

The Merkel Mail

Thursday, October 28, 1982...Merkel, Texas

25 cents

City grants church Bingo at c-center, hears EMT report

The Merkel City Council granted a request from Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church to hold Bingo games at Heritage Hall in their regular meeting at City Hall Monday night.

Council also heard the quarterly earning report for the Merkel Emergency Medical Service's Bingo games.

Council gave the Catholic organization permission to use Heritage Hall on Tuesday's unless another organization had reserved the hall a week in advance.

Council informed Thomas Slider of the church that the Ambulance Service and the Firemen had rented the Wilson Food Store building for Bingo games and suggested that all games be held there. Firefighters and EMTs will start holding games at the old Wilson Food Store Building in

December.

Council also heard the EMTs had made net profits of \$2,690.69 in the first quarter and Merkel Mayor Kent Satterwhite said the money was going for a very good cause.

City manager J. A. Sadler also told Council the surveyors had finished their preliminary work on the city paving project that will pave 52 city blocks at least.

Sadler told Council recent paving programs were coming in well under the city's \$8,000 per block approved by the federal grant and there was a good possibility more than 52 blocks would be paved. Sadler said the surveyors would be finished on the south side late this week. Most of the paving will be on the city North side and some on the southeast side of town.

Badgers downed by Clyde; host tough Breckenridge Friday

The Merkel Badgers lost their fourth game of the year in Clyde last Friday 26-0.

Merkel had two chances to score to tie the game in the first half but Clyde held Merkel on a first and goal from the eight and the Badgers had another drive stall on the Clyde 30.

The Badgers used Matt Cain as starting quarterback for the first time this year and Cain was effective moving the team during a couple of drives, but had two passes picked off. Cain was not given ample time from the Clyde rush to drop back and pass.

Clyde squandered three scoring opportunities in the first half, one by an errant pass and two lost fumbles.

The Badgers are now 4-4 on the year and have seen all four victories at Badger Stadium, but that perfect mark will be hard to keep clean as

Breckenridge, a perennial Class 4A power invades Friday at 8 p.m.

Breckenridge is currently tied with Clyde for second in District 7AAA play and were the pre-season co favorites for the district crown with Stamford.

Breckenridge is a sound, all around football team that can move the ball on the ground and in the air.

In other football action last week, Clyde swept the Merkel teams gaining victories in the varsity, junior varsity, freshman, 8th and 7th grade games.

This week is Merkel Middle School's Homecoming game and the football hero and sweetheart will be crowned at halftime of Thursday's 8th grade game.



Merkel's Jimmy Mendez gets ready for a collision with the Clyde fullback (44) at Clyde

Friday night. The Badgers were downed by Clyde and will host Breckenridge here Friday. (Staff photo by Cloy A. Richards)

Gins report 1,300 bales so far

The three local cotton gins, Merkel, Trent and Stith reported a total of slightly over 1,300 bales ginned so far this year.

At Trent Gin, they reported 700 bales ginned as of Monday afternoon and said they had about 200 bales on the yard. Mrs. Shaffer told the Mail they had received quite a few grade cards back on the cotton and they are reporting grades from middling white to middling white spot. One sample graded at white worth 53.55 cents per pound. They also reported the gin was running 16

hours per day.

The Merkel gin reported 530 bales ginned as of Monday afternoon and said they had between 60 and 70 bales left on the yard. They reported cotton was being trailered in Monday and said the price was moving from 50 to 52 cents.

The Stith gin has processed 87 bales and had two trailers on the yard. A spokesman there said most of that area's cotton had just been defoliated and said they hoped to process between 2,500 and 3,000 bales this season.

Dale's dilemma, Wallaces' help,

Vote Tuesday, soap box time...more

by Cloy A. Richards

First things first.

It seems some people must think that the Mail's cartoonist, Dale Hammond, has some type of editorial control here at the Mail.

Dale says he has people ask him almost every day if they can get something in the paper, can they get something on the front page, can they get something larger or smaller or why something was or was not in the paper.

He told me he'd been trying to convince people that he had no control over the Mail he just draws cartoons.

He's right. He does just draw cartoons, and darned good ones at that, but if we don't pay him a dime for drawing cartoons we are dang sure not going to pay him for making editorial decisions.

We have a long standing agreement, he doesn't tell me how or why to write and I don't tell him how or what to draw.

This is the last issue Jerry, Max and Karen Wallace will be publishing in Anson at the Western Observer. The new owners are Kim Pease of the Rotan-Roby paper and Donny Lucas of the Albany paper.

Jerry and his family have helped the Mail out of a few tough spots in the four plus years we have worked in Anson publishing the Mail, they've even gone as far as helping us set the type for issues.

We wish the Wallaces much success in the future endeavors and just wanted the chance to publically thank them for all they have done for me and the Mail.

If Kim and Donnie treat me as well as the Wallace family has everything will be all right.

What's more powerful than Mr. St. Helens?

What makes a millionaire and the next person

What's more powerful than Mt. St. Helens? What makes a millionaire and the next person over 18 equal?

What's one thing no one should tell you how to do?

VOTE.

Tuesday, from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m., voters across the state will hit the polls and let their feelings and opinions be counted.

There are some hot local races including the Keenan Dudley county commissioner race and the Mashburn Guenther local JP race. That ought to create a little voter interest locally. The statewide races will always get quite a few voters to the polls and this year that won't be much different and White and Clements will make sure of that. There are quite a few items on the ballot this year, six constitutional amendments and all of the races.

Do your share on Tuesday and let your opinion

be heard and counted.

This month is grade crossing safety month in the state and all of the Mail's readers know I can't let it go without climbing on my soap box.

Fourteen Merkelites have been killed at grade crossings since the T & P tracks were put down here 100 years ago. Not one has been killed in the city limits since the installation of flashing lights and gates at the Oak and Ash Street crossings. So grade crossing safety here has been perfected with the installation of those lights and gates, right... wrong.

One quarter of the 59 persons killed at Texas grade crossings in 1981 that were protected by flashing lights and gates. That's incredible when you realize that the driver of the car knew the danger of a collision was imminent and the driver drove around the gates only to collide with the oncoming train.

And we are the creatures that sent man to the moon. Nine out of ten of the fatal accidents in Texas happened during clear, dry weather and 55 percent happened in daylight hours.

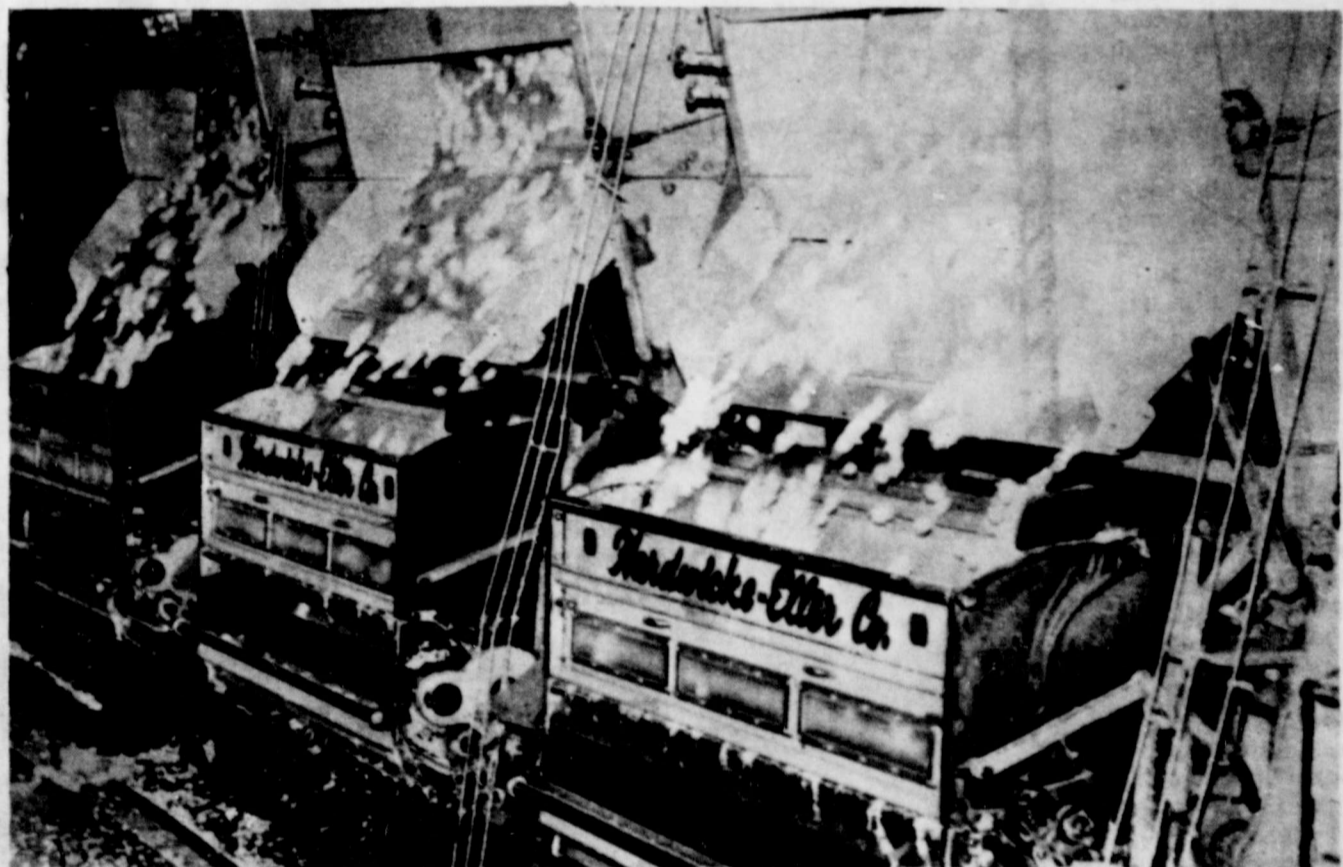
It is still my belief that Merkel motorists should sparingly use the Cherry Street crossing because it has no active warning devices, and more times than not, the crossbuck has been knocked down by a grain truck or a tractor trailer rig. It only takes a few more seconds to use the Oak street crossing that has the latest state of the art in grade crossing warning devices.

Another area of personal concern is enforcement of the existing state vehicle motor laws.

It is against the state motor vehicle laws to cross a rail-grade crossing when the signal lights and gates have been activated, but according to DPS statistics, less than 10 traffic citations were issued last year for violators of the law. I would guess Merkel police could have issued that many citations here for people that go around closed gates in a year because I have seen it more than once during the last year myself. There's no telling how many citations peace officers in the state could issue if that law was enforced and citations are not meant to punish drivers, citations are designed to help make people more aware of traffic laws and to become safer drivers.

Grade crossing safety from the motorists point of view should be relatively simple, given the fact we are the intelligent creature on this earth. If the lights are flashing and the gate is down, if the lights are flashing or when you see the crossbucks it should trigger an automatic reaction in your mind. Pull the car to the line on the pavement and stop, look both ways for the train and then listen for the train's whistle. That's the only way to be sure you are going to safely cross a railroad track.

If Sam Houston were writing this, he'd probably close by saying "Be sure you are right and then go ahead."



The cotton is flying at the Farmers Co-Op Gin in Merkel. They have been ginning for three

weeks as the area 1982 cotton harvest is in full swing. (Staff photo by Cloy A. Richards).



Dale Hammond
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Newsbriefs

Son born

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cunningham of 705 East 12th, Sweetwater, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Robert Levi, Jr. he was born on Sunday, October 3rd, at 3:02 a.m., in Rolling Plains Memorial Hospital of Sweetwater. He weighed 7 lbs 5 ozs, and was 20 inches long. Grand parents are Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Cunningham & Mr. & Mrs. Cliff & Laverne Phillips both of Merkel. Great Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Richardson, H.L. Cotton of Sweetwater and Douglas Phillips of Lubbock

Trick-or-treat

Starr Nursing Home is inviting area children to drop in for trick or treat anytime Friday after school.

Mayfield buried

Clyde Buster Mayfield 74, of Kerrville, a native of Blair, died at 9:15 p.m. in Kerrville after a long illness. Services were held Monday at Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Kenneth Jones, minister of Cap s Baptist Church in

Caps officiated. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery in Merkel.

Born July 3, 1908, in the Blair community, he had attended Merkel schools and Hardin Simmons University. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Kerrville, where he had lived since 1954.

Survivors include 2 brothers, M. E. Mayfield and Kenneth Mayfield, both of Abilene; and several nieces and nephews.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

To: LAWRENCE DAVID BAYES, 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 WILLIAM LUTHER HAMMOND and BETTYANNE HAMMOND, Petitioners,

filed in said Court on the 11th day of August 1982, against LAWRENCE DAVID BAYES, Respondent and said suit being number 7730-C on the docket of said Court and entitled 'In the Interest of TIFANIE CHARME GENE BAYES, a child' the nature of which suit is a request to terminate the parent-child relationship and subsequently adopt the child. Said child was born the 21st day of December, 1975, in Fort Carson, El Paso County, Colorado. 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 but not necessarily limited to, the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity, the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this 17th day of August, 1982.

Rilla Mahoney Clerk of the District Court of Taylor County Texas

by Judy Bennett 31-4tc

Halfbreed Halloween at the Quenna Hearts Club ... Friday 9-12 costume party Saturday 9-1 prizes for best costume, individual and couple Golden godies Court Charge



Singing set

There will be a 5th Sunday Singing at the Senior Citizens Building on Edwards Street starting at 2 o'clock, also Singing on Monday night Nov. 1.

Everyone is welcome to bring a friend. Come and take part in the singing.

Howell reunion

The Lige & Ivy Howell family held their Annual Reunion, Oct. 16th & 17th at the Senior Citizens Building in Merkel.

Sixty five were present from: San Angelo, Austin, Anson, Plainview, El Paso, Ft. Worth, Tyler, Merkel, Abilene, Snyder, Trent and Florida. The next one will be Oct. 8th & 9th, 1983 in Merkel.

Beta Sigma Phi

Preceptor Eta Omega, Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, met Tuesday night at the REA building.

President, Mamie Steck opened the meeting, then each committee chairman reported on their committee.

The program for the evening was presented by Mamie Steck. Her program was "What Beta Sigma Phi means to me." Then each member briefly gave a statement on what Beta Sigma Phi has meant to them.

Refreshments were served to the following members by hostess Mamie Steck; Louise Dubose, Jocille Brady, Connie Ybarra, Opal Garner, Kathy Leverich, and Val Patterson

School menu

The School Menu for Thursday is Tin Can Casserole, tossed salad, corn bread & cherry cobbler. Friday will be chili dogs, sweet relish, onion, pork & beans and chocolate peanut clusters for dessert.

Monday they will have chicken fried steak, cream gravy whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, and peaches with topping for dessert. Tuesday is chicken enchilada casserole, salad, and apple cheese crisp for dessert. Wednesday Fiestada, pinto beans, salad and pine apple for dessert.

Art group meets

The Merkel Art Association met Oct. 4th and made plans for a bake sale.

The group will see a demonstration on Nov. 1st at 7 p.m. at the Taylor Telephone Building by Belva Bennett, an Abilene artist, who will show Christmas cards.

Members attending were Imogene Coleman, Loreane Lee, Ruth Cox, Pat Neff, Evelyn Stribling, Cora Reeves and Betty Toombs.



NR 21

SEAN WOODARD

OUR OWN VERSION OF BOWLING IS TO CALL SEAN'S NUMBER

DALE HAMMOND



MERKEL HIGH SCHOOL

Varsity here against Breckenridge

7th & 8th grade hosts

Breckenridge Thursday at 5

THE FOLLOWING MERCHANTS BACK THE BADGERS

PALMER PONTIAC

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Merkel PTO sets king-queen coronation, carnival Oct. 30

The Merkel PTO's Halloween Carnival will be held Saturday, October 30th in the Merkel Elementary Building. Preceding the carnival will be the coronation of this year's King and Queen. Coronation activities will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium, with the carnival beginning a short time afterward and lasting until 9:00 p.m. The classes of Merkel Elementary are competing in a raffle with the class selling the most raffle tickets having the King and Queen winners. The winning class will also receive a \$50 cash prize and a coke party compliments of the

PTO. This year's raffle prizes include a TV, a Ten speed bike, and a pair of cowboy boots. Raffle tickets are \$1 each, and the drawing for winners will be held just prior to the coronation activities. The PTO would like to invite everyone in the community to come and enjoy a night of family fun. This year's carnival will feature some new booths including a "Ring the Armadillo" featuring live armadillos, carnival tickets will be 25 cents each with the proceeds from the raffle and carnival going to fund the activities of the PTO.

Merkel middle school honor roll

The Merkel Middle School Honor Roll is as follows:

6th Grade
A
 Robert Turner, Diem Tran, Richa Hill, Twila Wilburn, Mary Dillon, Richard Lacey, Glyn Ann Rutledge, Kim Richards, Julie Koflanovich, & Michelle Dudley.

A-B
 Chris Shugart, Wade Toombs, Jon-David Layher, David Biera, Dewayne Clark, Melissa Morris, Shane Lancaster, Dewayne Campbell, Teresa Lucas, Steve Leverich, Jennifer Gaona, Mendy Bunselmeyer, Cissy Sever, Anissa Jones, Tracy Moore, Jennifer Davis, Taylor Walston, Pam Neff, Maxie Lang, Michelle Barnett, & Lorena Pack.

8th Grade
A
 Kim Welding, Sheri Riney, Billy Ray Riley, & Abby Irvin.

A-B
 Judy Henson, Gayle Shugart, Kristen Kennedy, Tina Jaramila, Angela Thomas, Debbie Pack, Kim Watson, Rondale Watson, Sandra Kotrlik, David Ray, Ron Turner, Danny Santee, & Shane Reagan.

7th Grade
A
 Son Mi Chon, April Duncan, Kristy Elliott, Michelle Goodgion, Ramon Moreno, Brit Pursley, Todd Smith, Krista Toombs, & Misty Vaughn.

A-B
 Angie Cannon, Kyle Coker, Sheile Doan, Stacie Ferguson, Tami Israel, Stacie Johnson, Ami

Crazy Days parade changed Sat. 10:30

The annual Crazy Days parade will be held Saturday morning at 10:30.

The parade has been previously planned for 2 p.m. but was changed because of scheduling conflicts.

The Merkel Chamber of Commerce will be offering trophies for the craziest horse, float, car, bicycle and marcher in the annual parade.

Gorillas fall short

The Trent Gorillas mounted a furious rally last Friday against Lueders-Avoca but fell short as Trent lost its second district game of the season, 52-48.

Trent will host Highland Friday at 7 and the Junior High will travel to Highland Thursday at 6 p.m.

Trent Coach Marvin Wynn told the Mail his team was down 44-22 and came back to almost win the game and said he was proud of the team's effort.

Sams, Ted Seymore, Angie Moreno, & Amy Stuckey.



The 326th District Court has recently been expanded by the Legislature to have jurisdiction to hear civil and criminal cases. Quanah Parker believes this should be used to relieve the case load of the other crowded court dockets for speedier trials. But more important, it is the only court in Taylor County that decides custody, child support and division of community property in domestic relations cases. With your help, Quanah Parker wants to work hard at protecting the interests of the children of Taylor County. **Quanah Parker and his family ask for your support and vote on Tuesday, November 2.**

FAMILY

- Married to the former Gloria Ann Price.
- Father of three children, 10, 7 and 3.
- Members of University Church of Christ.
- 36 years of age.

EDUCATION

- Graduate of Abilene High School, 1964.
- Graduate of Abilene Christian University, 1968.
- Graduate of University of Texas School of Law, 1971.

MILITARY SERVICE

- U.S. Army, 1971-1972
- U.S. Army Reserves 1973-1980
- Texas Army National Guard, 1980 to Present
- Current Rank, Captain, Military Police Corps

CIVIC SERVICE

- Active in United Girls Softball as Coach for two years
- Past President of Taylor Elementary P.T.A.
- Scout master, Explorer Scouts, Post 253.
- Young Lawyers' Representative, Volunteer Services Council, Abilene State School

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- Past President, Abilene Young Lawyers
- Assistant District Attorney, 1978-1979
- Former Associate City Judge, Abilene and Hunt, Texas
- Licensed in 1971, Member, Texas State Bar, Taylor County Bar, and licensed to practice in Federal Court for the Southern and Northern Districts of Texas
- 10 years practicing attorney

Quanah Parker
 For District Judge

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And He'll get the court moving.

Pol. Adv. Paid by Quanah Parker Campaign Committee, Marshal Keller, Treasurer, P.O. Box 1456, Abilene, Texas 79604

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For Sale: 1978 Pontiac Bonneville, 2 door, tilt, cruise, power windows, locks, steering, black on black am, fm, tape, clean. 45,000 miles, Tom Carson, 928-5089.

29-TFC

For Sale: One portable metal insulated building. Call 928-5348.

34-TFC

For Sale: registered, one year old male cocker spaniel and dog house. 10 month old parade lowery organ. 1514 Heath 928-5757.

34-2tc

20 Foot side by side frost free refrigerator freezer. Signature. Call 862-6206.

34-1tc

For Sale: AKC toy Poodle puppies. Wormed & first shots. \$100. 928-5381.

34-2tp

1982 MAXIMA (Datsun). New was \$12,900. Now 10 month old, excellent shape, will take wholesale \$9600. Good ride, best sound system available, sunroof, 30 MPG. 698-9113 days 928-4365 nights and weekends.

34-1tc

12x20 Metal Portable Building fully paneled & wired, insulated, work bench, work tables. Ready made shop. See at 1603 S. 3rd call 928-4365.

34-1tc

Side by side refrigerator \$300, stereo for \$200 846-4933, also water softener.

34-1tp

For Sale: Registered quarter horse filly, 2 year old. Call after 6 928-4916.

34-4tnc

For Sale: Craftsman 4/ inch Jointer-Planer with motor and stand. Also Craftsman Rooter Recreator. see Bob Bockman 701 S 2nd St.

34-1tp

For Sale: 3 BR, 1 1/4 Bath, open living-kitchen area with eating bar, utility room, redwood deck, brick front under \$40,000 call 928-5879.

34-1tc

Pick Up cab over camper. Stove, water system, ice box, refrigerated air, fits long narrow, or wide bed. needs touch up. Sleeps four. \$500. Call 928-5050

34-1tc

For Sale: Matching couch and chair \$85 and platform rocker \$35 928-5159 cash only please

MISC.

Own your own Jeans-sportswear, infant - Preteen or ladies Apparel Store. Offering all nationally known brands such as Jordache, Chic, Lee, Levi, Vanderbilt, Calvin Klein, Wrangler over 200 other brands. \$7,900 to \$16,500 includes beginning inventory, airfare for one to Fashion Center, Training, fixtures, grand opening promotions. Call Mr. Loughlin (612) 836-1304.

34-1tp

DOUG'S SMALL ENGINE REPAIR
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23-TFC

GAIL'S BARBER & STYLE SHOP Open Tues. thru Sat. 118 Edwards. Call or come in 928-4815.

23-TFC

Granny's Playhouse, Child Care open from 6:30 AM till 6:00 PM Call 928-4904 or come by 207 Orange.

30-tfc

You can receive a \$2 return for every dollar invested in a proper fertilizer program. Now is the time to fertilize your wheat. McLures, Inc. Complete fertilizer & chemical service, Roby Texas. 915-776-2448. 31-4tc
Now Open Kid's Korner Day Care Center 2nd & Oak. Open Mon. - Friday 6:45 a.m. till 6 p.m. Call 928-4381. 31-tfc

U.S.A. Buildings - All Steel - Full Factory Warranty. Smallest building 20x40x8, Largest 120x400x32, other sizes available. Call Now 1-800-521-0334 Ext 540. Must sell cheap IMMEDIATELY Will deliver to building site Commercial, Agricultural, Grain Buildings.

Will do babysitting in my home. Any ages, Monday through Friday. Reasonable rates. Close to schools. 928-5634.

34-1tp
ATTENTION: Mature couple with grown children & pets want to lease a Home. Preferably with small acreage, 3 BR, 2 Bath or large 2 BR, 2 Bath must be reasonable. Abilene 695-1159 after 5 p.m.

34-2tp
Lawn Properties, Inc. 695-1880

MERKEL Humphrey Village - Lots ready for construction. Plans to choose from.

3 Bedroom, 2 bath, Fireplace, ready open house daily. This home is extra special. Pleasant Valley JUST LISTED 16 plus acres with 3 bedroom, Brick home has well, creek many extras Call Betty.

4 Bedroom home on 2 acres. Owner anxious to move to California Call Marlon.

301 Rose- Make Offer on 2 lots, Owner Anxious. Call Tom.

JUST LISTED 301 Kent 2 bedroom, Shop, 1 car garage detached with large storage building on 2 lots. Call Betty.

1.88 Acres also 2 acres N. of Tye zoned for

THE CLASSIFIEDS

Thursday, October 28, 1982

THANK YOU

We are sincerely grateful to friends & neighbors for their flowers, food & many acts of kindness during our recent bereavement. Our appreciation cannot be adequately expressed. The Atwell Henderson Family

34-1tnc
Your kindness in our time of sorrow is greatly appreciated. Your flowers, prayers, food and visits will be remembered. The Family of Dalma Rister

Jane, Edd, Wesley & Jeffery Jones.

34-1tnc
We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the many friends and neighbors for every act of kindness, sympathy, and love during the recent sickness and loss of our husband and father, Joe Hartley. Mrs. Joe Hartley Billy & Carolyn SoRelle Larry & Vicki Groneman Tom SoRelle

GARAGE SALES

Big GARAGE Sale- Thurs, Fri., Sat. Fishing chair and trolling motor, pick-up camper, sewing machine and lots of misc. items. 1514 Heath 928-5757.

34-2tc
BAKE SALE: Oct. 30 in front of West Texas Utility Co. 123 Edwards, Merkel. Stith Extension Home-makers Club.

For special orders Call 928-5307 or 928-4362 or 928-5296.

34-1tp
Neighborhood Yard Sale: 907 Ash, Friday and Saturday 9:30 - 5:00.

Salesman's maternity samples sizes 4-16. Living room furniture, bedroom furniture, 2 refrigerated air cond. units 5000 BTU and 1800 BTU, kitchen items, wall hangings, books, baby clothes, womens clothing all in good condition - all sizes, lots of misc. including children toys. In case of rain sale will be held indoors.

34-1tp
Garage Sale: 2 space heaters, lots of misc. Friday and Saturday 812 Oak.

34-1tp
Yard Sale: 1408 N. 1st Friday only 8 till 7 Childrens and Adults clothes.

34-1tp

Huge Garage Sale: Saturday only. Between Merkel and Tye one mile North of 120 on Wimberly Road and FM 1235.

34-1tc
Flea Market: Wilson Food Store, Fri & Sat. Oct. 29-30. Spaces for rent also Frigidare Range for sale, good condition. Freezers for sale.

34-1tc
CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: JAMES GUNN Unknown Address, Respondent; GREETINGS: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable 326th Court, Taylor County, Texas, at the Court house of said County in Abilene, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of Mario Alcantar and Glenda Sue Alcantar, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 23rd day of September, 1982, against James Gunn, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 7915-C on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In the Interest of Melodie Majuhata Smith, a Child", the nature of which suit is a request to Petitioners pray that the Court determine what parent-child relationships exist between the child and any other persons, that same be terminated, that Mario Alcantar be granted a decree of adoption of such child. Said child was born the 5th day of March, 1973, in Dallas, Texas.

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 returned unserved. The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return

as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this the 30th day of September, 1982.

Rilla Mahoney Clerk 326th District Court Taylor County Texas Kelly Gandy Deputy 31-4tc

The annual report of Hendrick Home For Children, for taxable year ended June 30, 1982, is available at its principal office located at 2758 Jeanette Street, Abilene, Texas, for inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests such inspection within 180 days hereof. The principal manager of the Foundation is Claude Hicks.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Arnulfo Garcia, Respondent; GREETINGS: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas, at

RAMCON
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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 children 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 children adoption.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved. The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to re-

quirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this the 12th day of October, 1982.

Rilla Mahoney Clerk 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas By Rilla Mahoney Deputy

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: UNKNOWN FATHER Address Unknown, 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 Christian Homes of

Abilene, Inc. Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 19 day of October, 1982, against Unknown Father, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 8034-C on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Interest of Baby Boy Strange, a Child", the nature of which suit is a request to terminate the parent-child relationship between the father and child. Said child was born the 17 day of October, 1982, in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas. The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgement 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 returned unserved. The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this

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Roll call was answered by, How many state meetings had you attended.

Minutes were read by Louise Hudson. Recreation was questioned how many beans in a small sack and was won by Genoa Shaw.

During the business meeting a bake sale on Oct. 30 was discussed. If anyone is interested in order something specially baked call 928-5296.

We will try to make it for you. Mrs. Bertha Hunter came and gave us a program on her trip to State meet in Sept. at El Paso.

Refreshments were served to Vada Hudson, Daisy Mashburn, Genoa Shaw, Margaret Dickerson, Bonnie Smith, Elizabeth Higgins, Louise Hudson, and Bertha Hunter.

Dated: January 20, 1981

Recorded: Volume 1176, Page 341, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 400 acres in Taylor County, Texas as described in said lease

Lease No. 2: Alice Collins Walton, et al (Young Estate) Lease Lessor: Alice Collins Walton, et al

Lessee: W.J. Heard Dated: January 20, 1981

Recorded: Volume 1176, Page 347, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease.

Lease No. 3: Opal Hodges Lease Lessor: Opal Hodges Lessee: R & R Petroleum, Inc.

Dated: July 31, 1980 Recorded: Volume 1158, Page 323, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 719.63 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease.

Lease No. 4: Myrl Young Lease Lessor: Myrl Young Lessee: R & R Petroleum, Inc.

Dated: October 30, 1980 Recorded: Volume 1169, Page 548, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Lessor: Myrl Young Lessee: R & R Petroleum, Inc.

Dated: December 1, 1980 Recorded: Volume 1170, Page 471, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas.

Property: 757.87 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease.

Lease No. 5: Bert Young, et ux lease Lessor: Bert Young and wife, Floy Young Lessee: W.J. Heard

Dated: November 24, 1980 Recorded: Volume 1171, Page 122, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 160 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease

Lease No. 6: J.D. Magee, et ux lease Lessor: J.D. Magee, and wife, Elsie Magee Lessee: W.J. Heard

Dated: October 30, 1980 Recorded: Volume 1169, Page 548, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 189.9 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease

Lease No. 7: Edward S. Hammonds, et ux lease Lessor: Edward S. Hammonds and wife, Ellie B. Hammonds

Lessee: W.H. Heard Dated: October 30, 1980 Recorded: Volume 1169, Page 575, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 189.9 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease

Lease No. 8: Patty Hanks Shelton, et al lease Lessor: Patty Hanks Shelton, individually and as Trustee

Lessee: W.J. Heard Dated: October 30, 1980 Recorded: Volume 1169, Page 582, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 189.9 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease

Lease No. 9: W.B. Deal Lessor: W.B. Deal Lessee: W.J. Heard

Dated: February 4, 1981 Recorded: Volume 1189, Page 791, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 640 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease

Lease No. 10: Edna Frances Ferguson Lease Lessor: Edna Frances Ferguson Lessee: W.J. Heard

Dated: June 1, 1981 Recorded: Volume 1208, Page 211, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 640 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease

Lease No. 11: Travis Wilson Ferguson lease Lessor: Travis Wilson Ferguson and wife,

Janet Ferguson Lessee: W.J. Heard Dated: June 1, 1981

Recorded: Volume 1208, Page 196, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 640 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease

Lease No. 12: Jennie Bess Russo lease Lessor: Jennie Bess Russo, a widow Lessee: W.J. Heard

Dated: May 22, 1981 Recorded: Volume 1208, Page 198, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 80 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease

Lease No. 13: Barbara Ann Russo, et al Lease Lessor: Barbara Ann Russo, et al Lessee: W.J. Heard

Dated: May 22, 1981 Recorded: Volume 1208, Page 201, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 550 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease

Lease No. 14: Jerry Dennis, et ux lease Lessor: Jerry Dennis and wife, Jacqueline Dennis Lessee: W.J. Heard

Dated: May 22, 1981 Recorded: Volume 1208, Page 205, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 10 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease

Lease No. 15: Barbara Ann Russo, et al lease Lessor: Barbara Ann Russo, et al Lessee: W.J. Heard

Dated: June 16, 1981 Recorded: Volume 1208, Page 208, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 640 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease

Lease No. 16: Ben Y. Smith, et ux lease

the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on said date, at the Court-house door of said County, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all of the right, title and interest of the said Dividend Production Company in and to said property in compliance with the Judgment entered in the above numbered and styled cause and dated the 2nd day of August, 1982.

Dated at Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, this 7th day of October, 1982.
John Middleton Sheriff Taylor County, Texas
By: Eddie Swanson

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THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TAYLOR NOTICE OF EXECUTION SALE

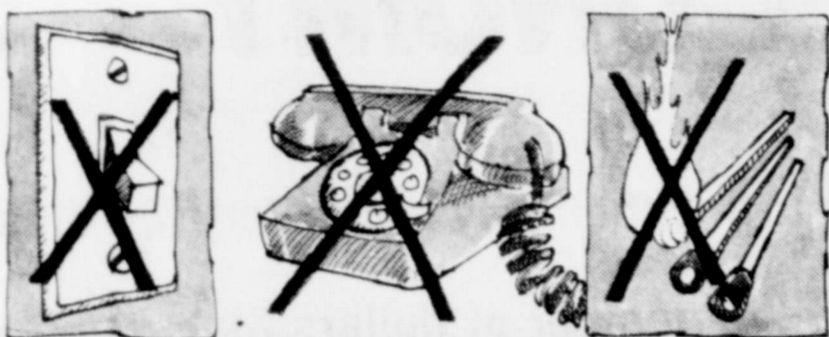
By virtue of an execution issued out of the District Court of Taylor County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 2nd day of August, 1982, in favor of Thomas Operating Company, Inc. and against Dividend Production Company, in the case of Thomas Operating Company, Inc. against Dividend Production Company, number 37,486-A in such court, I did, on the 7th day of October, 1982 at 1:40 o'clock, p.m., levy upon the following described tracts and parcels of land situated in the County of Taylor, State of Texas, as property of the said Dividend Production, to wit:

Being all the right title and interest assigned by that certain assignment of oil and gas lease dated the 15th day of December, 1981 from Don H. Ford to Dividend Production Company and found at Volume 1225, Page 689 through 694 of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas which leases are described in Exhibit "A" thereto attached and made a part thereof and which are described as follows:

Lease No. 1: Alice Collins Walton, et al (Young Estate) Lease Lessor: Alice Collins

Walton, et al Lessee: W.J. Heard

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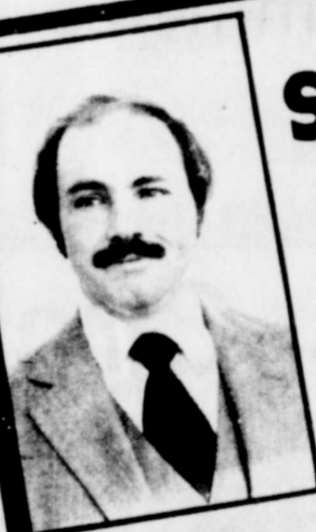
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Wards celebrate 60th

Mr. & Mrs. Lee Ward of 1909 Collins Ave. in Abilene were married 60 years on Nov. 22nd. Due to Mrs. Ward's health they were unable to have a celebration. Two of their daughters and husbands visited them for the occasion. They were Mr. & Mrs. John D. Stout of Merkel, and Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell Ingram of Abilene. Another daughter Elsie Jones of Bossier City, La. called to congratulate them. They both were presented with watches for the occasion from all their children. They include Jean Stout of Merkel, Dure Ward of Beaumont, Kenneth Ward of Irving, Rayford Ward of Eunice, La., Mary Ingram of Abilene and Elsie Jones of Bossier City, La. Mr. Ward was born June 11, 1900 at Lindale, Texas and Mrs. Ward was born Dec. 26, 1907 at Oak Grove, near Anson. They were married Oct. 22, 1922 at Anson. Before moving to Abilene, they lived for many years in the Anson and Merkel Area. They are members of the Church of Christ. They have 14 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren.



Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Cowser

McLeod-Cowsert wed in Dallas

Patti Marie McLeod and Timothy Lynn Cowsert were married Oct. 15 in the home of Judge Joe B. Brown in Dallas with Judge Brown officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry C. McLeod, 3201 S. 23rd, formerly of Merkel. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Cowsert of Rocksprings. A graduate of Merkel High School, the bride attended Angelo State University. The bridegroom graduated from Rocksprings High School. He is employed by McClanahan and Associates.

The couple lives at 3501 Curry Lane No. 201. Pattie is the granddaughter of Sam and Opal McLeod of Merkel.

Mall sets annual cake decorating show & sale for Rehab Center

The annual Mall of Abilene Cake Show sponsored by the Sweet Squeezers Cake Decorating Club will be held November 4-6th at the Mall of Abilene. Everyone is invited to enter. Entry fee is \$1 per entry. Entries will be taken at the Mall between 8 a.m. and 12 noon on Thursday, November 4. Divisions are: Junior A ages 7 and under, Junior B ages 8 thru 12, Junior C ages 13 thru 15; Adult A Beginners, Adult B Advanced, Adult C Professional. Each adult division will be divided into six categories: Winners Circle, Novelty, Special Occasion, Tiered Wedding and Anniversary, Holiday, & Special Techniques. Junior Division will have no separate categories. Judging will be at 1 p.m. on Thursday, November 4. Prizes will be awarded for each 1st place entry. Ribbons will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place entries. There will be a mens live cake decorating contest at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 6, featuring:

John Chalmers, Chalmers Operating Co., David Bacon, Newsman for KTAB TV; Bill Rogers, Meteorologist for KRBC TV; Rich Diamond, Sports Reporter for the Abilene Reporter News; Laurence Clayton, Dean of College Arts and Sciences at HSU; Jim Kurtis, Ace Reporter for KTXS TV; James Hallmark, from the West Texas Rehab Center. These men have never decorated and will be instructed on how to decorate. They will then each decorate their cakes in their own way. When they are finished, the judges will award ribbons for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places. To conclude our contest all entries will be auctioned off to the highest bidder with the proceeds going to the West Texas Rehab Center. Cakes for the mens contest will be furnished by Safeway, North 10th and Willis. Plan to come by and visit our Cake Show for 1982. It is open to the public free of charge.



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FFA's place well in Dallas

We are proud to announce the Merkel Chapter placed very well at the State Fair of Texas in Dallas last week. The results are as follows: Swine;

Swine
Light Weight Chester; 5th-Chris Mashburn, 8th-Amber Whisenhunt, 7th-Chris Mashburn, 10th-Amber Whisenhunt; Medium Weight Chester 20th-Chris Cutler; Heavy Weight Chester; 3rd-Amber Whisenhunt, 12th-Lynn Hays, 13th - Melissa Harris, Medium Weight Crossbred; 17th-Tommy Hays; Light Weight Duroc; 23rd-Melissa aris, Heavy Weight Duroc; 4th-Lynn Hays, 26th Jay Williams; Light Weight Hamp; 8th-Lynn Hays; Light Weight Spots and Polands; 2nd-Tommy Hays; Medium Weight Spots and Polands; 7th-Lee Leverich; Light Weight Yorks; 2nd-Tommy Hays.

Sheep
Suffock; 6th-Chuck Peterman; Hamp; 34th - Chuck Peterman.

Cattle
Bramahs; 4th-Denise Pack & 7th-Denise Pack. Other members who attended the Fair were Eddy Harris, Justin Harris, Billy Ray Riley and Chris Harris.

We would like to invite all parents and interested persons to attend the Merkel Livestock Association Meeting next Tuesday, November 2 in the ag building. The purpose of this meeting will be to organize the Merkel Livestock Show. We urge you to attend!

Monday, the chapter started their annual fruit sale. The sale will continue on until November 15. We are selling oranges, grapefruit, and apples. The prices are: Oranges (small box 40-50 oranges) \$8, large box (80-100 oranges) \$12. Ruby Red Grapefruit; small box (18-24 grapefruit) \$8 & large box (36-48) \$12. Red delicious apples, (25-30) \$10 & combination box (12 each) oranges, grapefruit & apples- \$12.

If you are interested in buying fruit please contact any FFA member.

The spotlights this week are from the VAIII class. Sammy Tumlinson, son of Pat Tumlinson is a senior and 17 years old. Sammy's degree in ag is a chapter farmer. He has been in ag for 4 years and his projects have been duroc and hamshire pigs. Sammy's project this year is a duroc pig. His greenhand year he placed 4th place in skills team and attended the dairy cattle judging contest in Stephanville. Sammy is very active in sports. He played football for 3 years, basketball for 4 years and track 4 years. Sammy was a reginal qualifier in mile relay and 440 relay, he also tied for 1st in district in pole vaulting.

Donna Miller, daughter of Robert and Grace Miller, is a junior and 16 years old. Donna's project this year is a commercial steer and 6 commercial cows. Her projects in the past consisted of pigs, steer, horses, cows and a bull calf. She has participated in the radio team and FFA quiz team. Donna has been in ag for 3 years

and her degree in ag this year is a chapter farmer. Donna has been active in basketball for 5 years.

Chris Mashburn, son of Jo Ann Mashburn, is a senior and 18 years old. Chris is serving as our chapters president and Area IV Vice President and is planning to run for State Officer at the end of this year. He has been active in ag for 4 years and recently received his Lone Star Farmer Degree. Chris has attended all major stock shows were he showed Chester pigs. He is a member of the Chester White Association. Chris has been active in judging and leadership contests. He has been President of the Senior Chapter Conducting team which placed 3rd. Chris has been a chapter and district officer. He is employed at the Merkel Veterinary Clinic. His plans after high school are to go to college and major in Veterinary Medicine.

Halloween safety tips

Traditional Halloween festivities can be fun and safe for children if parents and motorists take proper safety precautions, the Texas Safety Association says.

Children are vulnerable to accidents, particularly on Halloween, because of the happy but careless manner in which they "trick or treat."

The Texas Safety Association recommends that parents consider the following safety tips:

1. When young children go "trick or treating," they should be accompanied by parents, older brothers or sisters, or other responsible adults.
2. Halloween visits for very small children should be confined to the neighborhood and should be made during afternoon and early evening hours.
3. Costumes should be made of light-colored or reflectorized, flame-retardant material that is short enough to avoid tripping the child.
4. Make-up rather than commercial masks should be used to decorate a child's face. Masks may often have eye holes that obstruct the vision of a youngster. The Texas Safety Association says that a painted face and a decorative hat are the best safety measure for a child's clear vision.
5. Parents should warn their children to cross the street only at cross walks, never between parked cars, and to pause and carefully look both ways before crossing.

In addition, Texas Safety Association recommends that motorists consider the following safety tips on this enchanted evening:

1. Motorists should drive slowly and with extreme caution through neighborhood streets. At any moment, a carefree youngster can dart out into the street.
2. Be careful when backing cars out of driveways or turning into streets in residential areas.

Halloween can be a most enjoyable time for the nation's children if parents and motorists take proper safety measures.

Stress center offers facts

The Stress Center at Hendrick Medical Center has made the following facts about stress available to Mail readers. According to Peggy Smith, Community Service Co-ordinator for the Stress-Care Unit at Hendrick, the following information are facts about stress and emotional problems.

Mrs. Smith can be contacted at 677-2287 or by writing to her at N. 19th and Hickory, Abilene, 79601.

Persons with emotional problems need the support and understanding of their loved ones.

Bizarre thoughts or actions indicate that a person is suffering from an illness and that help should be sought from a professional.

Some emotional problems are hereditary, while others are not. Even when heredity sets the stage for emotional problems, they do not necessarily appear. A person's life history may have as much to do with his emotional condition as his family history of emotional problems.

Different emotional problems bring about different symptoms, ranging from silence and withdrawal to extreme excitement and agitation. Some emotional problems affect a person's thought process, while others affect his emotional reactions.

Doctors agree that the sooner a person receives professional treatment for emotional problems, the greater are his chances for recovery.

Neuroses are maladaptive behaviors that produce psychic stress, and are characterized by an inability of an individual to perform at his normal capacity. Though classified as minor disorders, this can cause extreme suffering and impair the person's ability to cope.

A psychosis is a severe disability involving a person's coping mechanisms, and is commonly characterized by a loss of contact with reality,

distortion of perception, regressive behaviors and abnormal mental content.

Chemotherapy involves the use of medication to relieve a person's symptoms or correct a biochemical disorder.

Psychotherapy is a form of treatment for psychiatric disorders which is characterized by the patient talking with the therapist about his life and his problems. The goal of psychotherapy is to help the patient understand why he thinks, acts and feels the way he does so that he can alleviate symptoms.

A psychiatrist is a medical doctor who deals with the origins, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of emotional problems. He is able to prescribe medications.

A psychologist is a doctor of psychology who also deals with the origins, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of emotional problems. He is able to perform psychotherapy, but not to prescribe medications.

Hospitalization in a special psychiatric program is often beneficial in providing the patient a respite from the stress of home or work, and offers a round-the-clock environment which is specifically designed to be therapeutic.

A brief stay in a specialized psychiatric hospital unit may be necessary for a patient whose physician wishes to conduct psychological or neurological evaluations in order to properly diagnosis the patient's disorder.

Occasionally a patient may need to be hospitalized in a specialized psychiatric program in order for his physician to monitor the effectiveness of medications he has prescribed.

Patients who are hospitalized for psychiatric care should usually be seen on an outpatient basis for a period of time following discharge.

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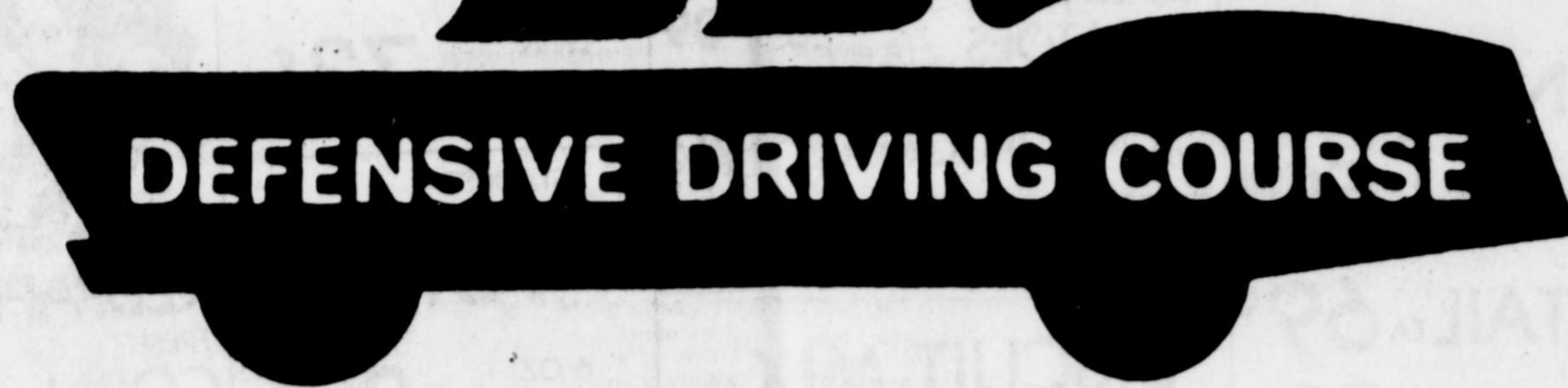
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Traffic Ticket - Why Pay ?

DDC



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The Texas Legislature in 1979 passed a law granting the motorist who has received a traffic citation the right to take a Defensive Driving Course in lieu of paying a fine. Under the law, traffic citations do not become part of a driver's record and there are no fines for drivers who take the Defensive Driving Course within 90 days after getting a ticket.

Benefits from the DDC are improvement in the student's driving techniques, reinforcement in a positive manner of respect for traffic laws, the skill in avoiding accidents. Defensive driving may save you from death or injury in a highway accident or from being the cause of death or injury to some other innocent person. A research study of 8,000 DDC graduates in 26 states indicated that the group had 32.8 percent fewer accidents the year following the course as compared with the previous year. Individual case histories of many employee groups show similar improvements in accident experience. This is reflected in the fact that the state law provides for a 10 percent reduction in insurance premiums for three years after a Defensive Driving Course, even for those drivers who are taking the course for the purpose of getting a ticket dismissed.

As the research studies have proven, driver education is the key to reducing the deaths and injuries that occur every hour of every day of every week of every month throughout the year.

The Texas Department of Public Safety reported that in 1981:

- 1 person was killed every 1 hour 52 minutes
- 1 person was injured every 2 minutes 33 seconds
- 1 accident occurred every 69 seconds

State-wide in Texas in 1981 there were 4,701 traffic deaths. Right here in Taylor County there were 29 fatalities and 2,249 people injured in traffic accidents in 1981. In fact there has not been a deathless day in Texas in the past 4 years. It's time something is done about it.

A VOTE FOR LEO MASHBURN IS A VOTE FOR DRIVER EDUCATION RATHER THAN A REVENUE-ORIENTED TRAFFIC COURT.

Leo Mashburn has pledged to use the law that was passed by the Texas Legislature in 1979 permitting dismissal of traffic tickets upon completion of a Defensive Driving Course as a tool to reduce the deaths and suffering on our streets and highways.

Defensive Driving Courses are taught in the Abilene area by Byron R. Deal, a former highway patrolman and graduate of Hardin-Simmons University. Deal conducts the complete eight hour course in one day for an \$18.00 fee. The course is offered on Saturdays at Hardin-Simmons University. Further details are available from Deal's office at 695-2637.

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