The Merkel Mail

School is out on Monday due to a professional growth day for MISD teachers. Students will report to their normal schedule Tuesday.

Thursday, November 1, 1979...

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Improving Badgers face C-City

The Badgers may have lost their seventh straight game Friday night in Ballinger but for the few that traveled to see the game, it wasn't the same old story as the Badgers scored three touchdowns in the

story as the Badgers scored three touchdowns in the first half and were behind by five late in the half.

Junior Bart Pursley got the starting nod in Ballinger as quarterback Danny Davis was out with an injury. Pursley, who passed for 141 yards and rushed for 47 more three one toss to Randy Martin good for a touchdown and Martin-Pursley teamed for another pass that set up a 26 yard touchdown by Badger fullback Buster Brown who got his first touchdown of the year. The other fullback, Mark Meritt set up another Badger touchdown as he went 48 yards on a 3 and 3 situation.



upfield against the Ballinger Bearcuts last Friday in

§Badger quarterback Bart for 141 yards and a Pursley turns the ball touchdown. The Badgers lay their last home game of the season Friday as Ballinger. Pursley led the they take on the Colorado team in rushing and threw City Wolves. (Stuff Photo by Cloy A. Richards)

Ballinger however matched the first three Merkel touchdown and got another with 18 seconds left in the half and scored again in the third quarter to seal the

The Badger offensive line also had it's best game of the year as they managed to keep the heat off of Pursley until late in the third quarter. Ballinger used its outside speed to keep the Badger defense in

The Badgers will play their last home game of the season Friday as they entertain the Colorado City Wolves. Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m. at Badger

Merkel Head Coach Byron Shelley told the Mail that the Badgers racked up 311 total yards on offense and that Bart Pursley led the Badger attack with 79 yards rushing and 141 yards passing, followed by Buster Brown with 41 yards on six carries, Mark Meritt with 32 yards on six carries and Ted Holmes

with 13 yards and a touchdown.

Randy Martin led recievers with four catches for 98 yards, Scott Cain caught one for 21 and Ted

Holmes caught two for 12 yards.
Coach Shelley said offensive linemen O.C. McKeehan, Dwayne Roysden, Ricky Mathewson, BIlly Walters and Victor Hererra gave Pursley a little more time to throw the ball.

About Colorado City, the coach said that they have their worse team in years at Colorado City this year but the Wolves are still playing tough football. Their only two wins have been by two points over Anson and by three over Ballinger. He said he expects a good contest

The Merkel Junior Varsity also lost last week to Hamlin 22-13 scoring for the Badgers was Willie Marsh and Sammy Tumlinson. Jimmy Leonard scored the two point conversion.

The Junior Varsity will travel to Clyde to play their freshmen Thursday at 5:30.

J.V. Coach Doug Guynes told the Mail that Hamlin led the Merkel J.V. 14-0 at the half and the Badgers played well in the second half to keep the game close.

Project will open Sunday

The 30 unit Farmers Home Administration project for the elderly and handicapped has been certified ready by the contractor and a ceremony marking the opening of the project is scheduled for Sunday at 2 PM with an Open House following until 4 PM. According to Merkel Housing Authority Manager,

Annette Clark, the final financial transactions should happen Monday and the Farmers and Merchants National Bank here is administering the loan that was secured through the Farmers Home Administration.

Tenants will begin moving in this weekend and full occupancy is expected by the end of November. Clark told the Mail that one of the living units, the Community Room, and the Housing Authority Office

will be open on Sunday for the public to see. The complex was named "Sunshine Acres" and the winning entry was submitted by Mrs. Harold Walker of Merkel. She was awarded a Savings Bond for her efforts.

School construction moving along

School construction is going well according to job superintendent Bill Bradberry in a Monday interview.

Mr. Bradberry said that the concrete block vocational agricult u r e

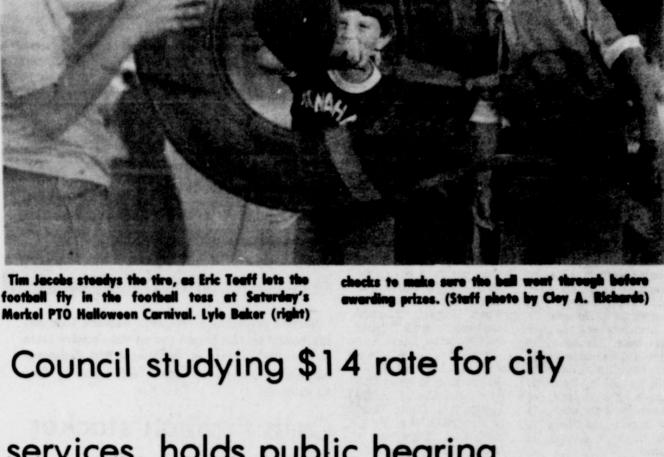
and walls are finished at Merkel Elementary Multi-purpose room and the walls are scheduled to be finished this week for the Merkel Middle

School Gym. Bradberry also said that crews are working

on the hole in the foundation that will accomodate the Media Center's (library) sunken floor. He said that plumbers are also working at the high

school site. Bradberry said that

construction on the vocational agricul ture center was slowed because the concrete blocks being used for the building were delivered two months late. Eight bricklayers were working Monday on the 60' by 43' building



services, holds public hearing

City Council is currently studying a proposal that will raise minimum basic city service rates to \$14.00. The current rate is \$8.20.

Council heard the \$14.00 figure after hearing that basic pumping charges for water from Abilene have risen 500 percent in four years and plan to add \$1.05 to the minimum water bill, \$1.50 to sewer and \$1.25 for garbage pick-up.

Charges for water taps and sewer connections will also be increased to cover costs under the proposal. Sewer add-ons would be charged at \$10 a foot and water connections would be made at cost plus one dollar. Sewer connections would also be charged a

\$10.00 non refundable deposit. Council member Kent Satterwhite asked how much the increase would put into the city budget and City Manager J.A. Sadler said "The increase will add about \$3,800 to city income but we have a \$1,600 monthly pumping charge and bonded indebtedness as well as labor to pay out of that revenue. Merkel Mayor Lou David Allen said that he didn't

feel the \$14.00 recommendation was out of line and said the council would examine the proposed rates. In other council action, Ted Smith was nominated to fill in the unexpired term of council member James Atkinson. Atkinson resigned because he has accepted a job in another town and will be leaving

Council also held a public hearing on the city's intention of applying for federal money for private housing rehabilitation.

Sadler and planning consultant Randy Randolph are to tour the town before the next council meetir and report to council their recommendations for improvements in housing here.

No one appeared before council to express an

opinion on the project during the public hearing.

Joyce and Jack Kennan, owners and developers of Humphrey's Village on Merkel's east side expressed their desires to be annexed into the city limits. Humphrey's Village has four homesites occupied and the Keen ans told the council that there is room for 38

said that he agreed with the Keenan's in that the area would receive fire and police protection, as well as city water, sewer and sanitation. He also told the Keenans that if the resident of Humphrey's Village voted to come into the city they could but we are not going to go out and try to seek anyone to vote for annexation.

The mayor also said that he'd like to see Allsups. Wylie Truck Stop and Stuckeys in the city limits if the council would support it and the residents also

Council will hold their next meeting Nov. 9, at 7 a.m. at City Hall.

Why only the bad news?

by Cloy A. Richards

I received a letter from a reader last week asking why we only received the bad news about Merkel High School now. Since I have recieved letters from this reader in the past that have caused me to re-think problem areas and solutions to local problems, I gave his letter some serious thought.

The writer went on to say that there must be some positive things going on at Merkel High and that the Mail should get on those things.

The main point that he was stressing is that you cannot see the forest for the trees sometimes and he has made some very valid points.

He is correct in that we have invested a lot of

space in the paper lately to the Bartee-Mathewson incident and senior trip debate. We don't go out and try to cover a bad news story. I personally don't even agree with the term bad news. If news (not editorials or features) is written properly, it is only a statement of facts concerning a certain incident or event and the only opinions used in news preparation are; are the facts relevent, can the reader understand your information, have you

completely told the story and can the facts be attributed to a person or a document.

To go out and cover only "bad news" would mean that the paper is biased and to only cover "good news" would have the same results.

news" would have the same results.

The Mail will cover the news, from time to time offer its opinion on the news, and will strive to maintain objectivity, timeliness and credibility.

But we also promise to recognize achievment when we are made aware of achievement and recognize qualities in people that make better citizens.

Some issues will just end up having more of one type of news than the other. We usually don't have a whole lot of control on what happens and when it happens, we just do our best to be there when it does happen and explain the event for those who weren't

there or who were and just want to be reminded. One footnote on the Bartee story. The Mail checked minutes of the special meeting that Bartee's resignation was accepted and learned that Bartee will continue to be paid until January 1st, 1980 as a term of his resignation.

The PTO Halloween Carnival came off without a hitch Saturday night at Badger Stadium and judging from the crowd, should have made the organization some money. Wade Toombs and Amber Whisenhunt were named King and Queen. They are students in Mrs. Wilsons third grade room. Wade is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Freddy Toombs and Amber is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Whisenhunt.

By the way, we are about to start cleaning out a couple of picture files at the Mail and we are asking that anyone who has contributed a picture for publication and has not picked that picture up, should come by the Mail office and do so. We will also be running a list periodically of some of the older pictures that we have that are also going to be boxed up in case any of our readers would like to have them.

We hold pictures that are submitted for publication, or return pictures that are sent to us with return postage.

Friday is the last home game of the season for the Badgers and I know a group of young men that would

appreciate your attendance. The home game crowds this year have not been record setters, and the men playing have noticed. The Badgers may not have had the best season but don't blame all of that on the guys playing ball. They are giving the same effort week after week as teams that are 7-0 and they would appreciate some support. Let's watch the Badgers give the Wolves a hard

time tomorrow night.



Bricklayers have been busy at the sight of the new Vocational Agriculture Center at Merkel High. Eight mon were on the job Monday laying brick and

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Merkel area gets first rain in two months

It finally rained.

After more than two months without any official rainfall. Merkel and the immediate are received a slow, soaking rain early Tuesday morning

As of press time Tuesday, more than three quarters of an inch had fallen near downtown and slightly more north of Merkel

Cotton harvesting will be delayed until the fields are dry enough for tractors to get in but sunshine

should have the cotton stripper rolling soon. The rain saved many pounds of wheat seed that had been dry-sewn or "dusted in" by local farmers. The two month drought had forced some local farmers to delay planting or gamble by dry-sewing.

Oil painting demo held

An oil painting demonstration was presented by Pam Brisco of Abilene to members of The Merkel Art Association Monday evening at the Methodist Church in Merkel.

Pam discussed the technique of mixing color and her preferance of paint brushes. Her demonstration for the evening was landscape. She also showed several paintings in mini size.

Another art teacher has been contacted to give a demonstration in oil painting. The date will be set in the near future. The purpose of these demonstrations is to inspire members to do more painting at

The United Savings Artist of the month for

November will be Cora Reeves. Members are working on plans for the bazaar, Friday and Saturday November 16-17 to be held in the Senior Citizens building on Edwards Street down town Merkel.

The public is especially invited to participate by paying one dollar per day per 6 foot space (double card table). For more information call Ruth Hogan, 928-5289 anytime or Ruth Tipton 928-5750 after 5 p.m.

Attending were: Two visitors, Annabell Shouse and M.ldred Cypert. Members: Ruth Tipton, Ann Doan, Marie Beaird. Ethel Pee. Ruth Cox, Elizabeth Hicks, Ruth Hogan, Frankie Smith and Shane Smith.



The Consumer Alert

by Mark White Attorney General

A new consumer complaint handling procedure was instituted by the Consumer Protection and Antitrust Division on August 1, 1979. During the first eight weeks of this new program, the AVC's filed each week. The Division has filed more lawsuits against businesses that violate the Consumer Protection Act, collected more money in civil penalties and restitution in court and returned more money and property to Texas consumers through the Division's revised complaint procedures than during any similar eight week's period in the history of the Division.

formed in 1973 a considerable collected in any similar amount of its time was spent plaints over which the Division had no jurisdiction. Examples of such complaints are breaches of contract, breaches of warranty and pricing disputes. Because of the time spent on these complaints, less time was available to investigate and prosecute actual violations of the laws enforced by the Division which are the Consumer Protection Act, the Home Solicitation Transactions Act and the Debt Collection Practices Act.

A previous column explained the new complaint handling procedures in detail. In a nutshell, the procedures call for the referral of complaints beyond the Division's jurisdiction to other agencies that have jurisdiction or to organizations that have an established track record of resolving the type of consumer complaint in question. In this way, the Division is now able to devote all of its time to processing complaints. investigating and prosecuting matters that fall within its

vorked? Let's begin with

Division filed twenty-eight voluntary compliance (cease and desist orders). This averages out to 3.5 lawsuits or average number of lawsuits or AVC's filed during any corresponding eight weeks period in the history of the Division is 2.5. These figures indicate a seventy-one percent increase in litigation under the new procedures.

Civil penalties collected through litigation during the eight weeks reporting period amounted to \$28,958, or nearly five times more for 1979 than Since the Division was the highest amount ever previous reporting period.

Of course, the Division

continues to process consumer complaints that fall within its jurisdiction. In fact, we feel that we have made some steps in improving the Division's consumer complaint process. Through this process, the Division has returned to Texas consumers \$497,192 in money or property during the eight weeks reporting period. This amount compares to a high of \$283,575 during any similar previous reporting period.

These figures do not provide concrete proof that the new procedures are working; the reporting period is too short. They do indicate, however, that the system appears to be working well.

Although I am pleased with the results of the Division's work so far, none of us are satisfied that we are doing all we can. With each day that passes, we will continue to strive for new and better ways to serve the consumers of this

Of course, we cannot serve you unless you tell us of your complaints. If you have a onsumer complaint, please contact the Attorney General's Office nearest you and give us the opportunity to help.



Theresia Lucas has a few more balloons than she can handle as she helped set up the Country Store for the third graders at the Merkel PTO Halloween Carnival Saturday afternoon. (Staff photo by Clay A. Richards)

Cash through stocker grazing for farmers

COLLEGE STATION-Farmers can make money by growing small grains for stocker grazing this winter. But they've got to know their production costs before entering into a stocker gain contract.

"The amount of compensation which a forage producer should receive under a stocker gain contract will depend upon his cost of producing the forage," points out Ashley Lovell, area economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.

For the Central Texas Blacklands, crop and livestock budgets indicate the necessary compensa tion to cover only the variable cost of grazing calves on a stocker gain contract varies from \$43 to \$22 per hundredweight of gain. This varies as the respective net beef gain increases from 150 to 300 pounds per head (with a stocking rate of 1.5 head per acre). These estimates do not include owner labor, net land rent, or interest and depreciation on tractors and machinery, notes Lovell.

Over the long pull, though, the forage producer must cover all his costs. Combined estimates from Blackland budgets suggest that the total cost of gain decreases from \$70 to \$35 per hundredweight as the net gain per head varies from 150 to 300 pounds (with the same stocking rate).

Deciding whether or not to grow small grain pastures strictly for stocker gain contracts in 1979-80 may be difficult, says Lovell. Points in question might include bad experiences with grazing stocker cattle last year--prolonged cold, wet weather; losses of small grain stands; high cattle death losses; and reduced weight gains.

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The program was a delightful review of The Oct. 23 meeting of

Fortnightly club

The Fortnightly Study Club was at the Big Country Inn with Mrs. Buster Horton and Miss Avis Deavers Co-host-

During the business meeting Mrs. Andy journey we could recall many scenes from our Shouse, Project and own childhood days. Those attending were Finance Chair man, Mrs. Johnny Cox, Mrs. gave plans for the rum-W.R. Cypert, Mrs. S.C. Dixon, Mrs. Charles mage and bake sale at the old Ben Franklin Eager, Miss Mildred Bldg. on Sat. Nov. 3. Hamm, Mrs. J.W. Ham-Mrs. Hammond gave mond, Mrs. Comer the report of the District meeting in Aspermont, Mrs. Ed Sandusky, Haynes, Mrs. Allen King, Mrs. C.B. Knight, Mrs. Ed Sandusky, Mrs. Public Affairs Andy Shouse, Miss Chairman, gave her re-Maurine White, Mrs. port concerning public awareness of Crime Ray Wilson and Mrs. Allen Forbis. Prevention.

Trent school honor students

Honors report from Trent School by Lloyd McCoy

The following Trent students averaged 90 or above on their first six-weeks grades. 6th-Jonna King, Missy Simpson, Kim Wallis 7th-Roger Brenam. Christy Kinnard 8th-Ida Griffith 9th-Matt Jackson 10th-Greg Brasly, Mike

De La Cruz, Saundra Griffith, John Perkins, Darla Ross, Kitty Symmonds

Majorie Holmes' book-

You and I and Yester-

day, given by Mrs.

Buster Horton. As she

took us on a nostalgic

11th-Eddie Adams, Carlos Garza, Leslie Masonheimer, Todd Richardson, Rebecca Sipe, Riley West 12th-Tammie Hicks.

Cheri Patterson, Debbie and Sherry Jackson, and Kim Richardson.

Jones homemakers set party

mere's more, much more to Christmas Than Candlelight and cheer! It's the spirit of sweet

friendship, That brightens all the

It's thoughtfulness and kindness. It's hope reborn again, For peace, for understanding

And for goodwill to men! The Extension Homemaker Council invites the residents of Jones County to their second annual Christmas Festival on Thursday, Nov-

ember 1, 1979, in the Anson Activity Center. The show is a come-and-go event with hours being from 10:00

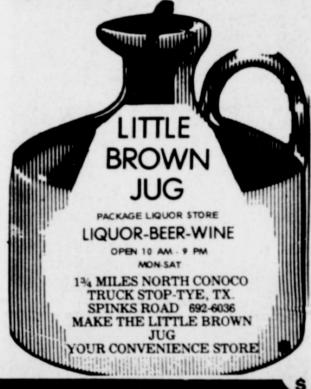
a.m. until 2:00 p.m., according to Necy Wilburn, County Extension Agent. Gift ideas, Christmas

gift wrapping, Christmas decorations and food ideas are just a few of the day's special attractions. Refreshments are being provided by the six Extension Homemaker Clubs in the County.

The event is open to all irrespective of race, color, creed, national origin or economic circumstances. The Christmas Festival is just one of the Councils expansion projects offered each year. states Mrs. Wilburn. The Festival is free to the public.



Cody Johnson flings a ring at the soft drink bettles in hopes of ringing one and winning the bettle. Cody was last seen heading for the ticket counter to purchase more rings. (Staff photo by Cley A. Richards)



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Money drawing interest

After voters approved the 1.4 million dollar bond issue in September 1978, an investment plan was developed by the administration and beard of Education with assistance from Farmers and Merchants Bank

million dollars. Projected construction cost estimates for each month were established until June 1980, when all construction projects a r e sche-

officiais to invest the 1.4

duled to be completed. Information about investment plans was obtained on how to invest at maximum interest bearing rates.

A plan was developed and put into action to where \$60,000 has been realized through October 1979 on the balance of the 1.4 million dollars. Even with more than \$700,000 going for expenditures so far, the balance is still drawing maximum interest bearing rates.

School construction is progressing with walls being constructed on the new vocational ariculture addition and walls to be completed on the new Middle School Gym before November 1,1979.

Plumbing and con crete work are continuing at the new Merkel High School site, and a partial roof has been completed for the multipurpose building at Merkel Elementary

MISD on accreditation

The Merkel Independent School District was recently notified by the Texas Education Agency to begin a new cycle of school accreditation as described in the new principles, standards and procedures for school accreditation.

The new process spans a period of five years and requires annual activities including development of districtwide learner goals (Phase I), a self-study (Phase II), development of a five-year priorities plan (Phase III), implementing the plan

The Taylor County 4-H

Awards Banquet was

held October 9, at Mack

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Manor, in Abilene. The

banquet was hosted by

the Key City Kiwanis-

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the first phase, de-velopment of districtwide learner goals, is already underway according to superintendent of Merkel ISD, Dr. Raymond Ehteridge. Mr. Ray Simmons from Region 14 Education Service Center is assist-

ing with this process. A committee representative of the school and community has been named by the superintendent and approved by the Board of Trustees. The committee includes Art Herrera Dennis Tevebaugh, Charlene Hensley, Max

ject area. 4-H members

from the Merkel area

who received awards &

the project areas were:

Buster Brown...Swine

Michelle Brown...Beef

DeeDee Masonheimer...

Tami Elliot...Bread

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Watts and Chris Cox.

The District-wide learner goals are intended to define what students are expected to gain from their school experiences and to provide direction to the administration, faculty, parents, community and students. The curriculum should be responsive to these goals in addition to other areas required by state laws.

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Russell Morgan...Shoot-

Sheila Swinney...Sheep

JoAnna Talent...

Robby Williams...Horse

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Girls getting ready for Nov. 17 opener

New girl's basketball coach Jan Averitt says she is excited about the upcoming start of girls basketball, but there are still some things she would like to teach the girls before their Nov. 17th season opener against the Abilene High Eagles.

Coach Averitt says her team will have all of the makings of a good team, but she wants to spend time preparing the team to perform under any defense opponents may throw at Merkel.

The Badgers are the defending 6-2A district champs and coach Averitt says one of the things that worries her about the season is that she doesn't know that much about the teams in the area, but says she will remedy that through scouting once the season begins. She said she has heard Ballinger, Wylie and Coahoma will be tough.

She says the varsity will consist of returning starters Norma Frazier, Becky Watts and Gwen Tarpley and that Nancy Click, Jackie Casey and Kay Amerine also returned from last years team. Coach Averitt has also moved Gayla Bowerman, Trish Powell, Sirintorin Prason, Rene Aiken, Stacy Seymore, and Loyce Baker to the Varsity.

The coach also said that she is teaching most of the basic defensive allignments to the team so that they will be prepared to operate against a defense an opponent may select especially for Merkel. She also said that the girls would learn a couple of defenses that will be designed to stop particular shooters from

She says that she is concerned that the girls don't have a great amount of depth bacause some of the people returning from last years team did not see that much action and she worries about losing the scoring by graduation of Gina Farmer and Cindy Boone. In the same breath, she also says that she isn't worried that other teams would be successful at double-teaming any of our players because they will all have the ability to score.

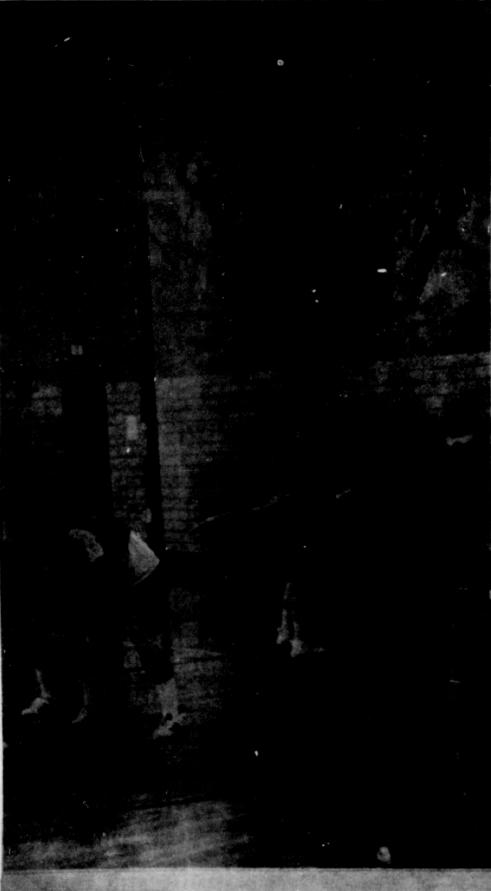
The Badgers will open at home at 6:30 Nov. 17th against Abilene High and they will host Hamlin here Nov. 20 at 4 p.m.

Tarpley tea held

An afternoon tea honoring Ghronda Tarpley and Don Borton was held in the Terrace Room of the Brookhaven Country Club in Dallas October 14.

"Guests attended from Dallas, Garland, Plano, and McKinny. Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Tarpley, parents of Ghronda, attended from Merkel.

Hosts for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Glen Womack of Dallas and McKinny and Robin Powledge and Marty Perry of Dallas. Ghronda and Don plan a Nov. 24 wedding in the Merkel Church of Christ.



Girls coach Jan Averitt teaches the Badger Varsity the finer points of the their season Jopener press. Coach Averitt is readying her team for

scheduled for Nov. 17th against the Abilene High Eagles.

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Cotton plentiful, good quality says gin managers

The 79 cotton harvest is going to be a record one, at least for Planters Gin in Trent according to gin manager Red

Shafer told the Mail in a Monday interview the gin had already processed 2,300 bales and that 1,000 bales were in the yard waiting to be ginned and that another 800 bales were already stripped and in modules that are still in the fields.

Red said that the price was still at 55 cents and taht seed prices stood at \$115 per

He went on to say, 'We are going to set all kinds of records for cotton crops. Farmers that were planning on a half to three quarters an acre are getting one to one and a half bales, and some of that is ground acre, not row acre. He also said the quality of cotton has been good with all of it running milling and a few have been graded at strict milling. Among the strict milling grades were farmers Lloyd Williams, The Dudley Wheelers, and Gerald Rutledge.

Shafer went on to say that he thought the cotton crop was a little better right around here than it would be on the Plains this year.

Stith Gin has been

WASHINGTON, D.C. -

the lack of enthusiastic in-

volvement by individuals in all

phases of the electoral and

tend to view some methods of

encouraging such involvement

by large numbers of individuals

as somehow threatening. Political Action Committees (PACs), for instance, are often

seen as ominous "big frogs" in the political pool, when in reality they are a chorus of in-

dividuals making their voices heard collectively. Every PAC

dollar given to a candidate

comes from a voluntary, individual contributor. These

political organizations have en-

couraged many people who may never before have con-

tributed to a candidate to get

involved in the process in

which decisions are made that

herent American political tradi-

tion and a basic freedom that

should not be tampered with

by Congress. There have been, however, successful moves

recently in the House to do just

restricts involvement by PACs by setting a limit on contribu-

some general appeal, but the evidence clearly indicates that

egislation would be those of

a already in office: in-

sumbents who are already in a

nore advantageous position to

se returned to office than an

outside challenger. This is a act that not too many Con-

pressmen care to discuss, but

nevertheless, the truth is that potential candidates of

moderate incomes may not be

sble to raise sufficient

evenues to finance a cam-

paign due to limitations im-posed by Obey-Railsback.

that during the election last fell, I was outspent by three-to-one and yet was elected to Congress. I credit that election

the intense involvement of

To those who charge that a leck of limitations allows candidates for office "to be bought," I would point out

I opposed one such proposal - the Obey-Railsback - which unfortunately passed in the House. This bill

Such involvement is an in-

affect their future.

On the other hand, we then

legislative process.

We have a tendency in this the problem of political apathy ginning for about a week and as of Monday had ginned about 500 bales with about 400 in the yard. George McDon-ald, president of the Farmers Coop Gin of Stith told the Mail that the gin, which has just been remodeled to increase production, is turning out nine to ten bales per day and that the gin would be running around the clock starting Monday.

McDonald said they had not received any grades on cotton as of Monday but that the crop is the best has has seen in a long time and he credited the good crop to good rains last winter

He said that the gin, which has about 50 members, installed new set stands, stick machines and moss in the gin and that it is working without a hitch.

The Mail tried to contact Merkel Gin manager Joe Higgins but each time we called, he seemed to be busy. The Merkel Gin is also being repaired and they had hoped to be ginning by the end of the week. As of Monday, they didn't want to make any promises. With cotton waiting to be ginned at the Merkel Gin, we did not try Mr. Higgins again this week.



Robin Ann McCarthy and Markus Edward Clemmer were wed in Longmeadow, Mass., Oct. 13,

Mr. Clemmer, formerly of Merkel now lives in Kismet, Kansas and is employed by De Kalb Ag

Taylor 4-H group takes trail ride, picnic

Congressman

Charles W.

Members of the Taylor County 4-H Horse Project group participated in a Trail Ride, Saturday, October 13, 1979, as their regular monthly meeting for October. After a scenic ride in the mountains

south of Merkel, the group enjoyed a picnic lunch and bus in ess meeting.

Project members present included Dean and Victor Bowen, Debra Lindley, Barry Smith, Pete and Patty

Welch, Kevin McTernan, Lisa Keith, Martin and Mary Hill, and guests, Greg Pinkston, Denise Pack and Mandy Guenther of Merkel.

Horse Project leaders accompanying the group on the trail ride were L.J. Gray, Jr., Mike Welch, Bob Lindley and Jack Bowen. Other leaders present included Alfred Bunting. Assistant County Extension Agent, Mrs. Bob Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hill and Mrs. L.J.

The passage of the Obey Railsback bill by the House o Representatives is a ster protested by a single voice in provements and did nothing to encourage the movement o

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Congressional Comment

many who were spurred into action by their initial involvement in PACs.

As we become more and more of a polarized society, a society afflicted to some degree with tunnel-vision, a

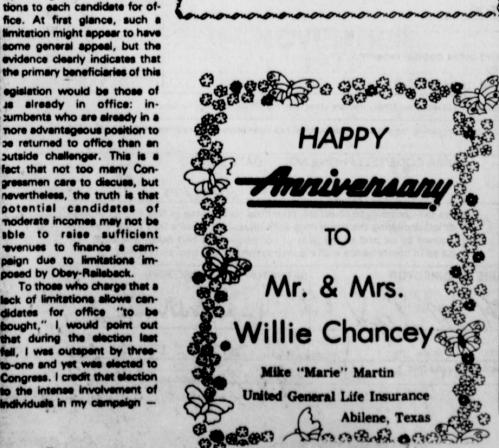
"me, first" society, we must encourage the voice of each individual to be heard. Apathy cannot be legislated into nonexistence, but legislation which discourages the par-

ticipation of the individual in the political process should be backward in campaign im

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He is a crewmember aboard the frigate USS Trippe, homeported in Charleston, S.C.

This is the 20th consecutive year the U.S. Navy ships and aircraft have joined with South American Naval and Air Force units in a series of combined naval exercises. Nations participating in the exercise include Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Chile, Argentina, Uru-guay and Brazil. The at-sea operation will test anti-submarine and anti aircraft warfare, surface gunnery, com -munications and tactics. His ship has visited 13 South American cities as well as Trinidad, Tobago, Curacao, and the Panama Canal Zone. A 1977 graduate of Merkel High School,

Castille joined the Navy in October 1977.

Gospel sing

The Master's Four, a very popular male quartet from Grapevine, Texas, and the Singing Payne Family of Abilene, will present a gospel concert Sunday afternoon, November 4 from two until four at Faith Baptist Church, 2300 South 20th in Abilene. No Admission charge. People of all faiths are cordially invited to attend. This is in connection with the regular First Sunday Afternoon singing program each month at this

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4-H provides opportunity

"Opportunity" is calling for Texas youth. Whether or not they answer the call can have an important effect on their experiences down the pathway of

That opportunity is 4-H, a youth development program for boys and girls between the ages of 9 and 19 conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A and M University System.

And, now that National 4-H Week has launched a new 4-H Year, now is an excellent time for interested youth to learn more about 4-H and its action-oriented, learning-by-d oing, programs, says Necy Wilburn and Tommy Antilley, Jones County Extension Agents

4-H provides youngsters an opportunity to learn something that will help them in everyday life, such as health, other unique advantage. safety, conserva tion, In whatever area a leadership, citizensh'i p [youngster's interests lie,

there are learning opportunities that may lead to a fuller and richer life, such as knowing how to tune a small engine, how to grow vegetables, how to cook and sew, and how to raise and train an animal, to name only a

And there's a uniqueness about 4-H that makes it a special type of program, points out the agents. 4 H is something different

to everybody because of the different backgrounds and experiences of each and every member. Thus, 4-H boys and girls learn from one another by sharing these experiences, plus they have additional experiences on their own through guidance from adult leaders and Ex-

tension professionals. Extension professional staff backing up the 4-H program offers anand nutrition. Then there is a knowledge-

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able specialist to provide background and training to guide the youth along the way.

4-H also involves the youth's family--it's a family affair. Many 4-H experiences happen at home, and this is where 4-H'ers actually work with their projects. So youth and their families work and learn together. Hopefully, these experiences will help family members communicate more and openly and thus become more close-knot, says Wilburn and Antilley.

4-H provides an op portunity for youngsters to "practice" for the real life experiences they will encounter in the future. Such training can only lead to a more complete and more meaningful life.





son of Mr. and Mrs. Fraddy Toombs and Amber Whisand Mrs. Billy Whisenhost were crowned King and luces of Merkel Elementery

\$12 short for roof The Merkel Youth Center now needs only \$12 to surpass it's \$700 goal to replace a roof on the

Whisenhunt,

Stadium Saturday night.

also go into the fund.

Toombs selected

king and queen

The Merkel PTO held their annual Halloween

carnival and King and Queen Coronation at Badger

Wade Toombs and Amber Whisenhunt of Mrs

Wilson's 3rd grade room were named King and Queen of Merkel Elementary School. Wade is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Freddy Toombs and Amber is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Whisenhunt.

The Carnival featured cake and plant walks,

basketball and football tosses, a dunking booth, a car

bash, a country store, wishing well and refresh-

Funds from the carnival are divided between

Merkel Middle and Elementary Schools and

committees of teachers and PTO members decide

how the funds should be spent. Classes sponsored the

booths at the carnival and proceeds from that will

Youth center only

According to Ruby Shipmen, recent donations from Shamrock Cafe, Shamrock Truck Terminal, Mrs. Ruby Deen, Ningth Street Grocery, Handy Food Store, Barbara Fowler, Pat's Beauty Shop, Lois' Beauty Shop and D.G. Gomez have pushed to total to \$688

The Community Action Program in Abilene had earlier pledged \$700 for roof repairs if Merkel Citizens could match that amount with donations. The Merkel Youth Center is manned by volunteers and provides child care and learning activities for children.

Movie star in town

movie star Monte Hale was in Merkel last week while traveling. Monte ate at Pug and Leo's

Restaurant in Merkel and left behind some autographed pictures as a momento of his visit.

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A multiply, subtract and add game was led by Daisy Mashburn. Roll call was answer-

ed with "where I could use cloth in my home". Plans were made for a Game Night to be Nov. 9th. The public is to be invited to this event. The Thanksgiving dinner will be Nov. 28 and the Christmas party Dec. 12th. Members are to bring gifts to be on exhibit at the gift show at the Anson Activity

Center on Nov. 1, 1979. Refreshments were served to Margaret Dickerson, Louise Hudson, Daisy Mashburn,

Hazel Lay, Annie Lee Sledge, Vada Hudson, Lenora Wilburn and one new member Genoa Shaw and one guest Mrs. Necy Wilburn.

Mrs. Wilburn showed many ways to decorate with cloth. She had pillows, wall plaques, mail holders, how to cover walls, make dividers, etc. The program was very interesting and helpful.

Compere ladies hold meeting

"Decorating with Cloth" was the program given to Compere Extension Homemakers Club Cct. 25th in the home of Mrs. Ab Hunter by Necy Wilburn Extension Agent. Mrs. Wilburn stated, in this time of high prices go through your material and scraps and see what can be made with what you have. Place-mat material can be used for tote bags, purses, bill

holders and appliance covers. Sheets can be used for shower curtains, or to upholster chairs and sofas. One full sheet will cover a chair. One king size sheet will do a sofa.

Mrs. Hunter, president, presided over the meeting. Mrs. Hugh Taylor led the opening prayer. Mrs. Clyde Mims directed a game. Compere's Thanks-

giving Supper will be November 17th and the club will meet November 14 with Stith Club.

Refreshments with the Halloween theme were served to members: Mrs. W.D. Ramsey, Clyde Chan c e y, Taylor, Wilson Williams, Clayton Dillard, Don Adair, Mims and Hunter, and to one visitor Mrs. Necy Wil-

Reeves is artist of the month

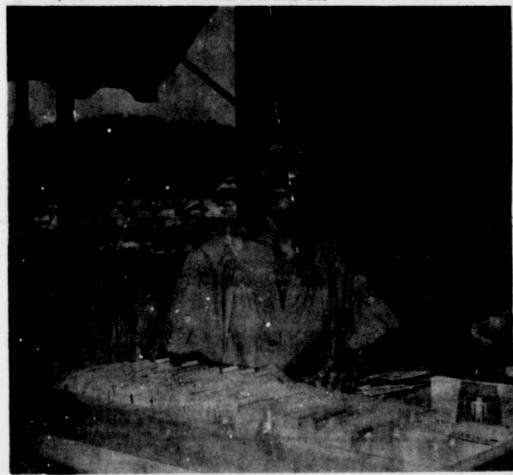
Cora Reeves of Merkel was selected as the Merkel Art Association's Artist of the Month and will be honored with a reception at the Merkel Branch of United Savings from 1 to 4 p.m.

She specializes in oil

painting and has been painting for about 25 years she told the Mail in a Monday interview. She said she had some instruction in oil painting and that she had been a member of the Merkel Art Association for about 18 months. She

moved here from Commanche three and one half years ago. She is a past member of the De Leon Art Association.

Some of her work will be on display at United savings through out



cently taken over the account of home sales at lems and risk confronting farmers," Knutson Mickey is employed with Century 21 Real Estate in said. "A major differcently taken over the

Ruth Johnson dies at 75, buried here

MERKEL - Ruth Naomi Johnson, 75, of Merkel died at 9:30 p.m. Thursday in Hurst-Euless- Bedford Hospital after a sudden illness. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Merkel Methodist Church.

The Rev. Alan Forbis,

pastor, will officiate, assisted by the Rev. Russell McAnally. Burial will be in Rose Hill Cemetery, directed by Starbuck Funeral

Born March 20, 1904, in the Stith community, she had lived in the Merkel area all her life

and married Zedic Johnson Dec. 12, 1926, in San Angelo. She was a housewife. She was a Methodist.

Mr. Johnson died

April 2, 1973. Survivors include a son, Zedic Glynn of Hurst; a brother, Earle

sisters, Mrs. Lee Tipton, Mrs. Sherman Lane, Mrs. Edna Brown and Mrs. Calvin Irvin, all of Merkel, and Mrs. C.V. Walden of Midland; and a granddaughter.

Two brothers also preceded her in death. Nephews will be pall-

Watts of Abilene; five Mail calendar of local events

NOVEMBER 1979 WEDNESDAY SATURDAY TUESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SUNDAY 3 504 Old Ben Franklin Bidg Anson Activity Cente 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Fortnightly Study Club 8 10 6 5 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 Girls Baskerball Here 4 p.m. 23 21 22 24 18 19 20 30 29 25 27 28 26

CIVIL WAR VETERANS - This picture is one of the oldest around Merkel of a group of Civil War veterans of this area. It belongs to Ford Smith, Sr., and his sister, Mrs. Minnie A. Campell, whose father, Stephen Smith, is shown on the first row left. Others on the first row are a Mr. Halknm, Mr.

Boring, Mr. Mathis, Mr. John Chamblis, Mr. Douglas and back row, Rev. Baker, Mr. Martin, Mr. Tuck-er, Mr. Curtis, Mr. Clark and Mr. Cozart. First names of many of these men were not available. Ford Smith is a farmer-rancher south of town and has been here since before the turn of the century.

Agriculture will be hit by energy, export

HOUSTON--Inflation, energy, exports and the structure of agriculture are likely to be key issues affecting agriculture in the 1980's, said an economist in marketing and policy with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University Sys-

"Those firms that best anticipate the effect these factors will have on their operations will be in the most competitive position throughout the coming decade declared Dr. Ronald D.

Knutson. He offered splecific suggestions on how farmers, ranchers and business firms might cope with current agricultural conditions during the Houston Agri-Business Confer e n c e, Oct. 12.

"The most important effects of inflation upon agriculture include increased cash flow probence between agriculture and the rest of the

economy is that no assurance exists that farm prices will rise at the same rate as inflationary cost increases."

Knutson said the increased risk of price declines, combined with double digit inflation, suggests the need to

when incomes rise, increase use of forward contracting and hedging, optimize sales near harvest when favorable prices exist, and maximize integration of input, production and

build capital reserves

marketing functions as Reunion held

Children, grandchildren and greatgrand-children met for their annual get together in honor of E.C. Rays birthday. The event was held at April Sound on Lake Conroay in the condominium of Loyce Steele. En tertainment was sailing, waterski-ing, fishing, and golf. Present were Mrs. Loyce Stelle, and Sheri, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Steele and John of

Houston, Peggy Rudd

of Brenhem, David Rudd of Odessa, and Danny Rudd of Conroe Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ray and David, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Riley, Billy Ray and Ricky and Robin Ray of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Don Ray and Michelle from Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Ray, Doug and Trisha from Hearst, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Ray from Fort Worth and Martha Ray from Lub-

Bullock says no to value added tax plan

AUSTIN, Tex .-- State Comptroller Bob Bullock Tuesday said the adoption of a 10 percent. federal value-added tax would be the sneakiest blow to the American public since Pearl Har-

"It's the income tax wolf in sales tax sheep's clohing," Bullock said, saying, "it has the complexities of the income tax system and the regressiveness of a high sales tax."

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Christian was. After he finished, the little boy asked this searching question: "Daddy have I COULD YOU EXPLAIN TO YOUR CHILD

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Scribe questions resignation with pay

by Harold Boyd

In the past few weeks or so there has been somewhat a problem in your school concerning the alledged assault on a student by a teacher. Be it also noted that your editor has written articles and has tried to inform you readers of what our elected school board officials are and have been doing for the past few years. What is going on and at what expense to us tax payers is it costing. To be truthful with you, I feel it an injustice to all taxpaying citizens as to what is and has been happening. Let me throw these questions at you and see or hear your

1.) When you are terminated from your occupation does your past employer pay you for the remainder of the year? Well...your elected officials did this for Mr. Bartee. This should not have been beings that he resigned due to his own reasons whether they were of a conduct nature or personal nature. This is wasted funds that are needed to operate our school, whether it be one dollar or serveral hundred dollars, still not called for undue expense to us taxpayers.

2.) Is our school board or its administration exempt from the laws governing our meetings? Parties interested in the functions of the so-called emergency session recently held were not informed of said meeting. What is being hid from the taxpayers eyes? Are we going to let this keep on going on till we taxpayers are involved in a civil suit which will be costly and the expense bore by you? We are headed this way due to the actions of the past and that continue now

These are just two items that are just a few things that are currently happening in the MISD and we sit back cause we have to due to an administration that will not hear what the community or the voters suggest or ask. Is is time Mr. and Mrs. J.Q. Public that we need leaders who will watch over your tax payers funds, govern our meetings by the laws that govern us. How are our students to act when we, administrator of our school knowingly vio ate rules of conduct, do as they please? Leaders should show and set examples of leadership so as the younger generation can follow. If you are not pleased with the way the current school administration is conduction it self, then when it comes time to go to the polls then fire them without compensation and get someone who can do as the majority wishes and for the

betterment of the education of the students and

communities that are a part of the MISD.

This writer is proud of my son whom placed 3rd in the fire prevention contest that is sponsored by the Dyess AFB Fire Department. As for the other 1st and 2nd place winners, the editor was there and he covered the other results. Wish to thank the Dyess personnel for their involvement in this program and wish them continued success in the education of fire

In as for other news happenings in and around Tye, it seems that the dog ordinance is in full force and several animals are being picked up for violations of this ordinance. This ordinance is for the benefit of all. To control the dog problem, safety and welfare of the children as well as knockin over garbage and trash barrels. If you would like to know what the ordinance states, contact the city clerk and she will show and let you read the ordinance. Animal owners beware, if you are in violation of said ordinance, the be ready to accept the consequences.

For another week, we will bid you a happy week, one I hope that is blessed with good health and friendship among one another.

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Thurs., Nov. 1- fried fish, tarter sauce, blackeye peas with snaps, cabbage slaw with sweet n sour dressing, whole wheat rolls, lemon bars

Fri., Nov. 2- hamburgers, lettuce, to mato, pickle, and onions, tater-tots with castsup, buns, fresh orange

Mon., Nov. 5-Pizza, buttered corn, lettuce salad, chilled pear halves. Tues., Nov. 6-Spaghetti with beef and cheese, seasoned green beans, carrott stick, garlic bread, wackey cake

with white frosting. Wed., Nov. 7-Tin can casserole, combination salad, choice of dressing, corn bread, peach

Thurs., Nov. 8-beef tacos, taco sauce, pinto beans, lettuce and cheese, apple cheese

Fri., Nov. 9-hamburgers, lettuce, to m a t o, pickle and onions, tater tots with catsup, buns, rice crispie bars.

Seniors

say thanks

The senior class would like to thank everyone who took part and made this an outstand in g homecoming. To those who helped with dinner Sat., the seniors say a special thanks. This was one of the largest crowds in several years.





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Next Tuesday, Nov. 6. Trent will play its first basketball game. This will be a junior high girls and high school girls game. Game will be with Ira at Trent, 6:00 p.m.

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(Left to right) Trent School crowned their Halloween Carnival King and Queen Monday night. The Junior High winners were Joey McGlothlin and

Donna Whitley. Trent High winners were Lloyd Williams and Janie Beaver and Elementary winners

were Mike Wallis and Melony Orr. (Staff photo by Cloy A. Richards)

Trent win means title

The Trent Gorillas advanced one step closer to a district crown by shuting out Hermleigh 48-0. The game was stopped at half-time because of the 45 point rule. The defense had another outstand ing game. Danny Freeman led the defense with 2 interceptions, returning one for a 60 yd. T.D. The

other stopping a Hermleigh drive on the 2 yd. line. This was the fourth ball game ir which Trent has not a lowed a point. The leading tackler for Trent was Herbert Beaver with 6 unassisted tackles and 10 assisted. The defense caused 6 turno vers. Hermleigh, a passing team, had trouble all

night as Gilbert Beaver, Riley West, and Eddie Adams applied a hard rush, causing two fumbles, and getting 3 q.b. sacks. Scoring for Trent was Herbert Beaver 7 yds. run, Lloyd Williams kicked the P.A.T. Gilbert Beaver, 26 yd. sweep. Lloyd Williams added the P.A.T. Danny Freeman, 60 yd. inter-

ception, P.A.T. missed. Herbert Beaver, 78 yd. run. Lloyd Will i a m s kicked the extra point. Richard Beaver, 47 yd. run, extra point no good. Richard Beaver, 42 yd. dive play, P.A.T. miss-ed. Trent's last score was a 20 yd. run by Lloyd Williams. Trent plays Hobbs Friday, 7:00 p.m. at Trent.

Jr. High football

The Jr. High was defeated last Thursday 28-20. The Gorillas played Ira in a tough contest. Ira, which is undefeated ran their record to 5-0 while Trent finished the year at 4-2. Scoring for Trent was

Billy Williams, 2 T.D.s one extra point. Benjamin Beaver, one T.D. and one extra point. Trent will finish third out of a seven team district. The Jr. High has now started basket-

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Carnival news

Trent second graders really enjoyed our Halloween carnival. The highlight of the night was when our two candidates won the elementary King and Queen contest. They were Melony Orr and Mike Wallis. We sponsored the fishing booth and it was very successful.

The senior class would like to thank everyone who helped make our auction a big success. The seniors are working toward a trip to Hollywood, Calif. We realize this would not be possible if parents and friends of Trent did not support us. Thank you all for everything. Trent Sr. Class.

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITATION BY PUB-LICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Roger Wilson

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 Jeana Norene Robley & Richard Lee Robley, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 20th day of September, 1979, against Roger Wilson Trull, Respondent, and said suit being number-ed 3021-C on the docket of said Court, and entitl-ed "In The Interest of Ginna Rene Trull & Cynthia Delores Howlett, a Children", the nature of which suit is a request to Terminate Parental Rights and grant adoption. Said Children were born

Cynthia Delores How-

lett Born October 13.

The third grade was successful with the Halloween Carnival. Many, Many thanks to Reva Carriker and mothers who helped in the ab-sence of the teacher who

The fifth grtade would like to thank everyone who helped make our booth "Feed the Witch" a great success. Mike Carriker was the winner of our big prize which was donated by Tina Cain. This prize was given to the person who won more times than anyone else. This money will be used to fund our field trip to Abilene this spring. Now that the fun is over, we are back to studying hard again.

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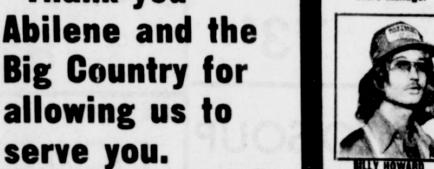


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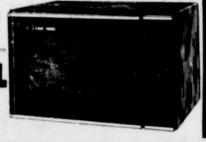
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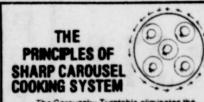
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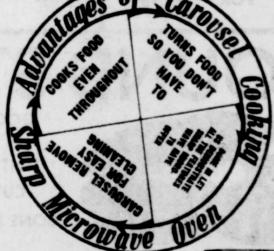
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