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starter for the Greyhounds

holds Eastern's record for

the most pass interceptions

in a season. The safety in-

in 1974 and returned them for

In addition to playing in the

defensive backfield, Purser

kicker for extra points and

goals. Last season he scored

Eastern New Mexico Uni-

versity will be looking ex-

tremely strong this season

and has 28 lettermen and

seven squadmen returning.

Seventeen of the returners

ball following touchdowns.

serves the Greyhounds as a

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21,1975

SIX PAGES

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Between you



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and me

SARAH ECKOLS

"The people's government, made for the people, made by the people, and answerable to the people." So said Daniel Webster in a speech in the Senate on January 26.

Somehow I feel that the government to a large extent has gotten away from the people and is no longer answerable to the people. I urge Americans to take a more personal interest in their government and find out what is going on in the State legislature as well as the U. S. legislature. In this year of the bicentennial birthday of this nation when emphasis will be on the men who gave their time, energy and sometimes their lives to the establishment of this government, let us contemplate what we can do to change the things we don't like and create the type of government we can be proud of and can claim a part of.

Walk softly and guard your steps, For today's steps are looked back upon tomorrow, And cannot be walked again; But remain as permanent memories:

Memories to console or to torment. Speak softly and watch your words

For words can cut deep wounds And can leave ugly scars. That will not wash away with water Or fade with time.

Look gently into my eyes, For gentle looks can caress the soul And soothe a troubled mind. Gentle eyes can be remembered lovingly And can touch me softly in other days.

It has been brought to my attention that there is a family in Merkel who is in need of assistance. The immediate needs are clothes for children from ages 5-16 and school supplies. If you can help or wish further information you may contact Martha Sue Justice at 928-5712 or 928-5017.

The garage sale for the youth center was very successful. However there is still much left to be done and many things are still needed. The things most in demand are a TV for use, donations, Q-sticks, and ping pong equipment.

....... I would like to extend a welcome to the new chief of police in Merkel, Paul Crouse. We are glad to have you in our city and hope that you enjoy your job and association with Merkel.

-------Merkel 20 Years Ago

From the August 19, 1955 edition:

Coach Caroll Benson issued a call today for all prospective griders to enter the pre-season training camp at Badger field to start preparation for the opening game September 9 with Wylie.

At a morning meeting Friday, the Chamber of Commerce made plans for a school opening next week, and then launched plans for other activities this fall and winter.

County Commissioner Rufe Tittle, Merkel, said today that the county lacks only 127.790 acres of land out of a necessary 435.991 for right-of-way for the construction of a 4-lane highway extending from Tye to the Nolan county line, including the by-pass six blocks north of Merkel's business district.

Sun Oil Company spotted No. 1 Grady Parmelly as a proposed 5,800-foot rotary wildcat in Taylor County. The rank wildcat is 11 miles south of Merkel. It spots 860 feet from the south and 710 feet from the east lines of section 14, block 4, T & P Survey.

****************** The Lions Club voted Tuesday to incorporate in order that the club could operate the Community center without personal liability to any of its members.

Wayman Adcock, chairman of the Lions Club Broom Sale Committee announced today that team captains and members of the teams had been selected by the committee

Mrs. Kenneth Purser entertained with a birthday party for her son, Kenneth Wayne Purser, who celebrated his fourth birthday last Friday. ******************

Mrs. Bob Deen, Mrs. Buddy Hunter, Mrs. James Linier and Miss Joy Walker were hostesses to a pink and blue shower honoring Mrs. Waymon Hicks in the home of Mrs. Buddy Hunter last Friday night.

Merkel 40 Years Ago

From the August 23, 1935 edition:

Will Rogers, cowboy philosopher, actor and air-travel enthusiast, and Wiley Post, who circled the earth alone in a plane, were killed Friday night when their plane crashed 15 miles south of Point Barrow, in northernmost Alaska, ********************

Coach Emil Hutto arrived in Merkel Friday from Tech coaching school and will be here from now on. He has already begun to work out with a few boys and practice in earnest will open on September 2.

The Merkel Public schools will open on September 9. ******************

Merkel's school census accounted for 642 of Taylor County's 9,535 scholastics.

Seven amendments to the state constitution are to be voted upon next Saturday in a special election.

Merkel Grad Is Gridiron Star At Eastern **New Mexico University**

Don Purser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Purser and a former high school football player from Merkel, has reported to Eastern New Mexico University's football training camp and will be looking to be a member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics

Hodges Is Lions Club Speaker

Joe Hodges, president of Abilene National Bank and chairman of the Abilene Bicentennial Committee spoke to the Merkel Lions Club Tuesday at their regular meeting. According to Lion Travis Davis, Mrs. Hodges

Travis Davis, Mr. Hodges is a most informative and interesting speaker.

are starters. **CJC Extension Registration**

27 yards.

Ten college courses will Merkel, CJC officials have be available to students in the announced. Merkel area during the coming fall semester through the Cisco Junior College Night Course Extension Program in

Mrs. Steck Is

Though many cooks have won a great deal of money (College Algebra), Governin National Oats Company's ment 213 (American National Big/Little recipe contest, Government), and Spanish 114 many more have rated "big little winner" badges. The held on Tuesday evenings. contest is called Big/Little as the biggest cities.

One Big/Little winner in ferings. Texas is Mamie Steck of Merkel who entered Oatmeal Sausage Casserole in the

In every state where the company's 3-Minute brand oats are sold, the grand prize winner has been awarded \$200. Then, in each of the contest's categories -bars and cookies, dessorts, main dishes and broads -- Holds First Meet a \$25 prize has been given the winner.

and such, and there are many of them, each has found a \$10 bill in the mail. Often these wom n di cover that, oats, added to their favorite scrimmage Saturday, August recipe has improved it!

Scheduled August 26

Registration for the Merkel courses will be held on Tuesday evening, August 26 at the CJC Building in downtown Merkel from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

History 113 (History of the U. S. to Reconstruction) and English 213 (Readings in English Literature) will be offered on Monday Three classes -- Math 113 (Beginning Spanish) will be

Psychology 213 (Child Psybecause there are over 1,000 chology), Business 153 (Inprizes which are awarded in troduction to Business), and the small st towns as well Art 253 (Oil Painting) will be the Wednesday night of-

Rounding out the schedule on Thursday evening will be English 113 (English Com-Main Dishes category and position and Rhetoric) and Economics 213 (Principles of Economics).

All classes will meet from See CJC, Pg. 4, Col. 6

Booster Club

The Merkel Booster Club Big/Little winners, women will hold their first meeting with good ideas, interesting of the 1975-76 season Monday ways to use oats products night at 7:30 p.m. August 25 at the Field House. All Badger football fans are urged to attend this meeting.

Merkel and Stamford will 23 at Badger Field.



NATIONAL CHAMP-Don McDonald, mounted on national cutting horse champion, Jacket Bars, rides to victory at the American Paint Horse Association National Show

in Kansas City, Missouri August 7-10. Jacket Bars is owned by Wyman Wilkerson, McDonald and Wilkerson are

Jacket Bars Brings Home **National Championship**

Trainer Don McDonald rode his protegee Jacket Bars, an eight year old paint stallion, senior cutting horse

Commission To Meet Tonight

The Texas Animal Health Commission will hold a meeting August 21 at 8 p.m. in the county court-at-law courtroom on the third floor of the old courthouse to discuss proposed rule changes in the brucellosis law.

The meeting is for all area producers to attend to be informed about the changes. Producers then can voice their approval or disapproval at a hearing in Austin on September 4.

The meeting in Abilene is one of several being held over the state. Others will be held in San Angelo and Vernon.

Kansas City, Missouri August Jacket Bars is owned by 7-10 at the American Paint Wyman Wilkerson of Merkel Youth Dead Following Car-Bicycle Accident In Merkel

stallion, to national senior Horse Association National

Johnny Smith, 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Smith of Merkel was dead on arrival at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene Monday evening following an accident involving the youngster who was riding his bicycle and an automobile driven by Mrs.

cutting horse championship in Show.

Lonnie Elliot of Merkel. The youth was struck by Mrs. Elliot's car when he swirved in front of her on his bicycle. According to local officials, the youth was traveling west on North 3rd. just after dark. His bicycle had no reflectors or lights. Mrs. Elliot said that she never saw the boy until the metal of his bicycle was reflected by her headlights. She was traveling approximately 30 miles per hour. No charges have been filed in the case according to authorities.

Services for Johnny Smith were held at 3 p.m. Wednesday in the Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel with burial in Rose Hill Cemetery. Rev. Kenneth Ross of the Christian Church officiated.

Survivors include his parents; a sister, Susan; a brother, Mike; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill

MSA Carnival Saturday Night

Fun for all and all for fun. Come be with us Saturday August 23, 1975 at 7:30 p.m. Bingo, Dunking Booth, Darts, Fishing for the little ones, Cake Walk and a good old fashioned Square Dance (\$2.50 per couple)

We need your help to make this a success, so join us on Lamar and 2nd, Street, this Saturday night for lots of

This carnival is to help raise money for the Tri-City MSA, we want to finish out the season debt free, so we can get busy on the new field we need as soon as we get some land, Any who can help in that respect needs to contact J. C. Carson.

Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Underwood all of Merkel and

several aunts and uncles.

EDITOR'S NOTE-The above obituary is fiction. It did not owned by Wilkerson. In the happen. . . but it could have unior class, the reserve naand it might. Recently it has ional champion cutting horse become a fad in Merkel among the young bicycle riders to play "chicken" with the cars. These youngsters don't realize they are playing with death in a very real sense of the word. Little Johnny Smith could very well become real and he may end up being your son or daughter, nimal work closest with It is up to us as the adults neir coordination, timing, of the community to educate and mental capability to get our young people to the safety ne job done. The horse and rules of bicycle riding, he man must almost become Imagine the heartbreak of ne machine in order to carry little Johnny's parents, his ut the task put before them. family, and his friends; now It is a tribute to Merkel think of the pain suffered by the one driving the car. How does one live over killing a child even when it is an ac-

The sad facts are that we too often wait until after a tragedy to take action. This must not happen. In a town the size of Merkel, a tragedy of this sort can devastate the entire town.

tional competition. Services For Val P. Byrom **Held Friday**

Val P. Byrom, 76, of Nolan, a stockfarmer, died at 10:45 p.m. Wednesday in Anson General Hospital after a lengthy illness, Services, were at 4 p.m. Friday in Starbuck Funeral Home

The Rev. Bob Whitfield, pastor of Trent United Meth-

Lindle Martin Died In Arkansas

Chapel.

Lindle Eugene Martin, 66, of Siloam Springs, Ark., and formerly of Merkel, retired plumber, died Friday Morning in Siloam Springs after a lengthy illness. Services were at 2 p.m. Sunday in Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel.

odist Church, officiated. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

and was trained by McDonald.

He has also received national

honors in halter and western

pleasure classes of competi-

tion. However, Wilkerson

stated that this honor was

the icing on the cake for him

and the cutting horse compe-

cition championship was what

The reserve senior

champion cutting horse, Lit-

de Sioux, was trained by

McDonald and formerly

s Jacket's Ransom, a de-

endant of Jacket Bars.

acket's Ransom was also

rained by Don McDonald and

t one time owned by Wilk-

The cutting competition is

to be the home of the na-

tional senior cutting horse

and the training ground of 3

of the 4 top cutting horses

the country. It is an even

greater tribute to the ability

of the trainer, Don McDonald

to have his students bring in

the coveted trophies in na-

he area in which man and

rson.

he has been waiting for.

Born June 10, 1899, in Cooke County, Mr. Byrom moved with his parents to Nolan in 1911.

He married Dixie Duncan Dec. 18, 1820, in Anson, and she died in 1960. He married Willie May McSpadden March 9, 1967, in Lamesa.

two sons, Granvill of Odessa and Neil of Midland; two daughters, Mrs. Melton Cross of Wichita Falls and Mrs. Derwood Langston of McCamey; a brother, George of Trent; a sister, Mrs. Hom-

Survivors include his wife; er McLeod of Roscoe; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

CHIEF OF POLICE-Paul Crouse took office as the head of the Merkel Police Force August 18. He is formerly of Roscoe where his family will reside until they find adequate housing in Merkel. However, Crouse will be staying in Merkel as much as possible in order to become acquainted with the local department and town as well as the people with whom he will be working daily.

Smith Receives Promotion In California

We are pleased to announce the promotion of Mr. M. B. (Sam) Smith, Supervisor Treasury, to the position of Financial Representative, Head Office - Manufacturing Finance. Effective date of transfer is September 1,

Youth Center Needs Help

The Merkel Youth Center garage sale which was held last week end was very successful. However donations of equipment or things to be used in another garage sale are still needed.

Those donating to the center are the following: Mrs. Neda Cade

Zada Bird Mrs. Douglas Reddin Businesses which have contributed to the center are:

Ben Franklin

Miss Bowen Honored At Shower

Melinda Bowen was honored at a bridal shower Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Don King. She is the bride elect of Donald Dve.

The table was decorated in fall colors of red, yellow, orange, gold and brown. Cake and punch was served to guests and 21 hostesses.

Miss Bowen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Bowen and Dye is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Dye all of Merkel. An August 23 wedding is planned,

Merkelites Who Have Been Out Of Town

Ruth Pangle has returned from a recent visit with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Pangle and family in Tulsa, Oklahoma where Mr. Pangle is employed with a petroleum company in data processing.

Mrs. Morris Smith is back home after a visit with her son, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. (Sam) Smith and Mandy in Fountain Valley, California, near Los Angeles.

Sam Smith came to Wil-

mington in October 1973 from

Shell Chemical Company,

Head Office, Petrochemicals

gan his Shell career in 15 5

as an Accountant at Houston

Refinery following graduation

that year from McMurry Col-

lege, Abilene, Texas, with a

B.B.A. Degree in Accounting.

Prior to his Head Office as-

signment. Sam was with Shell

Pipe Line Company, Houston,

from October 1969 to Septem-

Smith is the son of Mrs.

is married to the former

Carole McAninch and they

have one daughter, Mandy who

Smith of Merkel, He

Division - Finance, He

A few days ago there was this interesting happening, and I wanted to share these

Letter To

enlightments with others. There was this pickup stopped on the road-just around the corner about one half mile south of the V.F.W. Building. The occupants seemed to be just sitting there. A little later as I came back by the pickup left in a hurry. There was one difference: however, as now there was a large pile of junk -- trimmings, and garbage that would have about filled the pickup bed.

Two or three days later I passed that way again, and the pile of junk was still there. Giving heed to an impulse I stopped my vehicle and dug through the pile. The

"Chili Cookin' Is For Men!" No Cowgirls Allowed

"No! Uh - uh . . .not a chance . . . nope . .ain't no way!" came the negative replies from San Marcos Chamber of Commerce Manager Leo Poore when confronted this week by a hopeful would - be female chili cook, who had aspirations of participating in the Republic of Texas Chilympiad -- the State Chili Cook-Off -- set for September 18 through 21.

'Chili cookin' is for men! I just can't understand these women!" exclaimed Poore, 'We'll never let 'em enter the cook-off!"

Now, a hopeful woman stirer, Alligani Janie from down Houston way, tried to enter last year's cook-off, and she darn-near made it. She got the idea of dressing herself up like a man. But she was found out around the cookin' fire, and was ordered to leave. Well, she put up quite a fuss, and there wasn't nothin' left for County Sheriff Bobby Kinser to do but make a chili-arrest!

"Women just can't fix chili!" Poore exploded.

"Now, Leo, I disagree." chimed in Garland Warrjn, Chilylmpiad General Chairperson, "Women can surely fix chili, why, I reckon any



little old gal can open a can of chili and heat it right up. It's the makin', the cookin', the creatin' chili that they can't do. That's a man's job.

At this hearty guffawas, knee slaps and burley chuckles could be heardfrom the group of males who'd congregated in the Chamber of Commerce. But it was Chilympiad Promotion Chairman Bill Veidt who said, on a more serious note, "The chili pots of this country have become about the last refuge for the male chauvanist pig. Skirts have infiltrated our bars, pool halls and locker rooms. Now, there's just no way a feminine wrist is gonna

stir chili at the cook-off. "Man, we're makin' bowls of red out there! Now, who ever heard of a bowl of PINK?" Veidt asked.

"You got it right there, boy," said Warren, "Our official chili this year is Cowboy Kitchen Chili. There wasn't a thing mentioned about Cowgirl chili."

Several chili-dads were heard to oink simultaneously, "Yeah! Chili meat is made from cows, what more do they want?"

Any female who plans to cook chili in the State Chili cook - off at San Marcos' Chilympiad beware: You could get thrown in the pokey with a lot of belligerent cowboys...that may be the closest you'll get to rubbin' elbows male chili

The Editor

results were very interest-

It had something to do with a fairly new resident as there was a half used check book from a bank in a town almost two hundred miles from here. A city map of one of those towns was marked by circle around a certain location, and other notations written on the map.

These people like Dr. Pepper better than they do Coke, but there was also Coors. The floor sweeper bags indicated the kind of sweeper they used. The cigar ette butts seemed to indicate that this is Marlborro country. They must keep a fairly tidy home from the looks of the tree and bush trimmings. One big slab of busted concrete-probably removed from the yard should make things look better there. There was this discarded purse that has a name in it. There was also a note telling one member of a family to pick up another member of the family.

The thing that really caught my eye was a plastic bag down underneath all the trash and garbage. It was a pretty bag and had words printed on it that read something like this -- "Have Pride in America". So I know that these people really have pride in America. They want to keep

it clean and beautiful. The moral of this story is -you are going to dump your garbage and trash on some country road -- or over on somebody else---It would be a good idea to go through piece by piece and remove all identifying pieces. On the other hand--that would be more trouble than taking it to the dump ground in the first place --- and could save as much as \$200.

Yours truly, An Interested Citizen



By the year 2000 the plastics industry is expected to employ 1.6 million peopleabout 1.3 percent of the

labor force-and that's a lot of jobs for a lot of people. But many people believe that, in order to realize this figure, government action is necessary to allocate sufficient petrochemical feedstocks to the plastics industry and to derive power from other percentage of the process of the power from other percentage of the power from other percentage of the power from other percentage of the percentage o

Some Of The News Some Of The Time

By SARAH ECKOLS

Edward R. Murrow used to initiate his newscasts with the phrase ... "This is the News". A listener one day wrote to Mr. Murrow, what he called "friendly communication from a learned gentleman." The communication read, Why don't you graciously surprise us one day by saying. . . This is some of the news. Thereby you would be suggesting that you do not

know everything and are not

reporting all the cosmic fac-

tion of the universe". This reporter definitely does not know or even begin to know everything. Neither do I claim to. As Will Rodgers so aptly put it, "I only know what I read in the newspaper." I might add "I only know what I read in the newspapers, see on TV, hear on the radio or learn through conversation with others". Our scope of communication is so much wider than in Will Rodgers day and the amount of knowledge that is available to us is astounding compared to what it was in 1935 at the time of his

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touch the surface when it comes to knowing all that is happening.

News is my business. More to the point, Merkel news is my business. I appreciate knowing what is going on in Merkel when it is going on. Through you, the Merkel public, I have the source of knowing the news, However, if you do not forward the news to me or make it available to me, then it is useless to me. I can not print what I do not know. It is impossible for me to be in all-the places in Merkel gathering the news. I must spend a good deal of my time at this desk carressing the keys of this typewriter to produce the news into readable form for the

I urge you to bring me your news, call it in to me, or mail it in. It is a very disappointing thing for this editor to open the pages of The Abilene Reporter-News and find Merkel news that I know nothing about until I read it in the newspaper. I am not discouraging Merkel news in The Abilene Reporter-News death. However I don't even

by any means, I think publicity is very good for Merkel and I like to see us grow through the media. But I also would like to be able to have home town news in the Merkel Mail.

Death hath so many doors to let out life-Beaumont and

Let other pens dwell on

guilt and misery-Austen



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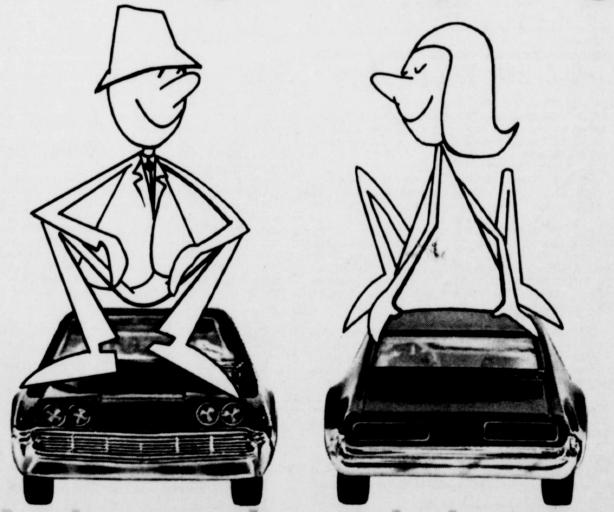
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years. He and his family re-

Visitors

In Merkel

side at 402 Edwards in .

Friends and relatives vis-

iting Mr. and Mrs. B. H.

Stallo of 604 Locust, Merkel,

this summer have included:

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Har-

ris and sons, Mike and Tim

of San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs.

Benny Stallo and son, Dwayne

of Houston, Texas; Mr. and

Mrs. Corky Land and

daughter, Amy of Midland;

Jack Stallo of Abilene; Mr.

and Mrs. William Stallo and

sons, Jonathan and Timothy

of San Diego, California; Mr.

and Mrs. K. A. Towne of

Vista, California; Mr. and

Mrs. W. J. Stallo and chil-

dren, Jana and Joel of Lor-

raine, Kansas; Kristi Wal-lert of Ellsworth, Kansas;

and Lillian Matthews of

Mrs. Lottie B. Everett had

as her guests in her cabin

at Fort Davis August 5

through 11, Mrs. Mary Rus-

som and Mrs. Lottie Swinger

both of Merkel; Mrs. Elva

Phillips of Hart; and Mr.

and Mrs. Milton Tate, Mr.

and Mrs. Ray Booth and Mrs.

Alice Lewis all of Sweet-

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brown-

ing had as their dinner guests

Sunday, their pastor and his

wife, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wat-

son of Abilene. Also a friend

and old neighbor Mrs. Ira

Stanley and her daughter,

Mrs. Cleo Liles from Fort'

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kel were R. D. Bryan and

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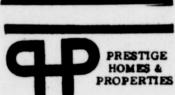
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Reporter-News. concerning the CJC Extension Program in Merkel may be obtained by contacting Dean Carroll Scott at Cisco Junior 442-2567, or the Merkel



Lewis Pack To Attend **Conference In Arlington**

Lewis Pack, Manager of the CIT Financial Services office in Abilene, has been invited to attend a regional meeting of managers and supervisors. in Arlington on September 5-7. The meeting will be held at the Inn of Six Flags

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THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: James Bates, Jr. respondent,(s) Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COM-

MANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County, Texas at the Courthouse in said County, in Abilene, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of twenty days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of the Billy Howard Gilmore and wife Nancy B. Gilmore, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 11th. day

of August, 1975, against James Bates, Jr. Respondent (s), and said suit being numbered 10,941-DR on the docket of said Court, and entitled 'In the Interest of Montoya La Tarsha Robinson a Child" the nature of which suit is a request to TERMI-NATE PARENT-CHILD RE-LATIONSHIP.

Said Montoya LaTarsha Robinson was born the 1st. day of November, 1970, in Atwater, Merced County, California.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judg-ment or decree in the Child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parentchild relationship and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this the 12th. day of August, 1975.

Attest: Irene Crawford District Clerk

Domestic Relations Court in Taylor County, Texas.

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(13-18) 1. Jeff Toombs,

Cindy Byrd, 18; 4. Sheri

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(19 to 100) 1. Karlen Mash-

field, 14.

The Merkel Riding Club held its monthly business meeting Thursday August 14 at the R. E. A. Building. High Point trophies for the months of June and July were presented. They are: JUNE

(12 and under) 1. Jan Melton, 48; 2. Leslie Masonheimer, 47; 3. Vicki Campbell, 37; 4. Lisa Dokey, 31; 5. Ann Melton, 28.

(13-18) 1. Jeff Toombs, 43; 2. Charles Hatfield, 36; 3. Jay Boyd, 22; 4. Cindi Byrd, 21; 5. Shelli Stout, 20.

(19 to 100) 1. Karlen Mashburn, 41; 2. Jim Allday, 37; 3. Barbara Whisenhunt, 36; 4. Lynn Dokey, 14; 5. James Dean, 13.

Roping-1. Benny Melton, 29; 2. Don Dudley, 17; 3. Don Odum, 15; 4. David Cochran, 15; 5. Felix Boyd, 9.

Boot Race (5 and under) Graham Odum, 2. Kyle Coker, 3. Justin Foster, 9; 4. Lucy Masonheimer, 8; 5. Tiff Allday, 8.

Boot Race (6-8) 1. Kevin Coker, 15; 2. James Allday, 14; 3. Mike Dokey, 9; 4. Dennise Pursley.

(12 and under) 1. Leslie Masonheimer, 39; 2. Ann Melton, 25; 3. Dee Dee Masonheimer, 25; 4. Jan Melton, 24; 5. Norma Frazier,

> Nursing home residents in parts of East Texas are the beneficiaries of a new program that has been developed by the Division of Dental Health of Texas Public Health Region 7. The goal of the program is to help nursing home residents improve and maintain their oral health. According to Dr. Lloyd Cole. Director of Dental Health for the Tyler-based Public Health Region, the program consists of two twohour training sessions for nurses and nurses' aides. The training begins with a basic introduction to oral hygiene, including instruction in caring for one's own teeth. Films and other audiovisual aids are used to dramatize the importance of good preventive den-

tal health practices. Next, the nursing home attendants are carefully taught the most effective procedures for cleaning patients' teeth and gums. Dr. Cole says that many nursing home residents are able to care for their own dental health, once they have been given some instruction and assistance. Other patients, however, need a good deal of personal attention and help: they may be bedfast, chronically ill, or, in some cases, not fully conscious.

Furthermore, the great majority of nursing home patients suffer from the effects of many years of what Dr. Cole calls "dental neglect." Those patients who still have their natural teeth often have numerous cavities

\$19.9 Million Goes Back To Cities For Sales Tax their share a lot faster than

when they had to bring up

example of an immediate

beneficiary of the new plan,

shut down by Bullock last

week owed \$37,102 in state

taxes and \$9,936 in Austin's

city sales taxes. The business

was allowed to reopen after

paying \$12,000 cash toward

the delinquency and agreeing

to pay \$2,000 a month on the

balance plus keeping future

share of that initial \$12,000

payment will be included in

Austin's rebate next month

and its \$400 share of the

\$2,000 monthly payment will

be paid every month until

the full city liability is paid

The City of Austin's \$2,400

Bullock said.

taxes current.

The City of Austin is one

An Austin tire company

Comptroller Bob Bullock issued city sales tax rebates Friday worth \$19.9 million and announced a new plan to give cities their proportionate share of any partial collections from delinquents.

In the past, money from delinquents was applied first to the state's claim and only after that was totally paid off did the city get its money.

"It was wrong for the cities to be playing second fiddle," Bullock said, "In more than 800 cities the five per cent sales tax is a four-and-one split, so that's exactly how we are going to rebate it."

Bullock said he doesn't look for the new plan to bring significantly more money to cities but "it will get them

American Cancer Society Sets Goal

Dr. Dale Brannom, president of the Taylor County Unit of the American Cancer Society, and Sam Chase, Crusade Chairman of the local unit, have announced that one of the final fund raising projects of the ACS year will be a bake sale. The sale will be held Saturday, August 16, from 10 a.m. 'til 5 p.m., at Gibson's on Barrow Street.

Pat Evans, head of the ACS Special Events Committee, and Ernestine Shirey of the local Senior Citizens Program, will be coordinators for the sale.

The local unit's goal for the year is \$36,000-to date it has raised slightly over \$25,000 for its best year ever.

In announcing the bake sale, Sam Chase, the local Crusade Chairman, reiterated that the vital programs of research, education, and service ac-count for 87 cents of each dollar spent annually by the American Cancer Society

here in Texas. Chase noted that cancer research receives 25 cents of every dollar raised, Public education programs receive 22 cents of every dollar, and another 11 cents is devoted to professional education, 29 cents is used for patient and community service, while the remaining 13 cents supports fund raising, management, and program development for the Society.

Additional details on the bake sale are available from Ernestine Shirey, at 677-1437, or the American Cancer Office, 673-4295.

Each year the American Cancer Society spends millions of dollars on research, education, and service and rehabilitation. During the 1973-74 year \$26,351,648 was spent on research across the United States. During the same period, \$15,035,159 was spent on public education with the emphasis on early detection of breast, uterine and colon/rectum cancer, saving countless lives. In addition to this, \$20,071,043 was spent on service and rehabilitation to cancer patients. This took

It's frightening to realize that more children between the ages of 3 and 15 die of cancer than any other cause.

such items.

Short Snorts

Actual start of the Senate impeachment trial of 229th District Judge O. P. Carrillo may be delayed until September 22.

Texas liberal Democrats have filed a challenge of the Texas presidential preference primary law and proposed 1976 party delegate selection procedures.

Top brass of the Republican Party will be in Dallas September 11-13 for the 18th biennial convention of the National Federation of Republican Women.

Texas farmers produced a record wheat crop and the second largest sorghum crop ever, Agriculture Commissioner John C. White reported.

An end to the slide of the Texas economy is in sight, according to a Texas Business Review report. Indus- I trial production is up for the second straight month.

This month's \$19.9 million Texans are paying higher in rebates to the cities is significantly higher than the long distance rates—but not nearly as high as requested \$11.4 million rebated last month. August is the second originally by Southwestern month of the three month re-Bell Telephone Company. bate cycle which includes two Atty. Gen. Hill blocked the months of relatively small initial proposal and forced a rebates followed by a large court compromise last "clean up" in the third month.

Native Texan Assigned To California Governor's Protective Unit

Sergeant Lonnie C. Richards, commander of the Los Banos area office of the California State Police for the past three years, has been promoted to lieutenant and

assigned to Sacramento. Richards started his career with the state police about 10 years ago after four years of service with the Merced, California, Police Reserve, serving as captain, and the regular Merced Police Department.

Prior to his police career, Richards worked 13 years for PG& E.

A native of Texas, the 43year-old lieutenant is a graduate of Merced High School

The primary duties of the state police is to protect state property. In Sacramento, the state police also has the responsibility of protecting the Governor and the legislature. Lieutenant Richards is the

The promotion and trans-

fer means that the Richards

family will soon be moving

from their home in Merced

and Merced College.

to Sacramento.

son of the late Charles F. Richards and nephew of Dr. R. C. Richards of Yorktown, both formerly of the Merkel area. He is the grandson of the late Henry F. Richards, an early settler of the Kale community.



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