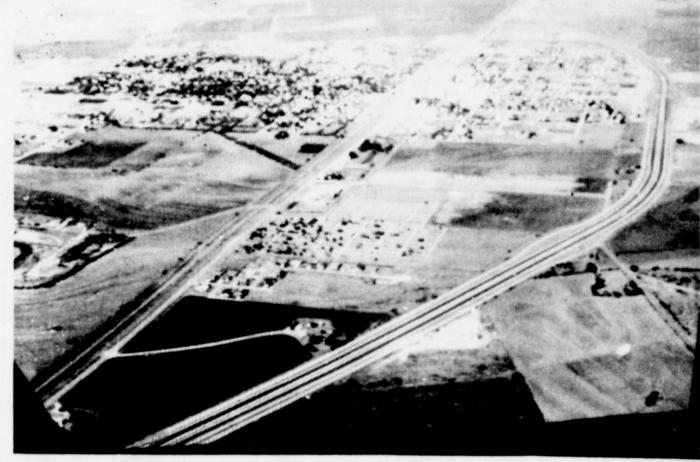
The Merkel Mail

Thursday, May 8, 1986 ... Merkel. Texas

Our 98th Year



A birds eye view of Merkel taken two weeks ago.

Photo by Danny Tabor-Clyde

Dudley downs Bridges, Keenan-Mashburn race goes to June 7th run-off election

Hacker was elected judge of the tion 326th District Court, James Hol- In The County Commissioner's

Taylor County Precinct 2 Com- ing the way with 432, Leo vember general elections. missioner Don Dudley was re- Mashburn had 376 votes and Inlocal results in the governor's

of the Peace race between Jack Mashburn will be held June 7th to Tye and five at rural precinct 27. Keenan and incumbent Leo Mash- determine the winner in that race. In county-wide races, Aleta locations as in Saturday's elec- and five rural box 27.

loway as county judge and Anna race, incumbent Don Dudley Moore was elected county trea- defeated former Abilene City Councilman Julian Bridges 1,794 Final totals in the JP Precinct 2 to 631. Dudley is not facing a race included Jack Keenan lead- Republican opponent in the No-

elected and a runoff will be held Stuart Bishop reveived 234 votes. race. Mark White gathered 245 June 7th in the Precinct 2 Justice A runoff between Keenand and votes in Merkel, 24 in Trent, 26 in Bill Clements received 20 in Ballots will be cast in the same Merkel, one in Trent, 26 in Tye

> The local numbers of people voting were good but did not set any records, according to Taylor County Elections Administrator

3rd grade visits local dairy

Harold Hohhertz of Hohhertz Dairy recently conducted the annual third grade tours through his dairy Southeast of Merkel and things have changed quite a bit, not so much at the farm, but at the number of students making the annual trip.

It started more than 10 years ago with less than 50 students, two teachers and they had to beg adults to attend.

It's grown into over 100 students, four teachers, and lots of parents and under school-age

Lillie Braune, a third grade teacher here told The Mail " WE have a lot of parents who now go on the field trip and we see all kinds of 'farm life' examples. A lot of the kids who live here have never seen a farm."

Hohhertz and his dad, A. E. Hohhertz started the dairy in 1958. Merkel's 3rd grade students have made the trip 12 years.



All because Harold Hohhertz & Harold Hohhertz explains the MISD students. The third grade takes the time to show the kids milking process at his dairy here has made the trip the past 12 what a dairy farm is all about. Southeast of Merkel to 3rd grade years.

Pursley, Beaver qualify for state

Merkel's Brit Pursley and Trent's Bebo Beaver have qualified for the State Track Meet in Austin May 16 & 17.

Pursley jumped 15'0" at the regional meet in Odessa last weelend to place second and earn 17th at Memorial Stadium.

kind in the past to Pursley's. Older brother Brad won the state meet in the pole vault in 1978 and later won the Texas Relays while a college student at Abilene Christian.

Britt has been the track team's a spot in the state finals on May leading scorer throughout his of 23'7" at last weekend's regional sophomore year. He qualifed in meet and also placed second to

vault, high jump and 110 hurdles. He has jumped 15'10" twice this

Beaver at Trent is headed for Austin for his second year in a row in two events.

Beaver jumped a personal best

Badger Band takes top honors at festival, sets May 19 concert

became the big winner at the 16th annual Greater Southwest Music Festival in Amarillo last weekend. The local band received a first division rating in both concert and sightreading, won the trophy for the Outstanding Concert Band in Class AAA, won the overall sightreading trophy for Classes A, AA, and AAA, and was awarded the Weinburger Trophy presented each year to the Overall Outstanding Concert Band in Classes A, AA and AAA. Merkel was the only band in Class AAA to receive 1st division awards. Booker High School in Class A. Olney and Petrolia High Schools were nation's war dead in their struggle awarded first division in Class AA. Iowa Park High School won Remember the men who can't the concert award in Class AAAA forget. Buy a Buddy poppy in their and Monterey High School in Lubbock received the AAAAA award. Monterey also won the For those of you who did not see Overall Concert Band in Classes

Democratic Primary, we have it. Sixty-one bands attended the In Voting Box 24, Jack Keenan three day event, along with 24 339, Stuart Bishop 193 and Leo orchestas, 20 stage bands, 69 choirs, and 10 show choirs. In Voting Box 25 Keenan 55, Festival officials estimated 10,000

Mashburn 11 and in Voting Box 22, the event were: Bill Dean, Keenan 16, Bishop 5 and Mash-director of the Texas A&M burn 30. Absentees were 10 for Symphonic Band, Mel Montgom-Keenan, 4 for Bishop and 28 for ery, director of bands at Stephen F. Austin State University, Robert Keenan and Mashburn will be Winslow, director of the famed paired in a June 7th run-off North Texas State University director of the Permian High School Band of Odessa, Texas.

I have heard a lot of folks The local band left Merkel talking about the way the state Thursday afternoon after school party primaries are held in Texas. and arrived in Amarillo at 10:00 It seems a lot of folks would like p.m. They performed at 9:20 a.m. to see the primaries changed so on Friday morning. During their voters could select candidates free time in Amarillo, they heard from both parties, as in the Other competing bands, went shopping at the new mail in That argument makes sense and Amarillo, swam at the motel, and went to the Wonderland Amusement Park before returning home It makes too much sense to Saturday evening at 10:30 p.m. work and that's not what law Mr. and Mrs. Obie Coker remainakers in Washington or Austr ed in Amarillo to attend the a e famous for No sir simple awards concert on Saturday evenideas in those two places end up ing and they received the awards

relayed the word to band direc-

The Merkel High School Band tor's wife, Myrna Woods, and she by the Merkel High School Band told the band the results upon on Monday evening, May 19th at their return to Merkel.

year in a row for the Merkel Band feature the 6th grade beginning the city of Amarillo.

7:30 p.m. in the high school This year marks the second auditorium. This concert will

to receive the Outstanding Con- band, the 7th and 8th grade middle cert Band award in Class AAA at school band, the award winning the Amarillo festival. Greater wind ensemble of the high school. Southwest Music Festival is spon- and the Concert Band. This sored by the Amarillo Chamber of concert will be free to the public. Commerce and the Arts Council of Music for the concert will feature popular music. Directors of the A final concert will be presented Merkel bands are Bill Woods and

Election, band, track ...more

by Cloy A. Richards

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Well, we will still have "our" rural commissioner as incumbent Precinct 2 County Commissioner defeated challenger Julian bridges by a 2-1 margain in Saturday's Democratic Primary.

We still don't know who the next Justice of the Peace will be as challenger Jack Keenan led the way in a three man field in that race. Keenan and incumbent Leo Mashburn will face off again June 7th in a special election.

The question in that race is who will get the lion's share of the 234 votes Stuart Bishop received in

Saturday's election? Keenan received 56 more votes than the Mashburn did Saturday so the runoff should be close as

Mark White and Bill Clements will lock horns in the November general elections and I bet Texas school teachers are now looking for new strategies to make their influence felt on state political

policies. Former Governor Bill Clements was certainly no freind to Texas teachers while he was in office (check your pay raises in his administration) and teachers have certainly made their feelings

know about Mark White. Maybe they should start buttering up Lt. Governor Bill Hobby or Senate Finance Chairman Grant

Two fine local athletes will be in the state track meet in Austin May 15, 16 & 17.

Brit Pursley of Merkel will be seeking the pole vault championship and Trent's Benjamin Beaver will be in two events, the 200 and the long jump.

This is Beaver's second trip to the state meet in both events and for Pursley, it is his first, but he's a sophomore.

Pursley has had one of the best five jumps this year by any Texas high school pole vaulter and will be a force to be reckoned with in

Not only this year, but the next two as well.

The Merkel High band just keeps raking in the conors as they won three trophies at this past weekend's Greater Southwest Music Festival, including the prestigious "Rest Band" award for the second year in a row.

The Band was judged First Division in all four parts of the contest, the only band to do so at the event.

The following message is from Sharon Harris, Buddy Poppy Chairman for the local Veterans of Foreign Wars.

"The sale of Buddy Poppies" preceeding Memorial Day is the traditional way .. bring attention to the sacrifices made by the to keep America free.

momory on Memorial Day."

a breakdown in the local JP's AAAA-AAAAA.

Mashburn 275. Bishop 27, Mashburn 32. In Voting students competed in the event. Box 27 Keenan 12, Bishop 5 and Judges for the band portion of

election. Keenan edged Mashburn Concert Band, and Charles Nail, 432-376 Saturday.

November general elections.

that may be its downfall. Like the flat rate tax argument

being committeed tabled, or from festival officials. They then lawyered to death.

SUN water sets meeting

Do you like barbershop har-

Corporation gathers for their annual meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the

to the board of directors. They are utilities. Harmony is the name of Candidates are Jacky Reynolds, Bill Tippen, Kenny Duncan, Bill Tims, Greg Henderson and Gary bershoppers in the form of The Heuerman, Max Murrell, who has served the board a number of years, will be retiring.

The program promises to be both entertaining and enlightening. Dwayne Hargesheimer, Director of Water Utilities for the City of Abilene, will briefly discuss the water picture for today and in the future.

As SUN celebrates it's 10th anniversary, you are invited to help celebrate the harmony that Don't miss the good music and exists between the membership, good times May 13th when the the board, the Farmers Home membership of SUN Water Supply Administration and employees. It does take understanding and coopeation from all to realize the conference room at Taylor Elect- dreams of having good water. Rural Water Systems in Texas are Three members will be named relatively new in terms of public the game. With harmony as their theme and goal, Abilne Bar-Classic Tradition, promises and evening of entertainment.

Only members of the corporation are entitled to vote. Anyone is invited to come and anjoy the entertainment and fellowship.

Door prozes will be awarded to the memebres whose names are

Senior Citizens group plans May 23-24 garage sale

luncheon at noon, May 14th, A The Senior Citizens met Monday good program is planned: May 23 at 7 p.m for their monthly and 24, there will be a donation singing. A large group was garage sale May 23 at 8 a.m. to 4 present. Retreshments were solv-p.m., Sat. 2: from 8 a.m. to 12. ed to our or town guests from Come and set up your own table or Abilene, Biackwell, and To donations will be picked up, call The next meeting will be a Henry Brady at 928-4869.

Weatherman explains watches, warnings

by Jerry Eckhart

several thunderstorms in the The Tornado Watch is also are sent by telephone to local city the safest areas are in shopping

There is a system of Guidelines produce tornadoes used by the National Weather

Watch is issued by the National county basis and for about an hour wide and from 250 to 500 miles storm spotter, or a certain Weather Service. long. This is designated in the unmistakeable indication on ra-Watch. The Watch specifically means that conditions are favorable in that area for the development of severe thunderstorms. It is usually valid for a period of six

Remember, a Severe Thunderstorm is one in which winds have

Services held for

Velma Mashburn

Private services for Velma Mashburn, 70, of Merkel, wife of Precinct 2 Taylor County Justice of the Peace Leo Mashburn, were held at 2 p.m. Sunday at Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home with the Rev. John Wagoner officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery. *

She was found dead of an apparently self-inflicted gunshot wound Friday at 10 a.m. Born in Sulphur Springs, she *

was retired from employment*

with Abilene State School. Survivors include her husband, Leo Mashburn of Merkel: a son. Gary Stutts of San Angelo; a * daughter, Sue Henderson of EIX Paso; two brothers, Fred Horton of Trent and Melvin Horton of Abilene; three sisters, Mattie * Cooper of Ozona, Sybil Corbin of *

Seagoville, Dessa Brewer of **

Services held for

Beaver's son

Bradley Earl Beaver, 17 month * old son of Richard and Cindy Beaver, died Thursday at a local hospital after a sudden illness. Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday at Trent Church of Christ * with Bobby Wheat officiating, directed by Starbuck Funeral

He was born December 10, 1984, in Abilene

Survivors include his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Beaver of Trent, Jerry Turner of Abilene and Lilly Williams of

Former Mail employee's services;

Services for Troy Barnes, 45, of 3817 Earls Court, a former Reporter-News ad salesman who died Thursday in a local hospital were held Friday at Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home with Dr. Ed Lang officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Memorial Park.

Born in Amarillo, he was raised in Pueblo, Colorado, served in the Navy from 1959-61 and attended Trinidad State College. He moved to Abilene from Amarillo in 1968.

During his newspaper career he worked for the Star Journal Chieftain in Pueblo, the Merkel Mail and the Reporter News.

Survivors include his wife, Carla; a son, Duane Pruitt Barnes of Abilene; two daughters, Charmain Black of Millborn, Va., and Melissa Ann Barnes of Pueblo; his mother, Helen Harp of Pueblo; two brothers, David Harp of Big Springs and Jack Harp of Austin; and a sister, Sandy Gallo of

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Similiar to the Severe Thunder- diate step which has proven to Service to inform the public. If we storm Warning, the Tornado save considerable time. The Nalearn and understand them, it Warning is an issuance of the local tional Weather Service has a National Weather Service Office, direct phone line into the broad-The Severe Thunderstorm They are issued on a county by casters' control rooms. When the Severe Storms Forecast Center in in length. Tornado Warnings triggered and the warning mes-Kansas City. Generally, it is an mean that there has been a visual sage is relayed over television and area between 80 and 160 miles sighting of a tornado by a trained radio directly from the National

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(AUSTIX). The Texas Department constructed on a base of either asphalt approved temporary storage facilities of base construction must be within to hold the overflow grain anticipated tolerances and guidelines satisfactory this year. However, 1DA's storage to both state and federal regulators' requirements will go considerably Construction specifications must be beyond those required by the federal approved in advance. government, and all grain will have to be stored in covered facilities which rigid sidewalls. The height,

said 1DA Deputy Commissioner Mike and federal regulators. Moeller. "The tederal government has masterminded a policy that in 1986, a complete covering that is waterproof. again forces our farmers to produce far. No outside grain piles that are, more grant than can be stored this year," uncovered will be allowed. Outside This is in addition to last year's grain storage that is uncovered will not tremendous overproduction, most of be measured by TDA during regular which still remains in local storage grain warehouse examinations and will elevators across the country.

"Through formulas and computer inventory educations that make the Theory of Relativity look like kindergarten math, a proper and sufficient aeration system our federal policy makers have hit to maintain the quality of the grain in farmers and taxpayers alike-with a the same condition as it was received. double whammy. Lirst, they have denon crop prices so low that farmers be increased at the required rate have to look up to see the bottom of the specified by law before approval to use barrel. Then, because there's so much the temporary facilities will be granted. surplus grain on the market, taxpavers. IDA will advise each licensee of the must shell out millions of tax dollars to amount of bond increase required after keep it in storage.

"In typical USDA fashion, the initial inspection. federal bureaucrats have chosen only to storage facilities in a cursory fashion. We at 1DA, working with commodity representatives and the grain storage industry, have developed fair and reasonable requirements. The regulations that TDA has formulated under its authority to license and inspect grain storage facilities represent the first, and hopefully the last time that - facilities becomes available. such measures are needed.

"The only real answer to this growing dilemma is a sensible, longterm Farm Bill that ends taxpayer subsidies for low crop prices and allows from the marketplace." Moeller said.

requirements which must be met before requirements be maintained for the the temporary storage sites can be temporary facilities that we already

1. TDA must be reached in advance before construction on the temporary also protect the licensed grain facility can begin. The temporary warehouse owners." storage will be approved exactly as if it were a permanent facility, which means warehouses licensed by TDA. Those in the temporary location must meet all the Wichita Falls area, in the heart of casualty insurance and bond liability the wheat-growing region, are already requirements as well as be subject to normal licensing fees.

2. Outside storage must be warehouse program.

sculture has, for the first time, concrete or compacted earth. All types

3. All temporary storage must have meet stringent bonding requirements, construction material and other "I iterally, our cup is overflowing," conditions must be satisfactory to TDA

4. All temporary storage must have not be included in the warehouse

5. All temporary storage must have

6. The grain warehouse bond must the warehouse examiner has made the

7. The grain must be fully insured address the shortage of available grain against all risks specified in the grain warehouse law, and the increased amount of insurance must be in force before approval to use the temporary facilities will be granted.

8. Grain stored in the temporary or non-conventional storage facility must be moved into the regular permanent facilities as space in the permanent

Moeller said, "A survey of the state indicates we simply do not have enough existing storage space to take in this year's harvest. Our challenge is to see to it that temporary facilities can be used producers to obtain a fair, realistic price without adversely affecting the quality of the grain. It's very important that the TDA established a list of eight same insurance and bonding have for the permanent storage sites. That will protect the farmers, and it will

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Average Texas farmer receiving less than 1¢ return on investment

The 1985 farm bill is aimed at getting crop acreages down across the nation, and that approach seems to be working in Texas. Consequently, farm income is also expected to tumble.

With Texas farmers still in the thick of the spring planting season, overall crop acreages should be down sharply when the dust settles, says Dr. Carl Anderson, economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University Sy-Rice and soybean acreage is

expected to be about one-third less than 1985 plantings, the sorghum crop should be down 16 percent, cotton acreage should be 12 percent less, hay production should drop 9 percent, and the corn and peanut crops should be off 3 percent from last year's plantings.

The deadlines in Texas plantings should be greater than in the nation as a whole, Anderson points out. Nationally, cotton acreage should be down 10 percent, corn 6 percent and sorghum 3 percent.

"While the new farm bill provides a safety net under farm income by keeping the same target prices as last year, the main feature of the bill is to let U.S. prices fall to market clearing levels," Anderson says. "That should boost use of crops and discourage production somewhatespecially in foreign countries. All this should encourage recovery of U.S. exports markets.

Although a weaker dollar overseas and lower prices could lead to a sharp increase in exports by 1987, the economist believes a noticeable market price recovery is still several years away.

"Market prices for 1986 should be near the adjusted loan rates, predicts Anderson. "These include \$2.40 per bushel for wheat, \$1.92 per bushel for corn, \$3.25 per hundredweight for sorghum, \$3.60 per hundredweight for rice and \$5 per bushel for soybeans.'

The adjusted loan repayment level for cotton will be 80 percent of the base loan rate, says

Anderson. "Since most market prices for crops are expected to fall below the variable costs of production, most farmers will likely comply with the farm program for target price protection and use of the

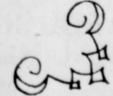
regular farm loan," notes the economist.

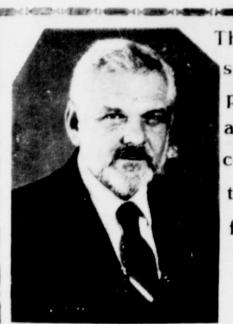
"All this means that net farm income in Texas will likely fall 10 to 15 percent from the depressed \$1.4 billion level estimated in 1985, says Anderson. That's a particularly sad situation considering Texas farmers only realized about a 1 percent return on their

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SHERIFF'S SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS -County of Taylor

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain Writ of County, of the 9th day of the property of said Don April, 1986, by Judge- Caraway.

nands for service, 1, John W. Middleton as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the 9th day of April 1986, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, dep.m. for an appointment scribed as follows, towit: All Undivided Working Interest Which Consist Of .04800000 Down Hole Interest,

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ment of said County And in compliance Court At Law for the with law, I give this sum of One Thousand notice by publication, in Eight Hundred Eight the English Language, Dollars & 66/ 100 Dol- once a week for three lars and costs of suit consecutive weeks imunder a judgement, in mediately preceeding favor of NQR Pertol- said day of sale, in the eum, Inc. vs. Don Ca- Merkel Mail, a news-

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Omega Properties will hold a public auction on Tuesday, May 20th, 1986 at 7 p.m. at the Auction Gallery, 738 E 2nd & Highway 80 in Colorado City on various stored goods of Manuel Corales, Unit M 33. The auction conducted by Doyle Mitchell, auction-

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Public Hearing

ed TXS 0361676.

The City of Merkel, Texas will conduct a Public Hearing at 7:00 P.M., May 12, 1986, at the Council Chambers. 107 Lamar Street, Merkel, Texas, for the purpose of soliciting citizen input for the develop-

Witness my hand this Development Program Application to be submitted to the Texas Department of Community Affairs. All citizens. particulary low income residents, are invited and encouraged to at-

> Kent Satterwhite Mayor 162-1tc-22

Public Notice The City of Merkel Texas will receive sealed bids until 4:30 P.M. Monday, May 12, 1986 on. the rehabilitation of our residence and the demolition of one commercial

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Texas farmers not breaking even, TDA Farm Crisis Task Force says

Texas Panhandle to the Gulf Coast. Lexas farmers just finished their worst year since the Great Depression with producers in almost three-fourths of the state unable to break even on a single major crop," Agriculture Commissioner Hightower reported at a State Capitol news conference. "By every indication, the farm crisis in Texas will be much worse in 1986.

"Unfortunately for Texas farmers, farm prices in 1986 are headed even lower, with the price for wheat, the first crop to be harvested in 1986, having plummeted almost 10 percent since it was planted," Hightower said.

"To date, the seriousness of the farm crisis in Texas has largely been gauged by the frequency and the length of different newspaper stories and television reports. To determine the true depth of the Texas problem, I appointed a 15-member Farm Credit Task Force, chaired by State Representative Steve Carriker, a family farmer from Roby, to make a detailed analysis of the Texas farm scene. Task Force members also included State Treasurer Ann Richards; James Rogers, president of the Farm Credit Banks of Texas: John Shivers. immediate past president of the Independent Bankers Association of Texas; Dr. Dean Hughes of Texas Tech University; Bishop Charles Grahmann of the Victoria Diocese; as well as bankers and farmers from across the

"The report, Crisis in Texas Agriculture, that has been delivered to me and released, reveals that thousands of Texas farm families are living a personal nightmare. A lot of people. including some government officials, have tried to portray the farm crisis as just a Midwestern phenomenon. contending that Texas farmers are largely better off financially than their counterparts in other states. Clearly, Crisis in Texas Agriculture dispels that myth and documents that falling crop prices, deteriorating land values, and faltering equipment sales have hit home

with a vengeance," Hightower said. "I commend all the members of the Task Force for their extensive research



Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower explained the effects the farm crisis is having on the northernmost counties of the Texas High Plains during a Capitol news conference to announce the release of Crisis in Texas Agriculture. The report was put together by the Hightower-appointed 15member Farm Credit Task Force. Behind Hightower are (I-r) Richard Daly of the Texas Catholic Conference and State Rep. Steve Carriker (D-Roby), who chairs the Task Force.

effort. Their report is the most definitive documentation available of the toll the farm crisis is taking on the state and looks to the cause of those problems to make recommendations on solutions we should pursue.

FINDINGS

unanimous agreement that depressed farm prices are the cause of the farm crisis, but until this report there has not been a comprehensive, crop-by-crop. region-by-region study of just how low farm prices have really fallen," Hightower said.

"The Task Force also reports that only six of the 22 farming regions in Texas have a market price above the breakeven level for even one major crop, which is the price needed to recover the costs of production. including government payments."

The "breakeven figures" were

developed by Texas Tech professors Dean Hughes and Don Ethridge at the request of the Task Force. Hughes served on the Task Force as chairman of the Data Collection Subcommittee.

"Perhaps more dramatic than that. however, was the Task Force discovery that prices on 26 major crops in 14 farming regions are actually below the 'shutdown level,' which is the market price needed to recover only the variable costs of production, forgetting the cost of land and management. Hightower said. "The prices for both of the major crops--rice and soybeansgrown along the Upper Gulf Coast are below shutdown levels. Four out of six major crops grown in the Edwards Aquifer region and in the Winter Garden region-dryland and irrigated sorghum, soybeans, and irrigated wheat--are below the shutdown level, and four out of five crops in Northeast Texas are below the shutdown level.

Mayor proclaims Buddy Poppy week

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DECEASED Notice is hereby given that original letters Testamentary for the Estate of Varina E. Laster were issued on April 28, 1986, in Cause No. 17,101, pending in the County Court of Taylor County, Texas,

Ray Inzer, Sr. The residence of such Executor is Taylor County, Texas. The post office address is:

c/ o Gaston Weiburn, Jr P.O. Box 3812 Abilene, Texas 79604

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 30th day of April, 1986.

By Gaston Welborn Jr 162-1tc-36

CAUSE NO. 17,040 NOTICE TO ALL PER-SONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF JOHN BRIGGS SIMONS. DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that Original Letters Testamentary for the JOHN **BRIGGS SIMONS** were issued on March 12, 1986, in Cause No. 17.040 pending in the County Court of Taylor County, Texas, to:

InterFirst Bank Abilene, Texas The residence of such Executor is Taylor Couy, Texas. The post ffice address is:

c/ o Brad Harris Jackson & Jackson P.O. Box 878

Baird, Texas 79504 All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present upon you, including the

them within the time DATE

Brad Harris Jackson & Jackson P.O. Box 878 Baird, Texas 79504 (915) 854 1016 State Bar 09061800 Attorney for the Estate of JOHN

BRIGGS SIMONS

CITATION BY PUBLI-CATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: GEORGE (LAST NAME UNKNOWN) ADDRESS UNKNOWN

Respondent: GREETINGS YOU ARE HEREBY

COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County in Abilene, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days Attorney for the Estate from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of MAY GREEN, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 24th day of April, 1986, GEORGE (LAST NAME UN-KNOWN). Respondent, numbered 399-CX on the

docket of said Court. and entitled "In The Interest of GREEN, a Child", the nature of which suit is a request to determine what parent-child relationships exist between the child and any other persons, that an Attorney at Litem be appointed by the Court to represent the interest of those persons cited by publication, and that all such parent-child relationships be terminated. Petitioner prays for general relief. Said child was born the 13th day of April, 1986, in Abilene,

Taylor County, Texas. The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest which will be binding

termination of the parent-child relationship and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law di-

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this the 24th day of April, 1986.

Rilla Mahoney, Clerk, 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Rita Moore, Deputy. 162-1tc-87

CITATION BY PUBLI-CATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: UNKNOWN FA-THER Address Unknown, Respondent: GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County in Abilene, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of CHRISTIAN HOMES OF ABILENE, INC., Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 8th day of April, 1986, against Unknown Father, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 385-CX on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Interest of BABY BOY McCAIN, a Child" the nature of which suit is a request to the Court to determine what parent child relationship exist between the child and the Unknown Father, and that all such parent child relationship be terminated. child was born the 22 day of March, 1986, in Sweetwater, Nolan Cou-

nty, Texas. The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the par-

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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 di-

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this the 8th day of April, 1986.

Rilla Mahoney, Clerk 326th District Court. Taylor County, Texas. By Jo Ann Lackey. Deputy.

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body of the City of Tye subject to the provisions of Articles 2559/ 2566a. V.T.C.S. will receive applications from all interested banking institutions in the City of Abilene and Merkel, to serve as prime depository for the City of Tye and maintain custody of the funds of the City following acceptance by the City Council. Any such application shall be delivered to the office of the City Secretary, 205 North St., prior to 3:00 P.M. Monday May 19. 1986. Formal acceptance will be given the bids at the regular meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, May 20, 1986, at 7:00 P.M. 162-1te-27

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Report of the Claude and Mae Moss Charities, Inc. for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1985, will be available for inspection by any citizen upon request at its principal office at 1850 Elmwood, Abilene, Texas, during the regular hours of Business from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, for a period of 180 days from May 15, 1986.

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USDA accepting bids on set-aside crop land

Texas farmers will have another opportunity to put their erodible cropland into the government's Conservation Reserve Program when bidding reopens May 5-16.

Because the number of acres accepted into the program during the first signup period in March was less than expected, farmers can resubmit bids on land that was not accepted in Round One. At the same time, they can submit

"The process is the same as during the first signup period," points out Dr. Bill Harris, soils specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The Texas A&M University System. 'A farmer or landowner must determine the eligibility of his land through the local Soil Conservation Service office. Then he must file the necessary paperwork at the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service office and submit a bid on the land. This bid should reflect an acceptable income from the land plus costs of establishing and maintaining a permanent cover for the 10 year

Extension Service economist have developed a special worksheet that farmers can use to help them determine a responsibl bid price. These worksheets are available at any county Extension office, Harris says.

The specialist reminds landis a long-term soil conserving effort. Individuals whose bids are accepted enter into a 10 year contract and must establish per-

manent cover (grass or trees) on the land to protect it from wind and water erosion. Cost of establishing this cover will be shared 50-50 with the government.

Annual rental payments on the land will be limited to \$50,000 per farmer and will be in addition to annual commodity program pay-

The signup earlier this year fell far short of the acreage expected to be accepted into the program, Harris points out. Nationally, about 838,000 acres of highly erodible cropland were entered into the CRP, with only 29,052 of those acres being in Texas.

The U.S. Department of Agricultural had initially targeted 5 million acres for the program in 1986-825,000 of those in Texas. Over a five-year period, the USDA hopes to put some 45 million acres of the nation's cropland into the program, with 11.5 million acres targeted in Texas.

According to Harris, bid prices on land accepted into the program during the first signup period ranged from \$5 to \$90 per acre across the nation, with the average being \$41.82.

"Acceptable bid rates in Texas ranged from \$35 per acre in western sections to \$50 an acre in coastal and southern parts of the state," notes Harris. "Acceptable rates for the second bidding period are not directed by those accepted during the first round. Owners and farmers that the CRP Producers are encouraged to submit bids that are reasonable from their standpoint since the bids could become 10-year con-

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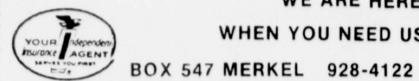
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To the voters in the Democratic Primaries on May 3rd.

I want to express

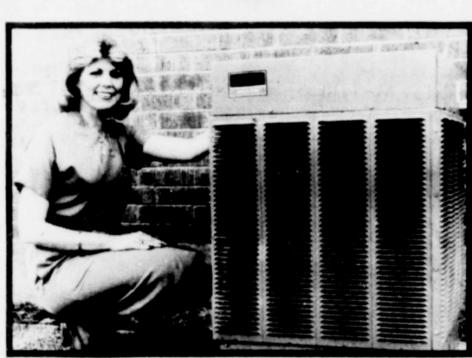
to you my sincere thanks and appreciation for your vote and support in the Democratic primaries on May 3rd. I still need your vote and support in the up-coming run-off election. Your confidence in me as your Justice of the Peace is deeply appreciated. Sincerely Leo Mashburn





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