

The Merkel Mail

Thursday, October 27, 1983...Merkel, Texas

25 cents

Badgers bopped by Clyde, travel to Breck Friday

The Merkel Badgers lost their third district game in a row here Friday night as Clyde rolled to an easy 36-0 win.

The win puts Clyde at 2-1 in district play and Merkel falls to 0-3. It also sets up a showdown this week as Wylie and Clyde will play, the winner of that game and Breckenridge still have chances at playoff slots with Electra looking like the district winner with a 3-0 record.

Merkel managed 175 yards of offense and got four drives started during the game, but were unable to maintain a drive against the Bulldog defense.

This week, the Badgers travel to Breckenridge for an 8 p.m. kickoff. Breckenridge has been having its troubles this year and were defeated by Wylie last week.

In other games, the J.V. hosts Breck at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, the Freshmen host Breck at 6, 8th grade travels to Breck for a 7 p.m. kickoff, preceded by the 7th grade game at 6 and the Gold Team game at 5.



The Badger defense closes in on a Clyde receiver here Friday night. The Badgers travel to Breckenridge Friday for an 8 p.m. kickoff. (Staff photo)

Trent runs record to 8-0 with win

The Trent Gorillas ran their season record to 8-0 and continued to gather steam as their showdown with Highland looks like it will decide the district race. Both teams are undefeated.

Trent defeated Luders Avoca 50-16 in Trent Friday night.

Trent racked up 296 yards rushing and completed 12 of 19 passes for 187 yards.

Benjamin Beaver again led the scoring with 30 points. Bebo had 13 rushes for 162 yards and four touchdowns and also caught a touchdown pass.

Billy Brazelton had 72 yards

rushing and a touchdown, Richard Vergenz caught three passes, one for a touchdown, Billy Williams scored a touchdown and David Baker had a point after.

Defensive standouts included Don Renfro, Steve Schriener, Patrick Penton and Freddie Patterson.

Elementary school sets carnival

This year's coronation will be held in the Merkel school auditorium on Saturday, October 29th at 6 pm. We will have an addition to the coronation this year of Prince and Princess to reign from the Kindergarten through Second grades. The King and Queen will reign from the Third through Fifth grades.

October 28th is the final day for the sale of raffle tickets which are one dollar each. Raffle items are a boys or girls

bicycle donated by Ben Franklins, a \$75 gift certificate donated by Circle A Western House and a 12 inch black and white TV donated by Starbucks. A most appreciated thank you goes to our local merchants who have donated the raffle items.

Following the coronation, why don't you eat supper at the carnival? The food booth this year will be in the school cafeteria where you can sit and enjoy your meal. The class

rooms will have individual booths covering a variety of games, chances, and prizes. Tickets for the carnival are 25 cents each and will be sold in two locations, the foyer of the elementary building and the south doors to the Kindergarten building. The carnival will run until 9 pm. So, what are you waiting for, let's get ready for a successful year, and some fun for the children, October 29th, Saturday at 6 pm, mark it down.

Getting tough, rain, voters...more

by Cloy A. Richards
§ The news Tuesday was strange. Two rare occurrences going at one time, Merkel gets a three inch rain and American troops were engaging Cubans on some little Caribbean island called Grenada.

The politics of the rain are fairly clear cut, but that other matter is different.

My attitude, politically, must be changing. My first reaction to the military action Tuesday was, and still is, favorable to a little tail kicking now and then. Shows of force are effective in some cases, but a tail kicking usually gets ones' attention.

That's not like me, it's not a good philosophy for effective foreign policy, but we have been taking our lumps abroad as of late and haven't done anything to show our anger or disgust.

When the President was told that ever a slight possibility

existed that as many as 1,000 Americans could be held hostage in Grenada following the deplorable bombing in Beirut, he decided to act and act with a firm hand.

I am not a warmonger, nor one of the biggest fans of Ronald Reagan, but I am pretty sick and tired of foreign countries doing whatever they please because all Washington D. C. will do is bombard them with rhetoric.

A good muscle flexing was what we needed, just to let a few of the political nuts in the world know who they are messing with.

If you haven't had enough rain lately, you are unlucky. Merkel has received over 6 and a half inches of rain recently, officially, more in some spots.

It has caused some problems with cotton harvesting but it

sure will help that winter wheat.

Local election judge Joe Earl Lassiter came by last week and said he felt voters in the Texas Constitutional Amendment election should start reading up on the proposed amendments.

Voters in the Nov. 8 election will have 11 amendments on the ballot.

We had a nice visit from Glenn and Suzy this weekend and Glenn spent a lot of time with Melanie learning how to better copy our photographs. Now, we haven't seen any photos yet, but Melanie said she learned a lot from him.

Suzy spent a lot of the time visiting friends and relatives here and they headed back in time for classes and work Monday.

City council approves annexation, will be in court for park deed

The Merkel City Council met in regular session Monday night and decided to annex about two and a half acres on Merkel's West side and heard it may have to go to court to get a deed on property purchased for the new city park.

Council also received notice from WTU that it planned to start its requested rate hike into effect until the Public Utility Commission can hear its case.

The land being annexed is a part of a mobile home park planned West of Starr Nursing

Home here. The property is being developed by Larry Cur-nutt and John Scott Lanford. Under Merkel's city charter, the city cannot annex property unless all of the residents in the affected area agree to the annexation. No one is currently living on the property proposed for annexation.

Jack Gilreath, a consultant helping implement the HUD programs here, told council the city may have to go to district court with a "friendly suit",

meaning both parties agree a suit is needed, to get clear title on property the city is buying for the north side city park.

The property on Merkel's North West side near I-20, was purchased in the 1960s at a Sheriff's Sale, and although the sale is recorded, the deed cannot be located. The council will now seek to have the property condemned for park use, through the agreement of the city and the person owning the property.

Crazy Days celebration planned Saturday with annual parade

Merkel's annual celebration of Crazy Days is now in the making all plans are being finalized and we want everyone to be getting ready to participate and make this the biggest and best Crazy Days yet.

The parade will be held Saturday, October 29th at 2 pm. Anyone wishing to participate will need to line up in front of the Assembly of God church around 1:30 pm. There are

many different categories in which you can enter. Car, Truck, Float, Marching Group, Marcher, Horse and Bicycle. Anyone or any organization that wishes to enter the parade is more than welcome. Along with the parade the merchants are asked to help celebrate by dressing crazy on Monday, October 31st. Tacky (Crazy) Day at school is set for Friday, October 28th. The dress up at school includes everyone from kindergarten through 12 grade.

Tye will also be participating. Also we want to see all the teachers and principals dressed up this year. These events are sponsored by the Merkel Chamber of Commerce so if you need more information please call 928-5722 or 928-5017.

Crazy Days marchers can take heart in knowing there will be a special prize category for them, so if you want to join in the craziness, get dressed and join in.

Tax rebates still running ahead

Merkel's tax rebates are still running 10.81 per cent ahead of payments last year according to a news release from the state controller's office.

Merkel's latests check, one for \$3,794.90 pushes the yearly total to \$55,713.96, compared to \$50,280.21 through the same time period last year.

Tye rebates are still running

7.79 per cent behind those last year and they have received \$45,147.17 this year.

Texas cities shared in \$38.2 million in rebates, according to the comptroller and payments statewide are still 7.2 per cent ahead of the same time period last year.

The city recently received a check for \$419.19 for the legal sales of mixed drinks, according to a news release from the State Comptroller's office.

The city receives a 15 per cent rebate on all taxes collected by the state through a tax on each mixed drink.

WTU asks PUC permission to start collecting new rates

West Texas Utilities Company has filed notice that it intends to put a major portion of its requested retail rate increase into effect October 22 on an interim basis.

The interim rates will reflect an annual increase of \$18.8 million, a level about halfway between the Company's original request and the Public Utility Commission staff's recommendation. WTU asked for \$24.5 million and the staff recommended \$10.6 million.

Texas law allows a utility to place a rate increase into effect subject to refund 125 days after the original request is filed if the PUC and the cities have not taken final action by that date. A hearing on the WTU request was completed September 12 in Austin, but the final rate order from the Commission has not been issued.

"We had rather not place interim rates into effect," said G. Holman King, WTU vice president and director of corporate affairs, "but we have an urgent need for rate relief and cannot afford the revenue loss caused by waiting for final rate approval."

King said the interim rates will be subject to refund, and probably will create a certain amount of confusion when final rates are approved and adjustments are made.

The interim rates will result in an increase of about 7.5 per cent to residential customers. A residence using 600 kilowatt-hours would be billed \$49.56 under the interim rates and \$46.11 under the present rates, a difference of \$3.45. A customer using 1,000 kilowatt-hours would see his bill raised from \$72.02 to \$77.61, a difference of \$5.59.

WTU originally had asked for the new rates to be effective July 16. The new rates are based on revenue requirements of a historical test year, which in this case was the year ended March 31, 1983.

WTU serves 82 incorporated towns and several unincorporated communities. Of the incorporated towns, 28 have denied the rate increase and appealed to the PUC, 32 suspended the rate increase and 21 ceded jurisdiction to the PUC. The City of Vernon was not affected, as rates there are set by City Council for both WTU and the municipal electric system.

Towns denying the rate increase were Alpine, Aspermont, Balmorhea, Bronte, Clyde, Cross Plains, Dodson, Estelline, Hawley, Iraan, Jayton, Junction, Lawn, Lueders, Marfa, Memphis, Menard, Merkel, Miles, Putnam, Quitaque, Rankin, Santa Anna, Sonora, Sterling City, Turkey, Tuscola, and Valentine.

Suspending the increase were Abilene, Anson, Baird, Ballinger, Benjamin, Big Lake, Blackwell, Buffalo Gap, Childress, Cisco, Clarendon, Crowell, Eden, Hamlin, Haskell, Impact, Knox City, Melvin, Munday, O'Brian, Paducah, Quanah, Rising Star, Rochester, San Angelo, Spur, Stamford, Throckmorton, Tye, Wellington, Winters and Woodson.

Ceding jurisdiction and allowing the PUC to handle their cases were Albany, Chillicothe, Dickens, Eldorado, Goree, Hedley, Lakeview, Matador, McCamey, Mertzon, Moran, Paint Rock, Presidio, Roaring Springs, Robert Lee, Roby, Rotan, Rule, Shamrock, Trent and Weinert.

Newsbriefs

Middleton

elected

Keith Middleton, a Merkel High graduate has been elected the treasurer of the Ag Club at Cisco Junior College.

Attendees at convention

The West Texas Area Convention for Beta Sigma Phi was held in Odessa on Oct. 14, 15 and 16.

The theme for the convention was "find your Fantasy".

Guest speaker for the Sunday brunch was Brenda Sirna, from Kansas City, Mo.

She is the division chairman for Texas.

Those attending from Preceptor Eta Omega were Kathy Leverich and Mamie Steck.

Preceptor

Eta Omega

Mamie Steck presided over the Oct. 18 meeting with every Preceptor Eta Omega member present in the home of Blanche Hewitt.

The program, "Sociology" was given by Blanche Hewitt-Captain and Louise DuBose, Co-Captain.

Those present for the meeting were: Mamie Steck, Betty Conley, Betty Satterwhite, Ruth Tipton, Liz Eager, Val Patterson, Opal Garner, Louise DuBose, Connie YBarra, Kathy Leverich, Jane Carson, and Blanche Hewitt.

The next meeting of Preceptor Eta Omega will be in the home of Ann Reeder, Nov. 1

Carriker named

Area House Representative Steve Carriker has been named to a House Committee chosen to look at "Water Efficient Crops and Dryland Farming."

According to Representative Leroy J. Weiting, the chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Livestock, "The State is indeed fortunate to have a man of Representative Carriker's agricultural background to conduct this study."

Carriker will also serve on the committee to study computers in agriculture.

Grandson born

Alvin and Mattie Lou Wozencraft are the proud grandparents of Adam Prior who was born to Tim and Vicky Wozencraft of Bryan on September the 30th. Adam weighed 8 lbs and 11 ounces and was 22 inches long. He was born at St. Joseph's Hospital in Bryan.

Adam has a sister, Shawna, who is four and a brother, Isaac who is seven. Maternal grandparents are James and Jamie Shaw of Abilene.

Garden Club

The Merkel Garden Club met Oct. 20 in the home of Becky Rogers with co-hostess Murel Thompson and Leota Sherrill.

After a brief business meeting presided by club president, Olga Peachey program chairman Becky Rodgers introduced the program; East Meets West Texas Flower arranging by Mitsuki Suzuki.

Mitsuki is a special education consultant at Hendrick Home for Children. She has taught kindergarten for eight years and she lives in the home and spends much time with the children.

During her senior year, she studied flower arranging and it is one of her hobbies. She made five basic style arrangements using Texas flowers and greenery. The design expressed beauty, color, shape and texture.

A covered dish luncheon was enjoyed by: Mrs. Tom Allday, Mrs. Bill Black, Mrs. Mary Click, Mrs. Albert Criswell, Mrs. Lottie Everett, Mrs. Inez Detrick, Mrs. Allen King, Mrs. P. W. Rogers, Mrs. G. R. Peachy, Mrs. Tom Russon, Mrs. Charlie Sherrill, Mrs. Truett Thompson and Mrs. Mack Fisher.

Xi Nu Chi

The members of Xi Nu Chi sorority met Sept. 27 in the home of Mary Hill for their Model Meeting to introduce a new rushee, Diane Parker. Vice-president Peggy Valentine presided as plans were made for the fall activities. A very interesting program on Calligraphy was presented by Janice Smith and Peggy Valentine. Those present were: Anita Allen, Judy Elliott, Connie Harris, Nancy Johnson, Diane Parker, Minyon Seymore, Janice Smith, Peggy Valentine and Mary Hill.

Badger Boosters

The Badger Booster Club has set Parent's Night for 7:30 p.m. Nov. 4, prior to the last game, which is between Merkel and Stamford. All parents are urged to attend this event with their son, or ask a representative with him.

The club sold 146 memberships this fall and the men won the contest between the men and women by five memberships. The women will host a potluck supper for the men in the near future.

The Club is continuing to sell ads for the Caprock Basketball Tournament. The Badger team will participate in this tournament in late December. The cost of advertising in the program is \$15 per line. The Club's profit will

be \$200 for the sale of 30 lines.

The Club made plans to open the concession stand for basketball games and workers are urgently needed. Sandy Laird is responsible for the workers for high school games and Sarah Lucas is responsible for workers at Middle School. All parents are urged to call and volunteer to work.

The caravan to Breckenridge was set for 5:45 p.m. Friday from the fieldhouse.

The club meets each Monday night at 7:30 at Alfredo's.

Xi Nu Chi

Xi Nu Chi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Oct. 11 at the Pleasantville community room to treat themselves to a salad supper.

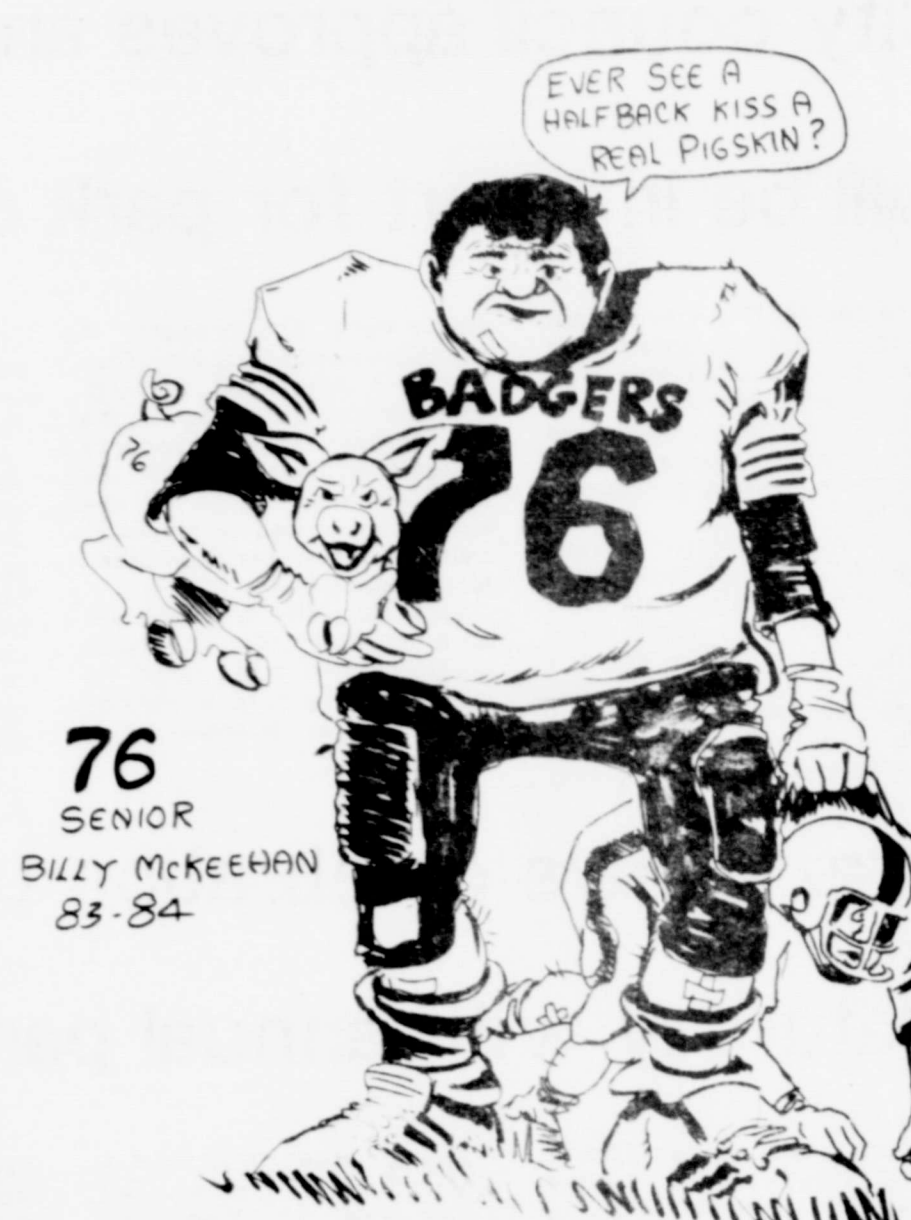
Each member brought their salad specially along with the recipe for the opportunity to exchange.

President Vonne Dena Tumlinson led the group in discussions concerning the upcoming Christmas Bazaar.

Members present were: Anita Allen, Judy Elliott, Connie Harris, Nancy Johnson, Minyon Seymore, Janice Smith, Vonne Dena Tumlinson, Peggy Valentine and Mary Hill.

Ribbon cutting

The Merkel Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a Ribbon Cutting ceremony to kick off the Grand Opening of **This Old House**, located next door to **Handy Food Store**. The Ribbon Cutting will be held at 10:00 am Friday and all interested citizens are invited to attend.



76 SENIOR BILLY MCKEEHAN 83-84

by Dale Hammond

I first met Billy down at the Merkel High Ag Barn and right away, I knew there was more to this young man than just a pretty face. Billy has won many honors showing his pigs and when I asked him what was the secret of his success, he told me he recited poetry to his pigs.

Poetry, not Wheaties, he said, is the REAL breakfast of champions. No one really knows Billy's true weight [he's listed at 245], but he picks up extra pocket money down at the National Guard Armory posing as a medium tank on weekends.

Among Billy's most cherished moments was a feature story on him by a Neanderthal magazine, and his finishing a close second in the annual Junior Sample's look-a-like contest. Through it all, Billy has been a steady performer and a solid young man.

★ FRIDAY ★

VARSITY AT BRECKENRIDGE 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

JV here against Breckenridge 7:30

Freshmen here against Breckenridge 6 p.m.

AT BRECKENRIDGE

8th Grade 7 p.m.

7th Grade 6 p.m.

Gold Team at 5 p.m.

The following Merchants Back The Badgers

<p>PALMER PONTIAC</p> <p>SEE THE BADGERS IN A NEW PONTIAC</p>	<p>TAYLOR ELECTRIC CO-OP</p> <p>BOOSTING THE BADGERS 928-4715</p>	<p>TAYLOR TELEPHONE CO-OP</p> <p>BACKING THE BADGERS Box 370 928-4733</p>
<p>P & L AUTO PARTS</p> <p>WE BACK THE BADGERS 135 Edwards 928-5671</p>	<p>CARSONS SUPERMARKET</p> <p>HOMEOWNED AND WE BACK THE BADGERS</p>	<p>F & M NATIONAL BANK</p> <p>ALL THE WAY BADGERS!</p>
<p>UNITED SAVINGS</p> <p>GO BADGERS</p>	<p>BEN FRANKLIN</p> <p>BOOSTING THE BADGERS 201 Kent Merkel</p>	<p>STARBUCK FURNITURE</p> <p>WE'RE WITH YOU BADGERS 201 Edwards 928-4711</p>
<p>MERKEL VFW POST 5683</p> <p>WE URGE QUALIFIED VETERANS TO JOIN AND SUPPORT LOCAL VFW'S</p>	<p>SHANNONSSIDE APARTMENTS</p> <p>GO TEAM GO 928-5038 Merkel</p>	<p>BOBBY DUBOSE TEXACO</p> <p>GO BADGERS GO 1-20 FM 126 928-5822</p>

Radiator drainage is deadly

by Dr. Warren Dozier

Antifreeze toxicity is a frequent poisoning of small animals. Ethylene glycol, which comprises 96 per cent of most commercial antifreeze preparations, is the major toxic component.

Dogs and cats frequently consume radiator drainage, probably due to its sweet taste. The toxic dose of ethylene glycol in dogs varies from two to three milliliters of ethylene glycol per pound of body weight. The fatal

dose of ethylene glycol in cats is .7ml per pound of body weight.

The clinical signs of ethylene glycol poisoning are predominantly vomiting, progressive depression leading to coma and death.

Successful therapy of antifreeze poisoning depends on the amount of ethylene glycol ingested and the rapid diagnosis and initiation of treatment following poisoning. If an animal is suspected of ingesting

ethylene glycol, contact your veterinarian at once.

With the oncoming of winter, the incidence of antifreeze toxicity increases as radiators are being drained and new antifreeze is being incorporated into automobiles and other machinery cooling systems. As with any toxicity, the best treatment is prevention. Therefore, proper disposal of radiator drainage this fall can prevent this deadly poisoning in small animals.

Trent scouts receive awards

Trent Scouts met Tuesday, October 25th at 7 p.m. for their monthly pack meeting. Parents were invited to attend the Halloween flavored meeting and Awards program held at the Trent United Methodist Church.

Cub Scouts had made black spiders and ghostly hand puppets to add to the decorations. For refreshment, sackered treats were handed out.

Scout Master Bill Clark and Cub Den Leader Jane Clark led the meeting. Kelly Armstrong presented the Cub Scout Awards.

Roenna Thomas presented the Webelo Awards and Bill Clark presented the Boy Scout Awards as follows:

Cub Scouts

Eric Armstrong - Bobcat Badge

Mark Payne - Bobcat Badge

David Barnes - Bobcat Badge

Tracy Neff - Bobcat Badge

Webelo Scouts

Jerry Collier-Artist, Sportsman and Traveler Pins

Michael LaSalle-Traveler and Naturalist Pins

Dannye Martin-Bobcat Badge, Athlete, Showman and Traveler Pins

Travis Walker-Bobcat Badge, Athlete, Traveler, Showman, Scientist, Citizen, Naturalist and Sportsman Pins

John Thomas-Webelo Badge, Aquanaut, Engineer, Forrester, Scientist, Outdoorsman and Craftsman Pins.

Boy Scouts

Lonnie Clark-Aquanaut and Craftsman Pins, Arrow of Light, Tenderfoot Badge, Citizenship and First Aid Skill Awards

Ricky Tarin-Scout Badge, Citizenship and First Aid Skill Awards

Billy Clark-Home Repairs, Personal Management, and Safety Merit Badges

Many of the Webelo Pins were earned this past summer. Special recognition goes to Travis Walker for earning all eight of his awards since joining Scouts at the first of this month.

Trent Scouts of Pack 185 would like to express their appreciation to the Trent's Lion Club for sponsoring their troops.



§ The Merkel Girl Scout Hut is in need of many repairs and the girls are asking for help from the community. They need heaters, a stove, windows and

many repairs to the building. People interested in donating time, building materials or labor should call Kathy Carroland at 928-4160. [staff photo]

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OCTOBER 31

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Mesquite Firewood for sale. \$60 cord u haul, \$75 a cord delivered, 928-5145.

33-4tc

For Sale: AKC Dublin Pups excellent markings, long legged, sharp noses, good blood line, 3 weeks old will hold for Christmas. Call 677-6968.

33-tfc

New water scamp bass boat, two twin beds & 77 Dodge. Call 928-5312 and ask for Rob.

For Sale: Two boats and two quilts, 7 months old. Call 928-4476 evenings or contact Bruce or Dave at Carson's.

For Sale: 1982 Suzuki, GS1100 GL low miles, call 928-4810.

34-2tc

For Sale: 1983 Chevy Merry Miller Van, Fully Loaded, low mileage 928-4063.

34-2tc

For Sale: Sofa, recliner, portable organ, tricycle. 928-5075.

For Sale: New playpen \$45. Walker \$15, stroller \$10. 928-5021.

Tri-Chem liquid embroidery. Great for making these holidays extra special. Kathy 862-6418.

Misc.

Applications are being taken for hourly positions. Stuckey's.

34-1tpd

Piano Tuning Call 928-4666, ask for Pee Wee Pack.

34-tfc

Does someone you love have a drinking problem? Is it affecting your life? If so, AL-ANNON FAMILY groups can help! Merkel group now meeting weekly in the a.m. Call 928-4844 or 928-5067.

34-4tc

LOST 2 heifer calves 400 to 500 lb sucking calves, may have traveled long distance from Blair area. i black with white face and 1 herford. Call 928-4329 Travis Farmer.

ATTENTION

-Beginning Oct. 31, Hi Val Farm and Home Supply will be located at their new building located at 604 Kent. 928-5632.

34-2tc

Hay baling service Mike 928-4492.

12-TFC

KID'S KORNER DAY CARE CENTER 2nd and Oak Open Mon thru Friday, 6:30 a.m. thru 6 p.m., Call 928-4381.

12tfc

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TFC

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TFC

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Real Estate

Lawn Properties, Inc. MLS

695-1886

Merkel 25.98 acres subdivision North of Merkel on FM 126 all utilities, plus cable, surveyed into 2 acre tracts will sell all or part.

10 to 15 acre tracts will go Texas Vet or owner carry.

Brick 3 bedroom fenced corner lot, vacant, owner anxious call Mike.

Sunset, very nice 3 bedroom, brick fenced yard, owner anxious make offer, call Betty.

Large home on Yucca 3 bedroom, 3 living areas, 2 baths, fireplace, screened in patio area, fenced yard, call Betty.

2 bedroom with nice yard could be four bedroom on corner lot, water well and fenced.

VA appraisal in hand 3 bedroom, brick on 5 lots work for down-payment or closing.

Trent

Corner lot 2 bedroom could be 3 bedroom, needs work, new loan or owner carry.

3 bedroom, 2 living areas, 2 baths on 2 lots owner anxious, reduced, make offer.

Large 3 bedroom, shop, 2 storage sheds on 2 corner lots, cash or new loan.

3 bedroom, stucco on 7 lots, owner anxious.

Tye

Doublewide mobile home on 1.03 acres, stove, refrigerator, microwave, and ceiling fan remain, equity and assume.

After 5 call Mike Wheeler 676-1320 or Betty Stautzenberger at 862-6329.

34-tfc

House for sale by owner at 403 Kent. 2 bedroom, den, fully carpeted, central heat and air. Will take equity, assume \$185 monthly loan. Call 928-5225.

30-TFC

For sale 2 and a half acres 1 mile North of I-20 on FM 1236. City water, electricity \$8,000. Will lay drive and install septic tank for \$900 more. Call 928-5534.

2 houses to be sold at a bargain. Need to make quick sale to settle estate. Call Cyrus Pee, Agent. 928-5613.

Bank Repossession

3 bedroom, den with fireplace, sliding, double carport, fenced back yard, central heat and air, new carpet and new paint inside. 1405 Stewart. Call Mike at Home State Bank for appointment 862-6137.

For Rent

1, 2 or 3 bedroom mobile home for rent in Merkel 928-4973.

For rent: 3 bedroom 1 bath house for \$235 per month, \$150 deposit. See at 401 Manchester. Bryant Realtors. Abilene, 698-1636

30-TFC

SHANNONSIDE APARTMENTS 1, 2, 3 Bedroom apartments, shag carpet, all electric, dish washer, grabage disposal, central cooling and heating. For more information, call 928-5038.

TFC

WANT TO BUY

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Garage Sale: Fri. & Sat. 115 Kent (old Big Country Arts Bldg.). Lots of misc.

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Two family garage sale, clothes, baby items and some furniture. Green house east of Stuckey's on access road. Thur., Fri., Sat.

Thank You

We wish to express our thanks and gratitude for the many expressions of love shown to us in the loss of our beloved mother and grandmother.

The comfort we have received through the prayers of our friends and loved ones has been very greatly appreciated.

The Bill Tate Family

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. McKee want to thank everyone for attending their open house and for all of the nice gifts.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: LOREN FLEM MING, dba Flemming Construction, Residence Unknown, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County at the Court house thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock AM of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 7th day of November AD 1983, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 20th day of September AD 1983, in this cause, numbered 15,674-B on the docket of said court and styled RONALD D. SAVITZ, dba Today Home Buildings, Plaintiff, vs. LOREN FLEM MING, dba Flemming Construction, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff prays that certain liens be set aside and that the Court enter an order that the liens are invalid and of no force and effect, and that Defendant has no lien upon the properties mentioned, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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 21st day of September AD 1983.

Attest: Rilla Mahoney, Clerk, 104th District Court, Taylor County, Texas By JoAnn Lackey, Deputy.

31-4tc

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: MICHAEL CHARLES JOHNSON Whereabout 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 Sherwood & Myrtle Foster Home for Children, of Stephenville, Texas, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 12th day of October, 1983, against MICHAEL CHARLES JOHNSON, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 12,680-DR on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Interest of Sierra Jeanette Johnson and Michele Dianne Johnson."

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son, Children", the nature of which suit is a request to the Court to order the transfer of this proceeding to Erath County, Texas because the children and the Petitioner reside in that County.

Said child was born the 20th day of June, 1974 in Abilene, Texas (Sierra Jeanette) Said child was born the 31st day of July, 1975 in Abilene, Texas (Michele Dianne).

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.

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Church news

Merkel Methodist

Halloween night the United Methodist youth invite everyone to their Spook House. It will be held downtown over the Hi Val Farm & Home Building at 910 N. 1st from 7 till 9. There will be a small admission fee. The Spook House is Guaranteed to scare.

Calvary Baptist

On Oct. 31, Calvary Baptist will have a church wide hay ride and wiener roast. Be ready to leave the church on the hay wagon at 7 p.m. or you may drive out to Box Murphree's place. Let's have a good time. Teenagers will take in the local spook events afterwards.

This Saturday will be a work day at church to finish up the roofing. Ladies please bring some more good dinner. Last Saturday's painting and clean up on the church parsonage looks wonderful.

Assembly of God

The 5th Sunday singing that has previously been held at the Senior Citizens Building will now be held at the Assembly of God Church. Oct. 30th will be the first singing since the move. All citizens are invited to attend.

Trent Church of Christ

The Trent Church of

Christ is planning a Halloween party for the 29th and all ages are invited from 6:30 to 9:00. There will be a horror film, a spook house, fortune teller, pinata and lots more. The regular meeting times are Sunday school at 10 am with worship at 11 and 6 in the evening also Wednesday at 8.

Land's announce son's engagement

Mr. and Mrs. James (Corky) Land would like to announce the engagement of their son, Larry Land to Tonya Cassabone to be held at First Baptist Church in Abilene, March 2, 1984. Larry is employed by Super Duper. Tonya is a student at Hardin-Simmons University.

The couple plans to live in Abilene.



Shirley Temple, as a child star, wore exactly 56 curls in her hair. The curls were set by her mother who thus made sure of their exact number.

Jesse Higgins buried

Jesse Elmer Higgins, age 93 of Merkel, died at 9:45 p.m. Sept. 28 at Hendrick Medical Center following a short illness.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Oct. 1 at the Starbuck Funeral Home with the Rev. John Wagoner officiating.

Burial followed at Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born Jan. 30, 1890, he had lived in Merkel all his life. He was a member of the Odd-fellows Lodge.

He had married Mi-

annie Barker, Sept. 30, 1911 in Tye.

She preceded him in death July 24, 1968.

He is survived by two sons; Cy Higgins of Merkel and James Higgins of Irving, a daughter, Lola Gregory of Granbury; four brothers, Charlie of Merkel, Warren of Seguin, J.R. and M.B., both of Corpus Christi; a sister Lula Land of Merkel, eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Hester, former Merkel resident, buried here

Michael L. Hester, 36, of Bedford, formerly of Merkel, died about 8:30 p.m. Sunday in a Fort Worth hospital following a lengthy illness. Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the First United Methodist Church of Hurst.

The Rev. Hubert Foust, a retired Methodist pastor, officiated. Graveside services were held here at Rose Hill Cemetery at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Born Sept. 11, 1947 in Merkel, he was grad-

uated from Merkel High School in 1966. He married Youlanda Carey in 1968 here. He was graduated from the University of Texas at Arlington in 1971 with an aerospace engineer degree. He was senior engineer for Bell Helicopter Textron Inc. of Fort Worth. He was a member of First United Methodist Church in Hurst.

He is survived by his wife; a son, David James of Bedford; two brothers, Wayne of Bedford and Jimmy of Abilene; a sister, Mrs.

Mike Dudley of Abilene; his parents Mr. and Mrs. Buster Hester of Merkel; and his maternal grandmother Myrtle Dean of Swe-

etwater.

The family requested that remembrances be made to the American Cancer Society.

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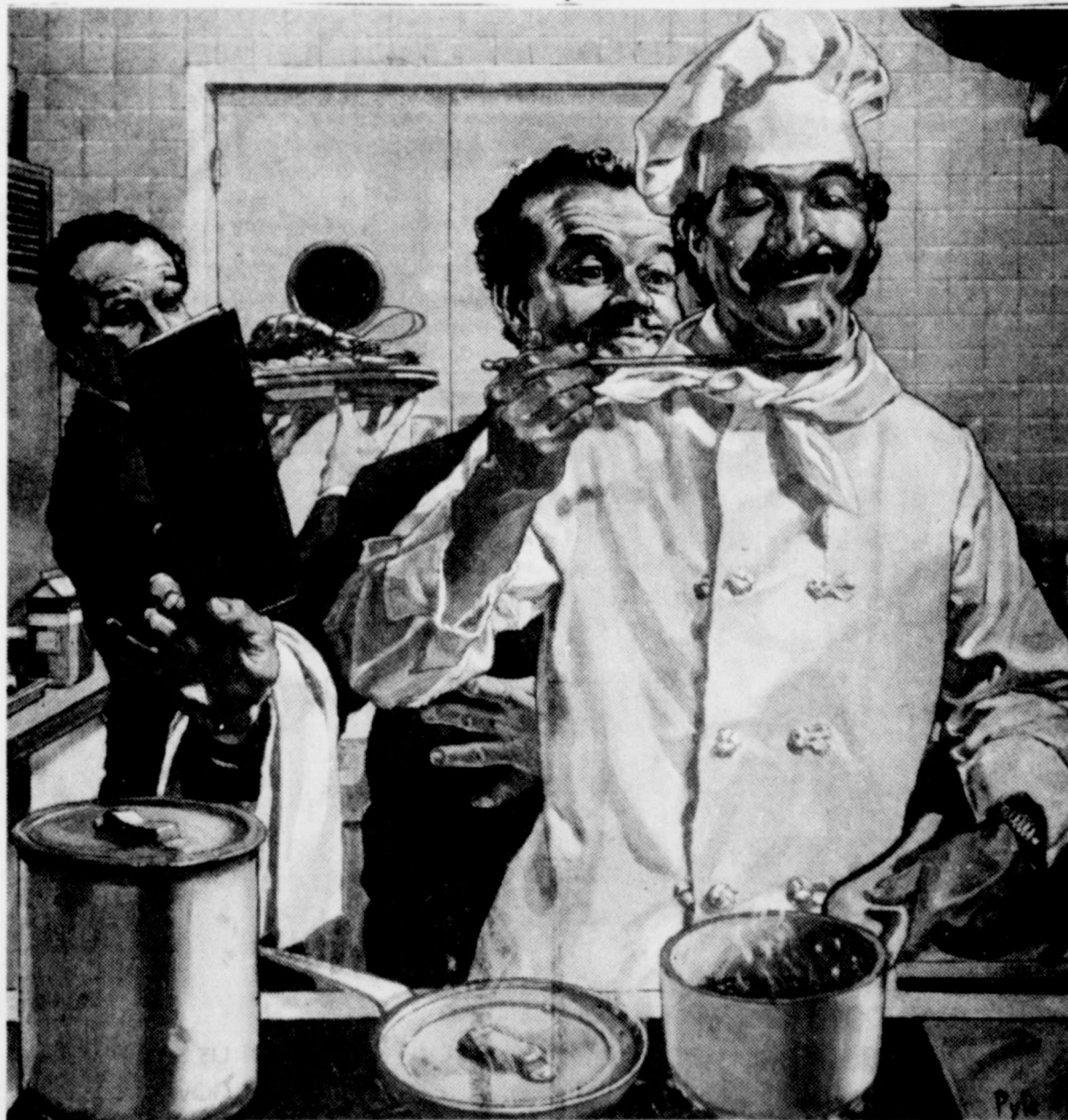
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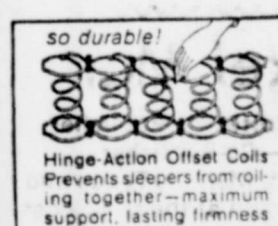
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Also donating to the cemetery fund were: Elizabeth Higgins in memory of Jesse Higgins, Robert F. Reed, Mrs. Earl Hughes in memory of Ann Miller, Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Reid Family in memory of Ann Miller, Verdie Patterson in

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That little pepper plant

by Russell McAnally
Several things disturb me when I remember the incident on one single little pepper plant. We had a neighbor one half mile down the road from where we lived and they had two sons. The sons were about eight and ten years old, and the parents, Chock and Erma were about 30 years old. I was about ten years older than the boys and the parents were about ten years older than me. They were almost double my age but by the time I was 50 years old I had caught up with them.

car of their own. They only had five horses and they reminded me of the former Secretary of Interior Watts' and his joke about the coal mining committee. He had two horses, one black and one white—one mare—a stubborn mule and a cripple that could work but walked with a limp.

Anyway, about thirty minutes after we returned from town to get the groceries, Mrs. Brewer walked to our house again and said she had to go back to the store. Papa was not very much in favor of that. It was six miles to town and even Model A Fords used gas. They didn't know about saving energy they just didn't have money for gas.

The lady with the high pitched voice got a little higher than usual and Papa started listening all over again. Mrs. Brewer had a serious problem and she thought it had to be corrected at once.

She had paid for 12 pepper plants and the man had trusted her to dig and count them herself. When Mrs. Brewer set out the pepper plants, she

discovered there were 13 instead of 12.

Now, she stood before us with one little pepper plant wrapped in wet soil and newspaper to be delivered back to the store where she had gotten them.

I thought it was very foolish, but I did not want to get that high pitched voice going again so I suggested she could give them to the man at the store another penny the next time she went to town. She looked at me in all kindness and started to explain why she wanted to go—had to go back to town.

She said "If you let one little thing get by it gets easier and easier to not be honest. I want that man to know he can trust me."

That was all she said. She didn't need to say any more. Papa even looked pleased as he drove away on his errand of mercy to save that one little pepper plant.

Last July, about 50 years later, I saw Mrs. Brewer again, and from the look of her pretty face, I would say she has still not let one little thing get by without proper accounting.

Carey, Fariello named to Wrangler Belles

The 1983-84 Cisco Junior College Wrangler Belle drill team includes fifty-three young ladies from across the state. Yearly activities for the precision drill team include performances at football and basketball games, parades, tours, Nostalgia Night, and Big Country Review.

In years past the Wrangler Belles have appeared four times in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City and twice in the Shenandoah Apple Blossom Festival in Winchester Virginia.

Cisco Junior College Wrangler Belles from Merkel are Mary Fariello and Debra Carey.



Mary Fariello (left) & Debra Carey

Comptroller says vote for Proposition 5

Dear Mr. Richards
Texas taxpayers have a lot to gain and nothing to lose in voting FOR Proposition 5, the school bond amendment, in the Nov. 8 constitutional amendments election.

The amendment could save our schools and local taxpayers \$435 million in interest payments alone in just the next 17 years.

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Proposition 5 would cure that by permitting qualified local school bond issues to be backed by the state's \$3 billion Permanent School Fund. The result would be a better bond rated with lower interest rates for our local school districts.

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ply be lending it's good name; it would not be paying off the bonds. Texas schools have a fine bond record. In the unlikely event of a default, the state would simply pick up the payments by withhold-

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Sincerely
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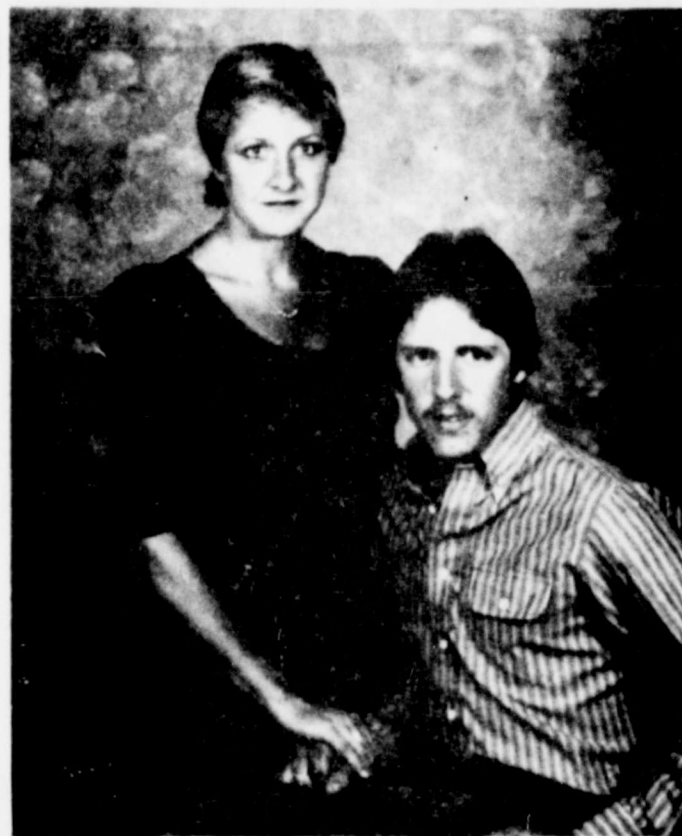
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Boone's daughter wed

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Boone of Merkel are proud to announce the marriage of their daughter, Cindy, to Joe Knight of Lubbock.

They were married in a private ceremony in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Taylor in Lubbock Oct. 14. The couple will reside in Lubbock.



Cindy & Joe Knight

from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of Sherwood and Myrtle Foster Home for Children of Stephenville, Texas, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 12th day of October, 1983, against MICHAEL CHARLES JOHNSON, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 12,680-DR on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Interest of Sierra Jeanette Johnson and Michele Dianne Johnson, Children", the nature of which suit is a request to the Court to determine what parent-child relationship exists between the children and the respondent and that such parent-child relationship be terminated.

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Rilla Mahoney Clerk 326th District Court Taylor County, Texas

by Jo Ann Lackey, Deputy 34-1tc

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: SHARON YVONNE OWINGS, Address Unknown, Respondent:

GREETINGS: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable



By Dr. George Purvis VP Nutrition Sciences Gerber Products Company

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Brnovak's at convention

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brnovak attended the World War II Tank Destroyers National reunion and the dedication of the War Memorial at Fort Hood.

Cpl. Brnovak served as a gunner on the M 18 Tank Destroyer in the 602 TD Battalion.

Frank said the dedication was very impressive as they placed a wreath by the war

memorial and gave a 21 gun salute in memory of those who didn't return.

There were veterans representing the 67th Battalion from all over the country. They enjoyed an all day program and two briefings followed by a look at the latest tanks and helicopters while touring Fort Hood, hosted by the 141st Armored Cavalry.

ing for the division of property which will be binding on you.

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By Johnnie Woodard, Deputy. 34-1tcg

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Thelma Joyce Showalter, 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 amended petition of Blair Scott Showalter, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 11th day of October 1983, against Thelma Joyce Showalter, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 7972-C on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Matter of Marriage of Blair Scott Showalter and Thelma Joyce Showalter", the nature of which suit is a request to obtain a divorce from the respondent, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Amended Petition on file in this suit.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree dissolving the marriage and provid-

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 BARBARA OWINGS and NORMAN OWINGS, movants, filed in said Court on the 3rd day of October, 1983, against Sharon Yvonne Owings, respondent, and said suit being numbered 6310-C on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Matter of the Marriage of Sharon Yvonne Owings and Daryl Alan Owings, and In the Interest of MICHAEL ALAN OWINGS, a Child", the nature of which suit is a request to the Court to Order the transfer of this proceedings to Lubbock County, Texas in accordance with the allegation of the Motion filed Oct. 3, 1983.

Said child was born the 16th day of February, 1983, in Lubbock, 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.

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 requirement 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 3rd day of October, 1983.

Rilla Mahoney, Clerk 326th District Court Taylor County, Texas by JoAnn Lackey, Deputy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: SHARON YVONNE OWINGS, 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, after the expiration of 30 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of BARBARA OWINGS and NORMAN OWINGS, Movants, filed in said Court on the 3rd day of October, 1983, against Sharon Yvonne Owings, respondent, and said suit being numbered 6310-C on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Matter of the Marriage of Sharon Yvonne Owings and Daryl Alan Owings, and the Interest of MICHAEL ALAN OWINGS, a Child", the nature of which suit is a request by the Movants to be appointed as Managing Conservators by modifying a Prior Order of the Court. Movants request that the Court make proper orders for the support of the child.

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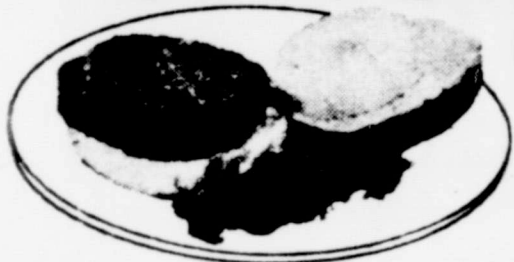
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The Merkel Chapter of the Big Country Refunders met Monday morning Oct. 13th at the home of Carol Norman, to hold their 1st annual "Founding Fathers and Refunding Mothers" mini convention. The meeting was attended by several local women interested not only in saving money thru the use of coupons, but interested in making money by refunding.

Topics discussed were Mrs. Norman's recent trip to Dallas to attend the annual refunding convention in that city, some of the legalities involved in refunding, tips on running refunding ads and what to look for when choosing which refunding magazine to subscribe to. It was agreed to start a local information bulletin in which those attending can list forms, coupons and proofs of purchases they need and then trade these with other members. Currently, arrangements are being made to hold meetings for those interested on a monthly basis. Trading of extra forms and coupons then began and the door prize was won by Linda Kinder.

Anyone interested in attending one of these meetings or who would like more information is urged to call Mrs. Norman at 928-5710 afternoons and evenings.

Friday is tacky day

Friday will be Tacky Day at Merkel Middle School. Tacky Day is sponsored by the Merkel Middle School Student Council. The judging will be Friday at 1:00 p.m. in the auditorium. First, second and third place prizes will be awarded in grades 6, 7, and 8th for the "Tackiest Dressed." Money prizes of 5, 3, and 2 dollars will be awarded. There will be no charge for competing in the contest, so come dressed tacky and enter in the fun.

Also, there will be a film immediately after the Tacky Day Contest. The title of the film is "Candle Shoe". The cost of the film is 75 cents. Please pay for your film through your 1st period class. The public is invited to the Tacky Day Contest and may stay for the film by paying the 75 cents at the door.

Allred-Smith wed in Dallas

Miss Donna Sue Allred and Mr. David Lane Smith were united in marriage Saturday, Oct. 11, 1980 at 2:30 p.m. The Rev. David Alessandro of Sunset Church of Christ in Dallas, Texas, officiated the double ring ceremony at the Sunset Church of Christ.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Allred of Dallas and formerly of Noodle. The bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. David A. Smith of Dallas.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a long ivory wedding gown, with a fitted bodice and an empire waistline. The queen Victorian neckline and long sleeves all accented with lace. She had a chapel length train with a finger tip veil with a blusher.

She carried out the tradition of something old, something blue. The bride wore her great aunt's pearls for something old, her dress was something new, and her garter served as something blue. Her veil was something borrowed. She also had the traditional penny in her shoe.

Jamie Allred of Dallas, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Kim Kidd of Keller, Kathy Quiroga of Grand Prairie and Mrs. Vickie Self of Galveston. Flower girl was Windy Adams of Dallas, niece of the groom.

Danny Smith of Dallas, brother of the groom, served as best man. Groomsmen were Joe

Gonzales of Dallas, Hector Silvas of Dallas and Jeff McGraw of Dallas. Ushers were Rusty Adams of Dallas, brother-in-law of groom, Dean Milner of Dallas. The ushers lit the candles. Mrs. George Murfle of Austin, bride's aunt, registered guests. Serving at the reception were Mrs. Linda Woodard of Dallas, Lisa Landers of Dallas and Mrs. Penny Cochran of Snyder, cousin of the bride, were at the brides table. At the groom's table were Mrs. Leesa Smith of Dallas, sister-in-law of groom, Mrs. Debbie Adams of Dallas, sister of groom.

Guests were from, Houston, Abilene, Noodle, Snyder, Austin, and Galveston.

The bride is a 1976 graduate of Kimball High School. She attended Abilene Christian University and graduated from Dallas' Baptist College with a B.S. degree in education. She is employed by Dallas Independent School District.

The groom is a 1976 graduate of Sunset High School. He is in Dallas Baptist College and will graduate in Spring 1981. He is employed by Jones Truck Line of Irving, Texas.

After a wedding trip to San Antonio, the couple will reside at 217 North Ravinia, Dallas, Texas.

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TO: Amparo Falcon Gonzales, Respondent

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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 made due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this the 3rd day of October, 1980.

Irene Crawford Clerk, 326th Dist. Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Rella Mahony, Deputy.

34-4tc
CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Birdene Price, 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 Gregory Lynn Price, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 17th day of September, 1980, against Birdene Price, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 4523-C on the docket of said Court and entitled "In The Matter of The Marriage of Gregory Lynn Price and Birdene Price", the nature of which suit is a request to the Court grant a divorce and decree such other relief requested in this Petition.

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 child adoption.

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this the 24th day of October 1980.

Irene Crawford Clerk, 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Wilda Jones, Deputy.

36-1tc
CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: William Ralph Mathews, 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 Kathie Ann Mathews, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 23 day of October, 1980, against William Ralph Mathews, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 4702C on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Matter of The Marriage of Kathie Ann Mathews and William Ralph Mathews", the nature of which suit is a request to grant divorce to Petitioner and decree such other relief requested in petition.

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 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 23 day of October, 1980.

Irene Crawford Clerk, 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Rella Mahony, Deputy.

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Stenholm, Carter better for farmers

Congressman Charles W. Stenholm today called upon Republican Presidential candidate Ronald Reagan to "either repudiate the anti-farmer statements of his chief agricultural advisor or quit saying he is for improving the income and lot of the American family farmer."

Stenholm, a member of the House Agriculture Committee, cited statements in the Sunday Dallas Morning News which quoted Reagan's farm and food division co-director Richard Lyng as saying "the dwindling number of family farmers are no reason for alarm and that, in fact, the reductions have been necessary for the good of the country."

In Abilene for part of a District-wide speaking tour, Stenholm said, "Such thinking is devastating to every hardworking family farmer and rancher and to the small businesses and communities of this land who depend upon the viability of the family farms and ranches."

"If that statement is an accurate reflection of Ronald Reagan's beliefs, then I invite him to get out and drive through the small rural communities of the 17th Congressional District to see how 'helpful' it is when we lose our family farmers. To see the boarded-up downtown businesses and to witness the closed schools and churches in these small communities, and then to hear that 'these reductions have been necessary for the good of the country' leaves me in utter amazement."

Stenholm said, "If this statement is true, than I believe the message here is clear to America's farmers and ranchers as to where we are headed

and what views are held by those persons who will be setting the agricultural policies of this nation under a Ronald Reagan Administration.

"It has been the family farmer who has made possible the dramatic advances in farm productivity and farm efficiency that they profess to support. How can they then say that it is 'good for the country' that we lose these people out of agriculture?"

The Congressman said he objected strongly to Lyng's additional statement that the U.S. would not have its present level of health care, education and communications "if we hadn't relieved an awful lot of people from the drudgery of food and fiber production."

"My view," he continued, "is that food and fiber production is one of the noblest professions in this country and to call it 'drudgery' is to insult the millions of Texas and American men and women who strive to make a living from the land. It reflects a clear misunderstanding on their part as to the importance and satisfaction of those efforts which have afforded this country the most abundant, lowest cost and high quality food supply in the world."

"We need national political leaders who share a commitment to the importance of the farm and ranch families of America and not someone who feels that their work is 'drudgery' from which they need to be relieved 'for the good of the country,'" Stenholm concluded.

The Consumer Alert

by Mark White
Attorney General

AUSTIN—Here is something that may be of interest to those of you who have experienced or will experience the heart sinking feeling of returning to the space where your car was parked only to discover an empty spot. You will be happy to know that the Legislature of Texas has recognized this as a problem area and passed legislation governing under what circumstances you may be towed legally at your own expense, as well as when you may recover expenses incurred due to an illegal tow.

Article 6701g-2 of the Texas Revised Civil Statutes addresses the removal of unauthorized vehicles from parking facilities or public highways. The statute gives

the parking facility owner or towing company the right to remove and store any unauthorized vehicle without the consent and at the expense of the owner or operator of the vehicle, if a sign or signs are prominently displayed specifying who may park in the facilities and stating that all others are prohibited. The sign(s) must be readable from all entrances to the parking facility; however, they need not be illuminated. The parking facility owner or towing company also has the right to remove and store an illegally parked vehicle at the owner's expense and without his consent if the vehicle is obstructing an entrance, exit, fire lane or aisle of the parking facility. If you as the operator or owner of an unauthorized vehicle have received actual notice from the facility owner that you will be towed away if the vehicle is not voluntarily moved, the law gives you no recourse. Here again the act of the facility owner towing your car away is legal and will be at your expense. The towing company is also insulated

from liability in this situation so long as it receives written verification from the parking facility owner that the owner/operator of the unauthorized vehicle actually has been notified of the intent to tow if the vehicle is not removed. In all other instances a parking facility owner or towing company may not remove any unauthorized vehicle unless it is done under the direction of a peace officer or the owner/operator of the vehicle.

Any parking facility owner who removes an unauthorized vehicle under the conditions set out above will not be liable for any damages arising out of the removal or storage of the vehicle, as long as the removal is accomplished by an insured towing company.

It is important to note that this statute also is violated if the parking facility owner has a pecuniary interest in the towing company or if the towing company has a pecuniary interest in the parking facility. That is, no consideration may pass between these entities in connection with the removal of

a vehicle from a parking facility.

The statute further disallows a towing company to remove a vehicle from a public highway unless it is done under the direction of a peace officer or the owner/operator of the vehicle.

Any violation of this Act is a Class B misdemeanor, which places liability on the facility owner or towing company for damages arising from the removal or storage of the vehicle, including any towing or storage fees assessed in connection therewith, plus reasonable attorney fees. Violators of this Act may be enjoined pursuant to provisions of the Deceptive Trade Practices-Consumer Protection Act.

If you have been the victim of a questionable tow feel free to file a complaint with the Attorney General's Consumer Protection and Antitrust Division. It is only through your complaints and our subsequent investigations of the alleged illegal practices that we can thwart such activities.

Proposal limits cotton acreage

Cotton growers have a high stake in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's proposal to require growers to plant within their normal crop acreage (NCA) to be eligible for 1981 upland cotton program benefits.

USDA announced the proposal in the Federal Register Oct. 3.

National Cotton Council President Herman Propst, a grower of Anson, Texas, has asked producers and other industry members to petition USDA for re-consideration of the NCA proposal.

"USDA has already made NCA compliance a part of the wheat program announced in August, and there are indications it plans to do so for all the other program crops," Propst said.

"While not mentioned in the cotton proposal, we have determined that USDA will also demand cross-compliance among crops and compliance on all farms owned and/or operated by a grower on which a program crop is planted," he explained.

Propst said the NCA requirement discriminates against cotton producers because crop acreage is a much higher percentage of the NCA in the Cotton Belt than in most other regions. In most cotton states, present crop acreage exceeds the official NCA by a substantial amount. NCA is the total of all major non-allotment crops planted in 1977.

"Besides the obvious problem NCA compliance creates for a farmer who is cropping land that was not in crops in 1977, there is another problem that many producers may not be aware of," Propst said.

He referred to the customary USDA reduction of field acreage in measuring row crops to allow for turnrows and other service areas, but said no such allowance is given for close-planted crops such as small grains.

"Growers who plant wheat or barley behind row crops this fall to a greater extent than in 1977 may find themselves out of compliance with 1981 NCA unless the same amount of turnrow acreage is idled," Propst explained.

He added that Council delegates this year went on record opposed to letting the Secretary of Agriculture require farmers to plant within the NCA if there is no set-aside program, and USDA has indicated there is not likely to be a set-aside for 1981.

Until this year, farm law prohibited the NCA requirement in any year when set-aside was not in effect.

Propst said he is urging Council members with an interest in the acreage rules to write USDA-ASCS, Room 3630 South Building, Box 2415, Washington, D.C. 20013.

Farmers must watch cost factors

With increasing production costs continually nibbling away at farm profits, a producer must give closer attention to cost control. This is where his machinery ownership habits come in.

"A farmer can control some of his operating costs by the number of hours he uses a piece of equipment per year and the number of years he owns that equipment," points out Lawrence A. Lippke of Corpus Christi, area economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.

The more or longer a piece of equipment is used, the cheaper the per-hour cost of operation, explains the economist. For example, it costs a farmer about \$27 an hour to operate a \$30,000 tractor 300 hours a year for seven years. He can reduce his cost of operation to \$21 an hour by using the tractor for 500 hours a year.

"Given that most farmers will spend about two hours of tractor time for every acre of land in cultivation, using the same \$30,000 tractor for 500 hours a year instead of 300 would reduce production costs by \$12 per acre," says Lippke. "On a 500-acre farm, that's a savings of \$6,000 a year."

However, the effect of years of ownership is not really so dramatic, notes the economist. If this tractor is used only four years at 500 hours per year, cost of operation is about \$23 per hour, only \$2 more than if used the same amount of time for eight years.

"The main reason that hours of use per year is so important is related to the interest either paid or foregone on the investment," emphasizes Lippke.

CRAZY DAYS

Hey everyone! Decorate yourself, car, bicycle or float and come to the **Crazy Days Parade** Saturday, 2 pm Downtown **NOV. 1**

Tye PTO carnival is Friday night, Chief Rzucidlo resigns

What's Happening In Tye
By Harold Boyd

If you aren't at Tye Elementary School tomorrow night, the spooks and witches will get you. Surely you wouldn't want to miss the carnival that the Tye PTO is hosting, starting at 6 p.m. til whenever. They will have a country store, spook house, cake walk, basketball throw, engraving booth, and last but not least a dunking booth. Should you be hungry, you can treat yourself to a hamburger from 6 to 8 p.m. only. Do make it a date, and enjoy an evening of great fun and fellowship. The King and Queen will be crowned and the drawing for the color television will be given away. At this time the PTO wishes to thank the following merchants for their support and donations. Should you need any of their services or products, do them the same favor by patronizing their business. The following have donated either products or services: Circle

Compere club meets

The Compere Extension Homemakers Club met Oct. 23rd in Mrs. Clayton Dillard's home for the regular meeting. The president, Mrs. Ab Hunter, presided over the meeting. Mrs. Hazel Spurgin offered prayer. Mrs. Clyde Mims directed recreation with "all words to rhyme with zip", "questions on rocks", and a "poem on being 80".

Minutes were read and finance report given by Mrs. Hugh Taylor. Council report was given by Delores Adair. She reported the "Gift Show" will be Nov. 19th at Anson. Gifts to be in on 18th. Dec. 3rd is the Council Christmas party at Anson. The club's Christmas party will be Dec. 9th at Judy Devaney's home. The club's Thanksgiving dinner will be Nov. 18th at 7 o'clock in the Noodle Community Center.

Mrs. Ab Hunter brought the program on "Dying Magic of Color." Fabrics finish has an effect on dyes. Test to see if fabric will take dye. Use Purex to remove dye from enamel tubs, rinse dye garments until water runs clear, dye will not cover stains, streaks will not dye, use liquid dye for best results. Other items can be dyed besides fabrics. Wicker dyes beautifully.

Mrs. Hunter and Judy Devaney gave a demonstration on "Tie and Dye" on two t-shirts with fuschia liquid dye.

The hostess gift went to Mrs. Busby and Ailene Terry. Being two items, they each had a gift. The hostess handed out "rose cuttings" to members that were interested.

Refreshments were served to one visitor, Mrs. Maude Busby, and members; Mrs. Hugh Taylor, Clyde Mims, Dewey Ramsey, Hazel Spurgin, Wilson Williams, Ab Hunter, Don Adair, Steve Devaney, Bud Terry, and the hostess, Clayton Dillard.

The next meeting will be Nov. 13th in Mrs. Busby's home. Members will each take a covered dish for a luncheon.

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In the last column, I reported that the city council tabled the TV Cable franchised item. For those of you that may want this, there are steps that must be taken to get TV Cable in Tye. First draw up a petition and get it signed by at least 10 of the total that voted in the last election and then present it to the city council requesting the council draw an ordinance for them to operate in the city of Tye. Second is that you request that you be on the agenda at the next council meeting, at this time you can present it to them and then let them go from here. Let them know that you would like this item heard.

Tye Cub Scouts did their thing this past Sunday

and did a good job. The annual push mobile was held at the K-Mart parking lot and they went into the semi finals. Still they came home with a few ribbons and a few bruises. Congratulations boys, you all did a fine job.

Yes, our city policeman is leaving his job and your council will have met to look over applications of a new police chief. Joe, who has served our city is leaving to go back east. He feels that his family need him there due to illness. The people of Tye will host a covered dish supper, Thursday evening at the Community Center, October 29th starting at 7 p.m. till. Bring a covered dish to pass and let's show Joe that we appreciated his services and friendship. It is a must that we have some sort of law and order in Tye and if we get another policeman lets show him support and respect. On behalf of several concerned citizens, Joe, we wish you well and do appreciate your services. We hate to see you go, and there are some that feel the other way. But again on behalf of the majority of us, Best Wishes, we will miss your friendship and

protection. You readers, do show your appreciation by coming to the community center this evening.

Have you had your water turned off lately? Well contractors are still hitting a few water lines now and then but be patient with them, soon we will have this needed item and then maybe our next project will be new water lines. Only one thing at a time can be done and time will only tell.

In November we will have one of the most important elections that this country will ever have. It will be up to the voters to set forth what we want and how we will lead ourselves for the next four years and how we will be respected. So, if you are a registered voter, take to the polls Tuesday and vote your convictions. This is a freedom that we have and it is each and everyone's duty to vote.

Beings that we don't have any news, you take care and we will see you all next week. Again, support the fine merchants that support your community.

Merkel FFA news

This week we are spotlighting members of our V.A. II 3rd period AG class:


O.C. McKeehan, son of Mr. and Mrs. B.M. McKeehan, has been participating in stock shows for the last three years. He is enrolled in V.A. II. O.C. has been showing pigs for three years and his project this year is a Duroc barrow and a gilt.

Dana Faglie, daughter of Frances Faglie, has participated in stock shows the last two years. She is enrolled in V.A. II this year. Dana's project this year is a cross-bred barrow.

Billy Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Williams, has been in AG for three years. His projects have consisted of barrows. He is very active in sports. His project this year is a hamshire barrow.

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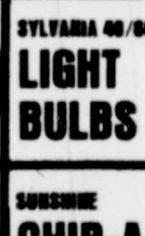
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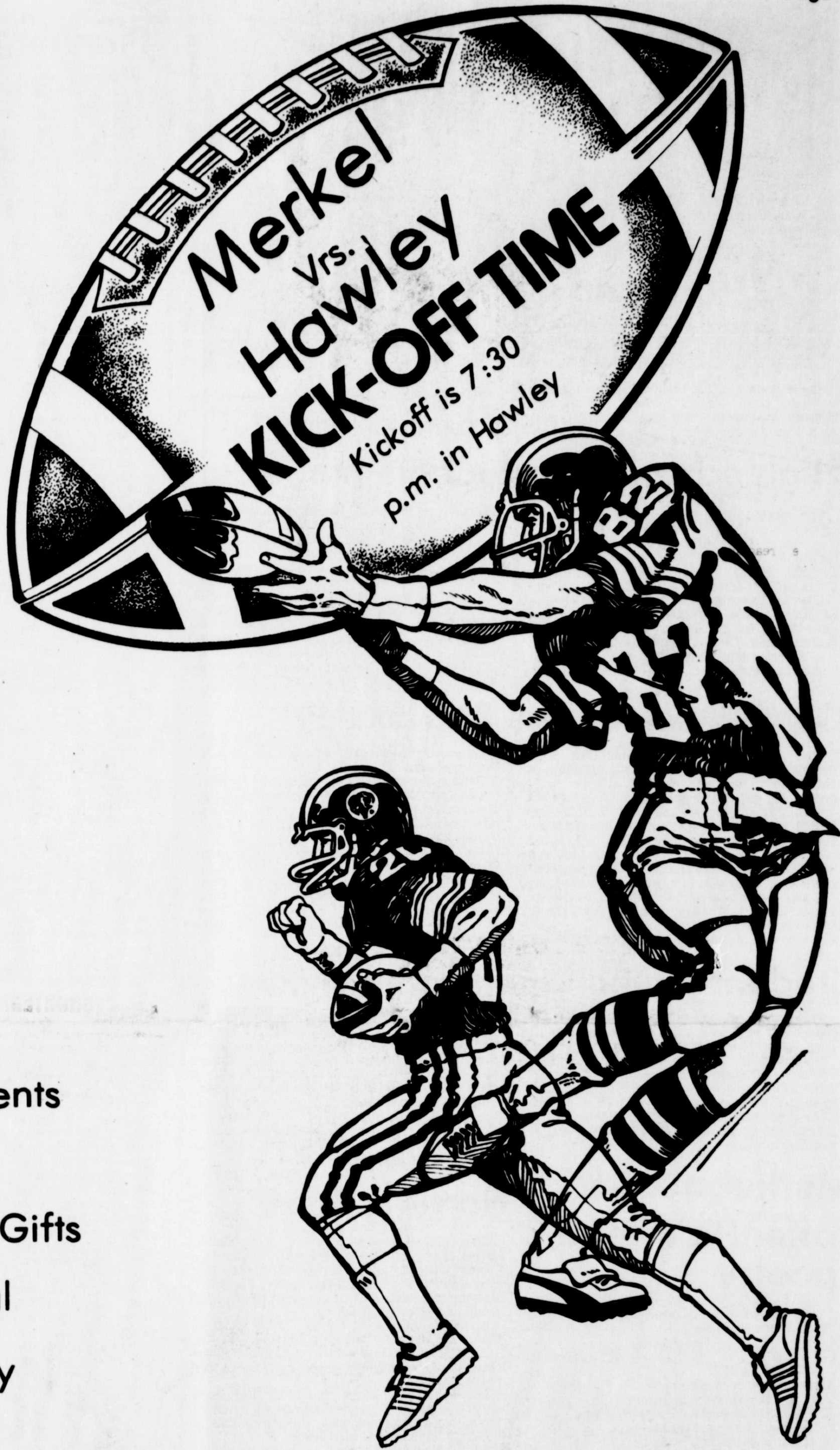
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Shelle Doan and Todd Smith (center, wearing crowns) were named Merkel Elementary School's Halloween Carnival King and Queen. Also shown are last year's King and Queen,

Amber Whisenhunt (left) and Wade Toombs (far right). MC for the coronation was Earl Laird. (Staff photo by Cloy A. Richards)

High school honor students named

The Merkel High School Honor Roll is as follows:

A Honor Roll: Soph.-Debra Carey, Susan Smith, Mark Turner, Matt Merritt; Jr.-Mary Fariello, Maria Moreno, Alan Glick, Loyce Baker, Stacy Seymore, Kelle Burnett, Debbie Williams, Tammie Cunningham, Ed Herrera; Sr.-Judy Castille, Norma Frazier, Delisa Roysden, Christi Brady, Sheila Adair, Mark Bland, Walter Elmore, Steve Campbell, Becky Dunlap. A B Honor Roll: Fresh-Angie Allen, Brenda Hohertz, Denise Pack, Ray Walters, Melinda

Riney, Joan Fariello, Bonnie Anderson, John Ybara; Soph.-Tammy Townsend, Diana Landeros, Karla Terral, Ted Hawk, Pam Allbright, Ronnie Powell, Lorne Sloan, Kim McCasland, Scott Adair; Jr.-Cristina Acosta, Rene Aiken, Connie Page, Mary Bunselmeyer, Ann Wooten, Charles Copeland, Janet Schuknecht, Kim Smith, Roberta Duran, Sirintorn Prasarn, Mandi Dillon, Brad Elliott, Sheila Swinney, Janice Jacobs, Dana Faglie, Lisa Harris, Todd Robertson; Sr.-Carrie Clark, Rhonda Hurley, Tammy Davis, Nina Morris, Sal Acosta, Rickey Mathewson, Kelly Knight, James Turner.

Gamble celebrates 93rd birthday

Mrs. Olga Gamble celebrated her 93rd birthday, Thursday, Oct. 23rd greeting relatives and friends. She was wearing a huge white orchid, the gift of a friend.

Mrs. Bill C. Haynes and Mrs. W.T. Sadler hosted a salad luncheon in her honor at the Haynes residence in Abilene and there were telephone calls and many cards from far and near. All of these were shared by the group when read by her daughter, Mrs. Doyle Seifried of San Antonio. Among these greetings was one from the Mayor Lou David Allen, bringing best wishes from the citizens of Merkel.

When the birthday cake, containing many

candles, was presented, "Happy Birthday To You" was sung by all.

Those enjoying this fun party were: Mrs. Doyce Seifried, San Antonio; Mrs. Jimmie Lowe, Mrs. Jarrett Williams, Mrs. Robert Wiggins, and Mrs. David Gamble all of Abilene; Mrs. Ronnie Hardy, Mrs. Peck Eagar, Mrs. Paul West, Mrs. Helen Benson, Mrs. John West, Mrs. Booth Warren, Mrs. Dee Grimes, Mrs. John Shannon, Mrs. J.E. Boaz, Mrs. Val Patterson, Mary Collins, Mrs. Fannelle Boney, Mrs. George Peachy, Mrs. Dee Blackey, Mrs. Mack Fisher, Mrs. Lola Cox, Mrs. Mae Seago, Mrs. Leota Sherell and the hostesses.

Student council members named

The Merkel Middle School student body has elected the student council officers for 1980-81. They are: President, Shelly Sherrill; Vice President, Tim Jacobs; Secretary, Cindy M. Williams; Treasurer, Bill Adams; Reporter, Tami Elliott; and Parliamentarian, Kris Rich. The sponsor of the student council is Mr. Ken Elliott. Each homeroom has elected a representative and alternate to attend the meetings. They are: Mr. Bratcher's class- Susan Alberts and Brit

Pursley; Mrs. Carson's class-Kerry Dean and Abby Irvin; Mrs. Tierce's class-Sandra Kotrilik and Marlo McCauley; Mrs. Gohike's class-Nanci Stevens and Becky Teagues; Mr. Bauer's class-Greg Spurr and Chris Horton; Mrs. Riley's class-Kelly Riney and Martina Moreno; Mrs. Townsend's class-Kelly Sherrill and Donny Brady; Mr. Jernigan's class-Sean Woodard and Kenny Sims; Miss Bewley's class-Lisa Canter and Mum Prasarn; and Mr. Reynold's class-Pam Ely and Dean Franklin.

Merkel students offer Halloween poetry

The following are poems written by Merkel Elementary students:

Halloween

By Ted Seymore
5th Grade

Halloween is here once more,
Just like it was the year before.
The ghosts and goblins are ready to play,
"Boo, Boo, Boo" is what they say.
Witches, bats and big black cats,
All work together to scare off your hats.
So all should beware of Halloween night,
Of all the things that give you a fright.
Pumpkins

By Chris Brown
5th Grade

Pumpkins are here,
Pumpkins are there,
Pumpkins are everywhere,
Pumpkins are happy,
Pumpkins are sad,
Pumpkins are funny,
Pumpkins are mad,
Pumpkins are orange and green,
And they're all out on Halloween!

Brown featured

The son of a Merkel woman was recently featured in the Baylor College of Medicine's monthly newspaper.

Raymond Brown, son of Mrs. Ruth Reidenbach of 106 Locust, Merkel, is employed by the Baylor College of Medicine as a painter, but he has extended his talents. He now creates murals using a spray gun, laquer and particle board. His creations are on walls throughout the building.

He has been employed by the Baylor College of Medicine for 19 years.

Harris named

Eddy Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Harris, was recently elected Sentinel of the Big Country District Future Farmers of America at a meeting held at Coleman High School. The MHS Sophomore student was chosen from the district group composed of 20 schools.

An active member of the local FFA Chapter, Eddy is currently serving as the chapter Secretary and represented the Local FFA Chapter at the State Convention in Houston this past summer.

During his freshman year in FFA, Eddy took an active part on the parliamentary procedure team, livestock judging team, which competed at the local, district and area levels.

Harris has been a voting delegate to the district, area and state conventions and has been active in the local group where he has helped with all functions and with preparing chapter exhibits for shows and fairs.

Stith roof fund report

The Stith Community Center's Roof Fund has received two more donations since last week.

Clark Munday of Ft. Worth and Starbuck Company of Merkel

were the latest donors. An estimation has been made on roof repairs. A contractor said it would cost \$748 to repair the roof and an additional \$150 to replace lumber.

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Trent News

Thursday October 30, 1980

Trent happenings

Jr. High runs record to 2-3,

The Trent Junior High ran its record to 3-2 last Thursday by downing Leuders-Avoca 38-20. Scoring for Trent was Billy Brazelton on runs of 35, 10, and 3 yards. Benjamin Beaver also scored three times on runs of 45 and 20 yards. Benjamin returned an interception 80 yards for a T.D. Simon De La Cruz ran two P.A.T. and Chuck Pratt ran one P.A.T. Junior High's last game will be Thursday the 30th against McCaulley. Game time is at 6:00 p.m.

High School was open this week. The Gorillas travel to Borden County Friday for a 7:00 p.m. Game time.

FFA fruit sale

The Trent FFA is still selling fruit and sausage. The price for a 2 lb stick of sausage is now \$3.00. We have just got in 1000 lbs., so we have plenty to sell. The 22 pound box of oranges is \$7.50, the 45 pound box of oranges is \$12.00, the 20 pound box of grapefruit is \$7.00, the 40 pound box of grapefruit is \$10.00 and the 14 pound box of apples is \$9.00. All of our fruit is tree ripened. If you are interested in buying either fruit or sausage call 862-6201 or contact any Trent FFA member.

Advisory council

The Parent Advisory Council will hold a meeting concerning the Title I Program on Monday, November 10, 1980 at 9:00 p.m. in the Tax Office at the High School. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Mullberry 4-H awards

During the month of October, many of our members have been involved in local, county and district activities.

On October 4th, Leslie Masonheimer, Dee Dee Masonheimer, Luci Masonheimer, and Pam Massey attended a 4-H Leadership Training in Abilene. They each were presented with a certificate for their participation. Leslie presided over the training.

On October 11, Luci Masonheimer entered Taylor County 4-H Rabbit Show at the Fair Grounds in Abilene. Luci came home with 3 second place wins and 1 fourth place.

On October 21, the annual 4-H Awards Banquet was held at Lytle Shores. This is a banquet held

honoring the 4-Hers in Taylor County who turned in record books. Those attending and receiving award pins were: Dee Dee and Luci Masonheimer and Michael Boyd. Leslie Masonheimer received her annual pin and a special presentation of the "I Dare You" Award. Leslie was not able to attend. The "I Dare You" award is one of the highest awards presented in our county program. Buster Brown, a former Merkelite, also received the "I Dare You" Award. Michael Boyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Boyd of Trent, received a blue ribbon on his record book. His record book project was rabbits. Leslie, Dee Dee, and Luci, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Masonheimer of Trent, each received a blue ribbon on their books. Leslie's book was entered in Horse, Dee Dee's was entered in Senior Bread and Luci's was in Jr. Breads. Leslie's book won 2nd in District 7 Competition. Luci and Dee Dee each won 1st with their books. Dee Dee's book was entered in the state competition. Dee Dee had an excellent book but it didn't win first. But it was a great honor to have one of the top 10 in the State of Texas.

Trent ISD tax assessor receives state certification

Don Orr, Assessor Collector, Trent I.S.D., has been designated as a certified Texas assessor by the board of directors of the Institute of Certified Texas Assessors, The Professional Organization of the Texas Association of Assessing Officers.

Achievement of this "CTA" designation represents years of work and study. There are only 416 active certified Texas assessors in the state of Texas, and this designation is re-

cognized by the legislature of the state of Texas, the state property tax board and the board of tax assessor examiners.

The objectives of this institute are to develop the profession of assessing, establish and maintain standards of performance and provide education for its members.

These active tax assessors strive to give fair and equal assessments throughout their communities.

Genealogy club schedules meeting in Abilene

Are you interested in your ancestors? Have you thought you might try to find out more about your family? Or have you already been bit hard by the "genealogy bug?" If so, consider this your special invitation to join the West Texas Genealogy Society in Abilene at their fall workshop. The workshop will be held Saturday, November 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints on the corner of North

12th and Glenhaven. There will be a short class for beginners to help them get started, and there will also be genealogy forms and publications for sale. Members of WTGS are requested to bring genealogy books for everyone to use as their entry fee. The fee for nonmembers will be \$1.00. So sharpen up your pencils and come on out for a fun day on the ancestor hunt! The Address is 3325 N. 12th St., Abilene, Texas.

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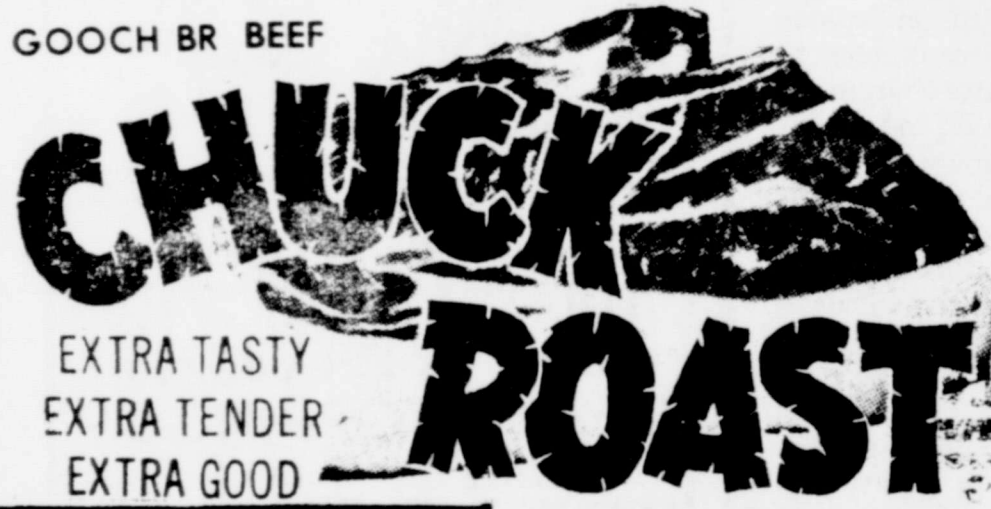
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