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Between you



and me

By SARAH ECKOLS

Our sincerest sympathy is extended to the family, friends and associates of Gene Stuckey. Your loss is a loss felt by many.

As was expected, this reporter went like a faithful fan to sit in a cold press box (at least it was dry) and cover the Merkel vs. Winters football game. I took along all necessary equipment that a reporter should have, paper, pen, football program and a former sports writer. Unfortunately the latter reminded me that he was indeed a former sports writer and would take no responsibility for the story produced on these pages concerning the contest. I did notice, however that this particular sportsman could not help peering over my shoulder to make sure I had jersey numbers and yard lines correct. He even threw a few questions my way to make sure I knew the difference between the gridiron and the diamond, which of course I do having had the most avid sports fan I've ever known for a father. All was not as simple as one would expect. For next to me at the announcers post was friend and former boss, publisher of the Winters Enterprise, staunch Blizzards fan, Richard C. Thomas. At Thomas' right sat the Winters statistician, Mrs. Ellen Meyers. Through out the press box were familiar faces who were all there to cheer their team to victory and cheer they did. Now at my left sat former Merkel Mail publisher, former sports writer, former boss and definite Badger fan, Cecil Plyler. As you can plainly see, I was in a spot. I dared not yell too loudly for Merkel with so many Winters fans close by and I did indeed not dare to show any signs of favoritism for my old alumnus with a Badger fan so close to the coffee pot on such a cold night.

I tried to remain the calm business woman doing a job to cover an athletic event. I secretly felt very smug rooting for the opposition with cause sitting in Blizzards land. I must admit without shame, there came a time when I lost control and I couldn't help jumping up and giving a yelp of excitement when David King received that beautiful pass from Paul Tucker and put Merkel on the scoreboard. It was a good game conducted with the utmost sportsmanship on both sides and I look forward to seeing Merkel make puppies out of the Bulldogs this week.

Sometimes when I am lonely,
And I want to cry;
I think of your eyes,
And I smile inside.

Sometimes when I am down,
And the whole world is dark;
I think of your smile,
And it brings me light.

Sometimes when I am cold,
And I feel alone;
I put my hand in yours,
And I am warmed.

Sometimes when the quiet closes in on me
And I need someone to hold;
I reach over and touch you,
And listen to your heart beat.

Sometimes when I am happy,
And my heart sings a song;
I share my joy with you,
And give you my love.

I offer an apology to the nice lady that called me Tuesday afternoon offering to save my life with a cup of coffee. By now she knows that I never kept the appointment. However, by now the group at City Hall thinks one editor very rude for just dropping by and inviting herself to coffee. Tuesdays being what they are and all, this confused editor accepted the invitation thinking it was from one person when in reality it was from another. Thank you for the thoughtful invitation. Please do call again and I will try to be in less of a dither and make sure who you are and to where I am to go to receive the much needed cup of coffee.

Men's Partnership Tourney Slated At Country Club

The Country Club of Merkel will host their first annual Men's Partnership

Youth Center Invites Inspection

The Merkel Youth Center has received donations from the following:
Zada Bird
James Ash
Francis Wilson
L. S. Tipton
Iris Amerine
Dolly Redin
Goldie Malone
You are invited to come to the Youth Center and inspect it. See what the kids are doing and what kind of facilities are provided.

Services Held

Mrs. Maggie Wilson, 93, a longtime Merkel resident, died at 11:20 p.m. Friday at home after a short illness. Services were held at 3:30 p.m. Sunday at Merkel United Methodist Church.

Services Held For Tye Principal, Gene Stuckey

Gene Stuckey, 34, principal of Tye Elementary School, suffered an apparent heart attack during a football game he was refereeing and was dead on arrival at Stamford Memorial Hospital about 9:45 Friday night, September 12. Funeral services were held Sunday at 2:30 p.m. in the First Baptist Church in Merkel with the Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor, officiating, assisted by Rev. V. D. Walters, pastor of Elmwood Baptist Church in Abilene. Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. Monday in Elmwood Memorial Park in Abilene under the direction of



GENE STUCKEY
... dead at 34

Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home. Born May 24, 1941, at Wetumka, Oklahoma, he was a graduate of Odessa High School and attended Odessa College for two years before transferring to Hardin-Simmons University where he received his bachelor and master's degrees.

Mr. Stuckey taught at Tye and Mann Junior High in Abilene and coached the swimming teams at both Cooper and Abilene high schools. For the past four years, he had been principal at Tye Elementary School which is a part of the Merkel school district.

Active in church work, Mr. Stuckey has held several positions including music director at Baird, Hawley and Wylie Baptist churches as well as Elmwood and College View Baptist Churches in Abilene. He was youth director at South Side Baptist Church before moving to a similar position with Merkel's First Baptist Church.

Mr. Stuckey was current president of the Taylor County chapter of the Texas State Teachers Assn. He was a member of the Merkel Lions Club and the Merkel Chamber of Commerce.

Survivors include his wife, Kathryn; two daughters, Regina and Amy; a son, David; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elize Herbert Stuckey of Odessa; a brother, Wayne of Grapevine; and maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Lamb of Wewoka, Oklahoma.

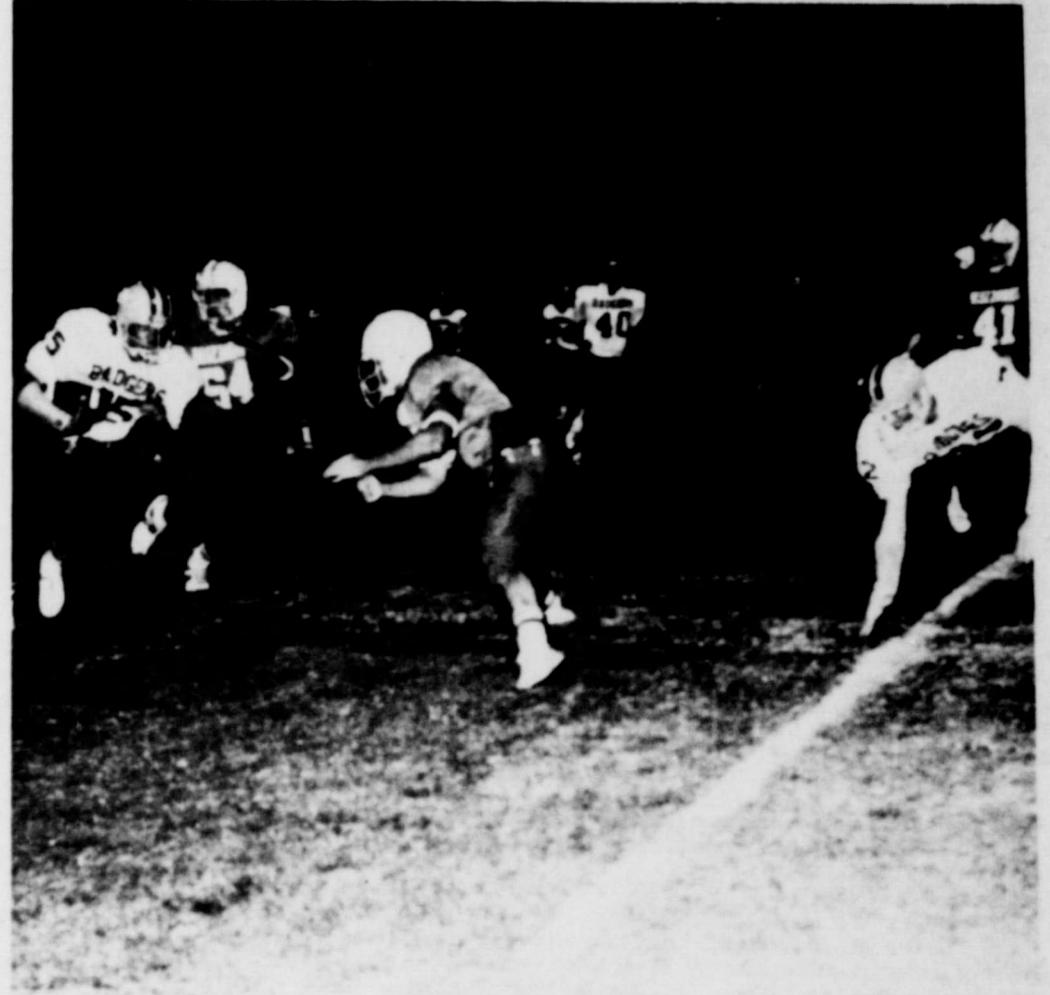
Lions Roar On Tuesdays In Merkel

The regular luncheon meeting of the Merkel Lions Club was held Tuesday, September 16 at the Lions Club Building.

Among guests present were Dave Braumbeau of Abilene, a former member of the Merkel Lions Club and former publisher of the Merkel Mail; Dr. Edward Rongers who is beginning a chiropractic practice in Merkel; Dale Mathis, owner of Merkel TV Cable, Inc.; and Coach Ronny Aldridge, coach of the Merkel Badgers.

The business meeting was conducted by Lion President, Travis Davis and a financial report and report of the board of directors meeting was brought by Lion Bill Button. Button stood corrected on proper Lion voting procedure when Lion Fred Starbuck reminded him that any self respecting Lion roars instead of raising his hand in signifying approval of a motion before the floor.

The program was presented by Coach Aldridge who gave some insight into the strong points and weaknesses of the 1975-76 Badger club. He reminded the audience that the Badgers are a young club this year and lack experience, but hold much for the future. Coach Aldridge reviewed the highlights of the Winters game and reminded Lions that the Booster Club meets each Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the fieldhouse.



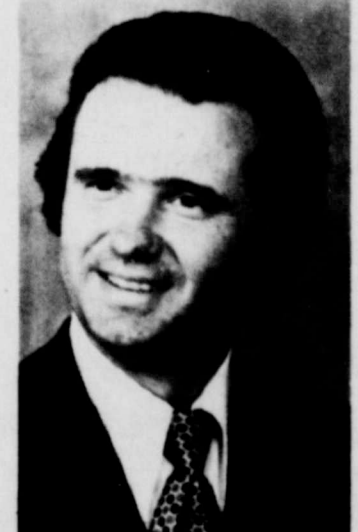
OVER FOR A FIRST - No. 25, Ricky Howes of Merkel picks up a first down in a 4th down situation early in the first quarter of the Winters - Merkel football game last Friday night. Though slow in the first period, the Badgers picked up momentum and outplayed the Blizzards in the second half of the ball game.

Blizzards Chill Merkel 13-7 Badgers Meet Ranger Here Friday Night

The dominance of the Badgers in the last half of the Merkel, Winters game did not make up for their sluggish showing in the first two periods of play, and the Blizzards took the contest 13-7.

Dr. Rongers Opens Practice In Merkel

Dr. Edward W. Rongers, D. C., 34, opened his practice in chiropractic in Merkel September 16. His office is located at 132 Kent. His phone



DR. EDWARD RONGERS
... opens practice

Christy Boone, Patricia Boyd Win Fair Scholarships

A Merkel girl and a Trent girl were named winners of scholarships given by the West Texas Fair Assn. Wednesday.

Trent Girls Win Blue Ribbons

Nelda Masonheimer of Trent took home three blue ribbons from the West Texas State Fair. Winning first place ribbons were her cinnamon rolls and an almond paste coffee cake. The coffee cake was also named "best of the show," winning a bread tray.

In the cake division Nelda brought home a first and "best of the show" with her devil's food cake and a second with her German chocolate

number is 928-5300.

Practicing in Merkel three days a week, Dr. Rongers will hold office hours from 9:30 a.m. until noon and from 1:00 until 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday and from 9:30 until noon on Saturday.

Dr. Rongers Opens Practice In Merkel

Dr. Rongers is a graduate of Galena Park High School in Houston and received his BS degree from East Texas State University in Commerce. He received his doctor of chiropractic degree from Palmer Chiropractic College in Davenport, Iowa.

Dr. Rongers, a veteran of Viet Nam, served two years in the Army Medical Corps. Dr. Rongers decided to come to Merkel with his practice at the suggestion of Dr. James Chaney who formerly practiced chiropractic in Merkel.

Dr. Rongers and his wife, Sandi, have twin daughters, Kris and Kate who are seven.

the half, Flint McNeill went in from the 3 yard line and put 6 up for the Blizzards. Tony Johnson made the point after good and the half ended 7-0 for the Blizzards.

As seems to be Badger habit, the fighting purple came out of the halftime locker room raring to go. Early in the third period, Keith Austerman ran 22 yards in one play and 10 in another to put the Badgers in good shape. An untimely fumble however was recovered by the Blizzards and Johnson received an 11 yard pass from quarterback Moore to put the Blizzards at a 13 point advantage over the Badgers.

The PAT was no good and the Blizzards rested their scoring for the night. The final quarter of the game was definitely the Badgers own. However, a strong Blizzards defense held the Badgers out of the end zone though they had moved down to the Blizzards 4 yard line.

Merkel regained possession of the ball at the Winters 35 with only a minute left in the game. A spectacular 35 yard pass from Tucker to King in the end zone put the Badgers on the board and the PAT by Smith made the score 13-7 and thus retired the scoreboard for the night.

The evening proved to be more of the same drizzle-type weather of the day. It was in more ways than one that Winters chilled the fans and Badgers.

Both scholarships are for \$250 annually.

Miss Boone, a senior at Merkel High School, entered a cape, a pant suit and a hand-knitted shell in the fair's youth department of the modern living mall this year. She is a member of the Merkel 4-H Club.

Miss Boyd is involved this year in the Quarter Horse show, the open youth horse show, the Appaloosa horse show and the sweetheart contest at the fair this past week. She is a senior at Trent High School and a member of the Taylor County 4-H Club.

Miss Boone was a sweetheart contestant and was named one of the six semi-finalists in the contest. She also had several entries in the fair in the knitting and crafts divisions.



ATTEND NATIONAL CONFERENCE - (Left to right) Mrs. S. B. Toombs, Mrs. G. L. Zimmerman, Mrs. Jack Hogan, Mrs. W. R. Cypert and Mrs. Ford Smith, Jr. attended the National Farmers Union Women's Food Policy Conference recently in Bailey, Colorado.

Merkel Women Attend Farm Bureau Food Conference

Mrs. Stanley Toombs, Mrs. G. L. Zimmerman, Mrs. Jack Hogan, Mrs. W. R. Cypert (Pinkie) and Mrs. Ford Smith, Jr. were among 56 women from eight states who participated in the National Farmers Union Women's Food Policy Conference September 7 to 12.

The conference was held in the Farmers Union Education Center at Bailey, Colorado, located in the Rocky Mountains about 50 miles from Denver. States represented were South Dakota, Texas, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Minnesota, Utah, and Wisconsin.

Mrs. Toombs said, "It was enlightening. We found the troubles of the farmer North and South are the same."

The women discussed various aspects of food policy, including the economics and politics of food, energy, and land policy. The conference coordinator was Sherry Leach, the national director of youth and young adult activities for the Farmers Union.

Tony Dechant, the national president of the Farmers Union, told the group, "Farmers need a national food policy. Consumers need a national food policy. Farmers Union is working for it. But we cannot get it if we do not have the help of women."

Wilsons Attend Dallas Show

The Woodrow Wilsons accompanied by Suzie Kent of Seminole and the Bob Wilsons of Dallas attended the showing and did Christmas gift buying over the Labor Day weekend in Dallas. Wilson noted that prices will range about the same as last year.

ke, Wisconsin, of Region 10 of the United Automobile Workers. Bill Walker of St. Paul, Minnesota, executive director of the Alliance for Food, Employment, and Resource Policy, asked the women for assistance in that organization's efforts to obtain a national food policy. The Alliance was formed early this year to unite the efforts of farm people and members of organized labor.

The conference participants discussed estate planning for National Farmers Union Insurances. They questioned Curt Sorteberg, assistant director of planning and development of the Farmers Union, on energy policy affecting family agriculture. Dave Weiman of Washington, D. C., legislative representative of the Farmers Union, reported on recent aspects of the corporate takeover of agriculture. Other staff assistance was provided by Clara Price, secretary of the Rocky Mountain Farmers Union, and Victor Ray, assistant to the national president of the Farmers Union.

State delegations made specific plans for greater involvement of women in their Farmers Unions back home.

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas-GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

CITATION
BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Janis Cathryn Starks, Defendant, Greeting:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED 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 issuance of this citation, same being the 27th day of October A.D. 1975. TO PLAINTIFF'S PETITION filed in said court, on the 7 day of August A. D. 1975, in this cause, numbered 10,920-DR on the docket of said court and styled Darrell James Starks, Plaintiff, vs. Janis Cathryn Starks, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Divorce; Married: November 7, 1968
Separated: July 5, 1975
Child: Darrell James

Starks, Jr.
Certain community property accumulated 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 11th day of September A. D. 1975.
(SEAL) Attest: Irene Crawford Clerk, Domestic Relations Court Taylor County, Texas,
By Faye Lyons, Deputy.
30-4tc

Riding Club News

The Merkel Riding Club will hold its monthly pot luck supper and business meeting at the Taylor Electric building Thursday, September 18th, at 7:30 p.m.
Weather permitting there will be a jack pot roping and barrel race Friday, September 19th, at 8:00 p.m. at the Merkel arena.
Saturday night September 20th, the roping stock will be auctioned off before the regular play night begins.

Dyess AFB To Host Bicentennial Open House September 26

The USAF Thunderbird Demonstration Team will be the main attraction, but far from the only item of interest at the Dyess AFB Bicentennial Open House set for September 26.
Gates open at 10:30 a.m. for the public. Along with the show by the Thunderbirds, the 463rd Tactical Airlift Wing will demonstrate the varied methods the Military Airlift Command employs to deliver supplies. Each method will be performed by the Wing in a flying demonstration that will begin at noon. The Thunderbirds, flying the T-38 "Talon" trainer, will follow the 463rd, and complete the air show. The Thunderbird takeoff time will be 1:15 p.m.
The Thunderbirds have been performing for 23 years, demonstrating the professionalism, versatility and flexibility of Air Force equipment and personnel.
Other attractions at the

Open House will include performances by the Eighth Air Force Band, Barksdale AFB, La., and a show by the 96th Security Police Squadron's Military Working Dog Section. A number of aircraft from various services will be

on static display. This will be a good opportunity for the public to get and talk with Air Force professionals about their jobs and equipment. The Thunderbird team will also greet the public after their show.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MOM

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TASTING-Pat Castille (left) serves Betty Allday a "taste" of what is in store for those attending the Lambda Beta tasting tea Saturday morning beginning at 11:30.

Lambda Beta To Host Tasting Tea

Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will host their annual tasting tea with "Bicentennial Flour" Saturday, September 20 in the Merkel Senior Citizens Building.

The public is invited to attend and serving will begin at 11:30 a.m. and continue until 1 p.m. Tickets will be \$1.75 for adults and \$.75 for

children 10 and under. Individual recipe cards will also be sold. You are invited to come out and enjoy a different and exciting lunch with Lambda Beta.

BADGER TRACKS

By SUSIE TOOMBS

The Vocational, Industrial Clubs of America officers for 1975-76 are: President, Lonnie Carter; Vice President, Audy Byrd; Secretary, Mary Palmer; Treasurer, Cindy Elliott; Parliamentarian, Royce Bratcher; Social Chairman, Bobby Saldona; Sergeant of Arms, Shawn Moore; Reporter and Historian, Debbie Beard.

The main purpose of the VICA Club is to familiarize members with clubs and to participate in competition with other clubs in America. Members participate in M.O.C. (Multi Occupational Cooperative training) and each person holds a job. During class each one studies their own occupational area. Only M.O.C. participants join VICA.

Members and their jobs are:
Keith Austerman-Dyess A.F.B., Alert Kitchen
Debbie Beard-Ninth Street Grocery
Royce Bratcher-Carson's Grocery
Audy Byrd-Taylor Electric Cooperative
John Cain-Palmer Pontiac
Lonnie Carter-Max Murrell Chevrolet
Ben Castille-Castille Hardware

Karolyn Davis-Merkel Mail
Cindy Elliott-Farmers and Merchants National Bank
Jackie Harris-Justice of Peace
Johnny Holmes-Wilson's Food Store
John Jefferey-Carson's Supermarket
Ray King-Merkel Elementary Library
David Kraatz-Wes Tex Drilling
Shawn Moore-Wes Tex Drilling
Mary Palmer-Taylor-Callahan Education Coop

David Pfister-Taylor Telephone
Bobby Saldona-Skaggs-Albertson
David Sparks-Kraatz Repair
James Williams-Abilene Public School

The FHA is planning an activity for Christmas. They will be selling items during the year to meet financial needs for activities. There will be a meeting to discuss going to the Dallas State Fair and other unplanned activities.

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2nd Tuesday Noon Covered Dish Luncheon
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30-ttc

Garage Sale

SATURDAY 20th. GARAGE SALE 9 a.m. until 7:41 Yucca St. No early sales. Clothes, stoves, lawnmower, child's table and chairs.
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30-2tc

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HOMEWORKERS NEEDED in this area to lace leather goods at home. No experience necessary. Send \$1.00 (refundable) and long stamped envelope to Appalachian Leather Goods, 100 Main St., Williamsville, Va. 24487.
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Farm Bureau Urges President Ford To Halt Moratorium

The president of the Texas Farm Bureau has urged President Ford to call off his moratorium on grain sales to Russia.

Carrol Chaloupka of Dalhart said the ban on grain sales is a serious blow to agriculture. Extension of the moratorium until mid-October was announced by the President following a meeting with George Meany, head of the AFL-CIO.

"Farmers resent being used as pawns in a political chess game," the grain and livestock farmer said. "When agricultural markets are involved, we feel you should consult farmers, not the AFL-CIO. Labor union leaders do not feed this nation's farmers and ranchers do." Chaloupka said farmers had responded with bumper crops to the government's request for all-out agricultural production to help fight inflation and earn dollars abroad. He reminded the President that farmers had been promised access to world markets.

"Now with government stepping in to interfere with

normal sales, we feel that we have been short-changed," Chaloupka said. "This action could have results not anticipated in your negotiations with labor union leaders. Instead of resulting in more domestic supplies of grain and lower consumer prices, the opposite may be true."

In his letter, Chaloupka said Texas wheat farmers are getting ready to plant their 1976 wheat crop. "If they feel they cannot count on normal export sales, they may cut back on their acreage, or not plant wheat at all," Chaloupka said. He added that even the most patriotic farmer must make a profit to stay in business. "We know you understand the problems of agriculture as well as the contributions of farmers and ranchers - as you have so eloquently stated so many times," Chaloupka said.

We urge you to call off your moratorium, then go to the American people and explain the economics of agriculture. They need to know who puts food on their table."

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The following have made donations to the Merkel Cemetery Association:

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: E. O. McCormick, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District 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 issuance of this citation, same being the 6th day of October A.D. 1975, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 6th day of March A.D. 1975, in this cause, numbered 34,775-A on the docket of said court and styled The First State Bank, Abilene, Texas, Plaintiff, vs. E. O. McCormick, Defendant.

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

On May 31, 1972, Defendant executed and delivered to Plaintiff, his promissory note payable to Plaintiff or order, for said sum of \$17,000.00. Defendant was and is indebted to Plaintiff in the sum of \$17,000.00, 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 21st day of August A. D. 1975.

Attest: Irene Crawford Clerk, 42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas.
By Diana Howard, Deputy.
27-4tc

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas - GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Taylor County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is true copy.

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A Weekly Report Of Agri-Business News

Compiled From Sources Of The Texas Department of Agriculture
John C. White Commissioner

Who Took The Worst Decline? ... Slide, Parity, Slide ... Farm Prices Not All That Good ... One More Time.

Now that most of the experts are agreed that the recession may have finally bottomed out and perhaps things are going to get better, here's a question for you: which group took the worst decline in income? Corporate profits? Agriculture?

FARMERS' INCOMES suffered the most. From 1973 to 1975, farmers' incomes dropped almost 40 percent. Corporate profits were down only around 10 percent.

And in spite of recent upturns in farm prices, the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service notes that parity as of the middle of August slid to 74, down a point from a month ago and down five points from a year ago.

And despite all the things you might have read or heard about how high the farmer's wheat price had advanced, the farm price for wheat as of mid-August was still almost \$1 below parity. Average Texas wheat price is \$3.77 per bushel; parity is \$4.63. A year ago, the average Texas wheat price was considerably higher than it is now; in 1974 it was \$4.05 per bushel as of Aug. 15.

TAKE A LOOK at other farm prices and it's the same old story: most all of them continue below parity, some by wide margins.

On the bright side, corn is above parity-by one cent per bushel.

Oats are 11 cents per bushel above parity. Other grains, however, are below parity. Sorghum, the major cash crop for Texas, is 49 cents per 100 pounds below parity.

One category of livestock-hogs-is above parity. Hog price average in Texas is \$54.70; parity is \$48.40. But other categories of livestock are way below parity. Beef cattle price average is \$29.90; parity is \$56. Calf price parity is \$68.40, average market price is \$24.50.

Look at the cotton price, too. Although cotton prices have firmed up slightly in recent weeks, the average cotton price in Texas is 38.5 cents per pound. Parity is 78.69 cents per pound.

Egg prices are about 16 cents per dozen below parity, turkeys are 15 cents under parity.

MEANWHILE, CROP HARVEST over the state continues in stride. Corn harvest is more than a fourth completed; cotton harvest is something more than 10 percent finished; sorghum harvest is nearing the two-thirds completion mark.

Rice harvest is nearly complete and sunflower harvest on the Low Plains is underway. Soybean progress is good with most of the acreage setting an excellent crop.

Peanut harvest is about 20 percent complete.

LET'S REPEAT IT, one more time.

Livestock producers need to continue to submit suspected screwworm samples to the fly lab at Mission. The annual Fall build-up of the pest is and will increase until cold weather puts it to a halt.

Screwworms were widely spread across Texas, from Cameron County on the south to Wichita on the north, from Hudspeth on the west to Brazoria, Walker and Houston Counties on the east, during August.

Officials also recommend that you delay surgery on your livestock as long as possible and use screwworm-approved remedies on wounds on livestock.

STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights
by Lyndell Williams
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN - A big state land trade has been proposed to obtain a scenic new park on 30-mile-long Matagorda Island.

Land Commissioner Bob Armstrong suggested the swap of 18,000 acres of state-owned land near Fort Bliss in El Paso County for the federally-owned share of the island.

Hog Graders Demand On The Rise

AUSTIN - The demand for hog grading has increased in West Texas, and as a result, the Texas Department of Agriculture now offers the services of two graders.

The graders are Herb Davis, who works three days a week in Amarillo and Helen Howe, who works four days a week in Lubbock.

The Department now charges a fee of 10 cents per head. A certificate on grades will be issued if desired.

The Department can serve feeder pig sales, or direct marketing activities on hogs or any other type of livestock. Agriculture Commissioner John C. White said. Producers should contact the Department offices in Austin.

Producers in the West Texas area found that grading can prove the high quality of swine being marketed in Texas.

A joint House-Senate committee unanimously decided the state should own the island which lies south of Port Lavaca.

The U. S. Air Force has decided it will not continue use of Matagorda as a bombing range, but the U. S. Interior Department wants it as additional refuge for the whooping crane.

Armstrong said Matagorda offers among the best sports fishing and hunting in the country, and it is within easy auto range of Houston, San Antonio and Corpus Christi citizens. Matagorda's beach is growing rather than expanding, the committee was told.

Federal holdings on the island total nearly 19,000 acres. The state owns 16,369 acres and private interests 15,570 acres.

No Gas Shortage

Texas should not have a severe natural gas shortage this winter, Governor Briscoe said after an organizational meeting of his new energy council.

The Governor said he does not believe energy will allocate Texas gas to other states.

Briscoe and Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby urged pre-emphasis on developing new sources of energy - including solar, wind, geothermal and waste material burning.

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Feeder Cattle Abundant, Prices Down

The "numbers game" may sometimes tend to get a little confusing when agricultural prices or estimates are issued. But there is one number that is currently bearing heavily on the total cattle industry of the nation--

the immense number of feeder cattle on farms and ranches.

"That, along with only a moderate increase in cattle feeding, is the key reason for the continued low cattle prices," contends Dr. Ed U-

vacek, livestock marketing specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

There were about 59.2 million head of feeder cattle on hand as of July 1, and Uvacek estimates that some 6 million of these will be slaughtered as non-fed cattle and calves during the remainder of this year. That would still leave some 52.6 million feeder animals on pastures and ranges.

"This high number of feeders is about the same as the number on hand last year," notes the Texas A&M University System specialist. "And, of course, the oversupply continues to depress the market."

Uvacek points out that some easing in grain prices that may result from a bountiful harvest this fall could boost cattle feeding. This segment of the industry has been in the doldrums due to the cost-price squeeze.

He feels, however, that any increases in movement of feeders to feedlots will be slow, which means that cow-calf producers will continue to get poor prices for their animals until well into 1976. "Hopefully, by then, the over-supply situation will have eased somewhat, cattle feeding will again be on the upswing, and the nation's cow herd will be smaller, thus producing less calves."

Lambda Beta News

The Lambda Beta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi held an Olympic Party on September 13, 1975 at the Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

The evening events were conducted by Ginny Yaddow, the vice president of Lambda Beta. The Olympic Party was divided into three divisions—a couple's contest, a single contest, and team work. For the single event, the best out of three events—Jim Allday won the prize. The couple team event was won by Billy Bob and Pat Naff's team for the best out of three events. Mike Welch's team won the prize for best out of three events for a team effort.

Competition was run in such events as: spitting the watermelon seed the furthest, paper plate throw, back to back relay, scavenger hunt, lap game, the potatoe-paper plate swing object relay, ect.

The Olympic runners were: Harold and Chera Hohertz, Lee and Ginny Yaddow, Paul and Jo Moore, Rosey and Pat Castille, Billy Bob and Pat Naff, Phil and Minyone Seymore, Billy and Sarah Lucas, Obie and Betty Coker, Jim and Betty Allday, Mike and Barbara Welch, Junior and Annette Clark, Bill and Ann Booth, and Ken and Bobbie Elliott.

Refreshments were served on a bicentennial table decoration theme.

STILL TIME FOR QUALITY HAY—Fall moisture is generally adequate over much of Texas, and with adequate use of fertilizer, top quality hay can still be produced for the coming winter feeding season. A lack of fertilizer use along with varying rainfall resulted in some rather poor quality hay this spring and summer, points out a forage specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. For good quality hay, use adequate amounts of nitrogen fertilizer and harvest the hay at the proper stage of growth.

This kind of life-saving service clearly goes beyond the basic routine of handing out birth control information, but it's typical of the services that the people of East Texas have come to expect from Public Health Region 7,

where. We cannot refuse anyone.

Hayden explains that many of the family planning patients, although they are not poor, can be considered medically indigent. He says, "They still owe for the baby before last, so they couldn't go to the doctor. They hate to go to him and say, 'I want you to give me this.' In fact, they don't go at all because they owe the bill. "Sometimes," Hayden says, "we have young people who will never be on welfare. I'm reminded of a young wife who came to our clinic. They'd had two children, she couldn't work. She came to our clinic to get birth control help so they wouldn't have any more children."

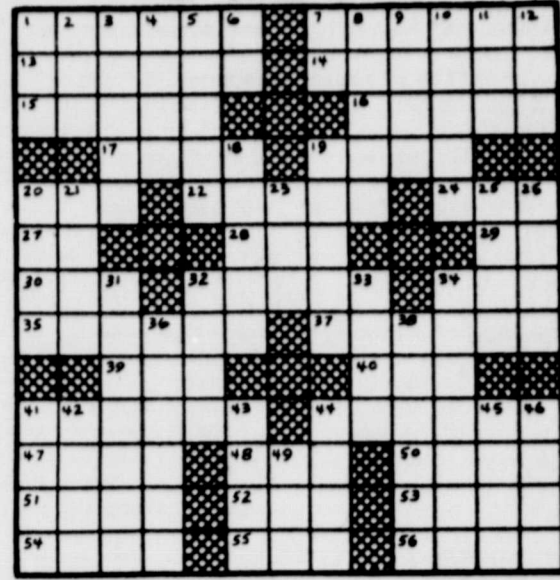
Until a year ago, the only restriction on eligibility was that the woman had to be of child-bearing age. However, the family planning program now includes a cervical cancer screening project that is open to women of all ages. The cancer screening patients generally receive the same full range of tests and screenings that the family planning patients are given. Hayden says, "I think it's a great program. It really just makes the program whole, it makes a complete circle, where we can offer this service to any lady."

According to Hayden, the cancer screening project is one of the most rewarding parts of the program. He says, "You find ten women with positive Pap smears, which means that they've got cancer. How do you gauge the good of that? You've saved the mother for her family. The ones we find can be successfully treated—that's worth the whole program."

When a patient is found to have a suspected cancer, the family planning staff immediately contacts the patient's family doctor—or helps her find a doctor if she doesn't have one. In some cases, the patient is referred directly to the John Sealy Hospital at the University of Texas Medical Center in Galveston, or to the M. D. Anderson Hospital in Houston. Dr. West remembers one patient he examined; he says, "I found a nodule in her breast. The woman was poor, but she'd never been on welfare or anything. She had five children and did not have the money to make the trip to Galveston. My staff asked around and contributed to give her some money for the trip. She got down there and they found she also had cancer of the cervix. So she had a radical mastectomy and hysterectomy, and after two years of followup, she was completely clear of cancer."

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Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1. Under-ground railroad
7. Wander
13. Satisfy
14. Venerator
15. Bread ingredient
16. Trenches
17. Pert girl
19. Color
20. Tree
22. Fix again
24. Aural organ
27. Mother
28. Average
29. Accomplish
30. Those in power
32. Doctor: slang
34. Margin
35. Academic title
37. Find the place
39. Possesses

DOWN

1. Enemy agent
2. Rubber tree
3. Sandy seashore
4. Lave
5. In motion
6. You
7. Sun god
8. Allow to enter

9. Satellite
10. Device for stopping
11. Permit
12. Bitter vetch
18. Indian tent
19. Danger
20. Among
21. Sound
23. Unhappy
25. Entrance
26. Italian city
31. Places of instruction
32. Network
33. End passage: music
34. Cattleman
36. Loud noise
38. Ranch animals
41. Metal clasp
42. Fail to keep
43. Reverberate
44. Indian tribe
45. Listen
46. Desires
49. Help

Another Fine Texas Recipe

SCANDINAVIAN MEAT BALLS

- 1 lb. ground beef
- 1/2 lb. ground veal
- 1/3 cup milk
- 1/2 cup commercial bread crumbs
- 1-1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. nutmeg
- 1/2 tsp. grated lemon rind
- 1 egg, beaten
- Flour
- 3 Tbsp. lard or drippings
- 1 can (10-1/2 oz.) condensed mushroom soup
- 1/2 cup milk
- Cooked rice

Pour 1/3 cup milk over bread crumbs. Add beef, veal, salt, nutmeg, lemon rind and egg. Mix thoroughly but lightly. Coat hands with flour; shape meat mixture into 18 balls, allowing approximately 2 tablespoons for each. Brown meat balls in lard or drippings. Pour off drippings. Combine mushroom soup and 1/2 cup milk, mix well and pour over meat balls. Cover tightly and cook slowly 45 minutes. Serve over cooked rice. Yield: 6 servings.

For additional beef recipes, write Commissioner John C. White, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711.

Card Of Thanks

TO THOSE WHO Expressed their sympathy in so many beautiful and practical ways during our recent loss, we extend our heartfelt thanks,
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CITATION

BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF Loy Dale Rees, a person receiving federal funds No. 7056, County Court, Taylor County, Texas, Lubbock National Bank, Lubbock, Texas, Guardian in the above numbered and entitled estate, filed on the 12 day of September, 1975 their verified account for final settlement of said estate and requests

that said estate be settled and closed, and said applicant be discharged from their trust.

Said application will be heard and acted on by said Court at 10 o'clock A.M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of ten days from date of publication of this citation, the same being the 29 day of September, 1975, at the County Court-house in Abilene, Texas.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby cited to appear before said Honorable Court at said above mentioned time and place by filing a written answer contesting such application should they desire to do so.

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.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF SAID COURT at office in Abilene, Texas, this 12 day of September, A.D. 1975.

(SEAL) Mrs. Chester Hutcherson
Clerk of the County Court,
Taylor County, Texas,
By Janice Lyons
Deputy
30-1tc



MR. AND MRS. E. L. PALMER
... celebrate his 91st birthday

E. L. Palmer Celebrates 91st Birthday

E. L. Palmer celebrated his 91st birthday Saturday, September 13 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Palmer.

When ironing embroideries, appliques or monograms, place them face down on a thick bath towel. This makes the design stand out rather than be flattened. Lynn Bourland, family resource management specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, notes,

Except for one daughter, all of the Palmer children were on hand for the celebration of their father's birthday.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Mike Wynn of Denison, Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Palmer of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Felmer of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Les Palmer of Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Landers of San Antonio and Minnie Owens of Abilene.

Mr. Palmer has lived in Merkel since 1919 and he and his wife who is 87 live at 406 Orange.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TAYLOR BY
VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF
SALE

DATED September 3, 1975 and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Taylor County, Texas by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 34,494-A, and styled State of Texas and Taylor County vs. Frances Martin, et al and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on September 3, 1975 seized, levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday in October 1975, the same being the 7th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Abilene, between the hours of 10 o'clock A.M. and 4 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Taylor and State of Texas, to wit:

The following property being located in the Original Townsite to the City of Blair: Lots 1, 2, 3 and 5, Block 4. The following property being located in the Original Townsite to the City of Halltown: Lots 3, 6, 7 and 8, Block 5; Lot 14, Block 6; Lots 2 through 7, Block 9; Lots 1, 2, 13 and 14, Block 12; Lots 1 and 8 through 15, Block 13. The following property being located in the Original Townsite to the City of Merkel: North 20' of Lot 10, South 30' of Lot 11, Block 12; Lots 17 and 13, Block 29. The following property being located in the M. D. Angus Addition to the City of Merkel: West 55' of Lot 1, Block 1. The following property being located in the Boyce Addition to the City of Merkel: Lots 5, 6, 9 and 10, Block C; Lot 2, Block I; Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block J. The following property being located in the College Addition to the City of Merkel: Lots 11 and 12, Block D, R. A. Miller subdivision of Blocks 7 and 20; Northwest 100' x 140' North 50' of the Southwest 150' x 140', South 100' of the West 140' of Block 8; Lot 1 and the North 1/2 of Lot 2, Block 9; Lots 3 and 4, Block 23. The following property being located in the Edmison - Sheppard Addition to the City of Merkel: Southwest 75' x 140' of Lot 2, Block H. The following property being located in the Haynes Addition to the City of Merkel: North 50', South 50' of the North 150', South 208' of the North 358' of Block E; Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block F. The following property being located in the Martin Addition to the City of Merkel: Lot 9, Block A; Lot 12, Block B. The following property being located in the Sharps Addition to the City of Merkel: Lots 4, 18 and 19. The following property being located in the F. J. Smith Addition to the City of Merkel: Lot C, Block 14. The following property being located in the South Park Addition to the

City of Merkel: Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, Block A; Lots 5 and 6, Block B. The following property being located in the Thornton Addition to the City of Merkel: Lot 3, Block E, North 1/2 of Lot 11, and all of Lot 12, Block F. The following property being located in the West Addition to the City of Merkel: Lots 1 and 2, Block A. Or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment, interest, penalties and costs; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, at any time within two years from the recording of the deed in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, penalties, and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED 9-3-75, Texas, this the 3 day of September 1975.
Jack Landrum by R. P. Blackby, Deputy Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas
29-3tc

Chevrolet Introduces Chevette October 2

Chevrolet recently announced details of its completely new car for the domestic market, the 1976 Chevette, scheduled for dealer introduction on Thursday, October 2nd.

Robert D. Lund, Chevrolet general manager and General Motors vice president, called the Chevette the first domestic car designed with major emphasis on efficiency both in the use of materials and in fuel consumption. "We are offering two models of the Chevette," said Lund. "A four passenger hatchback coupe and a two passenger special purpose model called the 'Scooter'. Our marketing objectives for the Chevette are twofold... to offer our customers a clear alternative to the imports, and to offer as much fuel efficiency in this size vehicle as possible.

"The Chevette is the first European design concept built completely in the United States," he said, "and it delivers the best gas mileage of any U.S. built car--rated up to 30 miles per gallon on the EPA city schedule, with the optional engine, and up to 40 miles per gallon on the EPA highway schedule, with the base engine."

It is the lightest U.S. built car at just under 2,000 pounds and is 17 inches shorter than any other Chevrolet in recent history. It is the first U.S. built metric car, has the shortest turning circle of any U.S. car, and has the most comprehensive piece-by-piece corrosion protection of

any Chevrolet ever built. The wheelbase at 94.3 inches is only 2.7 inches less than the Vega, but the overall length of 158.7 inches is 16.7 inches less. Basically, the Chevette is a little bit higher... a little bit narrower... a lot shorter... and a lot lighter. Curb weight is 1,985 pounds, 629 pounds less than the Vega.

"A new small displacement 4-cylinder engine is tuned for the Chevette in two displacements of 1.4 and 1.6 litres (85 and 97.6 cubic inches). Basic structures such as the block and head are cast iron," according to Lund. "However, aluminum is used for six of the secondary structures including the intake manifold and camshaft carrier."

Two new transmissions will be introduced for the Chevette. Standard equipment is a 4-speed manual unit... and a 3-speed automatic is offered as optional equipment. Both transmissions are approximately 35 pounds lighter than current GM small car designs.

"With the Chevette, we are also introducing the first GM on-vehicle diagnostic system designed to aid and speed up the diagnosis of service problems," Lund said. "A master electrical diagnostic connector and ignition probe bracket will be used by service centers to speed up and improve the accuracy of their diagnoses."

Front seats are a new, thin-shell design with full foam construction. Inertia type

seatback locks allow easy entry into the rear seat without having to work a manual lock.

The Chevette is also the first domestic car to include controls for turn signals, headlamp dimmer, windshield wipers and washers and "flash to pass" headlamp signal in a single steering column mounted lever within easy reach.

For anti-corrosion protection, extensive use is made of zincrometal, galvanized metal, paint, oil and wax base coatings and zinc-rich primer to protect vulnerable surfaces.

The Chevette front suspension is designed for durability, impact isolation, reduced road noise, and excellent handling. Steering is through a compact lightweight rack

and pinion gear, the first used on a U.S. built GM car. Steering effort is light with no power option needed. The Chevette brakesystem is new with front disc brakes standard--using a special lightweight hub and rotor.

A full range of optional equipment is available for the Chevette including air conditioning, AM/FM radio, floor console and electric rear window defogger.

The two-seat "Scooter" version of the Chevette is aimed at young single and married persons, retirees, and other economy minded buyers seeking basic transportation. It also is expected to appeal as a quick-delivery vehicle for the pharmacy, fast-food store, florist shop, and similar commercial applications.

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If God Were Creating The World Today

Recently a Merkel Mail reader brought in an article from the "Lewis County Herald" of Nezperce, Idaho. The article is dated September 4, 1975 and I thought it worthy of passing on to my readers. The article is entitled "If God had task of creating the world today" and the following is a condensed version.

"Can you imagine the hassles God would have encountered if government agencies had been in existence when He began creation?"

Perhaps the "Daily Heavenly News" would have some reports on the situation.

"In the beginning, God created heaven and earth. He was slapped with a class action lawsuit by the Heavenly Protection Agency (HEPA) for failure to file an environmental impact statement with the agency.

"God appeared before the HEPA council to answer questions. When asked why he started the project in the first place, God said he needed a place to put Man.

"God said he would make a light to shine over the earth. The council gave provisional

approval assuming (1) there would be no smog or smoke; (2) a separate burning permit would be required, and (3) since continuous light would be wasteful of energy, it should be dark half of the time.

"God agreed and said he would make firmament amidst the waters. One ecologically radical council member accused Him of double talk and the council tabled action until God would get a firmament permit, rezoning approval and an earth excavating permit. "When everything finally appeared in order, God said he wanted to complete the project in six days. He was told this was completely out of the question. HEPA would require a minimum of 180 days to review the application, an outside firm would have to be hired (paid for by God) to study it for "omissions," and then there would be a public hearing... easily taking ten to twelve months before the final permit could be granted.

And God said, "Forget the whole thing."

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Girl Scout News

Girl Scouts will begin as soon as we have some volunteer leaders. After 6 years of leadership I am retiring as leader. I feel these girls need and want a new leader once in a while. I will keep on with my service unit job and work with and help leaders anyway I can, but someone else will have to take the troops. Right now we need 2 brownie leaders and 1 junior leader. I have made arrangements for girls interested in cadettes to join a troop in Abilene. We have 4 cadettes

who have joined and who will be attending a horseriding party at Indian Creek this coming Friday afternoon. I will be carrying these girls back and forth to their meetings on Monday afternoons. If other 7th, 9th graders are interested contact me and we'll see what can be worked out.

Women interested in leadership contact Melba Glasscock, 928-4883. We have a nice building in which to hold meetings.

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Farmers Market

WASHINGTON—Small farmers and consumers can help each other beat the high cost of living.

I have proposed a bill which could boost the income of small farmers, and at the same time reduce the prices consumers have to pay for fresh fruits, vegetables, and other produce.

The goal of the Farmers Market Act is to reduce indirect costs. Marketing costs now total 60 per cent of every food dollar. That means that 60 cents of every dollar spent by the consumer does not go to the farmer.

The men and women in the wholesale and retail food industry are not to blame for that. They have strived mightily to keep down the costs of transporting, processing, and packaging food. Profit margins in the food industry are among the lowest for all industry. The indirect costs are justified. But they continue to mount. The Farmers Market Act would provide a means of reducing some of them.

The prime beneficiaries of the Farmers Market Act would be the 72 per cent of all farm families who earn less than \$15,000 a year.

But urban consumers who are willing to forego the conveniences of supermarket shopping in order to save on their food budget would also benefit. The price of produce sold at farmers' markets averages one-third below supermarket price, and sometimes as much as 40 to 50 per cent less.

The Farmers Market Act would authorize marketing experts from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to study means of operating markets ranging from roadside stands to large marketplaces in urban centers. The information would be provided to farmers on request.

The USDA experts also would be empowered to develop innovative farmer to consumer marketing arrangements in which groups of consumers could buy unprocessed food in bulk directly from farmers.

The Secretary of Agriculture would be given three years from the date of enactment of the Farmers Market Act to test at least five distinctly different innovative marketing schemes in various regions of the country. The cost of the innovative projects would be about \$5 million over the three-year period.

The sum is insignificant in comparison with the number of Americans who could benefit from passage of this bill. The Farmers Market Act helps people to help themselves to a higher standard of living. It is a step in the right direction.

Fortnightly Study Club To Host Coffee

Members of the Fortnightly Study Club held the first meeting of the year Saturday at the home of Christine Collins with Mrs. Charles Eager co-hostess in entertaining. Honor guest was the president of Mesquite District, Mrs. John Berry of Clyde, Texas. Mrs. Perry brought greetings from the Mesquite District and outlined plans for the year work.

Mrs. Ray Wilson as president of the Fortnightly Study Club, paid tribute to

Compre HD Club News

The Compre Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Don Adair in Merkel, September 11 at 2 p.m.

The meeting was opened with prayer and Mrs. Ab Hunter, president presided during a business session. Roll call was answered with something you have learned about the metric system.

County extension agent Mrs. Evelyn Wilburn gave an interesting program on the metric system of weight and measure. Sheets of instructions entitled "Converting is Easy" were given to each person.

Names were drawn for club pals and Mrs. Wilburn received the hostess gift.

Plans were made for Mrs. Ab Hunter and Mrs. Don Adair to attend a Leader's Training Meeting on quick and easy breads, in Anson at the Federal Housing Building on September 16 at 9:30 a.m.

Refreshments were served to the following members and three visitors: Mmes. Ab Hunter, Dewey Ramsey, Hugh Taylor, Ernest Spurgin, Evelyn Wilburn and the hostess Mrs. Don Adair and Sheila and Scott Adair.

The next club meeting will be at the Noodle Community Center, September 25 at 2 o'clock with Mrs. Clarence Allen as hostess.

Merkel Visitors

A recent visitor in the home of Mrs. Zedic Johnson was her son, Glen of For

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Browning had friends visiting with them Saturday. They were Mrs. Nell Swindle and son Mac Sherry, and also her mother Mrs. Fuller from Cashion, Oklahoma.

A spare tire is out of sight, but it shouldn't be out of mind. If you carry an inflated spare make sure it always has proper air pressure, so it's ready if you ever need it.



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- 1 6-oz. pkg. (1 cup) Semi-Sweet Real Chocolate Morsels
 - 1/2 cup unsifted flour
 - 1/4 teaspoon baking powder
 - 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 cup butter, softened
 - 1/2 cup sugar
 - 1 egg
 - 1/2 cup sour cream
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
 - About 60 miniature marshmallows (about 3/4 cup)
- Chocolate Frosting**
- 1/2 cup milk
 - 2 tablespoons butter
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1 6-oz. pkg. (1 cup) Semi-Sweet Real Chocolate Morsels
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
 - 2 cups sifted confectioners' sugar

Preheat oven to 375°F. Melt over hot (not boiling) water. Nestlé Semi-Sweet Real Chocolate Morsels; remove from heat and set aside. In small bowl, combine flour, baking powder and sugar; beat until creamy. Beat in egg. Add melted chocolate, sour cream and vanilla extract; mix well. Blend in flour mixture. Drop by slightly rounded teaspoonfuls onto greased cookie sheets.

BAKE at: 375°F. Immediately push 1 miniature marshmallow into center of each warm cookie. Cool completely; frost top of each cookie with Chocolate Frosting.

CHOCOLATE FROSTING: In small saucepan, combine milk, butter and salt. Bring just to a boil; remove from heat. Add Nestlé Semi-Sweet Real Chocolate Morsels and vanilla extract; stir until morsels melt and mixture is smooth. Transfer to small bowl. Add confectioners' sugar, beat until smooth. Makes about 5 dozen 2" cookies.

Butterscotch Covered Apples

- 1 6-oz. pkg. (1 cup) Butterscotch Morsels
- 2 tablespoons corn syrup
- Combine over hot (not boiling) water. Nestlé Butterscotch Morsels, corn syrup, shortening and water; stir until morsels melt and mixture is smooth. Place wooden stick in each apple. Dip apples, one at a time, into butterscotch mixture. Place on waxed paper. Chill in refrigerator at least 15 minutes. Makes 4 covered apples.

Texas Pecans Growers Expect 40-Million Pound Harvest In '75

AUSTIN--Despite problems with insects, disease and excessive rainfall, Texas pecan growers are expecting to harvest about 40 million pounds of pecans this year, Agriculture Commissioner John C. White reported.

If the estimates hold, this harvest will be 2 million pounds larger than last year's.

Pecan scab is causing the most problems this year. Caused by excessive rainfall during July and August, it is especially bad from Central Texas southward to coastal areas. It is contributing to pecan drop in some areas.

North Texas pecan growers are having problems with powdery mildew and some honeydew and scab.

Disenchantment With College Increases Vocational Education

Vocational education is on the increase, outpacing even colleges and universities in enrollment growth, according to U. S. Department of Education officials who say its emphasis on job market skills and a growing disenchantment with college among youth are contributing to this trend. The swing in the direction of vocational education has been increasing steadily over the past decade. Between 1965 and 1974 enrollments in public vocational programs rose by 65%--over six times the increase for the traditional academic sector, according to Dr. William Pierce of the U. S. Office of Education.

Private vocational schools, too, have been experiencing high enrollments, with a 12% increase last fall, according to a spokesman for the National Association of Trade and Technical Schools. As a comparison, college and university enrollments rose by 4%.

Seen as a permanent trend, Dr. Albert Riendieu of the U. S. Office of Education says by 1980 there is a good chance 60% of students attending a community college will be enrolled in occupational programs.

"Jobs are at the root of the trend," he says, "Vocational education means bread and butter. Today, people are looking for education which leads to jobs. For example, college graduates have discovered there aren't enough jobs out there--now they're back in school taking welding, or auto repair, or any other job-oriented course."

In addition to increasing enrollments, Dr. Riendieu stated that the average age of vocational students is also increasing, from 21, thirty years ago, to 28 now. "What this means," he says, "is that a lot of people already employed want to change jobs.

They are dissatisfied and are going to school after work to learn a specific skill." Citing the energy crisis, Dr. Riendieu said many students are taking courses which would lead to immediate employment in an energy-related field, an active area of employment. "Vocational students are more specific about what they want to do and what education they need," he added. While vocational education is certainly not new--it has been around since before the Revolution when Benjamin Franklin owned and operated a printing school--it is gaining new attention in the wake of the worst unemployment in the postwar era.

Today, about 6 million Americans are enrolled in public or private vocational programs, attractive due to their emphasis on career preparation. Unlike the traditional "whole man" approach to education, i.e., learning a little about a lot, specialized private vocational schools shun the liberal arts for hard knowledge in a skill which is "salable" on the job market.

Attracting a wholly new student clientele, typical students in a welding class today would include women who are seeking non-traditional, high-paying jobs; laid off workers who need retraining in another occupational area; high school graduates who don't want to go to college but want some sort of skill before entering the job market; or college grads who have spent months looking for jobs that aren't there.

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Insects which are affecting the pecan crop are pecan weevil and pecan nut casebearer, which attack the nut; hickory shuckworm, which ruins the shuck; and webworms, walnut caterpillar and tent caterpillar, which feed on pecan tree foliage. Webworms are troublesome this year in areas that were not sprayed last year. Last year's pecan crop was valued at \$16,055,000.

When making a trip, plan a schedule that considers the children's regular meal and bed times, advises Mrs. Ilene Miller, family life education specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

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Sept. 5	Robert Lee	Here	8:00	Win
12	Winters	There	8:00	Loss
19	Ranger	Here	8:00	
26	Roby	There	8:00	
Oct. 3	Albany	Here	7:30	
10	Jim Ned	There	7:30	
17	Roscoe	Here	7:30	Homecoming
24	Wylie	There	7:30	
31	Rotan	Here	7:30	
Nov. 7	Baird	There	7:30	

J. V. Schedule

Sept. 4	Colorado City	H	7:30
11	Anson	T	7:30
18	Stamford	H	7:30
25	Stamford	H	6:00
Oct. 2	Albany	T	7:30
9	Jim Ned	H	7:30
16	Roscoe	T	7:30
23	Wylie	H	7:30
30	Rotan	T	7:30
Nov. 6	Baird	H	7:30

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MARIE SHANKS & CECELIA STEINBORN

SALINDA JUSTICE

PRICES GOOD THURSDAY-FRIDAY AND SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 20, 21, & 22ND

Enjoy **MORE** of Everything

Including **LOW PRICES**



PILLSBURY
FIGURINES
ASSORTED FLAVORS BOX **\$1.23**

PETER PAN
PEANUT BUTTER
18 OZ JAR **89¢**

SKINNERS SHORT CUT
MACARONI
12 OZ BAG **33¢**

HEINZ LOVER SIZE
CATSUP
26 OZ BOT. **73¢**

DEL MONTE
PRUNES
MED. LB **39¢**

NABISCO **CRACKERS** LB **53¢**

POTATO CHIPS
PRINGLES
TWIN PACK **83¢**

BODENS DRINK
ORANGE
GAL JUG **93¢**

HUNTS 300
PEARS HALVES 2 FOR **79¢**

HUNTS 300
FRUIT COCKTAIL 2 FOR **79¢**

HUNTS 300
TOMATO JUICE 2 FOR **39¢**

HUNTS 300 NEW
POTATOES 2 FOR **45¢**

CONTADINA 8 OZ
TOMATO SAUCE 2 FOR **29¢**

DEL MONTE 303 W.K.
GOLDEN CORN 2 FOR **63¢**

DAD'S
ROOT BEER 1/2 GAL JUG **63¢**

FACIAL TISSUE
KLEENEX
200 CT. BOX **43¢**

KRAFTS JAM-JELLY-PRES.
GRAPE
18 OZ JAR **63¢**

HUNTS 300
PEARS HALVES 2 FOR **79¢**

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FRUIT COCKTAIL 2 FOR **79¢**

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GOLDEN CORN 2 FOR **63¢**

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ROOT BEER 1/2 GAL JUG **63¢**

TEA
LIPTON
1/4 LB BOX **43¢**

JELLO ASSORTED 3 OZ BOX 3 FOR (6 LIMIT) **59¢**

FLOUR GLADIOLA 5 LB. BAG **73¢**

PARKAY WHIPPED SOFT TWIN PACK LB **55¢**

TUNA DEL MONTE FLAT CAN (2 LIMIT) **49¢**

BORDENS
ICE CREAM
1/2 GAL CRTN **99¢**

CAPSULES
CONTAC
10 CT. PKG **\$1.29**

ROSE MILK
LOTION
8 OZ BOT. **89¢**

MARYLAND CLUB
COFFEE
1 LB CAN **79¢**
WITH 10.00 OR MORE IN TRADE EXCLUSIVE OF CIGARETTES

Frozen Foods
TONY ASSORTED PIZZA **\$1.19**

HAWAIIAN PUNCH RED 12 OZ **53¢**

WAFFLES AUNT JEMIMA PKG. **49¢**

BORDENS
HOMO 2 MILK 1/2 GAL CRTN 2 FOR **\$1.59**

BORDENS
CHOCOLATE MILK QUART 1/2 GAL **49¢ 85¢**

BORDENS
MILK 1/2 GAL CRTN. **79¢**

BABY BEEF
ROUND STEAK
TENDER POUND **\$1.69**

BACON FRANKS STEAK ARMOUR STAR POUND **\$1.69**

BOLOGNA ARMOUR STAR CHUNK SLICED LB 79 **89¢**

SHORT RIBS BEEF LB **59¢**

LIVER BABY BEEF FRESH LB **79¢**

SUMMER SAUSAGE ARMOUR STAR LB **79¢**

HEINZ H.B. 16 OZ SLICED DILL **PICKLES** **43¢**

BIC BUTANE **LIGHTERS** EA. **89¢**

ORIGINAL **PINSOL** 28 OZ BOT. **\$1.09**

SOAP **DOVE** BATH SIZE 2 BAR DEAL **69¢**

TIDE GT. BOX **98¢** (1 LIMIT)

BORDENS
MILK 1/2 GAL CRTN. **79¢**

FRESH **TOMATOES** VINE RIPE LB. **33¢**

DELICIOUS NEW CROP
RED APPLES CALIFORNIA LB. **29¢**

PEACHES FRESH LB. **39¢**

BELL PEPPER RED EA. **10¢**

PLUMS RUSSET LB. **33¢**

SPUDS 10 LB BAG **93¢**

WE WELCOME FOOD STAMPS
SHOP AND SAVE

WE GIVE GIFT BOND STAMPS
Double on Wednesday with \$5.00 or more

CARSON'S SUPER MARKET
MERKEL, TEXAS
FREE DELIVERY MON-WED-FRI
FRESH VEGETABLES BEST MEATS IN TOWN