hears fire safety talk

Thursday, February 14, Larry Richards from the Abilene Fire Marshall's office gave a demonstration of fire prevention for the Trent FHA meeting. He showed slides and talked about fire prevention in the home. He suggested that all homes plan a way of escaping the dangers of fire. He also showed objects that had been left from fires, and some that had caused

fires. After the program refreshments were served. Leslie Masonheimer, local president, presided over the meeting. Other members present were Rebecca Sipe, Kim Richardson, Debbie Jackson, Debra Williams, Judy Brenem, Pam Massey, Sharon Jackson, Leigh Ann McGlothlin, Tammy Hicks, Sherri Dunn, Dee Dee Masonheimer, Darla Ross, Sandra Griffith, Cheri Patterson, and Teresa Brazelton.

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In 1945, he joined the company in Vernon.

Production field assignments continued in the Bateman Ranch area, Anson, Noodle, and in 1970 he transferred from Merkel to Crowell.

His hometown is Tulsa, Oklahoma.

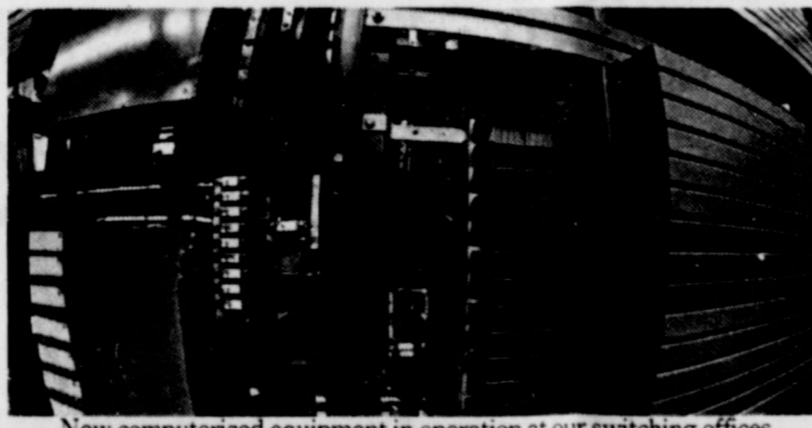
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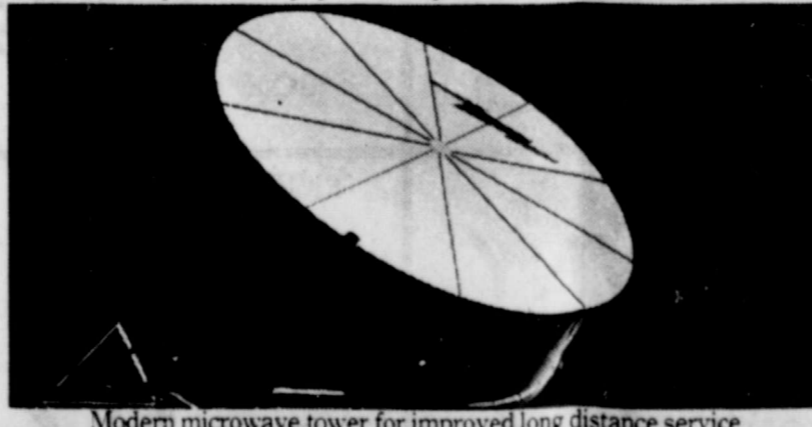
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