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bear any grudge against the
children of thy people, but
thou shalt love thy neighbor
as thyself; I am the Lord.
Leviticus 19:18

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Architects hired to make survey of school building



By Carl Dingler

The Merkel School Board authorized the firm of Welch and Hampton architects of Sweetwater to conduct a survey of the Merkel facilities and present proposals for expanding present facilities.

Don Hampton of Sweetwater, who also is a member of the Sweetwater School Board, was present for Monday's lengthy meeting and volunteered to make the survey and present proposals to

the school board as soon as possible.

There is no obligation or cost involved, the school board and Hampton pointed out, for providing such an analysis.

Hampton was invited to the meeting as part of the agenda to discuss portable classrooms vs. regular construction.

The School Board also approved the \$42 per member insurance to cover football

players and to require all students to either purchase at least the \$9 school insurance or sign a release for the protection of the school district.

The \$9 fee will cover students during school hours while a 24-hour coverage for a year costs \$26.

The \$42 for the football players does not cover the individuals for other than football and they must have some other form of coverage for other school activities, it was pointed out.

All other sports and school activities are covered by the individual school insurance.

The Board also tabled a decision on a leave of absence for pregnancy case until a legal opinion could be sought; appointed Travis Davis textbook-custodian, effective July 1, 1976, when he becomes School Superintendent; and approved payment of the light bill at Tye for the Miss Softball of America league games played there.

Then they went into executive session and closed the meeting to discuss: Report on status of 1975-76 Maintenance Budget; Charter school bus to Arlington Stadium; Expenses and problems incurred by twirlers and cheerleaders; furniture and equipment purchases for 1976-77; and resignations, employment and review of personnel.

However, Board President Charles Jacobs said the school bus charter to Arlington Stadium has been canceled because the state says the buses can't be used for that purpose.

Bobby Toliver was the lone board member not present for the meeting Monday night.

Davis, who will become superintendent July 1, said Tuesday morning the board approved putting new metal doors on the Junior High and primary building and to purchase water coolers for all schools—two for the high school, one for the junior high, primary and Tye schools.

He said they agreed to buy capes for the twirlers to wear to games.

He said they discussed the long-range plans for purchase of a classroom of desks and one or two teacher's desks each year.

No bids were reportedly read or a vote taken on this issue, Davis said.

Hampton's firm has done extensive work for schools as pointed out by him Monday night. His firm has done all the work for the Sweetwater schools, is doing the present work for Trent, has done the work on the new Clyde and Roby schools.

Jacobs pointed out the Board is trying to operate on a limited budget and is seeking to build something simple to "get us by until the situation improves a little bit."

Hampton pointed out that Sweetwater had moved a portable 14 x 65 trailer-type classroom onto one of its campus for \$12,000 and then had to spend another \$2,000 to get it the way they wanted it.

He then pointed out that they have just completed a smaller portable building with Title I money which "cost a little over \$20,000."

He did point out this building is more substantial but it "cost a lot more."

Too, Hampton said the portable trailer was purchased because the long-range planning in Sweetwater is to close the elementary school in a couple of years and the trailer will be moved elsewhere.

The Merkel School Board is looking to the situation because at least two more classrooms are needed for this fall.

Hampton then described some of the other types of construction and permanent buildings.

The cost for all were in the \$16 to \$18 per square foot range for both portable and permanent construction.

He said with a "campus like

yours a stationary building would be best."

However, after hearing of the need for buildings so quick, he said the best route to go is with the Morgan Buildings which could be ready by August.

Davis said the Morgan building will cost \$12,288 each which is \$16 per square foot. At least two are needed.

The sixth grade at Tye would be moved to Merkel and allow room for the kindergarten and first grade growth there.

It would allow the hiring of a reading teacher. But, the present crowded conditions at the high school would still persist.

Davis pointed out a survey would provide the Board with an idea as to the long-range needs of the district.

He said the high schools in need of more lab and homelike space and for business classes. The lab was built in 1955 and at the time appeared adequate but he said the growing situation and a tight budget has made the present facilities too small. At present the science lab will accommodate only 25 students at a time.

Hampton also pointed out that construction of a permanent building would take longer due to a possible bond issue and getting plans and materials.

Superintendent Mack Fisher said the School Board could issue time warrants up to \$60,000 for construction without having to ask for a bond issue vote.

Hampton's survey will cost the school district nothing.

However, his fee will come should the School Board approve of construction of any of his proposals. His fee is set on the size of the project and is 7 to 7 3/4 per cent.

The Board approved the survey and Hampton is to meet with Davis and Fisher as soon as possible and go over the present facilities and get back to the School Board for either its June 14 regular meeting or its July 6 called meeting.

No action was taken on buying the portable buildings.

Newton, Dally win runoff

Jon Newton and Carl Dally won Democratic runoff elections Saturday.

Jon Newton defeated Jerry Sadler, 476,364 to 263,492 for the Railroad Commission post statewide.

In Taylor County Newton won 1,341 to 182 with Tye favoring Newton 14-7, Merkel favoring Newton 48-24 and Butman favoring Newton 13-4.

Trent, however, went with Sadler, 16-15.

Carl Dally lost to W. T. Phillips for the Court of Criminal Appeals in the state count, 345,356 to 298,477.

Tye favored Phillips, 11-8, Merkel went with Phillips, 39-31, Trent went with Phillips, 20-19, and Butman favored Phillips, 10-6.

However, county-wide, Dally was favored 718-693. Newton received 1,341 votes to Sadler's 182 in the county-wide count.

Tye had 21 voting, Merkel 72, Trent 32 and Butman 17. There were 1,528 ballots cast in Taylor County.

Twirlers plan fund sale

The Junior High School twirlers are going to hold a rummage sale Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The sale will be in front of Castille's in downtown Merkel.

The twirlers will use the funds from the sale to pay for uniform expenses and to attend twirler camp.

Do you have a right to know how your school is being run?
Do you elect the members of the School Board? Do you foot the bill?
Should you be allowed to know what is going on with your public tax money and what decisions are being made in your behalf?

Now, the answer to all the above, as everyone will readily admit, is a resounding YES!

In fact the issue has been thrashed about in the court for years. It is commonly called an open meeting law. It grants the public the access to school board meetings and to know what is being done by the people they elect to represent them and to determine the public's best interest.

The open meeting law states there are some exceptions which may call for an executive session or closed meeting. However, any action must still be presented and voted upon in a public meeting.

Now, an executive session—of closed meeting—may be called by a School Board to discuss personalities, personnel, salaries, employment of anybody associated with the school system.

However, a person involved may demand a public hearing on his case.

Also, an executive session may be called when the purchase of additional real property is being considered.

This is to prevent land values from being unduly increased. And, another time is when deliberations on matters affecting security are involved—such as excessive vandalism. However, the hiring of a security guard is not an executive meeting matter as it involves the taxpayer's money.

And, the other time is when a governmental body is calling witnesses to testify against or for someone. Another witness may be excluded.

When an executive session is called it means no record of the proceedings are made public and the public does not have access to decisions made by the board members at such meetings unless they are made public afterwards at a public meeting.

Thus, there are primarily two times when an executive session may legally be called—when personnel are being discussed and when the purchase of public land is the subject—and only for these two items.

Which brings up Monday's School Board meeting.

No. 7 item on the agenda concerned resignations, employment and review of personnel—a legal reason for an executive session.

However, consider these other matters which were discussed and make up your mind.

No. 1 on the agenda was a report on the status of the 1975-76 maintenance budget; No. 5 item discussed was expenses and problems incurred by twirlers and cheerleaders; No. 6 item was furniture and equipment purchases for 1976-77.

After two hours and 45 minutes spent on five other items on the agenda, No. 2, 4, 8, 9 and 10, President Charles Jacobs reported "we are now going into executive session to consider the rest of the items on the agenda."

He did eliminate the No. 3 item from the executive session which concerned the charter of a bus for Arlington Stadium, reporting the state had ruled this couldn't be done.

Now, every item slated for the executive session except the one dealing with personnel was in violation of the open meetings act and deals with money—your money.

There has been concern by Jacobs, as president of the Board, that the public is touchy about the tax issue since the re-evaluation procedures and that the less said about the budgets and the probable and real income of the school district the better.

Merkel does have a financially strong, sound school district and one that is well managed. Still the school and its facilities belong to you—each individual who has children in school, each individual who pays property taxes, each individual who pays personal property tax on an automobile.

Therefore, you have a right to the best possible information as to how your dollar is spent and where the district stands financially and in what direction the School Board is taking your district in the future.

You had enough faith in those elected to give them this responsibility. Therefore, shouldn't they have enough faith in you to let you know what they are doing and to have confidence you will support their actions?

What it boils down to is that it is your (the public's) decision to make as to what you want. Shouldn't you be allowed the opportunity to make that decision—good or bad?

Speed trap nabs three suspects

Three would-be robbers found the Merkel speed trap today. And, it wasn't much to their liking.

The three reportedly took an air conditioner from the bedroom of merkel home furnishing at 11:15 Tuesday morning.

Owner Rodney Cosper saw them from his vantage point his other business at Western Auto and informed Justice the Peace Walter Thames who called the Highway Patrol. Meanwhile, about 4 minutes elapsed and as the patrolmen were getting the call they were also getting ready to stop speeding auto heading for Abilene.

When the lights went on, the three suspects attempted to turn the automobile they were driving around and ditched an air conditioner.

The air conditioner was damaged when it was thrown from the vehicle. Bqt, it was returned and the three were in custody all within four minutes after the incident.



WOW--Showing off her new puppy is Teresa Lucas, right, as Cassie Townseld offers a pat and an expression of

comment. The two were busy showing off the new puppy and eating and drinking and enjoying action at the Little League Park last Friday.

Grain harvest continues strong

With a week to 10 days remaining for the grain harvest, both South Grain Elevator and Henderson Grain Company in Merkel are reporting the harvest going strong.

It isn't as big as it was last year but both companies are reporting better than average yields.

Officials at Henderson Grain Company said the grain is coming in pretty good considering the weather slowed the activity down some.

The crop is about 60 per cent of what it was last year they estimate. Last year was

considered the best year ever.

Meanwhile, the price per bushel is still rising and was at \$3.51 at one time Tuesday. Officials estimate the price will jump back down when people start delivering the grain to the coast.

Henderson Grain reports its elevators are not crowded and anyone wanting fast service may get it at this time. The company is managed by Walter Whisenant who was named manager a month ago.

Henderson is moving two carloads a day through its facilities while South is mov-

ing much more, having more contracts.

Best day for Henderson was June 4 when they took in 937,000 pounds. By comparison with the rain hampering operations Monday only

99,980 pounds were taken--which is a half car load.

Since the first day, May 28 when they took in 55,000 pounds Henderson has taken in 4,258,980 pounds through Tuesday afternoon.

Cowart new track coach

The Merkel school Board hired two coaches and a teacher and accepted the resignation of a coach at its called meeting Monday night.

Resigning is Robert Crawford, seventh grade coach and teacher who is going to Anson.

Hired were Dennis Utley, Edgar Cowart and Russell Gee.

Utley is from Abilene and comes to Merkel from San Angelo. He will teach composite science, math and or physics and chemistry at Merkel High.

Cowart will be head track coach and assist with football. He will teach physical science in the high school. He is from Amarillo.

Gee will be the new seventh grade coach and teach history. He comes from San Angelo.

Merkel High principal Travis Davis, who will become superintendent July 1, says Monday's action "just about fills out our staff."

He indicated the school district may have to hire another first grade teacher for Tye but at the present he says Merkel has a full staff for the fall.

However, he said "we are going to have to hire some bus drivers."

O.E.S. to install officers Friday

Merkel Chapter No. 212, Order of the Eastern Star, will have installation of officers ceremonies Friday evening at 8:00 p.m. in the Masonic Hall.

The installing Officers are to be:

Installing Officer-Mae Seago, Past Matron of Merkel Chapter 212.

Installing Marshall-Blanche Abbott, Past Matron, Queen Esther, Chapter 833, Abilene.

Installing Secretary-Ouida Reid, Past Matron of Merkel Chapter 212.

Installing Chaplain-Amelia Smith, Past Matron of Sweetwater Chapter 352.

Installing Organist-Anna Belle Shouse, Past Matron of Merkel Chapter 212.

Officers for the 1976-77 year are to be:

Hazel Pargament-Worthy Matron.

Ted Pargament-Worthy Patron.

Estelle Humphreys-Associate Matron.

Fred Starbuck-Associate Patron.

Fern Winham-Secretary

Florence Berry-Treasurer.

Margaret McAninch-Conductress.

Wanda Clyburn-Associate Conductress.

Louise Parham-Chaplain.

Jewell Dunagin-Marshall.

Allene Knight-Organist.

Thelma Griffin-Adah.

Lottie Everett-Ruth.

Georgia Allday-Esther.



ARTIST OF MONTH--Mrs. Jack Hogan is the Artist of the Month for June for the Merkel Art Association. Her work is on display in the lobby of the Farmers and Merchants National Bank in Merkel. Mrs. Hogan has been painting two years and her favorite scene is the one of her horse with a mountain in the background. She has painted 30 to 35 pictures since beginning painting as a hobby. Ruth has sold two pictures recently and has an order to do a third. She has studied under Talmage Minter and Jim Campbell of Abilene and Lois Shaw of Sweetwater. Currently she is studying under Ruth Adams of Abilene. Mrs. Hogan likes working with oils best. Mr. and Mrs. Hogan live at Route 3 in Merkel and have one son who is a special education teacher in Abilene and they have two grandsons, Ken and Kody. She is the secretary of the Merkel Art Association and Communications Director of the Taylor County Farmers Union Association.



Brnovak earns Masters Degree

Gaylon Joe Brnovak, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brnovak of Merkel, received a Master of Science Degree from Angelo State University.

He graduated with a 3.93 grade point average with a major in biology and a minor in chemistry.

Gaylon has been employed as a science teacher and coach for the past 3 years at Robert Lee.

In June his family, Donna and daughter Minda, will move to Roscoe to take a position of science teacher and girls coach.

Gaylon was a graduate from Trent High School, Donna a graduate of Merkel High School.

New arrival

David and Betty Cockrell of Merkel announce the birth of a 9 pound, 12 ounce son born at Hendrick Memorial Hospital, Abilene, May 28, 1976. Lance David was welcomed home by his 3-year-old sister, Rachel. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Powdrill, and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Doyl Taylor. The paternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Ella Jeans. Maternal great-grandfather is Mr. Jim C. Taylor. Mrs. Clara English of Mansfield, Louisiana, is the maternal great-grandmother. All other grandparents are from Joaquin, Texas.

Thompson honored

Johnny Thompson, son of Mrs. Jean Irvin of Merkel, was named to the Honorable Mention list for outstanding academic work at Hardin-Simmons University during the 1976 spring semester.

To qualify for Honorable Mention, a student must take 6 to 11 hours with at least a 3.7 grade point average.

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Elementary School

Mr. Cain, principal of Merkel Elementary, has announced the Honor Roll for the 6th Six Weeks.

FIRST GRADE

"A"-Eddie Biera, Tracy Bicknell, Abby Irvin, Tina Jaramillo, Lance Jones, Russell Morgan, Bridget Pallares, Brit Pursley, David Ray, Danny Santee, DeAnn Stevens, Christy Stokes, Marissa Toombs, Dawn Vanderwerker, Fondale Watson, Sandy Webb, Sheila White and Michelle Woodard.

"A-B"-Mark Aldridge, Kerry Deen, Anna Dela Cruz, Ricky Doan, Lydia Floyd, Kristen Kennedy, Chad Pack, Brent Pierce, Tony Roberts, Gayle Shugart, Travis Watson and Shane White.

SECOND GRADE

"A"-Cammie Bright, Kevin Coker, Chris Horton, Amy Irvin, Lorie Kimbrell, Gayle Landeros, Kelly Riney and Regina Stuckey.

"A-B"-Monica Atkinson, Sue Cunningham, Dean Franklin, Michael Gregory, Richie Holcomb, Wayne Johnson, Barbara Kinder, Randy Pallares, Devin Sanford and Todd Yaddow.

THIRD GRADE

"A"-Jerry Davis, Tim Jacobs and Cindy Toney.

"A-B"-David Glasscock, Darren Pack, Kenny Sims,

Shane Smith, Tracy Townsend, Cresencia Vasquez and Tamara Watson.

FOURTH GRADE

"A"-Angie Allen, Bonnie Anderson, Joelle Coffin, Joan Fariello, Trayla Gregory, Denise Pack, Kimberly Pack and Cindy Sims.

"A-B"-Lori Aldridge, Scott Alves, Jill Douglass, Steve Faglie, Jay Gibson, Tommy Hays, Brenda Hohertz, Judy Jenkins, Brenda Kinder, Russell Lucas, Billy McKeenan, Charlotte Toney,

Ray Walters and John Ybarra.

FIFTH GRADE

"A"-Tammye Cloyd and Windi Whisenant.

"A-B"-Rosie Biera, Tina Bicknell, Tim Brady, Greg Dickinson, Angela Dunlap, Kimberly Gurganus, Eddy Harris, Linda Holmes, Karen Jackson, Sharon Jackson, Roy Johnson, Diana Landeros, Eddie Martin, Chris Mashburn, Kim McCasland, Tammy Townsend and Kyle Wolf.

Junior High School

SIXTH GRADE

"A"-Rene Aiken, Nancy Cick, Janice Jacobs, Sharryl Luckey, Maria Mareno, Kim Farnnelly, Stacy Seymore and Yvonne Swinney.

"A-B"-Kristi Alves, Loyce Baker, Michelle Brown, Tammie Cunningham, Roberto Duran, Mary Fariello, Royce Fowler, Christine Franklin, Larry Hines, Paul Kannel, Connie Page, Srintorn Parsarn, Russell Stine, Shiela Swinney, Willie Townsend, David Wilkerson, Debbie Williams, and Ann Wooten.

SEVENTH GRADE

"A"-Judy Castille, Terri Cox, Norma Frazier, Todd Gregory, Kelly Knight, Randy Martinez, Alane McGee, Bart Pursley and Delisa Roysden.

"A-B"-Sheila Adair, Lisa Allen, Mark Bland, Manuel Biera, Christi Brady, Buster Brown, Vicki Campbell, Carrie Clark, Tammy Davis, Cindy Doan, Becky Dunlap, Walter Elmore, Kim Gary, Linda Graves, Ricky Mathewson, Ann Melton, Jan Melton, Louise Sellers, Dee Ann Smith, James Turner, Billy Walters, Lori Weatherford, Susan Wheeler, Sheri Williams and Linda Wilson.

EIGHTH GRADE

"A"-Josh Amerine, Shannon Bagby, Jeanessa Cypert, Wendy Hogan, Sharon Isom, Jodie Jenkins, Chirre Kraatz, Brad Wade, Lynn Wade and Dion Wilkerson.

"A-B"-Susan Arnwine, Sherry Ascencio, David Brooks, Scott Cain, Becky Carter, Brian Fariello, Robert Fowler, Victor Herrera, Carmen Lerma, Kim Mashburn, Karen Pack, Susan Peachey, Diana Saldona, Marissa Sandusky, Tomie Santee, Lisa Shugart, John Townsend, Becky Watts and Cynthia White.

Inmate seeks prison release

A former Merkel man is seeking release from state prison.

Dennis Butman has filed an application in federal court for a writ of habeas corpus. The 28-year-old convicted robber was denied a writ by District Judge Don Lane a year ago. Lane said the writ was not in proper form and refused it.

Butman claims he was coerced into pleading guilty and that his court-appointed attorney was ineffective and appointed too late to have time to sufficiently investigate Butman's case.

The inmate had received a 25-year sentence after pleading guilty to the June 8, 1974 robbery of Danny Carpenter of Hawley who said he was beaten and robbed.

In 1972 Butman received a 3-year prison term for stabbing a hog to death with a pocket knife.

McLean reunion

Children of the late Robert and Rosa McLean had a reunion Sunday at the Merkel Senior Citizens Building in Merkel.

Present at the McLean reunion were Garrie Latimer of Abilene, Vance McLean of California and Mrs. Cullen Toombs of Snyder. Blanton McLean of Virginia was not able to attend.

There were 30 attending from Merkel, Trent, Sweetwater, Anson, Abilene, Fluvanna, Snyder, Lubbock and Fort Worth.

There were four grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren present.

Five receive special awards

Five Merkel High School seniors received special recognition during graduation commencement.

Netta Stephan received a scholarship to West Texas State University.

Or, if she chooses she also may receive a church related scholarship.

Miss Stephan also received special recognition as Valedictorian of Merkel High this year.

Jerre Kay Law won a church related scholarship and the Merkel High award for being Salutatorian.

Mike Magee won a church related scholarship for being highest ranking boy among the 39 graduating seniors this year.

Karolyn Davis won the VFW scholarship and also won the Jones, Taylor County Women's Auxiliary Medical Society Scholarship.

Chris Boone received a 4-H scholarship and a scholarship to perform with the Wrangler Belles at Cisco Junior College.

Sherrell, Collins exchange vows

In a Saturday afternoon ceremony at First Presbyterian Church, Miss Suzanne Lisa Sherrell exchanged marriage vows with George McDowell Collins, III, Dr. William P. Wood officiated at the candle lighting ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs. Aultman LaMoine Sherrell and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Alvin Dorchester.

The Matron of Honor was

Mrs. Allan Campbell, the bride's sister and Ralph Alvin Dorchester was Best Man.

Bridesmaids were Mrs. Mark S. Sherrell, Mrs. Richard R. Brant, Mrs. Robert R. James and Miss Deborah S. North.

The Groom's Attendants were Gary Deane, Mark S. Sherrell, Richard R. Brant, Allan Campbell with Dan Lassel, III and Richard J. Fry, III ushering.

A reception in the Aztec Room of Fort Sam Houston Officers Club followed the ceremony.

After a honeymoon trip to Colorado the couple will reside in San Antonio.

The bride is the granddaughter of Mrs. Leola Sherrell of Merkel. Mrs. Sherrell along with Mr. and Mrs. James Eubanks and Sheri and Connie of Baird attended the wedding.

Haircuts going up

The price of haircuts is going up. Barnett and Conley barber shops in Merkel have announced an increase in prices effective June 15.

Haircuts will be increased from \$2 to \$2.50. Other increases at the two barber shops will include \$2.50 for shampoos, \$2.50 for shaves, \$4 for massage, \$1 for tonic, \$1.50 for neck shave and 35 cents for a shave.

Real Estate course set

A new 5 1/2 day Real Estate Licensing Course in basic fundamentals of real estate, will be offered by Texas State Technical Institute in Sweetwater in cooperation with the American College of Real Estate, starting date will be June 21, 1976.

Taught by a staff of highly qualified successful professionals actively engaged in the real estate business. The course will include instruction on basic Real Estate Law, Agency, Conveyancing, Title Closing, Financing and other required subjects to give the student a well rounded basic real estate education.

Special emphasis will be placed on Math, with six hours devoted to helping the student understand and grasp the problems as they relate to real estate.

Classes will meet on Texas State Technical Campus Building 10, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday with a review and exam Saturday morning.

Successful completion of the course meet the pre-licensing requirements of 30 classroom hours of instruction necessary for application of salesman license.

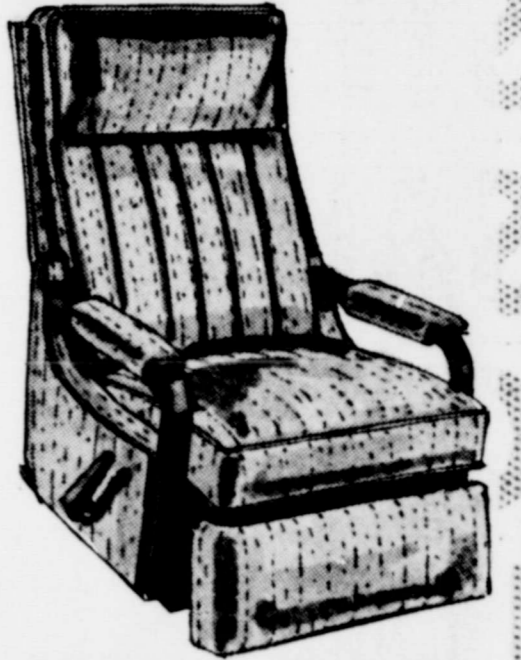
For additional information, please feel free to call the State Tech Campus at 235-8441, Exts. 40 or 41.

City Council to meet

The Merkel City Council will hold its regular meeting Monday.

The meeting is set for 5:30 p.m. at the Merkel City Hall.

FATHERS DAY



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NEWS FLASH: Six of Merkel High School's twirlers have been roaming over town begging for work to do so that they can raise money to go to twirlers camp.

Starting Monday all week long these girls will be at the L&W Snack Bar working for hourly wages and tips which they are going to donate to their camp fund. Come in and give them a chance. They'll wait on you hand and foot. Dig a little deeper, It won't hurt.

Starting Monday, June 14 a pool tournament will get under way. This is a 20 20 tournament

Rules are:

You must win 20 games one week to be eligible to play in playoffs every Sunday, starting at 1 p.m.

This will be for Snooker and 8 Ball.

You will not be able to beat one opponent over three times each week. You must accept all challengers during the week if you are going to play in the tournament. Prizes each week will be \$20 cash in both 8 ball and Snooker.

At the end of 20 weeks there will be a playoff of all the weekly winners.

This prize will be in the neighborhood of \$200. No entry fee.

You just must must win 20 games each week to be eligible.

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STEAKETTS	GOOCH	1 LB PKG	\$1.09
SAUSAGE	GOOCH GERMAN STYLE	12 OZ PKG	\$1.09
CHUCK ROAST		LB	79¢
LOIN STEAK		LB	\$1.49
BEEF LIVER		LB	69¢

INSTANT LIPTON'S TEA	3 OZ JAR	\$1.29	WAGNER ORANGE DRINK	QT	39¢
CHICKEN OF THE SEA TUNA	FLAT CAN	55¢	BEST MAID Salad Dressing	QT JAR	79¢
BEST MAID PICKLES	48 OZ JAR	79¢	HEINZ BAR-B-QUE Sauce	16 OZ	49¢
LIPTON TEA BAGS	48 COUNT BOX	89¢	EAGLE BRAND MILK	14 OZ CAN	59¢
JOHNSTONS GRAHAM CRUST	EA	49¢			

PEACHES	VAL VITA NO 2 1/2 CAN	2 FOR	\$1
CORN	KOUNTY KIST 12 OZ CAN	4 FOR	\$1
PORK & BEANS	VAN CAMP 300 CAN	4 FOR	\$1
TREET	LUNCH MEAT 12 OZ CAN		\$1
BISCUITS	KOUNTRY FRESH	8 FOR	\$1
GREEN BEANS	DEL MONTE CUT 303 CAN	4 FOR	\$1
PEAS	DEL MONTE 303 CAN	3 FOR	\$1
SPINACH	DEL MONTE 303 CAN	4 FOR	\$1
BAKED BEANS	MORTON HOUSE 16 OZ CAN	3 FOR	\$1

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DASH DETERGENT	\$3.09
JUMBO	
BOUNCE FABRIC SOFTENER	\$1.39
40 CT. BOX	
CHEER DETERGENT	\$1.89
KING SIZE	

CRISCO	3 LB CAN	\$1.29
THE LIVING'S EASY WITH	<i>Frozen Foods</i>	
KEITH 6 OZ. CAN		
LEMONADE	5 FOR	\$1.00
KEITH'S CRINKLE CUT POTATOES	2 LB. BAG	39¢
KEITH'S CORN OF PEAS	20 OZ BAG	49¢
IT'S TIME FOR	<i>Produce</i>	
CALIFORNIA PEACHES	LB	49¢
CALIFORNIA CHERRIES	LB	59¢
FLORIDA CORN	10 FOR	\$1
CALIFORNIA RED SWEET ONIONS	LB.	25¢
CALIFORNIA LONG WHITE POTATOES	10 LB BAG	98¢

Aluminum Foil	79¢
REYNOLDS	
18' x 25" ROLL	
VIVA TOWELS	2 FOR \$1
BIG ROLL	

MILK	MARIGOLD 2% HOMO	\$1.39
	REG HOMO GAL	\$1.49
	PLUS DEP	
FLOUR	GOLD MEDAL 5 LB BAG	79¢
CAKE MIX	DUNCAN HINES	59¢
CORNBREAD MIX	GLADIOLA 6 OZ PKG	2 FOR 29¢
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MASONIC MEETING
Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710 on 2nd Saturday and 4th Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome. Members urged to attend.

BILLY D. DOAN W.M. ROY MASHBURN, Sec'y

NOW OPEN Douglass Catfish farm. No advance in prices also now booking orders for catfish fingerlings.

NEED HELP? Call the Merkel OUTREACH PROGRAM. 928-5659 or 928-5017.

Wanted

LAND FOR SALE? CALL Collect-Bill Largent, Farm and Ranch Mgr. at Frances McClure Inc., Realtors. 3157 South 27th, Abilene. 698-3211, Night 698-2375.

WANTED TO BUY--Windmill, standing or on the ground. Call 928-5712.

WOULD LIKE TO BABYSIT in my home or yours. Call Becky Watts, 928-5238.

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POODLE GROOMING at 1405 Heath. Call 928-5445 or Abilene 677-1193, Cathy Carson Kelley.

CUSTOM COMBINING Cutting and baling. Call Noodle, 736-6128 after 5 p.m.

CALL 928-5995 FOR CARPENTER WORK

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- 73 Olds Cutlass Supreme 2 door Air and power, cruise control, light green with green vinyl top, nice one owner. Only. \$2995
- 74 Grand Prix Air, power, electric windows and seat tilt wheel, cruise AM/FM stereo tape, rally II wheels, white with white vinyl top, nice. \$4295
- 75 GMC 1/2 Ton Air and power, radial tires, 19,000 miles, light blue and white color. Real Nice Only. \$4495
- 73 Pontiac Catalina 4 door Sedan, air and power. Green color with black vinyl top, Nice, only. \$2195
- 73 Dodge Cornet Custom 4-door Sedan, air and power. Green color real nice only. \$2295
- 73 Pontiac Catalina 4-door Sedan, air and power, white blue vinyl top. Nice, only. \$1995
- 75 Pontiac Aster Hatchback, 2 barrel, 140 engine, factory air/FAC, radio body side molding, tinted glass, deluxe wheel covers, W W tires. Under dealer cost. \$3597
- 72 Pontiac Catalina 6 passenger station wagon, automatic, power air, luggage rack. Bronze color. Clean. \$2585
- 73 Pontiac Grand Prix Power air, power windows, power seats, cruise control, stereo tape player, Honeycomb wheels, steel radial tires, Burgandy with black vinyl top. Like New, 27,000 miles. \$3795
- 72 Ford Torino 4 door automatic, power and air. Nice. \$1895
- 69 Ford Fairlane 2 door hardtop, automatic, air, extra clean. \$995
- 74 Pontiac LeMans 2 door hardtop, air and power, stereo tape, rally II wheels. Turquoise with white vinyl top, 30,000 miles. Real nice. \$3595

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GARAGE SALE--Thursday 9 to 7, Friday 8 to 4. Furniture, clothes (adults and baby's), books, dinette set and misc. Larry Pack Res, Farm Market Road #1235, Down Cherry Street to dead end at S. 8th turn left.

GARAGE SALE--Farm Rd #1235 at city limits SE of Merkel, Wednesday-Thursday-Friday, TV, dishwasher, good children's clothes and misc.

WE APPRECIATE so much the many kind deeds done for us during our recent sorrow. The food, flowers and the many things you did will never be forgotten.

Mrs. G. W. Richie Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Richie Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Richie Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Winter

Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS TO Trent School Board of Education and the Trent Community Friends.

I would like to express my sincere thanks for the beautiful plaque. I love our school and all the dear Friends in the Community of Trent. It was the confidence of the people and the love I share for the school and the community, that I was privileged to serve on the Trent School Board all those years. Thank you to all who had a part in the plaque. I love you all, Ronnie D. Freeman

FOUND DOG--Black and brown dachshund, 806 Yucca 928-5048.

Lost & Found

Card of Thanks

Garage Sale

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For Sale

- 60,000 PAPERBACKS half price or trade. Kingston Bookstore, North 2nd, east of Grape, Abilene, Monday-Saturday, 9-6.
- EVAPORATIVE Air Conditioners For Sale-Price Reduced-\$3-speed, \$75 and 2-speed \$60. Call 928-5717.
- FOR SALE-Electric caddy golf cart. Call 928-5884 or 928-5928.
- FOR SALE: 72 Yamaha 250in "A1" condition. Call 928-5481.
- FOR SALE - 40 ACRES AND HOME. Irrigated, close to Merkel city limits. Terms can be handled. Call 928-5884 or 928-5928.
- CLEAN 2 BEDROOM House for sale, Merkel School, in city limits. FHA loan. Call Senter Realtors, 677-1811--Linda Cravens, 928-4860, Merkel.
- FOR SALE: Small Maintainer Contact 862-2931, City of Trent, Box 72, Trent, Texas 79761. Bids opened at 7:00 p.m. July 6, 1976 at City Hall.
- FOR SALE-Approximately three acres of pecan trees, fruit trees, cossup, well and pump, city water, barn storage building, guard light, fenced garden area, yard, gravel driveway, paved frontage. FM 126 beautiful homesite or mobil home ready. Ph. 928-5769.
- FOR SALE-Extra nice 12 x 64 mobile home. 3 bedroom, carpet, 1 1/2 bath, \$4500. Call 862-3051, Trent.
- FOR SALE-10 ft Krause Tandem excellent condition. Also 9 shank chisel plow, 928-5454.

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Legal Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE
The City Council of Merkel, Texas will consider at its regular meeting, 5:30 p.m., June 14, 1976, petitions to close the following streets and/or alleys's.

1. South Cherry Street from 8th to 9th and between block A-H-B & G in the South Park addition to the City of Merkel.
2. Alley in the north 1/2 of Block 22, T & P addition to the City of Merkel.
3. East-West Alley north of the west 1/2 of Block 27, College addition to the City of Merkel.

All interested parties are invited to attend.

Lou David Allen, Mayor

NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
to any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas-Greetings:

CITATION

BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Steven Howard Fitzpatrick Respondent, (s) Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED 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 Ouida Lee Wheeler, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 2 day of June, 1976, against Steven Howard Fitzpatrick Respondent (s), and said suit being numbered 11,948-DR on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In the interest of Heidi Marie Fitzpatrick a Child," the nature of which suit is a request to

Said Heidi Marie Fitzpatrick was born the 26 day of April, 1972, in Heidelberg, Germany.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the Child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent-child 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 2 day of June, 1976.

(SEAL) Attest: Irene Crawford District Clerk Domestic Relations Court in Taylor County, Texas. By Faye Lyons Deputy 16-1tc

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF CLITIS J. KITTS, DECEASED:

NOTICE is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Clittis J. Kitts, Deceased, were issued to the undersigned on the 25th day of May, 1976, in the proceeding indicated below our signatures hereto, which is still pending, and that we now hold such

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST ESTATE OF JAMES E. BOUCHER, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that Original Letters of Administration upon the Estate of James E. Boucher, deceased, were issued to August E. Boucher on the 27th day of May, 1976, in the proceeding indicated below which is still pending, and that the said August E. Boucher now holds such Letters. All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in Taylor County, Texas, are hereby required to present the same to August E. Boucher at his address, 306 Ascot Street, Pontiac, Michigan 48054, before the time prescribed by law, August 1, 1976, or before the expiration of the time prescribed by law, August 1, 1976, in the proceeding indicated below which is still pending, and that the said August E. Boucher now holds such Letters. All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in Taylor County, Texas, are hereby required to present the same to August E. 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Final Rites held for G. W. Richie

Funeral services were held Saturday for G. W. (Whitt) Richie, 79, of Perryton, formerly of Merkel.

Mr. Richie died Friday at Perryton.

Services were at Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Charles Spivey, pastor of Hebron Baptist Church officiating, assisted by the Rev. George Caffee, pastor of McCaulley Baptist Church.

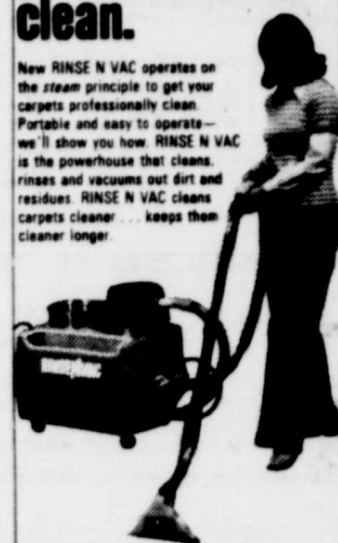
Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born July 15, 1896, in Mulberry Canyon, he married Annie Clifton in 1919 in Greenville. They moved from Merkel to Perryton in 1974.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, D. J. of Merkel and Wayne of Sanger; a daughter, Mrs. Lewis Winter of Perryton; five sisters, Mrs. Aubry Smith and Josie Averitt, both of California, Mrs. Lynn Bridges of Breckenridge, Mrs. J. J. Riney of Slaton and Mrs. E. B. Barnes of Merkel; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

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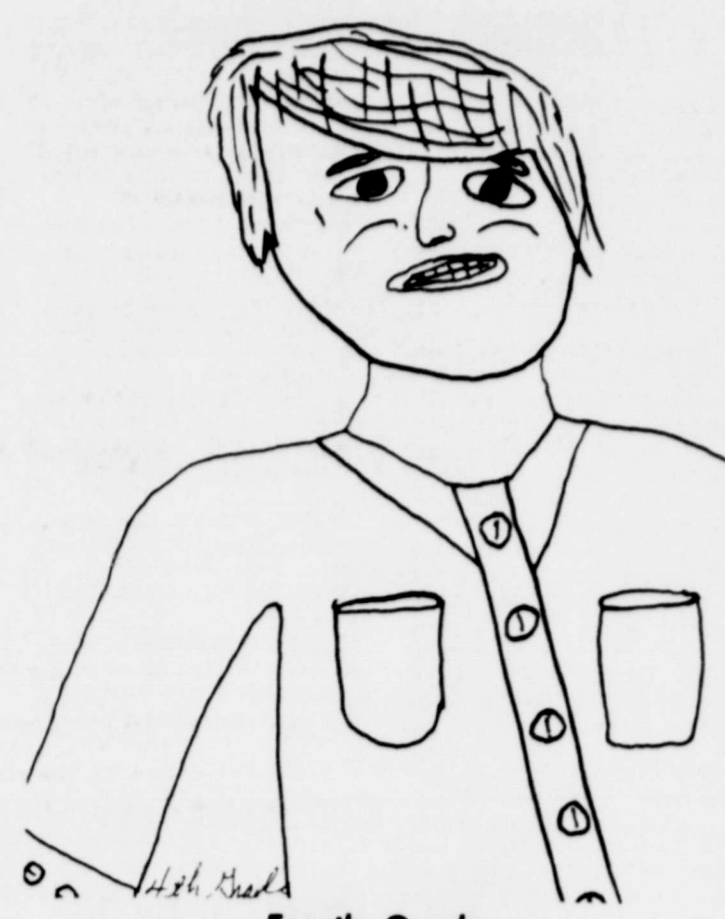


Seventh Grade

WINNERS--Winning Picture of Pop contest at Crawford's is Lelecia Anderson for eighth grade; Judy Castille for seventh grade; Donnie Smith for fourth grade; Darren Pack for third grade; Chad Pack for first grade; and Angie Cannon for pre-school. Here are the winning drawings with the winners receiving a \$5 gift certificate at Crawford's in which they got a Father's Day present for his special day June 20.



Eighth Grade



Fourth Grade

Mule Deer season set

Buck white-tailed deer hunting by permit only in Webb County and a curtailed mule deer season in the Trans-Pecos were major changes to come from an April meeting of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission in Austin.

Commissioners followed department staff recommendations and approved a continued buck permit system for Webb County, but on a restricted basis. Under the system, one buck permit will be issued for approximately every 230 acres of land, but every rural landowner in the county will receive at least one permit.

The limited issuance of permits for the coming season is part of efforts by the department to relieve hunting pressure on Webb County bucks and place more emphasis on antlerless deer.

A 25 per cent decline in the Trans-Pecos mule deer herd from 1974 to 1975 prompted P & W Commissioners to approve a 9-day season on both mule and white-tailed deer this year, November 27 to December 5. In past years the West Texas mule deer season has been 16 days. Additionally, white-tailed deer hunting in Pecos, Terrell and Jeff Davis Counties and Val Verde County west of the Pecos River will be open from November 27 to January 2.

Otherwise, the general deer season will continue as defined in regulatory authority proclamations. November 13-January 2, in most of the state, and November 20-December 5 in the Panhandle.

Turkey seasons generally will be concurrent with deer seasons.

The South Texas quail season runs November 1-January 30, to include Zapata County; Trans-Pecos, November 13-January 30; Possum Kingdom and Northeast, December 1-February 15; most other areas of the state, November 13-February 15.

Additional pheasant hunting was approved by commissioners for portions of Matagorda and Liberty Counties, January 22-30. The regular pheasant season in Panhandle counties was set for December 11-26. Prairie chickens may be hunted in some Panhandle and Permian Basin counties October 16-17.

In the southwesternmost portion of the state, javalina may be hunted October 1-January 2.

Antelope season in the Texas Panhandle was set for October 2-5, and in the Trans-Pecos and Permian

Basin, October 2-10.

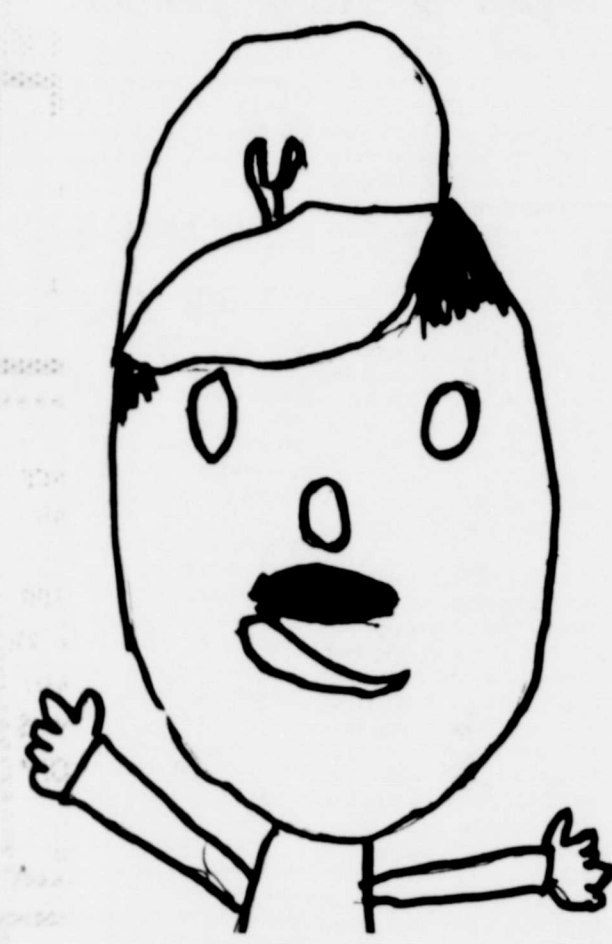
A November 6-12, quail season was approved.

In other game and fish matters, P & W Commissioners:

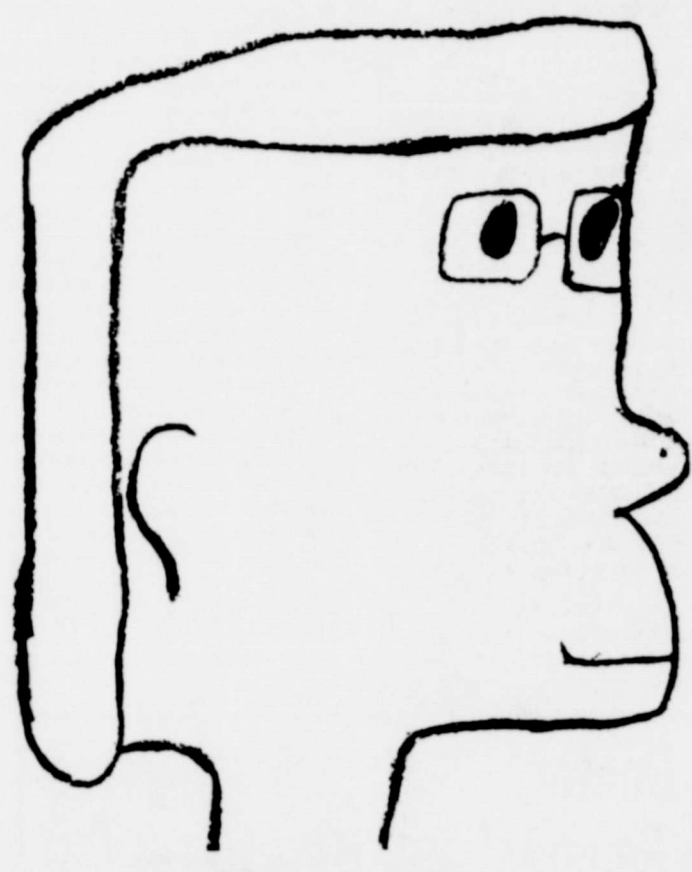
- Deleted wording in game proclamation pertaining to closed season on all game birds and animals within corporate limits of a city since city limits are moving farther out into huntable habitat. However, all federal, state and local regulations will continue to apply.
- Set the regular deer bag limit in Zavala, Kerr and Real Counties at three deer, no more than two bucks, antlerless deer by permit. P & W Commission action in these three counties is subject to concurrence by county commissioners' courts.
- Reduced the deer bag limit in Robertson County to two bucks.
- Set the Medina County deer bag limit at three deer, no more than one buck.
- Set a November 13-December 19 deer season in Dimmit County, bag of three deer, no more than two bucks.
- Added Blanco, Hays, Kendall, Kerr and Real Counties to statewide archery season, October 1-31; this action also is subject to approval of county commissioners' courts.
- Set Zapata County deer season for November 13-January 2.
- Set an April 16-24, spring turkey gobbler season in 45 counties of Edwards Plateau and Possum Kingdom and Tyler and Polk Counties of East Texas.
- Set a 9-inch minimum limit on blue and channel catfish in counties of the Possum Kingdom, Northeast and Southeast Regulatory Districts.

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First Grade



Third Grade

Letter to the Editor

Zoning law needed

Dear Sir,

I am writing concerning the fact that there are no zoning laws in Merkel.

Merkel is certainly on the grow, thanks to many people. Right now is the time to decide what kind of town we as citizens want Merkel to be.

Are we going to have a nice orderly well planned town or are we going to have a disorganized hit and miss trailer town.

There are trailer parks springing up all over the place and so far I have not seen one that has been planned for anything but making the owner as much money as the lot will hold trailers. The looks according to keeping property value up seems to be the last thing any one has thought of.

We cannot expect permanent residents to come in here and build a nice home with the threat of an out of town speculator putting something next door to him that will cause his property value to plunge.

Every one has to live somewhere and we need all types of tax payers-but everyone can be treated fairly thru city zoning ordinances.

This is an oversimplification but here are a few places perhaps to start.

1. In neighborhood, before letting a trailer move in get 2/3 of the people on that street to say yes.
2. Do not allow any more than 1 mobile home on a 50-foot lot. That still would allow 2 mobile homes per 75 x 140 lot which I believe is an average lot, except when set aside for trailer parks.
3. Do not allow a developer to build in a neighborhood houses much cheaper than

those around it, thus reducing existing property value.

These are just a start and I know there is much more to it than this-but we must start somewhere now.

Why should out of towners with no interest in Merkel but making money ruin the over all shape of our town; they can make their money, we can collect the taxes, and all still protect our own property if we have zoning laws.

Let's urge our City Councilmen, City Manager, Mayor to start immediately to protect us as property owners and tax payers.

Before you label me a snob, I live in a trailer but I care very much about Merkel and don't ever want to think moving to Merkel was a mistake.

Don't think for one minute that if there is a buck to be made your friends will smile to your face and put a trailer park next to where you are building your home for life they will.

City officials-we need zoning laws!

Sincerely,
Iris Amerine

Browning visitors

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Browning had visiting with them last week their daughter and their grandson, Mrs. Joe Holmes and her son Lonnie Harris of Dallas.



Pre-School

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Taylor, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the original as filed in the office of the County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas, on the 19th day of June, 1976.

BY PUBLICATION TO: Wanda Marie Haas, Defendant; Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse at 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 19th day of July A. D. 1976, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 22nd day of January A. D. 1976, in this cause, numbered 11,461-A on the docket of said court and styled

Robert Len Haas, Plaintiff, vs. Wanda Marie Haas, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit for Divorce. Parties married on or about January 25, 1964. Separated on or about September 15, 1970. One child born to this Marriage, Robert Len Haas, II, a male, born April 4, 1968. No 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 3rd day of June A. D. 1976.

(SEAL) Attest: Irene Crawford Clerk, Domestic Relations Court Taylor County, Texas. By Reila Mahoney, Deputy. 16-1tc

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Farmers Union seeks tax revision

From the time of the last revision of federal estate taxes applicable to farms which was made in 1942, farm real estate values have soared from \$33.6 billion to more than \$370 billion, Jay Naman, President of the Texas Farmers Union said here today.

Naman made the statement as he released a copy of the testimony which was presented by the National Farmers Union to the Senate Finance Committee which is writing legislation revising the nation's estate tax laws.

Naman said one of the problems, brought out in the testimony is that "farm real estate values have almost doubled since 1970, pushing many farming units into a valuation level making them subject to estate taxes which virtually prevent the land from being kept in the family."

"Whereas, the transition of the farm from father to son was still possible a few years ago, it is a difficult matter today," Reuben L. Johnson,

Director of Legislative Services for National Farmers Union presented the farm organization's views before the Senate Committee.

The Farmers Union official said that on the basis of the comparative purchasing power of the dollar in 1942 and today, the federal estate tax exemption would have to be adjusted from \$60,000 to

about \$200,000.

Naman also stressed the need for any legislation which may be adopted by the Congress in regard to federal estate taxes to include a provision requiring farms to be valued for estate tax purposes according to their value for farming, rather than their possible value for other than farm use.

Brenem new FHA president

Shirley Brenem has been named president of the Trent Future Homemakers of America for the next school year.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Brenem.

Other officers include Penny Hatfield, elected vice-

president. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eulan Hatfield.

Joyce Moses, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Moses is the new secretary and Pam Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Evans is the new treasurer. Historian is Robbie Freeman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Freeman. Terri Hamner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wayne Hamner is parliamentarian and Nell Kirk, daughter of Mrs. Agnes Kirk is song leader.

Cattlemen plan 2nd convention

Delegates, members and guests from Texas are expected in Austin July 15-18 for the second state convention of the Independent Cattlemen's Association.

ICA President T. A. Cunningham of Goliad said the convention will serve as a launch pad for goals the association will pursue during the coming year in marketing, legislative, and organizational programs.

"The convention is a time for unifying our efforts and renewing our determination to work for the betterment of the Texas cattle industry," Cunningham said.

"We have accomplished a great deal this past year, but many challenges lie ahead in everything from new land use control threats to tax reform and import problems," he said.

The convention will be held in Austin's Municipal Auditorium. The Hilton Inn will be the headquarters hotel.

Each organized ICA county chapter will send four delegates, four alternates and a convention official to the state meeting, but Cunningham emphasized that all ICA members and guests are equally welcome and can benefit from participating in the convention.



4-H ADULT LEADER HONORED--Dr. Daniel Pfannstiel, (left) director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, and J. L. "Curly" Hayes of Abilene, trustee for the Texas 4-H Foundation, are shown presenting a plaque to Mac McWhorter, (center) Taylor County adult leader and one of 2 leaders honored from Extension Service District 7 during the State 4-H Roundup at Texas A & M University, June 2. Also receiving a plaque during an adult leader luncheon was Mrs. Jimmie Guthrie of Nolan County. The special awards were given to 28 volunteer leaders from across the state for "distinguished service to Texas youth" in the program arranged by the 4-H Foundation in cooperation with the Agricultural Extension Service, the Texas A & M University System.

Chancey third Mystery Store winner

Aletta Chancey of Merkel has won a Spring Stage 7 pant suit from Emma's Clothes Closet as part of the Merkel Mystery Store contest now entering its fourth week.

Mrs. Chancey is the third winner in the 10-week contest sponsored by progressive Merkel businesses.

Billy Black received a portable mixer from Western Auto as the first winner and Esther Wheeler won a \$25 gift certificate from Circle A Western Wear for being the second winner.

Starbuck Furniture Stores the fourth Mystery Store and George Starbuck has announced his store will give the winner this week a choice of a \$24.95 framed picture.

The word to find throughout The Merkel Mail this week is "Starbuck's" and it has been hidden throughout the

paper at least 10 times.

To enter the contest find the word "Starbuck's" and circle at least 10 of them and then turn the newspaper with your name, address and telephone number in at this week's Mystery Store, Starbuck's Furniture Store, before 5 p.m. Saturday.

Or a contestant may enter by printing your name, address and telephone number on an 8 1/2 by 11 plain piece of paper and print the name "STARBUCK'S" 10 times, using all capital letters.

No purchase is necessary to enter and you do not have to be present at the drawing to win.

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Closet, Adcock's Circle Western Wear, Crawford's Ann's Flowers, Wilson's Grocery, Western Auto, Castille's Hardware and L & W Snack Bar.

National 4-H wool judging

Judging teams representing 4-H Clubs from across the nation will assemble in Sonora, June 15-17 to compete in the 1976 National 4-H Wool Judging Contest.

In addition to the national event, junior wool and mohair and open wool and mohair shows will be held. Participants in the junior all-Texas wool and mohair show will compete in the categories of livestock, wool mohair and range. Both 4-H Club and Future Farmers of America teams and individuals are eligible to enter the all-Texas show.

Registration for the wool and mohair and open shows will be held at 5 p.m. Tuesday (June 15) with judging Wednesday (June 16).

Registration for the National 4-H Wool Judging Contest will be held at 5 p.m. Wednesday (June 16) with judging on Thursday (June 17). All shows will culminate Thursday with an awards luncheon at the 4-H Center in Sonora where plaques, medals and a rotation trophy will be presented.

Members of 4-H Clubs participating in the national contest will compete in the wool judging only. The national 4-H event is held here in conjunction with the 39th Sonora Wool and Mohair Show. The 4-H Club event began here in 1947.

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Doctor Rongers' Column

By EDWARD W. RONGERS CHIROPRACTOR



Arthritis & Rheumatism Part 5

Cortisone and other related steroid hormones have been very effective in stopping the pain and inflammation in the joints and tissues of arthritic and rheumatic patients. Steroid is a term applied to the group of hormones that can be isolated from the outer covering or cortex of the adrenal glands which lie above each kidney. This group of chemically related steroid hormones includes cortisone, corticosterone, hydrocortisone and aldosterone.

Cortisone, corticosterone and hydrocortisone exhibit their greatest activity not only in stopping pain and inflammation, but also in the metabolism of carbohydrates and protein. Aldosterone has a very potent effect on the utilization of electrolytes or dissolved mineral salts in the body fluids.

Cortisone and the other related steroid hormones are a special problem. They can bring about sensational reduction of pain and inflammation in a matter of hours. The disabled patient suddenly becomes able-bodied again. But steroids have been found to have serious side effects. Steroids do not stop the disease process, they merely hide the fact that joint damage is still going on. These hormones have little or no effect when symptoms are the result of damage already developed.

Some of the possible side effects when using these hormones are abnormal fat

deposits, thinning of scalp hair, facial flushing, psychic disturbances, masking or covering up an infection that is present, salt retention, loss of calcium and nitrogen, sweating, gastrointestinal disturbances, hypertension, insomnia, vertigo, headache and many others.

In addition to cortisone and its related steroid hormones, there are other drugs that have proven to have some effectiveness in the temporary control of arthritis and rheumatism. Prednisone and prednisolone, two steroids which are closely related to cortisone, are found to be four to five times as effective as cortisone in the treatment of arthritis and to exhibit fewer side effects. Gold salts, used for years in treating rheumatoid arthritis, reduce the severity of rheumatoid inflammation, however, they are toxic and must be given in very carefully regulated doses.

Aspirin is the best single drug for most people with rheumatoid arthritis. It reduces pain and inflammation and is one of the safest drugs to use due to its limited side effects. But to get its full anti-inflammatory effect, it must be taken in large doses regularly day after day, even during periods when pain and swelling have subsided and the patient is feeling better.

Because people vary in their tolerance for aspirin, it should be taken for arthritis only as prescribed by and under the supervision of a physician.

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MERKEL, TEXAS



FUND RAISING--Members of the Merkel High Twirlers are busy this summer raising funds to pay for their trip to twirler's camp. Starting Monday they will be waiting tables at the L & W Snack Bar for a week from 11:30 until 2:30 with all the tips they get going into the fund. The six also will pool their salaries during the five-day stint of waiting tables during the noon rush hour at the L & W Snack Bar. From left, Lisa Owen, Mary Roeder, Taresia English, Cindy Smith and Shannon Bagby stop for a chat before going to work. Lesa Hart is the other twirler who will be working but was not present Tuesday for the business session.

Mustangs continue T-Shirt edge

The T-Shirt baseball league enters its final two nights of action with the Mustangs holding the advantage.

The Mustangs claimed two victories last week, defeating the Eagles, 10-2 and the Yankees, 16-0, to push their season record to 6-1.

The second place Yankees claimed a 12-6 decision of the Eagles in an incomplete game which was ruled a game by

Team	W	L
Mustangs	6	1
Yankees	4	2
Braves	2	5
Eagles	1	5

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS
Yankees 12, Eagles 6 (incomplete game)
Mustangs 10, Eagles 2
Braves 18, Eagles 9
Mustangs 16, Yankees 0
Yankees 5, Braves 4

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE
SATURDAY--Eagles vs. Yankees, 6 p.m.; Mustangs vs. Braves, 8 p.m.
MONDAY--Braves vs. Yankees, 6 p.m.; Eagles vs. Mustangs, 8 p.m.

Minors, Seniors head girls

Merkel's Minor and Senior division girls softball teams are leading their division after the opening week of action.

The Minor team has a 3-0 record, beating Hawley and Trent.

The Seniors have a 2-0 record, with a 47-7 win over Sweetwater and a 14-11 victory over Snyder.

Merkel is 0-3 in the Mini-Minor division with Trent sporting a 2-0 record. And in the Major division Merkel is 0-2 while Hawley leads with a 3-0 record and Trent is 2-1.

Team	W	L
Trent	2	0
Hawley	1	0
Merkel	0	3

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS
Hawley 23, Merkel 2
Trent 20, Merkel 19
Trent 15, Merkel 2
Hawley vs. Trent, no score

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE
TUESDAY--Hawley at Trent, 6 p.m.
THURSDAY--Merkel at Hawley, 6 p.m.
MONDAY--Hawley vs. Merkel at Tye, 6 p.m.
TUESDAY--Merkel at Trent, 6 p.m.

Team	W	L
Merkel	3	0
Hawley	0	1
Trent	0	2

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS
Merkel 14, Hawley 13
Merkel 24, Trent 7
Merkel 21, Trent 11
Trent at Hawley, no score

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE
TUESDAY--Hawley at Trent, 7:15 p.m.
THURSDAY--Merkel at Hawley, 6 p.m.
MONDAY--Hawley vs. Merkel at Tye, 7:15 p.m.
TUESDAY--Merkel at Trent, 7:15 p.m.

Team	W	L
Hawley	3	0
Sweetwater	1	0
Trent	2	1
Sweetwater	0	1
Merkel	0	2
Roscoe	0	2

Dairy products good value

Several good values will appear on dairy products--including milk, yogurt, cheese slices and cottage cheese--during June, Dairy Month, one forecaster says.

"Dairy products are producing more milk as a result of lower feed costs, higher support prices and higher market prices--and dairy prices continue at reasonable levels for the consumer, Mrs. Gwendolyn Clyatt explained.

Mrs. Clyatt is a consumer marketing information specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A & M University System.

At poultry counters, turkeys have "very attractive prices," but fryer chicken prices will swing upward, so consumers should take advantage of any specials offered currently, Mrs. Clyatt advised.

Along grocery store aisles, the supply of commercially canned vegetables is large--with lower prices on concentrated tomato products, in particular.

These include catsup, tomato sauce, puree and paste.

Fresh vegetables at the most economical prices are carrots, cabbage, yellow squash, green beans and broccoli--along with corn, cucumbers, dry yellow onions, radishes and green onions.

Fruit choices on the economy side are a variety of melons, bananas, and oranges.

"Strawberry quality is outstanding, and prices are about the same as last week. However, peaches, cherries and plums are available only in limited supply--and prices are high," Mrs. Clyatt added.

Consumer Watchwords: Since snacks are important, choose snack items that are good for the body and the budget; they include fresh fruits, crisp raw vegetables, cheese, dried fruit, fruit juices--along with milk and ice cream drinks, and hard-cooked eggs.

Ambassadors leading Tri-City

The Ambassadors have taken the lead in the Tri-City baseball league with four victories against no defeats. The Western Auto Wizards are in second place with a 2-1 record.

After opening with a loss the Wizards have defeated the Trent Lions, 19-8 and Hicks Rebels, 20-4.

The Ambassadors, sponsored by the Merkel Catholic Church, defeated the Wizards, 5-3 in the opener, stopped Hicks, 11-7, beat Tye Tigers, 11-8 and the Trent Lions, 15-7.

Shopping

remnant table

Fabric remnants--small pieces left over from bolts--can save money for the homemaker, Marlene Odle, a clothing specialist, says.

"But remnants will have to be selected as carefully as regular piece goods," she added.

"Many fabric stores or counters have a special table for remnants. And some chain stores have fabrics on these tables merchandized especially for remnants," she said.

To exercise care in choosing remnants, check fabrics for accurate labeling. Sometimes remnants can be mislabeled in fiber content and often do not carry care label markings.

--flaws or tears in fabric selvages or other areas.

Singers set

The Victory Gospel Singers will have their regular second Monday night singing June 14 at 7 p.m. at 307 El Paso in Merkel.

There is always good singing and special arrangements.

The Rip Willis Younger Generation Gospel Singers will be special guests.

Mrs. Henry McCoy will be director.

In other contests, Tye beat Trent, 9-6, Hicks beat Tye 19-17.

Highlights of the first week's action include an 11 strikeout performance by Tye's Mark Copeland while Herbert Bever and G. Beaver teamed for a 3-hitter for Trent in a losing cause. Ricky Howes and Jimmy Davis hit doubles in that contest for Trent.

For the Ambassadors, Darrell Harris hit 3 for 4 against Hicks, Ellis Williams hit a triple and he and Bobby Quinovez hit 3 for 3 at bat.

For the Wizards, Mike Brady hit 5 for 5 at the plate including a double, Ted Holmes hit a double and triple and M. Crouse hit a double in the game against Hicks and Gary Tutt hit a double and batted four for four against Trent.

For Hicks, David Dela Cruz had two doubles against the

Wizards, Bart Pursley hit a triple, Gilbert Rivera had a double and Randy Martin hit two doubles against Tye. For Tye Ricky Howes hit 4 for 4 and hit a triple.

The Lions were paced by

Herbert Beaver and Billy Hambrick with doubles and G. Beaver with two doubles against the Ambassadors, Herbert Beaver and Hambrick had doubles against the Wizards for Trent.

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The VFW Women's Auxiliary raised \$66 from its bake sale Saturday.

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BRAVES--Members of the Braves Little League baseball team this season are front row, left to right, Jeff Scott, Tim Jacobs, Kirk Parmley, Spencer Scott, Jerry Davis and

Bill McKeehan. Standing are manager Felix Acuna, O. C. McKeehan, Hillman Johnson, Bubba Atkinson, Greg Dickinson, Eddie Herrera, Freddy Fortune and manager Raymond Morano.



BANKERS--Members of the Bankers Little League baseball team this season include front row, left to right: Michael Ybarra, Bobby Biera, Tim Brady, Joey Rushford, Johnny

Ybarra, Wayne Horton and Ricky Biera. Standing are Steve Davis, Randy Davis, Mike Pate, David Wilkerson, Royce Fowler, Mike Fisher and Manuel Biera. Managers are Johnny Ybarra and Alfred Flores.

Tax procedures rewritten

Comptroller Bob Bullock said Tuesday his office has rewritten sales tax procedures on agricultural exemptions to make them as easy to read as a mail-order catalog.

"Inflation has squeezed the farmer and rancher tighter than a bale of wool," Bullock said. "Our new procedures are clear enough for them to be able to take advantage of the sales tax exemptions to which they are entitled."

The new procedures will be effective about July 15, he said.

The Comptroller said the procedures clarify the fact that the following items are exempt from the sales tax: expendable supplies such as hand tools, baling wire, binders twine, hardware, tires and lubricants for farm machinery; fences, gates, cattle guards and chutes; and structures that can be considered a piece of equipment, such as automated laying houses and farrowing houses. However, most farm buildings, such as barns, garages, warehouses and family dwellings, are taxable, he said.

Exemptions for farm machinery and equipment and storage facilities will be clearcut, Bullock said, as well as the general exemption for all medications and tonics given to farm animals. In addition, he noted, the term "farm or ranch" has been clearly defined for the first time.

Bullock said the new procedures tie in with Internal Revenue Service regulations. Proof that the IRS has allowed an item as an investment credit will be evidence that the item should be exempted from the sales tax, he said.

However, he emphasized, any farmer or rancher seeking an exemption must have an exemption certificate on file with the retailer at the time of purchase.

The Comptroller said that persons needing more information about the new procedures may call the Comptroller's Office toll-free at 1-800-292-9687.

Six Flags Records fall

Six Flags Over Texas has begun daily operation following the most successful spring season in the theme park's 16 year history.

During the spring season more than 399,000 persons visited the entertainment center. The figure represents an increase of some nine percent over 1975's record pace.

General Manager Dan Howells said, "The introduction of our new parachute ride, the Texas Clute Out, was undoubtedly a major factor in the attendance boost. 'In addition,' he said, 'the public seems to be in a traveling mood this year. Perhaps it's a result of the biennial atmosphere, but whatever the reason, people are definitely out on the road.'"

Willies hold edge in Little League scramble

Little League baseball action became a real scramble this week with the Willies winning two games to claim a slim half game edge over the Kilowatts and Braves.

Kilowatts found the going especially rough, falling out of first place after losing to the Vets and Supers.

The Braves missed an opportunity for first after splitting the week, beating the Bankers and losing to the Willies.

The Willies edged the Bankers, 13-11 with an 11-hit attack and coming from behind 10-2 in the fourth inning with six runs the fourth, one the fifth and four the sixth to pull out the win.

Danny Riggan was just one of the standouts for the Willies. He hit a double and triple and scored two runs. Richard Beaver hit a triple and scored three times and Randy Leverich scored twice and had a double and scored once. Mike Hagar and James Stevens each scored twice and Harold Dye added a run.

For the Bankers, Tim Brady hit a triple and scored twice and Royce Fowler hit a double and scored twice. Randy Davis scored three runs, Manuel Biera twice and Wayne Horton and James All-day each once.

The Willies then came from behind to stop the Braves, 12-6, with an 8-hit attack



VETS--Members of the Vets Little League baseball team this year are front row, left to right: Chris Mashburn, Sandy Tomlinson, W. A. Kinder, Michael Tutt, Roger Brenham

and David Glasscock. Standing are Donald Tutt, Jerry Miller, manager Danny Sanford, Bucky Crouse, Ken Hogan and Brad Nalley.

The Braves scored twice the first inning but the Willies scored once the second and went ahead to stay the third with eight runs.

Todd Whetsell scored twice and hit two doubles while Mike Hagar hit a double and scored once for the Willies.

Richard Beaver scored three times and Randy Leverich, Danny Riggan, Keith Watts, James Stevens, Kenny Sims and Harold Dye each scored once to help push the Willies into first place with six wins and three losses.

G. Dickerson scored twice for the Braves and H. Johnson had a double and scored once and F. Fortune, O. C. McKeehan and T. Jacobs each scored once.

The Vets rallied the fourth inning to edge the Kilowatts, 10-9. Both teams had six hits.

The Kilowatts took a 2-1 first inning lead but the Vets led 8-7 after three innings.

The Kilowatts scored twice the top of the fourth for a 9-8 lead but the Vets came through with two runs to pull off the victory.

M. Tutt had four singles and scored twice during his perfect night while C. Mashburn scored three times and Donald Tutt, R. Brenham, Bucky Crouse, K. Hogan and Scott Adair each scored once. S. Waldon had two runs and two singles, J. Gibson a double and one run, E. Ford and E. Harris two runs and

and Cody Johnson.

For the Kilowatts, Russell Lucas and Jay Gibson hit doubles but couldn't get home to count and Steve Walden hit a double and scored once. Greg Beasley, Eddie Harris, Willie Johnson, David Schultz and Rusty Tony each scored once.

The Supers earlier in the week won over the Vets, 12-7, getting three runs the first and nine the third.

Ronnie Williams had a double and three runs; Tommy Hays and Billy Williams had two runs; and Freddy Patterson, Roy Johnson, Guy McGee, David Vinson and Willis Senter had one run each.

For the Vets, W. A. Kinder hit a double and scored once and Chris Mashburn, Sammy Tomlinson, Roger D. Lumen, Bucky Crouse, Ken Hogan and David Glasscock each scored once.

The Braves handed the Bankers their second loss of the week, 9-5, scoring in every inning. The Bankers led 2-1 after the first inning but the Braves tied it the second and went ahead 3-2 after three innings and then scored four the fourth to ice the victory.

For the Bankers, S. Davis scored twice and hit a double while going three for three at bat. K. Fowlers scored twice and R. Biera scored once.

G. Dickerson hit two doubles and scored twice and E. Herrera, Tim Jacobs and J. Scott each scored twice and F. Fortune scored once for the Braves.

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E. Beasley and R. Lucas one run for the Kilowatts who's record fell to 5-3 for the season.

The Kilowatts then fought an uphill battle Friday against the Supers.

The Supers scored three runs the first inning with the Kilowatts tying the game the third inning. The Supers made it 4-3 the fourth inning and the Kilowatts tied it the fifth.

However, the Supers pushed across seven runs the sixth and the Kilowatts managed but two, giving the Supers an 11-6 victory and their third win in nine attempts this year.

Ronnie Williams hit four singles and scored two runs for his perfect night at the plate. Roy Johnson hit a double and scored once, Casey Johnson, Guy McGee

Academy nominations being sought

Congressman Omar Burleson reminds young persons who are interested in competing for nominations to the service academies, for the class entering July 1977, he uses a competitive method of selection so that all young persons who meet the necessary requirements may be considered.

The service academies are the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland; the Military Academy at West Point, New York; the Air Force Academy near Colorado Springs, Colorado; and the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, New York. These institutions offer a fine education and a great opportunity for service to their country by young persons who wish to follow a military career.

In order for Congressman Burleson to consider applicants, a candidate must meet these requirements: (1) Must be a U. S. citizen; (2) Must be over 17 and a legal

resident of the 17th Congressional District; (3) Must be under 22 years of age on July 1, 1977; (4) Must never have been married; (5) Must be physically fit, including excellent eyesight; (6) Must have a good high school record.

Burleson stresses that political influence is not a factor in his nominations to the Academies. The important thing is not who you know but what you are.

Interested young persons who meet the above requirements should write Congressman Omar Burleson, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C. 20515, no later than July 16. Examinations will then be scheduled as a rating device to set up slates for nomination. The competition is keen but Congressman Burleson wants to assure that all young persons who are interested in a military career may have an opportunity to compete for nomination.

Women wanted

Any woman interested in joining a softball team is invited to contact Melba Glasscock at 923-4883.

Mrs. Glasscock is attempting to form a women's softball team and is seeking anyone interested in playing on the team.

She said possible Saturday or Sunday games could be scheduled, providing enough interest is shown.

Team	STANDINGS	W	L
Willies		6	3
Kilowatts		5	3
Braves		5	3
Bankers		3	5
Vets		3	5
Supers		3	6

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Supers 11, Kilowatts 6
Willies 12, Braves 6
Braves 9, Bankers 5
Vets 10, Kilowatts 9
Supers 12, Vets 7
Willies 13, Bankers 11

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TUESDAY--Supers vs. Kilowatts, 6 p.m.; Bankers vs. Vets, 8 p.m.
THURSDAY--Vets vs. Braves, 6 p.m.; Bankers vs. Willies, 8 p.m.
FRIDAY--Supers vs. Willies, 6 p.m.; Braves vs. Kilowatts, 8 p.m.
TUESDAY--Bankers vs. Supers, 6 p.m.; Kilowatts vs. Vets, 8 p.m.



MUSTANGS--Members of the Mustangs T-Shirt League baseball team are front row, left to right: Eddy Biera, Darron Pack, Ronnie Vasquez, Nelson Stevens, Willie Brazelton and

Jerry Vincent. Back row, Brent King, Doyle Brennem, Billy Brazelton, Franklin Evans, Benjamin Beaver and Chris Simpson, Ted Simpson and Rocky King are coaches and Manager is Elton Freeman who is not pictured.

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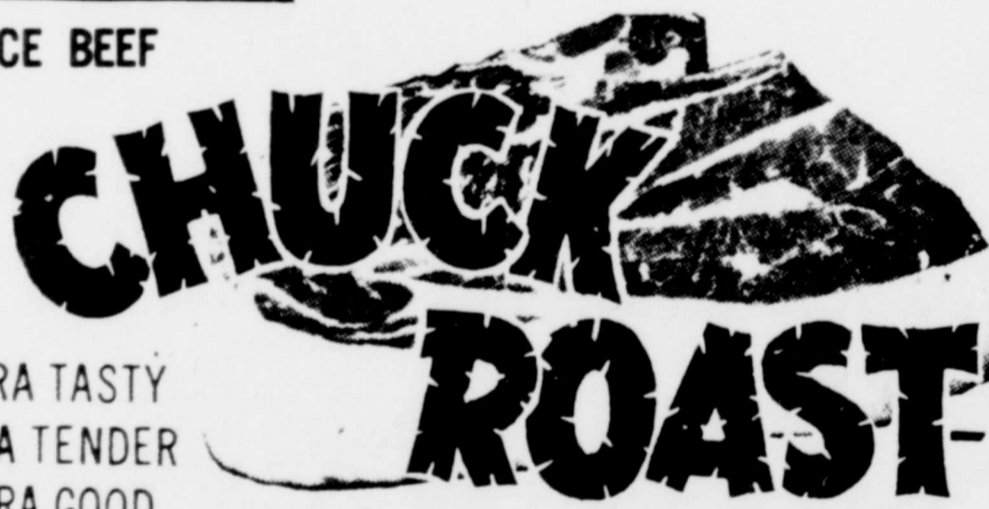
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IMPERAL 5 LB. BAG
WITH \$10.00 IN TRADE OR MORE
EXCLUDING CIGARETTES
93¢

HUNTS 2 1/2 CAN
2 FOR **95¢**

COOKING OIL
48 OZ
\$1.39

BEANS

GRIFFIN
TEA WITH GOBLET
1/2 LB. BOX **98¢**

LIPTON
ICE TEA MIX
12 OZ JAR **79¢**

HERSHEY
CHOCOLATE SYRUP
16 OZ. CAN **43¢**

93¢

95¢

\$1.39

39¢

NICE 'N SOFT
TISSUE
4 ROLL CRTN **69¢**

BAGGIES
Sandwich BAG 80 CT BOX **39¢**

SOFTENER
BOUNCE 40 CT BOX **\$1.59**

BAMA
PEANUT BUTTER 18 OZ JAR **79¢**

DAWN

GIAIT BOT. **73¢**

DOWNY

64 OZ BOTTLE **\$1.53**

BOLD

FAMILY SIZE **\$3.79**

WE WELCOME
FOOD STAMPS
SHOP AND SAVE

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

5 BIG
DOLLAR
DAYS
THURSDAY
THRU
TUESDAY
JUNE 10, 11, 12,
14, 15

COFFEE
MARYLAND CLUB
1 LB CAN **\$1.49**
WITH \$10 IN TRADE OR MORE
EXCLUSIVE OF CIGARETTES

I.G. DAIRY FRESH
HOMO 2 MILK
GAL. JUG **\$1.43**

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HOMO MILK
GAL. JUG **\$1.53**

I.G. DAIRY FRESH
BUTTER MILK 1/2 GAL CRTN **73¢**
MRS TUCKER

SHORTENING 8 LB. BAG BUCKET **\$2.89**
BORDEN

Eagle Brand 14 OZ. CAN **63¢**

TEXSUN
Grapefruit JUICE 46 OZ. CAN **45¢**

HUNTS 300
TOMATOES 2 FOR **63¢**
LIBBYS 303 W.K. OR C S

Golden CORN 2 FOR **63¢**
LIBBYS 303

Garden PEAS 2 FOR **69¢**
LIBBYS 2 1/2 CAN BROWN

Pork & Beans 2 FOR **69¢**
LIBBY'S 303 FRENCH

Green BEANS 2 FOR **59¢**
HORMEL 300 PLAIN

CHILI MILD OR HOT **59¢**

BAMA
Grape Jelly 18 OZ JAR **63¢**



FRESH
CORN
FLORIDIA

10 EARS FOR **\$1**

CALIFORNIA
PEACHES LB **49¢**

FRESH
CUCUMBERS LB **25¢**

CALIFORNIA
PLUMS LB **69¢**

RUBY RED
GRAPEFRUIT 5 LB. BAG **69¢**

WHITE
POTATOES 10 LB BAG **98¢**

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SUPER MARKET
MERKEL, TEXAS
FREE DELIVERY
MON WED FRI
BEST MEATS IN TOWN