

The F. H. A. HERO Club of MHS elected officers Friday, September 8, 1978. They are the following: Pres. Debbie Phillips, 1st V. Pres. Rena Reeves, 2nd V. Pres. Kaye Lynn Butman, Recording Sec. Lesa Hart, Sec. Danna Russell, Treasurer Carla Shelton, Reporter Suzy Beard, Sgt. at Arms David Wharton, Parlementarian Evelyn Costa, Song Leader Suzanne Byrd, Historian Tommie Santee and Reporter Suzy Beard.



The Badger Booster Club is now meeting each Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. in portable classroom no. 3 at the high school. New officers elected for the year are Calvin Wolf, president; Rosey Castille, vice president; and Jane Jones, secretary and treasurer. Memberships are now open and those interested may contact Pat Castille, R. Lee Brown, Vaughn Doan, Art Herrera or John Brady. Everyone is invited to join the Badger Booster Club.

Thursday, Sept. 14, 1978

15 Cents

48 attend citizens meeting ; discuss upcoming bond vote

by Cloy A. Richards

A crowd of approximately 48 people attended a concerned citizens meeting held by a newly formed political group in the Tye area. Members of the Merkel School Board and Dr. Raymond Etheridge, superintendent of schools attended and answered questions heard from the floor.

Etheridge opened the meeting by calling for a couple of changes. He said that from his six months of observations in this school district, he has found misunderstandings and a lack of communications. To help solve those problems, Etheridge announced plans to create an advisory council composed of a teacher, himself, and two citizens, to be elected. That council is planned to discuss issues, find solutions to school problems and Etheridge said, "This will work if we give it a try."

Etheridge explained the called for construction in the bond proposal as well as general repairs and fire code work needed District wide.

Etheridge also announced growth figures for recent years. Etheridge reported that in 1972-73 there were 784 students in the Merkel ISD, 73-74, 768; 74-75, 829; 75-76, 891; 76-77, 958; 77-78, 1019, as of today, 1017, a decrease of two and there are 11 less children in kindergarten in this district this year."

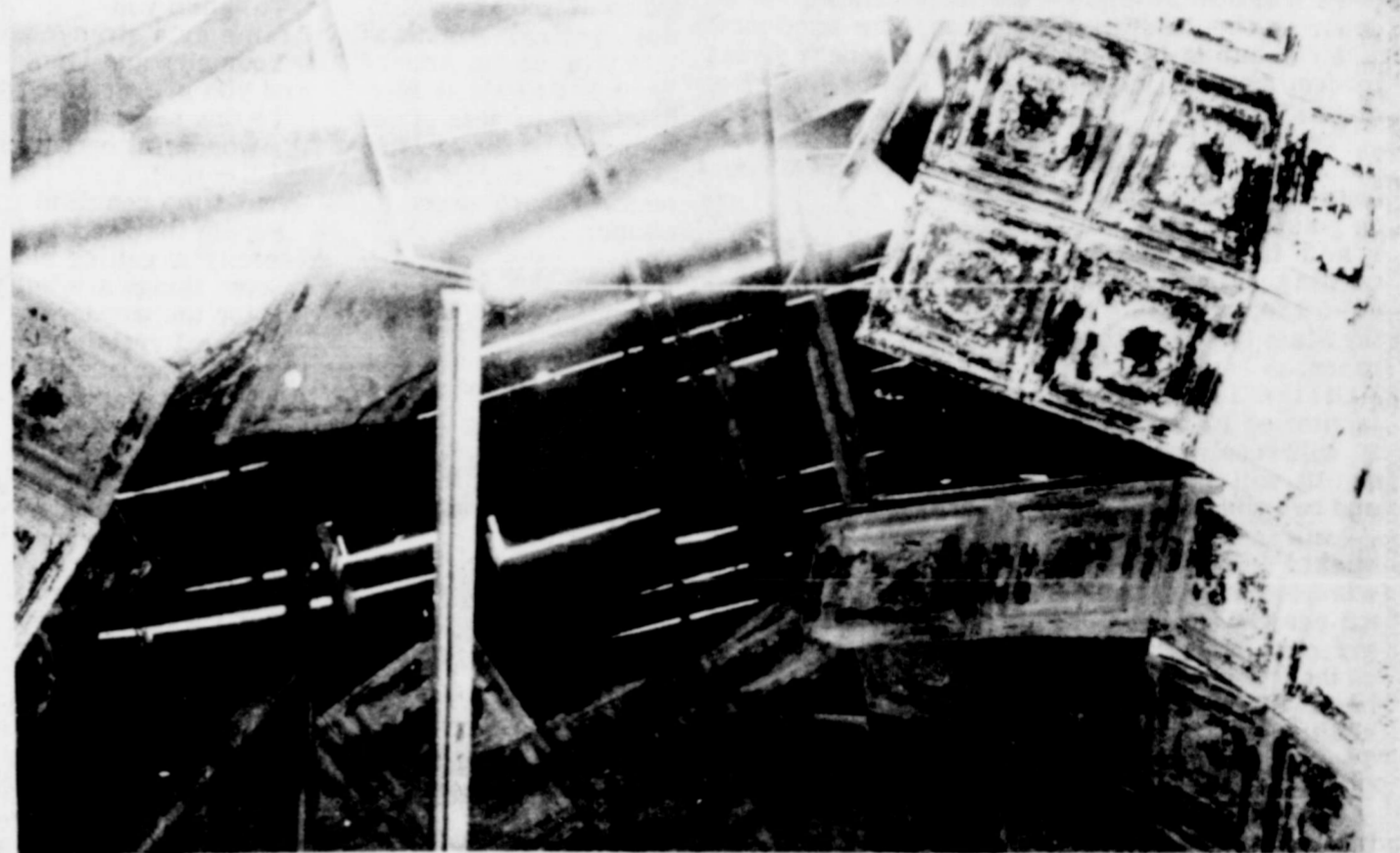
After Etheridge made those statements, the floor was open for questions. The citizens from

Tye are concerned because they feel they have been left out of the upcoming bond elections. The group also made it known that they wanted to retain their elementary school, keep it in good fashion and do some repair work on the existing facilities.

The Tye group, known as the "Citizens for Community Awareness" also wanted to know how the passage of the \$1.4 million bond issue would help Tye. One school board member said that the board always kept the best interests of Tye in mind in any actions taken. A board member also said that when the bond passes, money that would normally have to be spent for repairs on facilities, that are scheduled for destruction, will leave more monies for repair and maintenance work district wide.

One citizen from the Tye group said that citizens there were faced with the possibility of having growth stop if there wasn't some expenditures on existing facilities in Tye. The citizen said that people would not move into an area if the younger children had to be sent somewhere else for school. (There are no plans to close any of the existing facilities in Tye.)

Although the citizens committee and the board members might disagree on some points in the bond election, the meeting was held in a cordial atmosphere and tempers were maintained at all times.



The roof fell in on the Gisco Jr. College Building in Merkel Labor Day night.

The 10 classes that are now meeting every week have been moved temporarily to the portable

buildings at the High School. The Millingers Brothers, owners of the building, are meeting with the insurance company now. (Staff photo by Melanie Richards)

A town meeting has been scheduled for tonight (Thursday) in the Merkel High School Auditorium at 7:30.

The main topic for the evening is discussion of details concerning Saturday's 1.4 million bond election.

Dr. Raymond Etheridge will make a presentation concerning the physical facility needs of the students.

The bond calls for the construction of a new high school, a vocational agriculture all purpose facility, a multi-purpose, all-weather facility for the Merkel Middle School and a physical education-athletic facility. Funds for general improvements district wide are also included.

A representative of the architectural firm of Charles Harper and Associates in Wichita Falls will answer questions on the technical aspects of the planned construction.

The financial advisor for the school will also be there to answer questions concerning increased tax assessments pending approval of the bond.

The election is scheduled for 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. Saturday. Voters may cast their ballots at the Merkel High School Gym and the Tye Elementary school cafeteria.

The meeting is open to all citizens of the Merkel Independent School District.

Town meeting tonight

Whatever your feelings ... VOTE

By Cloy A. Richards

I wish you folks would have picked an easier issue to introduce me to the local political scene.

The upcoming Bond election smacks with all the romance and emotion that multi-faceted issues need to become worthy.

And this my friend, is all about a worthy issue. There are four sides as I see it, and I have heard very good arguments concerning all four.

There is a faction that says \$1.4 is not enough money to do all the things that need to be done.

There is a faction that says \$1.4 is too much money and they can't bear the tax increase.

And there is a faction that feels they are being overlooked.

Those are the anti-factions.

There is a faction that is all for the bond issue.

As I said earlier, there are points that each side has that makes sense if you look at it objectively.

The voters of the district have a decision to make. It will be a hard enough decision to make

without the facts. I urge you to attend the citizens meeting tonight, urge you to study what construction is called for if the Bond is approved. You may come to the Mail during business hours and read the reports.

But think long and hard in the next couple of days. The best thing I have heard said about this issue is a quote I will steal from Raymond Etheridge. Review the facts, think of the kids and go vote.

If you don't make it by the Tye Elementary School Cafeteria, or the Merkel High School Gym Saturday then, as I see it, you won't really have a good basis for disagreeing with whatever decision will be made.

The only thing I don't want to see happen is this issue to tear wide gaps in certain segments of this community. Disagreements are fine and probably healthy, but we must remember that we are all in this together and we all have one vote. Use It.

City council makes purchases

The Merkel City Council met Friday and approved plans to clean up a dirty problem.

The pumps at the town's sewage facility are worn out. One pump out of four is functioning properly so sewage treatment capabilities were slowed.

City Manager J.A. Sadler requested the council to approve a

\$3,090 request for the purchase of two pumps.

Sadler said the pumps that are worn operated for 13 years and the average life expectancy is about 10 years.

Sadler said the situation was of an emergency nature and council acted promptly and approved the motion.

Sadler said that a few modifications would be

required to install the pumps, but that all set fixtures would adapt to the new pumps.

The Council also approved approximately \$800 for new fire hoses for the Merkel Fire Department. The city will buy 300 feet of one and one half inch hose and the same amount of two and one half inch

hose.

The city also approved plans to send a man around part time to see what can be done about potholes. The council decided against utilizing Texas National Guard personnel and equipment for city street repairs because insurance costs per weekend would run around \$400.

Homecoming schedule

The Badger Homecoming plans are being made for ex-students of Merkel High School.

On Sept. 22, ex-students may register from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Building. A parade will be held at 2:45 that day and a pep rally will be held in front of the Merkel Drug Co. The Badgers face Clyde in the 8 p.m. contest and a coffee, hosted by the class of 58 after the game at the school cafeteria.

On Saturday, a registration will be held at

the school cafeteria from 10 until 11 a.m., a dinner is scheduled from 11 until 1:30 p.m. catered by the L&W Snack Bar followed by entertainment and a business meeting.

Trophies will be given for best float in the homecoming parade, best decorated entry by a child, and the best entry by a High School class.

Due to the lack of time, no notices will be mailed and the homecoming committee is depending upon the word being passed around.

Fibrosis drive

Becky Herrera, Lone Star Chapter Chairman for Cystic Fibrosis, and her volunteer helpers are ready for "Kiss Your Baby" Campaign weekend.

These ladies are donating their time to collect for this cause that will help children in the future to conquer this lung disease.

When volunteers call on you this weekend, consider making a donation and checks made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation are deductible.

Mrs. James Barley will be in charge of North of Tye; Barbara Kotlik Mulberry Creek, Ann Adams south side; Mrs. Cade and Beverly Herrera Tye town; Jo Ann Moore and Pat Wells Valley High Park and Glenda Pence El-Tye-O.

Cystic Fibrosis may be mistaken for asthma, pneumonia or allergies. If there is a salty taste when you kiss your baby, this may be an indication of Cystic Fibrosis and a doctor should be consulted.

Merchants meeting

The Merkel Merchants Association will meet September 18th at the Big Country Inn at 7 p.m.

The association will discuss the possibilities

of a "Gong Show" type talent show and other future projects.

All Merkel merchants are invited and those attending may order from the menu.

Getting it right

In our Jerry Lewis telethon story on page one last week a mistake slipped by. It was reported that Jason Bennett called in a contribution. Eight-year-old

Jason did not call in a contribution, he collected \$28 from going door to door for the telethon.

The Mail regrets the error.



Fun, rides, shows, and food at the fair. See related stories on page 6.

(Staff photo by Glenn Richards)

Newsbriefs

Reid receives B.B.A.

Jeffery Clyde Reid received his B. B. A. from West Texas State University at the 1978 summer graduation. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Reid of Canyon and formerly of Merkel. Reid is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Reid. Jeffery is presently associated with his father in the construction business.

Car insurance rates up

Taylor county residents will bite an eight dollar car insurance rate computing to a 3.2 percent increase in premiums.

The adjustments to the rates charged for insurance will be made on policies written Nov. 1 and thereafter, according to new schedules adopted Sept. 6 by the State Board of Insurance.

Of the forty rating territories in the state, 20 will receive increases, 18 will be reduced and two will not change.

Insurance industry requests for increases were for an average of 8.9 per cent on passenger cars, and the total on that basis would have been \$95 million in additional premiums. The amount granted by the board is a \$35 million increase, about \$60 million less than was sought by the insurance industry.

Melton dismissed

Clarence Melton of Merkel was dismissed recently from Hendrick Medical Center. Edgar Patterson, of Merkel was admitted to the West Texas Medical Center last weekend. Both hospitals hold visiting hours from 2 p.m.

Anderson's celebrating 71st

Mr. and Mrs. David Anderson will celebrate their 71st wedding anniversary on September 15 with a small family party scheduled at their home Saturday.

The Andersons met at a "candy breaking" in 1906, south of Tye and were married Sept. 15, 1907. They have lived in Taylor County all of their married lives. Mr. Anderson was born October 16, 1887 in Cedar Gap. Mrs. Anderson was born Callie Jones of Leadhill, Ark. Nov. 26, 1892 and came to Texas with her parents in 1905.

The Andersons have two children: Mrs. Ruth Campbell of Merkel and Mrs. Odell Anderson of Burkville; five grand-

children, and two great grandchildren. They attend the First Baptist Church in Merkel.

Show and sale

The Blue Ribbon Swine Breeders Association will hold the third annual show and sale Saturday, September 16 at the Dorthea Griffin Show Arena. Sale will begin at 7 p.m. preceded by sift and show at 10:30 a.m.

There will be 200 club pig prospects, boars and gilts. All breeds and crosses will be represented. The judge will be J.D. Smith from Roscoe. The auctioneer will be Kenneth Gregg from Plainview. For more information call Billy Kniffen, Clyde, 915-893-4275 or 915-893-4542.

Warrens return

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Warren have returned from a long weeks trip to Albuquerque. While there, the Warrens stayed with Mrs. Warren's 92 year old sister.

The Warrens also visited other relatives in the area.

Grants approved

Governor Dolph Briscoe has approved three criminal justice grants affecting Taylor County.

They are: -\$57,394 to Taylor County for the Big Country Foundation, a juvenile detention facility; -\$27,723 to Abilene for continuation of the Rape Crisis Center, and -\$31,588 to the West Central Texas Council of Governments for criminal justice planning.

Two arrested

Two Anson women were arrested here last Wednesday as they at-

tempted to leave the Ben Franklin Store in Merkel.

Merkel Police Chief Leroy Austerman made the arrests after receiving a call from a Ben Franklin employee.

Betty Morison and Wanda Shellman were apprehended at 11:40 a.m. Wednesday and they possessed \$70 worth of merchandise.

The two were released on Bond.

Upcoming Art tea

The Merkel Art Association will sponsor a welcoming tea, on Monday, September 18th at 7:30 p.m. at the Abilene Savings Branch at Merkel. The business of the hour will be the election of new officers. All members are urged to attend.

License check

The Merkel Police Department will be conducting a license check periodically.

Fair horse show results

Area winners in the West Texas Fair Horse Show include: Geldings 1974 or before, Sundown Pepper owned by Bennie Carrol of Tye, shown by Rodney Carrol. Sundown Pepper was also named the grand champion gelding.

Also winning in the Junior Angus Show Division is Buster Brown, Merkel, showing Badlands Black Cap W88.

\$130 million

The state earned more than \$130 million in interest this year according to state treasurer Warren G. Harding.

Lambda Beta Meets

A meeting of the Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi was held September 5th in the home of Barbara Welch. Judy Elliott and Kay Teaff presented a program on the subject of "Growing Up". The members discussed upcoming activities and

refreshments were served.

Those present were Milly Bright, Ann Doan, Bobbye Elliott, Judy Elliott, Gloria Henslee, Mary Hill, Nancy Hogan, Chera Hohhertz, Sarah Lucas, Karen Riley, Minyon Seymore, Kay Teaff, and Barbara Welch.

Poem to the Editor

Dear Editor, Friends in Merkel and West Texas

Too;
You are so nice I want
To thank you.
I came as a stranger to
Your city and land,
And you are so friendly
To this old man.
It's wonderful here and
All is well.
But it's the beautiful
People that makes it so swell.
The city is getting old and
Some things are not mod,
But for the wonderful
People I certainly thank God.
I'm not complaining about
The city as such,
For I love all of it so
Very much.
I have a good job, a good
Church and good friends,
And I thank God for all
That He sends.
I know you are busy,
But I wanted to say,
Thank you friends for
Making my day.
In our life span we meet
Good folks and bad,
But only nice ones are
Here and for this I'm glad.
You many not know me but
We're not strangers yet,
You're just a friend I
Haven't met.
May God Bless you all as
You go on your way,
And I say to one and all,
"Have a nice day."
"If you meet me and forget me, you have lost
nothing. If you meet Jesus Christ and forget Him,
you have lost everthing."

Always Your Friend,
Don Neugent
403 Kent



The children of Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. (Bob) Brazelton will be hosts for a 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration at Texas Electric Reddy Room in Sweetwater, Texas on September 17th at 2:00 p.m. Friends of the couple are invited to attend.

Club tea held

August 27

The Lambda Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi held their Beginning Day Tea, August 27th. Bobbye Elliott hosted the tea in her home and refreshments were served.

Activities at the tea included a presentation of the coming year's badges by Gloria Henslee. Mary Hill handed out to the members the new year books, which are dedicated to all the past presidents of the Lambda Beta Chapter. Many of these past presidents continue to be active in either the Xi Nu Chi or the Lambda Beta Chapters in Merkel. The Theme of the coming year was announced; "Seek New Horizons", and committee chairmen gave outlines of the coming year's activities.

Those present were Milly Bright, Bobbye Elliott, Judy Elliott, Gloria Henslee, Mary Hill, Nancy Hogan, Karen Riley, Kay Teaff, and Barbara Welch.

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SPAM 12 OZ **\$1⁰⁹**

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JELLO 3OZ PKG **2/45¢**

DEL MONTE **CATSUP** 32OZ **79¢**

CARNATION 1 LB JAR **COFFEEMATE** **\$1¹⁹**

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CARNATION

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CARD OF THANKS

My husband and I would like to extend our thanks to every one for the many acts of kindness and thoughtfulness during my recent surgery. Friends are wonderful and so comforting. God Bless each one. Ouida and H.C. Reid 30-1tp

Due to an oversight of the Melk Mail, this card of thanks was accidentally left out last week. The Mail regrets the error.

The family of Simmons Tarpley Callaway wish to express our sincere thanks for all kind deeds shown at the time of the illness and death of our beloved mother. A 11 prayers, visits, cards, food, floral offerings and contributions given in her memory are deeply appreciated.

We especially thank Dr. Torres and the staff at Anson General Hospital and the Leisure Lodge for their care and concern while she was with them. Also for Tommy South, Minister of the Anson Church of Christ, for the beautiful Memorial service. May God's Blessings be with each of you for your thoughtfulness in our time of sorrow.

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After exhaustive planning and study, your elected representatives on the Merkel ISD school board have put together a package plan that will serve our communities educational needs in such a manner that we can all be proud of. At the same time, your school board has never lost sight of the fact that while we all want the best education possible for our children, it must be something that we as a community can afford!

We feel that the bond issue that will be presented for your approval Saturday, September 16 will pass with your help. You will be voting for a school system we can all be proud of and for a school system this community of hard working taxpayers can afford.

How will the \$1,400,000 bonds be financed?

Appraised value of property	Assessed Evaluation at 60% of appraisal	Present tax 1978/79 at \$1.57 per \$100 A/V	Projected tax (1979/80) at \$1.87 per \$100 A/V	Projected increase
\$ 1,667	\$ 1,000	\$ 15.70	\$ 18.70	\$ 3.00
8,333	5,000	78.50	93.50	15.00
16,667	10,000	157.00	187.00	30.00
25,000	15,000	235.50	280.50	45.00
33,333	20,000	314.00	374.00	60.00
41,667	25,000	392.50	476.50	75.00

ABOUT THE ELECTION

1. When will the election be held?

September 16, 1978, between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

2. Who may vote?

Any resident of the Merkel Independent School District who is a registered voter.

3. Where can I vote?

Residents of the district who live in Taylor County voting precincts 20, 24, 25, 27, 28 and 34 or in Jones County will vote at the Merkel School Gymnasium, Merkel, Texas. *

Residents of the district who live in Taylor County precincts numbers 21, 22, 37, and 50 will vote at the Tye Elementary school cafeteria, Tye, Texas. *

* Your voter registration certificate identifies the voting precincts you live in.

SUMMARY OF IMPROVEMENTS AND ADDITIONS

NEW CONSTRUCTION

- New high school, 22,500 square feet
- New middle school gym, 8,000 square feet
- New vocational agriculture shop, 3,100 square feet
- New multi-purpose room 1,500 square feet

RENOVATIONS

- New heating and air conditioning for the Merkel Elementary and middle schools
- Repairs and fulfilling state fire code regulations

Estimated cost of project and amount of \$1,400,000 bond issue

VOTE FOR MERKEL

ISD BOND ISSUE

New faces around Merkel High School



Karen Vinsent of Wichita Falls is the new band director here in Merkel. Karen is a graduate of Midwestern University where she majored in Music Education.

Her teaching assignment includes two fifth grade classes, one here in Merkel and the other in Trent, sixth grade band, a junior high band that includes both 7th and 8th grades, and the High School band. The high school band will be marching about 32 members. Karen is single.



The new English I & IV teacher, Thelma Roberts is a recent graduate of A.C.U. with a major in Educational Psychology and English. Thelma has received experience as a teachers aide in McClennon Independent School District this summer.

When asked if she likes the area, Thelma replied, "I'm having a good time and everyone is real friendly." Thelma is single.

The "School House Mouse" reports

Tye kindergarten news

What is that noise? Where is all that chattering coming from? Do I hear laughter? Yes! Now I hear footsteps in the hall, many of them—Oh my it must be that time again, all the children are coming back its—school time again!!! (So soon?) My, the summer went so fast, but all the teachers look rested and eager to begin a new year. Some went to Hawaii and Las Vegas, Ruidox and a 14 day camping trip in a new trailer. Some went to Colorado and some went to the beach. Some visited their grandchildren.

I was peeping in the first grade room and saw a new teacher. She seems very delighted and anxious to get to meet her new charges. Her name is Beverly Reed and she takes the place of Mrs. Mitchell who moved to teaching Reading classes. Everyone else will be at the same "old stand" but some with many, many children this

year. Kindergarten is blooming as ever with 29 pupils this year. They are all so cute and busy I guess you could multiply by 2 and see what it really feels like.

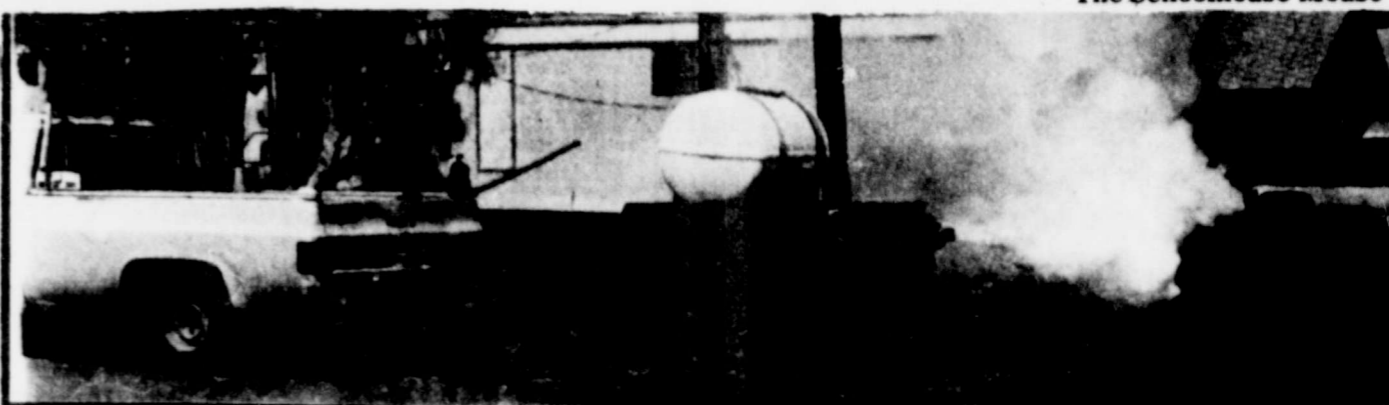
Everyone has something to say and can't wait to talk so they all do it at the same time.

The first day at school went extremely well this year considering the crowded rooms and all. Maybe that is a "sign" of good things to follow or a cold winter or something. Seems like everyone I hear talking is telling about the "signs" of a hard winter—two sets of blooms on the mesquite trees, doves flying straight up, thick shucks on roasting ears, heavy fur on horses and all animals. I have even seen (already) 2 flocks of geese flying south and that was late August.

Enough of the weather prediction. Hope everyone has a good year.

Go Badgers—Have a winning year.

See ya when you don't see me—
The Schoolhouse Mouse



City Manager J.A. Sadler was seen pulling this contraption around the neighborhoods, Monday. Could it be a potion to get people out to vote in

the upcoming bond election? (The spray is really for eliminating mosquitoes.) (Staff photo by Patricia Richards)

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Gary Barteis is another new teacher that will be taking on teaching as well as a coaching job. Gary graduated from Texas Tech University in 1974. He has taught at Hamlin High School where he was the Head Basketball Coach, a job he will take over here at Merkel when the time comes.

Gary has lived in the Big Country since birth, being born in Albany. The Biology department and assistant football coach will join in with Tennis and Basketball as Gary's duties. Gary is married and has three children, ages 6, 2, and 1.



Milton Bradev is the new Physical Science teacher at the high school this year. Originally from Salt Lake City, Mr. Bradev has been living in Abilene for the past 10 years. Having graduated from McMurry in '78, this is Mr. Bradev's first teaching job. Mr. Bradev is married with two children, ages 4 and 2.



Doug Guynes a graduate of A.C.U. with a major in Physical Education, will be teaching Fundamentals of Math at the High School this year.

Doug will also have various coaching assignments. With experience coming from Head Coach of Football at Blanket High School, he will take over the 1st assistant coach position here. Having coached Basketball at Loraine High School, Doug will assume the responsibilities of the ninth grade basketball team. When Spring rolls around, Doug will be heading up the track department at Merkel High School. Doug is single.

New teachers

Jr high news

This week's football schedule is as follows:
Sept. 14th- 7th grade Anson Here 5:00, 8th grade Anson Here 6:30.

There are four new staff members at MMS. Mrs. Lila Chafey is teaching sixth grade English, Sixth grade Reading and 7th grade Reading. She received her B.A. in Elementary Education from Louisiana Tech University and her M. Ed. as Reading Specialist from Hardin-Simmons University. Mrs. Chafey's husband, Frank, is a pilot at Dyess AFB. They have two children, Rick, who is a senior at North Texas State University, majoring in Medical Technology and a daughter, Jeannene who is married and living in Abilene. Mrs. Chafey has four years teaching experience.

Mrs. Billye Wilkerson is Mrs. Chafey's Title I Reading Aide. Mrs. Wilkerson attended Abilene Christian College and has lived in Merkel seven years. Her husband, Wyman, is a sales representative for Hydratex Industries. They have four children, Mark age 20, Kyle age 18 and a freshman at ACU, Dion age 16 and a junior at MHS, and David age 14, a freshman at MHS. Mrs. Wilkerson has been a regular substitute teacher for Merkel ISD for the past two years.

Mr. Sam Jernigan is teaching 7th grade Texas History, 8th grade Science and is the 8th grade coach. Mr. Jernigan received his B.S. in Physical Education and History from McMurry College. Mr. Jernigan and his wife, Bonnie, live in Mountain View Estates Northeast of Merkel.

Mr. Chuck Bell is teaching 7th grade science, 6th grade physical education, and is the 7th grade coach. Mr. Bell attended McMurry College where he studied Biology, Chemistry, and played on the varsity football team. Mr. Bell's father was a missionary in Brazil where his family lived for ten years.

Mrs. Minyon Seymore is the MMS secretary. Mrs. Seymore attended Texas Tech. Her husband, Phil, is a farmer and they make their home here in Merkel with their three and one-half year old daughter, Shelly. Mrs. Seymore has been with Merkel ISD for seven and one-half years, as a teacher aide, substitute teacher, and secretary. She was Merkel High School Secretary last year.

Teachers have gone over the Badger Guide with each student. Each MMS Student has a copy which gives the school calendar, the organization of the school, school regulations, and school policies. Each teacher has a conference period during the day. Parents, please feel free to call and set a time to talk with your child's teacher.

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2. I'm too old to serve the Lord (Genesis 18:9-12). God's Reply: Genesis 18:13, 14.
3. I'm too limited in abilities to serve the Lord (Exodus 3:11). God's Reply: Exodus 3:12.
4. I'm too bashful to speak, I can't serve the Lord (Exodus 4:10). God's Reply: Exodus 4:11, 12.
5. I can't serve the Lord, I'm too busy (Luke 14:16-20). God's Reply: Get others in their place (Luke 14:21).
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V O T E N O !

IF YOU DO NOT KNOW THE ANSWERS TO ANY ONE OF THESE QUESTIONS AT THE BOND ELECTION ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 (MERKEL — HIGH SCHOOL GYM; TYE — ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA.)

Legal Notice

BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Joe Sheppard, Respondent: GREETINGS: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable 326th District 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 Patrick Xavier Prew and Melinda Ann Prew, Petitioners, filed in said Court on the 29th day of August, 1978, against Joe Sheppard, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 1397-C on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Interest of Staci Lee Rowe, a Child", the nature of which suit is a request to terminate the parent child relationship between Staci Lee Rowe and Joe Sheppard. Said

child was born the 14th day of August, 1975, in Abilene, Texas Taylor County.

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.

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 the 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 31st day of August, 1978.

Irene Crawford Clerk, 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas. Elise Mitchell, Deputy.

Circle A Western Wear changes locations

Circle A Western Wear has moved from their location downtown to a new store out by the Interstate. The owners of Circle A, Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Adcock, have spent a lot of time on their new store. The majority of the work has been done by Mr. Adcock. All of the wood used in the construction of the new building, is antique from different old houses and buildings. The western appearance of the building falls right in line with the apparel found in-

side. Full lines of Lee, Wrangler, and Levis can be purchased. Western wear, and the contemporary fashions come in all colors and sizes. A line of boots and belts that will please even the most hard to please buyers. For you rough riders, Circle A will carry blankets, bridles, reigns, and other accessories for your horse. Circle A opened last Saturday and will be selling the latest in children, women and mens clothing.

(Sandy) Davis of Merkel; three brothers, J.M. Steel of Abilene, Cleburn Steel of Fort Worth and Herman Steel of Anson; two sisters, Mrs. J.T. Hollinger and Thelma Steel.



Waymon and Johnnie Adcock are pictured here in their newly opened store. Many years of dedication have gone into the opening of the new store and the Adcocks would like for you to come by and see what they have done. (Staff photo by Melanie Richards)

Merritt dies

Celia Mary Francis Merritt, 65, of Merkel died at 8:40 p.m. Friday at Hendrick Medical Center following a lengthy illness. Services were held at 3 p.m. Sunday at First Baptist Church here.

The Rev. Price Mathieson, Abilene Baptist Minister, officiated, assisted by the Rev. T.C. Melton, pastor of the Elm Crest Baptist Church in Abilene. Burial was here at the Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born July 18, 1913 in Anson, she married Frank Merritt Oct. 18, 1936 here. The couple had lived here since 1945.

Survivors include her husband, a son, Jerry Merritt of Merkel; a daughter, Mrs. Roy

An Open Letter To All Merkel ISD Voters

As citizens, taxpayers, and parents we feel it is necessary for someone to speak up for our rights (if we don't, it won't be long before they're gone!!!) and inform residents what will happen if the bond election for \$1.4 million dollars is passed on Saturday, September 16. YES, a bond election is necessary and we would be the first to help pass one provided it included room for growth and expansion in the future.

Our actions and reactions are based on facts made available to us through attendance of several board meetings, architect's statements and material published in the local newspaper. According to these sources, and our interpretation of such, it appears that the bond is sufficient to complete only the new High School plus, hopefully, enough for a new Merkel Middle School Gym. The architects reported at a public meeting that they expected the bond money would be barely enough to complete the High School as projected. Needed repairs and fire code work has been mentioned in every report published-but no one can guarantee that this will be accomplished from funds resulting in the passing of the bond. HOW WILL IT AFFECT OUR CHILDREN?

A. This bond does not allow for future building. There are approximately 486 students (K-5) in both Merkel and

Tye with room for about 75 more. The architect working for Merkel I.S.D. has projected that by 1990 Merkel will have 600 students (K-5); and Tye, 500 students (K-5). Where will we put these 1100 students? B. The Merkel Middle School, Merkel Elementary, and Tye Elementary School all need fire code work done. After the High School is built, will there be enough money left to bring all these buildings up to fire code regulations? HOW WILL IT AFFECT OUR COMMUNITY?

Would you move into a community where there was no school or the school was overcrowded? With no school growth, there will be no growth within the community. HOW WILL IT AFFECT US AS TAXPAYERS? What tangible benefits are we getting for our money? No one can definitely tell us what the money will be spent for or how much work can be accomplished.

Our high school students need a new facility-but our lower level students also need growing room. Our schools are near their capacity now. We've got to plan ahead and make our voice heard in the planning. WE CARE ABOUT OUR SCHOOL-IT'S PRESENT AND IT'S FUTURE. DO YOU???? VOTE NO IN THE SCHOOL BOND ELECTION, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, in the Merkel Gym or the Tye School Cafeteria.

(Political announcement paid for by "Citizen's for Community Awareness", Glenda Pence, Treasurer.)

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Smith dies at 55

Alvin Jefferson Smith, 55, of 2949 Russell, Abilene, formerly of Merkel, died at 6:15 p.m. Tuesday in the Big Spring Veterans Administration Hospital after a lengthy illness. Services were held Friday at 4 p.m. in the Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel here.

The Rev. Joe Davis, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, officiated. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born September 1st, 1943, in Merkel, he had lived most of his life in Taylor County. He was an employee of the Texas Highway Department for 35 years. He married Marilyn Shoemaker in 1947 here. He was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife and three daughters, Linda Hardin and Trudy Davidson, both of Abilene, and Denise Brantner of Austin, his mother Minnie of Merkel, three brothers, Carl of Midway City, Okla., William of Choctaw, Okla., and Robert of Huntington Beach, Calif.;

six sisters, Mary Laughlin and Loree Hill, both of Sonora, Calif., Jeanne Ballinger of Sweetwater, Oravee of Merkel, Jean Griffith of Lexington and Lovetta Mayhew of Conroe; and eight grandchildren.

A brother, Wallace, preceded him in death.

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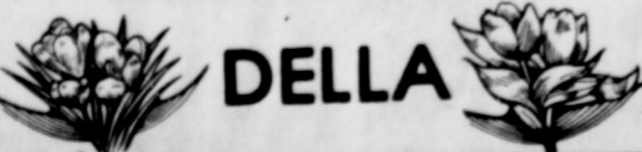
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Bears beat Badgers

By Glenn Richards

The Merkel Badgers found last Friday's opener tough with the Baird Bears as they faced hard luck and hard hits.

"You wouldn't believe how hard those guys are hitting out there," said Rick Howes, a Sr. running back who at the time of this quote was on the sideline with a bruised lower back that kept him out the rest of the game.

Baird's defence did a good job stopping the running attack of the Badgers holding them to only 58 yards rushing while Baird picked up 314.

Baird's 26 points came on two short runs by Q. B. Chris Vestal and a five yard run by Danny Stovall who had 141 yards for the night.

Bart Pursley no. 20, QB for the Badgers threw 12 passes completing 5 for 94 yards. Most passing coming from the screens and playaction.

The young Merkel defense played a long game with Baird being in possession of the ball about 3/4 of the time.

Coach McLeod said, "We made alot of mistakes, Baird's a fine ball club not taking anything away from them, we just had enough mistakes to beat ourselves." Those mistakes came in many forms. Mostly small ones that kept plaguing the Badgers when it really counted.

On the bright side, "He was outstanding, he had 18 tackles and played a great game," Coach McLeod said of Buster Brown a 165 lb. playing nose guard.

"We'll execute better this week, better the next and hopefully keep improving all the while," said Coach McLeod.



Billy Nichols (84) Badger punter had 5 punts for a 34 yd. avg. (Staff photo by Glenn Richards)

Badgers face Rotan Friday

By Cloy A. Richards

The Rotan Yellowhammers put on an awesome display of offensive power as they buried Spur 41-14. The Badgers will play in Rotan Friday night at 8 p.m. The Badgers will be trying to record their first win following a 26-0 touncing by Baird.

Rotan quarterback David Posey led the way as he threw for two touchdowns and ran for two more. As if that wasn't enough for the Badgers to watch, the Badgers will face the fastest back in Class A football, Fred Acorn.

Acorn, the Class A 100 yard dash champion opened Friday's scoring as he raced 39 yards for a TD.

The Yellowhammers have six offensive and five defensive starters returning from a 4-6 team. Other Yellowhammers to watch are, guard, Robert Posey, tackle Eli Sepeda, and Willie Hayes at tackle.

The Yellowhammers racked up 382 yards of total offense with 244 coming from the ground attack. Acorn carried the ball 5 times for 112 yards in the first half. Acorn left the game with leg cramps, but head coach Don Mullins said he would be ready for Friday's contest with the Badgers.

The Yellowhammers operate out of a pro set offense and defend from a split six formation.

Mullins said the Yellowhammers are coming off of two bad years and we did all of our scoring the other night with Sophomores. Last year we only scored 41 points in ten games and that total against Spur was something new for us.

About the Badgers, Mullins said, "we have seen some films on them and we really don't know that much about them. The Badgers do look to be more our size than most teams, except for those two big running backs. Our team is real healthy and we are ready."

Badger coach Jerry McLeod said "he was impressed with the Rotan bunch and he expected a tough match."

McLeod stated that Badger end Mike Brady may be out of the Rotan contest because of a bad knee. The coach also said that Billy Nichols will operate some from the fullback spot in future games.

McLeod said that defensively, the Badgers would line up a little differently because of Rotans' speed.



Bart Pursley (20) fakes the hand off as Dwayne Roysden (61) sets up the blocks. (Staff photo by Glenn Richards)



(Jerry McLeod) (Staff photo by Glenn Richards)

Country Club to host tennis clinic

The Country Club of Merkel, is making final preparations on the new tennis club. The club will host a tennis clinic featuring tennis pro John Verde.

Verde will conduct the two hour clinic utilizing a ball machine that is capable of keeping from one to thirty people busy at one time. That action gets underway at 10 a.m. Saturday, September 30.

Also that day, the club will host a demonstration by professional tennis players including Verde.

The Country Club of Merkel has recently completed work on the tennis facility. There are two courts, artificially surfaced. Club officials said the seating capacity is one of the largest in the state. The tennis area can also be used for outdoor concerts, dances, and productions.

The club also recently completed reconstruction of the dining and club facility. Those portions were damaged during the storm that

came through seven weeks ago. It was "pre-opened" at a function at the club Saturday.

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6.98	6.75	2½ yrs.	1,000
6.72	6.50	1 yr.	1,000
5.92	5.75	90 days	50
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**MERKEL BADGERS 1978
FOOTBALL SCHEDULE**

Varsity

SEPTEMBER 8	AT BAIRD	8:00	0-26
SEPTEMBER 15	AT ROTAN	8:00	
SEPTEMBER 22	HOMECOMING		
CLYDE		8:00	
OCTOBER 6	AT COAHOMA	8:00	
OCTOBER 13	WINTERS	7:30	
OCTOBER 20	AT ANSON	7:30	
OCTOBER 27	BALLINGER	7:30	
NOVEMBER 3	AT C. CITY	7:30	
NOVEMBER 10	STAMFORD	7:30	
NOVEMBER 17	WYLIE	7:30	



Mickie Howes (25), Bart Pursley (20), Keith Shields (33), Buster Brown (14), Jay Boyd (50), Mike Crouse (66), Dwayne Roysden (61), Victor Herrera (74), Jeff Jones (71), Billy Nickols (84), Mike Brady (80), Craig Hutchins (40), Rusty Watts (62), Mark Copeland (55), James Castille (67),

James Turner (86), Billy Walters (77), Brian Fariello (65), Ricky Matheson (75), Sal Acosta (85), Jerry Goode (30), Ty Nelson (31), Lee Reddin (22), Randy Martin (11).

Coaches are Jerry McLeod, Bob Petty, Douglas Guynes, Gary Barbee, and Sam Jernigan.

Junior Varsity

Sept. 14	AT ANSON	6:30
Sept. 21	AT CLYDE	7:00
Sept. 28	JIM NED	7:30
Oct. 12	AT WINTERS	7:30
Oct. 19	ANSON	6:30
Oct. 26	AT BALLINGER	7:30
Nov. 9	AT STAMFORD	6:30
Nov. 16	AT WYLIE	6:30

9th Grade

Sept. 14	At ANSON	5:00
Sept. 21	At CLYDE	5:30
Oct. 12	At EASTLAND	5:30
Oct. 19	ANSON	5:00
Oct. 26	At BALLINGER	6:00
Nov. 2	EASTLAND	5:30
Nov. 9	At STAMFORD	5:00
Nov. 16	At WYLIE	5:00

8th Grade



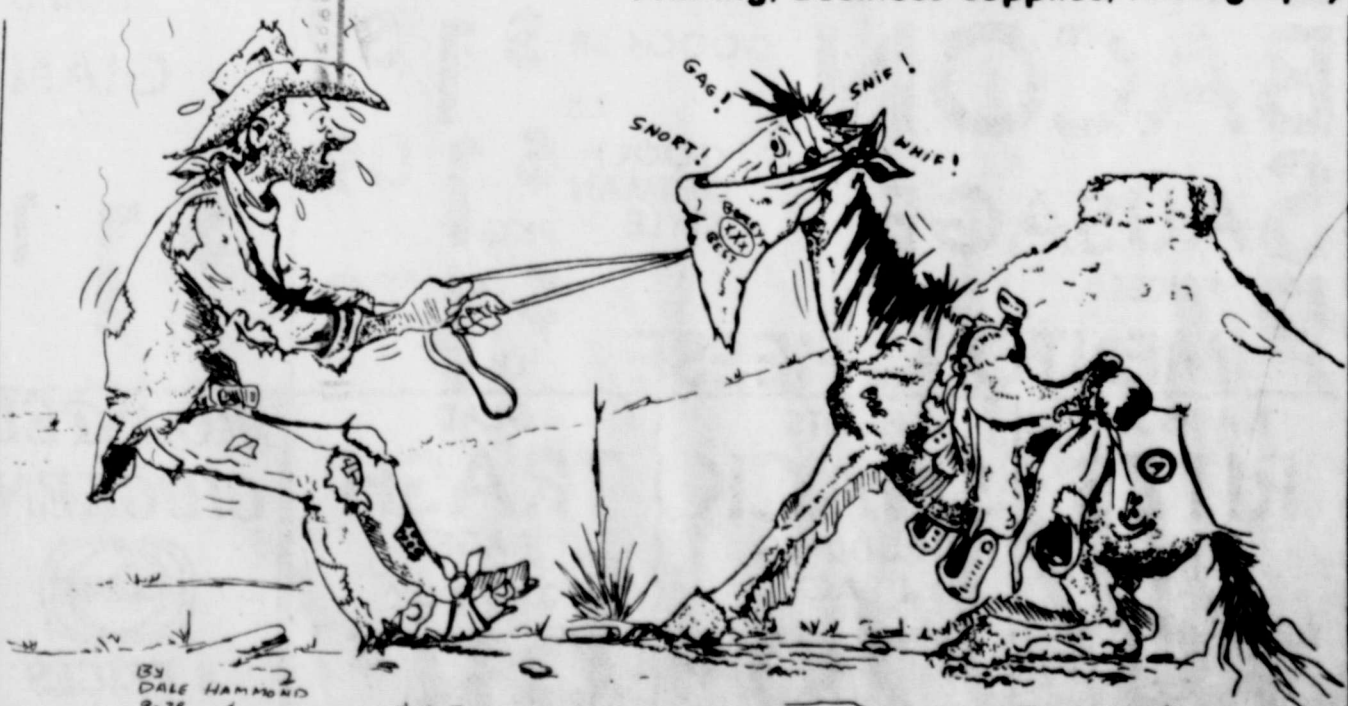
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7th Grade

Sept. 14	ANSON	5:00
Sept. 21	CLYDE	5:30
Sept. 28	JIM NED	5:00
Oct. 12	At WINTERS	5:00
Oct. 19	ANSON	5:00
Oct. 26	BALLINGER	6:00
Nov. 9	At STAMFORD	5:00
Nov. 16	WYLIE	5:00

BEAT ROTAN!

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PRICES GOOD
THURSDAY
FRI & SAT
SEPT 14 - 15-16
STORE HOURS
7:30AM - 6:30PM
MON THRU SAT

FABERGE
ORGAN ICE
SHAMPOO
16 OZ BOTTLE 98¢

M-J-B
COFFEE
POUND CAN \$1.69
WITH *10% IN TRADE OR MORE
EXCLUSIVE OF CIGARETTES
TABLETS 100 CT BOX
ANACIN \$1.69

LIBBYS
CATSUP
14 OZ BOTTLE
2 FOR **69¢**

DEL MONTE CRUSHED
PINEAPPLE NO 2 CAN **53¢**
DEL MONTE 303
PEARS SLICED CAN **45¢**
HI-C ASSORTED
DRINKS 46 OZ **49¢**

FROZEN FOODS
BANQUET - 8 OZ
POT PIES BEEF - TURKEY - CHICKEN 3 FOR **83¢**
PATIO 6 BEEF OR CHICKEN PKG **79¢**
Enchiladas **79¢**
JENO'S - ASSORTED
PIZZA EACH **89¢**

PETER PAN
PEANUT BUTTER 18 OZ JAR **98¢**

KRAFTS
CHEESE
1/2 MOON
10 OZ PKG **\$1.09**

DEL MONTE 303 CUT
Green Beans 2 FOR **69¢**
DEL MONTE 303 WHOLE
New Potatoes 2 FOR **59¢**
DEL MONTE 8 OZ
Tomato Sauce 2 FOR **35¢**

ORE IDA - 2 LBS PKG
Tator TOTS **69¢**
2 FREE COKES WITH
4 MR PIBBS
32 OZ BOT 6 PACK **\$1.19**

1 G DAIRY FRESH
HOMO MILK
GALLON JUG **\$1.79**

CHICKEN OF SEA
TUNA
FLAT CAN
69¢

GREEN GIANT 303 W K
Golden Corn 2 FOR **63¢**
VAN CAMPS 300
Pork & Beans 2 FOR **59¢**
FOREMOST
Butter Milk 1/2 GAL CRTN **89¢**

1 G DAIRY FRESH
LOWFAT MILK
GALLON JUG **\$1.69**
INSTANT TEA 3 OZ **\$1.69**

WELCH
GRAPE
JELLY OR JAM
20 OZ JAR **79¢**

SHASTA
SODA POP
12 OZ CAN
6 FOR **89¢**

HORMEL VIENNA
SAUSAGE
5 OZ
2 FOR **79¢**

NESTEA
PARKAY FLOUR
TISSUE
OLEO QUARTERS LB **49¢**
GOLD MEDAL 5 LB BAG **79¢**
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LEAN POUND **75¢**
CHOICE BEEF CHUCK LB **\$1.29**
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OSCAR MAYER 16 OZ PKG **\$1.39**
BOLOGNA OSCAR MAYER 8 OZ PKG **89¢**
BACON GOOCH BR LB **\$1.39**
SAUSAGE GOOCH GERMAN STYLE PKG **\$1.09**
PIMENTO CHEESE PRICES LB **\$1.79**

JEWEL 42 OZ
SHORTENING \$1.09 CAN
SUNSHINE
CRACKERS LB **49¢**

KING SIZE
CHEER
BOX **\$2.09**

LIQUID
IVORY
GIANT SIZE **83¢**

PRINGLES - TWIN PKG
POTATO CHIPS **79¢**
CANTALOUPES
PECOS LB **23¢**

DETERGENT
ERA
LIQUID GIANT **\$1.15**

LOW SUDS
DASH
FAMILY SIZE **\$4.73**

NEW CROP DELICIOUS LB
RED APPLES **39¢**
DEL MONTE
BANANAS LB **19¢**
TARPLEYS YELLOW
SQUASH LB **29¢**
FRESH RED OR YELLOW
WATERMELONS EA **98¢**
CASSELMAN
PLUMS LB **39¢**
RUSSET
SPUDS .10 LB BAG **89¢**

NABISCO
RITZS
LB BOX **79¢**

HUNTS
SNACK PUDDING
4 PACK **79¢**

GLAD
TRASH BAGS
10 CT BOX **98¢**

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8 PEICES FEEDS 4

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