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MRS. JOSIE SHANKS, for- They were enroute from San merly of Merkel, has return- Antonio, where they enrolled ed to her home in Monahans their daughter, Lynn, in Trinafter a two week visit with the ity University.

#### Scouts

Merkel Cub Scout Pack #20 met Thursday Aug. 30 for the annual "Roundup."

Two new Cubs were added to the roster. They are James Stephens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stephens, and Steven Davis, son of Mrs. Chuck Da-

Mrs. Billie Walters, 10 year veteran of Cub scouting, joined the ranks of Den Leader. Other Den Leaders and assistants are Dolores Adair, Jynell Farmer, Kathy Leverich, and La Vonne Stephens.

Committee members are: Robert Stephens, John Brady, Calvin Wolf, Don Adair and Jimmy Leverich.

John Townsendis Cubmaster and Joseph Arney is the assistant.

Cub Scouting is open to any

boy between the ages of 8-11. For information call 8-5454 or 8-4863 after 6 p.m.

Hal Shanks of Merkel, and the Rae Kleppers of Roscoe. She was honored at a Birthday dinner on her 86th birthday. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Rogers of Andrews, and their granddaughter, Cathie Renee Rogers of Hobbs, New Mexico. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Klepper, and daughters, Melissa and Michelle of Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Shanks, and daughter, Phyllis of Merkel. Donnie Cloyd of Merkel, and the hosts Mr. and Mrs. Rae Klepper

Cynthia of Roscoe. Mrs. Shanks moved to Monahans last January to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. E. L. Clemmer.

and their family Russell and

DR. AND MRS. JIMMY Walker of El Paso, spent last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Irl Walker of Merkel. Dr. Walker is professor of Educational Psychology and Guidance at the El Paso State University.



REAL WINNER -- Teresa Allamon, 5 month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Allamon is shown with outstanding vegetable entries in the Trades Day contest last Saturday.

#### Governor's Daughter Engaged

Governor and Mrs. Dolph Briscoe today announced the engagement of their daughter Jane to Edward Vaughan of Hillsboro, Texas.

Mr. Vaughan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Vaughan, III of Hillsboro.

Miss Briscoe is a graduate of Uvalde High School and a 1972 graduate of the University of Texas where she majored in secondary education and was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority. She was presented by the Martha Washington Society in Laredo, made her formal debut in New York in 1970, and was duchess to the San Antonio Fiesta, the Buccaneer Days of Corpus Christi, and the Austrian Ball of the Silver Rose in Vienna.

Mr. Vaughan is a graduate of the Hillsboro public schools and a 1971 graduate of the University of Texas with a BBA degree in finance. He was a member of the Sigma Nu Fraternity. He is currenttly a junior law student at St. Mary's University in San Antonio.

The wedding is planned for December 29, 1973, at the Governor's Mansion in Austin, Texas.

Due to a new process of offset printing, all news and advertising must be in The Merkel Mail office by Noon

Tuesday, Thank You.

## Prison Rodeo Tickets On Sale Since Sept. 1

For the second year (they

stole the show last year), the

Goree Cowgirls will perform

and will take part in the calf

tussle, greased pig-sacking

contest, and a donkey barrel

40 inmates divided into two-

man teams, will vie in the wild

cow milking contest and the

hard money event. Hard mon-

ey involves the grabbing of

a Bull Durham sack from be-

tween a non-cooperative bull's

horns, Cash prizes of \$50 and

tremely popular event.

12:30.

\$25 go to winners in this ex-

add to the rodeo when inmate

recording stars and bands

swing out for the midway show

beginning at 9 a.m. and at

the pre-rodeo arena show at

at 2 p.m. with the traditional

grand enrtry parade. After that

it's guaranteed fun and ex-

citement at the Texas Rodeo

Prison - billed as the wild-

est and roughest of its kind.

The rodeo gets underway

Country western music will

The redshirts, a group of

HUNTSVILLE -- Tickets to the Texas Prison Rodeo an annual affair held each Sunday in October at the main prison unit in East Texas, will go on sale to the public in 17 Texas cities, as well as four locations in Louisiana, on September 1, announces Ron Taylor, Texas Department of Corrections public affairs of-

"These tickets will be available at all five Foley's locations in Houston, as well as at Sear's stores in Arlington, Austin, Beaumont, Bryan, Dallas, Fort Worth, Irving, Longview, Marshall, Mesquite, Orange, Port Arthur, San Antonio, Temple, Tyler, Victoria, and Waco," Taylor outlined.

'In Louisiana tickets may be purchased at Sear's stores in Alexandria, Bossier City, Lake Charles and Shreveport,' Taylor continued.

Additionally, ticket information may be received by writing to the Rodeo Ticket Office, Box 99, Huntsville, 77340," Taylor.

This, the 42nd annual rodeo, will feature an all inmate lineup -- cowboys, cowgirls and redshirts.

Harry Southerland, Fort Worth, will lead a group of 40 convict cowboys in the saddle bronc, bull riding, and bareback riding events. Southerland is the current champ with back-to-back titles and will try to become only the second cowboy to put together three consecutive individual rodeo titles.

The cowboys will also compete in a mad scramble featuring 10 riders on 10 bulls all coming out of the chute gates at one time. A wild horse race where three man teams must catch, saddle, mount and ride to a designated finish line rounds ouu

rounds out the cowboys participation in the two-hour spectacular.

## GAYLON BRNOVAK . . . at Robert Lee

## Move

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brnovak, Gaylon is a '969 graduate of Trent High School and graduated from Angelo State University in the

His major is Biology, and minor is Chemistry. He is enrolled as a graduate student at A.S.U. seeking a Master of Science degree in Biology.

## Trades Day Spirit Was High

didn't dampen the spirit of those who came to barter at Trades Day. The individual booths were few and far between but merchandise included everything from sadles to hot tamalas.

The vegetable contest was limited to few entries because the season's coming to an end. A giant watermelon, weighing 101 pounds, entered by Leslie Corey, easily won in that category. Hugh Taylor took the sweepstakes with a 38 1/2 inch climbing squash and an ivey cucumber. Charlie Tipton brought in the winning can-

Constant threat of rain and the long Labor Day weekend hampered the crowd, as such, but many smiles brightened the faces of trades looking for bargains -- and finding

#### Henry B. Taff

Henry B. Taff, 90, retired farmer of Amherst, formerly of Tye and Merkel, died at 4:50 p.m. Sunday in South Plains Hospital in Amherst. Funeral will be at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday in Tye Baptist Church. The Rev. Tempo Lewis will

officiate. Burial will be in Merkel Cemeter under direction of Payne Funeral Home of Amherst. Born June 18, 1883, near

Jayton, he had lived in Amherst for two years. His wife, Mattie, died in August 1972.

Survivors are four sons, Marvin of Austin, Archie of Abernathy, Royce of Bula and Vernon of Sunray; three daughters, Mrs. Zadie Parkman of Littlefield, Mrs. Audie Livingood of Haskell and Mrs. Maduie Stephens of Munday; four brothers, Garland and Walter, both of Tye, Arthur of Orange and Ernest of Merkel; 21 grandchildren; 35 greatgrandchildren; four greatgreat-grandchildren.

#### Sr. Citizens Have Good **Trades-Day**

The Merkel Senior Citizen Club reports a good day on Trades Day. The food sale was very good. Entertainment was provided by Mayhall Mus-

Mrs. Irl Walker, Mrs. Ruth Baze and Mrs. Jewell Dunagin were winners of music books at a drawing.

Forty-five Senior Citizens attended the Monday night singing, with refreshments being served.

Thursday evening will be "Game Night" - everyone is invited to be present for the entertainment.

Tuesday, Sept. 11, the Club will have an all day meeting, with a covered dish lunch. September president, Irl Walker, urges Citizens of all ages to come. Fun and fellowship activity for the active - join Merkel Senior Citizens Club.

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## Merkel 4-H

The Merkel 4-H Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Taylor Electric Co-op building Thursday September 6.

Any boy or girl that will be 9 years old by January 1, be 9 years old by January 1 be 9 years old by January 1, 1974 or not 18 years old before January 1, 1974 is welcome to join. A parent should accompany the child to this important meeting.

All present members are urged to attend this meeting and begin work on their projects.

## **Bob Benson Named** Mitchell County Agent

Bob Benson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Benson will take over new duties as agent for Mitchell County September 11. The announcement was made by B. C. Gunter, district extension agent, and Mitchell County Judge Bill F. Carter.

Benson replaces Bobby Lemons who left the post to join the First City National Bank.

Benson, a 27 year old native of Merkel, graduated from Merkel High School, and is a 1967 honor graduate of Texas A&M University, receiving his B.A. degree in Agriculture Education. He also graduated as a Distinguished Military Stu-

As Assistant County Agent in Hale County, he worked with 4-H programs, crops, and livestock. Benson was instrumental in leading the Hale County 4-H'ers to 5 straight wins in

record book judging in 1973 and 2 wins in a state competition in the 1972 4-H Roundup. The record books of 4-H'ers under his leadership will compete at the state level this year. As a result of his work, the

barrow were shown by Hale County 4-H members at the Houston Livestock Show in Prior to serving in Hale

champion lamb and champion

County, Benson was assistant county agent in Wichita County from 1967-68. He entered the Army in 1968 for 3 year term and attained

the rank of Captain. He served in the Air Defense Artillery and spent 13 months in South Korea.

Benson is married to the former Jannie Walker of Lawn and they have two children, 6 and 17 months.

#### BADGER **TRACKS**

By JANIE CLARK

Hi! Hope everyone had as much fun over the Labor Day as I did; but now, back to the job at hand - school.

The new freshmen cheerleaders are Cindy Byrd, Becky

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Merkel Volunteer Fire Department will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the fire station. All members wives areurg-

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ed to attend.

Guest evangelist, Gayland Kinzey of Abilene, will hold a three day revival at Merkel's Assembly of God Church. Services are scheduled for 7 o'clock.

Mrs. Kinzey will present special music for the revival. The pastor, the Rev. John Curtis, extends a cordial invitation to the public.

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Rister and Rhonda Howes. This is the first year to have a group of sheerleaders especi-ally for the freshman games so there should be a lot of

The Merkel High School Band will participate in the West Texas Fair Parade in Abilene Saturday morning, then on to the fair grounds for a day of of fun.

M.H.S. student, Cindy Whisenhunt will be in the Sweetheart Contest, Mulberry Canyon 4-H is sponsoring Cindy. We wish her lots of

mage game against Cross Plains. It was a great game;

Merkel's Purple and Gold team looks good. The freshman team has game #1 against Aspermont, Thurs-

day Sept. 6, to be played in Badger Stadium at 7 p.m. Lets all turn out to see a good game.

Mrs. Mary Caton is sponsor of the Pep Squad. So far, about 30 girls are participating. See ya, next week.



MR. AND MRS. WOMACK ... to celebrate

#### Womack To Observe **50th Anniversary**

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Womack will observe their 50th wedding anniversary from 2 to 5 on Saturday, September 8, at the Merkel Restaurant, Mer-

Their children and spouses will be hosts. They are Joe Don Womack of Mission Viejo, Calif., Messrs. and Mmes. J. E. Womack of Redding, Cal-ifornia, J. W. Bills, Hubbard, Texas, R. E. Womack, Capi-tan, New Mexico and L. T. Womack, Lincoln, Nebraska,

The couple also have 13 grandchildren and 2 greatgrandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Womack were

married September 8, 1923 in the Methodist parsonage, Mer-kel, the Reverend Hayes officiated.

In 1930 Mr. and Mrs. Wom-ack moved to Fort Stanton, New Mexico. After Mr. Wor ack's retirement, in 1967, th

make their home in No



WTR PRINCESS CONTESTANT -- Jan Beck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Beck of Trent, is one of several vying for the title. Sponsored by Cal-Tex Feed Yard, Miss Beck is a junior student at Trent High School.



... Trent FFA

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ents are Mr. and Mrs. R. E. West Texas Fair. Clemmer, Jr. Tina Hamner, daughter of Mulberry 4-H Club's candidate will be Cindy Whisenhunt, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wayne Hamner, will represent Trent daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wal-FFA Chapter. ter Whisenhunt.

Stage at 5 p.m. Sept. 8, after riding in the opening parade at 10 a.m. One of the candidates will be awarded the Sweetheart title the evening of Sept, 12 and a \$300,00 scholarship to any Abilene college.

CINDY WHISENHUNT

... Mulberry 4-H

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The Farmers Union will

meet Thursday Sept. 6 at 8 p.m. at the the Asteroid Restaurant. H. C. Stanley, Taylor County Agent, will give a talk on

Don Saverance, ASCS office manager, will explain the new farm program. Members are urged to at-

Brucellosis.

Sunday, Sept. 16th will mark the date that members of the Noodle Baptist Church will observe the congregation's Golden Anniversary. Everyone is invited, especially former pastors and members.

## **Brnovaks**

Mr. and Mrs. Gaylon Brnovak moved recently to Robert Lee, Texas where Gaylon is teaching Biology, Chemistry and Physical Science in Robert Lee High School, His wife, the former Donna Diltz, is employed at Shannon Memorial Hospital in San Angelo in the X-ray Department,

spring of 1973.

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Boles is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Jerry Boles Jr. His father was the former Pastor of the 1st Central Presbyterian Church at Stamford and is now at 1st Central Presbyterian at Dumas.

Boles, III, is a member of the 1st Presbyterian Church at Dumas and represents the Palo Duro Presbytery as a student minister.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* National Honor Society

The National Honor Society met Tuesday, August 28th at 6:30.

They elected officers as follows: President, Jeff Cox; Vice President, Ronnie Sanford; Secretary, Becky Santee; Treasurer, Tonja McAninch, and Reporter, Kathy Cypert, The meeting was held at Mrs. Pat Dudley's home and

refreshments were served. The members who attended were as follows: Susan Donaldson, Jeff Cox, Ronnie Sanford, Becky Santee, Tonja Mc-Aninch and Kathy Cypert, Sherrie Bratcher and Wanda Blair were unable to attend the meet-

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numbered 8303 on the docket

of said court and styled Patrick Walter Banach, Plaintiff,

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DEF ENDANT, Greeting:

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DEF ENDANT, Greeting:

Ph. 928-4742

tiff's Petition filed in said

court, on the 6th day of July

A.D. 1973, in this cause, num-

bered 8273 on the docket of

said court and styled In Re:

Adoption of Tamara Lynne

A prief statement of the na-

ture of this suit is as follows,

to-wit: Adoption as is more

fully shown by Plaintiff's Pe-

tition on file in this suit.

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at Abilene, Texas, this the 8th

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD

Clerk, Domestic Relations

Court, Taylor County, Texas

By Myrna Lawrence, Dep-

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

TO: Elmer Joe McCurrin,

YOU ARE HEREBY COM-

ten answer at or before 10

of forty-two days from the

date of the date of the is-

surance of this citation, same

being the 1st day of Octo-

ber A. D. 1973, to Plain-

tiff's Petition filed in said

court, on the 22nd day of

lowing is a true copy.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

DEF ENDANT, Greeting:

as -- GREETING:

PHONE 928-4721

May A.D. 1973, in this cause,

numbered 8142 on the docket

Elmer McCurrin, Defendant.

A brief statement of the na-

ture of this suit is as follows,

to-wit: Divorce: Married Nov.

23, 1965 - separated June 1972.

One child - Caryn Lynn Mc-

Currin born August 28, 1966.

No items of community prop-

erty accumulated during mar-

riage, as is more fully shown

by Plaintiff's Petition on file

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Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD

Clerk, Domestic Relations

Court, Taylor County, Texas

By Marie Adkins, Deputy

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 13 day of August A.D. 1973.

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas By Sandra Van Cleave, Dep-

vs. Mary Dinning Banach, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: The parties were married on or about Oct. 21, 1967; on or about March 31, 1971, they separated. There was born to this marriage a child, Mark Anthony Banach, a male born April 6, 1967. No community property has been accumulated during this marriage and there in good cause for waiving the prohibition of remarriage as contained in Sec. 366 of the Family code, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: John L. Eslinger, DEF ENDANT, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COM-MANDED to appear before the Honorable Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the date of the issurance of this citation, same being the 15th day of October A.D. 1973, w Plaintiff's Petition filed in said

court, on the 13th day of April

A. D. 1973, in this cause numbered 8018 on the docket of said court and styled Norma J. Eslinger, Plaintiff, vs. John L. Eslinger, Defendant,

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Divorce. Married Sept. 10, 1960; divorced June 1964. Remarried Nov. 24, 1971, separated March 7, 1973. One Child, Barry Eslinger, born July 14, 1963. Various items of community property, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 29 day of August A.D. 1973, (SEAL)

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas By Marie Adkins, Deputy ALL.

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If I were the Prince of Darkness I would want to engulf the whole earth in the darkness of sin, which he does desire.

I'd have a third of its real estate and four-fifths of its population, but I would not be happy until I seized the ripest apple on the tree. So I should set about, however necessary,, to take it over, t. e United States.

I would bgin with a campaign of whispers. With the wisdom of a serpent, I would whisper to you as I whispered to Eve: "DO AS YOU PLEASE",

To the young I would whisper, "The Bible is a myth and is only relative truth and is not really revelant to our lives." I would convince them that "man created God," instead of the other way around: I'd whisper that, "what is bad is good and what is good is square."

In the ears of the young married I would whisper that work is debasing, that cocktail parties are good for you and that "you need to get all the gusto you can get because you only have one time to go around." I would caution them not to be "extreme" in religion, in patriotism, or in moral conduct.

And the old I would teach to pray: "Our father which art in Washington . .

Then I'd educate authors in how to make lurid literature exciting so that anything else would appear dull, and uninteresting I'd use dirtier movies and more uncontroled expressive language on T.V. I'd infiltrate unions and urge more loafing, less work. I'd peddle nercotics to whom I could, I'd sell alcohol to ladies and gentlemen of "distinction", I'd tranquilize the rest with

If I were the Devil I would encourage schools to refine young intellects, but neglect to discipline emotions; let those run wild. I'd designate an atheist to front for me beore the Highest Courts and I'd get preachers to say, "She's right."

With flattery and promise of power I would get the courts to vote against God and in favor of pornography. Thereby evict God from the courthouse, then the school house, then from the Houses of Congress.

If I were the Devil I'd take from those who have and give to those who wanted until I had killed the incentive of the ambitious.

IF I WERE SATAN I'D JUST KEEP ON DO-ING WHAT I'M DOING AND THE WHOLE WORLD WOULD GO TO HELL AS SURE AS THE DEVIL.

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(L) DEBT How has the availability of revenue sharing funds affected the



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## Cochran-Goodman **Vows Solemnized**

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Bridesmaid was Kathy Thomas. Roy Schultz was best

Pam Morris was flower girl. Brad Cochran, brother of the bride was ring bearer, and Steve Cochran, also the bride's brother, lighted candles.

The bride wore a gown of

chantilace and chiffon over satin. Her attendant's gown was pink chiffon over taffeta. The bride is a graduate of Merkel High School.

The bridegroom also attended Merkel High School. He is employed by the City of Mer-

Following a wedding trip to Dallas, the couple will live at 411 S. 5th in Merkel.

Hundreds of pheasants have been stocked around the Crosbyton area by the Soil and Water Conservation District

JUN 30, 1973

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XX LESSENED DEBT INCREASE (M) TAXES in which of the following manners did the availability of Revenue Sharing Funds affect the tax levels of your juris-MERKEL CITY MAYOR diction? Check as many as apply. 79536 MERKEL TEXAS ENABLED REDUCING THE REDUCED AMOUNT OF RATE INCREASE OF A MAJOR TAX RATE OF A MAJOR TAX. PREVENTED INCREASE IN NO EFFECT ON TAX LEVELS RATE OF A MAJOR TAX PREVENTED ENACTING TOO SOON TO PREDICT EFFECT A NEW MAJOR TAX CAPITAL EXPENDITURES OPERATING/MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURES PERCENT USED FOR: ACTUAL ACTUAL PURPOSE EXPENDITURES EXPENDITURE EXPENDITURES CATEGORIES (A) (B) (F) 10 MULTI-PURPOSE AND GENERAL GOVT. % BLIC SAFETY 100 EDUCATION 3,319 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION 100 % \$ 2,292 HEALTH TRANSPORTATION \$ 13,400 100 % HEALTH SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT RECREATION 15 HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT LIBRARIES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT 100 % ENVIRONMENTAL S 5,999 % \$ 5,611 PUBLIC SAFETY (N) CERTIFICATION (Please Read Instruction 'F').

The news media have been advised that a complete copy of this report has been published in a local newspaper of general circulation. I have records documenting the contents of this report and they are open for public and news media scrutiny. Additionally, I certify that I am the chief executive officer 21 OTHER /Specify additionally, I, certify that I am the chief executive officer and, with respect to the entitlement funds reported hereon, I certify that they have not been used in violation of either the priority expenditure requirement (Section 103) or the matching funds prohibition (Section 104) of the Act.

SEE ATTACHED AFFIDAVIT

(O) TRUST FUND REPORT 22 OTHER/Specify

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## Chorus **Elects**

Merkel High Schools newest: organization, the M.H.S. Chorus elected officers last week. They are: President, Anna Hughes; Vice President, Jan Wooten; Sec.-Reporter, Rose-

ann Noster. Glenn Reed is directing the singers in several popular songs: It Never Rains In Southern California; I Got A Gal and Tomorrow Belongs To The

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Girls: Wanda Blair, Lee Ann Butman, Janie Clark, Becky Ely, Carla Fariello, Catherine Fariello, Nancy Fudge, Anna Hughes, Angle Kimbrell, Becky Kimbrell, La Juana Lawrence, Cindy Lindsley, Vickie Lollar, Beverly Maw-son, Elizabeth Millet, Roseann Noster, Mary Beth Phillips, Phyllis Shanks. Cynthia Steck, Jerre Stephan, Sara Rister, and Jan Wooten.

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE OF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 6, 1973 NUMBER ONE ON THE BALLOT

Hamlin 576-2560

Article III, Sections 5, 24 and 49a and Article VIII, Section 6 of the Texas Constitution are amended to:

Provide for regular annual sessions of the Legislature. The regular session in each odd-numbered year would be for a period not to exceed 180 days. The regular session in each even numbered year would be for a period not to exceed 60 days and would be limited to consideration of fiscal matters and any emergency matters submitted by the Governor. The 60 day session could be extended by the Governor for a period not to exceed 30 days;

Provide an annual salary for members of the Legislature not exceeding \$15,000 per year and a per diem not exceeding \$18 per day for each day of each regular

session or special session;
Provide that no appropriation of money shall be made for a longer term than one year and direct the Comptroller to make annual estimates of anticipated revenue rather than biennial estimates.

The wording of the proposed amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to provide for annual regular sessions of the legislature; and to provide an annual salary of \$15,000 and per diem for the mem-bers of the legislature, effective in January,

> NUMBER TWO ON THE BALLOT (H.J.R. 7)

Article XVI, Sections 50 and 51 of the Texas Consti-tution are amended to: Include within the scope of homestead protection the

real property of a single adult person which meets the other requirements of homestead property, and to provide that a family homestead property and to provide that a family homestead stead may not be aban-doned except with the con-

sent of both spouses.

Presently a single adult person is not entitled to claim a homestead exemption and a married man can abandon a family home-stead without the consent of his wife. The wording of the pro-

posed amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:
"The constitutional

amendment to include within the scope of homestead protection the real property of a single adult person which meets the other requirements of homestead property, and to provide that a family homestead may not be abandoned except with the consent of both spouses." NUMBER THREE ON THE BALLOT (S.J.R. 13)

Sweetwater 236-6378

Article VIII, Sections 1-a and 1-b of the Texas Con-stitution are amended to: Extend the \$3,000 ad the residential homesteads of unmarried adults.

The wording of the pro-posed amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to extend the \$3,000 ad valorem tax exemption to the homesteads of unmarried adults."

> NUMBER FOUR ON THE BALLOT (S.J.R. 1)

Article XVI, Section 59, of the Texas Constitution is amended by adding a new Subsection (e) which:

Provides that no law creating a conservation and reclamation district shall be passed unless a copy of the proposed law is delivered to the commissioners court of each county and to the governing body of each incor-porated city or town in whose jurisdiction said district or any part thereof is or will be located. Each uch commissioners court id governing body may file

written consent or oppo-ion to the proposed law ith the Governor, Lieuten-ant Governor and Speaker of the House of Representatives. Each special law creating such a district must comply with general laws then in effect relating to consent by political subdivi-sions to the creation of such districts.

The wording of the pro posed amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:
"The constitutional

amendment establishing certain requirements rela-tive to the enactment of laws creating certain con-servation and reclama-tion districts."

NUMBER FIVE ON THE BALLOT (S.J.R. 12)

Article XI, Section 7 of the Texas Constitution is amended to: Provide that all counties

and cities bordering on the coast of the Gulf of Mexico are authorized to levy a tax to pay for bonds issued for the construction of sea walls the construction of sea walls and breakwaters upon a majority vote of the resident property tax-payers. Counties and cities are presently authorized to levy such taxes and this amendment only changes the required vote from a two-thirds majority to a simple majority.

majority.

The wording of the proposed amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing counties and cities bor-dering on the Gulf of Mexico to issue bonds upon a vote of the resident property tax-NUMBER SIX ON THE BALLOT

(S.J.R. 26)

Article V, Section 8 of the Texas Constitution is amended by adding a new paragraph which: Provides that the district

court, concurrently with the county court, shall have the general jurisdiction of a probate court and in a probate proceeding shall also have the jurisdiction otherwise conferred on it by law. It also provides that the legislature may increase, dimin-ish, or eliminate the jurisdiction of the district court or county court in probate matters, may adopt rules governing the filing, distri-bution, or transfer of cases and proceedings as between the courts having jurisdiction of probate matters, and may provide that all appeals in probate matters shall be the courts of civil ap-

The wording of the proposed constitutional amend-ment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

"The constitutional amendment stating that the district court concurrently with the county court shall have the general jurisdiction of a probate court, and providing the jurisdiction thereof, and further providing that irr any pro-bate proceeding the dis-trict court shall also have jurisdiction otherwise conferred upon it by law, and further providing that the legislature may increase, diminish or eliminate the jurisdiction of the district court or county court in probate matters, and further pro-viding that the legislature shall have power to adopt rules governing the filing, distribution and transfer of all such cases and proceedings as becounty courts, and other courts having jurisdiction thereof, and further prowiding that the legislature may provide that all ap-peals in such matters shall be to the courts of

> NUMBER SEVEN ON THE BALLOT (H.J.R. 6)

(civil) appeals.

Article III, Section 49-b of the Texas Constitution is amended to:

Provide for an additional \$100 million in bonds or obligations of the State of Texas for the Veterans' Land Fund. This amendincreases the present million authorization

to \$500 million;
Remove the present provision which permits buying of land only by those vetof land only by those veterans who served between September 16, 1940 and the date of formal withdrawal of United States troops from the armed conflict in Viet Nam. This amendment would allow all veterans who serve after September 16, 1940 to buy land from the Veterans' Land Fund, provided they are otherwise qualified;

Provide that, in the event of the death of an eligible

for the construction of Texas veteran after the vet sea walls and breakwaters eran has filed with the Board an application and contract of sale to purchase through the Board the tract selected by him or her and before the purchase has been completed, then the surviving spouse may complete the transaction.

The wording of the pro-posed amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to provide for an additional \$100 million in bonds or obligations of the State of Texas for the Veterans' Land Fund."

NUMBER EIGHT ON THE BALLOT (S.J.R. 29)

Article XI, of the Texas Constitution is amended by adding a new Section 5(a)

Authorizes and requires incorporated cities, towns, and villages, regardless of population and notwithstanding the constitutions on total tax limitations on total tax rates, to levy such annual ad valorem taxes on the taxable property in the city, town or village as are neces-sary to pay the principal of and interest on, when due, the general obligations hereinafter issued by the city, town, or village. The legis-lature is empowered to limit by general or special law the total principal amount of general obligations which may be issued, but unless and until the legislature acts to do so, the limitations established by statute with respect to the total principal amount of bonds which may be issued by independent school districts shall apply as the rate limitation on cities, towns, and vil-

The wording of the pro-posed constitutional amendment as it appears on the ballot is as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize. cities, towns, and villages to levy such ad valorem taxes as are sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on their general obligations hereafter strictions provided by

> NUMBER NINE ON THE BALLOT (S.J.R. 25)

Article VIII of the Texas Constitution is amended by adding a new Section 2C

which:
Allows the Legislature,
by general law, to exempt
all real and personal property used by non-profit
water supply corporations
or cooperatives from all property taxes. The exemption would apply only to such property as is reasonably necessary to conduct the business of a non-profit water supply corporation or cooperative.

Cooperative.

The wording of the proposed constitutional amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt

from property taxes certain property used by a non-profit water supply corporation or a non-profit water supply co-operative."

