

The Merkel Mail

Thursday June 13, 1985...Merkel, Texas

Our 97th Year

Council delays animal control decision, receives ordinances

The Merkel City Council tabled a request from two local men to become Animal Control Officers here and councilmen also got their first look at the printed copies of the Zoning Ordinance, Master Plan, Historical Preservation plans.

Council also heard the monthly police report.

Council was asked by Lynn and Glenn Melton of Merkel to make them animal control officers and pay them \$450 per month for the service. The brothers have been responding to police department

calls about stray dogs and other animals in the city. They have been paid by a bounty provision on the city dog ordinance.

After discussion, council tabled the request until it's next session.

Council also approved a plan that would see treated waste water used to irrigate an alfalfa hay field. City manager J. A. Sadler said city workers went into the sewer plant recently after water was drained to inspect equipment. Sadler said the plant is in good working order and no major repairs are needed.

Also, council instructed the city

manager to draft a letter to the Public Utility Commission concerning the creation of a water utility at Humphrey's Village, a housing subdivision east of Merkel.

The Keenan's, the owners of the property are seeking permission to sell water and provide service. The city will say in the letter they have no "problems" with the Keenan's offering the service as long as they negotiate their own water purchase contract and the city will haul the water through its transmission lines.

State sales tax rebates running on level with 1984 pace, latest check is for \$3,042

Merkel's 1985 tax rebates are running at the 1984 pace according to a news release from the State Comptroller's Office.

So far, Merkel has received \$32,013.48, about \$38 short of what the city had received through the same reporting period last year.

Merkel's check for May rebates was \$3,042.03.

The rebates are Merkel's share of the state sales tax. The tax is collected by local merchants, sent to the State and the State refunds the city share on a monthly basis.

Tye's sales tax rebates continue to run well ahead of last year. So far Tye has collected \$39,795.85 and is 30.83 per cent ahead of

payments last year.

Trent did not receive a rebate check this month.

For the rest of the county, Abilene is 0.84 per cent ahead of last year, Buffalo Gap is 4.56 per cent behind, Impact is 4.81 per cent behind, Trent is 14.03 per cent behind and Tuscola is 3.66 per cent behind.

Local Order of Eastern Star will install officer Friday ceremonies

Merkel Chapter No. 212, Order of the Eastern Star will conduct an open installation at 8 p.m. June 14th at the Masonic Hall, 136 Edwards, Merkel, Texas.

Essie McConnell will be installed as Worthy Matron and Dunning McConnell as Worthy Patron.

Others to be installed are Anna Zell Bright, Associate Matron, Roy Mashburn, Associate Patron,

Mildred Starbuck, Secretary, Buddy Hunter, Treasurer, Mary Sue Doan, Conductress, Polly Fisher, Associate Conductress, Marilyn Baker, Chaplain, Fern Windham, Marshall, Aileen Knight, Organist, Margaret Hunter, Ada, Hazel Pargament, Ruth, Margaret McAninch, Esther, Una Mae Hays, Martha, Martha Allison, Electa, Ted Pargament, Warden, Lem

Allison, Bentinel.

Barbara Reynolds, Mistress of Ceremony, Ethel Pratt, Installing Officer, Ruth Hill, Installing Marshall, Oma Sue Myers, Installing Chaplain, Tommie McWilliams, Installing Secretary, Faye Murphy will give a Special Star Point Presentation. Norma Fisher, Special Music and Bro. Ben Richardson Benediction.

Flag raising Friday, check then build, musicals ... more

by Cloy A. Richards

Independent American Savings will be hoisting a very large American Flag up their new flag pole Flag Day, Friday at 5 p.m.

The public is invited to attend.

The new flag pole and lights atop the building will guarantee vision of the flag from a distance.

Every town needs a large American Flag on the top of a tall pole and Friday we will have one.

The Merkel City council hasn't had to make any zoning decisions yet, but they are just around the corner.

Council will have to decide things like, how much will we charge for a special use permit? Under zoning ordinances enacted here, someone wanting to put in a mobile home, unless it is in a designated trailer park, will need a special use permit.

Council has not been personally approached for any zone changes but that will change soon.

If you are planning remodeling, housing purchases or buying a piece of land to open a business it would be wise to check with City Hall to see if you plans agree with the Zoning Ordinance.

Merkel High football players will be washing cars Saturday to help raise money to send the cheerleaders to camp.

I have never heard of that one. They will be washing cars at Village Car Wash (East of Merkel on Old 80) and cost is \$2

The Merkel Golf Association is sponsoring a Ladies Tournament Saturday at the Merkel Golf Course.

The tournament is for teams of two ladies and reservations may be made by calling the golf course.

The West Texas Auction Arena will be the site of Country-Western musical each 3rd Saturday night of the month.

The same ones they hold in Truby and Tye.

The entertainment is free and concessions will be available.

Don't forget the Walt Disney movies each Friday at 2 and 7 p.m.

The new City Park is starting to look like a park.

Under construction Monday included restrooms, a tennis court and picnic shelters.

The old city park (man they need names) looks to be in very good shape for Fun Day.

So Gary Thompson is a Republican.

The Abilene-based state representative announced last week that he was changing political parties. Of course, words were exchanged between state party leaders over the switch but Thompson says he won't be hurt by any of this.

A baseball tournament will be held here starting next weekend and will run through Tuesday as league winners from area towns

converge to slug it out.

The closing ceremonies for the Merkel Little League will be held June 25th following the final game.

The Supers of Merkel's Little League will be the local entry.

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People and groups wanting to take advantage of the largest crowd of the year had best get their reservation in for Fun Day, 1985.

Reservation can be made by calling the Chamber of Commerce office at 928-5722 during normal business hours.

A variety of food and games have been spoken for but many more are needed.

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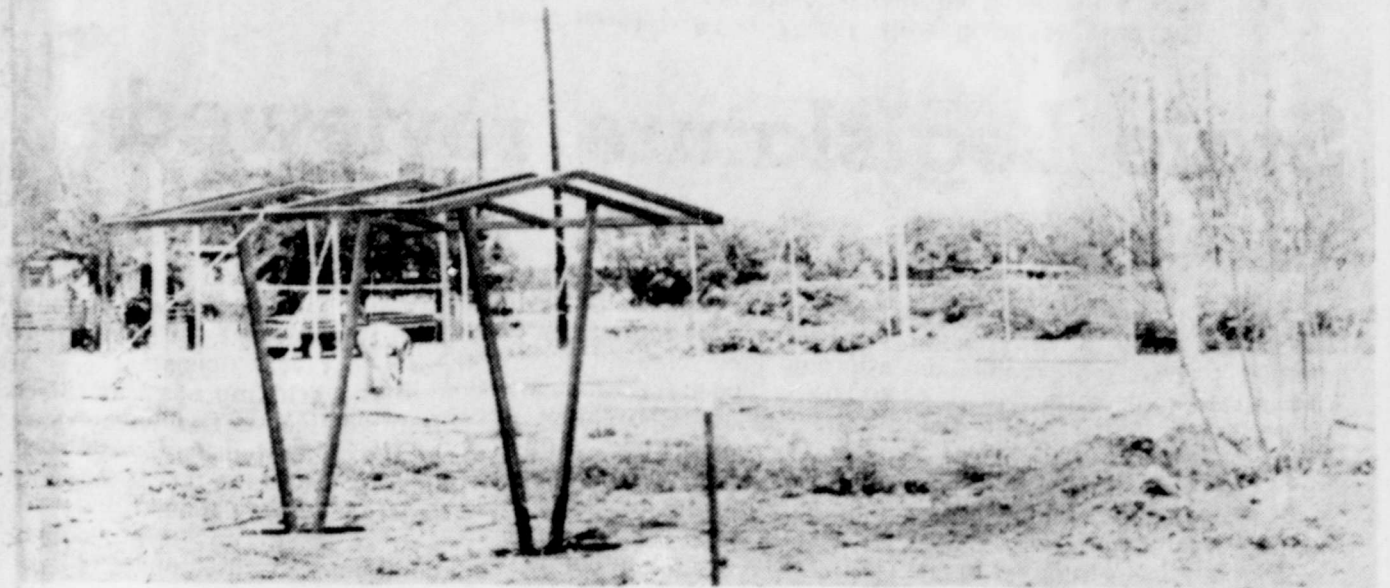
First off, Iris Amerine doesn't have a car for sale with 10,000 miles, it has 38,000. Hope it is corrected on Page 4 this week. Also, yes, you received two papers in a row dated May 30th in the front page.

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Since it's Father's Day I thought I'd pass along short thought I had about my dad the other day.

I started thinking of the difference in the way he would have handled a situation that I was in. In the next instant I realized I had been a good father to you or I would have never paid to consider his thoughts.

Thanks Dad, and to all other Dad's who have helped me along those thoughts



Construction is moving right along at the new city park on Merkel's Northside. The park will include lighted tennis courts, a multi-purpose court, picnic areas and trees. [Staff photo]

69th Legislative session review offered by Sen. Grant Jones

From: Senator Grant Jones

The 69th Legislature came to a close at midnight, May 27, 1985 and left behind a record of hard work on many significant issues.

The primary issue overshadowing everything else was the question of how to fund the built-in and disposal. In the same vein, an increase in the state budget with eighty million dollar management dwindling revenues from oil and gas severance taxes. While pro-waste facilities was approved.

Regulatory measures on financial institutions were tightened by a revision of both the banking code on a percentage of value, and the saving and loan code. In

addition, the escheat laws were recodified and the period for reporting unclaimed property to the state was reduced from seven years to five years in most cases.

On other unclaimed accounts, such as mineral interests, the reporting period was reduced to three years. All requirements of local publication were abandoned in favor of a statewide advertising program by the State Treasurer.

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Chain link fence for tennis courts at the City park being built on the Northside of Merkel. The courts will be lighted. The park is being financed by a joint grant program between the State's Park Department and the Department of Housing and Urban development. [Staff photo]

Picture see Page 2



Restroom facilities for the new City Park were being constructed Monday. The park is being built South of the Interstate Access road and West of Circle A Western Wear. [Staff photo]

State Legislature reviewed

From Page 1

As recent experience has shown this to be a far more effective method of reaching possible unknown owners or heirs.

Legislation in the health field saw the end of the Health Facilities Commission which regulated the expansion of hospital and nursing facilities. The Health Department was continued in the sunset process, and abortion clinics will be required to be licensed and to keep statistical records. An indigent health care program was talked to death in the House of Representatives on the final night; however, Governor White called an immediate special session, and the state blue law was repealed. Every business except program to provide care for indigent patients in public facilities was enacted in less than three days. This new program, in addition to the seventy million dollars appropriated for the State's share of the costs, will undoubtedly create a need for additional taxes on the local level. An attempt was made to place a portion of the responsibility for regulation of pesticides under the Health Department, however, it failed, and the Department of Agriculture retained jurisdiction.

Senate Bill 387 enacted a major medical plan for retired teachers, affording them medical coverage and being funded from the reserve in the Teacher Retirement Program. In conjunction with this program, a five percent increase in annuity payments was granted to state employees who had retired prior to September 1, 1983. State employees also received a three percent salary increase for each year of the 1986-87 biennium.

A number of issues of particular interest to individuals received a great deal of attention with a variety of results:

1. The state blue law was repealed. Every business except auto dealerships may legally open for business on Sunday, provided no employee will be forced to work on Sunday.
2. Seat belts - people in the front seat of cars and most pickups are required to buckle up or face a fine of up to \$50.00, effective September 1, 1985.
3. The annual automobile inspection fee is now \$7.75 - up from \$5.25.
4. Personalized license plates increased from \$25.00

5. Driver's licenses will increase from the current \$10.00 to \$16.00 for a four year license.
6. The drinking age was raised from nineteen to twenty-one years of age, effective September 1986, in response to the threat of loss of federal highway funds.
7. A ban on open alcohol containers in automobiles failed.
8. Pari-mutuel gambling on horse racing was defeated in the House of Representatives, and attempts to revive it under the guise of "dog and horse" racing in the Senate never materialized. (otherwise known as the "dog and pony show")
9. Attempts to do away with the "merit review" of new stock issues by the state securities commission was narrowly defeated in the Senate.
10. An attempt to allow banks to charge annual fees for credit cards did not succeed.

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Toombs-Shears repeat wedding vows here

Marissa Lynette Toombs and Carl Wayne Shears were married May 18th here in ceremonies held

TDA says treat stored grain like money in the bank

(AUSTIN)--The Texas Department of Agriculture is urging farmers to exercise some caution in both hauling and depositing their grain in a storage elevator.

Darrell Ketchum, director of TDA's Grain Warehouse Licensing Program, says the state's nearly 800 grain warehouses were all to be relicensed by June 1 of each year. That expiration date means that farmers may be depositing their grain in an elevator that is bonded and insured one day, but unprotected the next.

Ketchum says, "It's a shame to see a farmer get through bad weather, fight the bugs, spend a lot of money and put in weeks of hard, physical labor, only to lose a crop because it ended up in an unlicensed elevator."

Under state law, all grain elevators and warehouses in Texas must be licensed and bonded, either by TDA or the U.S. Department of Agriculture. There are about 800 elevators in Texas licensed by TDA and about 100 licensed by USDA.

"Farmers need to be especially careful this time of year because of the relicensing timetable," Ketchum said. "Each farmer should carefully read the license hanging on the elevator wall before storing grain there. If the license has not yet been renewed through May 31, 1986, the farmer should call TDA to find out if it will be renewed, or if the operator is experiencing some trouble."

Right now, only about 300 of the 800 elevators have been relicensed, but Ketchum says that is not unusual. "Most of the elevator operators wait until the final week to send in their applications, and they take some time to get processed. But any elevator that doesn't have its license renewed by June 1 is technically unable to either receive or ship out grain until the new license arrives."

Ketchum says farmers should also be on the watch for truck drivers they don't know. "They usually come in after the local grain elevators are full and offer to take the grain right out of the field into storage somewhere else."

at the First United Methodist Church.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Dennis Mitchell. Officiating were Russell McAnally and John Wagoner.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Leon Toombs Sr. of Merkel. The groom is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Frank Shearer of Hamlin.

The Matron of Honor was Jeanie

Johnson of Midland and the Best Man was Franklin Shearer of Houston.

Ushers were Kent Satterwhite and Jimmy Leverich of Merkel.

The parents of the bride hosted a reception following the wedding at the Methodist Church. The bride attended schools in Abilene and the groom is a graduate of Hamlin High and is employed by KIXX Radio-Merkel.

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Smith's services held here

Frankie Lee Smith, 76, a resident of Merkel for 39 years, an artist, died at 6:50 p.m. Saturday at Humana Hospital, Abilene, after a lengthy illness. Services were at 3 p.m. Tuesday at the First Methodist Church with the Rev. Russell McAnally, retired Methodist minister, officiating, assisted by the Rev. John Wagner, pastor of First United Methodist Church and the Rev. Lynward Harrison, Methodist minister. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery directed by Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born Jan. 29, 1909, in San Saba, she was the daughter of Pete and Lota Ada Graves and was raised in Junction. She married Ford "Buddy" Smith Jr. May 12, 1946, in Baird. She was a past member of Order of Easter Star where she

served as worthy matron, a charter member of Merkel Art Association, an active member of Stith Home Demonstration Club and longtime member of First United Methodist Church. She was also a doll maker and collector.

Survivors include her husband; three daughters, Lota May Hughes of Tallahassee, Fla., Mrs. Kenneth (Barbara Jean) Wood of Pauls Valley, Okla. and Mrs. Ronny (Ann) Doan of Merkel; three sons, Billie Pete Hughes of Pampa, Berry Ford Smith of Amarillo, and Gary Lee Smith of Merkel; a brother, James Douglas Graves of Houston; 15 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were grandsons Berry Doyle Smith, Russell Dean Hughes, Shane Smith, Kenneth Eugene Wood Jr., Todd Smith, Kyle Doan and Clint Doan.



Services for Thelma Thomas

Thelma N. Thomas, 79, of Merkel, died at 1 a.m. June 6th at Starr Nursing Home following a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held June 7th at 4 p.m. at the Starbuck Chapel with the Rev. John Wagner officiating. Burial followed at Rose Hill Cemetery here under the

direction of the Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born Oct. 12, 1905 in Wood County, she married D. H. Thomas Nov. 10, 1928. He died in 1931.

She was a laundry worker at the State Hospital until she retired.

She is survived by two brothers,

M. L. Windham of Houston and Norman (Preacher) Windham of El Paso; and two sisters, Alta Hobbs of Grand Prairie and Bess Moore of Merkel. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Patsy Nell Thomas, and brothers H. H., Howard and Buddy Windham. Nephews served as pallbearers.

81 Club holds recent meeting

The Eighty One Study Club held its final meeting of the year on May 30, 1985 at 9:00 a.m. in the home of Ann Talent.

President Betty Stautzenberger called the meeting to order. Members attending the meeting

were: Vernie Bryan, Paula Forehand, Grace Holt, Cleo Reece, Betty Stautzenberger, Doris Summers and Ann Talent.

After the meeting adjourned, club members met at the Po Folks

Restaurant in Abilene for lunch.

Members attending the luncheon were: Lorene Beaird, Vernie Bryan, Paula Forehand, Grace Holt, Cleo Reece, Betty Stautzenberger, Doris Summers, and Ann Talent.

Legislature Enacts New Provisions for Texas Farmers and Ranchers

(AUSTIN)--Despite all the hubbub over some commensurate pesticide regulations, it really turned out to be a pretty good legislative session for Texas farmers and ranchers. Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower has said.

"Additional sources of financing may soon become available to those who want to buy farm or ranch land; there will be greater protection of the land from hazardous and solid waste disposal; farm irrigators will receive new safeguards on the price of their natural gas; and the farmers and ranchers of this state may soon have a new mechanism to purchase more efficient irrigation equipment," said Hightower, in evaluating the agriculture-related legislation passed by the 1985 Texas Legislature.

"We in agriculture are also very excited about the potential for the Texas World Trade Council," Hightower said. "This bill (HB 809) by Representative Lee Jackson of Dallas charts the course for Texas to develop a comprehensive and far-reaching international trade program--of which agriculture can certainly be a key ingredient. Developing new international markets for Texas agricultural products has certainly been a top priority of this agency for the past 2 1/2 years." The World Trade Council legislation has already been signed by Governor Mark White and becomes law on September 1. The Texas World Trade Council consists of 15 members, including the Commissioner of Agriculture.

Mike Moeller, assistant deputy commissioner of the Texas Department of Agriculture, added, "We're particularly pleased with legislative changes in the existing Family Farm & Ranch Security Act Program, authored by Representative Steve Carriker of Roby and Senator Ted Lyon of Mesquite. Their legislation (HB 2258) amends the original 1979 legislation and doubles from \$100,000 to \$200,000 the net worth of individuals who can qualify for state guarantees on commercial loans for agricultural land. We believe this change accurately reflects the capital it requires to enter into agricultural production, and we hope this change allows more producers to take advantage of the state loan guarantees.

"In addition, Texas voters this November will decide on a new program to finance the purchases of farm and ranch land through loans obtained by the Veterans Land Board (HJR 19)," Moeller noted.

Also for voters to decide this November is the statewide water plan. According to Bob King, director of TDA's Office of Natural Resources, that proposed constitutional amendment (HJR 6) would create a \$10 million Agricultural Trust Fund which would be used for conservation programs, technical assistance and to help farmers buy more efficient irrigation equipment.

"Many producers will also benefit from the Texas Brush Control Program (SB 1083), authored by Senator Bill Sims of San Angelo," King said. "The state office of the U.S. Soil Conservation Service estimates that as many as three trillion gallons of water

every year may be lost to unwanted scrub brush and mesquite in Texas. The Conservation Service lists almost 100 million acres as excessively brushy, and this degradation of formerly productive range grasslands will not be reversed without a serious commitment to improvement by the state as well as property owners. In several areas of the state, the Sims bill could allow not only improvement of range productivity and reduce damaging soil erosion, but could also directly increase beneficial runoff or aquifer recharge within a given watershed.

"For the first time, farmers who must use natural gas to run their irrigation pumps will also have some restrictions imposed on the prices they are charged for their fuel. This is good news to those farmers who, in the past, have seen the cost of their natural gas jump--unannounced--by 25 percent from one month to the next. Legislation by Representative Pete Laney of Hale Center (HB 1823) prevents gas utilities from charging an agricultural energy user more than other similar large-volume customers are charged," King said.

"Also beneficial to rural residents," King said, "are the companion bills (HB 2358 and 2359) which impose new state

controls over the location, enforcement and clean-up of hazardous waste and solid waste sites.

"The Legislature also passed a resolution (HCR 173) urging Congress and the President to extend the time for phase-out of the nation's conservation and renewable energy tax credits," King added. "TDA, together with the Texas Renewable Energy Industries Association, supported the passage of this message to the Congress in hopes that these important incentives would not be curtailed prematurely. Tax incentives for the production of electricity and liquid or gaseous fuels from 'biomass,' including farm products or by-products, would benefit Texas agriculture greatly."

Moeller noted that the recently concluded Legislature also gave TDA authority to charge an additional fee to those individuals and businesses who are late in paying for their annual regulatory licenses (SB 1243). Also passed were bills prohibiting the sale of meat products by numerical count requiring them to be sold by weight (H 1762), and companion measures (H 1802 and 1803) giving TDA great flexibility to license fruit and vegetable dealers and to administer the Product Recovery Fund Act.

Family Land Heritage Program applications being accepted

(AUSTIN)--The Texas Department of Agriculture is now accepting applications for the 1985 Family Land Heritage Program honoring families who have kept their land in continuous agricultural production for at least a century.

"This is the 12th year for one of the most coveted honors of state government," said Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower. "Keeping the same land in continuous agricultural production for 100 consecutive years is no easy task, and these families certainly deserve the recognition and thanks. While we celebrate their achievements of the past, the Family Land Heritage Program also points out the importance these family-run farms and ranches hold for the future. We need every one of these family farms and ranches in production for another 100 years."

Since the program began in 1974, a total of 1,821 Texas farms and ranches have been recognized and placed in the Family Land Heritage Registry. Last year alone, 92 properties were honored, including the 218-year-old Trevino Circle 1 Ranch near Zapata.

The oldest property ever recognized is the Noriecas Ranch founded in 1740 by Simon De Hinojosa, under the authority of the King of Spain, near what is today Hebbronville. That property was recognized in 1976.

According to program coordinator

Carolyn Baethge, qualifications for inclusion in the program are specific. "The land must have been agricultural production since 1848 if the land has ever been leased to someone outside the family, it can't qualify. The owners must reside in Texas and must actively manage or direct the everyday operations of the farm or ranch," Baethge said.

Applications for families to believe they qualify are now available from their county judge, City Historical Commission, the 1st TDA district office, or by writing Family Land Heritage Program is Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711. Registrations will be accepted through August 31.

"Funding for the Family Land Heritage Program has been reduced by the next operating year due to legislative budget cuts," Higer said. "However, we are already working with the Texas Historical Commission, hoping to secure a grant from the state to ensure that the 1985 Family Land Heritage Registry is as complete, detailed and historically significant as the previous 11 registries."

All the families who qualify for the 1985 edition will be honored at a ceremony in Austin this fall and will receive both a certificate and a listing in the Registry.

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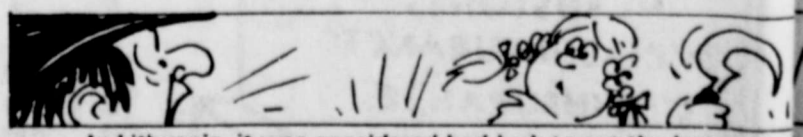
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STATE OF TEXAS To: Keelie Ridgeway, Defendant in the cause herein described.

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said petition filed May 8th, 1985, discloses that the nature of said suit is as follows:

The Plaintiffs seek partition through sale of the following described tract of land:

All of Lot Number One (1), Block "F", Replat of Western Heights Addition to the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas.

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Rilla Mahoney, Clerk of the 350th Judicial District Court of Taylor County, Texas.
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116-4tc-64

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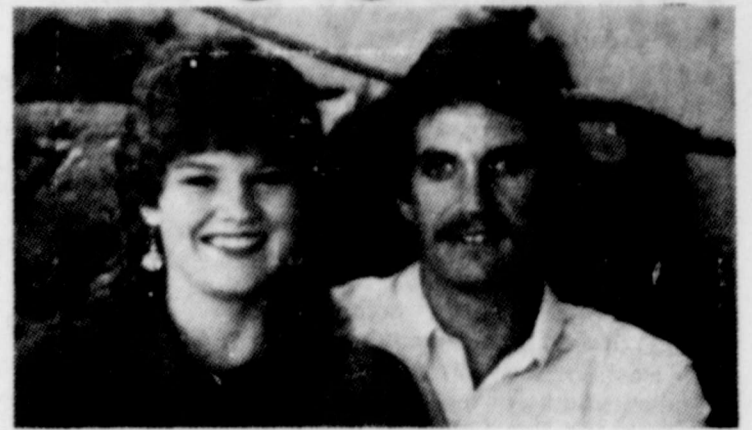
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The couple are both attending South Plains College of Levelland, Texas.

The wedding will be July 27th at the Covenant Presbyterian Church in Lubbock.

Frazier reunion

There will be a Frazier Reunion June 16 at the Heritage Hall.

Everyone is invited to bring a covered dish and attend.

Coach wants athletes busy

Just a reminder to all Junior High Athletes, who plan on going out for football in the fall, that you need to be outside staying busy this summer. School will not start until Sept. 3 and we will play Jim Ned a week later.

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Dunlap is recent HSU grad

Rebecca Ann Dunlap, a Hardin-Simmons University student from Merkel, has completed the requirements for a bachelor of business administration degree and received a diploma during Spring commencement exercises May 11.

Dunlap is the daughter of Gerrie Dunlap of 813 Ash.

Castille's have son

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Castille, of Gardendale are pleased to announce the birth of a daughter, Lacey Elane, born June 4th at Odessa Medical Center at 12:57 p.m. She weighed 5 lbs. 15 ozs and was 20 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Pat and Linda Williams of Merkel and Mrs. Jimmie Williams of Merkel. Paternal grandparents are Rosy Castille of Merkel and Pat Castille of Eastland.

Little league scrimmage

There will be a scrimmage Friday night between the Super's Little League. They will be entering an all district League Team and the tournament beginning coaches, with some of June 20 through June 25 the dads. The Supers to be held in Merkel.

Activities at Camp Butman

Recent activities at Camp Butman included a church vacation school conducted by the First United Methodist Church of Sweetwater.

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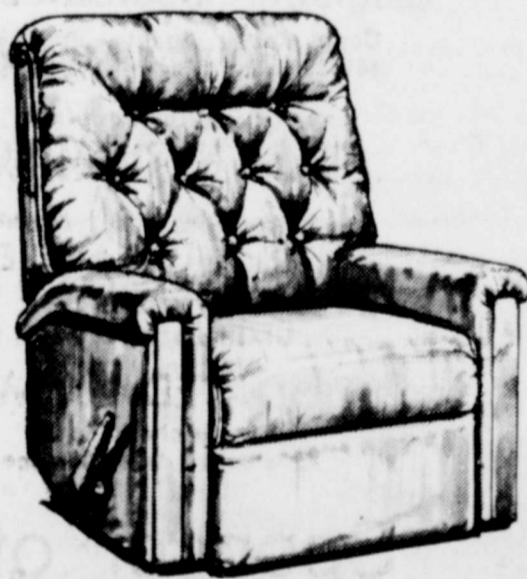
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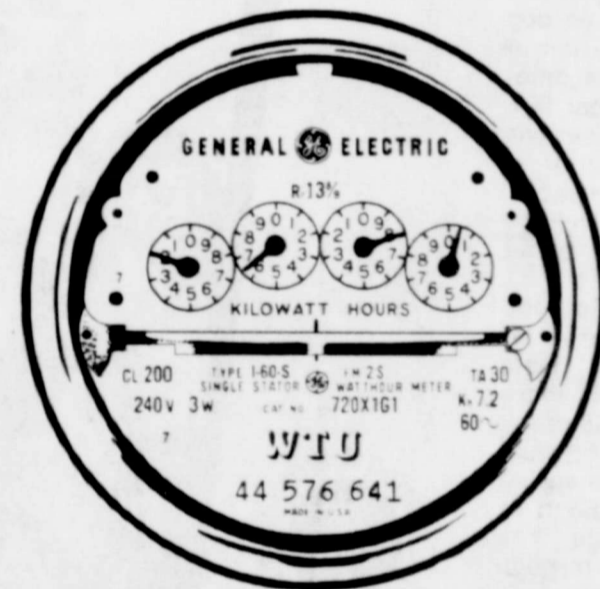
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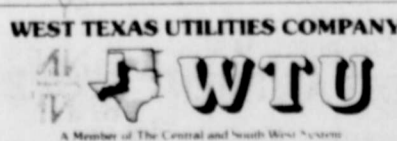
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Hosting the 50th Anniversary celebration will be their children, Doug and Pat Chancey, of Santa Maria, Calif., Morris and Margaret Chancey of Austin, Texas and David and Nora Chancey of Abilene. Also their grandchildren and great grandchildren.

The couple married in Merkel in July 1935, after meeting at a singing in Comper in 1933. They have lived in the Comper Community for the 50 years.

A retired farmer, Chancey was born at Mulberry in January 26, 1912 and Louise Crumpler Chancey was born January 14, 1917 at Newsome, Texas.

They have 6 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. They are members of the Church of Christ.

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SEC. 4. ZONING DISTRICT MAP: The location and boundaries of the districts herein established are shown upon the official zoning map, which is hereby adopted as part of this Ordinance. The original of the Zoning District Map shall be filed in the office of the City Secretary. Said Zoning map, together with all notations, references and other information shown thereon and all amendments thereto, shall be as much a part of this Ordinance as if fully set forth and described herein.

SEC. 5. RULES FOR THE INTERPRETATION OF DISTRICT BOUNDARIES: Where uncertainty exists with respect to the boundaries of any of the aforesaid districts as shown on the zoning map, the following rules shall apply:

5-1. Where district boundaries are indicated as approximately following the center lines of streets or highways, street lines or highway right-of-way lines, such center lines, street lines or highway right-of-way lines shall be construed to be such boundaries.

5-2. Where district boundaries are so indicated that they approximately follow the lot lines, such lot lines shall be construed to be said boundaries.

5-3. Where district boundaries are so indicated that they approximately parallel to the center lines or street lines of streets, or the center lines of right-of-way lines of highways, such district boundaries shall be construed as being parallel thereto and at such distance therefrom as indicated on the zoning map. If no distance is given, such dimension shall be determined by the use of the scale on said zoning map.

5-4. In unsubdivided property, the district boundary lines on the zoning map shall be determined by use of the scale appearing on the map.

5-5. In the case of a district boundary line dividing a property into two parts, the district boundary line shall be construed to be the property line nearest the less restricted district.

5-6. Whenever any street, alley or other public way is vacated by official action of the City Council, the zoning district adjoining each side of such street, alley or public way shall be automatically extended to the center of such vacation and all area included in the vacation shall then and thenceforth be subject to all regulations of the extended district.

SEC. 6. COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS: Except as hereinafter specifically provided:

6-1. No land shall be used except for a purpose permitted in the district in which it is located.

6-2. No building shall be erected, converted, enlarged, reconstructed or structurally altered to exceed the height and area limits herein established for the district nor to be used, except for a use permitted in the district in which such a building is located.

6-3. No building shall be erected, or structurally altered to the extent specifically provided hereinafter except in conformity with the off-street parking and loading regulations of the district in which such building is located.

6-4. The minimum yards, parking spaces and open spaces, including lot area per family, required by this Ordinance for each and every building existing at the time of passage of this Ordinance or for any building hereafter erected, shall not be encroached upon or considered as part of the yard or parking space or open space required for any other building, nor shall any lot area be reduced below the requirements of this ordinance for the district in which such lot is located.

6-5. Every building hereafter erected or structurally altered shall be located on a lot as herein defined, and except as hereinafter provided, there shall not be more than one main building on one lot.

SEC. 3. HEIGHT AND AREA EXCEPTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS:

3-1. Height:

(a) The height regulations prescribed herein shall not apply to television and radio towers, church spires, belfries, monuments, tanks, water and fire towers, stage towers or scenery lofts, cooling towers, ornamental towers, and spires, chimneys, elevator bulkheads, smokestacks, conveyors, and flag poles.

(b) Public, semi-public or public service buildings, hospitals, institutions or schools, where permitted, may be erected to a height not exceeding sixty (60) feet, and churches and temples may be erected to a height not exceeding seventy-five (75) feet when the required side and rear yards are each increased by one (1) foot for each foot of additional building height above the height regulations for the district in which the building is located.

(c) The limitation on number of stories shall not apply to buildings used exclusively for storage purposes provided such buildings do not exceed the height in feet permitted in the district in which they are located.

3-2. Front Yards:

(a) On lots having double frontage the required front yard shall be provided on both streets.

(b) In a residential district no fence, structure, or planting higher than three and one-half (3-1/2) feet above the established street grades shall be maintained within twenty (20) feet of any street intersection.

(c) An open, uncovered porch or paved terrace may project into a required front yard for a distance of not more than ten (10) feet but this shall not be interpreted to include or permit fixed canopies.

(d) Filling station pumps and pump islands may be located within a required yard provided they are not less than fifteen (15) feet from any property line and not less than fifty (50) feet from the boundary of any residential district.

(e) Off-street parking facilities may be located within the required front yard of any "C" or "I" District, but shall not be nearer than fifty (50) feet to any "SF" or "MF" District and no off-street parking shall be permitted in the required front yard of any "SF" or "MF" District.

3-3. Side Yards:

(a) On a corner lot the width of the yard along the side street shall not be less than any required front yard on such street; provided however, that the buildable width of a lot of record shall not be reduced to less than thirty-two (32) feet.

(b) No accessory building shall project beyond a required yard line along any street.

(c) Where dwelling units are erected above commercial establishments no side yard is required except when required for the commercial building on the side of a lot adjoining a residential district.

(d) A port-cochere or canopy may project into a required side yard provided every part of such porte-cochere or canopy is unenclosed and not less than five (5) feet from any side lot line.

(e) For the purpose of said yard regulations, a two-family dwelling or multiple dwelling shall be considered as one building occupying one lot.

(f) Where a lot of record at the time of the effective date of this ordinance is less than forty (40) feet in width the required side yard may be reduced to ten percent (10%) of the width of the lot; provided however, that no side yard shall be less than three (3) feet.

3-4. Rear Yards:

(a) Where a lot abuts upon an alley, one-half the alley width may be considered as part of the required rear yard.

(b) An accessory building not exceeding twenty (20) feet in height may occupy not to exceed thirty percent (30%) and unenclosed parking spaces may occupy not to exceed ninety percent (90%) of the area of a required rear yard but no accessory building shall be closer than ten (10) feet to the main building nor closer than three (3) feet to any rear lot line.

(c) The ordinary projections of sills, belt courses, cornices and ornamental features may extend to a distance not to exceed eighteen (18) inches into a required yard.

(d) Open or lattice-enclosed fire escapes, outside stairways and balconies opening upon fire towers, and the ordinary projections of chimneys and flues into a rear yard may be permitted by the building inspector for a distance not to exceed five (5) feet when these are so placed as not to obstruct light and ventilation.

3-5. **Lot Area per Family:** Where a lot of record at the time of the effective date of this Ordinance has less area or width than herein required in the district in which it is located, and the owner of such lot does not own any other parcel or tract adjacent thereto, said lot may nonetheless be used for a one-family dwelling or for any non-dwelling use permitted in the district in which it is located.

3-6. **Fences:** A fence, hedge, or enclosure wall is permitted, provided:

(a) A solid fence or enclosure wall shall not exceed a height of six (6) feet;

(b) An ornamental fence exceeding six (6) feet in height shall have a ratio of solid portion to open portion not in excess of one (1) to four (4);

(c) Any fence, hedge or enclosure wall on corner lot, and situated within fifteen (15) feet of the intersection of the two street lines, shall not exceed a height of three (3) feet;

(d) Any fence, wall, hedge, shrubbery, etc. higher than a base line extending from a point two and one-half (2-1/2) feet above walk grade to a point four and one-half (4-1/2) feet above walk grade at the depth of front yard required is hereby declared to be an obstruction to view, except single trees, having single trunks which are pruned to a height of seven (7) feet above walk grade.

3-7. **Signs:** In calculating the area of a sign the perimeter of the area shall be a line including the outer extremities of all letters, figures, characters and delineations or line including the outer extremities of the framework or background upon which such sign is placed, whichever line includes the larger area. In "SF" and "MF" Residence Districts, it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to place, erect, construct or use any signs except as follows:

(a) Name plates: In "SF" and "MF" Residence Districts not to exceed two (2) square feet in area as an accessory use to a lot or building on which placed and bearing one (1) name plate for each family housed, which name plate may state the occupation of each occupant.

(b) Lease or sale: Signs pertaining to the lease or sale of a lot or building upon which placed and not exceeding a total area of sixty-four (64) square feet.

(c) Temporary:

- (1) A temporary sign to be displayed during construction and in connection with construction operations.
- (2) A temporary sign not exceeding sixty-four (64) square feet pertaining to the sale of an addition or of a subdivision, the area of which subdivision exceeds one (1) acre of land, for a period not to exceed two (2) years.

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SEC. 3. HEIGHT AND AREA EXCEPTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS:

3-1. Height:

(a) The height regulations prescribed herein shall not apply to television and radio towers, church spires, belfries, monuments, tanks, water and fire towers, stage towers or scenery lofts, cooling towers, ornamental towers, and spires, chimneys, elevator bulkheads, smokestacks, conveyors, and flag poles.

(b) Public, semi-public or public service buildings, hospitals, institutions or schools, where permitted, may be erected to a height not exceeding sixty (60) feet, and churches and temples may be erected to a height not exceeding seventy-five (75) feet when the required side and rear yards are each increased by one (1) foot for each foot of additional building height above the height regulations for the district in which the building is located.

(c) The limitation on number of stories shall not apply to buildings used exclusively for storage purposes provided such buildings do not exceed the height in feet permitted in the district in which they are located.

3-2. Front Yards:

(a) On lots having double frontage the required front yard shall be provided on both streets.

(b) In a residential district no fence, structure, or planting higher than three and one-half (3-1/2) feet above the established street grades shall be maintained within twenty (20) feet of any street intersection.

(c) An open, uncovered porch or paved terrace may project into a required front yard for a distance of not more than ten (10) feet but this shall not be interpreted to include or permit fixed canopies.

(d) Filling station pumps and pump islands may be located within a required yard provided they are not less than fifteen (15) feet from any property line and not less than fifty (50) feet from the boundary of any residential district.

(e) Off-street parking facilities may be located within the required front yard of any "C" or "I" District, but shall not be nearer than fifty (50) feet to any "SF" or "MF" District and no off-street parking shall be permitted in the required front yard of any "SF" or "MF" District.

3-3. Side Yards:

(a) On a corner lot the width of the yard along the side street shall not be less than any required front yard on such street; provided however, that the buildable width of a lot of record shall not be reduced to less than thirty-two (32) feet.

(b) No accessory building shall project beyond a required yard line along any street.

(c) Where dwelling units are erected above commercial establishments no side yard is required except when required for the commercial building on the side of a lot adjoining a residential district.

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(e) For the purpose of said yard regulations, a two-family dwelling or multiple dwelling shall be considered as one building occupying one lot.

(f) Where a lot of record at the time of the effective date of this ordinance is less than forty (40) feet in width the required side yard may be reduced to ten percent (10%) of the width of the lot; provided however, that no side yard shall be less than three (3) feet.

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