

The Merkel Mail

Thursday, May 13, 1982...Merkel, Texas

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Chris Mashburn of the Merkel FFA has been elected the area vice president of the FFA. (Staff photo by Cloy A. Richards)



Jay Gibson of the Merkel FFA was named the Area FFA Star Farmer at the recent FFA area convention. It is the top FFA award a sophomore can receive. (Staff photo by Cloy A. Richards)

Merkel FFA's fare well in area

The Merkel FFA team fared well in Regional FFA competition last weekend in Stephenville. Jay Gibson was named the Region's Star Chapter Farmer of the Year, the top award a Sophomore FFA student can win. He also won district and area competition for diversified livestock production, was 1st in district competition for public speaking and third in area competition. Lyle Baker won first in district and area in agricultural production. Dusty Farmer was first in district and second

in the area in beef production. Chris Mashburn was first in district and area in agricultural sales and service. Chris was also elected vice-president of the area FFA chapter. Keith Middleton won first in district and area horse production. Tommy Hays was first in the district in swine production and 2nd in area competition. Those placing first in area competition will compete for state-wide awards. Those results will be announced at the state FFA meeting and convention, June 13 in Ft. Worth.

Slingin' Sam, sleepy kids, dumb ol' me, goin' is tough

by Cloy A. Richards
Some of my golf stories may bother some readers, but this is one I cannot resist.

I'm not bragging, but in my day, I've had a chance to play with some pretty good players.

More accurately, I have had a chance to play golf with some people whom, when they matured, became professional golfers.

I was nervous each time I had that opportunity. I, not so secretly, envied those people, because in my deepest fantasy, I would like to be a pro golfer.

This weekend, my partner, Clyde Journai publisher, Don Tabor and I played in Stamford.

By the luck of the draw, Don and I ended in a five way tie for first place in the 2nd flight. When we arrived Sunday, we were paired with a team of Baugh and Finch.

Baugh-I wonder if it is the same Baugh as Slingin' Sammy.

It was.

I have never seen Mr. Baugh play football, but I can tell you, he can still hit a golf ball. He and his partner, Al Finch of Roby were a couple of characters that seemed to be enjoying their golden years by playing golf.

While waiting on one tee box, Don and I told Sam we were thinking of writing a story on playing golf with him, but Don had recently stolen the show on the course. He had hit two of the prettiest iron shots you've ever seen and had a four iron to 18 inches on one hole and then hit a nine iron to three feet on the next-two easy birdies in a row.

Sam laughed about being the subject of an article and said if you write about this tournament, tell them about Tabor's last two shots and put, and also playing was Sam Baugh and Al Finch of Roby.

Sam did come up with one gem. On a par three hole, a contest was being held for closest to the pin. Sam's ball looked to me to be closer than 17 feet, the previous best and I started to measure it with the tape. Sam said "forget it, it's a lot longer than 17 feet. I've stared up from the five yard line in football enough to know how far 17 feet is."

Remember last week when I said my daughter would be one of the hardest to put to sleep when the fifth graders went to Camp Butman for a two-day, one night stay?

She was, she came home Friday afternoon and went straight to bed, as I am sure most of the others did.

See more on that in this week's Mail.

I would like to apologize to our readers and the people in some of this week's photographs.

I made a dumb mistake in the darkroom and scratched some of the negatives (my brother would die laughing if I told you what I did), but the photos might be clear enough, regardless.

My fault, I will watch that in the future.

The city manager and the mayor pro-tem were in Austin last week, and they came back a little less confused but frustrated.

They went to look into the feasibility of the city building its own lake for drinking water and recreation.

What they heard was, basically, it can't be done, or if it is to be done, it will take years to do it and cost millions of dollars.

The millions of dollars isn't that bad considering we are paying at least \$10,000 per month to Abilene for water.

The years isn't so bad because it would take that long to select a site, condemn property and catch enough water to fill it.

What was bad, they said the water rights are tied up, already spoken for and they can't tell you exactly who has the water rights unless an application is filed. The application must contain an engineers report, an extensive one, and that is expensive.

AH- the life of a city official dealing with a state as bureaucratic as this one.

Congratulations are in order to Trent's Greg Beasley as he qualified for the state track meet in Austin this weekend.

Greg ran the 800 to 2:01 to qualify for state and says he will have his hands full with one contestant who has run a 1:58.

I told Greg to grab his jersey and hang on.

The Merkel Men's Golf Association is sponsoring a 2-Man Scramble May 22-23.

Entry fee is \$80 per team and MacGregor irons, woods, bags and shag bags will be awarded to the winners.

Jay Campbell of Merkel High almost made it to the state track meet.

Jay tied for the best height at the regional meet when he equaled his season's best performance at 13'6". He ended up third in the jumpoff.

Way to go Jay.

Council holds final payment to tower contractor...more

The Merkel City Council met Monday evening and decided to withhold the final payment to Dean Jones Contractors for work on the water tower until all claims against the organization are settled.

Eleven Merkel residents filed claims for paint damage, mostly to automobiles, after the tower was painted recently.

There are still a couple of residents that are not satisfied with their settlement and council voted to withhold the last payment, \$9,701 until the claims are settled.

In other action related to the HUD grants, council paid bills of \$1,030 to Yeatts and Decker for engineering services, \$7,350 to Hawkins Air Conditioning for the Heritage Hall system, \$5,000 to Randolph-Gilbreath and Associates and \$534 to Ronnie Freeman for consulting services.

Those accounts were paid from HUD funds. Council decided to table any formal grand opening ceremony for Heritage Hall until all of the Hall's furniture arrives.

Tables and chairs were delayed at the factory

following a quality control inspection and city manager J.A. Sadler said it could be another two weeks before they are delivered.

Council also tabled setting charges on the hall until more study can be given.

Council said they wanted to set the rates to cover the operating costs of the center, as well as money for a reserve for future maintenance. They also wanted to come up with a rate that would allow smaller organizations to use the facility for meetings.

Council paid bills totaling \$30,109.18 for the month, with the highest being \$10,088.72 for water purchase from Abilene.

Merkel City manager J.A. Sadler and Merkel mayor pro-tem Ted Smith made a trip to Austin last week to check into the feasibility of a tower lake of Merkel, but were discouraged by what they were told at the water resource board.

They presented council a briefing on their trip's findings.

The next session of council is set May 24 at City Hall.

Carriker reflects on victory...

"A man's stock really goes up when he wins an election," said Steve Carriker of Roby as he spoke with the Mail late last Tuesday on his thoughts of defeating incumbent Walter Grubbs of Merkel for the 78th Texas Legislative seat.

As if the election win wasn't enough to make May 1st memorable for the Carriker's his wife gave birth to a daughter, Karen Denise weighing in at 6 lbs. 12 ozs. and measuring 18 inches. Mrs. Carriker did have time to cast her ballot Saturday morning on the way to the hospital.

When asked how he felt toward the victory, Carriker said simply, "we were ecstatic but we got into this race to win in the first place and we did not take anything for granted during the campaign."

Carriker will face a Republican challenger, C.A. Jenkins of Merkel in the November general elections and Carriker said they will not change their campaign strategies because it is based on Carriker's philosophies, and they will not change.

Carriker also said he would be more than glad

to face Jenkins in a one-on-one debate, if one were planned between now and November.

As far as the results of the Hightower-Brown race for Texas Agriculture Commissioner, Carriker said he felt it was time for the state to look at the agriculture problems with a fresh approach, something Hightower campaigned on. Carriker said he did feel that Hightower was using the commissioner's job as a stepping stone for higher office but said farmers may come out ahead because Hightower would have to do a good job as agriculture commissioner if he wanted to seek higher office. He did add the state agriculture commissioner is not really able to solve the farmer's problems, but said a good commissioner could not hurt the farmer.

He ended the conversation by saying he was very humbled by the vote of confidence given him by the voters of the 78th Legislative District and was surprised by the margin of victory, almost 2,000 votes.

...Jenkins starts for November

The Republican candidate for the 78th Texas Legislative Seat held a "town hall" meeting Thursday in Hamlin.

C.A. Jenkins of Merkel hosted the meeting that was attended by approximately 40 people.

Jenkins said the meeting was designed to accommodate an open exchange of ideas and attendees were asked to give their opinions on questions concerning state government, the farmer and education in public schools.

Concerning farmers, responses indicated high interest rates were the number one problem. Other areas of concern, in priority order included too much government control, too much influence by the "middle-man", compensation for set-aside acres and the lack of collective farm commodities markets.

Concerning education, responses indicated that

better pay for teachers was the number one priority. Other areas of concern in priority order included: discipline taken away in the classroom, better explanations of school finance in local newspapers, more local control on education, inclusion of teachers on state group and health insurance, teacher certification, lack of respect and appreciation for teachers, teacher shortages and classes being too large, legislators should visit schools and the length of the school year.

Concerning state government, future water problems was the number one area of concern expressed. The state's highway system was the second most expressed area of concern, followed by the "new Federalism" and the issue of initiative and referendum.

Jenkins will face Roby resident Steve Carriker in the November general elections.

Plans made for farm census

Plans for the 1982 Census of Agriculture are on schedule according to Bruce Chapman, Director of the Commerce Department's Census Bureau.

The census, to be taken starting next January, will provide basic information measuring the trends in number of farms, commodity production, land use, and income levels in agriculture. Chapman indicated that the rapid changes occurring in agriculture due to the declining farm income situation, along with continuing high interest rates, makes the information from the agriculture census extremely important to the nation's policymakers as well as farmers themselves. Chapman points out that complete and accurate responses by farmers will ensure a high quality picture of the agriculture industry to everyone's benefit.

Census forms will be mailed out in late December to 2.5 million farmers and ranchers to collect data for the 1982 calendar year. Designed to reduce the burden on respondents through greater ease in reporting, the census form will vary by region, and questions have been reworded to be more understandable.

While the basic census program is included in the proposed 1983 budget, the agriculture censuses of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and Guam, a large-scale sample survey supplemental to the basic census, and a series of later surveys were dropped. These deletions were among other changes in bureau programs resulting from budget reductions, according to Chapman.

Farmers and ranchers will not be the only group involved in a census for 1982. The 1982 Economic Censuses, which cover manufacturing, transportation, mining, retail and wholesale trades, and the service industries, will also be taken. Taken together, these censuses will document rapidly changing patterns in production, income, capital spending, and other facts vital to measuring the nation's economy.

The report form for the 1982 Census of Agriculture which already has been tested with several thousand farmers, has been updated from that used for the 1978 census. Several items have been dropped and several added to meet current data needs. For example, a question asking for expenditures for interest has been added. Bureau officials point out that regional versions of the form for 1982 will simplify the completion of the report.

Much of the data gathered next year will be similar to that in 1978 and earlier censuses. It will include: the number of characteristics of farms, acres in farms, average value of land and buildings, harvested acreages, and numbers of livestock on farms. Questions on expenditures include purchase of feed, fertilizer, pesticides, lime, gasoline, and other farm fuels, custom-work, farm labor, and livestock and poultry purchases.

Information reported by farm and ranch operators is held confidential by law.

Newsbriefs

MISD menu

The Merkel school menu is as follows:
Thursday May 13:

Salisbury steak with brown gravy, candied sweet potatoes, seasoned green beans, hot rolls, and apple cheese crisp.

Friday, May 14:
Hamburgers, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion, and fresh orange.

May 17-Chicken fried steak, cream potatoes, english peas, biscuits and peach halves

May 18-Beef tacos with cheese, lettuce, pinto beans and apple sauce cake.

May 19-turkey roast and gravy, candied yams and green beans hot rolls and mixed fruits.

May 20-beef spaghetti with cheese, buttered corn, lettuce, sliced pears.

May 21-hamburgers with cheese, fried vegetable sticks, lettuce tomatoes, onion, pickles and rice krispie bars.

Howell's meet

The family of the late D.S. AND Geroge Howell met April 17 and 18 for their annual reunion at the Merkel Senior Citizens Center. The Rev. Wayne Fe-

zell of Ft. Worth delivered the morning prayer and the Rev. H.B. Terry of Abilene delivered the closing prayer.

The afternoon was spent visiting, singing and picture taking.

The oldest attending was Mrs. Anna Howell Bowers, 95, of Abilene and Cliff Owen of Merkel was youngest present.

Attendees traveled from Abilene, Trent, Ft. Worth, Weatherford, Plainview, Lubbock, Merkel and Jay, Okla.

The family decided to meet in Merkel again next year.

Tate elected

Imogene Tate, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Thomas of Merkel, was elected as district clerk in Andrews in the May 1st election.

Mrs. Tate has lived in Andrews for the last 14 years and worked as secretary for the Andrews Middle School for the past 10 years.

In 53 years there has been only two elected officials for the office of district clerk of Andrews County, Mrs. Tate is the third. Mrs. Tate is a Mer-

kel High graduate and attended Odessa College. She and her husband, Bill, have four children and two step-children. Bill is district manager for Acid Engineering.

Allen graduating

Sharon Anne Allen, of 1401 Heath in Merkel, will be one of 839 graduates of Stephen F. Austin University during their spring commencement.

She has earned a degree in business administration.

singing set

A Gospel singing is planned at The Assembly of God Church on North 2nd and Runnels here. The singing is set May 21 at 7:30 p.m.

Everyone is invited to attend and bring a friend.

Gin meet set

The annual meeting of the Stith Co-Op Gin is set May 13th at the Stith Community Center. Lunch will be served at noon.

Regional tennis

The Merkel doubles tennis team won one

match in last week's regional tennis meet in Lubbock, but lost in quarter final competition.

Seniors Danny Rigan and Royce Fowler downed Seminole 7-5, 6-3 but then lost to Coleman 6-2, 6-3. Coleman made it to the finals before losing.

Tennis coach Andy Cummings told the Mail some rain delays hurt Fowler and Rigan, but said he was proud of the team for competing in region competition.

He also wanted to thank the Merkel County Club for use of it's tennis facility.

Men's golf

The Merkel Men's Golf Association will meet Tuesday night following the scramble to make final plans for a 2-Man scramble, set May 22-23 at the Merkel Country Club.

An \$80 entry fee will be charged and the entry includes a meal and refreshments on the course.

MacGregor irons will be awarded for first, woods for second, a bag for third and fourth will be a shag bag and three dozen shag balls.

Entries are being accepted at the club or by calling Steve Shugart, Virgil Jones or Cloy Richards.

Meeting set

There will be a meeting for all mothers of graduating seniors May 13 at 6 p.m. at the High School Library.

The group will meet to plan a reception for the seniors following baccalaureate services on May 23.

Carson's arrival

Candice Carson is pleased to announce

the arrival of a new baby sister, Cristen Richelle, born May 6. Christine weighed 8 lbs. 5 oz's and was 19½ inches long.

Parents of Candice and Cristen are Tom and CleJuan Carson. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Donald Douglas of Abilene. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Herman Carson of Merkel. Both great-grandmothers live in Merkel. They are Mrs. J.F. Carson and Mrs. O.R. Douglas.

Brady engagement

Mr. and Mrs. John Brady are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Christina Lynn to Lonnie Ray Jowers. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jowers.

Miss Brady is a 1981 graduate of Merkel High and is a student

at McMurry College in Abilene.

Mr. Jowers is also a 1981 graduate of Merkel High and is an employee of Quality

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The couple plans a July 9th wedding at Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church.

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Garner-Sloan wed in Wichita Falls

Susan Lynn Garner of Ft. Worth and Tommy Lynn Sloan of Wichita Falls were married May 8 at the Western Hills Baptist Church in Ft. Worth.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Garner of Ft. Worth and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sloan of Merkel.

The bride's sister, Judith Garner served as maid of honor and bridesmaids included Lisa Riley and Laurel Theford of Ft. Worth, Sheila Sloan, the groom's sister, of Abilene, and Diana Hanby of Ft. Worth.

Doyle Russel of Merkel served as best man, groomsmen included Tim Lankes of Mount Juliet, Tenn., Mike Sloan of Munday, Steve DeVaney of Anson and Jody Day of Brownwood.

The bride is a 1979 graduate of Western Hills High School in Ft. Worth and has attended Harding University and Abilene Christian.

The groom is a 1977 graduate of Merkel High School and is a graduate of Abilene Christian. He is employed by Production Credit Association in Wichita Falls.

After a wedding trip to Padre Island, the couple will make their home in Wichita Falls.



Mrs. Tommy Sloan

Merkel High grad now VP- Communications, Heart Association

Larry E. Joyce, a native Texan now living in Plano, has been appointed Vice President, Communications, for the American Heart Association's National Center in Dallas.

The American Heart Association is a national voluntary health agency supporting scientific research, professional and public education and community programs to reduce premature death and disability from heart and blood vessel diseases, and to guide rehabilitation of heart and stroke patients. The National Center and its 55 affiliates nationwide spent \$117 million last year on these activities and their supporting services.

Born in Dallas, Joyce graduated from high school in Merkel, Texas in 1956, received a bachelor's degree in marketing from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene in 1960, and a master's in mass communications in 1973 from Texas Tech in Lubbock, where he worked as a reporter for the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal while earning the advanced degree.

Upon receiving his marketing degree from Hardin-Simmons, where he was a distinguished military graduate, Joyce was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army. He had several infantry and aviation assignments in Europe and two tours in Viet Nam before being named general manager of the military newspaper European Stars and Stripes.

He subsequently was director of media relations for the Headquarters Department of the Army at the Pentagon and in his last military assignment was public affairs officer at Fort Bliss, Texas. In 1980 Joyce joined Electronic Data Systems in Dallas where he became Director of Marketing and Communications for EDS' health care division.

Joyce and his wife, Gail, live at 3813 Tapestry Court, Plano. They have three children— Steve, 21, Sancy, 19 and Casey, 12. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. E.C. Joyce, live at 1514 Josephine Street, Sweetwater, Texas and Gail Joyce's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.F. Galbraith, live at 3541 Edgewood, Abilene, Texas.



Eddy Harris (C) visits with Tarleton State University president Dr. W.O. Trogdon (R) and FFA Area IV Advisor Benny Clark at the recent FFA membership convention held at Tarleton. Harris is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Harris of Merkel and is an Area IV vice-president.

All-sports banquet

is May 22

The Merkel Badger Booster Club will hold their annual All-Sports Banquet May 22 at Heritage Hall-Multi-Purpose Center with a catered dinner beginning at 7 p.m.

The featured speaker at the banquet is Ray Stone. Stone is owner and syndicator of The Dallas Cowboy Football Report. Ray is now in his sixth year with the Football report and it is heard on 203 radio stations in the Southwest.

Tickets for the banquet are \$5 each and are on sale from any Badger Booster Club member and will also be sold at the door.

Tickets are also being raffled at a dollar a shot for an autographed football signed by the Cowboys. Those tickets are on sale from Booster Club members and at Seymore Insurance.

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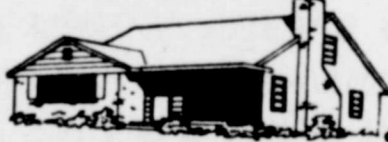
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Merkel 5th graders spend two days at Camp Butman

by Fifth Grade Students

Merkel Fifth grade students went to Camp Butman located 18 miles southwest of Merkel in Mulberry Canyon May 6-7. They went to camp for an outdoor classroom experience and they experienced a good time and fun as well.

The overnight camping trip was the first trip of its kind planned by the fifth graders. The students were accompanied by their teachers Georgia Broyhill, Jane Roberts, Kathryn Rister, principal David Casey and school nurse Helen Jones.

Money to pay for the trip was earned by the students. The class sold candy, key chains and had a book fair. David Biera was awarded the Best Salesman award for selling the most candy.

While the fifth graders were at camp, they were divided into small groups. Each group was guided by counselors who were students from McMurry College. The groups participated in various activities planned by Phil and Carol Ruth Geissal, directors of the Methodist Encampment.

Mary Russom and Mabel Scott, descendants of the early settler after whom Camp Butman was named, shared some of the history of Mulberry Canyon and the people that have lived there in the last 75 years. A couple of the fifth graders are ancestors of the pioneer family.

Other activities in which the students participated were archery, nature hiking, Indian games, arts and crafts, flower identification and many camp games.

The lodge and cabins were comfortable accommodations to the students and counselors. The newly refurbished cabins now are complete with bathrooms, heating and air-conditioning

Climaxing the 2 day camp out, the students released colorful helium-filled balloons to which notes from the students were attached.

The camping experience was considered to be very successful by students, staff and teachers alike. It is hoped that this type of Outdoor Education can become a tradition for future 5th grade students at Merkel Elementary School.

Art association elects officers

The Merkel Art Association, met for the final meeting of the year, Tuesday evening, May 4th at the Big Country Art Gallery.

Mrs. Lois Shaw of Sweetwater was guest artist. Mrs. Shaw is a well known award winning artist, painting in varied medium. Tuesday night she used water colors to demonstrate how to paint beautiful snow scenes.

In the absence of the president Betty Toombs, vice-president Lorene Lee presided at a short business meeting, during which the following were elected new officers for the coming year. Lorene Lee-President, Elizabeth Hicks-Vice-President, Evelyn Stribling-Sec. & Tres., Ruth Hogan-Reporter, Betty Toombs-Historian.

The club adjourned until the first meeting in September. The following members were present: Frankie Smith, Pat Neff, Ruth Hogan, Evelyn Stribling, Mary Stanley, Cora Reeves,

Lorene Lee, Edith Kenedy, Ethel Pee, Ruth Cox, Imogene Coleman, Kay Reynolds & Elizabeth Hicks.

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Pack's open house set Sunday

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Conlin's announce twin boys

Mr. and Mrs. John Conlin Jr., of Odessa are the proud parents of twin boys, born May 6 in Odessa.

The Conlins have one son, Christopher John, who is three. The twins are

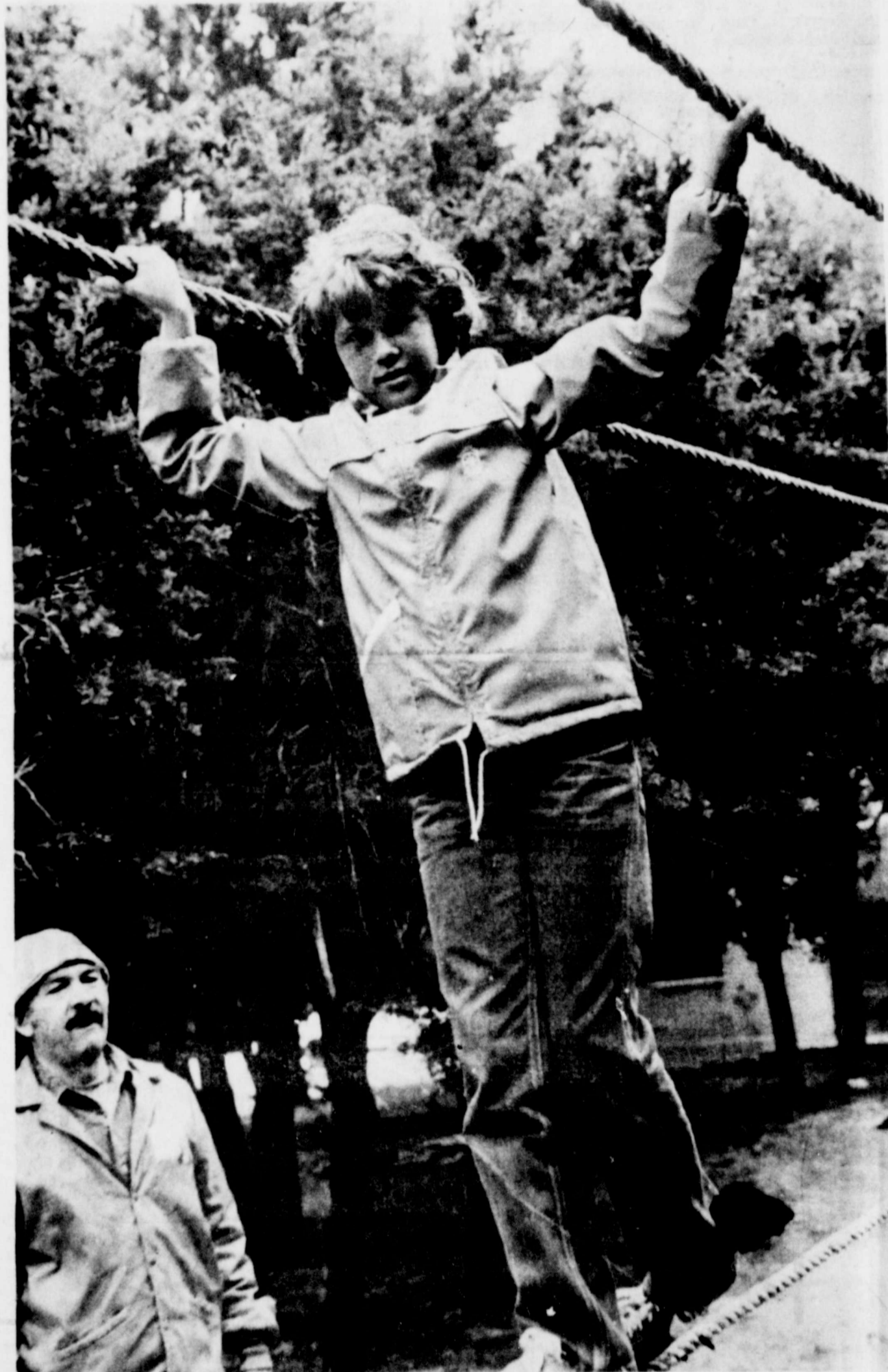
named Dean Gregory and Nicholas Eugene.

Mrs. Conlin is the former Sharon Dudley Maternal grand-parents are Mr. & Mrs. Quannah Dudley of Merkel.

Lady golfers Monday results

Ladies Golf Association held their weekly play day last Monday with a partners hip scramble. Winners were: 1st Ida Seymore & JoAnn Smith-37, 2nd Jeanette Pursley & Brenda Jackson-38, also tied for 2nd Dodie Eaton, Janet Deen & Robie Freeman-38. Next Monday May

17 the ladies will have a 9 hole Handicap Tournament at 5:30 with a flight for beginners. Everyone come for the fun. Following the Monday Tourney the ladies will have a short meeting to plan further the Ladies Golf Tournament that is scheduled for June 12.



Christi Wade takes a walk on the rope bridge at Camp Butman last Thursday. (Staff photo by

Cloy A. Richards)



One of the activities the fifth graders enjoyed was an Indian game. Learning the game are (left to right) Freddie Gonzales, Doug Clemmer,

Eddie Proctor and Rickey Lacey. (Staff photo by Cloy A. Richards)

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Trent News

Trent FFA-FHA banquet held

The Trent FFA-FHA Annual Awards Banquet was held April 19, at Allens Banquet Room in Sweetwater, Tx. Approximately 125 people attended.

Officers presented awards to the following members: The FFA Foundation Awards for Swine Proficiency went to Dee Dee Masonheimer, Richard Beaver, John Perkins, and Kevin Whitley. The Dekalb Award also went to John Perkins. Roger Brenem was presented the Star Greenhand Award, and Greg Beasley the Star Chapter Farmer Award. The Honory Chapter Farmer was Warren Dozier.

Certificates of Appreciation were given to the following: Home State Bank, Boyd Cattle Company, Planters Gin, Whisenhunt Grain and Feed, Hi-Val Farm and Home Supply, Planters Gin and Area Farmers, Spud McLeod, Lloyd Williams, Owen O'Kelly, and Othell O'Kelly.

The following teams were given Certificates of Participation: Greenhand Quiz Team with Roger Brenem, Ted Wood, Patrick Penton, and Doyle Brenem; Radio Team with Billy Williams, Casey Johnson, and Joe McGlothlin; Dairy Judging Team with Joe McGlothlin, James Freeman, and Patrick Penton; Livestock Judging Team with Matt Jackson, Mike Hallford, and Doyle Brenem; Land Judging Team with Jesus Valdez, Adam De La Cruz, Billy Williams, and Jeffery King.

The FFA officers for the 1982-83 school year will be: President, Billy Williams; Vice President, Matt Jackson; Secretary, Debra Williams; Reporter, Joe McGlothlin; Treasurer, Patrick Penton; Sentinel, Jim Simpson; and the FFA Sweetheart, Debra Williams.

The FHA Officers for the 1982-83 school year will be: President, Pam Massey; Vice President, Debra Williams; Secretary-Treasurer, Christy Kinnard; Historian-Leigh McGlothlin; Reporter, Nancy Brenem.

FHA officers presented awards to the following members: The Trent Homemaking award went to Dee Dee Masonheimer, Trent FHA award went to Pam Massey, FHA honorary members were Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Massey. The Trent FHA Beau is Roger Brenem.

On Friday 23, 1982, the Trent FHA is going to have a slumber party held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Gardener in honor of the senior girls.



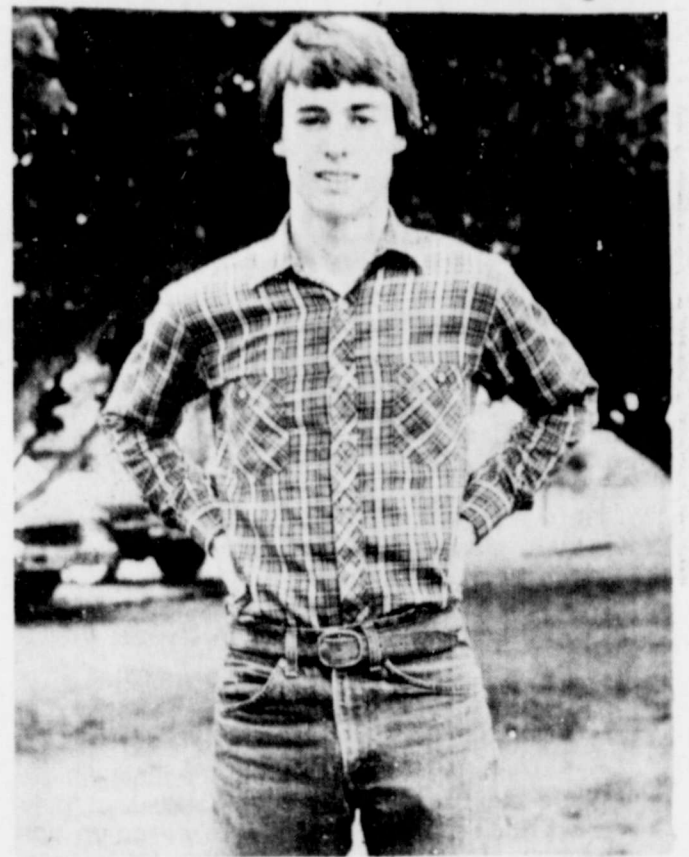
Pam Massey of Trent FHA has recently attended the state FHA convention. More information in adjoining story. (Staff photo by Cloy A. Richards)

Pam Massey at state FHA confab

Pam Massey, a junior from Trent High School, attended the Future Homemakers of America State Meeting in Ft. Worth, Texas on April 29 and 30. Pam has served as the Area IV Vice-President of Publications this past year. Throughout her term in office, Pam has traveled and attended several meetings. One of her most exciting adventures involved her trip to the National FHA Convention held in San Francisco, CA. in July of 1981. Even though Pam's productive year as an Area Officer has ended, she will still be working to promote FHA. She will serve as the Trent FHA President next year.

The newly elected FHA officers from Trent are already hard at work making plans for the 1982-83 school term. The officers plan to have three summer business meetings to set their goals for the new year. The group hopes to plan several exciting social activities, service projects, and fund raisers. They will also be making plans to participate in FHA at the area and state level.

The 1982-83 officers are: Pam Massey-President, Debra Williams- Vice President, Christy Kinnard- Secretary-Treasurer, Nancy Brenem-Reporter, Leigh McGlothlin- Historian, Lynette Sliter- Advisor.



Greg Beasley of Trent High has qualified for the state track meet in the 800 run. Beasley won that event in last week's regional meet. (Staff photo by Cloy A. Richards)



The Trent FHA recently elected new officers. They are (left to right) Nancy Brenem, Christy Kinnard, Pam Massey, Leigh McGlothlin and Debra Williams. (Staff photo by Cloy A. Richards)

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Stevens with AISD

John W. Stevens, a 1979 graduate of Trent High School, and a May 1982, graduate of McMurry College, has signed a teaching contract with the Abilene Independent School District for the 1982-83 academic year. Mr. Stevens who is listed on the Deans List for academic excellence for the spring semester, will be teaching English or special education. Stevens was awarded the Jackie Elizabeth Grimm Scholarship from 1979-1982, awarded to aspiring students entering the teaching profession. He was also awarded the first scholarship for future teachers to be offered by the Texas State Teacher's Association in 1981-82. Stevens has offers for graduate assistantships from both North West Texas State University and Stephen F. Austin University to do graduate studies. Both offers will remain open should Stevens decide to return to college to do graduate work.

Trent elementary band concert held

The 4th and 5th grade band of Trent Elementary School gave its spring concert on Wednesday, May 5. The program included numbers for the entire band as well as solos and small ensembles. The band numbers were: The Crusaders, Aura Lee, Join the Parade, and Blast Off.

Small ensembles included a cornet duet, Johnny Nance and Cesar Valdez; woodwind duet

Billie Jean Poindexter and Kimberly Walker; and clarinet trio, Sheli Boies, Sandy Collier, and Martha Wood.

Soloists featured at the concert were Jeff Hobbs, cornet; Rhonda Payne, flute; Cookie Renfro, french horn; Annie Hambrick, alto saxophone; Melony Orr, trumpet; and Tami Neff, cornet.

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Earl Otto Harwell, 90, of Merkel, a World War I veteran, died at 2:30 a.m. Tuesday at Shady Oaks Lodge after a brief illness. Services were held last Wednesday at United Methodist Church in Merkel.

The Rev. Ray Elmore officiated. Burial was in Cedar Hill Cemetery in Abilene, directed by Starbuck Funeral Home of Merkel.

Born Jan. 24, 1892, in Putnam, he lived in Merkel the past 60 years and had served with the Army in France during World War I. He was a member of the United Methodist Church and the Merkel Trent Barracks of World War I Veterans. He married Merle Wharton Nov. 17, 1919, in Wichita Falls.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Charles of Odessa; two daughters, LaVerne Fortner of Merkel and Charlotte Sanders of San Antonio; a brother A.H. of San Diego, Calif.; two sisters, Lora Caldwell of San Diego, Calif., and Dolie Bishop of Hamlin; 10 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Oscar and E.L.; three sisters, Jennie, Maggie and Ollie; and a daughter, Frances Carey.

Grandsons Wayne Carey, David Harwell, Tom Turner, Larry Harwell, Greg Mahoney, and Cecil Gregg were pallbearers.

Public notices

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Simon C. Simmons, Joseph P. Simmons, Samuel R. Coggin, James W. Carter, Patrick H. Odom, F. Brookreson, if living, and if any or all said persons be deceased, the unknown heirs of each or all of said deceased persons, Defendants, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court 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 21 day of June A. D. 1982, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 4th day of May A. D. 1982, in this cause, numbered 37,493A, on the docket of said court and styled CLARICE SHIPMAN

DEAL, Plaintiff, vs. Simon C. Simmons, Joseph P. Simmons, Samuel R. Coggin, James W. Carter, Patrick H. Odom, F. Brookreson, if living, and if any or all said persons be deceased, the unknown heirs of each or all of said deceased persons, Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit for full title to Lot 18, Block 23, Original Town of Buffalo Gap, Taylor County, Texas, and a 300 foot by 150

foot tract out of the A. M. Boyd Survey No. 112, Taylor County, Texas, sometimes known and recognized as being lots 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24, Block 23, Simmons Addition to the town of Buffalo Gap, Taylor County, Texas, and special pleas of Statutes as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit of Limitation.

If this citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved. The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court

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Attest: Irene Crawford Clerk, District Court Taylor County, Texas by Rilla Mahony, Deputy, 10-4TC

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Attest: Vicki Aguirre, Clerk, District Court Abilene, Texas

at Abilene, Texas, this the 4th day of May A. D. 1982.

Attest: Irene Crawford Clerk, District Court Taylor County, Texas by Rilla Mahony, Deputy, 10-4TC

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

Attest: Vicki Aguirre, Clerk, District Court Abilene, Texas

this cause, numbered 37,451-A on the docket of said court and styled City of Abilene and the State of Texas, Plaintiff, vs. J.E. Malone Johnson (Rabbit), Will Smith (Walgreen) et al dba Soul-A-Delic, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: A suit to declare 401 Ash, more specifically described as lots 7 & 8, Block 65, Original Town of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, a public nuisance and to enjoin the owners and operators of the same as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 28th day of April A.D. 1982.

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4.	Hill, Jeanne	305 1/2 Kent Street	Merkel, Texas
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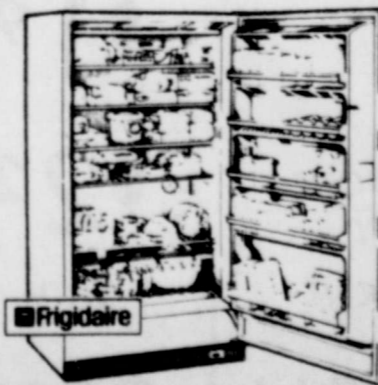
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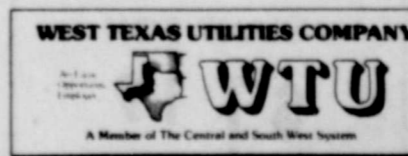
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