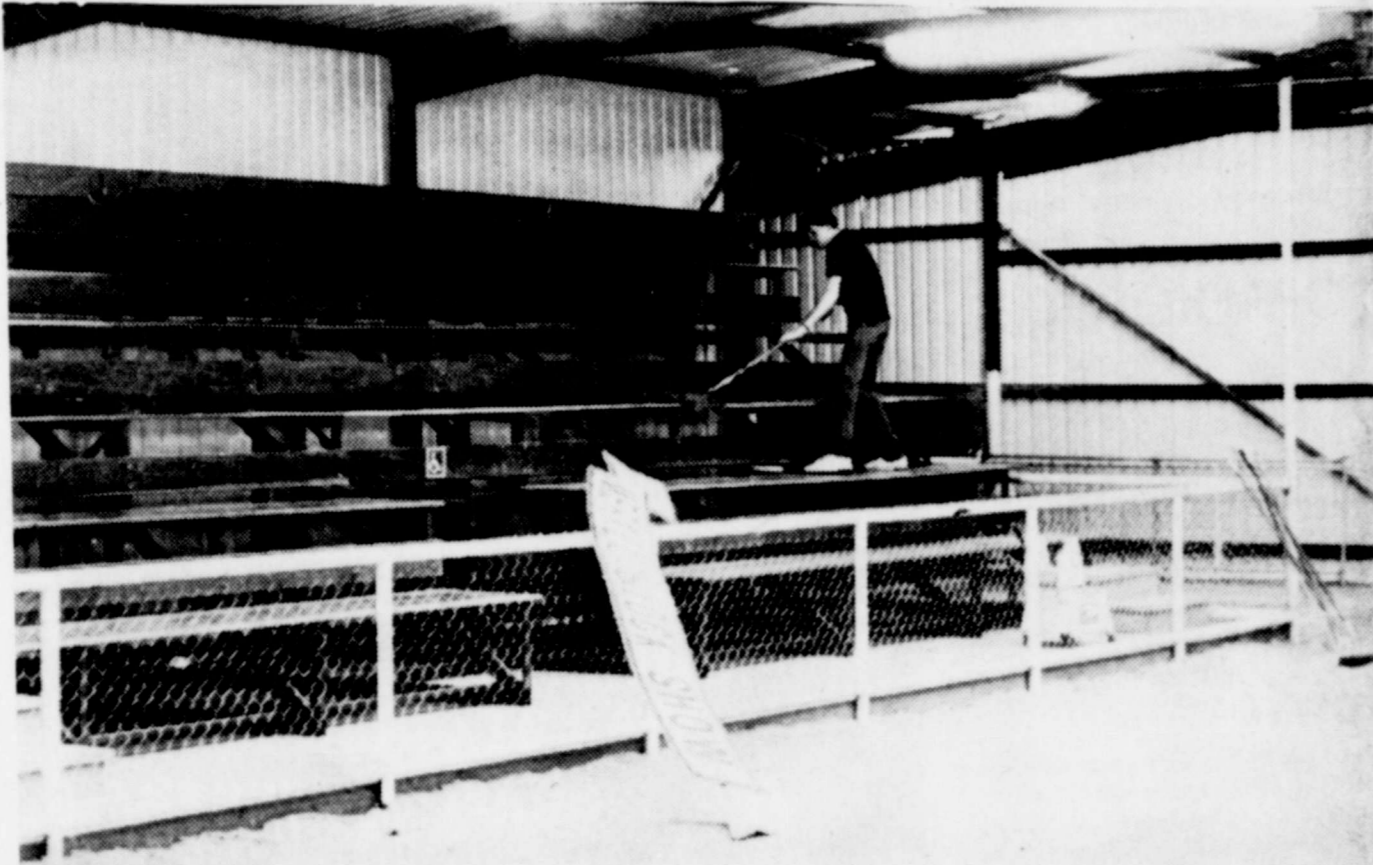


The Merkel Mail

Thursday, January 15, 1987 Merkel, Texas . . .

Our 98th Year



All the Merkel FFA show barn Saturday's Merkel Livestock needs is a little sweeping and Show. The annual event is a chance for local youth involved in agriculture to show off their work. Staff photo

Merkel, Trent ag groups set livestock shows Saturday

The Merkel Livestock Association will have its annual stock show this Saturday, January 17. The show will be judged by Ricky Cunningham, Ag Teacher at Ranger, starting at 9:00 a.m. at the show barn. The show will start with lambs followed by rabbits, steers, heifer, market hogs and finished up with gilts.

Trent show

The Trent FFA-FFA-4H Fat Livestock Show will be held this coming Saturday, January 17th at the school FFA Barn. Showing begins at 11:00 with the steer, poultry and rabbit division, followed by the swine showing.

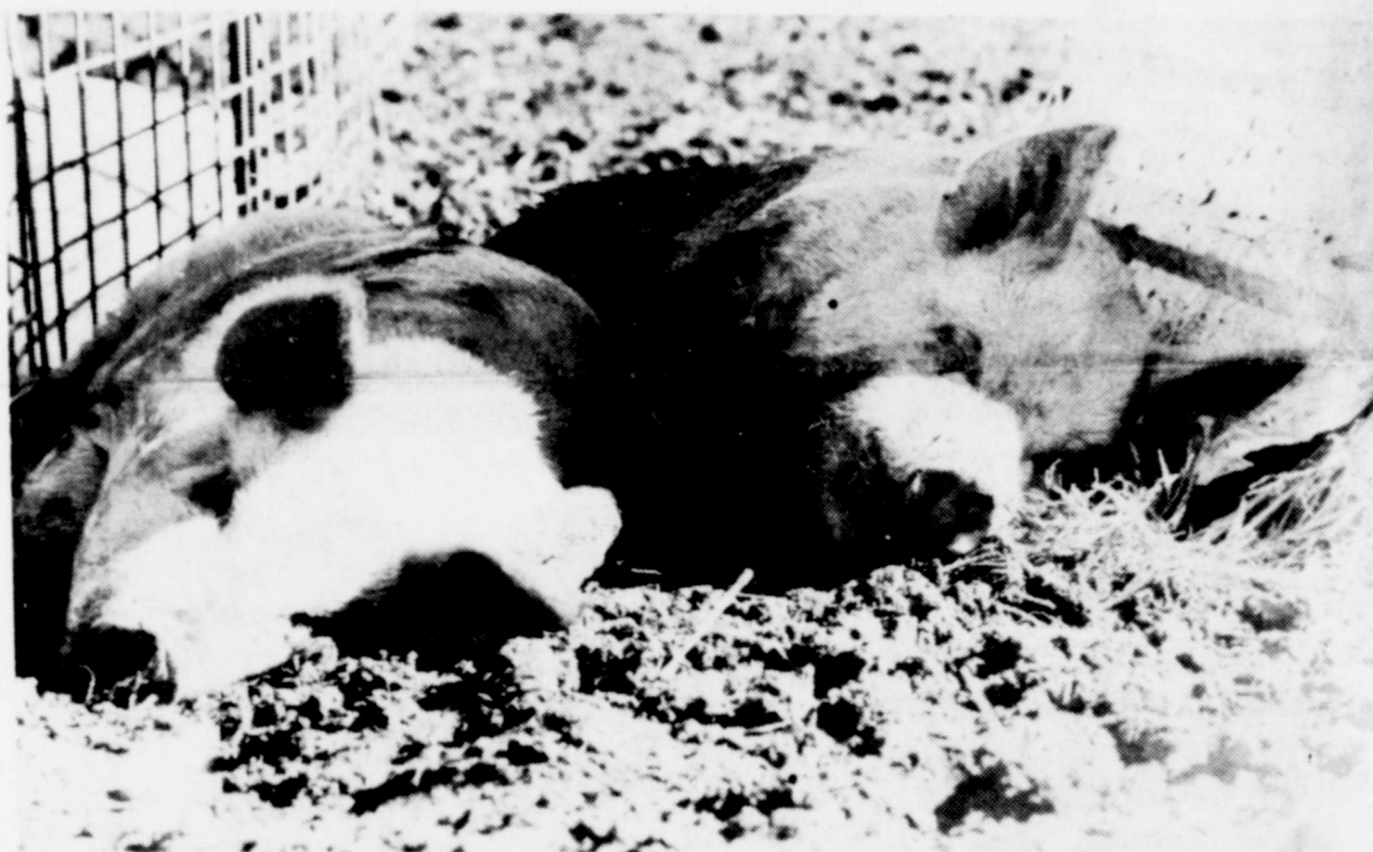
Mr. George Hardegree will be

judging for the Trent students this year. He is a Vocational Ag teacher in the Highland, Texas School District.

Lunch break will be from 12:00-1:00 with hamburgers and all the trimmings, and red beans being served at the high school cafeteria, sponsored by the senior class. Cost for the meal will be \$3.50 per plate. Mr. Mike Ray, ag teacher for the high school, involved with his 8th year as teacher and co-ordinator for the annual show, expects several fine entries and is very pleased with the efforts and participation of his students this year. Everyone is invited to attend. There is no charge and there will be conces-

sions available.

The Trent Livestock Show is supported totally by donations. Individuals or businesses interested in contributing to the support of the students in this project should make their donations at Home State Bank in Trent. Shannon Payne or Reva Carriker will record your contribution. This year, the students have been especially interested, and the show is shaping up to be a very large one, calling for larger finances to carry out the program. Your consideration, as always, is greatly appreciated.



These animals probably had no Saturday in Trent. Saturday's Merkel Livestock Show. The annual event is a chance for local youth involved in agriculture to show off their work. Staff photo

City pens new stop sign ordinance

The Merkel City Council approved a new stop sign placement ordinance, heard a police report and heard more information on a state funded housing rehabilitation program. Board members also discussed the possibility of allowing a reserve police officer to operate with the Merkel Police Department.

Police Chief Bob Jones asked for Council's permission to allow a reserve officer to work with and observe Merkel's patrolmen.

Council delayed a decision on the request until Merkel City Manager J.A. Sadler could find out insurance rules and regulations.

Council gave permission to Sadler to publish notices that are

required for funding of a housing rehabilitation project here. The money for the program was approved in October by the state and the city is now meeting state guidelines for the release of those funds.

Councilmen did approve an ordinance that will allow the city manager and the police chief to decide where stop signs will be placed here. Currently, there are three ordinances that all deal with stop signs and the new ordinance replaces those.

Sadler also presented reports to the council concerning the city's water treatment plant and the city landfill.

According to the police reports, Merkel police worked a total of 37

cases in December.

Police investigated one case of trespassing, one case of telephone harassment, three cases of theft and two cases of burglary of a building.

Police also worked two cases of burglary of a building, a case each of a run-away criminal mischief and kidnapping, worked three wrecks and three assault cases. They also investigated a case of forgery, a case of driving while license suspended and a case of driving while intoxicated.

They also answer four dog calls, issued 12 citations and made two arrests.

Merkel's Patrolmen are Steve McNally and Mike Pippins.

Meeting to organize Canyon fire department

An organizational meeting will be held Monday night to determine the interest in starting a Mulberry Canyon volunteer fire department.

Canyon resident Donnie Russom told *The Mail* Monday "The fire department here has already donated a truck to us and we can

get help from the county. Right now, fireman have to come from Merkel, Trent or Elm Valley to fight a fire in the canyon and that's a long way around some very twisting roads."

The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at the community center near Pioneer Memorial Methodist

Church, 17 miles SW of Merkel on FM 126.

The new department would serve from Blair to Highway 89.

Russom said a few people have expressed interest and said he can be reached at 846-4000 or 846-5196 for more information.

District basketball races heat up

by Cloy A. Richards

The Merkel Badger boys basketball team started and ended the week with district wins, but lost the one on the middle.

The boys downed Coahoma, lost to Clyde and then beat Colorado

City. During the Clyde game, Shayne Newberry suffered a season-ending injury as he suffered a broken bone in his arm.

Last Tuesday, the boys opened district play with a 72-62 win over Coahoma. Ted Seymore led the way with 25. Ramon Moreno had

18 and Kenneth Jowers 13. Newberry hauled down 16 rebounds.

The boys then lost to Clyde here Friday 50-47. Boys coach Skip Townsend said his team didn't

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Stock shows, commodities, group . . .

by Cloy A. Richards

Farm animal lovers will have a field day here and in Trent Saturday as the Merkel and FFA Livestock shows will be held.

This is the ag students' annual chance to show off their work and skills.

Both groups could use and will appreciate your support, financial or otherwise.

I was taking a few "pre-stock show" pictures in Trent Monday and the pigs residing near the Trent FFA barn can actually be referred to as hams. Every time I tried to take a picture, they were more than glad to offer a close-up.

If you haven't re-applied for eligibility for USDA commodity distributions, you have until Jan. 30th to do so.

If you don't fill out the form before that date, you won't be eligible for the Feb. 7th distribution.

If you have a VCR and are a

sports fan, the next week or so the Challengers series for the America's Cup are on cable station ESPN live each night at ten until the series between Stars and Stripes and New Zealand

are over. The races are a lot more interesting if you watch them on fast forward and then at regular speeds when the 12 meter boats round the marks.

The Badgers boys basketball team suffered a blow here last week as Junior Shayne Newberry broke his arm in the Clyde game here Friday.

Newberry was averaging ten points and ten rebounds per game and will be out for the rest of the season.

The boys are 2-1 in district play and haven't faced Wyllie and Ballinger. The boys need to beat at least one of those teams in the first round of district play to stay in the race for the playoffs.

Is anyone surprised the Giants and the Broncos are in the Super Bowl?

I would love to have seen Cleveland in and don't envy any team that has to face the Giants. They are hot and on a roll.

An organizational meeting for a Mulberry Canyon fire department will be held at the canyon community center Monday night.

Donnie Russom, a rattlesnake hunter and farmer wants another job as a firefighter and is trying to gather support for the idea. He told me Monday it's an awful long haul when fire departments from Merkel, Trent and Elm Valley have to respond to a fire in the canyon.

An arts and crafts sale will be held at the Fairway Oaks Pavilion Saturday and there will be no admission charge.

The annual event is for non-profit organizations only and featured homemade arts and crafts. That might be a good thing to do following the local stock shows Saturday here.

Registration for food program due Jan. 30th

People interested in receiving USDA surplus commodities at the Feb 7th distribution here have until Jan. 30th to register.

Each year, an application must be filled out, even if a person was eligible for 1986 distributions.

Every other month, the city, in co-operation with the United States Department of Agriculture and Taylor County, hold food

commodity distributions. The food that is given to those eligible, has been purchased by the government from farmers and is used in various nutritional programs.

People meeting eligibility guidelines receive the commodities.

Local residents may sign up any week day at Merkel's City Hall from 7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. A registration will be held at Trent's

City Hall Jan 21 from 8 a.m. until Noon.

People may also register at the Taylor County Senior Citizens Nutritional Program lunches held each Tuesday and Thursday at Heritage Hall here.

People who do not sign up before Jan. 30th will not be eligible for the Feb. 7th distribution.

Local tax rebates start year on wrong foot

Merkel's 1987 tax rebates got off to a bad start according to a news release from the State Comptroller's Office.

The first rebate of 1987 was 22.11 percent less than the first rebate in 1986.

Merkel's share of the state sales

tax was \$2,881.62, compared to \$3,699.67 last year.

At Tye, rebates were down 7.58 percent. Tye received \$4,741.52, compared to \$5,130.46 the same period last year.

Trent did not receive a rebate this month.

The January checks represent taxes collected by local merchants in November and reported to the State Comptroller by Dec. 20th.

Statewide, payments were down by nine per cent, according to Comptroller Bob Bullock.

WTU's new power plant is on-line

With its new Oklahoma Power Station in commercial operation, West Texas Utilities Co. is again capable of generating all the power its customers will need during the peak usage period of hot summertime.

The peak demand for electricity exceeded the capacity of WTU's installed general stations several summers ago and additional power had to be purchased from neighboring utility companies.

"This means that we literally have grown into this new power plant," explained Walter Meller, WTU's manager of system pro-

duction. "Often, when a new plant is brought on line it creates an immediate huge surplus of general capacity. In our case, completion of Oklaunion was timed to coincide with our needs."

The coal-burning Oklaunion unit eight miles southeast of Vernon has a net rated capacity of 665 megawatts, which is more than half the 1,070 megawatt capacity of all of WTU's gas-fired plants. WTU owns 54.69 percent, or 370 megawatts, of the new plant, which is the first jointly-owned unit in the Central and South West

System. Other owners are Public Service Co. of Oklahoma and Central Power and Light Co., both members of CSW; the Oklahoma Municipal Power Authority and the City of Brownsville.

The new plant has officially declared commercial December 24. The power is under control of a central dispatcher in Abilene, who economically loads the various generating units in the WTU system.

As Plant Manager Chuck Adams

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Local basketball teams in middle of district play

play well in the first half and held Clyde to six field goals in the second half. Good free throw shooting by Clyde sealed the win. Moreno led the way with 20 in that contest.

Monday, the boys took a 70-57 win at Colorado City. Moreno had 21, Jowers 16, Lynn Hays 15 and Lance Jones 10 in that contest.

The boys are now 2-1 in district play and will host Sonora here Friday and then will host Wylie next Tuesday.

Varsity Girls

The Lady Badgers are 2-2 in district play as they lost to Coahoma and then downed Clyde and Colorado City.

Last Tuesday at Coahoma, the girls were defeated 55-36. Stacey Newberry led with 15, Teresa Lucas and Michelle Woodard each had 8. Amber Whisenhunt had 3 and Sheri Hiney had 2.

The girls hosted Clyde Friday and took a 48-29 decision. Lucas

led with 21. Newberry had 13, Whisenhunt 6 and Clara Hererra, Riney, Woodard and Christy Wade each had 2.

The girls traveled to Colorado City Monday and came home with a 55-33 win. Newberry and Lucas led with \$15 each.

The girls are now 2-2 in district play and 9-10 on the year. They will host Sonora Friday and Wylie next Tuesday.

The Merkel JV girls lost two games and won one last week.

They began with a 52-36 loss to Coahoma. Anissa Jones had 8, Melinda Baker 6, Richa Hill 5, Glyn Ann Rutledge 5 and Norma Cuellar 8.

They next lost to Clyde 39-21. Baker had eight and Jones, Rutledge, Cuellar each had two, Bridgett Vaughn 6 and Hill 1.

They won a 34-32 squeaker in Coahoma Monday night. Baker had 13, Vaughn led with 15 while Jones had 4 and Rutledge 2.

The freshman girls lost Monday night at C-City 41-28. Misty Doan led with 8 and Mi Wa Chon had 6. The freshmen will be playing this weekend in a tournament in Sweetwater starting today.

Merkel's 8th grade girls took third place at the Wylie tournament this past weekend.

The girls opened the tournament with a 20-14 win over the Wylie Gold team. Leading the way was Cristi Moore with 6 and Ava Bohannon with 4. Leading rebounder was Lori Stockard with 6. Tami Pierson led in steals with 3.

In the second round, the Lady Badgers lost a 26-22 squeaker to Sweetwater. Jayma Goldsmith led with 7 points and Betsy Hellums added 6. Goldsmith also led in rebounds with 8.

In the consolation game, Merkel defeated the Wylie Purple team by 14-11. Hellums led the way with 9. Tankersley led the rebounding

with 8 and Hellums and Goldsmith each had six steals.

The girls will take on Abilene Christian Jan 15th at 4 p.m. at ACMS and will host Clyde Jan 19th.

The Trent Junior High girls are sporting a 6-0 record after winning two recent games.

Last week, the girls downed Herleigh 30-26 behind the efforts of Julie Clay with 12 points, Janet Marshall with 10 points and 20 rebounds and Ginger Massey with 8.

On Monday, the girls defeated Roscoe 36-30 as Ginger Massey poured in 18 while Clay, Lisa Penton and Marshall each added 6.

The high school girls downed Rule 42-30 Monday night. B. J. Poindexter had 11 and Leslie Brazelton had 10. They will start district play Monday against Highland.

WTU's coal fired plant near Vernon is completed

of Vernon explains it. "When the load increases, the unit that can make the next kilowatt the cheapest is the one that is brought on line."

Adami's staff includes 126 employees, who work in shifts to keep the plant running 24 hours a day. Most of the staff has been on the

site for several months involved in training and start-up operations.

Construction at Oklaunion was begun in May 1982, and almost all the news regarding the plant since then has been good. The best news is that it was completed on time and under original cost estimates. The plant will provide over 25

percent of WTU's operating capacity and will end the Company's almost total reliance on natural gas as boiler fuel. The low-sulphur coal comes by rail from Wyoming. Each delivery averages from 100-115 cars, with each car holding 100 tons of coal. About 300 tons will

be burned an hour when the plant is in full operation.

The plant is one of the most modern in existence. Equipment includes the most up-to-date pollution control facilities and complies with all air quality control requirements.



Called "the portly patron of Texas progressivism," James Stephen Hogg is considered by many to have been the ablest governor in Texas history. He certainly was the appointed leader of the Progressives, an important movement in Texas politics. And though the names of political parties and members have changed, the original spirit of the progressive movement has continued to symbolize the Texas disdain for monopolies.

Regulation became a key word during the Hogg years; it was Hogg who persuaded Texans to create a railroad commission. He won his reputation as one of the state's best administrators during two terms as governor, from 1891 to 1895, but became known as a "people's politician" early on.

Hogg started his career as a "printer's devil," setting type at the famous Whistlin' Jackson's *Texas Observer* in Rusk, where he was tutored in the power of public opinion. As his family lost its fortune and most of its plantation after the Civil War, Hogg was left penniless. He slept in the print shop where he worked.

But by the age of twenty, he had started his own newspapers in Tyler, Longview, and then in Quitman. His strong editorials were highly regarded. He was best known for wrangling with railroad companies and disparaging local lawlessness, thus launching his political career. Elected justice of the peace in Quitman, Hogg studied hard for the bar examination and was licensed to practice in 1875. In the meantime, he had married Sarah Ann Stinson and the first of their four children had arrived.

"Hardship is the native soil of manhood and self-reliance," Hogg once wrote in the *Longview News*. "He who cannot abide by the storm without flinching lies down by the wayside to be overlooked or forgotten."

Hogg was not to be forgotten. His friends persuaded him to run for district attorney, then in 1886, for attorney general of Texas.

Meanwhile, railroad magnate Jay Gould had helped forge the powerful Texas Traffic Association that came to control the roads, rates, and expan-

Hogg and the Progressive Spirit

sion of the railroads. As attorney general, Hogg campaigned successfully to break up the monopoly. His effort encouraged Texans to consider regulating the railroads.

In 1890, Hogg ran for governor and his central proposal was a constitutional amendment to establish the state railroad commission. He set up an anti-railroad campaign, protesting rate inequities. As it cost more to ship a carload of goods 40 miles intrastate than to ship the same carload 1,000 miles out of state, Hogg's call

for regulation appealed to Texas farmers, if not to ranchers.

The railroads charged that he was, at the very least, anti-capitalist; other opponents called him a communist. But enough Texans embraced his stance that Hogg won election overwhelmingly. And his pro-commission amendment won handily as well. He appointed John Reagan to chair the commission, a choice that proved wise.

Hogg's re-election in 1892 was won with some difficulty. He not only

faced pro-corporate Republicans, but also the challenge of the Populists, demanding government ownership and management of corporations. Hogg took the middle road and won, but not without great effort.

"(Populist Thomas L.) Nugent is for government ownership of the railroads, (Republican George) Clark is for turning them loose." Hogg said in a campaign speech. "I want neither, but advocate their just control and regulation through the Commission."

Hogg's biographer Robert C. Cotner wrote of the 1892 election: "The Democratic victory of James Stephen Hogg and the reform forces in the fiercely contested race marked the rise to power of a new generation of progressive young men and their older advisers as the champions of constructive change." Cotner identified Texas as a training ground for a national progressive movement.

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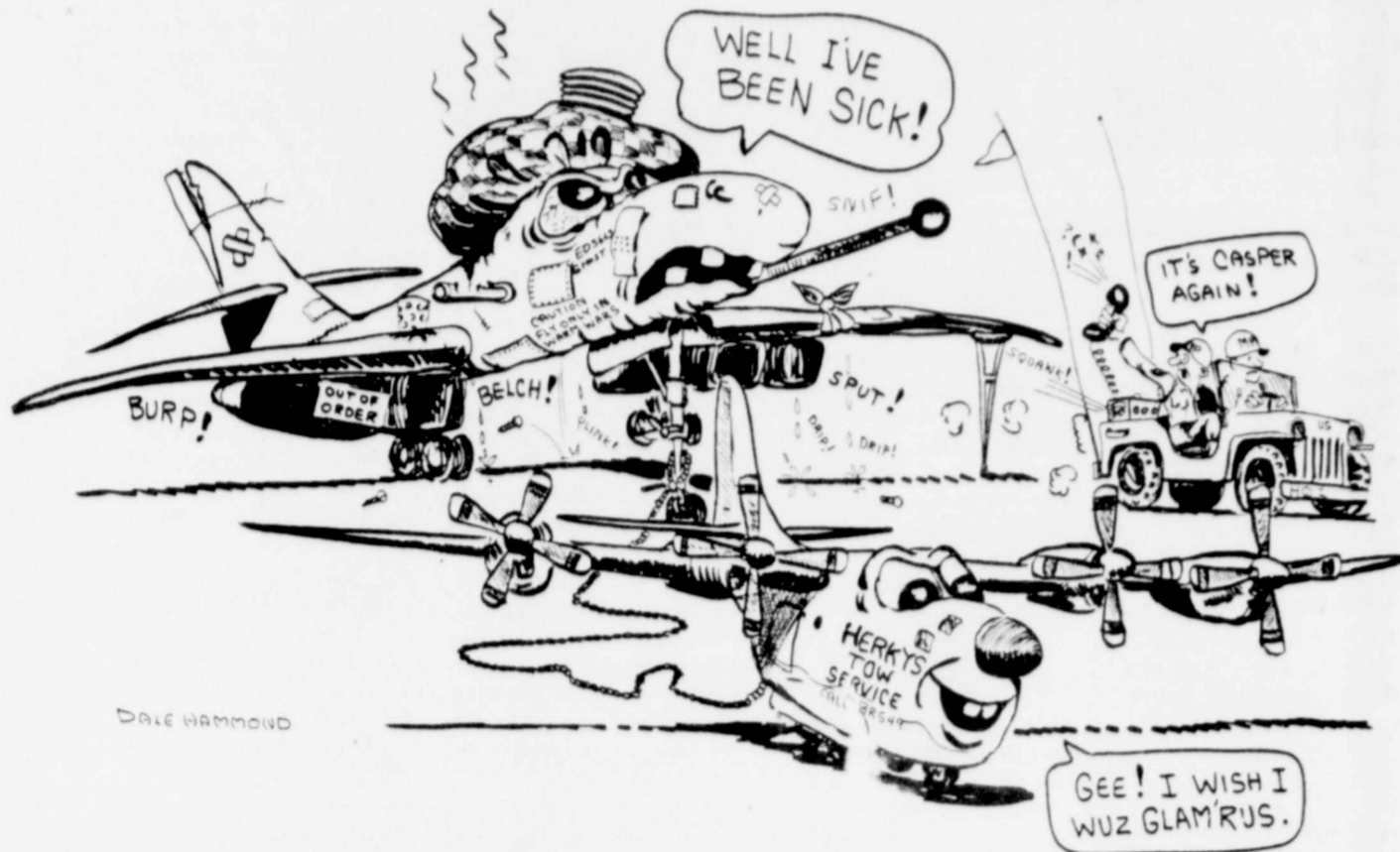
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Services held here for Betty Sublett

Betty Estelle Sublett, 87, a former Merkel resident, died Jan. 4 at a Webster Hospital.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Jan. 7th at the First United Methodist Church here with Rev. John Wagoner, officiating. Burial followed at Rose Hill Cemetery here under the direction of the Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born June 6, 1899 in Copperas Cove, her father died when she was a child. She taught music and

speech in Texas and Colorado. She married Verna Sublett, June 24, 1918, the day he enlisted in the Army for World War I. He was a mechanic here for many years.

She was a bookkeeper at Merkel Drug for 18 years and she also helped Dr. Sadler care for many sick people. She was a Sunday school teacher here at the Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband.

She is survived by a daughter, Vernell Crow of Friendswood; two sisters, Eunice Weidensaul and Anabell Stanford, both of Breckenridge, two grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and seven great-great grandchildren.

Serving as pallbearers were Billy Bob Toombs, Jeff Toombs, Laverne Moore, Connie Mack Seymore, Tom Stanford and Buddy Smith.

Collins' services held in Wilcox, Az.

Paul Collins, a long time farmer in the Wilcox, Az area, died Dec. 19th in Tucson.

Funeral services were held Dec. 22 at the Wilcox United Methodist Church with the Rev. John Cox and Rev. Elbert Morford officiating. Burial followed at the Sunset Cemetery.

Born in Lamesa Jan. 23, 1914, he was the fifth child of J. M. & Minnie Collins. He moved here with his parents in 1929 and was a graduate of Merkel High. He attended McMurry College in Abilene and Oklahoma University

in Shawnee.

In 1935, the married Mae Hamilton of Merkel. He served as a circuit rider for the Methodist Church for six years in Oklahoma. In 1942, they moved to Trent where he farmed for 10 years.

In 1952, he and his family moved to Wilcox, which became his life-long residence.

He served his community and church in various capacities. He was a member of the Wilcox United Methodist Church where he taught church school as well as serving on the board of trustees

for the Wilcox schools.

He was a member of the Farm Bureau, served on the FHA Board and the Soil Conservation Board. In 1971, he was named the Conservationist of the Year and was named an honorary FFA chapter farmer.

He is survived by his wife, Mae of Wilcox, Az.; a son Toby of Tucson; three daughters, Peggy Ward of Tucson, Nell Worden of Pahrump, Nev. and Polly Philpott of Flagstaff, Az.; a brother Elmo of Lubbock; a sister Mary of Merkel, fourteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Don't ignore fertilizer usage

Fertilizer use is often a victim during an economic crisis such as the one farmers are currently facing.

"As farmers look at reducing production costs, they often consider reducing or eliminating fertilizer usage," says Dr. Willis Gass, a soil fertility specialist. "However, it is unwise to make such a major decision without the benefit of a soil test."

If a soil test indicates that fertilizer is needed to attain a desired yield goal, its use is strongly recommended, says the Texas Agricultural Extension specialist. Not to fertilize may result in yield levels which will not generate enough income to cover basic production costs. However, fertilizing at recommended rates will increase the probability of boosting yields enough to more

than pay for the fertilizer and provide some margin of profit. On the other hand, direct savings also can result when a soil test indicates that the soil contains adequate, or near adequate, levels of nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium or other nutrients to attain a desired yield goal.

Writer supports Mr. Hill

Dear Mail,
I'm writing about the story in last weeks paper about Mr. Hill's resignation. I'm just writing to say it is sad to see Mr. Hill leave Merkel High, especially in a time when Mark White says we need the best teachers for the children. Mr. Hill certainly fits in that class, as do most of the teachers at Merkel. I never had Mr. Hill for a teacher, and yet even though I wasn't his student, he helped me alot. I really don't want to say it was the administrations or Mr. Hill's fault. I have no right to blame anyone, because I do not know all of the facts involved. Whatever the cause, it cost students a very good teacher. I read in the Mail where a previous letter was not printed because of no signature, well this one does.

Thanks for everything, Mr. Hill,
Alfred Flores, Jr.

Preceptor Eta Omega group meets here

Preceptor Eta Omega, Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, met in the home of Betty Satterwhite on Tuesday, January 6.

Kathy Leverich, presided at the business meeting. Plans were made to work at the Rehab

Telethon.

The program was presented by Betty. The topic was "Stress and Relaxation." Refreshments were served to Jane Carson, Blanche Hewitt, Kathy Leverich, Mamie Steck, Connie Ybarra, Val Patterson, Betty Satterwhite, and Ruth Tip-ton.

Beard retires

Evelyn J. Beard, of Merkel, retired from Federal Civil Service January 2, 1987 after 31½ years of service. Mrs. Beard began her civil service career at Hill Air Force Base, Utah. She worked in the Material Facilities Branch of Supply at Dyess Air Force Base, for many years as the branch secretary and in later years as a receiving clerk in the receipt and processing into the Supply System of supplies and equipment.

Mrs. Beard and her husband, James M. were honored at a luncheon at the Royal Inn, January 5th wherein they were presented certificates and she received the traditional watch.

Parents meeting set for Trent's Chapter 1 students

There will be a "Parent Awareness" meeting concerning Trent's ISD's Chapter 1 program on January 19, 1987 at 3:45 p.m. in the school library. Anyone interested in this program is invited to attend.

Newsbriefs

Taylor-Gunter set wedding

Teena Gayle Taylor of Abilene and Allen Eugene Gunter, also of Abilene, will be married May 30th at the Southwest Park Baptist Church in Abilene.

Teena is the daughter of Spencer and Gayle (Gladden) Turner of Abilene and Allen is the son of Gene and Lorene Gunter, also of Abilene.

Teena is the granddaughter of Mr. & Mrs. O. R. Gladden of Merkel. She is a graduate of Abilene Cooper High and is a student at Abilene Christian University. She is employed by B. Dalton Bookstore in Abilene.

Allen is also a graduate of Cooper High and is employed at General Dynamics in Abilene.

Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Donald A. Zimmerman of Richardson, formerly of Abilene, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Donna Mae of Galveston, to Marlon Dwain White, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvyn White of Tye.

The bride-elect graduated from Richardson High School, attended Texas A&M University, and graduated from the University of Texas Medical Branch School of Allied Health Science with a bachelor's degree in physical therapy. She is employed by UT

Medical Branch in Galveston.

The prospective bridegroom graduated from Merkel High School and Baylor University with a bachelor's degree in biology. He will graduate in May with his doctorate from the UT Medical Branch Medical School.

An April 25 wedding is planned at Trinity Episcopal Church in Galveston.

Baptist meeting

Each Monday in the Fellowship Hall, the ladies of the Baptist Church will be holding a weekly prayer and share meeting. The Monday meetings will be for young mothers and women. All are welcomed to attend. The group begins at 9:30 until 11:00 and a nursery is provided. Willie Sherman is leading the group and they are currently studying, The Authority of the Believer. The second ladies group meets each Tuesday morning at 9:00, and there is no nursery provided.

The youth group and puppet ministry, His Kids, will be having an all night Lock In, January 23rd for Jr. High and High School age students. Please contact Debbie Woffard or Cathy Huffman for more information.

Methodist meeting

The Ladies of the Trent Metho-

dist Church hold a weekly meeting each Wednesday at 9:00 at the Methodist Church. Pastor Roy Keith is planning a mens breakfast for anyone interested Wednesdays at 6:30. Please contact Pastor Keith for further details. Reverend Keith will also be speaking in Tuscola, Texas, Jan. 22nd at 7:00 p.m. in a Farm Crisis Support Group.

If your Church or organization, is planning activities in the Trent Community for the future, please feel free to notify Rebecca Sharp 862-6322, for publication.

Xi Nu Eta meets

Xi Nu Eta, Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, held it's monthly meeting, January 6, in the home of Danna Dunagin.

Members made plans to answer the phones for the Rehab 87 Telethon. Plans were also made for the Valentine Ball sponsored by Xi Nu Eta.

Members enjoyed an interesting and informative program on "Nail Care" and "Facial Care" given by Debbie Doan, a consultant for Jafr.

Refreshments were served to Danna Dunagin, Marilyn Tittle, Jana Nelson, Carolyn Shelburn and Cathy Pack.

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