# The Merkel Mail

Thursday, August 1, 1985 ... Merkel, Texas

Our 97th Year



§ Bottom Row Left to Right: Tonya Moreno, Melannie Baker, Betsy Jo Hellums, Brandi Watts, Kristi Smith.

Brandy Fenton, Michelle Ingram, Belinda Moreno, Sheena Holmes, Dayna Doan, Becky Holmes, Manager. Not pictured are Paula Whiteaker, Jayma Goldsmith, Joy Smith, Chaperone and Ted Holmes Assistant Coach.

#### § Top Row Left to Right: Jerry Holmes, Coach, Lisa Fenton, M & T All-Stars 3rd

CPA. Beasley Garage, T-Tops, Vernon, Bail Bonds, Ted McInch and VFW

express their appreciation to the support given us during our candy 3rd place with 3 wins and only 1 businesses who sponsored teams and donut sales and our benefit loss. Mt. Vernon and Sweetwater this season which include, Dubose, softball tournaments. All of the came in 1st and 2nd place with Texaco, Cummins Supply, Carter above made it possible to take each team having 2 losses and 3 Insurance, McInich Transport, Div. I and Div. II All-Stars to the wins. Brandi Watts and Betsy Jo Merkel Brick and Lumber, Clark East Regional Tournament in Mt. Hellums received All-Tournament

Shirts and More, Hicks Auto, P&L Out of 6 teams, Div. I All-Stars ed the Sportsmanship Trophy. In Auto, Tye Concrete, Ben Franklin, came in 3rd Place with 3 losses Div. II's third game, Betsy Jo and Raymond's Texaco. We also and 2 wins. Heather Henderson Hellums pitched a shut-out game MOMS-It's time to sign up your Thursdays or both days. wish to express our gratitude for and Sherry Clark received all- against Albany with the score pre-schoolers, ages 3-5, for a great Besides having lots of fun, we cash contributions from Childers tournament trophies. Out of 7 being Merkel 12 and Albany 0. She learning experience at the Merkel have great classes in Bible, art,

M & T Softball girls wish to Post. We appreciate all the teams, Div. II All-Stars came in Trophies. Div. II All-Stars receivwas given the game ball.

## Lang resigns as Middle School principal here

assistant high school football coach here last year, to be the new principal of Merkel Middle School.

The board took that action at an emergency meeting Monday night when they accepted the resignation of Eddie Lang, who was recently hired at Wylie High school as a coach. Lang came here in 1979 as head football coach and athletic director and had been principal at Merkel Middle school for the past two years.

Also, last Tuesday at their regular board meeting, MISD accepted two resignations and hired six teachers.

Resignations were accepted from Jill Casey and Celeste Smelser. They also hired Paige Zeinert at Merkel Elementary; Lori Earles at Merkel Elementary, Kathy Banks at Tye Elementary and Kathy Choate at Merkel Elementary; Debra Hardy abled veterans' exemptions.

MISD hired Robert Damron, an at Merkel High and Brenda \$94,046,723; personal property is Schrader as a middle school coach.

> Board members will start working on the 1985-86 school budget with a planning and strategy session Saturday at the Royal Inn in Abilene starting at noon.

members this year is almost \$2 \$7,451,086. million in taxable evaluation less than the 1984 total taxable value. Increases in new value in 1984 were offset by \$10 million less \$1.04 per \$100 compared to the 1984 taxable value in mineral and oil values.

According to figures released last week from the Central what the tax rate will be this year Appraisal Office, MISD's total taxable value is \$171,923,072.

set at \$169,504,258. Taken off the ammount of money we spent last top were \$65,574,248 in agriculture year." values, \$9,742,968 in homestead exemptions and \$140,319 in dis-

valued at \$48,020,135 and the mineral value was set at \$29,856,214.

Also, tax value lost on homestead exemptions because of frozen taxes for those over age 65 was \$5,523,703. New value over the The problem facing school board 1984 certified values was set at

According to preliminary values provided by the Appraisal District says MISD's tax rate would be tax rate of 98 cents.MISD superintendent Bill Everett told The Mail Monday "We don't know but according to the Appraisal District, we will have to charge The total real estate value was \$1.04 just to generate the same

Board members will start their budget decision making process Saturday and public hearings will The net real estate value is be held in late August.

## MHS cheerleaders rate superior

The Merkel High School Varsity They also won the spirit stick 3 Cheerleaders had a very success- nights out of 4, which entitled ful week at Cheerleading camp in them to bring it back to Merkel Stephenville. The squad received 3 High School. The spirit stick is superior ratings and 1 excellent award to squads that perform with

enthusiasm and school spirit. The squad also received a certificate showing them as a squad with superior ratings from the National Cheerleaders Asso-

## Sign up for Church of Christ Tuesday-Thursday school for children ages 3-5

Church of Christ on Tuesdays or numbers, colors, alphabet, man-

ners, etc. to help prepare child for kindergarten, or just to give Mother a "Day Out". For further information call Bernice at 928-5176.

## 7 inches of rain in a week, MISD money woes

by Cloy A. Richards

in July... here ?

Yessir, it's a fact. thing else.

Abilene last Tuesday to get the generated. I realize this is like paper printed because of high telling you something you already water on the Farm to Market know, but the burden comes down roads between here and Anson but to you and I. local farmers.

It helps insure the local grain concerning local taxes. well as gives a good middle season here, which is true. boost to King Cotton locally.

supply at Lake Fort Phantom, taxes. which has been hard to come by in How can both be facts? recent years.

Colisuem last weekend.

Royal Inn in Abilene.

MISD lost almost \$10 million in of running the schools. taxable value.

MISD, with an ever growing Things are tough here but they student population, and a taxable could have been a lot worse. aware of the problems.

It looks like. I repeat looks like. Seven inches of rain in one week MISD taxpayers will be looking at ing more teachers, more class- announced that a new track coach a tax rate of about \$1.04, up six cents from last year.

Tuesday's downpour was some- The reasons are simple. With I had to drive to Anson by way of fewer places for tax monies to be

what a welcome sight it was for I spoke with Bill Monday and he had a few good points to make

crops which should be ready to cut He told me "We haven't raised in the next couple of weeks, as taxes at MISD since I have been

It is also true you are paying a It also insures a good water heck of a lot more money in school

> Well, you have to keep in find aging facilities. two basic facts.

budget at the first round of budget them on local taxpayers. Besides of years ago. meetings set Saturday at the all of that, no reasonable person MISD board members are faced business, or a school are going to a good estimate on how many back too often to haunt us on the with a couple of budgetary go down, especially when student students we will be teaching next gridiron or cinders. problems, and of all things, a populations continue to increase month. If current growth patterns

mineral evaluations over 1984 With a \$10 million decline of space. value in one year in oil and gas The bottom line is the same it evaluations, the burden must be the B-1 Bomber will have on Tye the next week and then fall's mad will be holding their Band Camp at for the 1985-86 marching season. has been for the past couple of tax made up on the backs of local taxpayers.

value that has dropped each year MISD started planning for infor the past three school years, is creased costs of running a school putting a squeeze on local tax- about three years ago, on the good payers and believe me, MISD advice of Everett that things were superintendent Bill Everett is well about to change in the cost of running schools in this state.

would be required.

trying to cope with some of the heart for that. increased responsibilities placed Eddie did a good job as track through rough times.

eye on MISD will agree that the most successful coach in MISD education of our children has sports in 10 years. improved over the past couple of He suffered through three rough

problem looking at MISD we all me, it wasn't easy for him.

know what to do about it.

Congratulations are in order for The cost of running schools has to Merkel Elementary right now night, that's just what he would be everywhere. Candice Henslee of Merkel who not and will not go down, but the space that is being added tell you. He was always very placed 6th in the State 4-H barrel especially with new budgetary was needed two years ago and cooperative with me and always races held at the Taylor County pressures applied by further im- every square inch of Merkel acted like he was glad to see me very. plementations of House Bill 72. Elementary school will be used and to talk to me, whether he was One of the intents of the bill was come September. In other words, or not and folks like that are few MISD board members will start to take some of the financial we are not gaining any space, just and far between these days. working on the 1985-86 school year burdens off the state and place building what was needed a couple

major part of those problems are more than 100 students per year. continue, we will be looking at being caused in a declining The other inescapable fact is between 100 and 150 new, per- month away. taxable value of oil and gas that MISD's taxable evaluations manent students, Broken down to Not if you have kids in high are not keeping pace with the cost classrooms, that is six rooms and school, which I will next month. we simply do not have that kind of Band Camp is next Monday

very dramatic and we won't know behind. those numbers until they arrive.

Sure, we will get by this year is a different story.

comments to Eddie Lang's depar- came from behind to nip the ture from MISD.

MISD started planning on need- I knew, in my heart, when MISD win the tournament.

championships in girls basketball I think most people that keep an in 1978 and 79, he has been the The Mail.

years as headt football coach and And we still have another athletic director here and belive

know is there but noone seems to But, when I went to talk about last week's game during those Classroom space and some three years, Eddie never made excuses and if the Badgers got

I'd like to wish him and his There is not one person connect- family worlds of success at Wylie

So, you think school is another

through Wednesday, volleyball We have no idea on what impact and football practices will start Elementary, but it could easily be rush of activities will be right

The Texas Teenage Baseball with the space we have, next year playoffs here last weekend went well according to Dale Hammond. He told me Monday Merkel I'd like to add some personal scared the heck out of Odessa, who

Merkel team 3-2 and went on to

room space, more classes that would take over this season, that undergo "balloon surgery" for a information can be had by calling Eddie wouldn't stay long here as blocked artery in his heart early the golf course. There are lots of school districts principal at Merkel Middle School. Wednesday morning and if that less taxable evaluation, there are in this area that are just now He has too much sports in his surgery was not successful, was to have a bypass performed.

Bearing that in mind, get ready on local school districts and they coach here, in fact, besides Pat for a couple of hospital cartoons pursley continues to make a name are going through, or about to go Pennick's back to back district when he's feeling well enough to do some of his materpieces for

> I can see it now, even Lightning delicacies offered by the hospital.

If you heard some loud sputtering noises around your home early back in the states this week and Tuesday morning, it was city visited with his parents this manager J. A. Sadler fogging for misquitoes.

Whenever you have that much Sure, additions are being made thoroughly whipped on Friday rain in a week, those critters will recent meet in Germany and has

We wish Dale a speedy reco-

The Merkel Golf Association is in practice, which is out of sight sponsoring a two man partnership for a 16 year old. this weekend at the Merkel Golf

Speaking of Dale, he was to Entry fee is \$100 and more

Merkel sophomore to be Brit for himself in the pole vaulting

community. He won two state meets recently jumping 14 feet in the TAAF State will probably turn his nose at the Meet in Fort Worth and the same height to win the TAC State meet in Houston.

Brit's older brother, Brad was weekend. Brad is currently fourth on the European Grand Prix points in the pole vault, won a gone 18'4" for his best effort this summer in Europe.

Those Pursley's can fly. Brit's dad Phillip told me Tuesday night Brit jumped 16 feet

## all of that, no reasonable person. There is not one person connect- family worlds of success at wylle can believe costs of running a ed with MISD that could give you and I just hope he doesn't come MHS sets band camp Monday

#### through Wednesday

Lueders Baptist Encampment Mr. Bill Woods and Mrs. Cherry from August 5th through August Curry will be overseeing the 7th. All members of the high camp. They will be assisted by school band are strongly urged to these sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Obie attend this camp. The buses will Coker, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hill, be leaving the Band Hall at 9:00 and Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Thomas. a.m. on Monday, August 5th. The Anyone who has a question

The camp will have a reputable Curry at 677-4252 after July 31st.

staff on instructions to aid the The Merkel High School Band band members in getting ready

cost of the camp will be \$40.00 per about the Band Camp should call Mr. Woods at 676-3475 or Mrs.

## MHS will register Aug. 21-22

ing students August 21.

9: 30 that have last names starting! starting with J - S from 2 until 2:30 with T - Z; from 9:30 until 10 a.m. p.m Z will register from 1 until 1:30 from 10 until 10:30.

Merkel High will begin register- p.m.; students with last names Seniors will register from 9 until p.m. and students with last names names starting with T -Z will

for students with last names of A . Sophomores will register August I and from 10 until 10:30 for 22nd. Students with last names students with last names starting starting with T - Z will register with J - S on August 21. Also on from 9 until 9:30 a.m.; A - I from August 21, Juniors will register. 9:30 until 10 a.m. and students Students with last names from T - with last names starting with J - S

Freshmen will also register starting with A - I from 1:30 until 2 August 22. Students with last register from 1 until 1:30 p.m.; students with last names from A -I from 1:30 until 2 p.m. and J - S from 2 until 2:30.

> The school will not allow early registrations but late registrations will be accepted.

Students are to report to the entry of the high school building to start the registration process.

## Miss Trent pageant set

A Miss Trent pageant will be entering must be a Trent student, High Homecoming activities this attended Trent schools.

ed from toddlers to high school. The deadline for entries is Sept. male and female divisions in the 15th and more information can younger ages. People interested in

held in conjunction with the Trent live in Trent or have relatives that

The pageant will be held Sept. Categories have been establish- 27th at 8 p.m. in the Trent Gym.

be obtained by calling John Stevens or Cheri Patterson at 862-6494 or 862-6328.

Addresses for former Trent students are also needed. They can be sent to P. O. Box 257 in Trent or you can call the above telephone numbers.



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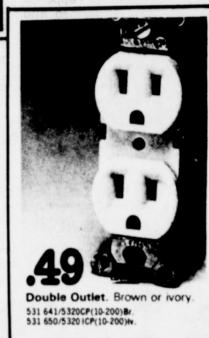












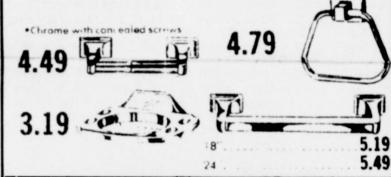




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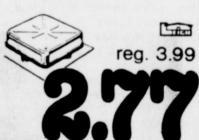
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Caffey of Trent. The bridegroom is and Ray Davis of Midland. the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray The bride's personal attendant

bride. Bridesmaids were Dena singing. Grubb and Janet Nicholson, both bride, Big Spring.

Angela Roten, niece of the bride. Austin. Big Spring, lighted the candles.

Given in marriage by her father, Russell, brother in law of the couple, Nola Worthington and bridegroom received a B.A. dewho officiated, the bride is the bride, Big Spring; James Atkins Jessie Sherbert, both of Fort gree from Campbell University, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Ralph and Ron Wagner of Fort Worth

Malcolm Heath Sr. of Maysville, was Julie Wiseman of Midland. Lynn Millwood was organist and Matron of honor was Linday Linda Sellers was pianist with Russell of Big Spring, sister of the Judy Davis and Paul Wiseman

Honored guest was Mrs. Daisy of Fort Worth; Terri Lambert and Caffey, grandmother of the bride, Celeste Rainey, both of Odessa; Stanton. Out of town guests were and Stephanie Roten, niece of the from Maysville, N.C., Lubbock, Fort Worth, Abilene, Houston, and

Parents of the bridegroom host-The bridegroom's father was ed the rehearsal dinner in the best man and groomsmen were fellowship hall. The reception was Michael Morton of Maysville, hosted by the parents of the bride N.C.; James Dumas of Midland, was also in the fellowship hall. Serving at the bride's table were

neth Ralph Heath were married Keith Burwell of Fort Worth and Angelo; Noma Winton of Lubbock the grandauther of the late Mr. Saturday, July 6, in a double ring Trevor Roten, nephew of the and Darlene Caffey of Stanton. and Mrs. John Crain of Trent. The groom's table was attended A graduate of White Oak High Guests were seated by Michael by the adopted mothers of the School in Jacksonville, N.C., the

> was Catherine Walls of Abilene. halla High School in Walhalla, Beverly Hills Bapist Church, N.D., received a B.B.A. degree Rockingham, N.C., Where the

N.C. and a master's degree in Presiding at the guest register divinity the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is cu-The bride graduated from Wal- rrently interim pastor of the from Hardin-Simmons University couple living following a wedding and attended Southwestern Bap- trip to San Antonio.

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#### Starr nursing home news

by Mary Wimberly

lately, been working in our garage and a large crowd attended to help with burned things that happened 4 years ago, at last cleaned and painted.

Sunday for services. It was a good service and enjoyed by all.

Delores, our evening L.V.N., is off on a leave of absence, on account of her mother in law had a stroke, which she lives with Delores, then Delores' mother had a severe heart attack and a stroke and still is very critical.

Maudie Page, one of the resi- teers for helping. dents, is in the hospital. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

Gaston Pruitt died a few weeks ago and then last week his brother, Walter, who has been a resident for quite a while. He and his wife were in the room across from the Nurses station. She is still there and would like your

J.E. Alexander also died. He is missed by everyone as he was something else. Anyway we loved

Seven residents had birthdays this month, Mrs. Clark, A. Funderburg, Ruby Griffen, Sally Horton, lot of hours at the Starr and we Eunice Massy, Nell Turner, L.

Sorry haven't had any news Duran. The party was on the 17th celebrate cake, ice cream and punch was served. Thanks to Ester Carson, who made the The Catholic Church was here beautiful cake. Thank you volunteers for helping.

Pam Roberts, Brenda's daughter, who works in the office is on vacation this week, enjoying the weather some where close to Corpus Christi.

Bingo was the 11th. Everyone always looks forward for Bingo for they all enjoy it. Thanks volun-

Joyce Doan, who works in the kitchen is away on vacation, also Mary Palarez, L.V.N. on day shift. She has 3 weeks and she is really missed. Hurry back Mary.

Talked to Larry Gill the other day and they were fixing to go to Nevada for some more college work. We will never get thru missing Larry and Mary and Kids. He seemed like one of our own. They were friends to all. We wish for him success at the College course, he said he would try to come and visit their friends after he gets out of school. They put a

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in the hospital and since ----he's been home. A spe-3 Family Garage Sale: cial thanks to the mem-1235 N. in Stith across stake in ground for SW bers of Taylor Electric from old Baptist Church corner of said Survey;

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ing, fishing tube, and

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and Cody Carson.

NOTICE OF EXECUTION OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY thoughtfulness means THE STATE OF TEXAS much more than words COUNTY OF TAYLOR +By virtue of an execution issued out of the 42nd Judicial District Court of Taylor County, Texas, on a judgement rendered in that Court on April 4, 1985, in favor of BILL SMALLEY, doing business as SMALLEY DRILLING COMPANY VS. HAMCO EXPLORA-TION & DEVELOP MENT COMPANY and FORT WORTH BASIN DEVELOPMENT, INC., in Cause No 39118-A. styled BILL SMALLEY

D/ B/ A SMALLEY DRILLING COMPANY VS. HAMCO EXPLO-RATION & DEVELOP-MENT COMPANY, ET AL, on the docket of said Court, on July 26, 1985, I levied upon the following property in Taylor County, Texas, as the property of HAMCO EX-

PLORATION & DE-VELOPMENT COM-PANY AND FORT WORTH BASIN DE-VELOPMENT, INC.

to-wit: All of the interest of HAMCO EXPLORA-TION & DEVELOP-MENT COMPANY AND FORT WORTH BASIN DEVELOPMENT, INC. as is existed on September 4, 1984, on the

following tracts of land situated in Taylor County, Texas: TRACT ONE: 208.5 of .326 acres in right of acres covered by that Oil and Gas Lease dated March 23, 1983, between W. H. Higgins, et ux, and Hamco Exploration and Development Company, as recorded in Volume 1289, Page 247, cords of Taylor County, Deed Records of Taylor

605, oak table, coffee County, Texas, and coshower curtains, lots Gas Lease dated March more, Friday, Saturday. 23, 1983, executed by Eugene Whitehurst, et ux to Hamco Explora-Garage Sale: Furniture, tion and Development dishes, linen of all kinds, Company, recorded in Volume 1288, Page 382, Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, both leases covering 208.5 acres out of the Otis G. Eels Survey 453, Cert. 245, Patent 749, Volume 2 in Taylor County,

> Texas, to-wit: BEGINNING at a

THENCE East 1019 varas to stake: THENCE North 1275 varas to stake:

THENCE West 114 varas to stake; THENCE South 133 varas to stake; THENCE West 905

varas to stake;

THENCE South 1142 varas to the place of BEGINNING, being the same land described in Deed to I.L. Gotcher, et ux, from Jewell Gardner and F.D. Gardner, dated May 10, 1946, recorded in Vol. 347, Page 236, Deed Records of said County, SAVE AND EX-

CEPT:

(a) 6.48 acres in railroad right of way as shown in Vol. 52, Page 245, Deed Records of said County,

(b) .56 acres deeded to Taylor County in Vol. 178, Page 525, Deed Records of said County,

(c) 1.784 acres deeded to Texas in Vol. 532, Page 40, Deed Records of said County.

TRACT TWO: acres covered by that Oil and Gas Lease dated September 5, 1980, from George Herring to J.K. Ridley, and recorded in Vol. 1163, Page 249, Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, and covered by that Oil and Gas Lease dated September 14, 1980, from George Herring, et ux, to Penroc-Guernsey Joint Venture recorded in Vol. 1213. Page 477. Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, both leases covering 160 acres, more or less, out of the Otis G. Eels Survey No. 453, in Taylor County, Texas described as fol-

lows: BEGINNING at a stake and stone in ground NW corner of Otis G. Eels Survey 453:

THENCE South 998 varas to stake and rock mound:

THENCE East 905 varas to point in the tank; THENCE North at 128-1/2 varas past W.P. Crows SW corner 998 in the North line of Otis G. Eels Survey:

THENCE West 905 varas to place of BE-GINNING, SAVE AND EXCEPT:

(a) 1.72 acres in right of way deed dated November 18, 1908, from C.L. Robinson to Morgan Jones, recorded in Vol. 52, Page 135, Deed Records of said County,

(b) All of the surface way from G.E. Harrison to Texas, dated July 5, 1956, recorded in Vol. 529, Page 9, Deed Records of said County.

Reference is here made to the Deed Re-Texas, for a more complete description of said leases and the properties covered thereby.

On September 3, 1985, which is the first Tuesday of the month, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M., at the Courthouse door of Taylor County, Texas, in Abilene, Texas, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all of the right, title and interest of HAMCO EXPLORATION & DE-VELOPMENT COM-PANY and FORT WORTH BASIN DE-VELOPMENT\* INC., as it existed on September 4, 1984, in and to the above described proper-

Dated on July 26, 1985. John W. Middleton Sheriff

Taylor County, Texas Eddie W. Swanson, Deputy 123-3tc-209



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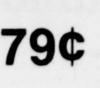
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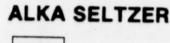
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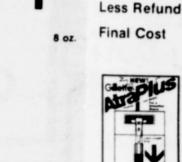


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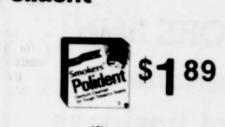
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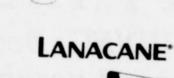
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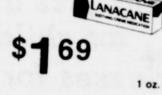
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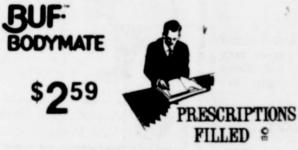


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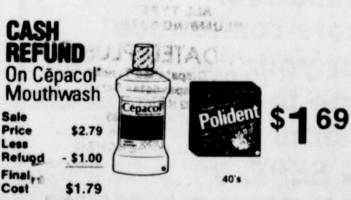
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Attending were visitors, Movis Whiteaker of Abilene, John Waggoner of Merkel, Kasey Bradley, Kayce Ward, Kim Waller, J.C. Crawford, and Margie Crawford of Midland, Texas, Jack Bagby and Bernice Bagby, Merkel.

Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Mark Merrell, Mica and Megan, Colorado City; Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Palk, Midland; Mr and Mrs. Rick Littrell, John Paul, Lubbock: Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Harlow. Bill and Jennifer, San

## SCORE help available for local business

The U.S. Small Business Administration announced today that the Small Business Institute (SBI) is in operation at Abilene Christian University and Hardin-Simmons University (HSU) this Fall and is now selecting client businesses for the program.

Abilene area businesses wishing to participate in the program should notify the local SBA volunteer office (SCORE) by calling (915) 677-1857; Professor Donald Altman, SBI Director at ACU, (915) 677-1911; or Dr. Bill Curtis, SBI Director at HSU (915) 677-7281



Carson's Supers, this player was mis-identified. He is not Cody Casper, he is Cody Carson. We regret the error.

#### MHS connucts con be picked up Sept 7th

School Yearbook will be distributed on Saturday. September 7, 1985 in the High School building between 9 a.m. and 12

#### Harrison reunion

#### set Saturday

The Harrison reunion will be held at the Pleasantville meeting room Sunday, August 3. A covered dish lunch will be served at about 12:30. We would love to have you come and be with us for this occasion. Old friends, as well as new ones, are welcome and are urged to come visit with us.

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## **Public Notices**

THE STATE OF TEXAS To: MARY D. HALE. M. R. ROBERTS, H. M. HARKRIDER, AL-BERT DIVES, and W. H. LAWLESS, if living, and if dead, the legal

representatives of each of said Defendants, and the unknown heirs, legatees and devisees of each of said named Defendants; the legal representatives of the unknown heirs, legatees and devisees of each of said named Defendants; September, 1985, at or and if they be dead, the before ten o'clock A.M. unknown heirs, legatees and devisees of the 104th District Court of unknown heirs, legatees and devisees of said named Defendants, the place of residence of each being unknown to Texas. Plaintiff, and all parties

mmanded to appear by this cause, numbered filing a written answer 16,355-B on the docket of to the Plaintiff's Petition said court, and styled at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday Plaintiff, vs. 1977 GMC after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being dant. Monday the 12th day of August 1985, at or before parties to the cause are ten o'clock A. M. before as follows: the Honorable 42nd Di-County, Texas, at the and JERRY KOCH are Court House of said County in Abilene, Te-

xas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said as follows, to-wit: Court, on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1985, in this that this be considerd as cause, numbered 39,360- a Notice of Seizure and A on the docket of said Intended Forfeiture, and court, and styled, DO- that upon final hearing, NALD S. JOHNSTON Plaintiff vs. MARY D. HALE, et al, Defendant.

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: DONALD L. JOHNS-

MARY D. HALE, M. R. ROBERTS, H. M. HARKRIDER, AL-BERT DIVES & W. H.

LAWLESS, if living, and if dead, the legal representatives of each of said Defendants, and the unknown heirs, legatees and devisees of each of said named Defendants visions of Section 5.08 of are Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

Plaintiff is the owner of some lots in the original town of Ovalo, in Taylor County, Texas. and more particularly described as follows:

and Lots 1, 2, 3, 12, 12, 15 file in this suit. and 17 in Block 7, all in Original town of Ovalo, served within ninety Taylor County, texas.

Defendants claim some right, title, estate returned unserved. or interest in these premises which is adverse to Plaintiff's claim of ownership. This claim mptly execute the same constitutes a cloud on according to law, and Plaintiff's title, and such make due return as the Dale Cox, placed in my claim is without right law directs.

whatever. has good and perfect Seal of said Court, at title to said lands under office in Abilene, Texas, and by virtue of the ten (10) year statute of limitation of the State of Texas (Revised Civil Statutes Article 5510) and seeks Judgement for the title and posession of the real pro- Gandy, Deputy (Seal) perty. Plaintiff seeks such other and further relief to which Plaintiff may be justly entitled, 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 execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 24th day of June A. D. 1985.

Attest: RILLA MA-HONEY Clerk, 42nd DIstrict Court, Taylor County, Texas By JoAnn Lackey, Deputy. 120-4tc-138

THE STATE OF TEXAS To: JERRY KOCH De-

fendant, Greeting: You are hereby co-

mmanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday, the 2nd day of before the Honorable Taylor County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Abilene,

Said Plaintiff's Pebeing Defendant's, Gre-tition was filed in said court, on the 5th day of You are hereby co- December, A. D. 1984, in Pickup VIN # CCS447A127794 Defen-

The names of the

THE STATE OF

Defendants. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is

State of Texas prays as provided by Statutes, this Court shall enter its Order finding that said vehicle was used for the purpose of transporting for delivery, or in any TON are Plaintiffs and manner to facilitate the transportation for delivery, and property as alleged and described in Section 5.03 of Article

4476-15, V.A.C.S. to-wit: Marijuana and upholding said seizure to be disposed of in accordance with the pro-Article 4476-15, V.A.C.S. and the proceeds, if any, be disposed of a provided by said law, and for such other relief, at law and in equity, as the State of Texas shall be

entitled to receive. Lots 8 and 9 in Block 5, by Plaintiff's Petition on execution of said 104th If this citation is not

days after the date of its

issuance, it shall be The officer executing this process shall pro-

Issued and given un-Plaintiff says that he der my hand and the this the 16th day of July

> .. D. 1985. Attest: RILLA MA-HONEY Clerk, 104th District Court, Taylor County, Texas By Kelly 121-99-4tc

To: RAYMOND

Defendant, Greeting: filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock after the expiration of Taylor County forty-two days from the this citation, same being perty of Dale Cox and seal of said Court, at Monday the 2nd day of that on the first Tuesday of the Cox and office in Abilene, Texas, September 1985, at or before 10 o'clock A.M. before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County, Texas, at the Court House of

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, on the 19th day of June A.D. 1985. In this cause, numbered 16,657- Public vendue, for each, B on the docket of said to the highest bidder, as court, and styled, THE

said County in Abilene,

Texas.

STATE OF TEXAS Pla- Dale Cox. intiff, vs. \$95.00 CASH

Defendant. The names of the parties to the cause are as follows:

THE STATE OF TEXAS consecutive weeks imare Plaintiffs and RAY- mediately preceeding MOND WAYNE HUITT, said day of sale, in the JR. are Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

That the Court enter its Order finding that said \$95.00 cash was derived from sale, manufacture, distribution, dispensation, delivery and other commercial undertaking as alleged and described in Section 5.03 of Article 4476-15, V.A.C.S., to-wit:

Marijuana and upholforfeiting to the Taylor ney's Narcotic Investigative Fund the said \$95.00 cash as provided by said law and ordering the same to be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of Section 5.08 of Article 4476-15, sposed of as provided by orable 350th District said law, and for such other relief, at law and equity, as the State of strict Court of Taylor TEXAS are Plaintiffs Texas shall be entitled

to receive. by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

der my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 15th day of July A.D. 1985. Attest: RILLA MAHO-

NEY, Clerk, 104th District Court, Taylor County, Texas By Kelly Gandy, Deputy.

122-4tc-99 NOTICE OF

SHERRIFF'S SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS County of Taylor

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain Writ of execution issued out of the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County, of the 19 day of as is more fully shown June, 1985, by Writ of District Court for the sum of Twenty two thousand three hundred eighty four and 70-100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a Judgement in favor of William Earl Bounds in a cer'ain cause in said Court No. 16,006-B and styled William Earl Bounds vs. hands for service, I, John W. Middleton as Sheriff of Taylor County Texas, did, on the 25 day of July 1985, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to wit: All undivided interest of Dale Cox Operator Lot 1 of Grimes County School Land No. 147, located 21/2 miles southeast of Merkel, Texas. Texas Rail-THE STATE OF TEXAS road Commission No. 19058. This will include WAYNE HUITT, JR. Lease Hole Interest, pump jacks, storage You are hereby co- tanks, casing, tubing, mmanded to appear by rod, etc. Interest of 35 percent. Sale will be held at 10:00 a.m. Sale will be for Cash Only, a A.M. of the first Monday cashiers check from a Bank maybe accepted, and

levied upon as the proin September, 1985, the same being the 3rd day of said month at the Court' House door, of City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 Lackey, Deputy (Seal) a.m. and 4 p.m., by virtue of said levy and said Writ of Execution I will sell said above

the property of said

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three. Merkel Mail, a newpaper published in Taylor

County Witness my hand, this 29 day of July, 1985.

John W. Middleton Sheriff Taylor County, Texas by Eddie Swanson, Deputy. 123-3tc-89

THE STATE OF TEXAS' To: LARRY BERRY, Residence Unknown, Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby coding said seizure and mmanded to appear by wiling a written answer County District Attor- to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of fourty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday the 2nd day of September, 1985, V.A.C.S. and the pro- at or before 10 o'clock ceeds, if any, be di- A.M. before the Hon-Court of Taylor County Texas, at the Court House of said County in

Abilene, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Peas is more fully shown tition was filed in said court, on the 1st day of April, A.D. 1985, in this cause numbered 639-D on the docket of said days after the date of its court and styled. THE STATE OF TEXAS Plaintiff vs A 1977 Ford Thunderbird VIN #

The names of the parties to this cause are as follows: THE STATE OF TEXAS Issued and given un- are Plaintiffs and A 1977 Ford Thunderbird VIN # 7J87H165026, Larry

7J87H165026, Defendant.

Berry is Defendant. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

This proceeding is brought under and by virtue of the Texas Controlled Substances Act, Sections 5.03-5.08; said motor vehicle was being used for the purof transporting fo delivery Amphetamine in violation of this act. Vehicle is more fully described as a 1977 Silver Ford Thunderbird, vehicle Identifica-

tion Number 7J87H165026, bearing Texas License Number 113-GWS. The seizing officer for the State of Texas ask the Court to enter its Order finding that said vehicle was used for the purpose of transporting for delivery and property as alleged, and uphold said seizure of such vehicle. and forfeiting to the Abilene Police Department said vehicle as provided by said law, and ordering the same to be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of Section 5.08 of Article 4476-15, V.A.C.S., and the proceeds, if any, be disposed of as provided by said law, and for such other relief as the State of Texas shall be entitled to receive. 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 process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs. Issued and given un-

my hand and the

this the 16th day of July, A. D. 1985. Attest: RILLA MA-HONEY, Clerk, 350th Taylor County, in the District Court, Taylor County, Texas By JoAnn

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#### Vet discusses nuetered animals

by Kathryn Banner, DVM Merkel Veterinary Clinic

What is a neuter and why is it done? A neuter is more properly called a castration and in this procedure the testicles of the male animal are sugically removed. One reason for neutering an animal is to prevent reproduction by that animal. Other reasons vary according to the animal

species involved For the dog, neutering is often done to curb or prevent aggressive behavior. The neutered male is less likely to wander from home and less likely to fight other dogs. Neutered males tend to make better pets. Also neutered males have a lower rate of certain cancers such as prostate cancer. Six months is the minimum age

for the surgery. In the case of the cat, neuters are done to prevent spraying and fighting. Spraying is the inappropriate urination of the cat on a vertical surface. Neutered males are more likely to stay at home and stay out of fights. The urine of the neutered male does not smell as strong as that of the unaltered tom cat. Neutering can be done anytime after the cat reaches six months of age. The best results as far as preventing and correcting problem behavior are achieved if

the neuter is done early Cattle are usually castrated so that males can be kept together without fighting and for better weight gains.

Horses are castrated to curb or prevent aggressive behavior and to produce a more managable animal

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