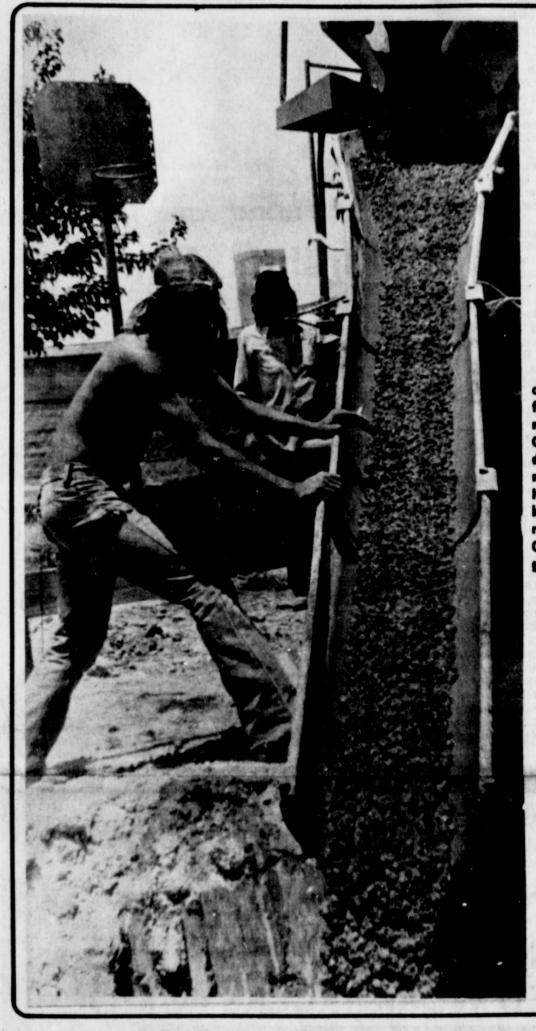
The Merkel Mail

Thursday, July 5, 1979 Merkel, Texas

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Hank Bradberry guide new Middle School Gym. Concrete work has been delayed for more than a month and officiels from Maney and Silvey say they hope to have the gym ready in September or October. (Staff photo by glenn Richards).

Workers begin pouring concrete for gym

Construction workers began pouring the concrete footings that will anchor the Middle School Gym Thursday. According to the job superintendent, Bill Bradberry, his crews will finish the footing phase this week and foundation work should get started in the next two weeks.

Haney and Silvey, the construction company that is building the new facilities, are about a month behind their schedule on the gym and that one month delay was caused by rain.

M-T girls softball league, spent his last ni office in the form of a Fun Day for the girls and their parents. (Staff phtoto by glenn Richards).

Bradberry said "We have all the materials we need right now, and we have hired two more workers starting on Monday. If the weather cooperates with us, we should be getting a lot done.

Bradberry added that the rainy weather had idled his crews for up to a week at a time.

Merkel maintenance janitorial personnel have also ben busy during the summer. The outside of Merkel Elementary has been repainted and the grounds have been reworked. Workers are now installing insulation, readying the Middle School for air

conditioning and heating.

After they finish with the Middle school, workers will move to the cafeteria where they will work for a couple of weeks. From there, school maintenance workers will move to the football field in preparation for August football practice and the start of the 79 season in September.

City has issued 16 dog tags

Only 16 Merkel citizens have bothered to go by City

Hall and pick up dog tags for their pets.

Under the new city dog ordinance, dogs that are not on a leash, at the heel of a person or in a fence.

can be picked up or turned over to the city.

If the dog does not have a tag, it will be transported to the pound in Abilene. The owner will not be notified and the dog will remain at the pound for three days. If you have a dog that her not have for three days. If you have a dog that has not been

tagged and is missing, you have only three days to identify, and pay a \$10 fee plus expenses.

If a dog is loose, and has a tag, the city will notify the owner that the city has the dog and will return

the dog for a \$10 fee plus expenses.

City Manager J.A. Sadler said the tagging and rounding up of strays will hold rabies chances to a minimum here. There have been no confirmed cases of rabies in humans in Taylor County this year, but

If a dog is tagged, it is proof that the dog has a current rabies vaccination because you have to prove that your dog has been vaccinated for rabies to

obtain the city dog tag.

The tags are free and available between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at City Hall.

Mail Bag;

news from 40 years ago

The following stories made headlines in the July 7th issue of the Merkel Mail.

The Trent School was destroyed by fire in a July 6th blaze. The fire was blamed on lightning and the

school carried \$30,000 insurance. A \$31,000 addition had been completed only a year before the fire and the addition was also destroyed. Firefighter from Merkel and Sweetwater responded

firefighting impossible. Trent Superintendent A.W. Woods told the Mail that plans have already been made for the rebuilding of the school and will get underway as soon as the

to the blaze but failure of water pressure made

claims are paid. Merkel Fire Chief John Mansfield headed an 11 man Merkel delegation to the Mid West Texas Firemans Convention in Colorado City. Attending were Jack Higgins, Ray Wilson, Roy Robbins,

Grisham Dowell, Frank Breaux, T.O. Neill, Floyd McCoy, Tracy Wood, Earl Watts and Milton Case. The Farmers and Merchants National Bank declared a four percent semi-annual dividend. Total deposits in July of 1939 totaled slightly over one half million dollars.

The hit movie of the week at the Queen Theater was Dodge City starring Erol Flynn, Olivia de Havilland and Ann Sheriden. The movie also featured news and a cartoon.

Seven steaks, pork chops, ground meat, bacon and rib roasts were selling for 15 cents per pound at the Fairway Grocery and Market.

Merkel Lodge No. 710, A.F. & A.M. elected officers They included H.G. Smith, John F. Walker, E.B. Reese, Bob Fowler, Carl Black, G.F. Woods, Willie Moore, T.A. Mitchell, Verner Sublett, Waldo Cox, Jim Collins and Joe Jackson Jim Collins and Joe Jackson.

Mike Kish (center) presented the girl scouts of Morkel with a new flag from the Woodsman of the

World. Plag boarers are Moledy Pape (left) and Ronna Casey (right) (Staff photo by glona

Tax deadline 10 days away

Local farmers and ranchers still have until July 15th to apply for the Merkel ISD agricultural land use tax exemptions for their 1979 tax committment. The tax exemptions will be on property assessments and farmers and ranchers will still be

Texas rarm Bureau president Carrol Chaloupka called the legislation a victory in Abilene last week and said that the farm bureau was pleased with the voting record of the 66th Legislative Session.

billed for 30 cents per \$100 evaluation for bond payments approved by voters last September.

Passage of the tax relief package bill included a limitation on the ad valorem taxes on agricultural land and should save farmers and ranchers statewide an estimated \$40 million.

Farmers must apply for the tax exemptions no later than July 15th for the exemptions to be included

on the 1979 tax statements. An application with the Merkel ISD tax office does not make you eligible for benefits of the exemption from Taylor County. You will also be required to complete the county form by July 15th. Taylor County Tax-Assessor Collector Richard Petree said that his office had mailed forms to the taxpayers and if persons did not receive their forms, they should go to the county courthouse and make application.

The ag-land use exemptions were designed to protect the farmer against soaring property prices, which would lead to a higher assessment and higher taxes. Farmers also now have three options on having their property assessed, including 8-1D, revamped taxing system with lower ad valorem, and ag land use.

The Merkel ISD tax office is located at 2131/2

Baseball league needs donations

The Tri-City Baseball League has only received \$8 in donations for their concession stand, hopefully to be built at the Merkel Tri-City Park.

A \$20 donation was sent to the league by former Merkelite Dunning McConnel after reading an announcement that money was needed in the Mail

The league is hoping to build the concession stand out of concrete blocks and league officials say that each block will cost about a dollar.

Persons interested in helping the league should

mail or drop their donations by the Big Country Inn.

The league starts their annual playoffs in Hawley
Thursday. All-Stars were selected from the two Merkel teams and the Trent team to play the All-Stars from the Tye-Hawley teams.

The league has passed a rule that will allow 18 year-olds to compete next season in an effort to allow the men to play inbetween high school graduation and the start of college. An assistant coach at Hardin Simmons attended a game two weeks ago to cast an eye at Ted Holmes, a pitcher in the Tri-City League as a possible scholarship recipient.

File before July 15th for homestead tax

Merkel homeowners still have ten days to file for the \$5,000 exemption for school taxes and those over 65 or disabled have the same amount of time to file

for an additional \$10,000 in exemptions The exemptions were passed by the 66th Texas Legislative session and are designed to offer lower

taxes for persons living on a fixed income.

The tax exemptions will not delete the 30 cents per \$100 evaluation to pay for the school bond that was

approved in September.
What the tax will mean to most Merkel citizens over the age of 65 is that they will be responsible for only the bonded indebtedness tax.

The forms are available at the Merkel ISD Tax

Assessor Collector's office at 2131/2 Edwards in Merkel. The office is open from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. each day and persons must apply for the tax



Oliver Rister is putting some finishing touches on a classroom at the Merkel Middle School. School maintenance people have added insulation, reworked the front lawn and are repainting the Middle School (Staff photo by glenn Richards).

Tittle reunion draws 48

Forty-eight members of the Tittle family met at Lake Sweetwater for their annual r e u n i o n June 15, 16, 17th.

The gathering was hosted by Mrs. C.R. Tittle and Betty Jane Tittle. The family enjoyed playing baseball, ping-ping, fishing, skiing and swimming. Saturday night entertainment was music by Monty Tittle, Duke Pack and the Texas Bush Boogie Band.

The reunion has been

held annually since 1955. Every member of the family was present this year. Attending from Merkel were: Mrs. C.R. Tittle, Betty Jane Tittle, Mr. and Mrs. Neely Tittle, Weldon and Monty Tittle; Weldon B. Tittle, Arlington, Va.; Orion Tittle, Nadine Tittle, Mr. and Mrs. John Nelson, Tammy, Tipp, Tonya and guest Kelly Walling, Ft. Stockton; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tittle, Sheri and Kristi, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Cockrell, Kay-cit and Jamie, Artesia, New Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Tittle, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Gary Tittle, Scott and Toni, Tuscumbia, Ala.; Mr. and Mrs. Alan Tittle and Jody, McAllen, Tx.; Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Tittle, Terri, Dusty and David, Mr. and Mrs. Johy Tittle, Jason and Jana, Canyon, Tx.; Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Tittle and Charlie, Mr. and Mrs. George Johnson and Rhett, Sonora, Tx.; and Mr. and Mrs. Randy Hill from Denton, Tx.



Jerri Cox (left) and Jane Mashburn Star Nursing Home announces Jane Mashburn is new LVN

(Submitted) Starr Nursing Home announces the appointment of its new director of nurses, Jane Mashburn. Jane Harris Mashburn has been a staff LVN at the home for the past year and a half. Ms. Mashburn received her LVN school-ing at Hendricks Medical Center in Abilene. She has previously worked 5 years in emergency and surgery at Abilene State School. Her 2 years work in recreation for retardates at the State School is what motivated her to train as an LVN, Starr Nursing Home is priviledged having her tal-

ents used in it's facility. Starr Home welcomes LVN Jerri Cox to its staff.

Many thanks to Milly Bright who is filling in staff vacancies during vacation times.

Starr Home welcomes its most recent new residents; Mrs. Iva Baccus, Mr. Lonnie Bryan, Mrs. Eva Horton, Mr. Walter McElmurray, Mrs. Minnie Owens, Mrs. Clara Payne, Mr. Marion Payne, Mrs. Thelma Thomas.

It's good to have Mrs. Ribera back from the hospital. We missed Sympathy is extended to the family of a late resident, Mr. C.E. Derington.

Plans are in the making for a variety of additional activities at Starr Nursing Home. How can the folks around Merkel area help or get in on the fun? Whether you have special talent, or just a desire - whether you have a lot of time, or just a little time whether you could be involved regularly, or just once - Call Starr Home 928-5673 and indicate your interest to Brenda Quinn or Mary Pallarez.

Club meets

"Fashions in Food" given by Mrs. Louise Chancey & Bertha Hunter in the home of Mrs. Dolores Adair Thurs., June 28th. "Relishes & Garnishes" were made by all the members. Those being Radish Tulips, pepper chains, carrot curls, cucumber twists, onion chrysanthemums & etc. These were served with "pot luck" food brought by members and Mrs.

Adair & served as a noon day lunch.
In the afternoon,

members enjoyed swimming, then worked on the club scrap book.

Those present were Mrs. Annie Taylor, Hazel Spurgin, Jessie Williams, Nona Chancey, Fannie Ramsey & Chancey Hunter & Adair. Guests Mrs. Margaret Johnson Ryan & Angie, Addie Howk & 2 sons, Stacy Chancey, Scott & Shelia Adair.

Thames graduated

(Submitted) Paul B. Thames, son of Evelyn Thames of Merkel and Walter Thames of Abilene, recently received his M.D. degree at the 37th Commencement Exercises of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School held in Dallas on June 2nd.

2nd.
The valedictorian of the 1971 graduating class of Merkel High School and a magna cum laude graduate of Texas Tech University in 1975, Paul has spent the past four years

studying medicine in Dallas. There he was elected to the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society in his senior year. He and his wife, the former Miss Gail Shirey of Abilene. will be living an additional year in Dallas as Paul completes an internal medicine internship at Baylor University Medical Center beginning July 1. In July 1980, he will begin a three-year residency in Ophthalmology at the University of Florida Medical Center in Gainesville, Florida.



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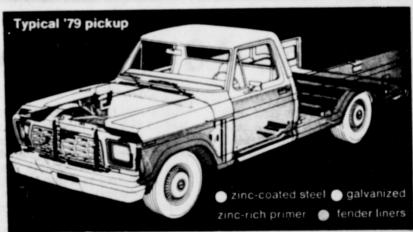
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Minor Allstars are (1 to r): Amy Allen, Shelli White, chap. Janet Vinson, Mum Prasarn, Ida Griffith, Mandy Guenther, Marsha Tutt, Melinda Riney, Kelly Stovaii, Cheryl Freeman.



Senior Major Allstars are (1 to r): Rhonda Whitaker, Dianne Whitaker, Debbie Jackson, Carmen Lerma, Saraton Prasarn, Rebecca Sipes, Norma Frazier, Tiffy Toppin, Sissy Atkinson, Janet Wade, Debbie Williams.

Home thanks Russom

(Submitted) The Starr Nursing Home would like to recognize Mrs. Aria Russom for her recent volunteer work. The staff appreciates Mrs. Russom giving of her time to make bibs for the residents. She has made nice large ones out of towels and some out of her own materials.

These bibs help tremendously in keeping particularly our bed residents clean and neat.

Mrs. Russom and her daughter, Maggie, live at 505 Ash. Mrs. Russom enjoys keeping busy with her hands and "just wanted to help out a little." Starr Nursing Home appreciates her helping hands. Thank you, Mrs. Russom!

Anyone interested in volunteer work, especially in arts or crafts. Please call Mary Pallarez or Brenda Quinn at the home. 928-5673.



Justice chairman

Mrs. Larry Justice has accepted the Chairmanship of the Annual Fall Campaign on behalf of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. She will be recruiting volunteers within the Community to plan a "Breath of Life Campaign" to take place this Fall in Merkel.

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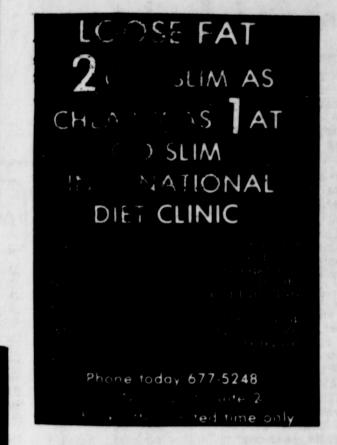
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Rileys touring European nations

(Submitted) Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Ray and David; Mr. & Mrs. Billy Riley and Billy Ray left on a European Tour June 7th. The family members visited seven countries which included France, Italy, Monaco, Germany, Switzerland, Holland, and Eng-

In Paris, France, the

group visited the Louve Museum to view such famous paintings as the "Mona Lisa" by Leonardo Da Vinci. Also in Paris the group saw Napoleon's Tomb, the Gothic Cathedral of Notre Dame, and the Eiffel Tower.

In Monte Carlo, the group viewed the beautiful blue Mediterranean Sea along the French riviera. Before reaching Rome, Italy, the tour group stopped to view the Leaning Tower of Pisa. In Rome, the Basilica of St. Peter, Vatican Museum, and the coliseum were seen. It was at the St. Peter's Cathedral that Michel-

most beautiful works of From the country of

angelo did some of his

Italy the group toured through Switzerland o-

ver the Swiss Alps through the famous St. Gotthard Pass.

The Tour ended in London, England. In London, the group viewed Westminster Alley, Big Ben, Houses of parliament, 600 acre Hyde Park, and the Piccadilly Circus.

Club reports Jones County fair is August 16-18

(Submitted) The Council of the Jones County Texas Extension Homemakers Association met at 2 p.m. June 20th at the Activity Center in Anson for a regular monthly meeting.

A game was led by the Recreation leader, Mrs. Daisy Mashburn, a

member of the Stith Club. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mrs. Vada Hudson of the Stith Club. The Council consisted of 3 Council officers, 11 members, 1 visitor and 7 clubs were

represented. Mrs. Alma Foster, Yearbook Chairman requested that suggestions of the new yearbook be brought in by July Coun-

Mrs. Helen Haynes, Exhibit Chairman, suggested that each club have an exhibit at the Jones County Fair that will be held in Anson,

August 16th, 17th, and 18th. Entries should be brought in before 8 a.m. on Thursday, August 16th. Judging will begin at 3:30 p.m. on Thurs-

Entries must also be tagged before they are brought to the building.

Scout jamboree

The Merkel girl scouts kel, The City of Merkel eld their camping jam- and the Merkel Mail. held their camping jamboree last week at the scout hut next to the schools. Parents and friends attended the event that included pre-sentation of a new flag from the Woodsmen of the World to the scout troop, (the new flag was needed, the old one only had 48 stars). After receiving their new flag. the Girl Scouts burned their old ones in keeping with tradition.

Awards were given to the Merkel Independent School District, First Baptist Church of Mer-

Awards were presented for assistance to the Girl Scout program. Husbands of the Troop leaders were also given awards for their help and understanding.

After each age group presented a skit, the members were presented with their merit badges for activities that they had completed during the camping jamboree.

In all 44 or the 71 girls in the local scouting program attended the camp along with 15

Derrington dies

Charles Emerson Derington, 82, died at 1:10 a.m. Friday at Starr Nursing Home after a lengthy illness. Services were at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Church of Christ, with minister Larry Gill officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery in Merkel. Starbuck Funeral Home handled the services.

Born No. 10, 1896, in Callahan Co., Derington lived in the Merkel area all his life. He was a retired farmer and a longtime member of the Church of Christ. He married Johnnie Bell Jordan Aug. 15, 1916, in

Abilene.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Mrs. M.A. Noster, and Mrs. H. E. Childers of Merkel; a brother; Arthur Derington of Ba-kersfield, Calif.; a sis-ter, Vivian Horton of Bakersfield, Calif.; six grandchildren; and four great grandchildren. Pallbearers were

Danny Malone, Danny Wade, Skipper Young-blood, Terry Derington, Scotty Childers & Chris Childers.

He was preceded in death by one son, Bud-dy, and a sister and six brothers.

Merkelites daughter named principal

(Submitted) Dr. Peggy Ray Rudd, daughter of E.C. Ray of Rt. 3 Merkel, has been named principal of Brenham Elementary School of Brenham, Texas. In this position she will head a staff of 80 persons, including 48 professional teachers, 15 teachers' aids, and 17 auxiliary persons.

According to Dr. Edwin Casburn, superintendent of the Brenham Independent School District, Rudd comes to Brenham from the University of Houston, where she served as Supervisor of Graduate Interns within the Department of Administrative Education. While at the University of Houston, Dr. Rudd was also chairman of the doctoral residents.

Rudd enters the position with 24 years experience as a professional educator including experience as an assistand principal of the Wilchester Elemntary School of the Spring Branch Independent School District and experience in an Internship as Assistant Superintendent for instruction within the Port Arthur Independent School District.

As a teacher in Fort Worth, she was named favorite teacher, vice president of the Parent Teachers Association, and school safety chairman. In Springfield, Missouri, Rudd was the television teacher of science for the C.B.S. Affiliate Station.

In Odessa, Texas, Dr. Rudd was grade level chairman, president of the Kappa Kappa Iota, and local, state, and national Kappa Executive Board member. While serving the Odessa, Texas schools, Rudd was named to seven who's who including Who's Who in American Education, Who's Who in Texas Education, Who's Who in Poetry, The World's Who's Who of Women, Who's Who in Community Service, and Who's Who in the Southwest.

Dr. Rudd was also included in the books, Historic Preservation of America: A Bicentennial Tribute to Leading Americans (1976) and Creative and Successful Persons of the World. Rudd also earned the Texas Poet Award of 1973.

Prior to her graduation with the doctorate from the University of Houston, Rudd earned a B.S. Degree from Hardin Simmons University and a Master of Arts from Sol Ross State University where Rudd graduated with a perfect A average.

Other course work was completed from McMurry College, Lamar State University, Southwest Missouri State University, Drury College of Springfield, Missouri, the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, and Western Colorado University.

Throughout her professional career, Dr. Rudd has done extensive writing, including a guide for vocational education, a handbook for parents, a filmstrip, At School with Robin Lynne, and a binlingual proposal for Vietname students.

Other professional experience includes participation in the Kaleidoscope Pilot Program, sponsored by Hallmark, U.S.A., participation in the Medical Examination Program, participation in a microteaching project, participation in a pilot mathema-tics project, and membership on two state textbook committees. Rudd has also lectured on the effectiveness of Reality Therapy as an approach to discipline and received training in Transactional Analysis nd Interpersonal Commications.

During the spring of 1979 Rudd conleted the first national study related to the "Back to the Basics Movement." The research is being published by University Microfilms International, and Disserta-tions Abstracts International. Copies will be available for purchase in regular print, terofilm, braille, and phonorecord.

Rudd is a member of the American Association of University Professors, the American Education Research Association, the National Education Association, and the Texas State Teachers' Association.

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Trent News

Thursday July 5, 1979

A conversation with the mayor

Zula Darby was born and raised in Trent, she lived there for eighteen years until she married and moved to border Texas. In 1972 Zula returned to her hometown that she loved so much and went to work for Dyess Air Force Base. She retired from the base

"After I retired I didn't have much to do so I ran for the City Council, I cared for my little home town and wanted to do whatever I could for it." Mrs. Darby said. Mrs. Darby was elected to the city council in 76 becoming Trent's first woman city council member. She served two terms on the council and in 1978 was elected Mayor of Trent by a write in vote. She says she never campaigned for the job or actively sought the position. But she added that she couldn't really turn it down after it was

Congressman

Charles W. Stenholm

Washington, D.C. - On July 2, 1776, the Continental Congress declared that America was separated from Great Britain. Two days later on July 4, the Congress endorsed an extraordinary document, a Declaration that stated the Colonies' numerous reasons for leaving the British Empire. On this week of the 203rd anniversary of this event, I feel it fitting to pay tribute to the author of the Declaration of Independence, Thomas Jefferson. This man proved himself to be a skillful legislator, inventor, scholar, diplomat, and an influential

Jefferson began his career as a justice of the peace and then, in 1769, he took his seat in the House of Burgesses, the lower house of the colonial legislature. He served in this.

and in the later revolutionary conventions, until 1775, when he was sent as one of the Virginia delegates to the Continental Congress in

Philadelphia. Then in June, 1776, Jefferson was appointed to the committee assigned to prepare the formal statement on the reasons for separation from England. He later served as Governor of Virginia. Minister to France, Secretary of State, and President of the United States Jefferson's contribution to

world events can not only be measured by his political career as a legislator and president, but also by his political philosophy which has helped shape American institutions for over 200 years. He was a firm believer in the ability of mankind to govern himself The effort to establish

offered to her.

She also said that being mayor of a small town causes her to have to take the lead in some instances to get things done. She added nothing but praise for the City Council who she says has helped her with projects and backed her all the way.

Being mayor of a small town is different, we don't have a police department, or any of those other departments, we only have a water department. I just try to see things go smoothly," she said.

Mrs. Darby works part time at a grocery store in Trent and does a little crocheting, and knitting. Putting that along with her position as mayor it all keeps The Honorable Mayor of Trent, Mrs. Zula Darby, quite busy.

liberties. In the early years of

the Republic there was a con-

tinual battle over the scope of

authority of the Federal

Government. Jefferson found-

ed a party that was opposed to

ment and he advocated the

belief that a large sphere of the

interests of the citizens could

best be served either by state

or local governments or by no

governmental action at all. One

of the phrases most associated

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Congressional Comment

republican government over a the preservation of the citizen's large area and a heterogeneous people was a novel idea, but in the end it turned out to be the most successful experiment in human history.

Thomas Jefferson's con-

ception of government institu- a strong centralized governtions was derived from the doctrines of natural laws and natural rights. He wrote in the Declaration of Independence that men were endowed with the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. He was of the conviction that the abili- with his philosophy is "the ty to own property was a government that governs least natural right. Also he was a governs best." In this 203rd chief advocate of the principle of separation of powers as a tion. America would be well necessary safeguard against served by a reaffirmation of abuses of authority. During the this basic political tradition. process of forming our government, Jefferson adhered to a policy of strict or narrow interpretation of the Constitution

which he thought essential to

Hamner named chairman

Mrs. Billy Wayne Hamner has accepted the Chairmanship of the Annual Fall Campaign on behalf of the Cystic Fibrosis. She will be recruiting volunteers within the community to plan a "Breath of Life Campaign' to take place this Fall in Trent. The purpose of this Fall Campaign will be to provide the Community with information about Cystic Fibrosis and to raise funds to support research, education and care programs for child-

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ren affected by cystic fibrosis, and other lungdamaging diseases like severe asthma, chronic bronchitis, and bronchiectasis.

Cystic Fibrosis is the number one genetic killer of children. Approximately one in every twenty Americans is a symptomless carrier of the recessive CF gene. Cystic Fibrosis is inherited when both parents carry the recessive gene. At the present time, no cure for Cystic Fibrosis is known.

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surance are also entitled

to an additional exemption of \$10,000 from the market value of their residence homesteads for the purpose of school taxes.

To qualify for these exemptions, an application must be filed with the school district tax office by July 19. Application forms are available at the school tax office located at: Box 105, Trent, Tx. 79561. 20-2tc

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New dollar is out

(Submitted) Five hundred million of the new Anthony dollars were distributed on July 2, said Director of the Mint Stella B. Hackel. The new dollar will be distributed by the 37 Federal Reserve Banks to commercial banks, who in turn will distribute them to the business community and to the pub-lic. Mrs. Hackel noted that the 500 million coins available for the initial release will provide sufficient coins to the public so that they are readily available. Production and distribution of the coin will continue after release at a rate needed to meet the demand.

Promotional materi-als are being sent directly to national retail and financial associa-tions and major civic and women's groups, requesting their aid in promoting the coin and educating the general public to its many ad-vantages. Each of the Federal Reserve Banks will also be distributing the promotional kits along with attractive posters to local retail and financial institutions. The Director noted that this is a joint effort of the Treasury Department and the Federal Reserve System. "We look forward to the wide acceptance and use of the new convenient and economical coin by the American public," she

"Providing that con-s u m e r acceptance meets expectations, the new dollar should generate significant sav-ings," she said. The Treasury Department is already saving 60 per-cent of the cost of minting dollar coins when comparing pro-duction costs of the large Eisenhower dollar to the Anthony dollar. As the coin displaces the need for the dollar note, the Federal Reserve System could achieve dollar savings as high as \$50 million a year through reduction of printing, processing and destruction costs for dollar bills.

Many of the Federal Reserve Banks are planning media events to coincide with the introduction of the new coin. In addition a June White House ceremony began a series of events planned to celebrate the release of the new coin throughout the nation. A few of those already

scheduled include a July 2 ceremony in Roches-ter, New York, where Susan B. Anthony re-sided for over 50 years; a Susan B. Anthony Day rally in New York City on July 3; a July 3 ceremony at the Verra-zano Narrows Bridge (crossing the New York Harbor between Brooklyn and Staten Island) which has converted the dollar toll gates to ac-cept the Anthony dollar; and a July 6 ceremony in Adams, Massachusetts, the birthplace of Susan B. Anthony. Events are also being planned in Seneca Falls, New York, which was the site of the first women's rights convention held on July 19 and 20, 1848. A ceremony will be held in Boston on July 24 at the National Federation of Business and Professional Wo-

In expressing her en-thusiasm for the new dollar, the Mint Director added that the widespread acceptance of the new coin will im-prove the nation's cash system for the benefit of the nation's retail and financial communities as well as the American





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Tye Times

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Committee being formed to deal with COG

Harold Boyd

Another week is passed and another 4th of July is eyond and hope yours was a safe one and had

Visiting with Mr. Barley this week, he has nformed me that Tye should set up a search ommittee to participate in West Texas Central council of Government in seeking grants, aids to ural cities. If you have the time, contact J.C. and let im know that you would be interested and would ork and report back to the City Council of available ands and aids that we are eligible. We need many nings to help improve our community and this takes noney, money that has been allotted to the state in ne form of grants from the federal government, or ou taxpayers. The things that are critical to this ommunity are water, much road improvements, a ommunity playground or park. After these are bund in a community, the town should grow and ake on a new face. The search Committee will meet

3 or 4 times a year and gain much information to aid

Mrs. A.O. Pace of Tye passed away Thursday, June 28 at West Texas Medical Center. She was a member of the Baker Heights Church of Christ, been in Tye for some 14 years. She was active at Senior Citizens. She leaves her husband "Buster", 2 sons, 2 step children and several grandchildren.

Talking with David Roys, the tank has been mounted on the fire truck but we have another problem. The tank leaks and they are now searching for a 750 to 850 gallon tank. Anyone that knows where one is or has one for sale, please contact David Rays. We do need a tank before we can do any further work on getting another truck into service.

Tye Police Department is still a one man force. The extra man Joe has with hiem is a certified law enforcement officer who recently left the Taylor County Sheriff Department. The officer must work so many hours to keep their certification active. We appreciate their interest and duty to the city. These

men aren't out there to give tickets or harrass you; they are out there in your interest of safety and your welfare, cooperate with them and they will appreciate it.

There is a new ordinance that soon will be enforced by the police department. That is autos, trucks, etc. that aren't tagged, inspected are now considered abandoned autos and can be cited and fined if they are moved. If you need more information regarding this ordinance contact the Police Department or any other rules of the road, auto, etc. Joe will welcome your questions and will aid you in any way that he

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To qualify for these exemptions, an applica-tion must be filed with the school district tax office by July 15. Application forms are available at the school tax office located at 2131/2 Edwards, Merkel, Tex-

Katie Necessary Tax Assessor, Collector Merkel ISD

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The project is a "pub-lic works" project and labor standards and practices set forth in various annotated stautes of the State of Texas 5159A shall be emplied with.

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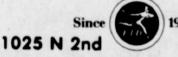
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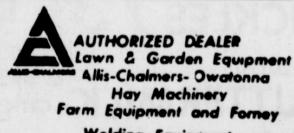


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