

I remember a lot of December 25th's, Parade is Saturday

by Cloy A. Richards

the weekend to see grandma, and other relatives there.

We hadn't been in two years and had a good trip. I missed the Stock Show but had prearranged for Iris Amerine to take photos. She did a good job and I hope we reproduced the photos well enough to do them justice.

I sat down and thought of writing my perennial take-off on The Night Before Christmas but couldn't come up with any suitable themes

Don't take that wrong.

So, this week it is Christmas Past.

I remember a lot of Christmas days in my past. In my early years we usually went to see Nanny and Dajji (my dad's parents), I remember a couple of them very well

My grandad was a Southern Baptist preacher, in both Central Texas and Southeastern Oklahoma. Always in small towns, I mean small.

We spent most of our holidays in Oklahoma, and I remember some of the wonderful gifts they received from the congregation of the churches, as well as the gifts they

Dajji was always in top form for his Christmas services. Man, that guy could tell stories. He also had special reasons for joy at that season because his first born son, my dad, was born Christmas Day. (yes, he's one of those "double gift getter's, when finances permit).

I also remember going with my grandad a couple of times to deliver fruit baskets in one of his many Ford Falcon's, to people in the church

I also remember playing pingpong at the church with my uncle and my dad. Both were and still are, pretty good at sports and we used to have some mean games. Of course, when I was young they were playing the game with me "in the hoildiday spirit" so they were good games.

Yes, we had some good times in Oklahoma

Later on in life, maybe 7 or 8, we started staying in good 'ol College Station and had many good times there. I remember one funny the Pre-School class will sing their occasion, when I returned home special songs. Then the children kind of late on Christmas Eve and from Kindergarten through the dad was jumping up and down, fifth grade will present the jingling change in his pocket, to muscial. The main characters will drown out the noise of a poodle be portrayed by Brett Sipe, Austin puppy he was giving my sister. I also remember the next morning more, Dana Hammond, Zak Bywhen her stocking started mysterously moving, and to her still Julie Harding and Shelly Seymore. half shut eyes, did appear, a tiny All the children will sing in the poodle.

especially enjoyed watching Joey instruments. and Kim open their Christmas The production is under the presents. They get a kick out of it, direction of Mrs. Phil Seymore, and it's always fun to watch my Mrs. Rodney McClintock and Mrs. mom open gifts, she really enjoys John Henslee. The sets were some of the crazy things she ends created by Mrs. Bob Tumlinson up with.

grandson of a Southern Baptist minister what the real meaning of Christmas is.

I know. I have been told.

the Christmas season is centered In the over the river and through around the special things that the woods department, the gang happen, whether they be the joy of and I went to Fort Smith, over people giving and receiving gifts, whether they be the kinds that are wrapped in paper, or the kind we got in a manger many Merry Christmas Days ago.

Memories of Christmas past, present, and the one that will be history soon, are what December 25th's are all about.

Evelyn Martin offered some Christmas Christmas thoughts that I wanted to share:

Christmas time is very old That takes on newness every year It's such a jolly season A time we hold so dear

Hello greetings and many smiles We see them everywhere They add so much joy & peace And there's a sparkle in the air

The youngsters and oldsters alike They know much joy and cheer And share in this festive season A time they hold so dear.

So as we renew acquaintances And share with relatives and friends

For a tradition that will never end.

Christmas, 1984 a.m. By Evelyn Martin

Remember, we have a 5 p.m Friday deadline for the edition that will be in your mailbox next Thursday and at the various friendly merchants around town that sell The Merkel Mail.

We promise to be here Thursday and Friday if you have things you need to get in the paper

We will be closed Monday and Tuesday

It may have been a "perfect" May we always put Christ in day for the Merkel Stock Show, (i.e., bad weather) but it was a lousy day for a Christmas parade. So, it will be held Saturday, at 10

> Same stuff we have been telling you for two weeks, now, it will be

City Hall sets Christmas, New Year schedules

City Hall will be closed Monday and Tuesday for a Christmas Holiday. Trash pick-ups will also not be performed on those two

City Hall will also be closed on Jan. 1st and no trash will be picked up this day either

Trash pick-ups will be delayed but they will be taken care of by the weekend for the next two

School board looking at additions to elementary school here

regular meeting Tuesday morning Merkel Elementary. and decided to obtain estimates Current plans are to add the for additions to Merkel Elemen- facilties with local money, an

additional classrooms at Merkel MISD officials had been trying to Elementary and the construction hold, to get the school through

The additions include eight would chew up a surplus that

The Merkel School Board held a of a metal building over the slab at annual cash flow problem periods. Board members also received a

letter of retirement from Bill Tate, a teacher at Merkel High. estimated \$300,000. That amount Tate has been with the system 22 years and will retire at the end of the year. Board members also approved a leave of abscense for

Methodists set Christmas show

The First United Methodist Church of Merkel is proud to present The Little Shepherd of Bethlehem", a Christmas musical

will be included in the program.

Hill, Kris Harris, Richard Severs, Lillian Leach, Dawn Henslee, choir, assisted by some of the For the past nine years I have older youth and a few musical

and Mrs. Mac Sipe. Costumes You don't have to tell the were made by Mrs. David Seymore and Mrs. Glenn Reed.

The church is sure this Christmas play will bring out the Christmas message of Jesus' birth public is cordially invited to attend to all!

and the hope for peace on earth and share in the celebration of and good will toward all men. The his holy season. Merry Christmas



Carolyn Goins, for five years of turing for Walls. service at the Merkel facility.

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Merkel FFA stock show held in 'normal' weather here Saturday

It was perfect Merkel stock show weather here Saturday (cold and wet) as the Merkel FFA held

their annual stock show. The following is a complete list Farmer of their results.

Sheep Division Medium Wool Lance Perry, Josh Mashburn, Perry, Perry, Church Peterman,

Crosdsbreeds Lance Perry.

Southdowns

Shayla Harding, Peterman.

Melissa Harris, Kris Harris. Grand Champion Lamb: Lance Perry, medium wool; Reserve Grand champion: Josh Mashburn medium wool Showmanship: Chuck Peterman, Melissa Harris.

Steers Class One Jim Wade, Christi Wade, Wade

Toombs. Class Two Randy Toombs, Brent Toombs,

Josh Mashburn. § Grand Champion steer: Randy Toombs; Reserve champion steer Brent Toombs, Showmanship Wade Toombs, Christi Wade

Breeding Cattle Casey Ellison, Debbie Pack. Grand Champion heifer: Casey Ellison; Reserve champion Debbie Pack; Showmanship Debbie Pack, Mandy Pack.

Rabbits Bucks

Rodney Sitler, Russell Doan, Joey Rushford, Dayna Brown, Suzie Hammond, Mike Myers, Hammond, Michael Rodriguez, Clay Hammond, Josh Mashburn, Mashburn.

Does

Suzie Hammond, Mike Myers, reserve champion Jerry Vinson Russell Doan, Michael Rodriguez, Hammond.

Grand champion: Rodney Sitler, Reserve Champion Suzie Ham- McCasland, Linny Neith. mond; Showmanship Myers, Ham-

> Market Swine Class One

Cassie Townsend, Chuck Peter- reserve Lyle Baker. man, Natilie Schucknecht, Robert McFadden, Townsend. Class Two

Windham, Clay Hammond, Lorena Pack, Mitzi Shelton, Cassie Townsend Breed Champion Chris Cutler, Reserve Champion Cutler. Hammond Chesterwhites

Class One Melissa Harris, Brad Cochran, mer, M. Harris, K. Harris, Kevin

Dusty Farmer, Farmer, Shane Smith, Chuck Peterman, Destry Pack, Steve Williams, Farmer,

Class Three

.Russell Morgan, Dusty Farmer. Farmer, Farmer, Billy Ray Riley, C. J. White, Joe Murphy, Mitzi Shelton.

Class Four Russell Morgan, Ricky Riley, Dusty Farmer, Billy Ray Riley, Ricky Riley, B. Riley, B. Riley. Breed Champion: Russell Morgan, reserve champion Ricky Riley.

Durocs Class One Lynn Hays, Kevin Mitchell, Jay

Williams, Kim Greer. Class Two Jimmy Collier, Tarita Williams, Jay Williams, Doug Collier, Kim

Lynn Hays (first 4 places), John Beaur, Doug Beaur. Breed Champion Lynn Hays, Reserve Champion Lynn Hays.

Hampshires Class One

Criswell Whisenhunt, C. Whisenhunt, Amber Whisenhunt. Class Two

Amber Whisenhunt, Criswell Whisenhunt, David Ray, Brian Rhodes. Breed champion Amber Whisenhunt; Reserve Criswell Whisenhunt.

Poland China Class One Jerry Vinson, Melissa Harris, Kris Harris, Ricky Jowers.

Class Two Lyle Baker, Mandy Pack. Breed champion Lyle Baker, Spotted Poland China

Class One Chris Cutler, Cutler, Nicky

Class Two Lyle Baker (first three), Chuck

Peterman, Baker. Breed champion Chris Cutler:

Crossbreeds Class One Amber Whisenhunt, Criswell Chris Cutler, Cutler, Marty Whisenhunt, Lynn Hays, Chris Cutler, John Paul Dudley.

> Steven Bauer, Clay Hammond, Breed champion: Amber Whisen-

Class Two

hunt; Reserve Criswell Whisen-

Dusty Farmer, Kris Harris, Far- § Grand Champion Market Hog was shown by Lynn Hays and the reserve champion was shown by

Amber Whisenhunt. § Chris Cutler was the showman- Kerry Miller, Melissa Harris. ship owner and Lynn Hays was reserve showmanship.

> Gilts Class One

Randy Dudley, Robyn Dudley, John Paul Dudley, Robyn Dudley. Class Two

Lynn Hays, Amber Whisenhunt, Todd Smith, Criswell Whisenhunt, Todd Smith, Criswell Whisenhunt, Class Three

Lisa Harding, Steve Williams, Kriste Smith

Grand Champion breeding gilt Lynn Hays, reserve Amber Whisenhunt.

§ Swine Showmanship Amber Whisenhunt, Reserve Criswell

§ The overall showmanship winner for the show was Chuck Amber Whisenhunt, Lynn Hays, Peterman and the Reserve Showmanship award went to Lyle

The annual event was sponsored by the Merkel Livestock Association and the Vocational Agriculture teachers are Billy Riley and J. T. Naron. The General

superintendent for the show was Benny Melton. The officers and officials of the the association are President-Robert Harris, Vice-President-Dale Hammond, Secretary-Treasurer- Vickie Hays and Kathryn Whisenhunt and the announcer was Jerry Gibson.



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Ray Pack; Swine: Bill Whisenhunt

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Toombs & Terry Wade: Sheep:

Buzz Peterman & Lanny Perry;

Rabbits: Sandra Toombs & Belle

was James Bevel of Haskell.

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93-1tc

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THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: BILLY J. GOBER. IR., Defendant, Greet-

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plantiff's Petition at or before ten o wock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday the 14th day of January, 1985, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. pefore the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas,

Texas. Said Plantiff's Petition was filed in said Court, on the 29th day of December, A. D. 1983, in this cause, numbered 38,598-A on the docket of said court, and styled, Abilene National Bank, Texas Corporation,

at the Court House of

said County in Abilene,

Plantiff vs. BILLY J. GOBER, JR. Defendant. The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: ¶

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A brief statement of the nature of this suit'is as follows, to wit¶

Plantiff requests the Court to enter Judgement against the Defendant for the sum of \$2,551.36 because Defendant has failed and refused to pay this sum or any part thereof. Said sum is due on a Promissory Note executed on September 10, 1983. Plantiff also request Judgement against the Defendant for Attorney's fees in the sum of \$800.00, post judgement interest at the rate of 10 per cent per annum until

fee paid, and for all cost of suit. as is more fully shown by Plantiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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 execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 29th day of November, A. D. 1984. Attest: Rilla Mahoney Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas by JoAnn Lackey, Deputy (Seal) 92-91-4tc

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: The following named persons, if living:

C. T. Foster and the unknown heirs at law, devisees, and assigns of C. T. Foster, and if the named persons be not living, to the unknown heirs and personal representatives or assigns of such persons, Defendants, Greetings:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before Monday, at 10:00 p.m. on the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 14th day of January, 1985, A. D., to Plantiff's Petition filed in said Court on the 26th day of November. 1984, A. D., in this cause. numbered 39,027A on the docket of said Court and styled: "MID-TEX RE-SOURCES vs. C. T. FOSTER and the Unknown Heirs at Law, Devisees and Assigns of C. T. Foster.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows:

Plantiff has filed a suit to place mineral in receivership pursuant to Article 2320-B Vernon's Civil Statutes of Texas, under the following described property: 109.6 acres out of the Southwest part of Section 1, Block 18, T & P Ry. Co. Survey, Taylor County, Texas;

As is more fully shown in Plantiff's Petition on file in this suit, said land being situated in Taylor County, Texas.

It this citation is not served within ninety (90) days after the date of issuance, it should 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 the 26th day of November. 1984

Rilla Mahoney, District Clerk, Taylor County, Texas (Sea!) 91-83-4tc

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Exhibit A 137.58 acres, more or less, out of the D. B. Corley Survey No. 4, situated in Taylor County, Texas, and described by metes and bounds as follows:

BEGINNING at a point 842.4 vrs. South 15 deg. East and 10 feet North 75 deg. East from the Northwest corner of said D. B. Corley Survey No. 4, for the beginning corner of this 137.58 acre tract of land;

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THENCE South 82 deg. 28 min. West 359.64 vrs to a stake in the WBL of Public Road: THENCE North 15 deg. West 1132.56 vrs to the place of beginning,

and being the same

137.58 acre tract of land

described and set out in a plat made by G. M. I Momasun Ifum a ourvey on the ground July 27, 1942, which is of record in Volume 308, page 698, Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas. THIS SALE IS FOR CASH ONLY, A CASH-IERS CHECK FROM A TAYLOR COUNTY

CEPTED. SALE WILL BE HELD AT THE TAY-LOR COUNTY COURT-HOUSE DOOR

and levied upon as the

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AND ELLIS PREMIUM BUDGET COMPANY, and that on the first Tuesday in February, 1985, the same being the 5th day of said month at the Court House door of Taylor County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. by virtue of said levy and said Writ of Execution I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for each, to the highest bidder, as the property of said W. E. Ellis and Ellis Premium Budget Co.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceeding said day of sale, in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Tay-

lor County, Texas. Witness my hand, this 13th day of December, 1984.

John W. Middleton, Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas By Eddie W. Swanson Sr., Deputy. 93-137-3tc

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§ Mandy Pack won the reserve breeding cattle showmanship award while Debbie Pack [right] won the championship at the Merkel Stock Show Saturday.

Iris Amerine [All photos]





Casey Ellison had the grand champion helfer. With him is Candice Henslee.



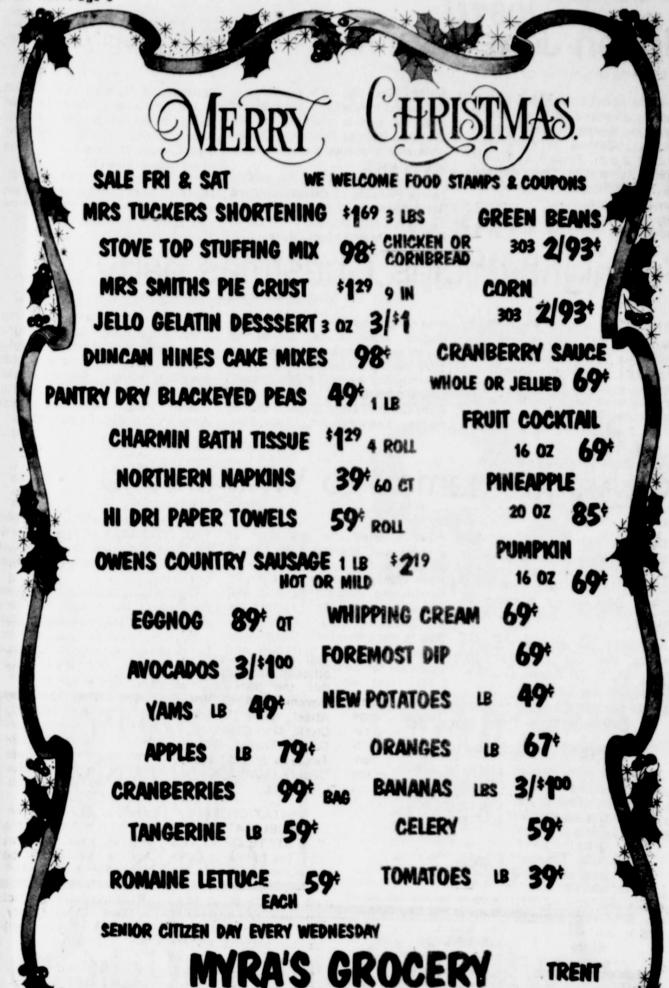
§ Rodney Sitler had the Grand Champion Rabbit.



§ Wade Toombs [left] and Kristy Wade won the cattle showmanship honors. Wade was champ and Kristi was



§ These are the winners in different categories of the swin show. [Back row from left] Chris Cutler, Lynn Hays, Chuck Peterman, Dusty Farmer, Lyle Baker, [Front row] Amber and Criswell Whisenhunt.



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Holton Jones services held Friday

Merkel, a retired farmer, died at 2:50 p.m. Wednesday at Humana Hospital, Abilene. Services were held at 2 p.m. Friday at Elliott-Hamill Funeral Home in Abilene. Burial followed at Rose Hill

Born March 8, 1897 in Houston County, he married Nola Faye

Cemetery here.

He is survived by two daughters, Burton L. and Donald W., both of and John L. Lawliss. Abilene; three sisters. Vera

Jeffrey Dec. 20, 1909 in Abilene. Smithson of Abilene; Lena Horton He moved to Merkel from Roby in of Plainview and Annie Hodge of 1978. He was a member of the Atoka, Okla.; two brothers, Atis of Southern Baptist Church of Dolan. Albany and Charlie of Ft. Worth; He was preceded in death by a eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Palibearers will be C. D. Zelma Parsons of Odessa and Ira Herron, Jack McClung, Harlan Belle Westover of Potosi; two sons Jones, John Holton, Roy Herron

Fortnightly holds Christmas party

Billy Bob Neff as hostess. Mrs. Orvel Hill, president, called the meeting to order and each member answered roll with their most

memorable Christmas. Amy McCoy sang some Christ- Hamm, Lucy Haynes, Edna Hill, Amy McCoy and Evelyn Read.

gifts were exchanged.

The GFWC Merkel Fortnightly mas songs and Mrs. Evelyn Read Madelon Horton, Nina Belle Hu-Study Club met Dec. 11 with Mrs played violin solos. Christmas ghes, Alice King, Aileen Knight, Carols were sung by the group and Jan McCoy, Pat Neff, Becky Rogers, Alwyne Sandsuky, Ida Attending were Parilee Gibson, Seymore, Anna Belle Shouse, Grace Lee Brown, Mary Collins, Clara Walla, Maurine White, Pam Carson, Bess Dixon, Mildred Lucille Wilson and two guests

McAninch named to Who's Who

Dave A. McAninch of Mill Valley, a senior at Harvey Mudd Weldon and Margaret McAninch College, has been selected for of Merkel inclusion in the 1985 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Col-

McAninch, an engineering major, is the son of Jack W. McAninch of 394 Carerra Drive, potential for continued success. Mill Valley California.

He is also the grandson of

He was selected by a campus nominating committee and the editors of the annual directory for his academic achievement, ser- since it was first published in 1934. vice to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and

students selected from more than 1,500 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the Distirct of Columbia and several foreign

Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory

Harvey Mudd College, a member of the Claremont Colleges, is a coeducational, undergraduate col-He joins an elite group of lege of engineering and science.

HAPPY Mr. & Mrs. Garth Doan of Bryan

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Doan's have new daughter

are the proud parents of a baby girl, born Dec. 12. Kristy Renee weighed 6 lbs. 7 ozs. Paternal grandparents are Vaughn and Sue Doan of Merkel and maternal grandparents are Charles and Nina Toney of Noodle. Paternal great-grandmother is Fay Doan of

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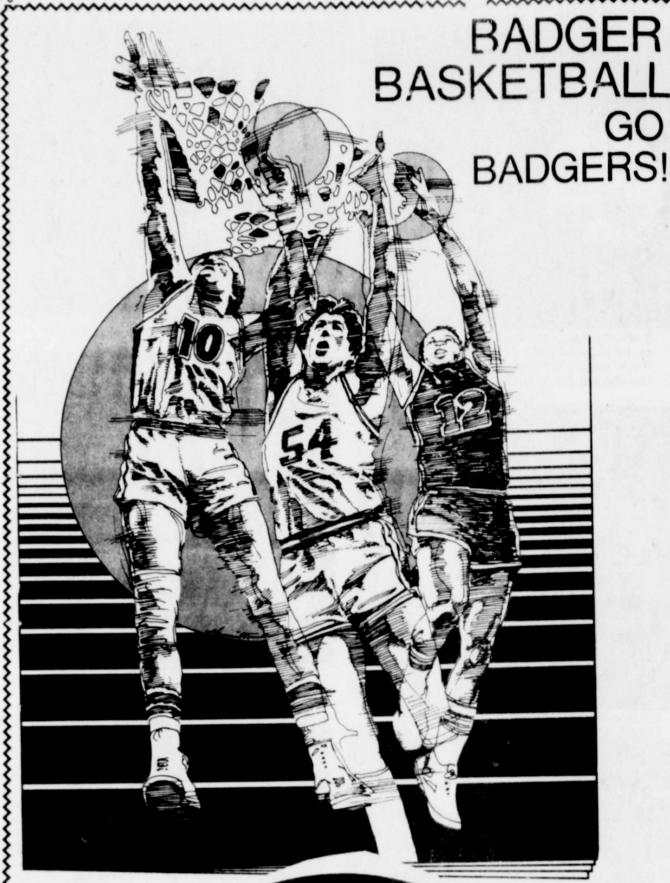
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§ Editor's Note: The following are letters written by first grade students at Merkel Elementary to Santa Clause. We did not edit for spelling because that's part of the appeal. One more note: We came across a letter that was sent

through the Merkel Post Office last week and it was a real charm. It was addressed to Santa and It had no return address or name. Inside the envelope was three crayon colored Christmas decorations and no letter.

§ All the letters Started with the obligatory "Dear Santa". Mrs. Henderson's Room I wish for a goo goo baby and a

Care Bear. We have sum cookies for you. I am 6. Love, MarJoe I want a grumpey Bear, and a

soccer ball, and a goo goo baby, and a cabbage patch, and a radio, and a puzzle, and a Star Lite, and a pack of crayolas, and a stuffed Santa. I am 7.

I wish for a Cabbaged Patch doil and a Care Bear, and a goo goo baby, and a radio, and a Ken Barbie doll, and a bike, and a Rainbow brite doll, and a telescope and a computer and a pony set, and a soccer ball, and a ballerina doll, and a stralite doll. I will leave you some milk and cookies. I hope I see Rudolph.

Love Beth I want a big 4 wheel and a telescope and that is all. I love Claus, I am 7.

Love Rhett I want a sticker collection and a cabbage patch doll, rainbow brite doll. I want a My Little Puny sleeping bag.

Love Jessie Niell, I am 6 I want a 4-wheeler, watch, Care Bear, Cabbage Patch, telescope. Love Chris

I have been a good girl. I would like a star lite, Rainbow Brite, Care Bear, Cabbage Patch, Dolls, Books, Barbie, Ballerina, Poochie Doil, Pony Clothes, My Little Pony Doll, sea pony. I love you Santa. I love Rudolph. Kenee Wanagas

I want a radio, I want a puzzle, I want a Cabbage Patch. How is Mrs. Santa? I love Santa

Love Wendy I have been good, I want a bike, and a walkie-talkie, basketball goal. I hope that Rudolph is doing fine.

Nathan Byers - I want a Care Bear. I want a radio, I want a Cabbage Patch, I want a 3-wheeler, I want a water bed, I want a watch, I want a goo goo baby, I hope I see Rudolph! I won't forget to give you some cookies. And milk.

Love Amy I want a Cabbage Patch, and a sewing machine, water bed. I have been a good girl. Look for the milk and cookies. How is Mrs. Claus?

Love Tabi Reed I want a 3-wheeler, Star brite, and Robot. And a Care Bear will leave sum milk and cookies. I like Rudolph Love Holly

I want a soccer ball, and a rainbow brite doll. I have been a good girl. I hope I see Rudolph, I want a computer to.

. I wish for a 4 wheeler, battle armor, He Man, I have been a good boy. I like you Santa

Love Brian I want a Cabbage Patch and a computer and a bike. Oh, Santa 1 have been a good girl!

Love Lanae I would like a Bee Bee gun and a



3 wheeler, bike, computer, walk-e-

want a Barbie, and a Care Bear and a Bike, and that's all! How's Mrs. Santa?

Love Denise I want a computer, and a walketalke, and a water bed. Don't forget the cookies and a watch. I hope you have a good time. I am a good girl!

Love Rachel I wish for a Care Bear and a radio Cabbage Patch, and a Rainbow Brite. I have been a good girl. I like you Santa, and I wish for a Starlite.

Love Mandie I want a bike, and a watch, and a doll, and I have been good too and a Rainbow brite, I want to see Rudolph. I want to see you Santa. Love Rebecca

I want a new bike and a toy goo goo baby and a Big Care Bear!. And a Rainbow brite and a cabbage patch and a soccer ball. I

Love, Molly

Mrs. Dozier's Room How are you? How is Rudolph and your other reindeer? I hope you did havea happy year with Rudolph and the other reindeer. I want a jambox and a tv.

From Sandra Juarez How are your reindeer? How are your elves? I want a Love a lot bear I want a Cheer Bear. I want a Rainbow Brite with her horse.

Love, Brandy Casper I want a Bigfoot and some cars, want a jam box.

I love you, William Lowell I love you. How are you? How is Rudolph? Do you like Christmas. I

love you. I am six years old. Jimmy Rodriauez I love Santa Claus and the reindeer. I want to see Rudolph

the red nose. Santa, I want some Love, Eric Stegemiller Has Rudolph and Mrs. Claus

been good? Please bring me a Big Foot and I am 7 years old. Love, T. J. Dohogne Say Hi to Rudolph and the other

reindeer. Bring me anything. Love, Christi Danielski

I won't to be with you and I will be good with Rudolph the reindeer. I want a bear

I love you. I want to see Rudolph the red Nose reindeeer. Santa, I Love Ryon R want a Cabbage Baby, and a rainbow brite with her horse.

> Me, Ricky, and Misti love you What are you going to get me? Are you going to get me toys?

Love, Candice Williamson Hi, I want a bike, I want a Care Bear. I want a little pony and Cabbage Patch kids.

Love, Jill Wilson My name is Andy. I want you to bring me a BMX racing bike and a

Love, Andy Lee Miller How is Rudolph? I want a Care

Love Ren Meeks My brother want a gobot a superman and a jeep. I want a jam box, a walkie talkie and a box of colors. I am six years old and my name in Ryan Holmes.

want a Care Bear and a My Little Pony, I want some stuffed

Love, Becky Wanagas I love you. How is Dasher and the reindeer? Thank you for the toys you brough last year. I am 7 years old.

Love, Jamie Hester, I want a jam box and lots of little stuffed animals. An that's

Love, Crystal Beaird How is Mrs. Claus and Rudolp the red nose reindeer? I love you. I am six years old. You can get me

Love, Shera Dee Hammond I love you. How is Rudolph the red nose reindeer. I want a Cabbage Patch and that is all.

Love, Liz Acuna How is Rudolph? How is the reindeers? Last year was fun. Love, Kenneth Hatley I love you. How are the elves? I want a weight set and a jam box.

Love Chuck Oustad

Merry Christmas





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letters to

Santa



Jill Casey's Room I love you! Please bring me a

Love, Melissa Estrada 4 X 4, I Love you! Please bring me a motorcycle machine.

Love, Cullen I love you! Please bring me a jambox.

Love, Shean Tiny tears, I love You! Please bring me a doll

That's me a bird for my mother. A blue bird. Love, Michele I love you! Please bring me a

Love, Mistie Barbie, Cabbage Patch doll, my Pony cat bike. Dog bait.

school house.

Love you, Nicole I love you. Please bring me a 6

Love Oscar Please bring me a 4 X 4 and I want a my Little Pony Love, Noe

I love you! Atari and jambox. I Klint

I love you! PLease bring me a Cabbage Patch doll Mandy

I love you! Please bring me a Love, Joe

I love you! Please bring me a cabbage patch doll Love moma Ravan

I love you, please bring me ε Motorcycle and me a bird.

Remote police control motor-Love, Michael I love you! Please bring me a He

Man and a jambox and a gun 6 X 6, 4 X 4, 7 X 7 Love, Audrey I love you! Please bring me a

cat and a leash I love you! Please bring me a

I love you! Please bring me a

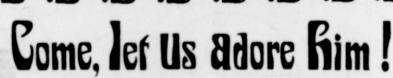
bike plane car dog 6 X 6, 4 X 4 Love, Robbie I love you! Please bring me a

Love, John Martin

Merry Christmas







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ay the blessings of Christmas abide with you

The message of Christmas is one of hope and joy. Let us rejoice in the newborn King.

> MILTON, ANN, GAIL GARY, CARL & TONY

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Make your Christmas spirits last all year

by Russell McAnally

It became necessary to travel South from Lampassas recently on a mission I was reluctant to take. It turned out to be a blessing and I want to let you in on a good story. It was time to refill the gas tank and while passing through a small but very prosperous town of Burnett we saw unleaded gas advertised for a dollar and five cents per gallon. We pulled in to the small, convenient type store and station, delighted to get a bargain. As I was trying to decide whether to put in the gas and then pay, or pay and then put in the gas later, a man came from the store. in the rain, to tell me I was to get the gas and pay later. He went back into the store and I "filled her up."

went into the store to pay for my purchase. The girl at the cash members enjoyed the Kathryn register was ready to take my money when the man who came out into the rain, came to the front of the store from the back, where he was visiting with friends. As asked how it was with me and if everything was allright. I had my change and was turning to leave when the man put his hand on my shoulder and told me he appreciated my purchase and to come back this way again sometime. I went back to my car feeling better and thankful for a friendly face while away from home. I even remembered that back home here a Fina man by the name of Ricky always said "I appreciate your business- have a good day.

I did not know whether the Burnett store man is that friendly all the year or was just in the Christmas spirit. His friendly manner seemed sincere and contagious. We see a lot of that kind of friendly atmosphere at Christmas time. I had the feeling that the Burnett man had the Christmas spirit all year long. Why shouldn't we have that kind of spirit all year long? Wouldn't it be a much better place to live? One of the greatest things ever said about Jesus was that "He went about doing good." Some people may not realize that the Christmas spirit we are talking about is- really- The Spirit of Jesus Christ.

Preceptor group holds two recent meetings

The Preceptor Eta Omega Cha-After getting the tank filled, I pter of Beta Sigma Phi met at Taylor Electric Nov. 20 where Cawley Lone Star Gas Christmas program.

The theme of her program was Christmas Memories to commemmorate the company's 75th annithe lady took my money, this man versary. She shared her favorite recipes selected from 50 years of holiday programs and package ideas from the last 20 years.

> They also met December 4th in the home of Jocille Brady. After a short business meeting, the program was given by a guest,

Catholic church sets holiday schedule

The following is the Christmas schedule for Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church here: Christmas Eve: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

I wish it could be Christmas time all the year with people loving people and seeking to do good for everyone. Another way to say it would be to wish that everyone would be as friendly all the year as a politician is at election time. The election is past and Christmas time turns into the New Year and most of us get back to our old ways. It generally, simply boils down to all of thinking about self, what we need, what we want, and a new way to get it. Then at election time, and at Christmas, for a little while we start thinking about others, and our need for them and their need for us. This is what Christianity is supposed to be all about. Christ-

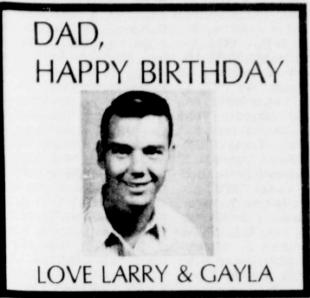
Unariotte Starbuck.

Mrs. Starbuck did a demonstration of an etched, leaded, stained glass panel. She showed members step-by-step directions of how to cut the glass, put the pieces together like a puzzle and to solder the joints on both sides. Hooks and chains were soldered on so the panels might be hung on a window. The finished piece was a lovely work of art.

Attending were Blanche Hewitt, Kathy Leverich, Jane Carson, Betty Satterwhite, Ruth Tipton, Mamie Steck, Betty Conley, Opal Garner, Louise DuBose, Mrs. Starbuck and Mrs. Brady.

Confessions; 8:30 Christmas Carols Te Pasada and Blessing of the Crib, followed by a 9 p.m. mass. Christmas morning an 11 a.m. Mass will be obeserved.

mas will mean more to us if we are Christlike all the year



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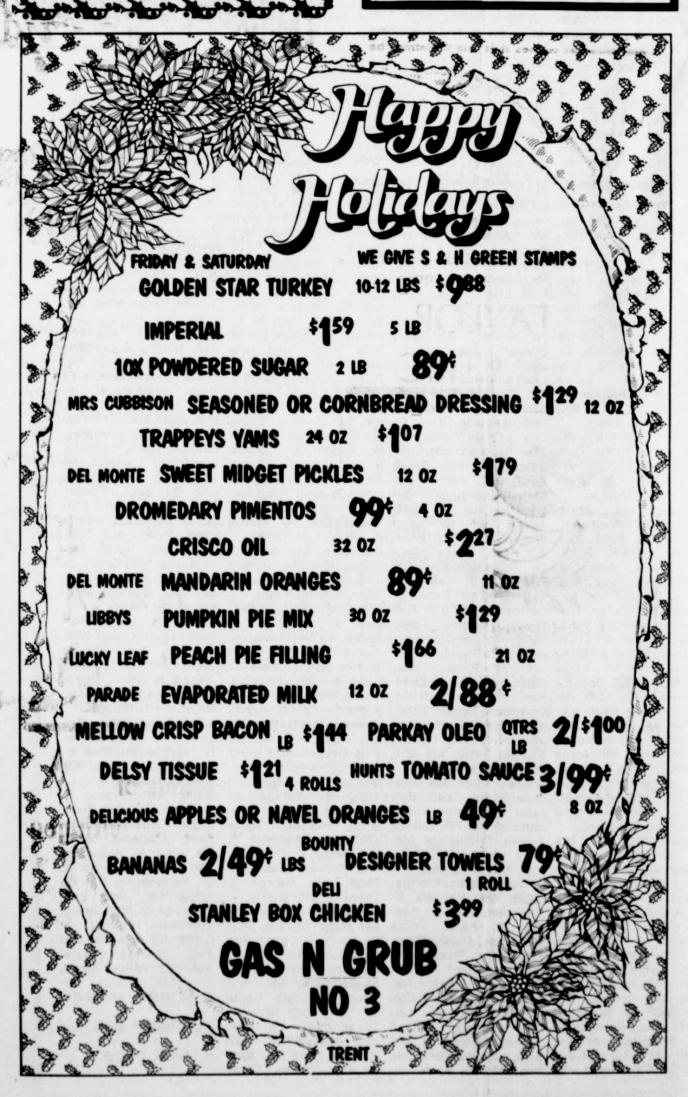


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W. Perkins, 950 N. San New Mexico 88001; Jose R. Clark, 7738 Water

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Dakota Avenue, No. 229, Fresno, California Ms. Judith W. Anderson, 1421 49th Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33703; Mr. John Lenniger, 32 W. 60th Street, Westmont, Illinois 60559; Mr. Manuel and Mrs. Theresa Garcia, 816 Old Willow Road, Prospect Heights, Illi-

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582, Fabens, Texas Bullock, 105 Perkins, Chihuahua, Mexico; Mr. Issued and given un-

Crepe Myrtle, Pasade- xico; in preparation for na, TX 77505; Mr. John trail in the above styled E. Bolieu, P. O. Box and numbered cause. 1203, New Caney, Texas Please take notice dez. Onate, MD., C. notice. 88046; Mr. Royce L. law directs. Vann, 300 S. Wienrich Road, Las Cruces, New UNDER MY HAND ments, 2217 Memorial A.D., 1984. le 18 No. 2608 Col. Pacifico, Chihuahua, Mexico; Mr. Bob Wer-

Godsey, 1606 Stacey gan Avenue, Altoona, Debra Hill, Respon-Pennsylvania 16602; Mr. dents, and said suit Kelley M. Brumley, Route 2, Box 404 AB, on the docket of said Hamilton, Alabama

ner, 523 Madison, Au-

rora, MO 65605; Mr.

Lomita 1414, Chihuahua,

Martinez, Ap. Postal No. Texas Corporation vs. 120, Sucursal A., Garza Kenny Hill and Debra Garcia, N. L. 66270, Hill. fman, Texas 77336; Mr. is as follows, to-wit: Michael McNulty, 394 Promissory Note

73010; Mr. Mike H. Mesa, California 92627; Petition on file in this Rubaiy, P. O. Box 56311, Dr. Juan E. Martinez, cause. ursal A., Garza Garcia, served within ninety Gee, 9010 Saratoga Fo- Nassau, Kenmore, New returned unserved. Calle Allende, No. 1606, rects.

77536; Mr. Roger D. L. Mexico; Mr. Fran- A.D. 1984. Asper, 204 W. Steadman, cisco E. de la Colina, Anthony, KS 67003; Mr. Libertad, 2475, Cuidad David Lee Riddle, 4810 Juarez, Chihuahua Me-

77357; Mr. Thomas E. that the depositions will Casey, 637 Westfard, be taken on or after Houston, Texas 77022; January 7, 1985, which THE STATE OF TEXAS Mr. Donald Harter, 315 will be on or after the TO: Gene Gartman, De-North Parkdale, Tyler, fourteenth day after the fendant, Greeting: Texas 75702; Salvador of first publication of such

Platino, No. 223 NTE, The officer executing pear before the Hon-Cuidad Juarez Chihua- this process shall pro- orable County Court A- served within ninety hua, Mexico; Myles W. mptly execute the same bilene, Texas, by filing a days after the date of its said Writ of Execution I Interest of .875 Furlong, P. O. Box 1008, according to law, and written answer at or Mesilla, New Mexico make due return as the before 10 o'clock

93-1300-2tc

CITATION BY PUBLICATION TO: Kenny Hill and De- as follows, to-wit: Mexico; Mr. Norris C. bra Hill, Respondents,

Greeting: Court, Richardson, Tex- YOU ARE HEREBY as is more fully shown as 75081; Dr. Omar COMMANDED to ap-Lara, 16 de Septiembre pear and answer before 77 G. Cuidad Juarez, the Honorable County Chihuahua Mexico; Mr. Court of Law of Taylor Elias A. Aguilar Yanez, County, Texas at the De La Catanata 1530, Courthouse in said Co-Colonial La Hacienda, unty, in Abilene, Texas, Juarez Mexico; Ms. Ro- at or before 10 o'clock sa Aguirre, C. Nogal No. A.M. of the Monday next 1318 nte, Cuidad Juarez, after the expiration of Chihuahua Mexico; Ms. twenty days from the Nancy L. Altum, 5511 date of service of this Glen Ridge, D31, San citation, then and there Antonio, Texas 78229; to answer the petition of Ms. Devon Land, P. O. the Plantiff, Petitioner, Box 225, Everglades Ci-filed in said Court on the ty, FL 33929; Mr. Robert 30th day of April, 1984, Ray Schmittle, 1533 Lo- against Kenny Hill and

being numbered 14,385

Court, and entitled. Abi-

35570; Dr. Juan Er Julo lene National Bank, A

Mexico; Mr. Bobby In- A brief statement of boden, 739 Corydon, Huf- the nature of this cause Rochester Street, Costa as is more fully shown in

Houston, Texas 77256; Ap. Postal No. 120, Suc- If this citation is not Box 75069, Houston, Te- N. L. 66270 Mexico; Mr. days after the date of its pear before the Honorxas 77234; Mr. Danny Gerald P. Dosher, 275 issuance, it shall be able County Court at

rest, Houston, Texas York 14217; Mr. Steve The officer executing 77088; Mr. Charles F. W. Fielder, 105 W. 45th, this writ shall promptly -Munn, 9835 Street James Austin, Texas 78751; Ms. serve the same accor-Susan M. Miller, P. O. ding to requirements of at or before 10 o'clock 75238; Mr. Daniel Wm Box 113, Dennehotso, A- law, and the mandates A.M. of the first Monday Thompson, P. O. Box rizona 86535; Mr. Jose hereof, and make due next after the expiration Humberto L. Guttierrez, return as the law di-

Bastrop, Texas 78605; C. P. Enriquez Ramos, der my hand and the being the 14th day of Mr. Donald E. Ellis, Tichas No. 687 Ote, Col. seal of said Court at Jan. A.D. 1985, to Plan-1238 Dutch Avenue, No. Las Briasas APDO, Po- Abilene, Texas, this the tiff's Petition filed in 3, Deer Park, Texas stal 64780, Monterrey, N. 21st day of November, said Court, on the 5th

> Attest: Janice Lyons Clerk, County Court at Law, Taylor County, Texas By Vicki Rister, Deputy

91-65-4tc

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to ap-

A.M. of the first Monday ISSUED AND GIVEN next after the expiration this writ shall promptly Mexico 88005; Mr. Mel- AND SEAL OF SAID the date of the issuance ding to requirements of vin J. Bourque, Route 2, COURT, at office in of this citation, same law, and the mandates Box 31-DC, Walker, LA Abilene, Texas, this the being the 14th day of hereof, and make due with law, I give this and levied upon as the 70785; Herbert C. Cle- 17th day of December Jan. A.D. 1985, to Plan- return as the law ditiff's Petition filed in rects. Drive, Springfield, Ohio Attest: Rilla Mahoney, said Court, on the 5th Watson, P. O. Box 236, strict Court, Taylor Co- 1984, in this cause, num- seal of said Court at mediately preceeding Dr. Arnulfo Fierro, Cal- Lackey, Deputy (Seal) docket of said court and 29th day of Nov A.D. styled Interfirst Bank 1984. Abilene, N.A., Plantiff, vs. Gene Gartman, De-

fendant. A brief statement of Arturo Burgos Ponce, THE STATE OF TEXAS the nature of this suit is

A Suit on Installment Contract

file in this suit. served within ninety GIVEN That by virtue days after the date of its of a certain Writ of

returned unserved. this writ shall promptly County, of the 25th day serve the same accor- of October 1984, by Writ ding to requirements of of Execution of said law, and the mandates 104th District Court for hereof, and make due the sume of Nineteen return as the law di- Thousand Two Hundred

der my hand and the of suit, under a, Judgeseal of said Court at ment, in favor of Wil-Abilene, Texas, this the liam Earl Bounds d-b-a 28th day of November, Bounds Well Service in a

A.D. 1984 certain cause in said Attest: Janice Lyons Court, No. 16,006-B and Clerk, County Court at styled William Earl Bo-Law, Taylor County, unds d-b-a Bounds Well

Thursday, December 20, 1984- Page 11

Texas, by Marie Gill, Service vs. Dale Cox. Deputy. (Seal) placed in my hands for 91-61-4tc

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Ricky Walker, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY

COMMANDCED to ap-Law of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same

day of Sept. A.D. 1984, in this cause, numbered 14,591 on the docket of said Court and styled Interfirst Bank Abilene, N.A., Plantiff, vs. Ricky

Walker, Defendant. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

A Suit on Installment Contract as is more fully shown by Plantoff's Petition on

file in this suit. If this citation is not issuance, it shall be

returned unserved. The officer executing of forty-two days from serve the same accor-

Attest: Janice Lyons Clerk, County Court at Texas, by Marie Gill, ber, 1984. Deputy. (Seal) 91-62-4tc

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE by Plantiff's Petition of THE STATE OF TEXAS If this citation is not NOTICE IS HEREBY

issuance, it shall be Execution issued out of the Honorable 104th Di-The officer executing strict Court of Taylor Eighty Two Dollars & Issued and given un- 58-00 Dollars, and costs

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service, I John W. Mid- THE STATE OF TEXAS with dleton as Sheriff of County of Taylor

Taylor County, Texas, November, 1984, levy on divided interest of Dale GRIMES COUNTY

Texas Railroad Commission No. 19058

HOLE INTEREST, per cent.

SALE WILL BE

Tuesday in February, wit: Taylor County, in the P Rail Road survey.

the property of said Accepted.

Dale Cox. And in compliance a.m.

lor County, Texas.

John W. Middleton Sheriff Taylor County Texas By Eddie W. Swanson, Deputy.

93-95-3tc

NOTICE OF SHERIFFSSALE

did on the 4th day of That by virtue of a once a week to three certain Writ of Exe- consecutive weeks in certain Real Estate, si- cution issued out of the mediately preceeding fluated in Taylor County, Honorable 104th District said day of sale, in the Texas, described as fol- Court of Taylor County, Merkel Mail, a newslows, to-wit: All un- of the 7th day of No- paper published in Tay. August, 1982, in Cordell, vember, 1984, by Writ of Ior County Texas. Cox Operator LOT 1 OF Execution of said 104th Witness my hand, this homa. District Court for the the 4th day of November SCHOOL LAND No. 147 sum of Eleven Thousand 1984. Located 2 and 1-2 miles Tree Hundred Two Do- John W. Middleton She- any judgement or de-Southeast of Merkel, Hars & 93-100 Dollars riff Taylor County. Teand costs of suit, under xas By Eddie W. Swana. Judgement, in favor son, Deputy This will include LEASE of L & O Oilfield Specialties in a certain Pump Jacks, storage cause in said Court, No. tanks, casing, tubing, 15.475-B styled L & O rod etc. Interest of .35 Oilfield Specialties, Inc. THE STATE OF TEXAS vator with authority to vs. South Hills, Inc., & C E. Clemmer, placed SNYDER Address Un-adoption. HELD AT 10:30 a.m. in my hand for service, known, Respondent: This Sale Will Be For I. John W. Middleton as Cash Only, A Cashiers Sheriff of Taylor Co-Check May Be Accepted unty, Texas, did, on the COMMANDED to ap-issuance, it shall be

1985, the same being the 420 Acres Located 12 at or before 10 o'clock hereof, and make due 5th day of said month, at miles Southwest of Mer- a.m. of the Monday next return as the law dithe Court House door, of kel Sect, 71 Block 5 T & after the expiration of 20 rects.

described Real Estate at Cash Only, A Cashiers July, 1984, against public vendue, for each, Check From A Taylor James Vernon Snyder, ylor County, Texas By to the highest bidder, as County Bank May Be Respondent, and said JoAnn Lackey, Deputy

notice by publication, in property of C. E. Clem- WAYLON DALE SNYthe English language, mer and that on the first DER, a Child", the Issued and given un- once a week for three Tuesday in February, nature of which suit is a 79904; Mr. Barney E. District Clerk, 104th Di- day of September A.D. der my hand and the consecutive weeks im- 1985, the same being the processors 5th day of said month at Blanca, Colorado 81123; unty, Texas by JoAnn bered 14,586 on the Abilene, Texas, this the said day of sale, in the the Court House door, of Merkel Mail, a news- Taylor County, in the paper published in Tay- City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 Witness my hand, this a.m. and 4 p.m., by Law, Taylor County, the 4th day of Novem- virtue of said levy and said Writ of Execution I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for each,

to the highest bidder, as

the property of said C.

Notice is hereby given the Eng.

PUBLICATION TO: JAMES VERNON consent to the child's

GREETINGS +YOU ARE HEREBY days after the date of its From A Taylor County 4th day of December pear and answer before returned unserved. 1984 levy on certain Real the Honorable 326th Di- The officer executing and levied upon the Estate, situated in Tay- strict Court, Taylor Co- this writ shall promptly property of Dale Cox, for County, Texas, de- unty, Texas, at the serve the same accordand that on the first scribed as follows, to- Courthouse of said Co-ing to requirements of unty in Abilene, Texas, law, and the mandates

days from the date of Issued and given un-City of Abilene, Texas, All undivided lease hole service of this citation, der my hand and the between the hours of 10 rights, Pump jacks, sto- then and there to answer seal of said Court at a.m. and 4 p.m., by rage tanks, casing, tu- the petition of Christian Abilene, Texas, this the virtue of said levy and bing, heater treaters Homes of Abilene, Inc., 6th day of December, Petitioner, filed in said 1984 will sell said above This Sale Will Be For Court on the 31st day of Rilla Mahoney, Clerk,

suit being numbered

Sale will be held at 10:00 150CX on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Interest of

93-85-1tc

determine what parent-

child relationship exists

and that such parent-

child relationship be ter-

born the 22nd day of

Washita County, Okla-

The Court has auth-

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