

# The Merkel Mail

Thursday, October 21, 1982...Merkel, Texas

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## Board gives budget final nod, hears audit report, talks growth...more

MISD board members gave formal approval to the 82-83 school operating budget as well as approved the annual school finance audit at their regular meeting held Tuesday morning at the Big Country Inn.

The board also is considering appointing a committee to look into the future building needs, if any, of the district.

Condley and Company has the contract for school audits and their report indicated MISD has collected 92 percent of the 1981-82 school year and 96.8 percent of all taxes collected. The report also indicated MISD revenues were up 25 percent during the 81-82 school year and expenses rose 7.1 percent.

The report also estimates \$60,218 of past due taxes are uncollectable of the \$161,756 in total past due taxes.

The report's management survey and checklist concerning the work of school employees was a glowing report on management and school board president Kenny Hogan commented "I think this report reflects the good work of Bill Everett (superintendent) and Peggy Gibson (financial director)."

MISD superintendent Bill Everett started off the meeting by saying he'd like to see a committee formed to "study our school's growth needs and to start looking into a preliminary study on space and a building program for the future, if needed."

During an enrollment report, the superinten-

dent said MISD is 87 students ahead this year and said the largest increases have been at Merkel and Tye Elementary. The superintendent also reported there are more students in three grades of junior high than there are in four grades in the high school.

The board agreed the committee should include representatives of the board, classroom teachers, administrators and taxpayers. The board tabled any specific actions on the committee until November's regular meeting.

During the superintendent's report, Everett reported the fence surrounding Badger field had been completed, and the bus barn and maintenance area should be completed by December 1st. He said progress on building a restraining fence at Merkel's ag barn has been slow because it has been difficult to locate records of precise property lines.

The board also accepted the resignation of Martha Snowden as aide at Tye Elementary.

The board also gave final approval to the budget for the 82-83 school year. The budget calls for revenues of \$2,599,265 and the superintendent reported MISD was already receiving revenue from local taxes.

Board members also heard MISD will have no bonded indebtedness, except for the high school, by spring.

The board was also informed of a weekend break-in at Merkel Middle School. Stolen were two 16 millimeter projectors and a stereo.



John Lanford of Merkel poses with his champion ram with daughters (left) Jeanette and

Julie at the State Fair of Texas' Open Rambouillet show.

## Merkel co-op gin has Jerry Horton as new manager

The Merkel Co-Op Gin has a new manager to take charge during the 82-83 ginning season and he ought to know a lot about the local gin since he has been working there for 20 years.

Jerry Horton was named the manager in June by the gin's board and since he has taken over, he has seen the gin make some improvements on its facility.

The gin has added a module shed and should have a bale loading rack ready by the end of the week.

The gin has already ginned 73 bales this year and there were about ten trailers on the yard Monday with a trailer coming in about every 45 minutes. At least three local farmers were stripping cotton Monday so the gin will be busy for the next couple of weeks with early cotton.

The Merkel gin ginned its first bale last Monday and Horton told the Mail the machinery

was working fine and there had been no major problems so far.

The gin is coming off its best year in 20 years as last year they ginned about 5,600 bales, the second best total since 1958-59.

Horton said the gin would go to a 24 hour a day schedule later in the season and said they are capable of ginning 10 bales an hour.

He doesn't think any of the early cotton he'd seen so far would grade very well and said the price is "poor".

One of the reasons according to Horton is that textile mills are ordering just enough cotton for what they will use that week and are not keeping extensive stockpiles, which would lessen pressures on the market.

He said he felt the price would stay low through the end of the year and hoped things would get better then.

## Badgers fall 30-15 in Electra, travel to Clyde Friday

It wasn't only the four fumbles, or the called back touchdown, or the dropped passes, it was a combination of those ingredients that carried Electra to a 30-15 win over Merkel in Electra Friday night.

That puts Merkel 4-3 on the year and the Badgers now have a 1-1 district record.

The Badger scores came on a third and fourth quarter touchdown runs by Russell Lucas and a safety in the first quarter.

Badger head coach Eddie Lang told the Mail Monday the Badgers played well during the first and fourth quarter and Electra played well the other two quarters. The Badgers fumbled four times in the contest, one at their own 8 and once near the 20 and inside their own 40 twice. Merkel also tossed two interceptions that didn't help.

Lang said the game could have ended 30-30 just as easily as it did not because of a 48 yard touchdown run that was called back and a dropped pass when the receiver had beaten all of the defenders.

The Badgers had 269 yards of total offense compared to Electra's 260 but Electra had 18 first downs to Merkel's 14.

Lang said he wanted to compliment the play of Sean Woodard, Mark Turner and Russell Lucas on the offense and Lorne Sloan on defense.

### MERKEL AT CLYDE KICKOFF AT 8

The Badgers will travel to Clyde this Friday for their third district encounter. Clyde is 1-1 in district play and Coach Lang describes Clyde as a big team that lines up in the I formation and tries to overpower people.

Lang said Clyde is much like Electra in that the Bulldogs can move the ball well at times but they make mistakes that kill a lot of offensive drives.

Lang said if Clyde can keep from making mistakes, they are a tough team to beat.

He added "They will be like every one else this year, they will play their best game of the year against us because most teams feel like they ought to beat Merkel."

Clyde will throw the ball and has a pretty good quarterback.

Merkel's starting quarterback, Jimmy Don Rogers will return to the lineup this week after missing two games with a broken left hand and Lang said he would keep Freshman Matt Cain on the varsity to share some quarterback chores with Rogers.

In other action this week, the Freshmen will host Clyde Thursday at 6 and the JV will also host Clyde here at 7:30. The 7th grade will play in Clyde at 5 and the 8th grade will play in Clyde at 6:15.

## Elections, Aggie jokes, mudslinging, Series, gymnast, stocks...more

by Cloy A. Richards

I guess you know by now the General Elections are coming up Nov. 2 and the voting places will be in their usual locations in Merkel, Trent and Tye.

Merkel voters have from 7 until 7 to cast their ballot at the Senior Citizens Center, Tye Voters cast their ballots at the Tye Community Center and Trent voters vote at City Hall.

We made a trip to College Station this weekend which was kinda nice. I saw a couple of football games, one that A&M tried to lose and Baylor did not seem to want to win.

CBS aired the best Aggie joke Friday night I've heard in a while, although I had heard it before. It was a story about A&M's efforts to attract a Nobel Peace Prize winning physics professor from Harvard. At the end the joke came. Question- What do you call an Aggie four years after graduation? Answer- Boss.

He's the pinocchio of Texas politics. He's a conservative that votes like a liberal. He doesn't think a consumer should be on the utility commission.

Mudslinging, airing of 20 year old dirty laundry, yessir friends, it must be election time in Texas.

Media types like election time because of increased advertising. Printers like election time

because of increased job work. Editors like election time because it give's us something to write about. Voters don't like election time too much because so many don't vote.

Be thinking of your selections for political office and then schedule 15 minutes or so on Nov. 2 so your opinion can be counted.

This may be stretching it a bit for a local tie in on the World Series, but here's what we've got. Mrs. Leo Harris' sister, Mrs. Ralph Russell of Bossier City, La., has a son-in-law, who is Charley Moore of the Milwaukee Brewers. How's that for local flavor.

Pam Neff, a sixth grader here qualified for the bi-district gymnastics meet in Dallas, Oct. 30. Pam was one of five members of the Five Acros of Abilene who qualified at a district meet in Lubbock Saturday.

I found someone that wasn't real happy about Wall Street's rally past the One Thousand mark. My brother works for a Hart-Hankes paper in Bryan and chooses to purchase company stock by payroll deduction. He said he'd just as soon see the price stay down while buying and let it go up when he no longer purchases.

If all the market players got what they wanted, we'd be seeing a Dow Jones average in multi-digits.

## Merkel PTO sets king-queen coronation, carnival Oct. 30

The Merkel PTO's Halloween Carnival will be held Saturday, October 30th in the Merkel Elementary Building. Preceding the carnival will be the coronation of this year's King and Queen. Coronation activities will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium, with the carnival beginning a short time afterward and lasting until 9:00 p.m. The classes of Merkel Elementary are competing in a raffle with the class selling the most raffle tickets having the King and Queen winners. The winning class will also receive a \$50 cash prize and a coke party compliments of the

PTO. This year's raffle prizes include a TV, a Ten speed bike, and a pair of cowboy boots. Raffle tickets are \$1 each, and the drawing for winners will be held just prior to the coronation activities. The PTO would like to invite everyone in the community to come and enjoy a night of family fun. This year's carnival will feature some new booths including a "Ring the Armadillo" featuring live armadillos, carnival tickets will be 25 cents each with the proceeds from the raffle and carnival going to fund the activities of the PTO.

## Crazy Days parade is Oct. 30

The Merkel Crazy Days Parade will offer trophies for best horse, float, car, bicycle, and marcher at the annual Crazy Days Parade planned for Oct. 30 at 2 p.m.

The Parade will form near the Assembly of God Church on North Second in Merkel. Merkel Chamber of Commerce Manager Martha Sue Justice told the Mail Monday that she would like all churches, groups and organizations

to participate in the parade and said the parade is designed for everyone, especially the youngsters.

They have the opportunity to dress crazy for a couple of days because all three schools in Merkel will be holding a crazy days dress contest at 10:30 a.m. Oct. 29. Ribbons will be awarded to those winners.

More information about the parade by calling Martha Sue Justice at the Chamber of Commerce at 928-5722 or at home at 928-5017.

## Merkel man's rape trial in progress

The rape trial of Forrest Dwayne "Bucky" Crouse, 17 of Merkel was in its second day in the 42nd District Court at deadline Tuesday.

Crouse is charged with raping a 17 year old Merkel girl April 5th, 1981 after he abducted the girl and a companion at a volleyball game at

Merkel schools.

Crouse, who is being represented by Abilene attorneys Sam Moore and Jess Holloway has pleaded not guilty to one count of rape and one count of aggravated assault.

Testimony in the trial began Monday and was expected to continue through Wednesday.

## Canady, Freeman, Whitley, Penton honored

Louise Canady was named Coming Home Queen, Angie Penton football sweetheart, James Freeman, beau and Donna Whitley band sweetheart at Trent's annual Homecoming in

Trent Saturday night.

Trent's football team added to the festivities with a win as between 500 and 600 attended the Saturday events.



# Newsbriefs

## Xi Nu Chi news

Valentine Court Reporter, was the guest speaker at the October 12 meeting of Xi Nu Chi at Pleasantville. Glenda gave a very informative talk and demonstrated the use of a court stenographer machine. The members also were able to observe and then "try their hand" at court reporting. It was an exciting look into a changing profession.

Vicki Rodriguez was chosen to represent Xi Nu Chi as Valentine Sweetheart at the annual city council Valentine Dance.

The members present were Anita Allen, Minyon Seymore, Vicki Rodriguez, Judy Elliott, Connie Harris, Blanche Hewitt, Mary Hill, Peggy Valentine, Ginny Yaddow and Vonne Dena Tumlinson.

## Scouts set trade & sale day

Girl Scout Troop 292 will have a Trade & Sale Day, Tuesday, October 26 at 3:30 to 4:30. Many Brownies & Juniors have uniforms that they have out grown or do not need any more, and we also have new Brownies & Junior Girl Scouts that need uniforms. So if you want to sell or buy a uniform, please be at the Girl Scout Hut, Tues., at 3:30.

These uniforms will not be sold at full retail price, since they are used, so come on down and make a good deal! For more information call 928-4365.

## 81 Study

### Club has meeting

The 81 Study Club had their regular meeting Monday, October 11, 1982 in the home of Lorene Baird.

The program was given by Lorene on the care and health of skin. The club took part in the Trent Homecoming parade at Trent. Date was set for our fun raising event for Dec. 4, at this time we will have home made Christmas gifts for sale.

Refreshments were served to nine members. Next meeting will be October 25 in the home of Cleo Reece, the program will be on Conservation.

## Beta Sigma Phi has dance

Rho Phi, Beta Sigma Phi Chapter of Abilene, held their Annual Cowboy Dance Saturday night at the Abilene Civic Center.

Each year a Cowboy is selected to represent their chapter. Taking the spotlight this year to represent Preceptor Eta Omega, Merkel's Beta Sigma Phi Chapter were Juan Ybarra and Jimmy Leverich.

Members and their guests enjoyed a night of fun and entertainment dancing to the music provided by Sierra Light, a country & western band from Baird.

Congratulations to our two outstanding cowboys of this community.

## School menu

The school menu for today is Fried Fish with tartar sauce, Blackeye Peas, Seasoned Spinach, corn bread and lemon pudding. Friday will be hamburgers with rice krispi bars for dessert. Next Monday's menu is spaghetti with beef.

buttered corn, garlic bread and sliced pears for dessert. Tuesday will be toasted cheese sandwiches with vegetable soup and raisin cobbler for dessert. Wednesday Turkey & Dressing with giblet gravy, seasoned green beans, cranberry sauce, stuffed celery, hot rolls, and fruit cup for dessert.

## Masons set dinner-play

Merkel Masonic Lodge No. 710 will have a covered dish supper and play at

their hall Saturday night.

The Masonic play "Rose on the Alter" will be presented following a covered dish supper that starts at 6:30.

All members are urged to attend and visitors are welcomed.

## Noodle church

The Noodle Baptist Church will be holding a revival Oct. 20 thru the 24th with evening services starting at 7:30 and the Sunday

morning worship will start at 11 a.m.

A covered dish luncheon will be served following the Sunday morning service and everyone is invited to attend.

The pastor will be the Rev. Rick Hudson and the song leader will be Bruce Morgan.

## CJC sets real estate class

Cisco Junior College will be holding weekend real estate courses starting the weekend of Oct. 23 and running three weekends.

Saturday classes will be held from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Sunday classes will run from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

## Cunningham's have new son

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cunningham of 705 East 12th, Sweetwater, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Robert Levi, Jr. He was born on Sunday, October 3rd, at 3:02 a.m., in Rolling Plains Memorial Hospital of Sweetwater. He weighed 7 lbs 5 ozs. and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Cunningham

both of Merkel. Great Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Richardson, H.L. Cotton of Sweetwater and Douglas Phillips of Lubbock

## Obituaries Lillie Stafford

Mrs. Lillie Faye Jones Stafford, 410 S. Cummings in Alverado, 69, passed away Oct. 15 at Huguley Memorial Hospital in Fort Worth. Services were held 2 p.m. Oct. 17 at the Clayton Kay Funeral Chapel in Alverado with the minister Ian Mostert officiating. Burial followed in the Glenwood Cemetery in Alverado.

Mrs. Stafford was born in Roscoe Aug. 10, 1913, she had lived in Alverado since 1960. She married Rankin Stafford Nov. 26, 1960 in Durant, Okla. He died April 12, 1965. A daughter, Mrs. Meldean Dyess had preceded her in death in 1940.

Mrs. Stafford was a member of the Alverado, Church of Christ. Survivors include three sons, A.B. Dyess of Alverado, Charles W. also of Alverado, Melvin of Bakersfield, Ca., two daughters, Miss Bonnie Wayne Dyess of Terrell, Mrs. Ray (Laquita) Faye Parker of Fort Worth, two brothers, including R.V. Jones of

Ventura, Ca., three sisters, including Mrs. Liddle Mae O'Neil of Bakersfield, Mrs. Ona Belle Wright of Corpus Christi, nine grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

## Tye Senior

### Citizens musical

The Tye Senior Citizens will be holding their monthly musical Saturday night. Food and drinks will be served at 6. Everyone is invited.

One out of every two households in the United States has a pet.



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**J. V. HERE AGAINST CLYDE AT 7:30**  
**7TH GRADE AT CLYDE AT 5**  
**8TH GRADE AT CLYDE AT 6:15**

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## Hobby says state govt. lean

Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby today said that two of the main issues in his campaign for re-election are legislative experience and proven leadership.

"We have a lean and limited government in Texas, and that's the way I want to keep it," Hobby said. "At the same time, we don't like a negligent government that ignores its responsibilities."

Texas is facing some tough issues such as New Federalism and federal cutbacks, the recession and unemployment, and continued population growth that is severely impacting state services, he said.

"With these issues and others it will be necessary to see that Texas taxpayers are treated fairly, and I will see that we are treated fairly," Hobby said. "More than ever, we need the experience and management skills of conservative leaders in state government."

Hobby outlined his stand on the other major issues of his campaign:

**The Economy.** "I am committed to maintaining a good economic climate that produces jobs and the best way to do this is to maintain our policy of prudent government spending that keeps our taxes low and attracts new business opportunities."

**Education.** "I have worked hard to improve the quality of public education during the past nine years, yet there is still room for improvement. Under my direction, the Legislature in 1983 will seek ways to recruit and retain the best teachers available through increased salaries and benefits and improved working conditions. In addition, I

want to give local school districts more control over their schools."

**Crime.** "I have been at the forefront of the war against crime through efforts to improve law enforcement, expand our court system to speed up trials of accused and relieve prison overcrowding. In 1983, I will ask the Legislature to prepare a comprehensive strategy that attacks crime on all fronts—law enforcement, courts and corrections."

## Dean-Jaynes reunion

The Dean & Jaynes families held their annual family reunion on Sunday, October 17 at Heritage Hall in Merkel.

Both families are descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joe D. Jaynes and Mrs. & Mr. E.M. Dean long time Merkel area residents.

Forty nine attended from Tucumcari, N.M., Waco, Lewisville, Levelland, Potosi, Dudley, Bedford, Irving, Sweet-water, Abilene and Merkel.

Several friends came for a visit during the afternoon. They plan a reunion at Heritage Hall again next year.



Ketchup was once sold as a medicine.

## Mrs. Dalma Clemons buried Tuesday

Mrs. Dalma Clemons Rister, 73, of Tye died Saturday night at her

### New DPS glass coating laws out

Under new Texas regulations effective October 18, 1982, glass coating materials may be installed on all motor vehicle windows except windshields.

Previously, it was illegal to place the materials on the windows to the immediate left and right of the driver's seat. However, the new regulations allow coating materials approved by the Texas Department of Public Safety to be installed on those windows.

The window film materials, which are sold under various brand names, are designed to reduce glare and the build up of heat inside the passenger compartment by limiting the amount of sunlight passing through the windows.

Glass coating materials applied to windows behind the driver's seat need not be approved by the DPS. However, vehicles with window film applied to the rear window must have outside rear view mirrors on the right and left sides.

residence. Services were held Tuesday at Tye United Methodist Church.

Burial was at Tye Cemetery, directed by Elliot-Hamil Funeral Home.

Born July 21, 1909, in Buffalo Gap, she moved to Tye from Buffalo Gap in the early 1920s.

She attended school in Buffalo Gap, Tye, and Abilene. She married Wesley Rister May 28, 1928, in Tye. She and her husband owned and operated the Rister Grocery Store in Tye for 50 years. They retired in 1975 and her husband died in 1981.

She was an active member of the Tye Senior Citizens and Tye United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-

law Ed and Jane Jones of Noodle; two grandsons, Wesley Hugh Jones of Sherman and Jeffery Lee Jones of Noodle; a brother, Maurice Askins of Tye; a sister, Alleta Race of San Angelo; a step-brother Marvin Hinds of Stamford; a step-sister, Ollie Mae West of Waco; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her mother and stepfather.

Memorials may be made to the City of Tye Park Fund or to a favorite charity.

Pallbearers were Thurman Holloway, Joe England, Elmo Moore, Johnny Teaff, Leory Teaff, Lloyd Jordan. Honorary pallbearers were James Barley, Dave Warner, Weir Joiner and Theo Kincaid.

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Justice of Peace  
Taylor County, Precinct 2  
Merkel, Trent, View, Pioneer Church

A Reason to Vote November 2, 1982

Henry Guenther has over five years experience as a trial judge.

In these five years, he has handled over 800 Civil and Small Claims cases, recovering more than \$80,000 in potential losses to the citizens of this community.

He has worked closely with the citizens of this community, going far beyond his required duties and going out of his way to help people. He, himself, has counseled and directed many who required professional help and guidance for alcohol and drug related illnesses.

He has given of his time to aid those citizens who could not read or write, in obtaining a drivers license, when they could not have otherwise received one.

He has established a fair and unprejudice, peoples court in criminal and civil cases alike. It is now a peoples court. Not a court dictated by peace officers.

He is constantly striving to improve his knowledge of the judicial system by attending seminars and keeping in personal contact with the attorney General's Office.

His experiences speak for themselves. He has twenty years experience in firefighting, fire investigation, and instruction.

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He is a certified peace officer in the State of Texas.

He is a permanent resident of Merkel, lifetime member of the V.F.W., and member of Merkel Lions Club.

He is a family man. He has a wife, three daughters: Two have graduated from Merkel High School and one still attending. He has two grandchildren. All are residents of Merkel.

He is a member of the Catholic Church and attends regularly.

We should not jeopardize our current functioning judicial system by firing a man who has not only done his job, but has shown concern and given guidance to the future citizens of our community.

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34-11c  
For Sale: Used dishwasher \$150. 928-4407 2.2 miles north on 126

34-11c  
For Sale: 1 set bed springs, 2 cotton mattresses, 1 inner spring mattress \$20 for all. Call 928-5816.

34-11p  
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34-TFC

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34-11c

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34-11c

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## GARAGE SALES

Garage Sale: 102 Ash Wed., Thurs. and Fri. A little bit of everything.

34-11p  
Yard Sale: Friday and Saturday at 610 Rose.

34-11p  
Garage Sale: 2 mi. N. on 126 left side of road. Sat. only Starting 8 a.m. A little bit of everything.

34-11c  
5 Family Garage Sale 815 Oak. Furniture, TV Heaters, tools, all size clothes, lots of misc. Thurs. Fri. & Sat.

34-11p  
Garage Sale: Corner of S. 5th & Walnut, Kids clothes, dishes, lots of misc. Wed. through Sat.

34-11p  
Moving out of Sate Everything Must Go. Thurs., Fri. & Sat. 9 till 7. No early sales. No checks. FM 1235 N. Mountain View Estate follow signs.

34-11p  
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A reception will be held in their honor on Sunday Oct. 24th from 2-4 p.m. at the Church of Christ Family Center in Merkel. The hosts will be



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## Beef cattle seminar in Abilene

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The seminar will focus on managing breeding cattle and stockers through the winter.

Mr. Reggie Easterling of IMC will talk on the use of Raigro implants to increase rate of gain on stocker and feeder cattle. This practice has the potential for adding extra dollars to wheat pasture cattle.

Mr. Steve Dyer of Purina will discuss handling stocker calves. The first three weeks are the most

critical as far as death loss is concerned. He will talk about feeding and caring for stockers to keep them healthy during this period.

Dr. Jerry Cowley, Extension Beef Specialist from San Angelo will talk on feeding the cows during the winter to maintain productivity and keep the costs low. Minerals, protein and energy requirements for the dry cow and nursing cow will be discussed.

Refreshments will be served and the meeting is open to the public and is free of charge.

## Group says quackery in billions

Arthritis has no known cure, as the 31 million Americans who suffer from it and related diseases are well aware. Just as aware of this are the inventors of quack devices and "miracle cures," says the Texas Medical Association.

For every dollar spent on arthritis research, \$25 is spent on "useless nostrums, unapproved devices, unnecessary food supplements and arthritis diet books, according to Consumer Reports magazine. The total annual tab for arthritis quackery is estimated to be \$950 million.

One dangerous and powerful drug making a comeback as an unapproved arthritis treatment is Leifcort. This hormone compound was developed and promoted nearly 20 years ago by Dr. Robert Leifmann, who fled to Canada to avoid arrest for selling a purported baldness cure. He continued to sell Leifcort there until his death in 1972.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration says a number of Leifmann's colleagues are back in business in the U.S. and operating as the Arthritis Medical Offices and the Arthritis Medical Center. Leifcort—under new names like "Hormone Balance Treatment," "Balanced Hormone Treatment," "Holistic Balance Treatment" and "Rheumatril"—is being sold in clinics often set up in hotel rooms. The FDA says the combination of hormones in Leifcort poses a danger to health.

Another product that the FDA says has not been proven effective is a snake venom combination called PROven. Made from cobra

and krait venom, PROven has been given to people with rheumatoid arthritis and multiple sclerosis.

"Special" arthritis diets abound, but the Arthritis Foundation says what you eat neither causes nor cures the disease. Everything from cod liver oil, alfalfa, pokeberries and blackstrap molasses to a mixture of honey, vinegar, iodine and kelp have been sold for arthritis diets. In the 1960s, the FDA confiscated about 2,000 bottles of seawater to break up a nationwide swindle.

The best advice for arthritis victims is to be wary of products that offer "special" or "secret" formulas; promise quick or easy cures, or are promoted by case histories and testimonials.

The only product that seems to relieve arthritic pain effectively is aspirin in large amounts. Your doctor can advise you on the proper dosage.



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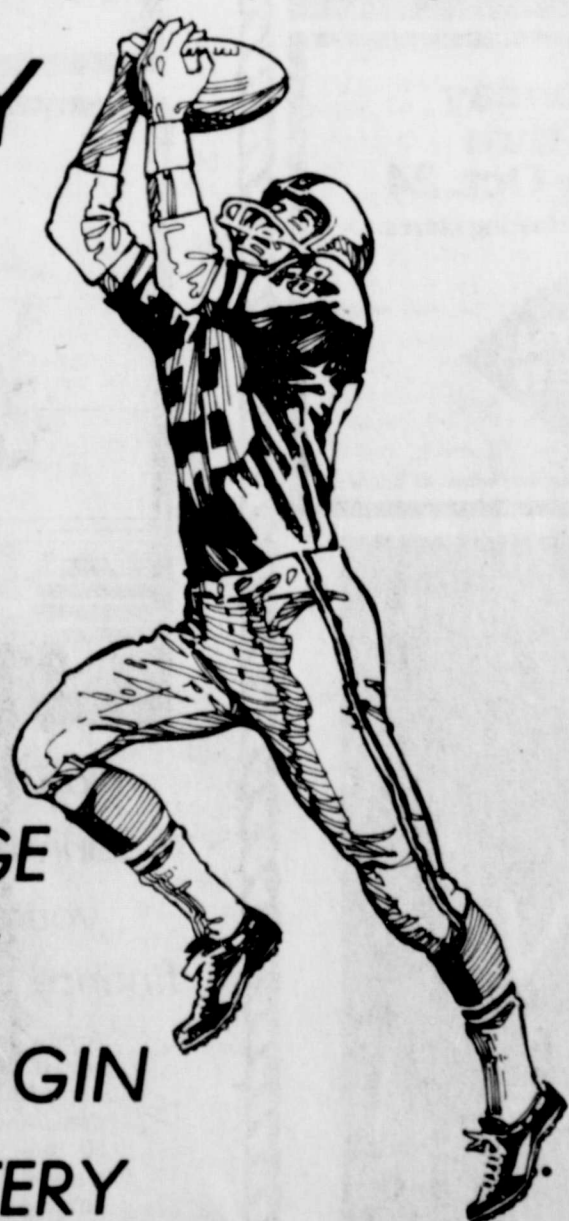
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## Fortnightly group holds meeting

The Fortnightly Study Club met on Tuesday, October 12, at the Big Country Inn, with Grace Lee Brown and Mildred Hamm as hostesses.

The President, Alwyne Sandusky, called the meeting to order and presided for the business session. Members answered roll call with the name of their native State. Membership cards were presented to the members.

Paralee Gibson and Avis Deavers presented a program on Patriotism and Citizenship. Mrs. Gibson led the members in reading the Pledge to the Flag and the American Creed. She also gave a brief history of the Flag.

Miss Deavers discussed many characteristics of a good citizen. She mentioned, among others,

honesty, to yourself and in your relations with others; fairness, cooperation, concern for others; compassion, willingness to help, and friendliness. A good rule that she learned early from her father is "To do an honest days work for an honest days pay."

Those present to enjoy the program and refreshments were: Mrs. C.M. Brown, Miss Mary Collins, Miss Avis Deavers, Mrs. S.C. Dixon, Mrs. Bill Everett, Mrs. Mack Fisher, Mrs. Dent Gibson, Miss Mildred Hamm, Mrs. Buster Horton, Mrs. Carl Hughes, Mrs. Allen D. King, Mrs. Ed Sandusky, Mrs. C.M. Seymore, Mrs. Andy Shouse, Mrs. Aaron Sudderth, Mrs. Alf Walla, Miss Maurine White, & Mrs. Ray Wilson.

## Texas is fastest growing U. S. state

Texas had three million more people in 1981 than in 1977, making it the fastest growing state in the nation.

"It's like the state is a giant magnet pulling people here from everywhere," said Dr. Robert Skrabanek, demographer and sociologist with the Texas A&M University Department of Rural Sociology.

"The growth is simply phenomenal; we've never seen anything like this before," Skrabanek said during the 1982 Town and Country Church Conference at Texas A&M Oct. 4-5.

Why are so many people moving to Texas, and who are they?

"Besides being in the Sunbelt, the Lone Star state has a low unemployment rate and low tax structure (compared to other states)," he pointed out.

In 1960, Texas was the sixth most populated state, and by 1970 it had become the fourth largest. In 1975, Texas became the third largest state, preceded only by California and New York.

The population has been evenly distributed the past 10 years, Skrabanek noted, with 210 Texas counties showing an increase and only 44 reporting a decrease.

"Big cities like Dallas, Houston and San Antonio are getting larger, but the real growth is occurring in the suburbs of these cities," he said. "The cities keep growing out and incorporating what were once rural areas."

Rural areas have been consistently gaining in population the past 15 years, Skrabanek said. This comes from factories and industries moving out of big cities and into rural communities, which in turn disperses the population more equally.

In-migration is responsible for much of the population explosion in Texas, he said.

During the 1950s, more than 11,000 people moved to Texas each year, and between 1960-69 an additional 21,000 a year were making Texas their home. In the 1970s, the number had reached 180,000 people a year.

"Even with the depressed economy, Texas is still a bright spot when compared to other states," Skrabanek said. "And I don't expect this pattern to change anytime soon."

Who are the people inhabiting Texas? "Since the mid 1950s, we've changed from a male-dominated to female-dominated state," he said. "Add to this the fact that women live an average of eight years longer and it's obvious that women are a dominant force in Texas."



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The median age in Texas is 28.2 years, compared to 30 years for the nation. This is almost double the median age of 16 in 1800.

"Ethnically, Texas can be divided into three groups," Skrabanek said. "In 1980, the population was 66 percent Anglo, 21 percent Hispanic and 12 percent Black."

Some 200 ministers and laity of rural and small churches attended the annual conference sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Texas A&M's Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Augustine Esparza, III Respondent:

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 Isabel Esparza, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 21st day of June, 1982, against Augustine Esparza, III Respondent, and said suit being numbered 7465-C on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Matter of The Marriage of Isabel Esparza and Augustine Esparza, III", the nature of which suit is a request to

obtain a divorce from the Respondent.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgement or decree dissolving the marriage and providing for the division of property which will be binding on you.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgement or decree in the child interest which will be binding upon you.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this 8th day of October, 1982.

Rilla Mahoney, District Clerk 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas By Johnnie Woodard Deputy

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION STATE OF TEXAS

TO: LAWRENCE DAVID BAYES, 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

WILLIAM LUTHER HAMMOND and BETTYANNE HAMMOND, Petitioners, filed in said Court on the 11th day of August 1982, against LAWRENCE DAVID BAYES, Respondent and said suit being number 7730-C on the docket of said Court and entitled "In the Interest of TIFANIE CHARME GENE BAYES, a child" the nature of which suit is a request to terminate the parent-child relationship and subsequently adopt the child. Said child was born the 21st day of December, 1975, in Fort Carson, El Paso County, Colorado.

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 but not necessarily limited to, the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity, the

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appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.

Issued an given under my hand and seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this 17th day of August, 1982.

Rilla Mahoney Clerk of the District Court of Taylor County Texas

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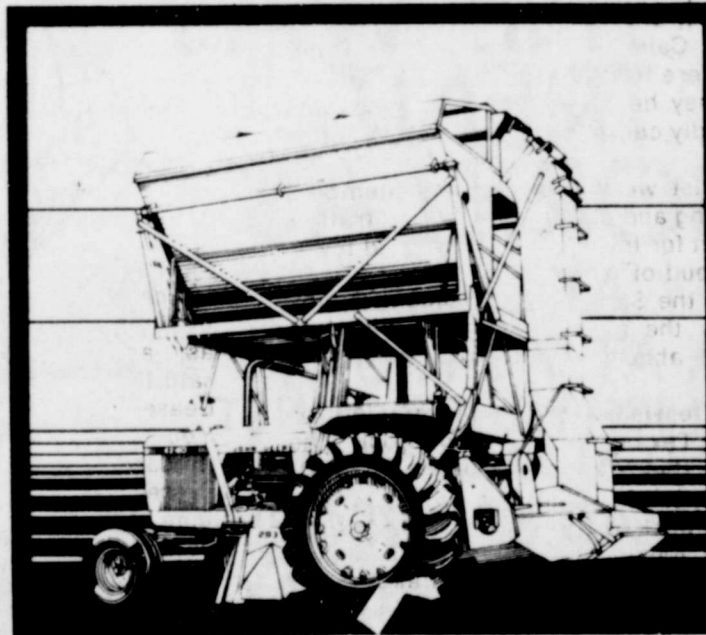
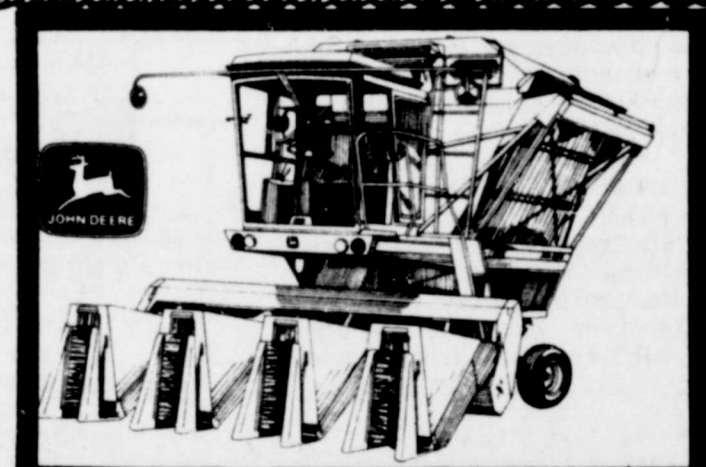
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# Elementary honor roll

The Merkel Elementary School Honor Roll is as follows:

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**Second Grade A-B**  
Kim Anderson, Tanner Boyd, David Casper, Kobie Clay, Randy Cubriel, Trista Graham, Kris Harris, Susan Holden, Stacy Jones, Jennifer McKee, ShaRae Oustad, Cliff Owen, Orville Pirraglia, Renli Reynolds, Misti Seago, Chad Smith, David Stuckey, Tommy Tumlinson, Eric Turner.

**Third Grade A**  
Tanya Beasley, John Lally, Lillian Leach, Treska McCullough, Kriste Smith.

**Third Grade A-B**  
Mandy Barnett, Lori Best, Queena Bigbee, Michele Bowman, Scott Cannon, Dayna Doan, Julie Harding, Marc Jenkins, Shana cPeters, Josh Mashburn, Shayla Miller, Robert Pace, Kristi Smith & Brandi Watts.

**Fourth Grade A**  
Brandon Toombs, Phuong Thao Tran, & Daniel West.

**Fourth Grade A-B**  
Melanie Baker, Dustie Baldree, Jamie Beasley, Aimee Bugg, Melissa Cuellar, Shannon Davis, Brandy Fenton, Robert Frazier, April Griffith, Betsy Hellums, Cara Kelso, Sean Leamon, Patrick Lee, Mary Monahan, Michael Moreno, Neil Newman, Keri Sams, Michelle Smith, Tracie Thomas & Terry Trevino.

**Fifth Grade A**  
Jenni Quance

**Fifth Grade A-B**  
Dayna Bentley, Amy Coleman, Chris Gaona, Melissa Hallford, Susan Hammond, Stephen Jacobs, Laurinda Powell, Penny Smith & Jimmy Don Townsend.

# FFA news and spotlights

The 14th, Chris Mashburn, Eddy Harris, Brenda Hohertz, Melinda Riney, Denise Pack, Shane Smith, Chuck Peterman, Todd Fielder, Darrell Snipman, Chris Cutler, Ken Hogan, and Parker Wilson attended the Area IV FFA Leadership Conference Workshop. The one day conference was sponsored by Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo at the Texas 4-H Center facility on Lake Brownwood. The conference was designed to improve the planning and conducting of district and local FFA chapter banquets awards programs. The members viewed video tapes of all types of banquet programs and chapter accomplishments slide programs that have become quite popular among FFA all over the state including the state convention meeting. The workshop featured a keynote address from State FFA President Randy Brady from Humble, Texas. The 8 Area IV FFA officers: Mason Hogan, Area President from Clyde, Big Country District; Mark Farr, Area 1st Vice President from Seymour, Oil Belt District; Rowdy Moore, Area Vice President from Henrietta, Wichita District; Kevin Cray, Area Vice President from Brownwood, Cross Timbers District; Chris Mashburn, Area Vice President from Merkel, Big Country District; Kim Eberle, Area Vice President from Breckenridge, Oil Belt District; Brent Hillery, Area Vice President from Wichita Fall Rider Wichita District; Kael Joiner, Area Vice President from Eastland, Cross Timbers District, and Area IV State FFA Vice President Carol Callaway, Wichita Falls Rider FFA Chapter were in charge of the program. At the workshop they held door prize drawings and Mr. Naron proudly came home with a FFA coffee cup.

During the past week many of the members finished rewelding and painting the old ag trailer. Be on the lookout for this red trailer around town, we are very proud of it.

Last Tuesday the State FFA President Randy Brady came by the ag building and talked to some members about his recent travels and experiences.

We would like to wish all the people who left for the State Fair of Texas, Monday, Good Luck. The work and effort they put into their animals all summer long will be judged this week. These members school work is not neglected while they are away as anyone going to livestock shows must maintain passing grades and make-up all work missed. Mr. Riley, Mr. Naron, and several parents are attending the fair also. We would like to tell you about our annual fruit sale starting October 25.

The spotlights this week are from the VAIII class.

Keith Middleton, son of Mr. & Mrs. John Middleton of Route 3 Merkel is a senior. His degree in ag is a lone star farmer. His project program this year is a steer which he plans on showing at the Merkel, County, and Fort Worth Stock Shows. In the past 3 years Keith has showed lambs and his junior year he received showmanship award (lambs) at the Merkel show. He also has 3 paint horses and is a member of the American Paint Horse Assoc. Keith has showed these horses and plans to show them this year also.

Randy Leverich, son of Jimmy and Kathy Leverich of 1513 Sunset is 17 and a senior. His degree in ag is a lone star farmer. His project this year is 9 barrows which he has showed at West Texas Fair and will show at the County Show and the State Fair of Texas. In Randy's past years in ag he has raised and showed barrows, sows and rabbits. He has participated in judging teams at Area level and attended local, district, area and state banquets and conventions in the past. Randy has been awarded the Agriculture Electrification Award and the Lone Star Farmer Degree.

## THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TAYLOR NOTICE OF EXECUTION SALE

By virtue of an execution issued out of the District Court of Taylor County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 2nd day of August, 1982, in favor of Thomas Operating Company, Inc. and against Dividend Production Company, in the case of Thomas Operating Company, Inc. against Dividend Production Company, number 37,486-A in such court, I did, on the 7th day of October, 1982 at 1:40 o'clock, p.m., levy upon the following described tracts and parcels of land situated in the County of Taylor, State of Texas, as property of the said Dividend Production, to wit:

Being all the right title and interest assigned by that certain assignment of oil and gas lease dated the 15th day of December, 1981 from Don H. Ford to Dividend Production Company and found at Volume 1225, Page 689 through 694 of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas which leases are described in Exhibit "A" thereto attached and made a part thereof and which are described as follows:

Lease No. 1: Alice Collins Walton, et al (Young Estate) Lease Lessor: Alice Collins Walton, et al Lessee: W.J. Heard Dated: January 20, 1981 Recorded: Volume 1176, Page 341, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 400 acres in Taylor County, Texas as described in said lease

Lease No. 2: Alice Collins Walton, et al (Young Estate) Lease Lessor: Alice Collins Walton, et al Lessee: W.J. Heard Dated: January 20, 1981 Recorded: Volume 1176, Page 347, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease.

Lease No. 3: Opal Hodges Lease Lessor: Opal Hodges Lessee: R & R Petroleum, Inc. Dated: July 31, 1980 Recorded: Volume 1158, Page 323, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 719.63 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease.

Lease No. 4: Myrl Young Lease Lessor: Myrl Young Lessee: R & R Petroleum, Inc. Dated: December 1, 1980 Recorded: Volume 1170, Page 471, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas.

Property: 757.87 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease.

Lease No. 5: Bert Young, et ux lease Lessor: Bert Young and wife, Floy Young Lessee: W.J. Heard Dated: November 24, 1980 Recorded: Volume 1171, Page 122, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 160 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease

Lease No. 6: J.D. Magee, et ux lease Lessor: J.D. Magee, and wife, Elsie Magee Lessee: W.J. Heard Dated: October 30, 1980 Recorded: Volume 1169, Page 548, Deed

Records, Taylor County, Texas Property: 189.9 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease Lease No. 7: Edward S. Hammonds, et ux lease Lessor: Edward S. Hammonds and wife, Ellie B. Hammonds Lessee: W.H. Heard Dated: October 30, 1980 Recorded: Volume 1169, Page 575, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 189.9 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease Lease No. 8: Patty Hanks Shelton, et al lease Lessor: Patty Hanks Shelton, individually and as Trustee Lessee: W.J. Heard Dated: October 30, 1980 Recorded: Volume 1169, Page 582, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 189.9 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease Lease No. 9: W.B. Deal Lessor: W.B. Deal Lessee: W.J. Heard Dated: February 4, 1981 Recorded: Volume 1189, Page 791, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 640 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease Lease No. 10: Edna Frances Ferguson on Lease Lessor: Edna Frances Ferguson Lessee: W.J. Heard Dated: June 1, 1981 Recorded: Volume 1208, Page 211, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 640 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease Lease No. 11: Travis Wilson Ferguson lease Lessor: Travis Wilson Ferguson and wife, Janet Ferguson Lessee: W.J. Heard Dated: June 1, 1981 Recorded: Volume 1208, Page 196, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 640 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease Lease No. 12: Jennie Bess Russo lease Lessor: Jennie Bess Russo, a widow Lessee: W.J. Heard Dated: May 22, 1981 Recorded: Volume 1208, Page 198, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 80 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease Lease No. 13: Barbara Ann Russo, et al Lease Lessor: Barbara Ann Russo, et al Lessee: W.J. Heard Dated: May 22, 1981 Recorded: Volume 1208, Page 201, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 550 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease Lease No. 14: Jerry Dennis, et ux lease Lessor: Jerry Dennis and wife, Jacqueline Dennis Lessee: W.J. Heard Dated: May 22, 1981 Recorded: Volume 1208, Page 206, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 10 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease Lease No. 15: Barbara Ann Russo, et al Lease Lessor: Barbara Ann Russo, et al Lessee: W.J. Heard Dated: June 16, 1981 Recorded: Volume 1208, Page 208, Deed Records, Taylor County, Texas

Property: 640 acres in Taylor County, Texas, as described in said lease Lease No. 16: Ben Y. Smith, et ux lease

the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on said date, at the Court-house door of said County, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all of the right, title and interest of the said Dividend Production Company in and to said property in compliance with the Judgement entered in the above numbered and styled cause and dated the 2nd day of August, 1982.

Dated at Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, this 7th day of October, 1982.  
John Middleton  
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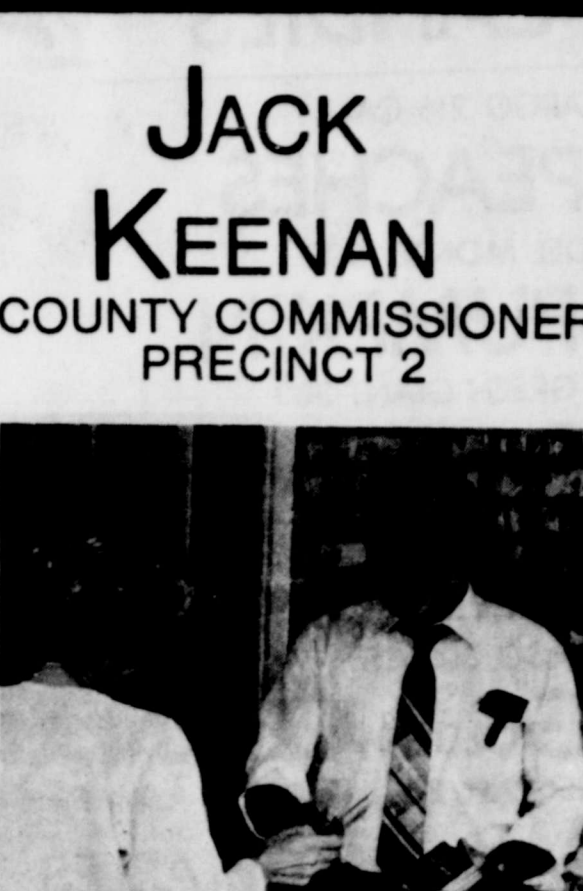
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