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## Pat Neff to Hold Senior Art Show June 19th



Pat Neff

The public is invited to attend the Senior Art Show of Mrs. Pat Neff of Merkel. The opening and reception will be held Sunday, June 19 from 2:00-5:00 p.m. at the Art Department Gallery at Hardin Simmons University, 2200 block of Cedar Street. The show will continue through Friday, July 1. Gallery hours are Monday through Saturday, 8:00-5:00; and Sunday, 1:00-5:00.

The display will include the following: oil paintings, acrylic paintings, water color paintings, sculpture, design projects, drawings of pen and ink, charcoal, conte crayon, conte pencil, graphic prints and raku pottery. They will include naturalistic, abstract, and nonobjective art work.

Mrs. Neff is the illustrator of a new math textbook "Metric Magic" written by Clara Gifford.

Mrs. Neff is a student at Hardin Simmons University and will graduate in August. She is an all-level art education major and has always been interested in art. She began her study of art in 1975 under James Campbell before entering Hardin Simmons University. She has had showings of her works at the Abilene Fine Arts Museum Tri College Show in 1976 and 1977.

Mrs. Neff is a charter member of the Merkel Art Association. She is past president and artist of the month.

She works as church secretary and treasurer at the First United Methodist Church of Merkel. She is

also a real estate associate with Prestige Homes-Properties of Abilene.

Mrs. Neff resides in Merkel with her husband, Billy Bob, who is a math teacher at Mann Junior High in Abilene; and their 3 children, Tammy, Randy and Pam.

She is a member of Beta Sigma Phi, Xi Nu Chi Chapter. They will host the reception for Mrs. Neff on Sunday, June 19.



## News and Thoughts

by Martha Sue

Justice

L & W Snack Bar is doing a Father's Day Benefit this coming Saturday for Miss Softball America. The benefit will be a Pancake Breakfast consisting of: 3 Sausages and ALL THE PANCAKES YOU CAN EAT for the price of \$1.50. The breakfast will be served from 7:00 to 10:00 a.m. The girls will be selling tickets, however if you do not have a ticket—they will be available at the Snack Bar. This is a worthy benefit and will certainly help the girls. Plan to attend—IF YOU CAN'T—BUY A TICKET ANYWAY!

The work we do must sometimes be more important than what it produces in the end.

Congratulations to Kelley Wolf of Merkel, who won a second place in the Abilene Cowboy Cook-Off this past week-end.

There will be a Musical at the Stith Community Center Saturday, June 18th, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free! Refreshments will be sold. Stith is 7 miles northeast of Merkel, Farm Road 1235, or Farm Road 605. Everyone is welcome to come have a good time.

This tip comes from TMA, titled, SLUMP STRIKES THOUSANDS—"Desk sitter's slump" is a problem that attacks thousands of office workers, making them feel tired, tense and inefficient. This common disease also can open the way for a whole host of problems including heart attacks and obesity. Basically desk sitter's slump is caused by hours of office work with little variety or exercise. At work a person's mind might be doing mental push-ups but the body often just sits and sags. In fact, many office workers spend 14 1/2 of the 16 daily waking hours sitting. All that immobility makes endurance drop, fat grow and tension rise. One answer is exercise. One exercise is good to tone waist muscles and relieve lower back tension and is called the seated torso twist. While sitting, raise elbows to shoulder height and twist as far to the right and then to the left as far as possible. Repeat until you have done the exercise 10 times on each side. Two even simpler exercises are designed to relieve neck and shoulder tension. One involves rolling the head slowly in a circle while seated. Reverse the direction and repeat about six times in each direction at a slow, easy pace. Another tension reducer is to sit upright and breathe in while shrugging shoulders up for a few seconds. Then exhale and relax, holding that position for a few seconds. Repeat about six times. A stomach exercise is to sit with hands on knees and breathe out while pulling stomach muscles in and up as far as possible. Hold this position for about five seconds and then breathe in while relaxing muscles.—These exercises several times a day is the answer sometimes and can help the hurried, harried workers.—IT MIGHT EVEN HELP THE DING-A-LING I was talking about last week.

I have been hearing a lot of complaints this year about onions not bulbing as they should and some of them not growing much at all. So far I haven't heard what any of the reasons might be, but Wright Dishman, who plants only onions and corn every year says that both onions and corn are doing beautifully. Onions are supposed to be relatively easy to grow provided the garden soil is rich, fertile and reasonably well-drained. The top soil should also be deep and contain an ample supply of humus.

The Merkel High School Twirlers are having a CAR WASH Saturday, June 18th, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. at DuBose Texaco. Prices will be: \$2.00 for the outside of the car only or \$4.00 for both inside and out.

Do for others—when they need it.—Don't wait to do it at your own convenience! It is then sometimes too late!

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Fire Department will hold the drawing for the boots Thursday, June 16th, 7:30 p.m. at Ben Franklin Store.

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Fire Department will hold their regular monthly meeting Monday, 7:00 p.m. at the Fire Station.

There are three things that remain—faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love.—I Corinthians 13:13

The Tye Baptist Church is sponsoring the youth choir from the Colgate Baptist Church in Louisville, Kentucky for a singing celebration. The group will perform Tuesday, June 21st at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to attend. There will be food and fellowship following.

## Merkel Independent School District to receive check

Congressman Omar Burleson announces the tentative entitlement of \$997,542 to Abilene Independent School District for the fiscal year 1977 under public law 874 providing financial assistance for schools in federally affected areas.

\$698,280.07 has been certified for immediate payment and the check should reach the school district within the next week or so. In addition to the Merkel Independent School District has been approved for tentative entitlement of \$20,077 for the fiscal year 1977 with a check for immediate payment going out shortly in the amount of \$13,609.63.

## Texas Women's Meeting June 24th - 26th

Do you want a ride in the chartered bus to Austin and back, for the Texas Women's Meeting? All kinds of people, with all kinds of ideas, from all over the State, will be congregating in Austin on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, June 24, 25, and 26, for a historic meeting. Under an Act of Congress Texans—especially Texas women—will meet to observe International Women's Decade, to celebrate women's progress, to discuss women's issues, and to identify any barriers remaining to women's full and equal participation in national life.

A Texas, New Mexico, and Oklahoma bus will pick up passengers in Abilene at 11:15 a.m., Friday, June 24, and will bring you home Sunday evening. If you would like to ride along, send your name and address, and a check for the round trip fare of \$12.30, to the Texas IWY Committee, c/o Ruth Kirby, 136 E. 23rd Street, Littlefield, Texas 79339.

For more information, or to reserve a seat by telephone, call Barbara Pillow, Office of Dean of Students, Texas Tech, Lubbock, (806) 742-2193.

## Merkel Student named to Dean's List at ACU

A total of 504 students have been named to the dean's honor list at Abilene Christian University for the 1977 spring semester according to figures released by the ACU registrar's office.

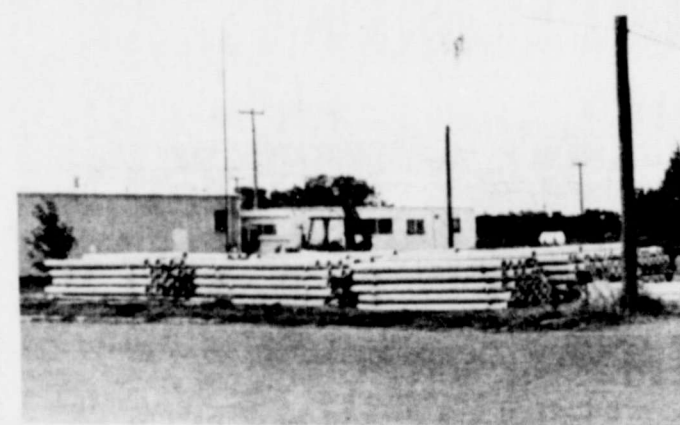
Students qualify for the dean's honor list by enrolling in at least 12 semester hours and achieving a grade-point average of at least 3.45 on a 4.00 scale.

Students on the dean's honor list from the Merkel area are Mike Sloan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sloan of Route 1, 4.00; and Joe Snow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Snow of Route 1, 3.60.

## Vacation Bible School

The First United Methodist Church will have Vacation Bible School beginning June 20-24. It will be held from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. each day. Anyone from the age of 3-6th grade is invited to attend. For more information contact Mrs. Wanda Tipton.

## Phase II of H.U.D. Project Underway



Pictured is the pipe to be used for the City of Merkel, Water System Improvements—Phase II.

The City of Merkel, Water System Improvements Phase II, H.U.D. Project B-76-DS-48-0054 is now underway.

This project will include 11,167 feet of 6" water mains within the City of Merkel, 21 valves, 1-12" x 6" tap, 3-8" x 6" taps, 5-6" x 6" taps, 10-new fire hydrants, 1-2" tap, 330 feet of 12" bore and encasement.

All the funds for this project are from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. This project will complete the water improvement program.

## Receivers of gold-colored SS checks must have eligibility redetermined

The Social Security Administration reports that each person who draws a gold-colored check under the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program will be asked to have his eligibility for the check redetermined each year. The reason for this "redetermination" is to make sure the person is being paid the right amount. For the most part, this redetermination of eligibility shows that the check amount is correct, but sometimes the payment must be raised or lowered because of a change in the individual's circumstances.

If someone is asked to contact the social security office for a redetermination, it is important that the contact be made as soon as possible. Payments cannot be continued if the redetermination is not completed within a certain length of time.

Also, if a person goes into the social security office for a redetermination, it would be helpful and would save time to bring a copy of his most recent bank statement and

The first phase was completed in January of 1977. Both phases will cost \$11,700,000, with total cost to be paid for by the Federal Government.

All phases will give the City of Merkel some 16,000 feet of new 6" water mains and 16 new fire hydrants plus 2 additional crossings under the railroad, one additional crossing under Interstate 20 will be included in this phase.

H & S Utilities Construction Company of Everman, Texas is in charge of this project with on site forman, Bud Logan from Abilene, Texas.

savings' account statement.

Finally, even if no redetermination of eligibility is due, but a person receiving SSI checks has a change in circumstances such as a change in income, an increase in resources, or a change in residence, the change should be reported immediately to the social security office.

## Hewitt on Honor Roll

Fifty Lamar University students from Orange county, including nine recent graduates, are listed on the all-A honor roll for the spring semester.

The list of pupils who had four-point, perfect averages was released recently by university officials. The list includes a total of 302 pupils including 50 Orange countians.

Included on the list was Patricia Hewitt, medical secretary. She is the daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hewitt of Merkel.

## Abilene Community Action Program receives grant

Congressman Omar Burleson announces the approval of a \$240,840 Community Services Administration grant to the Community Action Program, Inc., with headquarters in Abilene, for administration and general community programming.

Delegate Agencies will be the Mitchell County CAP, the Haskell County CAP and the Stephens County CAP.

Counties served are Taylor, Mitchell,

Stephens, Jones, Kent, Haskell, Stonewall, Knox, Throckmorton and Shackelford.

The effective date of the grant is May 1, 1977 and the duration of the programming is for a twelve-month period.

The Program provides youth programs, senior citizens programs, comprehensive outreach and referral, community organization, economic development, manpower services and legal aid.

## Moreno Brothers Lead Merkel To Victory

The Merkel Tejanitos snapped a two game losing streak by beating the Abilene Aguilas, 11-2, in Merkel Sunday. Merkel was leading in the attack against Abilene by the Moreno brothers, Daniel, Bebo and Raymond (Claude). Daniel had a single, double and triple, Bebo and Raymond each had two singles. The

Tejanitos collected 13 hits off of two Abilene pitchers. The winning pitcher was George Slaughter who was relieved by Tony Biera in the 5th inning. Richard Hernandez pitched the 9th inning. Abilene collected only four hits off of Merkel pitchers.

The Tejanitos will travel to Lampasas Sunday, June 19.





**PORK EXPERTS**—From the left are Mrs. Mary Boone and Mrs. Sara Moore who coached their daughters, Tonya Moore and Cindy Boone, to first place in the pork demonstration contest during the annual 4-H Roundup June 7-8 at Texas A & M University. Awards were sponsored by the Texas Pork Producers Association.

## Mr. & Mrs. Gene Cockran Celebrate 25th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cockran of Route 3, Merkel celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary June 7, 1977 at Old Abilene Town. The celebration was hosted by their six children: Mr. and Mrs. Mike McLeod, Faye Cochran, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Cochran, Mr. and Mrs. Galen Boone and Brad Cochran. Also their three grandchildren: Dusty McLeod, Chan Cochran and Crystal Boone. They were married June 5, 1952 in the Tye Methodist Church.

## Cemetery Donations

The following have made donations to the Merkel Cemetery Association.

Mary Eula Sears, P. C. M.  
Joyce Jones Adams  
Homer Easterwood  
Oscar and Alethea Morris  
Doris H. Dowdy  
Alice Bigham  
Mary Kate Campbell  
Mr. and Mrs. Leo Mashburn  
Don Melton Estate in memory of "Mom," Mrs. Clarence Melton, and Grandmother Hall.  
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Mr. and Mrs. Whit Farmer  
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Mrs. C. B. Brown  
Johnnie M. Caddel  
J. B. Browning  
Mary H. Bird  
C. A. Gardner  
Opal Collier  
Mrs. Milton Barrick in memory of Mrs. Martha Pittenger  
Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Arnold  
Causseaux-Gunn Estate  
Alta W. Hobbs in memory of J. C. Hobbs  
Gail Gaither  
Lillian and Hollis Floyd in memory of loved ones  
Mr. and Mrs. June Hogan in memory of Earl Hughes  
Dr. LeeOwen Buford  
Dorothy Sigler  
Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Beebe  
Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Green  
Mr. and Mrs. Bob Goodwin  
E. E. and Doris F. Farmer  
Archie P. and Anna Beth

Farr  
Opal A. Naston  
Mrs. John Mansfield in memory of Earl Hughes  
Mr. and Mrs. Orin Higgins in memory of Earl Hughes  
Comer and Lucy Haynes in memory of Earl Hughes  
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Barnett  
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Derrington Jr.  
Mrs. L. A. Dudley  
Mrs. S. D. Gamble  
Mrs. T. J. Bird  
Joyce Jones Adams and Homer C. Easterwood, PCM  
Mrs. Ruth Campbell  
Mr. and Mrs. Dave Anderson  
Luna W. Johnston  
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Griffith  
Carson Estate by L. E. Wim. W. and Mary S. Barry  
Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Dye in memory of Earl Hughes  
Mr. and Mrs. F. A. DeVasto  
Mr. and Mrs. Alphas Byrum  
Mrs. Jessie DeMoss  
Lottie Butman Everett  
Lou Ella Hughes, Faye and G. W. Hughes in memory of Earl Hughes  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Breaux in memory of Earl Hughes  
Mr. and Mrs. Herman Carson, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Carson, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Carson in memory of Earl Hughes  
Weldon and Margaret McAninch in memory of Earl Hughes  
Mrs. Pet Touchstone in memory of Ike Turner and Earl Hughes

Mrs. A. E. Berg in memory of Earl Hughes  
Mrs. Helen Church Willingham  
Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Alston  
Mr. and Mrs. Mack Fisher  
Cleo and R. D. Reece in memory of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Reece Wilbur Criswell and Hip Goode  
Mrs. C. R. Haygood in memory of Earl Hughes  
Mr. and Mrs. Paxton Hays in memory of Earl Hughes  
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hughes in memory of Earl Hughes  
Mrs. Geo. T. Moore in memory of Earl Hughes  
E. O. Ely  
Mrs. S. D. Gamble in memory of Earl Hughes  
Ted and Hazel Pargament and Minnie Coats in memory of Earl Hughes  
Mrs. Vera V. Ely  
Mr. and Mrs. Leon J. Fairley  
Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Hutchison  
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harris  
Mrs. A. J. Ford  
Minnie Howard  
Thelma Thomas

### LOST

**\$50.00 REWARD**

A female brown german shepherd belonging to Don Hensley of Route 1, FM Road 126. The animal disappeared sometime Saturday, June 11th. A \$50.00 REWARD is being offered for the return or information leading to the recovery of this animal. The dog answers to the name of Inga. Inga was last seen in the vicinity of the Merkel Country Club. She was wearing a brown collar and tags. Call 928-4877 or 928-4728.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS  
TO: Rudy Villarreal,  
Respondent:

**GREETINGS:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County in Abilene, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to

answer the petition of Josefina Villarreal, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 7th day of June, 1977, against Rudy Villarreal, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 13,294-DR on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Matter of The Marriage of Josefina Villarreal and Rudy Villarreal," the nature of which suit is a Request of Petitioner for Divorce from Respondent.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the children 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 children adoption.

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

The officer executing

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**MASONIC MEETING**  
Stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710 on 2nd Saturday and 4th Thursday of each month at 8:00 p.m. Visitors welcome. Members urged to attend.

**WILEY NOAH, W.M. ROY MASHBURN, Sec'y**

**LISTINGS NEEDED** in Merkel; land or homes. McAden Real Estate. 672-3804.

**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.

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**MISCELLANEOUS**

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26-tfc

WANTED: Land to rent or cash lease, 200 acres up. Consider purchase of equipment to acquire land. References furnished. Call 673-1307 (Abilene) after 5:00.

10-4tp, 8tc

**GARAGE SALE**

5 families-furniture, tools, light fixtures, clothes, air conditioners (evaporative and refrigerated), Gene Amerine's, house faces east on Orange. South of county barns. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 8:00-6:00 Only--No Other Time Please.

17-1tp

**GARAGE SALE** E-dinette set, other furniture, misc. items. Saturday at Mrs. Bradley's FM 126 north of Fina.

17-1tc

**HELP WANTED**

**HOMEWORKERS**-Men women, students needed for assembling work at home. Earn \$150.00 per week. No experience necessary. Send \$2.00 (refundable) and long stamped envelope to Allen Industries, Box 12616, El Paso, Texas 79912.

15-3tp

WANTED-Nurses aide, 2 p.m. until 10 p.m., 5 days a week, also nurses aide for relief shift and vacations. Need a part time LVN. Apply in person at Starr Nursing Home, Merkel.

16-tfc

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13-7tp

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15-4tc

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Shown at the annual Vocational Agriculture Teacher Workshop sponsored June 9-10 in Abilene by West Texas Utilities Company are (from left) Ken Pollard of College Station; R. E. (Bob) Kennedy, Chairman of the Board of WTU; Terry Mauldin of Abilene; Bill Scott of Abilene; and Rocklan King of Trent.

### FIREANT PROGRAM

Texas counties troubled by fireants can make application for Mirex bait for distribution by ground equipment free of cost to Reagan Brown, Commissioner of Agriculture. The procedure is for the county commissioners' court to file a formal request for the Mirex with Texas Commissioner of Agriculture, Reagan Brown, P. O. Box 12847, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711. The bait will be shipped directly to the county when the application is approved. The county may then distribute the bait in any way they choose.

Approximately 45 counties have requested Mirex from the State Commissioner. However, if a county's request was submitted before the present commissioner, Reagan Brown, was appointed, a new request should be submitted.

### Tax-exempt organizations can hold one sale or auction a year without collecting sales tax

Comptroller Bob Bullock recently reminded religious and other non-profit, tax-exempt organizations they now may hold one sale or auction a year in which they don't have to collect sales taxes.

The special one-a-year, tax-free sales were authorized by the Texas Legislature and apply to tax-exempt religious, educational, charitable and eleemosynary organizations.

The legislation had the support of the Comptroller's Office. Bullock said the new law, which becomes effective May 24, allows only one tax-free sale or auction during a calendar year and limits it to one day only.

If two or more organizations jointly hold a taxfree sale or auction, neither

The Merkel Riding Club held their regular play night Saturday, June 11th. The results are as follows.

**Boot Race (5 and under)**-1. Bridgett Vaughn, 2. Roy Manahan and 3. Dawn Henslee.

**Barrels (8 and under)**-1. Mike Dokey, 2. Candice Henslee and 3. Denise Pursley.

**(9-12)**-1. Lisa Dokey, 2. Dee Dee Masonheimer and 3. Dayna Pursley.

**(13-17)**-1. Leslie Masonheimer, 2. Buddy Stout, 3. Rodney Carroll, 4. Penny Hatfield and 5. Rebecca Sipe.

**(18 and over)**-1. Jan Beck, 2. Charles Hatfield, 3. Margret Manahan, 4. Shelley Stout and 5. Lonnie Miller.

**Flags (8 and under)**-1. Mike Dokey, 2. Candice Henslee and 3. Roy Manahan.

**(9-12)**-1. Dayna Pursley and 2. Dee Dee Masonheimer.

**(13-17)**-1. Leslie Masonheimer, 2. Sherrie Williams, 3. Buddy Stout, 4. Vicki Campbell and 5.

Penny Hatfield. **(18 and over)**-1. Don Simpson, 2. Charles Hatfield and Shelley Stout (tie), 3. Lonnie Miller, 4. Patricia Boyd and 5. Jerry Russell.

**Poles (8 and under)**-1. Candice Henslee. **(9-12)**-1. Lisa Dokey, 2. Dayna Pursley and 3. Dee Dee Masonheimer.

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Boyd. **Tie Down Calf Roping**-1. Walter Henslee, 2. David Manahan and 3. Jerry Russell.

**Ribbon Roping**-1. David Manahan and Roy Manahan, 2. Clyde Carroll and 3. Jerry Russell and Mike

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### Vocational agriculture teachers attend workshop in Abilene

Vocational agriculture teachers from a wide area of the state spent two days studying repair and maintenance of electric motors during a workshop June 9-10 sponsored by West Texas Utilities Company. Attending were Terry Mauldin and Bill Scott, Vocational Agriculture Teachers at Abilene High School; and Rocklan King, Vocational Agriculture Teacher of Trent.

The workshops have been held annually for

more than 20 years at WTU's Lytle Shores Auditorium in Abilene, with a different subject emphasized each year. Instructors this year were Bob Jaska and Kenneth Pollard, both of Texas A & M University. Jaska is head of the university's adult education program and Pollard is on the engineering faculty.

Originator and coordinator of the workshop is Curly Hays, WTU's farm and ranch supervisor. Hays said the pur-

pose of the annual workshops is to provide up-to-date information on subjects of mutual interest to the teachers.

Those attending included teachers from Area 4, which extends from Stephenville to Ballinger on the south, and to Quanah and Henrietta on the north, in addition to a number of teachers from outside Area 4 but within the WTU service area. Area 4 supervisor is Ralph Moser of Stephenville.

### Donations

The following have made donations to the Merkel Cemetery Association.

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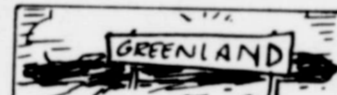
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The wedding will be at 6 p.m. on August 13th, 1977 at the home of the bridegroom.

### Stith Home Demonstration Club News

The Stith Ladies Home Demonstration Club went to Rising Star for their June 8 meeting. We each took a covered dish and had lunch in the Ted Hudson's home. Soon after arriving we had our meeting with Vada Hud-

son presiding. Our program was on "New Grooming Techniques." We had a short program, then adjourned for lunch. Those present for lunch were Bullah Bradley, Margaret Dickerson, Vada Hudson, Louise Hudson,

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

I am trying to locate some of my Mother's folks.

Would you please put in your paper that I would like to hear from anyone who knows the whereabouts of any of Charlie Davis' relatives. He had a son named Wesley. I cannot recall the girls' names.

My mother was Belle Davis (Parks). Her sister married Sam Nolen. Charley Davis farmed near Merkel for several years during the twenties.

William H. Parks

Thank you.  
Sincerely,  
Bill Crawford

Dear Editor:

Mention the words 'political science' to the average business or English major and you will probably get a barrage of groans, pained facial expressions, and the age old complaint among college students: "It's just too dry."

McMurry's "May Term," with its flare for the unique, shoots holes in that maxim with a course entitled "Political Thought in Science Fiction."

Professor Urban Lynn

### Abilene Educational Institutions to receive funding

Congressman Omar Burleson announces approval by the U. S. Office of Education the following Federal funding for Abilene educational institutions:

Abilene Christian University will receive \$211,514 in awards under the College Work-Study Program for 481 students and \$27,680 for the Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants Program for 51 students.

Hardin-simmons University has been approved for \$113,329 in College Work-Study funds for 258 students.

McMurry College has been awarded \$96,216 under the Work-Study Program for 219 students; \$81,294 for 151 students under the Supplemental

Educational Opportunity Grants Program; and \$52,057 for 141 students to participate in the National Direct Student Loan Program.

Commercial College of Abilene will receive \$14,566 under the Work-Study Program for 33 students; \$20,007 for 37 students under the Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants Program; and \$83,796 for 227 students to participate in the National Direct Student Loan Program.

The Stenograph Institute of Texas has been given approval for \$33,059 for funding under the National Direct Student Loan Program for 90 students.

All awards are for the period July 1, 1977 through June 30, 1978.

Jones, who teaches the course, has opened up a whole new world---to his students, who receive a full three hours of college credit for completion of the requirements.

"To start, I told the students to try to forget all previous assumptions, rules, and codes of behavior that we have been conditioned to accept," says Jones, who has been a science fiction buff since childhood. "Imagination is the key. They have to get past their own pre-conceptions in order to grasp the political and social implications of the various science fiction works that we study."

Jones continues, "Science fiction writers aren't bound by anything. They don't have to assume American political science norms as their base, which most of us have a tendency to do. Reading science fiction should be an exercise in taking your blinders off, especially if you're looking for subtle political thought."

Jones is completing his first year on the faculty at McMurry. The Dallas native earned his B. A. in economics and M. S. in political science from North Texas State. Currently, Jones is a Ph. D. candidate at the University of Missouri lacking only completion of his dissertation entitled "The Burger Court: A Behavioral Analysis."

Jones says that he has never seen a college course offered quite like this one he is now teaching at McMurry. However, he notes that numerous political science professors around the country are now using selected science fiction works as required supplemental reading for their students.

"There is even a political science text book out now that deals specifically with political thought in science fiction," said Jones.

Science fiction authors have long been known for their amazing predictive powers in the areas of scientific and technological advances. As early as 1863 Jules Verne was writing of remarkable things to come from engineering and scientific laboratories.

Things once dismissed as "mere science fiction" have become concrete scientific fact.

But what about the political and social science disciplines? Are the predictive abilities of science fiction writers as evident in these areas too?

"It runs the gamut, really," says Jones. "Some have been able to predict political and social trends---at least to a certain extent. Most, however, just react to contemporary phenomenon and try to project the end results of current trends."

Jones attributes some of the scientific predictions to the fact that many science fiction authors are themselves accomplished

scientists.

"Isaac Asimov is a well known biochemist and has made significant contributions in that field," adds Jones.

Jones' students will concentrate on the works of the most prominent science fiction author, Asimov, Arthur C. Clarke, Robert Heinlein, and Frederick Pohl.

"Heinlein is by far my favorite science fiction author," says Jones. "The American Revolution theme in many of his works. He also deals extensively with the idea of colonialism. Heinlein feels that history repeats itself because we refuse to learn the first time."

Science fiction's popularity is growing rapidly. The cult-like following that has grown up around the now famous television series "Star Trek" is certainly part of the reason for this growth. Does serious student of science fiction such as Jones pay attention to the "Star Trek" phenomenon?

"I've seen every episode," Jones answers. "The show is the first truly serious attempt at science fiction that television has made. Some of the episodes offer lessons that are quite profound."

Jones has been delighted with the student reaction to this unique "May Term" course. The business majors would have a tough time labeling this political science course "dry."

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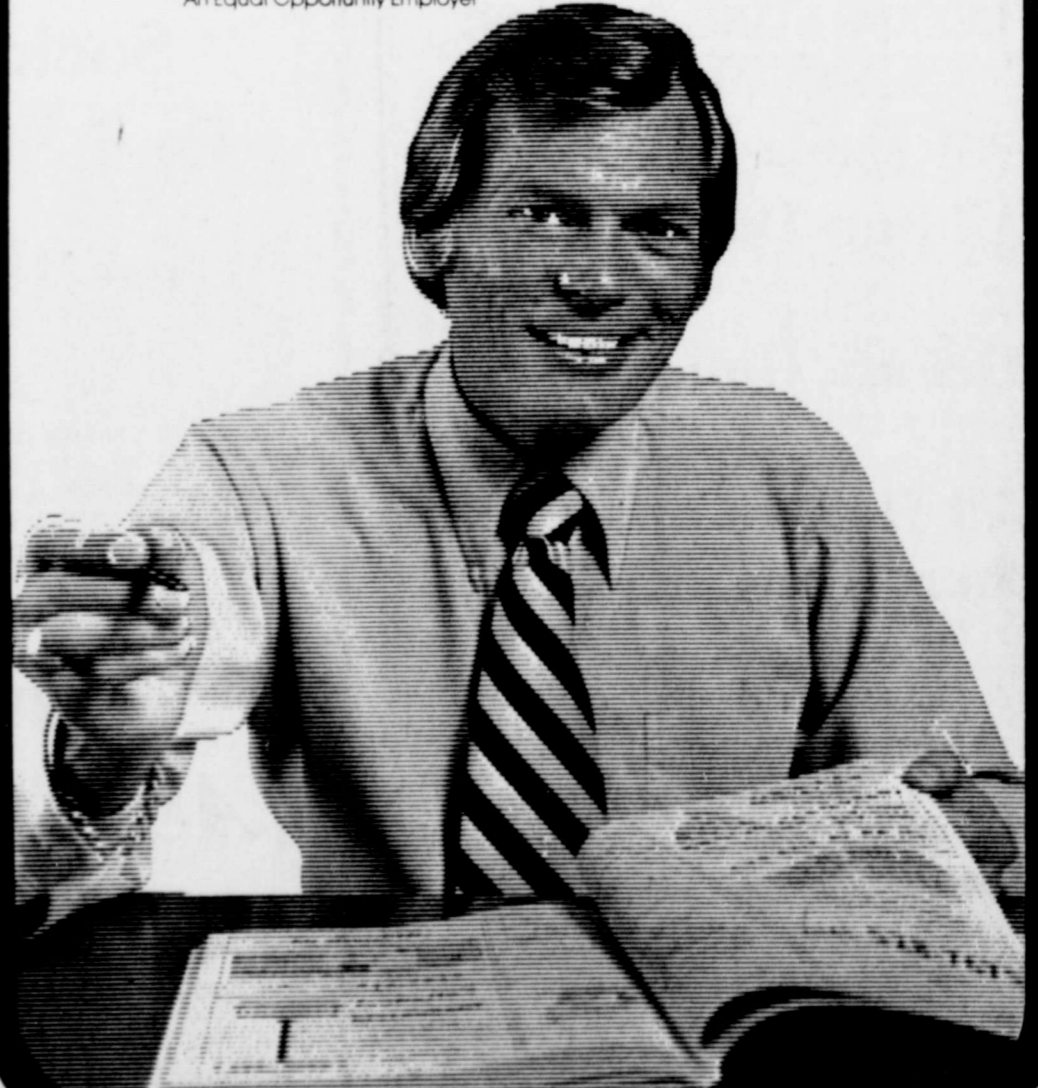
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## OBITUARY for a HUMANE Bill

House Bill 887 is dead. This Bill, which would have protected small animals like rabbits from being used as "live bait" in the training of dogs for racing, was supported by thousands of people in Texas who believe that cruelty to animals has no place in their state or in any other civilized community. Although these people wrote thousands of letters to their representatives, HB 887 died without ever reaching the floor of the House, where their representatives could vote for it.

So the rabbits and the kittens and the other helpless ones which should be protected by mankind lose again because of greed and arrogance. The death of the Bill means that next year and the next year thousands of helpless rabbits will continue to be caught in nets and transported to the training tracks, where they are a lure for the dogs to kill in stages. The death of the Bill means that on fair Sunday mornings the spectators at the dog tracks near Fort Worth and Lubbock and Austin and Amarillo and Waco and other places will continue to watch the greyhounds tear to pieces these sensitive creatures.

Not only the animals lose by the death of HB 887. The children in our state lose too. Some of them will continue to be corrupted by the atmosphere of such places, where "sport" is equated with cruelty. They will come to look upon the suffering of a living creature with indifference or even with pleasure. We have seen the children who frequent these tracks walk by a still-living rabbit flung in a garbage can after a race, deaf to its dying bleats. We have heard teen-agers screaming at these tracks, "Kill that rabbit!"

Not only the animals and the children lose by the death of HB 887. The rest of us lose too. We lose faith in a legislative system, supposedly democratic, which permits one representative to have so much power that he alone can determine which bills will be considered on the House floor. One man opposed HB 887 and had the power to kill it so that it could never be voted on by the full House. The death of a bill like HB 887 means that we lose the chance to learn which of our elected representatives care about such uniquely human values as kindness and compassion.

Before it was killed, HB 887 fared well in the first committee to consider it. The Committee on Business and Industry approved the Bill by a unanimous vote of 8 to 0. With that approval, it was sent to the House Calendar Committee, which has the duty of assigning bills to the General House Calendar. In a roundabout way we have learned that the Bill was assigned to the General House Calendar on April 18. The next step would have been to give the Bill a specific date when it would be considered by the full House. This never happened. On the contrary, on May 2, HB 887 moved backward, as it were, by being returned to the Calendar Committee.

Between April 18, when the Bill was sent to the General House Calendar, and May 2, when the Bill was removed from that Calendar, an article appeared in the Dallas Times-Herald (on April 24), which announced a new opponent of the Bill—no less than the Chairman of the Calendar Committee, Roy Blake.

In that article, Rep. Blake said that certain hunters were opposed to the Bill and for that reason he intended to kill it in his Calendar Committee by simply holding it there. (He did not mention the fact, however, that at the time he made this statement the Bill had already left his Committee and been assigned to the General House Calendar.) He justified his intention

to block the Bill in these words:

"I doubt if it would pass the full house anyway and I don't think the governor would sign it, but I don't want to take that chance."

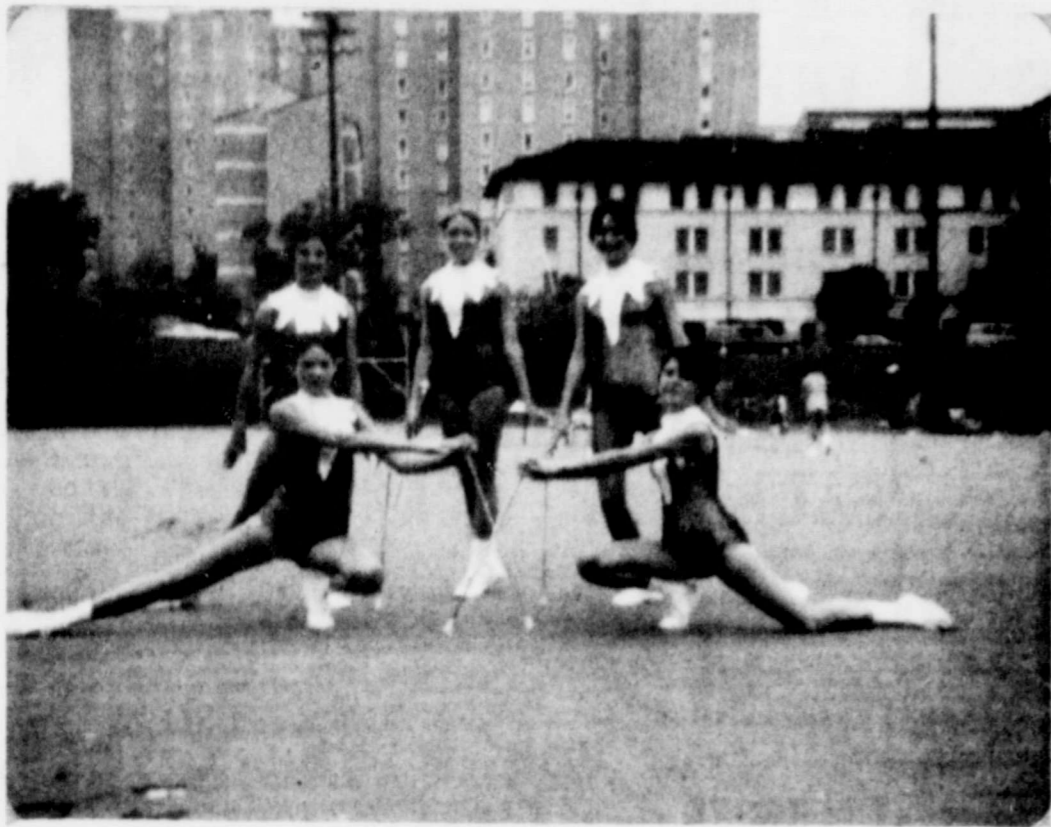
Unlike the governor, Rep. Blake uses his power of veto before his fellow representatives debate and vote on a bill. If the governor vetoes a bill, he knows how every representative and senator has voted on it. Rep. Blake, on the other hand, has his assumptions and doubts.

In his statement to the press, Rep. Blake presented himself as the protector of the rights of hunters. The fact is, of course, that the Bill was never directed at hunters, and the rights of hunters needed no protection from the Bill. Nevertheless, in an effort to save the Bill, its sponsor, Rep. Chris Miller, offered to amend the wording of the Bill to allay the supposed fears of Rep. Blake's hunters. Too late! Rep. Blake told us that the whole Bill would have to be scrapped. He said that it had become too controversial. Propagandists working to kill the Bill were working very hard. Although the Dallas Times-Herald referred to HB 887 as an "Anti-Cruelty" Bill, Rep. Blake's hometown paper, the Nacogdoches Sentinel, called it a Hunting Bill in a front page headline. Clearly, it is easy to make a bill "controversial" by distorting its intention.

Rep. Blake does not speak for all hunters. Some of the strongest supporters of HB 887 have been hunters. They know, as we all do, who the real opponents of HB 887 have always been—the racing interests. (Dogs trained in Texas using live rabbits as bait are then taken to other states where gambling is legal.) The greyhound trainers and racing people failed to convince the House Committee on Business and Industry that the use of live animals to train the dogs was justified. So they turned to other groups to fight their battle for them. At a meeting of cattle raisers in Fort Worth, the rumor was circulated that HB 887 would make it illegal to use dogs in herding cattle. When the cattle raisers refused to be alarmed by this absurd story, the issue of hunting was used to distort the intention of the Bill.

Only 10 out of our 150 state representatives had the chance to express their views on this humane bill: Rep. Miller, who sponsored it; the 8 members of the Business Committee, who supported it; and Rep. Roy Blake, who killed it.

John Burns  
Tarrant County Humane Society  
Fort Worth



Pictured are: Shannon Bagby, Lisa Owen, Cindy Smith, Lessa Hart, and Mary Roeder. The girls performed at the state ensemble twirling contest in Austin at the University of Texas, May 28th. The results were: Number 1 rating in UIL competition and Number 2 at State competition. Cindy Smith performed in solo competition as a result of a Number 1 rating the same UIL contest and received a 3rd place.

### Wheat Storage could be a problem

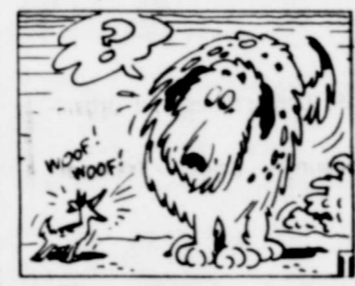
With wheat harvest just getting under way, the president of the Texas Farm Bureau said a crisis may be developing over storing this year's crop.

"Our problem is we've already got almost a year's crop in storage and we're expecting good to bumper crops in the winter wheat area from Texas to Nebraska," said Carrol Chaloupka, Dalhart grain and cattle producer. "What we fear," he said, "is that a shortage of storage will depress our prices even more." He said that wheat prices have been falling steadily since last year, and that wheat is now selling for about 40 percent below what it was last June.

"If the situation reaches crisis proportions, we will ask that the U. S. Department of Agriculture approve loans on wheat stored in temporary facilities, even on the ground," Chaloupka said. "We believe this may be necessary to keep the bottom from falling completely out of the wheat market." Chaloupka said he has conferred with Deputy Secretary of Agriculture John C. White about the storage situation. He said White assured him the USDA is aware of the problem and is working to solve it. White is former Texas Commissioner of Agriculture.

### THINK SMALL

The smallest bird in the world is Helena's hummingbird found in Cuba and the Isle of Pines. An average male adult has a wing span of three inches and weighs only 1/18th of an ounce. That's less than some species of moths.



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