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Paul Crouse Resigns As Police Chief

Merkel Police Chief by the City Council. Paul Crouse has resigned named acting Police Chief

Mayor David Allen said his position with the city the city is now taking ap-Merkel police department. plications for the position. The resignation was effective June 24. Leroy city would take the nec-Austermen has been essary time to find the best person available for



News and Thoughts

by Martha Sue Justice

This past weekend was really pleasant with all the rain we received. However, the weekend before that---it was quite hectic at my house. We have this beautiful white, retarded, long haired cat by the name of "Angel." He is really a sweet cat but terribly dumb. "Angel" is the reason that Fannelle Boney has such pretty flowers in her front yard. Well, anyway, to make a long story short,---my husband, Larry came in Friday night feeling very energetic. The first thing on his agenda for Saturday morning was to give poor "Angel" a bath. Well, naturally I threw a fit because cats just don't take to water at all. Larry in s is ted that "Angel" wouldn't know the difference—so Saturday morning he picked him up and took him to the bathroom to wash him in the bathtub. Shortly afterward---there was a great deal of commotion. "Angel" came flying out of the bathroom with only his feet wet but by the appearance of Larry when he came out--- I knew immediately that there had been a tad of trouble, because Larry was much wetter than the cat. Needless to say this was the beginning of a bad day. Saturday afternoon Larry decided he would fix the draft under the door leading to the store room. (He had started feeling better by this time). He went down town and bought a piece of aluminum to go on the bottom of the door. After finally getting the thing screwed in place he started looking for the hack saw so that he could cut off about 6 inches that was too long. Did he find the hack saw? Oh, no,-evidentally our son Donan had been using it for one of his projects and had misplaced it. I knew something had to happen before this project was finished because Larry has a tendency to have quite a lot of trouble when setting out to repair something. Anyway-he ended up tearing the piece off of the door while saying ugly words like gosh, darn-it, heck, shucks, and being in an awful mood for the rest of the weekend. I will have to give him credit for trying to get things done-however, sometimes I wish he wouldn't tackle such difficult tasks!

Dick Leach didn't have a very successful weekend this past week. He was going down the alley with his lawn mower when suddenly the mower coughed, backfired, jumped up and down a few times and finally quit. Dick said he has been quite upset over the matter, but intends to do corrective surgery on the mower sometime this week. I do hope everything comes out alright Dick!

The 8th Grade Graduation pictures have arrived and can be picked up at school.

This report comes from Senator Lloyd Bentsen.—Twenty-three Texas counties were without a physician as of the last count on December 31, 1973. This lack of medical care constitutes a real hardship, especially for the elderly and disabled. And current laws governing Medicare benefits only com-pound the problem. In order to help alleviate this situation I am cosponsoring legislation that is now being considered by both the Senate Agriculture Committee and the Senate Finance Subcommittee on Health. In contrast to the current Medicare reimbursement program, which will make payments only to physicians or to clinics in which a physician is on duty at all times, this bill will allow Medicare to reimburse rural health clinics for services provided by both physician assistants and nurse practitioners. In rural areas, the central question is not so much the quality of medical care as the very existence of medical care.

Lee and Ginny Yaddow along with Billy Bob and Pat Neff decided to go rabbit hunting this past week. When finally spotting a rabbit, Billy Bob and Lee shot at it----again and again! The rabbit calmly sat there while they continuously shot several rounds and never even came close. Billy Bob and Lee were at their wits end while Pat and Ginny stood by laughing themselves to death. Finally as a last resort—they threw down their guns and pounced on the creature-and believe it or not caught it!

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY-If time and our lives could slow down-life would flower.

Our love should not be just words and talk; it must be true love, which shows itself in action.-1 John 3:18



Steve Bland won the ealf roping contest at the National College Finals in Bozeman, Montana last week. The win paced Southeastern Oklahoma State University's rodeo team to win the National Championship for the second year in a row. Steve's wife, Kay, won second in the barrel race at the finals. U. S. Tobacco Company George Slaughter, P. 200; awarded 100,000 dollars worth of scholarships to the winners at the Finals.

CJC To Offer Five Classes in Merkel

Cisco Junior College will 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., or The day course The college's low stateoffer five classes at its Merkel Extension Center during the second summer term, Registrar Olin O. Odom III has announced.

any school day between classes.

at the CJC Registrar's scheduled is Business 233 supported tuition and fee Registration for the Thursday, June 30, from noon. classes is currently in 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon progress. Students may for the one day class ofsign up at the Community fered, and from 6:30 to

Merkel Ladies Golf **Tournament** Successful

agreeable but the tourna- Anson and Sandy Griffinment was a success.

from area towns including Hardwick, Baird, 29 (Ed-Anson, Loraine, Winters, monds-Edmonds won card Baird, Snyder, Haskell, Colorado City, Cisco, Abi-lene, Wichita Falls and Swafford-Blondie Hamil-Merkel.

The winners were declared after 9 holes of play because of rain. Best-ball, Patsy Rodgers-Beth Whitwith handicap, winners lowe, Winters, 29.

Championship Flight-1. Medford of Haskell. Nadine Jones-Betty Harmon, Abilene, 28; 2. (tie) Sybil McLean-Sue Abell, Rawls, 29 (McLean- ment. Warren won on card play-

The weather wasn't very monds. Dolly Edmonds. Joannie McAdoo, Winters There were 56 ladies and Cubelle Harris-Betty playoff).

> ton, Colorado City, 27; 2. Glenda Watts-Minyon Seymore, Merkel, 28; 3.

Longest Drive-Ruby Closest to Pin-Faye

Robertson of Merkel. Thanks to everyone who Warren, Abilene and Dixie donated their time and Welch, Merkel-Neva golf carts for the tourna-

The Guys and Dolls First Flight-1. Mary Lou Tournament scheduled for Fry-Nita Spurgers, Abi- July 16-17, is filling fast, so lene, 28; 2. (tie) Mary Ed- call your entry in soon.

Sue Gauthe **Honor Student**

Dr. Miles Anderson, achieved the 3.5 listing

honor roll. Some 348 students earn- Jarrett S. Pinckley, Route ed all "A's" to make the 1, Merkel, was named to 4.0 honor list, and 1,039 the 4.0 honor roll at NTSU.

vice-president for which includes those academic affairs, at North students whose grade Texas State University, average is midway be-has named 1,387 students tween an "A" and a "B." to the spring semester Sue Pinckley Gauthe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

office in Cisco. One day of (Introduction to Business schedule for the Merkel registration will be held in Law), which will meet Extension Center has one Merkel-at the CJC Build- Tuesdays and Thursdays three-hour class costing ing downtown. It will be on from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 \$47.50 and six hours cost-

Monday and Wednesday include the cost of textevenings from 6:45 to College Center of Abilene 8:00 p.m. for evening 10:15 will include English and Rhetoric) and Gov-

Thursday nights will be Business 233 (Introduction English Literature). They will also be scheduled to

campus offices in Cisco." run from 6:45 to 10:15. Legislature Must

Act on School **Financing**

District resident of the effect Merkel. Following is his statement.

Governor Briscoe has promised to call a special ning July 11, 1977. Should bill. a n adequate s c h o o l Go finance bill with local tax Ca relief fail to pass in this session the schools will be left with a finance plan known as H. B. 1126. This bill is not designed for mid-size districts such as Merkel. Under H. B. 1126. Merkel Schools stand to lose the funding of at least three teachers and the local fund assignment will go up instead of being

reduced. Since the school budget.

ing \$59. Mr. Odom pointed Classes meeting on out that these fees do not books.

"We urge students to 123 (English Composition pre-register if at all possible," Odom said. They ernment 233 (State and may actually register at Local Government). any one of three places, Meeting on Tuesday and according to which is most tacted by Missouri Pacific for doing something that convenient for them-The officials Tuesday morning was my job to do as Chief Community Center in order to present him of Police in the first place. to Business Law) and of Abilene, at 1600 Sher- with a \$100 check. The English 223 (Readings in man; the Clyde Educa- check was presented to happy to present this

Merkel School Superin- like any big business, will tendent Travis Davis has no doubt be greater each cautioned Merkel School year, it is most important that we have relief from need for the Texas Legis- the advalorem tax as a lature to act on school method to fully finance financing bills that will our schools.

Write to your Senator, Representative and the Governor urging immediate passage of a tax legislative session begin- relief and school finance

Governor Dolph Briscoe Capitol Station Austin, Texas 78711

Senator Grant Jones P. O. Box 1320 Abilene, Texas 79604

Senator Grant Jones P. O. Box 12068 Austin, Texas 78711

Representative Martin Capitol Station

Austin, Texas 78711

Merkel Schools Face Large Expenditure

The following is a roster

of the Merkel Tejanitos,

position played and batting average: Felix Acuna, Manager; Juan Ybarra, Coach; Juan

Castro Biera, Coach;

Richard Hernandez, P.

Merkel Independent shall's office, the high all doorways, all doors School District will have a school academic building changed to open outward large and mandatory ex- was judged to be unsafe and natural gas pipes repense in the very near due to faulty and located and substantially future. Due to a recent inadequate wiring. The old anchored. Other buildings visit by a representative gym will also need new on the school campus also from the State Fire Mar- wiring, new exit signs over came in for their share of

TEJANITOS LEFT WAITING

from the Valle de Juarez .333.

and the Tejanitos were left waiting in the hot afternoon sun. But, not all went for nought. The team played an intrasquad game in preparation for its trip to Cuidad Juarez, Chih. Mexico, this coming Fourth of July weekend. The Tejanitos will play a double-header against a team composed of players from the Valle de Juarez.

the electrical systems and gas pipes Tye Elementary, Merkel The Wichita Falls Aces Ramon Moreno, 1st Base, Elementary and the Midfailed to show up Sunday .250; Marso Moreno, 1st dle School will be checked and the Tejanitos were left Base, .125; Robert in October of this year for

reworking and updating of

Class of 52 Reunion

July 2nd and 3rd

.308; Tony Biera, P, .231; The graduating Class of Sunday the class will 1952 from Merkel High meet to have lunch School will have a 25th together at 12:30 at the Reunion July 2nd and 3rd Merkel Country Club.

in Merkel. Saturday beginning at 2 p.m. at the Big Country

Restaurant. Several of our

ex-teachers have been in-

vited for this occasion.

We are looking forward We will have a tea to seeing all of our class mates and friends.

Anyone wishing further information contact Dollye Reddin at 928-5097.

Paul Crouse presents \$100 check to Ladies Auxiliary of Fire Dept.

Paul Crouse was con- believe in taking money crossing at Oak Street, the incident occurred while Paul was still Chief of Police in Merkel.

tional Center, downtown Paul due to his fast action check to Audra Sue Clyde; or at our main in reporting a broken rail Horton, president of the on the Missouri Pacific Ladies Auxiliary of Merkel Volunteer Fire Department. Audra Sue announced that the check will go

towards the restoration of

For this reason I am very

Paul said, "I just don't the 1938 Ford fire truck.



Paul Crouse presenting cheek to Audra Sue Horton



Mr. & Mrs. Steve Bland

Proctor - Bland Wed in Odessa

of Mr. and Mrs. Bill NIRA. Proctor of Odessa and Trent were married Tues-Berggren's Gardens in performed the ceremony.

Maid of honor was the bride's sister, Donna Proctor, and the best man was the groom's brother John Bland.

Kay is a graduate of Odessa High and a senior at Southeastern Oklahoma State University, majoring in elementary education. She was named to the Dean's list of honor students the past semester. She is regional reserve champion barrel the champion team. She is Association.

major at Southeastern. He is regional champion steer president of the Rodeo with such law. Club at Southeastern and last year's regional director for the Central

Kay Proctor, daughter Plains Region of the

The couple left directly Steve Bland, son of Mr. for Bozeman, Montana and Mrs. R. L. Bland of where both competed in the National Intercolday, May 24 at 8:00 p.m. in legiant Rodeo Finals. They will return to Odessa. The Rev. James Durant, Oklahoma where Bridges of Sacred Heart they are both on rodeo Catholic Church of Abilene scholarships at Southeastern Oklahoma State University.

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Chisholm both of Abilene 6 p.m. on June 25th at the chapel of the First Baptist

Church in Abilene. Dr. James Flamming of Abilene performed the ceremony

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Harkey of Abilene. The the church were the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack E. Chisholm also of Abilene.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, M. C. Harkey. Mrs. Carolyn Herring,

sister of the bride, of Abilene was matron of

Melinda Herring, niece Hardin-Simmons Uni-Abilene.

and George Walton was junior bridesmaid.

Christine Chisholm of were united in marriage at Abilene was flower girl. Jack E. Chisholm, Jr. of Abilene was best man. Jerry D. Gooch of Ham-

lin was groomsman. Ushers were Glen Anderson of Dallas and Carl Yancy of Abilene.

Hosting the reception at bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Harkey. After a wedding trip to

Utah and Wyoming the couple will reside in Abilene.

from Cooper High School of the groom, Mr. and in 1969 and attend Mc- Mrs. Jack E. Chisholm at

Nancy Kathleen Harkey of the bride, of Abilene versity. She is a 1973 graduate of Sam Houston State University with a B. A. degree. She is employed by Merkel Independent School District teaching high school speech, drama and sophomore English.

> The bridegroom is a 1968 graduate of Cooper High School. He attended McMurry College. He is employed by C & S Construction Company in Abi-

The rehearsal dinner The bride graduated was hosted by the parents Murry College and Day Before Yesterday in

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We told you there was going to be two such benefits. The second one is the Middle School Twirlers that will be held on Friday, July 8th Twirlers that will be held on Friday, July 8th starting at 6:00 in the evening. It will be a Spaghetti Supper consisting of Spaghetti and Meat Sauce with a Tossed Green Salad. Tickets will be sold by the Twirlers and everyone who wishes to help. It will not be mandatory to buy a ticket in advance. We will have them on sale here at the Snack Bar. This money will help defray the expenses of these young twirlers.

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your concern. L. J. Gray 19-1tp

WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS Our deepest appreciation for the kindness shown us in the passing of our Mother. Thanks so much for the flowers, food and many kind words and we are deepfully grateful.

Vess and Wanna Justice Ray, Missie and

19-1tp WE WISH TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK all our friends who have made memorial donations to the cemetery fund. God bless you. The Family of Mrs. Earl

19-1tc THANK YOU FOR Your love and concern during our sorrow.

Hughes, Sr.

God bless you for expressing your love in so many ways: food, flowers, cards and memorials.

Thanks to the men's choir, from local churches, under the leadership of Glenn Reed. Thank you, members of

the local Masonic Order, Mr. Day of Abilene, arrangements made by Charles (Peck) Eager of Merkel.

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cember, 1968, in Fort

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Shields was born the 4th

day of February, 1970 in

Brownwood, Texas; said

Kristel Shields was born

the 5th day of April, 1972 in

Fort Wainwright, Alaska

April, 1974 in Odessa,

The Court has authority

authority to consent to the

The officer executing

Said Dusty Shields was

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Karen Shields, Respondent: GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable Domestic Relations court, Taylor County, Texas, at the Courthouse and said David Shields of said County in Abilene, was born the 3rd day of Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Mon- Texas. day next after the expiration of 20 days from the in this suit to enter any date of service of this judgment or decree in the citation, then and there to child's interest which will answer the Amended peti- be binding upon you, intion of Beula Wynne Love, cluding the termination of Supervisor, Taylor County the parent-child relation-Child Welfare, Petitioner, ship and the appointment filed in said Court on the of a conservator with 18th day of March, 1977, against Karen Gayle child's adoption. Shields and Don Ray If this citation is not Shields, Respondents, and served within ninety days said suit being numbered after the date of its is-11,695-DR on the docket of suance, it shall be returnsaid Court, and entitled ed unserved.

Shields, Children," the serve the same according nature of which suit is a to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as BOB'S SHARPENING . the law directs. Issued and given under

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shears, etc.

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"In The Interest of Dusty,

Dennis, Kristel and David this writ shall promptly

Irene Crawford Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Sandra Harris, Deputy.

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Dana Austermann became the bride of Ovis Sonny West Wednesday the 15th of June in the home of the bride's parents.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Austermann and was given in marriage by her father.

The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Wilma Davis and the late Ovis West of Quanah, Texas.

Bridesmaid was Susan Arnwine and best man was Keith Austermann.

brother of the bride.

attended by Sharen Austtermann, sister of the bride. Fifty-eight guests were present.

The bride attends Merkel High School and the groom is a 1977 graduate of Merkel. He is employed by Sojourner of Abilene.

The reception was host-d by Mrs. Jackie Cannon, Mrs. Roy Scultz, Mrs. Corky Land, Mrs. David Seymore, Mrs. Cliff Collins and Cherie Aiken.

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11:00 a.m. Worship

7:00 p.m. Sunday evening

7:30 p.m. Wednesday evening 6:00 p.m.-9:00p.m.

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Mrs. A. H. (Jewel Bell) Hutchins, 80, of Dennis, formerly of Merkel, died Sunday in Los lamos, New Carson. Mexico, following a brief illness. Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday June 28 at Rose Hill

The Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor of First Baptist Church of Merkel,

Born September 9, 1896. in Kempner, she moved to Merkel with her parents in 1910. She moved to Sweetwater in 192 and to Dennis in 1956. For the past three years she had been living n Los Alamos, New Mexico. She was a Baptist. She married A. H. Hutchins December 23, 1915. He died in 1971.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. John Spauldin of Los Alamos, New Mexico, and Mrs. W. A. Ruhmann of Austin; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family requests remembrances be made to Dennis Baptist Church.

at 8:00 p.m. Monday night. Those present were J. C.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss ways and means of raising money to buy a chain link fence for the hard ball and soft ball diamonds: 1. sell to interested person or link. Cost of roll is approximately \$30.00.

No wonder Merkel does not have a play ground-or any other type of amusement for their youth! NO

had the land, the least that citizens of this town to Church. help. Even if they would just pay for fences and officiated, assisted by the this includes both boys and girls fields.

We will meet again persons 50 ft. by 6 ft. chain Tuesday, July 5th, 8 o'clock at the Merkel Restaurant. We will again attempt to make plans for ways and means to fund raising for fencing in the ball parks.

J. C. Carson

Funeral Held for Jennie Phillips

died Friday in her home. Oklahoma City. Services were at 10 a.m.

to Oklahoma City in 1969. two nieces and a nephew.

Mrs. Jennie Phillips, 50, She had been a nurse's aid of Oklahoma City and and member of Exchange sister of a Merkel man, Avenue Baptist Church in

She is survived by her Monday, June 27th in the father, G. N. Reynolds of Arlington Memory Garden Trent; two brothers, Bill Cemetery, directed by Reynolds of Lubbock and Capitol Hill Funeral Leo Reynolds of Merkel; and a sister, Mrs. Dale Born in Trent, she went Rutherford of Abilene;

Gordon Howell, 81, of Abilene died at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday at Hendrick would think that if they lengthy illness. Services were at 2 p.m. Friday at could be done is for the the Belmont Baptist

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Survivors include his wife; a son. Doyle of

daughters, Mrs. Larry (Maudine) Bart of Dallas and Mrs. Vaughn (Mary Sue) Doan of Merkel; five brothers, Pete, Tillman and Bud, all of Austin, John of El Paso and Bob of Fort Worth; four sisters, Rachel Phillips of Merkel, Mrs. Tom Winter of Abi-lene, Mrs. E. W. Smith of Plainview and Mrs. Roscoe Owen of Abilene; five grandsons; and a granddaughter.

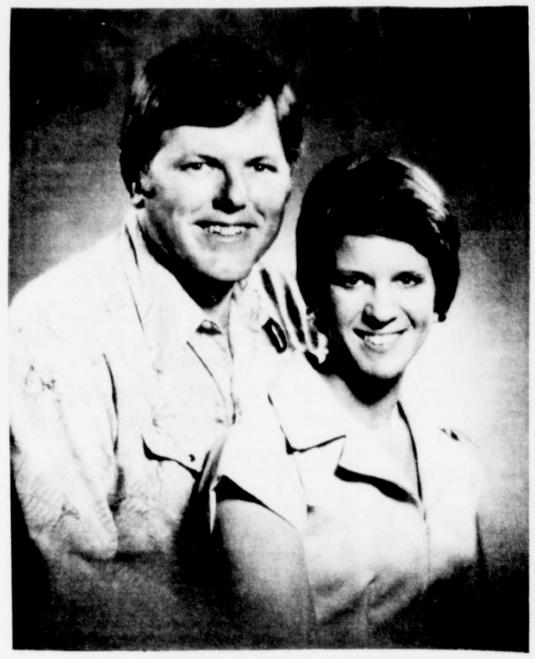
Grandsons served as pallbearers

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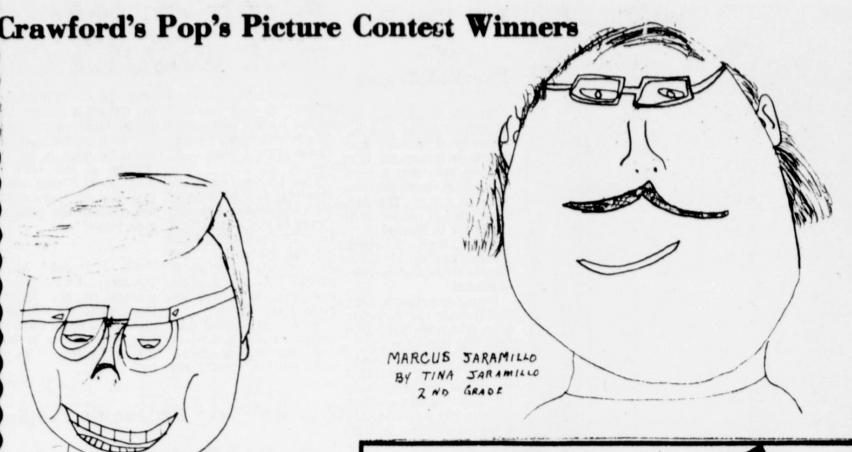
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a beautiful arrangement of Magnolia blossoms, foliage and Baby's Breath. A gold 50th Anniversary on a golden stand was placed in front of the arrangement. The cake and Mrs. Henry Holt of was decorated in white Merkel, Mrs. J. R. Holt of with white doves and Abilene with their sister golden roses. It was top-Louise Holt Self of Valley ped with a miniature bride and groom. The cake and Diane Merkel attended the gold punch were served by funeral of their nephew, the hostesses. The bride and groom of fifty years ago cut the cake in the traditional manner

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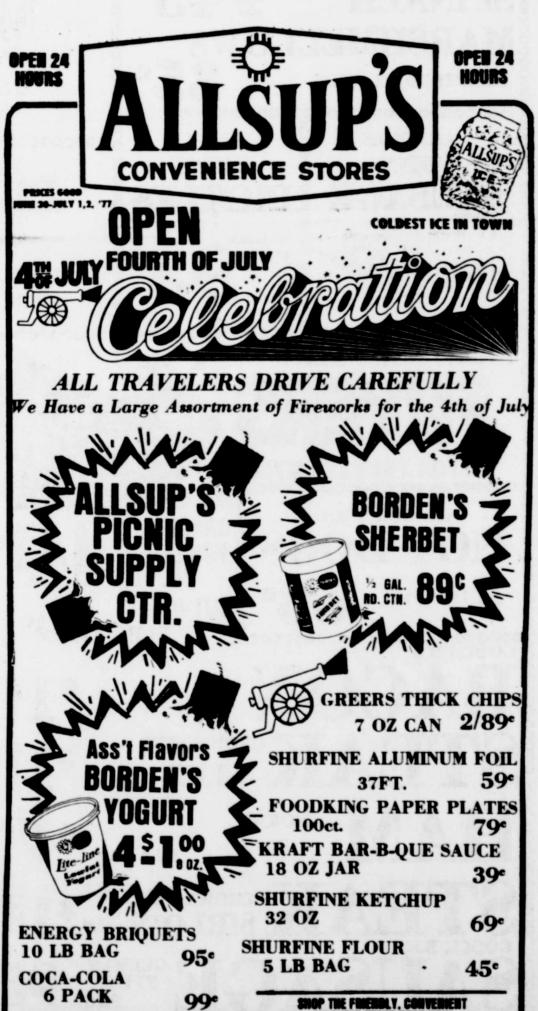


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