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The Badger Booster Club meets every Tuesday, at 7:30 in the portable classrooms.

The Merkel Mail

The Trent Senior Class is sponsoring a car wash, Saturday, Sept. 23rd at Trent High School. The car wash is open from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Thursday, September 21, 1978

15 Cents



Election Judge Joe Earl Lassiter, gives the vote totals to Dr. Raymond Etheridge, Merkel ISD Superintendent, seconds after final tabulation. (Staff photo by Cloy Richards)

Voters approve bond in record turnout

Merkel ISD voters flocked to the polls Saturday and overwhelmingly approved the \$1.4 million school bond election. The tallies show 399 voted for and 272 against totaling 671 voters.

The total voters represented the largest election turnout Merkel has seen. The election drew more voters than the last school board election. That election broke previous voter turnout records.

The bond election was in trouble as the early returns came from the Tye voting area. The bond was voted down 72-40. The Tye area had a "Citizens for Community Awareness" organization headed by Tye residents, Vicki Spur and Glenda Pence. The committee urged voters to vote down the bond because of the absence of allocated funds for general repair work in Tye schools.

A "Committee For Better Schools" under the

direction of Dale Hammond and George English worked for the approval of the bond election.

Dr. Raymond Etheridge, superintendent of the Merkel ISD said he was simply delighted the bond election had passed and then said the system could now start putting forth energy on solving problems and carrying out normal business.

The bonds will be put up for sale in December of this year and construction should begin shortly after that. Completion is scheduled for 1980.

The bond election approved funds to build a new high school, a middle school gym, a multi-purpose room for the Merkel Middle School, a new vocational agriculture building and air conditioning and heating for Merkel Middle School and Merkel Elementary School as well as general repair and fire code work district wide.

Furniture store coming here

Sign of the times, America's fastest growing furniture franchise, a subsidiary of the International Furniture Corporation, will soon locate in Merkel.

Clifford Sugerman, Chairman of the Board, announced last week from his Denver office that the corporation is in the process of purchasing the Gilene Building from the Merkel Industrial Foundation to house this new venture.

Sign Of The Times Franchises exclusively sell solid oak antique reproduction furniture; such as round oak tables, pressed back chairs, curved glass china cabinets, roll top desks just to name a few. The Franchises also sell the parent company's brand of wrought iron furniture: baker's racks, benches, love seats, chairs, and

patio tables; in addition to many copper and brass decorator items.

Mrs. Ben F. Clark, Jr. of Sweetwater, mother in law of board chairman Clifford Sugerman, will be the owner operator of this new complex. Mrs. Clark worked for the Anthony Company for many years, and has had much experience in dealing on a retail level with the general public.

Sugerman also stated that this new retail outlet will provide jobs for some local residents and should bring additional revenue to the city. Future plans could also include a large warehouse facility to service existing accounts of the international furniture corporation throughout the southwest.

Glick announces write-in



Lloyd Glick

Lloyd Glick of Rt. 4, Abilene, has filed and announced as a write-in candidate for the office of County Commissioner, Precinct 2, Taylor County Texas against incumbent Commissioner, Joe McDuff, in the November 7, 1978 General Election. Until today Mr. McDuff was unopposed in this election.

Glick said the mis handling of the canvassing of the votes in the recent local option liquor election as his main reason for running as a candidate for this position.

Mr. Glick says, "We don't know yet what the total cost to the taxpayers of the county will be because of the willful acts of some of the commissioners in apparently substituting their personal preference over the law and the legal advice of the District Attorney's Office. Now we taxpayers are involved in expensive litigation to defend their action."

Mr. Glick says that he has discussed with his family for over a month, about entering the campaign and has decided to get involved to give the voters in Precinct 2 a choice in the November election in voting for a County Commissioner of their precinct.

Glick says that since he is running as a write in, it is going to be a difficult campaign, as the voters must be made aware of how they

should vote, and all volunteer help, both financial and physical, to help him become the next Precinct 2 Commissioner of Taylor County will certainly be appreciated as it is needed at this time.

Mr. Glick has appointed as his Campaign Treasurer Mr. Bill Kilpatrick. Mr. Kilpatrick was with the Texas Railroad Commission for 15 years. He now owns and operated Bill's Riding and Boarding Stables, Northwest of Abilene and is part owner of the O.J. Russell Wire Line Service Co., 1860 Butternut St. in Abilene.

Mr. Glick moved to Abilene as a salesman for the Guiberson Corp. in 1961. In 1963 he formed Commercial Sweeping and Paving Co. which he owned and operated for four years.

He then became associated with Holiday Hosts International as Sales Manager from 1968 to 1970.

In 1970, Mr. Glick established Abilene Vending Machine Sales and became the Distributor and Area Development Director for Federal Machine Corp. of Des Moines, Iowa.

In 1977, he retired from the vending equipment sales business and at present owns Labco Earthworm Ranch on his 24-acre farm north of Tye. His son, Alan, is a 9th grader at Merkel High School.

Homecoming activities outlined

The Badger Homecoming plans are being made for ex-students of Merkel High School. On Sept. 22, ex-students may register from 10



Dr. Thuy will be working with Dr. Warren in his office building on Ash Street. (Staff photo by Glenn Richards)

a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Building. A parade will be held at 2:45 that day and a pep rally will be held in front of the Merkel Drug Co. The Badgers face Clyde in the 8 p.m. contest and a coffee, hosted by the class of 58 after the game at the school cafeteria.

On Saturday, a registration will be held at the school cafeteria from 10 until 11 a.m., a dinner is scheduled from 11 until 1:30 p.m. catered by the L&W Snack Bar followed by entertainment and a business meeting.

Trophies will be given for best float in the homecoming parade, best decorated entry by a child, and the best entry by a High School class.

Due to the lack of time, no notices will be mailed and the homecoming committee is depending upon the word being passed around.

The nominees for Mr. Ex include; Benny Melton, class of 59; Woody Wilson, class of 32; and Jimmy Leverich, class of 53.

The nominees for Coming Home Queen are; Betty (Smith) Conley, class of 47; Zada (Bell) Bird, class of 32; and Barbara Sue (McLeod) Tucker, class of 53.

Nominees for this year's Homecoming Queen include Becky Watts and Johanna Jones from the class of 80 and Cindy Smith and Carla Gardner of the class of 79.

Merkel gains new doctor

A south Vietnamese doctor, who escaped his native country when it became apparent the communist would take over, has ended up in Merkel where he will go into practice with Dr. Warren here.

Tran Dinh Thuy is already working a few office hours here and will begin duties from noon until 6 p.m. each day. According to Dr. Warren, some additions to the facilities will be required. Plans are to add two additional patient rooms.

Dr. Thuy has taken a refresher course in general medicines as well as being state and nationally certified.

He was a physician with the South Vietnamese Air Force and was named an honorary flight surgeon in the U.S. Air Force. He has worked in clinics in Abilene, while attending schools to get his license in Texas.

He and his family currently live in Abilene and are planning to move to Merkel as soon as they can locate a house.

Cemetery donations

The Cemetery donations are as follows:
 Mr. and Mrs. M.B. Egger in memory of Murry and Iva Farmer
 Eugene and Ruby Moore Lawrence
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 Comer and Lucy Haynes, Nell Teaff in memory of Celia Merritt
 Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Miller in memory of Celia Merritt
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memory of Celia Merritt
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 Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson in memory of Alvin Smith
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 Mrs. Earl Hughes, Sr. in memory of Celia Merritt
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Sam Jerigan, Merkel 8th grade football coach, watches his team, as they go down in defeat against Anson. (Staff photo by Glenn Richards)

Yellowhammers down Badgers

by Hoy A. Richards

Penalties and the speed of Rotan's running back, Fred Acorn, left the Badgers with their second loss of the season, last Friday night in Rotan.

On their first possession the Yellowhammers drove to their first of 7 touchdowns on a pass from quarterback, David Posey, to end Mark Henderson. However, the Badgers came right back on their first possession with good ball handling of quarterback, Bart Pursley, and runs by Billy Nichols and Rick Howes and scored Merkel's first six points. They were put on the board by a screen pass from Pursley to Howes. Keith Shields' extra point put the Badgers 7-6 with 4:18 left in the first quarter.

David Posey of Rotan, scored on a quarterback keeper with 9:52 left in the first half. A fake PAT try ended in a pass to sophomore, Keith Mullins and the Yellowhammers led 14-7. Rotan got the ball back on their own 20, but two plays later, Rotan scored on a 80 yard run by Fred Acorn. The two point attempt was good and Rotan now led 22-7.

Less than a minute later, Rick Howes raced 50 yards for T.D. number two of the evening. Howes added two more on the PAT attempt making the

score 22-15. Six minutes into the third quarter, Fred Acorn went 57 yards to the 5 yard line, setting up Rotan's 4th T.D. of the night.

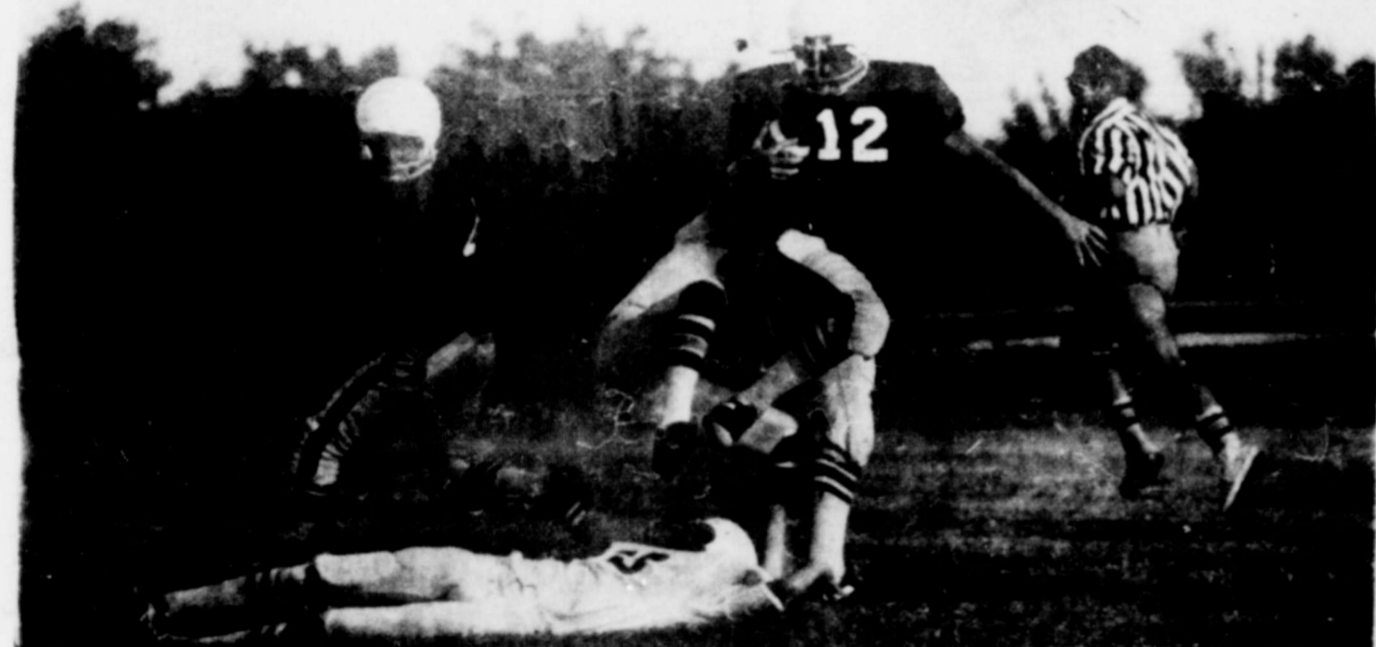
Rotan again took possession of the ball, and there was an instant replay, with Fred Acorn again jogging 58 yards for a touchdown. Merkel blocked the extra point, making the score 36-15 going into the final quarter.

With three minutes gone in the final quarter, Rotan's Mark Henderson reached up and grabbed a Posey pass for 6 more and the score goes up another notch to 44-15 Rotan. With about 5 minutes left in the game, Rotan scored once again ending the scoring for the night with the Yellowhammers on the victory side 50-15.

"It's just a matter of executing and knocking out those little errors, like penalties," Coach McLeod said was the best way for the Badgers to improve their ball game.

"Our defense is going to have to become more aggressive. Jerry Goode came in during the second half at defensive tackle and played a real good game. I believe we can keep it like it is just get our assignments and execute better," Said Coach McLeod.

Rotan? "They're not out of our league, just a good ball club," Coach McLeod finalized.



Jimmy Mendez takes a flying grab at no. 12, the Anson quarterback. Merkel lost the game 12-6. (Staff photo by Glenn Richards)

Badgers looking for no. 1

by Cloy A. Richards

The Merkel Badgers head into tomorrow night's homecoming game against the Clyde Bulldogs holding a season record of 0-2. The Bulldogs are coming off a 24-14 loss to Wylie with their season record at 1-1.

Clyde is only returning 3 starters from last year's squad. The Clyde Bulldogs have an explosive offense led by running back Lindsey Jenkins, who had 174 yards on 15 carries against Wylie.

According to Coach Tally Windham, "we made a couple of mistakes against Wylie that lost us the game. An interception that was returned 90 yards for a touchdown, was the turning point in the game, I thought."

Windham also said that their left tackle, Timmy Stone, will not play against the Badgers and a linebacker, Ricky Winters, will be sidelined due to injuries.

Windham said that he expects the Bulldogs to have a winning season this year.

About the Badgers, Bulldog Head Coach said, "according to our scouts, they have the potential, if they ever decide to do what they are capable of. Teams either have a tendency to get down after a couple of losses or come back as strong as ever. I don't know what the Badgers will do after their loss."

Windham said that the fact they are the homecoming opponents, doesn't really bother the Bulldogs and he said that he liked to play in homecomings, because of the larger crowds.

Windham said the Bulldogs have a good offensive line and a pretty good backfield. We gained 286 yards rushing against Wylie and Jenkins is going to be a good runner for us.

About the Wylie game, Windham said, we should be 2-0 now. We beat ourselves Friday because we made some mistakes. We feel like we can score between 21 and 35 points per game and we will be ready for the Badgers.

Badger Head Coach Jerry McLeod said, "I felt that our offensive line did a good job in the first

half of the Rotan game and penalties really hurt us." McLeod also said that the Badgers are going to be at full strength this week because those players that were injured are ready to go.

McLeod said that the Badgers still need to be more aggressive defensively and we need to have more contact in workouts and maybe a little more conditioning. All we need to do is to keep what we are trying to do and do it better.

"Clyde looks like they will be the same kind of team that we are and they have a couple of big running backs that may cause us some problems. Clyde has not really shown any break-away speed, but they do have some quickness. Clyde will also throw the ball a little more than most teams."

McLeod also said, "I really feel like we don't need to change the way we run our offense or our defense. We should just keep on doing what we know how to and try to do it a little better."

Kick off for the home opener and homecoming is 8 p.m.

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Merkel riding club results

The results of the Merkel Riding Club are as follows:

Boot Race 5-under- 1st Dawn Henslee, 2nd Brandon Boyd, 3rd Rodney Russell, 4th Jammy Masonheimer, 5th Josh Mashburn.

8 and under- 1st Denice Pursley, 2nd Russell Morgan, 3rd Candice Henslee, 4th Bridgett Vaughn, 5th Jennie Boyd.

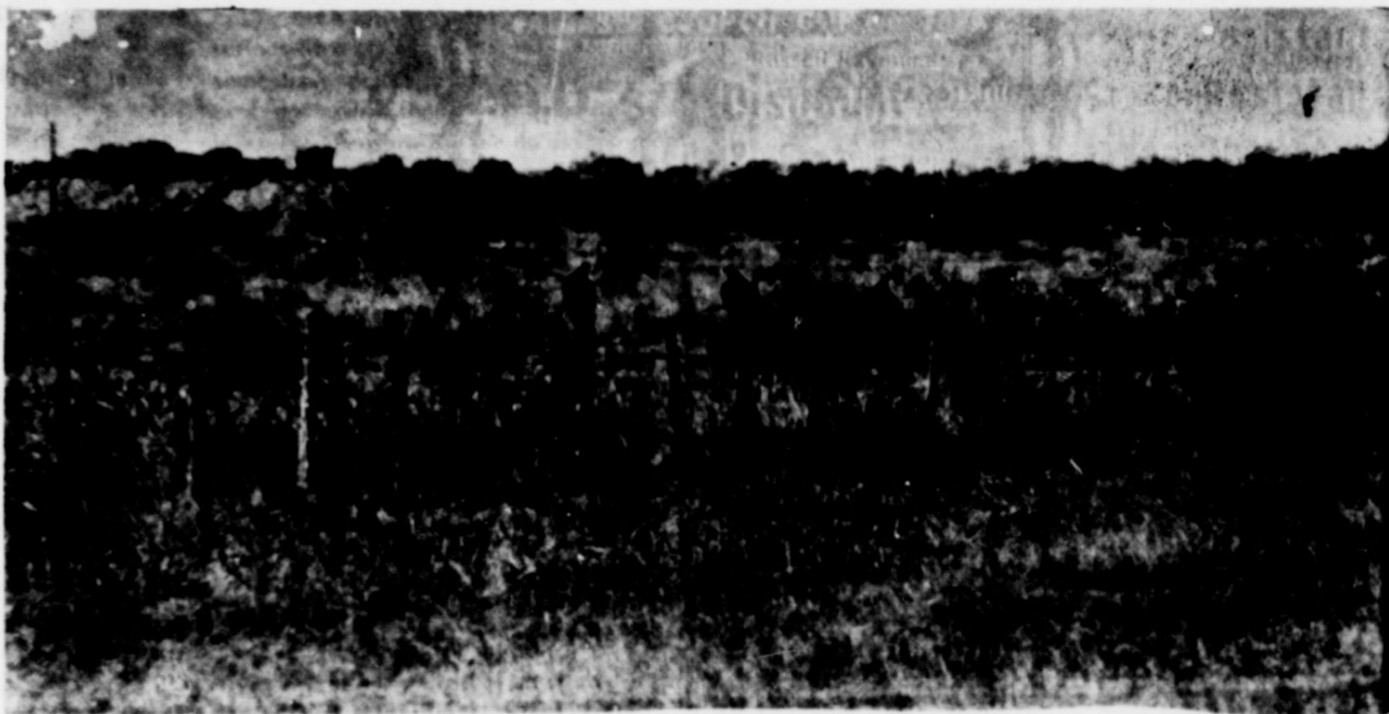
9-12- 1st Dayna Pursley, 2nd Ken Hogan, 3rd Brooks Boyd, 4th Mike Dokey, 5th Carrie

Kennedy.

13-17- 1st Leslie Masonheimer, 2nd Dee Dee Masonheimer, 3rd Vicki Campbell, 4th Shannon Boyd, 5th Danna Russell.

18 and over- 1st Patti Shotwell, 2nd Patricia Boyd, 3rd Shirley Morgan, 4th Charles Hatfield, 5th Kim Melsyer.

Della Henslee received a Belt Buckle for the outstanding member of the year.



A number of Buzzards have been seen in Merkel the past week. The rumor is, they're waiting for some Bulldog meat that will be available after

tomorrow night's football game with Clyde. (Staff photo by Glenn Richards)

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SEPTEMBER 15	AT ROTAN	8:00	15-50
SEPTEMBER 22	HOMECOMING	8:00	
CLYDE			
OCTOBER 6	AT COAHOMA	8:00	
OCTOBER 13	WINTERS	7:30	
OCTOBER 20	AT ANSON	7:30	
OCTOBER 27	BALLINGER	7:30	
NOVEMBER 3	AT C. CITY	7:30	
NOVEMBER 10	STAMFORD	7:30	
NOVEMBER 17	WYLIE	7:30	



Rickie Howes (25), Bart Pursley (20), Keith Shields (33), Buster Brown (14), Jay Boyd (50), Mike Crouse (66), Dwayne Roysden (61), Victor Herrera (74), Jeff Jones (71), Billy Nickols (84), Mike Brady (80), Craig Hutchins (40), Rusty Watts (62), Mark Copeland (55), James Castille (67),

James Turner (86), Billy Walters (77), Brian Fariello (65), Ricky Matherson (75), Sal Acosta (85), Jerry Goode (30), Ty Nelson (31), Lee Reddin (22), Randy Martin (11).
Coaches are Jerry McLeod, Bob Patty, Douglas Guynes, Gary Bartee, and Sam Jernigan.

BEAT CLYDE

Junior Varsity

Sept. 14	AT ANSON	6:30
Sept. 21	AT CLYDE	7:00
Sept. 28	JIM NED	7:30
Oct. 12	AT WINTERS	7:30
Oct. 19	ANSON	6:30
Oct. 26	AT BALLINGER	7:30
Nov. 9	AT STAMFORD	6:30
Nov. 16	AT WYLIE	6:30

9th Grade

Sept. 14	At ANSON	5:00	22-0
Sept. 21	At CLYDE	5:30	
Oct. 12	At EASTLAND	5:30	
Oct. 19	ANSON	5:00	
Oct. 26	At BALLINGER	6:00	
Nov. 2	EASTLAND	5:30	
Nov. 9	At STAMFORD	5:00	
Nov. 16	At WYLIE	5:00	



8th Grade

Sept. 14	ANSON	6:30	6-12
Sept. 21	CLYDE	7:00	
Sept. 28	JIM NED	6:00	
Oct. 12	At WINTERS	6:00	
Oct. 19	At ANSON	6:30	
Oct. 26	BALLINGER	7:30	
Nov. 9	AT STAMFORD	6:30	
Nov. 16	WYLIE	6:30	

7th Grade

Sept. 14	ANSON	5:00	14-0
Sept. 21	CLYDE	5:30	
Sept. 28	JIM NED	5:00	
Oct. 12	At WINTERS	5:00	
Oct. 19	ANSON	5:00	
Oct. 26	BALLINGER	6:00	
Nov. 9	At STAMFORD	5:00	
Nov. 16	WYLIE	5:00	

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A&M says grocery prices stabilizing

Consumers can expect more stable grocery bills through the rest of 1978—barring unforeseen weather problems or other disruptions, a Texas home economist predicts.

Mrs. Gwendolyn Clyatt, a consumer marketing information specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, made the food-price forecast.

According to Mrs. Clyatt, this week's price-quality trends at Texas grocery markets are the following:

GROCERY MARKET FEATURES—Look for special prices on canned vegetables and fruits, peanut butter and pasta products.

FROZEN FOOD FEATURES—Specials include orange juice, French fries, vegetables and ice milk.

FRESH VEGETABLES—Items in best supply at economical prices are carrots, cucumbers, corn, dry yellow onions, bell peppers, yellow and zucchini squash.

Eggplant is more plentiful with slightly lower

prices. New-crop sweet potatoes have moderate prices, but buy only a 10-day supply.

FRESH FRUITS—Good-supply items with economy prices include bananas, prunes, cantaloupe and watermelon.

Plentiful items are nectarines, plums and grapes. Peach supplies are lower, but quality is still good.

POULTRY—Look for large supplies of eggs and fryer chickens. Medium-size eggs are a better buy than usual.

Also reasonable prices appear on turkey parts and turkey roasts.

BEEF—Supplies are ranging from stable to slightly higher, but prices are about the same. Consider tender cuts, such as chuck cuts, round steaks, ground beef and liver.

CONSUMER WATCHWORDS: Short-grain rice is ideal for puddings and stuffings, while long-grain rice is best as a side dish, in soups and with gravies.

Cotton prices up, demand down

Prospects for a smaller cotton crop than was expected earlier this year have improved the price outlook despite sagging demand.

With deteriorating crop prospects in West Texas and California, U.S. production may be down to about 11 million bales instead of the 11.8 million estimated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Crop Reporting Board on Aug. 1. The 1977 crop totaled 14.4 million bales.

"The shortfall points to a price level somewhat higher in the second half of 1978 than the average of 49 cents per pound received by Texas producers during the first half of the year," notes Dr. Carl G. Anderson, cotton marketing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. "However, supplies are expected to be adequate to meet disappearance. This means that carryover of cotton at the end of the 1978-79 season will be slightly less than the 5.4 million bales on hand when the season started."

While the close balance between production and takeoff will cause the market price to be sensitive to news about any changes in worldwide production, the overall price increase will likely be small. Due to the sluggish demand, a much larger drop in production than now anticipated will have to develop to trigger a substantial jump in price, believes Anderson.

Even though planted acreage in Texas is close to that of last year, the crop is suffering from lack of moisture and hot weather. So it may fall short of the 3.7 million bale crop estimated by the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service in early August. This compares with 5.5 million bales last season and 3.3 million bales in 1976. However, production prospects are better in other major cotton growing areas.

says Anderson. "Current indicators point to a sharp slowdown in U.S. economic growth. An escalating inflation rate suggests less capital spending and a slackening in personal income growth that will dampen economic activity."

In the past, an economic downturn has resulted in a slump in demand for fiber notes the specialist. The Gross National Product in constant dollars decreased 1.4 percent in 1974 and 1.3 percent in 1975 from the level in the preceding year. At the same time, total fiber consumption fell 13 percent in 1974 and another 4 percent in 1975 before rebounding in 1976 along with the upturn in economic activity.

Gleaners hold meeting

The Gleaners Sunday School Class met in the Fellowship Hall Wednesday, Sept. 16, for a luncheon to honor a former member, Mrs. Forest Gaiter, now of Wimberly.

Mrs. F.K. Anderson, president, asked Mrs. Dewell McLean to give thanks. An enjoyable time of visiting and reminiscing followed the meal.

Those present were: Mrs. Gaiter, T. L. Grimes, John Shannon, Dee Grimes, Oswald Everett, Mary Click, Ruth Huffman, W. S. Brown, Denzel Cox, W. A. Strookbridge, C. A. Cox, Johnny Cox, Miss Mabel McRee, Louise Hudson and two guests, the Rev. and Mrs. Allen C. Forbis.

By Patricia Spradling

Hot Indian Summer days,
With crisp Autumn nights
Hometown football games,
Fans cheering to their delight.

The pumpkins are repining,
Upon their vine laden hills,
Halloweens just around the corner,
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A majestic bonfire,
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Chanting their cheers,
Letting the team know,
They won't let them down.

Hot dogs cooking over the open fire,
Marshmallows melting in your mouth,
As you watch the flames,
Climb higher and higher.

The crops are nearly all harvested,
A festive mood in the air,
You can't help but feel optimistic,
And Thank God for the many blessings you share

Soon Autumn will surely pass,
Bringing Winter our way,
But I'll enjoy this lovely season,
Each and every beautiful Autumn Day!

Club meets

The Fortnightly Study Club met Sept. 17 for a morning coffee in the home of Mrs. Andy Shouse with Mrs. Carl Hughes Co-hostess.

Mrs. Johnny Hammond, president, opened the meeting with a talk on the goals of the Federation Club. Mrs. Don Dudley read the club collect. The report of the mesquite district work shop at Knox City was made by Mrs. Carl Hughes, which she, Mrs. Hammond, and Mrs. Ed Sandusky attended. Mrs. Johnny Cox gave an inspiring talk on "Our Proud Heritage". The Federated Club and the Fortnightly Study Club.

Mrs. S.C. Dixon presented year books to each member.

Those attending the meeting were: Mesdames Johnny Hammond, Carl Hughes, Aaron Sudderth, Allen Forbis, C. B. Knight, S.C. Dixon, Comer Haynes, Mack Fisher, Johnny Cox, Truitt Thompson, W.R. Cypert, Andy Shouse, Ray Wilson, Don Dudley, Miss Mildred Hamm and Mrs. Ed Sandusky.

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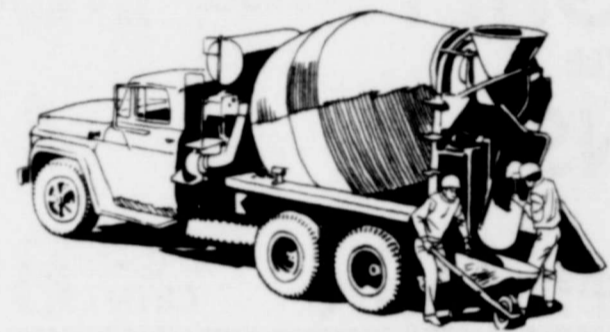
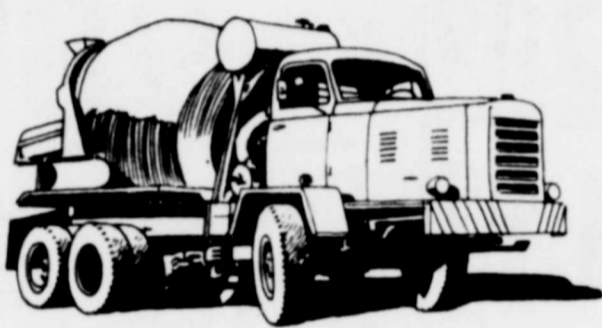
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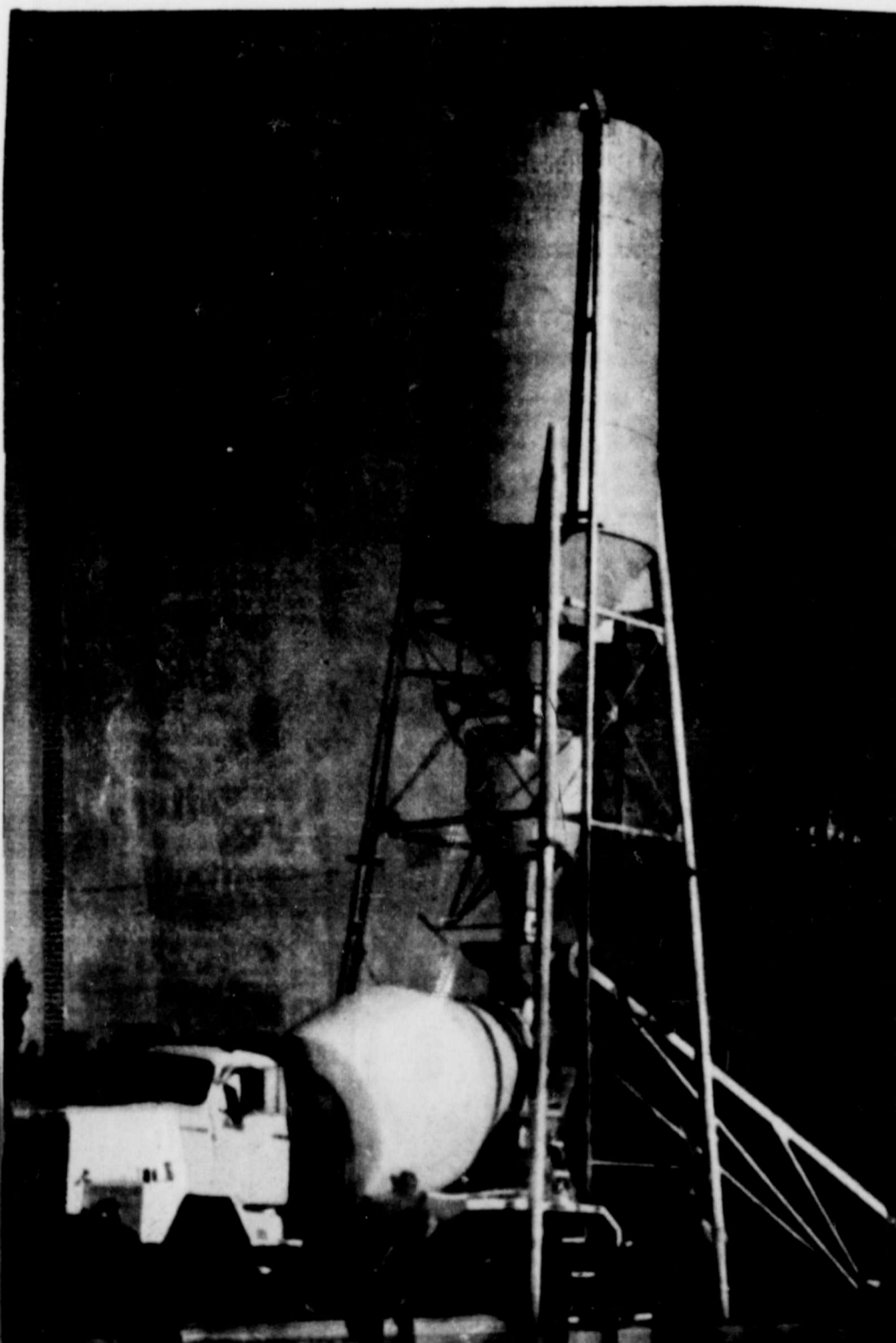


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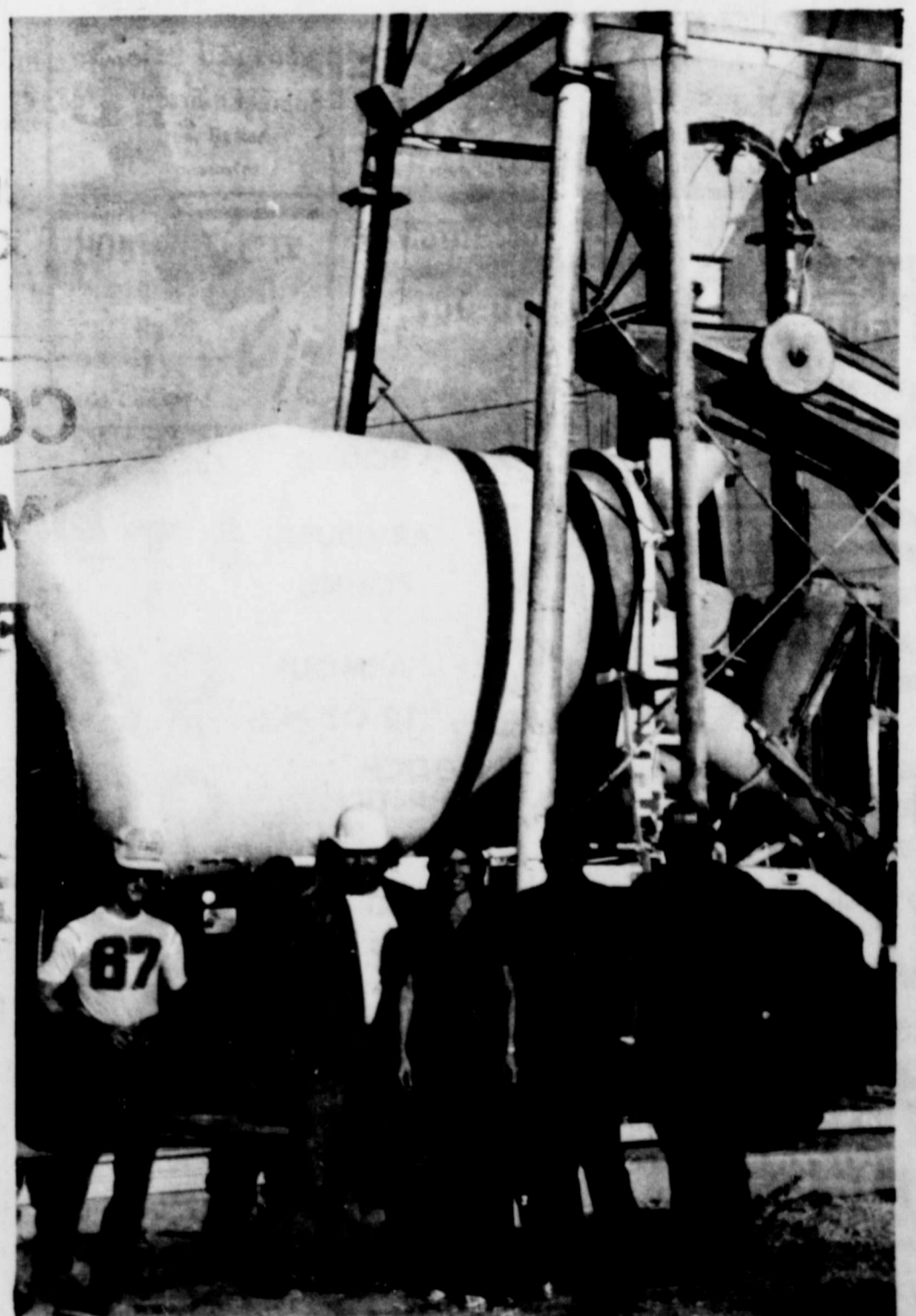


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