The Merkel Mail

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Norma Frazier (51) puts up a shot against Hamlin here as Nancy Click (41) seems to be

in good position for the rebound. The girls started district play Tuesday. (Staff photo by Drew Mawson)

Cotton report totals 6,700 bales ginned so far

This week's cotton report shows Planters Gin in Trent in the lead in bales ginned for the first time this year.

Planters Gin has ginned 2495 bales as of Monday morning and had about 600 bales on the yard to be ginned.

The Merkel Co-Op Gin has ginned 2470 bales and has about 400 on the yard waiting.

At Stith Gin, they have ginned 1700 bales and did not have any cotton on the yard Monday morning. They reported they were putting together remnants and were waiting for it to dry up before they would receive any cotton.

Girls open district play

The Merkel girls varsity basketball team must sense that the start of district play is right around the corner, as they knocked off Rotan and Hamlin last week to run their season record to 13-3 on the year.

Last Tuesday, Norma Frazier led the way with 25 points and Sarah Prasarn added 14, Nancy Click tallied 8, as the girls downed Rotan 53-50. Friday, the girls defeated Hamlin for the second time this season with a 51-43 win here. Frazier again led the way with 20, Click added 14

and Prasarn tossed in 9.

The girls opened district play Tuesday night (details not available at press time) in Clyde and will host Breckenridge here Friday night.

Frazier has scored 330 points in the first 16 games for a 20 point average and Click has scored 215 points in 14 games for a 16 point average

The girls were rated 17th in the state last week. In other girls basketball, the Merkel JV fell to Rotan 42-35. Leading scorer was Green with 9, Miller with 8 and Riney with 6. The JV also lost to Hamlin 28-15. Green led the scoring with 8.

The freshmen girls were downed by Rotan 38-24. Donna Miller led the way with 12 and Brenda Hohhertz had 7. In the Sweetwater tourney, Merkel downed Sweetwater 33-25 as Donna Miller scored 14 and Cindy Sims added 12 to lead the way for the win.

ECAs, Super War 15, Reagan, late Maill, cotton, packages...

by Cloy A. Richards

Ten students attending the Emergency Care Attendant Course completed their requirements for certification this weekend and are now waiting for the start of the Emergency Medical Technician course in February.

Currently, the Merkel ambulance Service has six qualified EMTs that must work three days on with 6 days off. That's a heck of a load for volunteers.

By June, the qualified EMTs here should total about 13 or 14, which would be nice for everyone involved, EMTs and potential clients of the ambulance service.

The Merkel Chamber of Commerce has decided to hold Fun Day and the Centennial Celebration this year on July 4th.

The Chamber is asking for all ideas and volunteers to make these occasions successful remembrances of this town's heritage.

The Super Bowl ought to be a heck of a defensive struggle after the results of this weekend's NFL playoffs

weekend's NFL playoffs.

Oakland and Philadelphia ought to wage a

pretty physical war weekend after next.

Philadelphia will win because the baseball phillies did and that city wants to replace Pittsburgh as the city of champions.

Ronald neagan will be inagruated Tuesday as the nation's president and we sincerely hope that Reagan administration can deliver on their campaign promises.

It was with great joy we read the accounts of the meeting between Reagan and the Mexican president. Cooperation between the US and Mexico is sorely needed in social and economic planning.

A larger amount of trade for American produced food and Mexican produced oil and gas could mold a new working partnership between the US and Mexico.

The US will never start to solve the problem of illegal Mexican immigrants until Mexican natives are given large incentives to keep them in their own country.

The Mail would like to apologize to all of our Trent subscribers for a one day delay in delivering your paper last week.

The Trent Mail bag was delivered to the Merkel Post Office to the Merkel Post Office at

it's regular time on Wednesday but the bag was obviously lost. The Mail re-mailed the Trent papers on Thursday and delivery should have been made on Friday.

We do apologize for the inconvenience.

The cotton crop is coming in better here than most forecasters had predicted.

About 7,500 bales have already been stripped and the local baryest should reach 10,000 bales.

and the local harvest should reach 10,000 bales before the end of the harvest season. That is about half of last year's harvest, but

area farmers are now looking to a good wheat crop, which had a nice half inch of rain last week to help further send it off to a good start towards a good June harvest.

It looks like Wall Street just can't cope with the fact the market is getting close to 1,000.

Each time Wall Street approaches that magic number, it falls off sharply.

Do you know the feeling of getting a package in the mail and the extreme anticipation you go through before you can open it?

Most of the kid-like splendor was with me Monday morning. I received my annual, hard bound copy of the National Press Photographer's Association Pictures of the Year.

In my moments of professional fantasy, I secretly yearn to be a news-photographer. My respect for people in that profession is tremendous.

I have had a little photo-journalism training. What they can't teach is the ability of a news photographer to freeze the instant of emotion, so viewers of that photograph may share that emotion, whether it be fear, hate, love, sorrow, or humor.

It's pretty easy to take better than average pictures of a person, subject, or situation that you know well

A news photographer's job is to take photos in unplanned, and many times, unrepeated, circumstances. Those photos must be able to get the story across to the reader without the support of the written word, to tantalize a person's imagination and to add that one sense missing from the written word's account of an event, a visual scene.

If you want to borrow the book, drop by my office. It might take about an hour to really see the photos in the book, but it would be an hour well spent.

State says city owes \$1,488 more on ambulance, discusses dog problem

The city was informed Monday night an ambulance delivered 18 month ago is not fully paid for, and an apparent mistake at the state or Abilene level in the State Department of Health is to blame

Eighteen months ago, an ambulance was "sold" to the city. A federal grant was available to upgrade local ambulance services. Under the original plan, Merkel agreed to come up with \$8,750 for their half of the ambulance cost and the other half was paid for by a grant from the federal government.

The State apparently underestimated the purchase cost of the ambulance by almost \$3,000, which means Merkel will have to come up with an additional \$1,488 before the ambulance debt is retired

Don McAlister is the regional state department of health director in Abilene. He told council, "The mistake was made by two men in the Abilene Office twenty months ago and was never caught in Austin."

Merkel Emergency Medical Service director Vernon Wade told council Monday night his organization has the money to pay the \$1,488 but it would leave a balance of about \$200 in operational funds for the rest of the year. Wade also said there are \$7,253 in bad debts to the ambulance service during the past 18 months.

Council decided to allow city manager, J.A. Sadier, to work out a comfortable payment plan to pay off the remaining \$1,488 on the ambulance. Council also heard from local citizens Grimes Seago and Curtis Moore. The men were concerned with the number of dogs roaming the streets loose and the trash they spread around

the city alleys.

Council, after hearing the men, said there was a dog ordinance in effect, and that private citizens can even turn in dogs that are running loose. Council also told the men to find out the owner of the dogs that are causing them problems, file a complaint against the owner, and

that should solve their promblems.

City sanitation workers got a late Christmas present from the Merkel Country Club. The club sent a check to be split between trash collectors for their work during the year.

Council's next session is scheduled for January 26th at 7 p.m. at the City Hall.



Trent FFA students watch the swine show at the recent Trent FFA stock show. (staff photo

by Drew Mawson)

Horticulture class planned here

A Horticulture short course for adults will be held, Jan. 19-22 under the sponsorship of the Merkel High School Vocational Agriculture Department, according to Mr. Bill Everett, Superintendent, and Mr. Naron and Riley, Teachers of Vocational Agriculture.

Mr. John Williamson, Horticulture Specialist with the Vocational Agriculture Division of the Texas Education Agency and the Department of Horticulture at Texas A&M University.

Mr. Williamson holds B.S. and M.S. degrees in Agricultural Education. He is qualified as a certified teacher of horticulture in the Vocational Agriculture Program in Texas.

The short course at Merkel High School is

scheduled to begin Jan. 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Vocational Agriculture Building. Other meetings in the series of Jan. 19-22 will be held at 7:00 p.m. During the dates the short course is in progress, Mr. Williamson will be available to assist enrollees with individual problems and to provide on-the-farm and in-the-home instruction, according to Mr. Naron.

Persons interested in attending the short course should write or call the superintendent of schools, Mr. Bill Everett, or the teacher of vocational agriculture, Mr. J.T. Naron or Bill Riley. An entry fee of \$5.00 will be charged. Horticulture Short Course certificates will be presented to enrollees who attend all of the training sessions.

Top news listed from 1974-73

by Cloy A. Richards

This week's installment of Merkel's top headlines are drawn from the 1974-73 period. The Mail is publishing historical installments covering two year periods and will do so until July of this year, in honor of Merkel's 100th founding.

The city council called in representatives from Continental Telephone to have the company explain why it was taking so long for some area residents to receive service. Beverly Gilmore won the showmanship trophy at the Merkel Stock Show and Glenn Braune won the lamb division while Dwain English won the swine division. The Merkel Senior Citizens Association announced plans to start a drive to raise money to purchase a building for the organization to use.

Striking truckers blocked the gas pumps at the Wylie Truck Terminal and the Standard truck stop. The truckers were striking to protest high fuel prices—about 46 cents per gallon for diesel. Glenn Owen was named minister and Larry Gill was named associate minister of the Merkel Church of Christ. Tonja McAninch received the Betty Crocker Homemaker award and a \$1,500 college scholarship. Don Hart was elected president of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce. March

March
Alan Mawson received his Eagle Scouts pin.
Mae Seago was named Lady of the Year and
Fred Starbuck was named Outstanding Citizen of
the Year at the annual Chamber of Commerce
Banquet. Lonnie Riggan of Trent High School
was selected to play in the Six Man All-Star
game. Riggan averaged rushing 230 yards per
game his senior year. Jack McClendon was
named new minister of the Grace Presbyterian
Church here.

Mrs. Cecil Plyler, wife of Merkel Mail publisher Cecil, died. She was 34. Two hundred and fifty firemen came here to attend the semi-annual fireman's convention. The Merkel firemen and the ladies auxilliary won both of the

hose team races. Bobby Dubose, Johnny Teaff, Curtis Rister and Jack Moore were elected to posts on the Merkel School Board. Pete Morgan, Jerry Byrd and Jimmy Atkinson were elected to the Merkel City Council. Six members of the Badger boys track team qualified for the regional tournament. They were Steve West, Jeff Cox, Larry Toliver, Darrel Bunch, Derrell Riggan and Doug Hutchings. Jill Douglas, Abby Irvin, Shannon Bagby, Cindy Whisenhunt and Diana Rien won categories in the annual Lambda Beta beauty pageant. Merkel High student Beverly Gilmore won the regional spelling contest.

Mrs. Johnnie Gresham replaced Kay Lanham as editor of the Merkel Mail. Kathy Cypert was named valedictorian and Jeff Cox was named Salutatorian, of the class of 74 at Merkel High. Paul Woodfin resigned and Ronny Aldridge was named to replace Woodfin. Booth Warren sold the Farmers and Merchants National Bank to a group headed by Charles F. Bacon of Abilene. That group named Don Hensley as their new president. Gayla Heatly was valedictorian and Tina Hamner was named salutatorian of Trent High. An orginaltional meeting was held to form the Merkel Parents-Teachers association. Beverly Gilmore placed second in state high school spelling competition. First Baptist Church dedicated their new facilities. Merkel High graduated 51 and Trent graduated 11 from high school.

June
A twister hit in the Trent area and turned over a trailer home belonging to "Rattlesnake Red". "Rattlesnack" was not hurt in the incident and the Skelly Truck Stop was also damaged. Walter Harris resigned his post as a Merkel Patrolman and Vernon Wade resigned from his city council post to be Merkel's new policeman.

Bob Campbell was named football coach at Trent High. Roy Neff was named Trent High's

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News and top events chronicled from 1974-73

new superintendent. Tye city council adopted a new garbage ordinance to keep from being challenged by the Environmental Protection

August

The Merkel school board adopted a dress code for students. The MISD trustees also adopted a \$1,072 budget for the 74-75 school year. Former Merkel Mayor and longtime businessman, H.C. West, died at the age of 90.

September

Cisco Junior College began offering extension courses here for college degree work. A Dallas man was killed when his airplane crashed five miles southwest of town.

October

Teresa Clemner was named a state winner by the state 4-H council. Jerre Stephen was named Homecoming Queen at Merkel High and Carolyn Anderson McAninch and Melvin McCoy were named Queen and Mr. X at Homecoming ceremonies.

November

Steve Bland of Trent was named president of the American Junior Rodeo Association. Tommie McCall and David McCall, twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. C.W. McCall were admitted to the Texas Bar Association.

December

A Lubbock man was killed in a car wreck near the Asteroid (Big Country Inn) while he was fleeing from local, state and Abilene police officers. He was a suspect in an Abilene armed robbery when he lost control of his car and was killed instantly

January, 1973

Flora Westenhover

Flora Westenhover. 87, of Weatherford. former Merkel resident, died about 7:30 a.m. Sunday in a Weatherford nursing home after a long illness. Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Merkel Church of Christ with Larry Gill minister of the church, officiating. T.H. Tarbet, minister of Laguna Park Church of Christ, will assist. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery

Born May 23, 1893, in Arkansas, she moved with her parents to Taylor County in 1905. She married Harold Reece Jan. 29, 1916, in Abilene. He preceded her in death June 8, 1917. She married Clifford E. Westenhover Feb. 17, 1927, in Merkel. He preceded her in death May 25, 1974. Mrs. Westenhover lived in Merkel until moving to Weatherford in 1969.

She was a member of the Merkel Church of Christ.

She is survived by three sons, Glenn of Weatherford, Foy of Harrison, Ark., and Harold Reece of Abilene; 13 grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Compere news

The Compere Extension Homemakers club met January 8 in Mrs. Clyde Chancey's home for their first meeting of the new year.

The president, Delores Adair, presided for the meeting. Mrs. Hugh Taylor offered the prayer.

The president read the "club Motto" THEA creed, TEHA prayer, goals for the club, primary purposes of the E.H. club and the duties of members. A list of "humourous facts" was read by Mrs. Taylor. Mrs. Faylene Parks came as a visitor and joined the club. She is Mrs. Hunter's granddaughter. Members gave her a hearty welcome and each member desires to be a helpful asset to

Pal gifts were handed out. The next meeting will be January 22 in Mrs. Hazel Spurgin's home. Hostess gift went to Mrs. Williams

Members made a tape to send to Mrs. Laura Bishop, who is ill and is living in

Refreshments were served to a visitor, Mrs. Maude Busby, Faylene Parks, new member Mrs. Annie Taylor, Clyde Mims, Ab Hunter, Bud Terry, Wilson Williams, Don Adair, Dewey Ramsey and the hostess, Mrs. Clyde Chancey.

WTU made a request for a general rate increase to the city council. It was the first increase in the company's 50 year history. About 135 people were stranded as an ice storm that made I-20 impassable. Suzie Toombs and Johnny Gray took top honors at the Merkel Stock Show. Judy Brnovak took top honors at the Trent Stock show. Plans were announced to build a low rent housing a addition by Congressman Omar Burleson here. That project was later named Shannonside.

The Merkel youth center opened it's doors Waymon Adcock was honored a as Merkel's Firemen of the Year at the annual firemen banquet. The Taylor County school board, along with the boards of Merkel and Tye voted to consolidate Merkel and Tye school districts.

Miss Christine Collins was named Merkel's Lady of the Year and David Gamble was named citizen of the year at the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

The Merkel girls won the basketball district championship. Voters overwhelmingly approved the consolidation of the Merkel-Tye school districts as well as the Merkel district to assume outstanding bonded indebtedness of the Tye district. Lou David Allen was elected mayor and Darrell Farmer and Vernon Wade were re-elected to the Merkel city council. Danny Doan and Bobby Dubose were re-elected to the Merkel school board. The men's and ladies teams of the Merkel Volunteer Fire Department won the

pumper team races at the semi-annual convention of firefighters held at Throckmorton. The Taylor Electric annual meeting here drew 1,200

Steve Walker and Neilon Ely competed in the state finals of UIL Literary events while Darrel Bunch qualified for the state track meet in the 880 run. All three won their respective contests. Judy Brnovak was named valedictorian and Tom McLeod was named salutatorian at Trent High. Susie Castille was named valedictorian and Don Clyburn was named salutatorian at Merkel High Merkel High graduated 34 seniors from the class of 73.

June Winners in the Lambda Beta beauty pageant were Tammy Martin, Lori DuBose, Cindy Beasley, Amye Amerine and Amy Irvin. The Noodle Horn School district graduated it's last class before consolidating with Merkel ISD.

The Farmers and Merchants Bank announced it had gone over \$6 million in deposits for the first time. Taylor County issued their first set of food stamps. John Cain was named principal of Merkel Elementary.

August Cal-Tex Feed Yards got their start. The Merkel Chamber of Commerce announced plans to build a city park.

September The Merkel Mail moved to it's present location and went offset printing, moving away from the hot lead that had been used since the paper's

Merkel Police Chief Boyd Baker resigned.

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Cindy Whisenhunt was named Merkel High's Homecoming Queen. Becky White was named Trent's Homecoming Queen.

November Merkel area farmers began harvesting an excellent cotton crop.

December Santa Claus arrived here riding a fire truck at the annual Christmas parade. Lambda Beta won the float competition in that year's parade.

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Merritt award

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Attending the awards ceremony were his wife, Candy and son, Christopher, all of Merkel.

CITATION BY PUBL-ICATION THE STATE OF TEX-

TO: Charles Hatten, Defendant, Greetings: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable County Court at Law of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 23 tition filed in said court, on the 15 day of Aug. A.D. 1980, in this cause, numbered 12,164 on the docket of said court and sytled The Citizens National Bank in Abilene, Plaintiff, vs. Charles

The officer executas the law directs.

Issued and given STIKIS under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 7th day of January A.D. 1981.

Janice Lyons Clerk County Court at Law Taylor County Texas By Marie Gill, Deputy 46-1tc CITATION BY PUBL-

ICATION THE STATE OF TEX-

TO: Unknown Father, 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 Christian Homes of Abilene, Inc., Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 9th day of January, 1981, against Unknov'n Father, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 4991C on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Interest of Baby Boy Orr a Child", the nature of which suit is a request to Terminate Parent-Child relationship. Said child was born the 6th day of January, 1981, in Abilene, Taylor County,

Texas. 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 \$3.95. served within ninety

Allen engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Lou David Allen have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lisa, to Jimmy Craft, son of Mr. and Mrs. T.C. Edmondson, Jr. of Abilene.

The wedding is set for February 7 at the

Frazier's

Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Frazier will be honored with a 60th Wedding Anniversary Celebration Sunday January 18, 1981 at the Senior Merkel Church of Christ.

The bride-elect is a senior at Merkel High School. The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Abilene High School and is employed by Pengo Completions, Inc.

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Citizens Building, 1st and Edwards St. Relatives and friends are welcome, a basket lunch will be served at noon. No gifts please.

Legal notices

days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

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the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and

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Lisa Allen and Jimmy Craft

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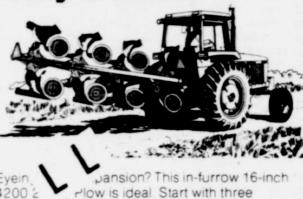
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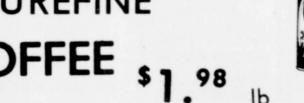
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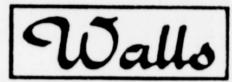
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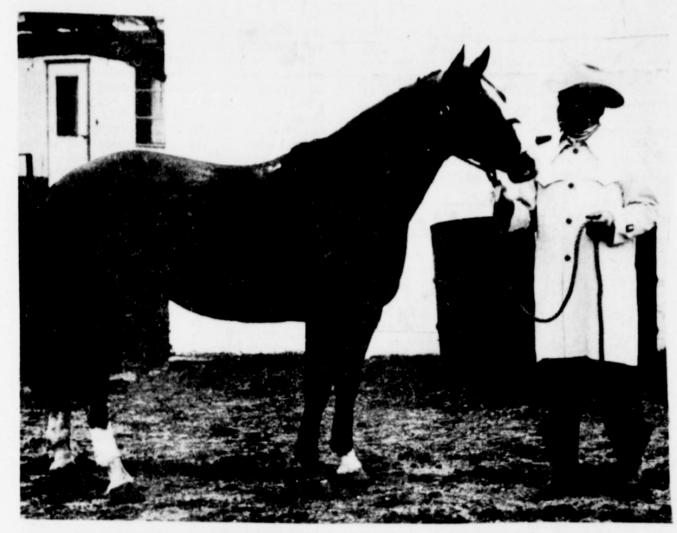
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One time World Champion Buster Welch of Sweetwater, looks over Little Peppy. "This horse

is a classic." (Photo by Drew Mawson)

Welch says cutting horse is early cowman's computer

By Drew Mawson

"A cutting horse was the early cowman's computer. It took a good hand to develop and work a top cutting horse that could handle cattle," says Buster Welch, and he ought to know, he's been doing just that in this area since

Mr. Welch, joined the King ranch operation in 1974 as a consultant to their Quarter Horse operations, has ridden the National Cutting Horse Association's World Champion on four occasions, Marion's Girl in 1954 and 56, and Mr. San Peppy in 1974 and 76.

In the 19 year history of the National Cutting Horse Futurity, Buster has five of the December spectacular's winners. More than twice the number of any other rider.

Buster started in the business in 1949 sort of by

During his leisure time, Buster likes to work his cattle. "I love ranching, working cattle, and I love to read." His hobbies are obvious, as you go through his home chocked full of trophies and different reading material scattered throughout. His winnings don't apply to strictly horses though, he also owned the Reserve Champion Cross-Bred steer at the 1977 Houston Livestock

One of his prize horses is Peppy San Badger, or just plain Little Peppy. Little Peppy won the National Cutting Horse Futurity as a three year-old in 1977. He followed this up with the NCHA's Derby Championship, (one of two ridden

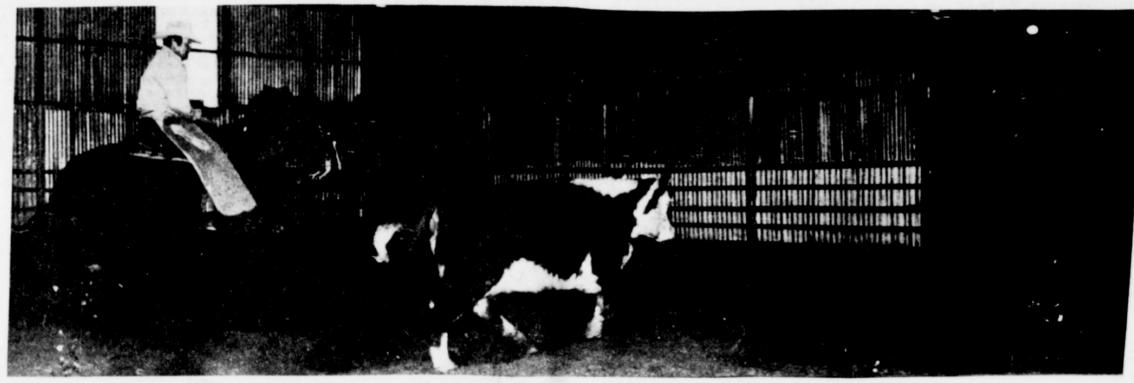
by Buster) the next fall, as well as being a top ten finisher in both the NCHA Open and Non-professional divisions. Little Peppy was from the first crop of colts sired by Mr. San Peppy, who is presently owned by the King Ranch. About Little Peppy, "This horse is a classic!"

"There is a great deal of difference in horsemen, as much as there is between a politician and a statesman. There are people who really love to develop a horse to his full potential and were some of these kind when I first started," said Buster, "They were really, really good horsemen, and could get a horse to do things without being harsh on them.

Buster isn't the only one riding horses though. His wife holds a record herself. This past year, she's won \$52,650 more than any other to win in open or non-pro for one year. She also went into the Hall of Fame for non-pro riders this year. "She's a natural hand with horses. She's funny in the 'act she doesn't have the killer instinct to compete. If she had it, she'd put them all away. She's just got the natural instinct. She is a poem in motion," Buster said admiringly.

"I think winning the World Championship is a great feat, but it is an anticlimatic thing. You just go down the road grinding out show after

What would Buster really like to do? Why train a horse to its fullest potential of course. "Everytime I get through training a horse, I always wish I could go back and do it a little different, and I guess that's one of the reasons I enjoy training horses.



Buster guides Little Peppy through the moves. Little Peppy won the National Cutting Horse Futurity in 1977. (Photo by Drew Mawson)

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FFA features ag students

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V.A. II class. Hank Scott, son of Mr. Charles A. Scott, is a sophmore and in V.A. II. His project program is a Hampshire sow.

David Ries, son of Al Ries, is a sophmore and in V.A. II. His project program is a calf. David was on the Junior Varsity football team.

Jerry Jowers, son of Ray and Shirley Jowers. is a junior and in V.A. II. His project program is a barrow, which he plans to take to the Abilene Stock Show. Jerry was on the Junior Varsity football team and plans to run track.

Sammy Tumlinson, son of Pat and Alvin Tumlinson, is a sophomore and in V.A. II. His project program is 2 barrows. Sammy was on the Varsity football and on the Junior Varsity basketball team. He plans on running track.

Amye Amerine, daughter of Gene and Iris Amerine, is a sophomore and in V.A. II. Her project program is a calf. Amye is the FFA

Home demonstration club starting here

A new home demonstration club is being planned here.

Anyone interested in joining should call 928-

The meeting is open to all persons interested in joining, regardless of race, color or

7 Merkelites attend TFUmeeting

Exemption of small royalty owners from the federal Windfall Profits Tax, removal of state taxes on fuel-alcohol, and an automatic trigger of 100 percent of parity support prices when ever a commodity is embargoed were all adopted as official policies of the Texas Farmers Union which met here for its seventy-seventh annual convention.

Attending from Merkel, Taylor County were Mr. and Mrs. Finley Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Seymore, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Sandusky, Mr. and Mrs. Ford Smith, Connie Mac Seymore, Billy Bob Toombs and Freddy Toombs.

Delegates to the statewide organizations meet renewed policy positions advocating family farmers and urging laws to prohibit invasion of prime farm lands by alien and corporate investors of hugh capital. They called for, at the minimum, a tightening of language defining beneficiaries of property tax valuations based upon the agricultural productivity of land, a new law being widely abused by land speculators holding prime real estate near cities.

Newsbriefs Tuesday school

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ing on this project.

The Church of Christ Tuesday School still has a limited number of openings for children between the ages of 3 and 5.

For more information, please call Ber-Jacobs at 928-5176.

Trash haul

The Senior Class will be sponsoring a trash haul Thursday and Friday, Jan. 15th and 16th. Anyone who would like to have their trash hauled may contact a senior or call the Trent School and leave your name with the secretary.

Tickets Tickets are being

Plaques sold by the Trent The Senior Class has Senior Class members received several refor the drawing of a quest for additional Trent Community name plaques and Quilt. The quilt is red they will be taking and white with names more orders. If you of the "Class of 81" would like to order a and most community plaque, contact any members embroidered senior. Floyd Richardon the blocks. Rajean son is making the Hicks is donating the plaques and the senquilt. The seniors are iors wish to thank him

> he has donated. Musical

There will be a Country and Western Musical at the Stith Community Center, Saturday night, Jan. 17, 1981 at 7 p.m. All area musicians are invited to come.

for the time and effort

The concession stand opens at 6:00

with sandwiches, chili dogs, pie and cold drinks and coffee for sale. Come join the fun!!

Son born

Jimmy and Patricia Hester proudly announce the birth of their son, Jarod Scott. He was born January 7, 1981 and weighed 7 pounds 15 ounces

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe McDuff and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Buster Hester. Maternal great grandmother is Mrs. J.H. Clark, Sr. and paternal great grandmother is Mrs. E.M. Dean.

Freshmen win two, lose one last week

The Merkel Freshman boys basketball team has gone 2-1 since last week

Last Monday, Russell Lucas led the boys to a 40-32 win over Stamford with 22 points. David Fuston added 5 and Jay Gibson tossed in 4.

In the opening round of the Sweetwater tourney, Lucas again led the way as he scored 25

as the freshmen downed Big Spring 37-36. Fuston

Against Sweetwater, Lucas had 17, Gibson six, but it wasn't enough as Sweetwater ran off a 39-31

The freshmen will host Sweetwater here Monday night.

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game for the Badgers, lays in another bucket against Hamlin. (Staff photo by Drew Mawson)

This week's schedule

Two time defending champions of District 7AAA, the Merkel girls basketball team, started district play in Clyde Tuesday night and will host Breckenridge here Friday.

The Merkel boys first district encounter comes next Tuesday in Colorado City.

The girls, 13-3 on the year and ranked 17th in the state by the Texas High School's Girls Coaches Association, have won the AAA district the past two seasons.

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Trent show results

Trent held it's annual stockshow, Saturday, and had a good turnout of spectators.

Eddie Adams took the Taylor Electric Overall Showmanship Award. Rabbits Showmanship Award went to Leslie McGlothlin. Brian Massey received the Steer Showmanship award. Lamb Showmanship Award went to Missy Simpson. Martha Woods won the Showmanship Award for goats, and the Swine Showmanship Award went to Lee Hunt.

The following are the results from the show: Rabbits-Does; 1. Jeffery King, 2. John Perkins, 3. Luci Masonheimer, 4. Roger Brenem, 5. Jeffery King.

Rapbits-Bucks: 1. John Perkins, 2. Roger Brenem, 3. Jeffery King, 4. Jeffery King, 5. Tina Cain.

Grand Champion Rabbit: Jeffery King.
Reserve Grand Champion: John Perkins.
Steers: Scot O'Kelley took the top places in addition to Grand and Reserve Grand Champion.
Lambs: Debra Williams filled in the top places plus Grand and Reserve Grand Champion.
Goats-Milk Goats: 1. Martha Woods, 2. Kate

Angora Goats: 1. Ted Woods, 2. Ted Woods.
Grand Champion Goat: Kate Woods
Reserve Grand Champion: Ted Woods.
Swine-Gilts: 1. Chris Simpson, 2. Lee Hunt, 3.
Missy Simpson, 4. Leslie McGlothlin, 5. Chris Simpson.

LEGAL TITLE OF BANK

Grand Champion: Chris Simpson
Reserve Grand Champion: Lee Hunt.
Barrow-Berkshire: Light Weight: 1. Missy
Simpson, 2. Casey Johnson, 3. Riley West, 4.
Kevin Whitley, 5. Chris Simpson.
Heavy Weight: 1. Lee Hunt, 2. Lee Hunt, 3. Joe
McGlothlin, 4. Leslie McGlothlin, 5. Carlos

Garza.
Grand Champion: Lee Hunt.
Reserve Champion: Missy Simpson.
Chesters; Light Weight: 1. Benjamin Beaver,
2. Joe McGlothlin, 3. Missy Simpson, 4. Richard
Beaver, 5. Leigh McGlothlin

Beaver, 5. Leigh McGlothlin.

Medium Weight: 1. Greg Beasley, 2. Chris Simpson, 3. Casey Johnson, 4. David Reed, 5. Lloyd Williams.

Heavy-Cross: 1. Greg Beasley, 2. Bill Williams,

 Leigh McGlothlin, 4. Lloyd Williams, 5. Joe McGlothlin. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Cham-

pion went to Greg Beasley.

Durocs: Light weight: 1. Debra Williams, 2.

Simon Dela Cruz, 3. Lloyd Williams, 4. Billy.

Williams, 5. Mike Dela Cruz.

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Medium weight: 1. Lloyd Williams, 2. Billy Williams, 3. Adam Dela Cruz, 4. Debra Williams, 5. Leigh McGlothlin.

Heavy weight: 1. Missy Simpson, 2. Chris Simpson, 3. Lloyd Williams, 4. Lloyd Williams, 5. Leslie McGlothlin.

Grand Champion: Lloyd Williams. Reserve Champion: Missy Simpson. Hampshire: Light Weight: Lee Hunt took the top five places.

Heavy Weight: 1. Lloyd Williams, 2. Riley West, 3. Matt Jackson, 4. Leigh McGlothlin, 5. David Greenwood.
Grand Champion: Lloyd Williams.

Reserve Champion: Lee Hunt.
Polands: 1. Eddie Adams, 2. Eddie Adams, 3.

Hillman Johnson.
Grand Champion and Reserve Champion:
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Spots: 1. Billy Williams, 2. Lloyd Williams, 3. Lloyd Williams, 4. Debra Williams, 5. Rebecca Williams.

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YTE	COUNTY	STATE	ZIP CODE
Trent	Taylor	Texas	79561
TATE BANK NO.	FEDERAL RESERVE DIST	T. NO. CLOSE OF BUSINE	SS DATE
1398	11	Dec. 31,198	0
SSETS			Mil. Thou.
1. Cash and due from bank	(S		825
2. Due from other deposito	ries and all cash items in the pro-		
3. U.S. Treasury securities			
4. Obligations of other U.S	. Government agencies and corpo	orations	
_	d political subdivisions in the Un		
6. All other securities	securities purchased under agree	monto to recell	
	verdrafts totaling \$ 15,225.82		
	bles		
0. Bank premises, furniture	e and fixtures, and other assets re	presenting bank premises	
	than bank premises		
	stomers' liability on acceptances	outstanding	
3. All other assets			
4. TOTAL ASSETS (sum of	items 1 thru 13)		4 510
IABILITIES			
5. Demand deposits of ind	lividuals, partnerships, and corpor	rations	1 849
	sits of individuals, partnerships, a		
7. Deposits of United State	es Government		
8. Deposits of States and	political subdivisions in the Unite	d States	
	tems 15 thru 21)		
	its		
	gs deposits		
3. Federal funds purchase	d and securities sold under agree	ments to repurchase	
	d notes issued to the U.S. Treasur	y and	
other liabilities for bo			
	for which the bank is directly liab		
	ceptances outstanding		
	ceptances outstanding		
	cluding subordinated notes and d	ebentures) (sum of items 22 th	ru 28)
	debentures		
	loan and investment losses		
QUITY CAPITAL			
The state of the s	shares outstanding 500	1	50
34. Undivided profits			1119
	erve for contingencies, and other		
6. TOTAL EQUITY CAPITA	L (sum of items 32 thru 35)		
7. TOTAL LIABILITIES AN	D EQUITY CAPITAL (sum of items	29, 30, 31 and 36)	4 510
NOTE: This report must be signed to	by an authorized officer and attested by not	less than three directors other than the	officer signing the report.
I, the undersigned officer, do hereb structions and is true to the best of	by declare that this Report of Condition (incl I my knowledge and belief.	cluding the supporting schedules) has t	been prepared in conformance with the in-
GNATURE OF OFFICER AUTHOR	RIZED TO SIGN REPORT AR	EA CODE/TELEPHONE NO.	DATE SIGNED
11 11			1/12/81
IAME AND TITLE OF OFFICER AL		915-862-6151	
Betty Freeman - A	Ass't. Cashier di	ion (including the supporting sche	t the correctness of this Report of Con- edules) and declare that it has been ex- ur knowledge and belief has been pre- actions and is true and correct.

Texas

Sworn to and subscribed before me this __

(MAKE MARK FOR

NOTARY'S SEAL)

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