# The Merkel Mail

Thursday, August 8, 1985 ... Merkel, Texas

Our 97th Year



IF I HAD ANY IDEA I WAS GONNA LIVE THIS LONG I WOULD UV TOOK BETTER CARE OF MY SELF ..... DID YOU EVER TRY AN' EAT DIET-RITE SARDINES ?

DAKE HOMMOND CASTLE PERKENT -

# Merkel receives Bingo check

The City of Merkel received it's rebate check for legally operated received !6,494.00. Bingo games here last week.

The city of Tye's latest check games. The check, for \$5,349.49 covers was for \$4,273.12. Tye has received

Both cities levy the 2 per cent of gross tax on the legalized Bingo

In Texas, there are 1,378 nonthe second quarter of this year and \$9,127.86 in Bingo rebates so far profit agencies that are licensed to hold Bingo games in the State

# MHS band starts Monday

The Merkel High Band will start the Juniors will practice from & its practice session August 12th until 9 p.m. with a full band rehersal from 7:30 until 9 p.m.

practice from 7 until 8 p.m. and until 9 p.m.

On August 15th, Juniors will On August 13th, Seniors will Freshmen will practice from 8 p.m. for an ice cream supper

from 7:30 until 9 p.m. on August 19, 20, 22, 26, 27 and 29. The session practice from 7 until 8 p.m. and on August 20th will end at 8:30 sponsored by the Band Boosters.

# ootball two-a-days M

The Merkel Badgers football season is about to get underway. Equipment will be issued to all

9th of August. Two-a-day workouts will begin on Monday, August 12. The schedule for the issuing of

a.m.; Juniors 1:00-5:00 p.m.-Friday, August 9, 1985: Sophomores 8:00-12:00 a.m.; Freshmen

### equipment is as follows: Thursday 1:00-5:00 p.m. prospective athletes on the 8th and And he predicts, Dale's ok, what strike?

by Cloy A. Richards

I attended MISD's budget workshop Saturday in Abilene, and friends, if you are concerned about the future of schools in Texas, ask MISD superintendent Bill Everett. he seems to be able to predict the

school business future. He has correctly predicted increased student enrollment at MISD and the problems that growth would bring and has also been telling MISD taxpayers for the past three years that the State is placing the financial burden of educating children back to the

local school districts. All of you know those pre-

dictions have come true. Now he has started a couple of more predictions that are very similar to the ones mentioned.

Talk to him now and he will tell you we need additional space and we cannot afford that space through local construction of additional classrooms from budget surplus funds. In other words, he is saying that MISD needs a rennovation bond of about \$1

million and we need it soon. He is also saying that local taxes will keep inching up because the state is trying to shift the financial local school districts.

And if you have been keeping an eye on MISD, you see those two Tuesday morning. predictions becoming more true

The trustees are currently looking at a budget that calls for a \$1.00 tax rate, which, believe it or not, is a decrease of what MISD Coke, Caffeine Free Diet Coke ... could charge to raise the same

amount of money it spent last

isal District, MISD would have to you will love the new stuff. charge \$1.04 to generate what we spent last year and the proposed tax is 4 cents less than that.

We all know that can't keep up because it means surplus funds, that three month insurance policy all schools need to be financially sound, will become smaller and smaller each year until you reach deficit financing.

And we all know what kinds of problems deficit financing creates when we listen to people in Washington who are unable to cope with that type of budgetary pressure.

When increased, state madated costs are coupled with declining revenues from state aid and declining property values, it

doesn't take a genius to figure out where revenues for education will Additional revenues will come

from additional taxes, and you can take that to the bank.

Dale Hammond is back at work following baloon surgery on his heart last Wednesday.

During the surgery, doctors had burden of education back to the to jump-start Dale's heart a couple of times but he came through and said he felt fine

He must have because he dropped off a cartoon for us and it's not missing a thing.

New Coke, Diet Coke, Classic

Save yourself a lot of trouble and try the new Cherry Coke. If According to the Central Appra- you like either cherries or coke,

> I heard on the radio Tuesday the pro baseball players decided to

With pre-season football already started and high school and college workouts starting next week, who cares?

Especially since both Texas baseball teams played themselves out of the pennent races.

As far as I am concerned, it will leave more time for football watching and bird hunting. That's what we are supposed to do in the fally anyway.

No, we don'tget to vote in the election for the construction of Stacy Dam. The election Saturday requires one to be a resident of Abilene, which is odd.

Abilene voters will go to the polls to say they will pledge \$11 million in increased water rates to help pay for construction of the dam.

You can bet we will help pay that \$11 million in costs through water rates here, which are tied by ordinance, to Abilene water

The extra supply will be nice when Stacy is completed.

The summer vacation ends Monday for high school students involved in Football, Band and Volleyball.

Practice sessions will start Monday here.

# MISD looking at 1.00 tax rate for 85-86 school year

MISD's proposed 1985-86 school budget calls for the district to spend \$4,333,000 and use a tax rate

Those figures were presented by MISD Business Manager Peggy Gibson at a special meeting of the board held Saturday in Abilene.

MISD superintendent Bill Everett told board members "The first time Peggy and I put a pencil to the budget, we were \$150,000 in the red but we believe we can live

with the proposed budget." When presenting the proposed budget, Mrs. Gibson said "This is todays educated guess because I keep receiving different policies from the state." She added salaries were the largest line item increase in the budget and those changes were state mandated.

Income for MISD comes from three sources. The 85-86 budget calls for \$1,486,953 in local revenues; \$2,537,025 in revenues from the State and \$117,000 in Federal

MISD also has a good chance of picking up additional revenue by increased average daily attendance (ADA). The state pays a

Based on the Central Appraisal growth. District's figures, MISD would under state laws without holding cost about \$220,000. public hearings or notices in The

local taxes will keep going up "It could be the first day of school. because the State will be sending If we pick up many additional us less and less money. The only students at Tye Elementary, we reason were are not in a financial will be in need of space there.' jam now is because we have a facing, since we were so soundly already collected. defeated on the bond issue, is we

minimum of \$1,350 per ADA and, million. Like Cloy said in the for the past two years, MISD has paper, our additions aren't proexperienced a 100 plus increase in viding any additional space, we are just holding our own with

Everett told board members he have to charge a \$1.04 tax rate to though the district was getting an generate the same amount of excellent deal on the addition to money spent last year. The budget Merkel Elementary. MISD maincurrently being considered is tenenace crews performed most of based on taxes of \$1.00 and the labor and the building will be Everett said he couldn't foresee completed for about \$107,000. He that rate going higher than \$1.02. said Hawley just let construction MISD could raise the rate to \$1.08 bids on a metal building and it will

Everett was asked by a board Mail concerning a proposed tax member when he thought we would have to build additional Everett said "It looks like to me classrooms and Everett replied

MISD is doing better than three months operating cost cash average on collection of taxes reserve. The problem we are with 92 percent of 1984-85 taxes

The board will meet again can't keep spending \$200,000 per August 20th at 7 p.m. for the public year on additions to our buildings. budget hearing. Their regular We will have to come up with a session will start at 8 p.m. and will rennovation bond for about \$1 be held in the high school library.



§ Billy Riley of Merkel receives the 20 year tenure award from the Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association from that organization's president, Terry Phillips of Seagraves. The award was

presented at the annual awards program for the association in recognition of dedicated service rendered to Vocational Agriculture. [Complimentary photo]

# Volleyball workouts begin

Girls Volleyball season will get Aug. 12th at the gym at 9 a.m.

All high school girls interested day and Freshmen will practice physicals must be turned in by

ding to high school coach Rhonda mores through Seniors will be held the gym between 2 and 4 p.m.

underway here August 12th accor- Practice sessions for Sopho- Freshmen are asked to come to

from 9 until 11:30 a.m. each week Thursday for a physical. They

# rent starts school Sept. 3

first day of school will be Tuesday, attend.

Sept. 3, 1985. A General Assembly will be held in the gymnasium at being served at 8:00 a.m.

Buses will run and the cafeteria on Thursday, August 29, from 9:00 will be in operation with breakfast being served at 8:00 a.m. will register on September 3.

Trent ISD announces that the 8:30 a.m. Everyone is invited to Registration for new students not enrolled last year, will be held

# Better the grade, better the \$

Producing a good grade of sity System. cotton is about as important as a he picture.

by color, trash content and preparation. A well-managed har-Metzer, a cotton specialist with acid, sodium chlorate or paraguat, pounds per acre. Adding one-half the Texas Agricultural Extension

in playing volleyball will meet from 12:30 until 2 p.m. each wek Monday.

good yield, and this is where farmers who plan to stripper percent open. Use a defoliant harvest-aid compounds come into harvest should consider a harvest- when at least 65 percent of the aid program to achieve the highest bolls are open. 'Cotton grades are determined grade possible, notes Metzer. He Harvest-aids are difficult to use says that ginning costs can be on a poorly fruited crop that has reduced and grades improved by not cut out (stopped growing), vest-aid program aids producers first dropping the leaves with a says Metzer. If regrowth is a in achieving early harvest and defoliant such as DEF, Folex or problem, he recommends using a high quality lint," says Dr. Bob DROPP and then applying arsenic material such as DROPP at .2

"in such a program, a key point pound of methyl parathion as a Service, The Texas A&M Univer- is to avoid treating the crop too early," emphasizes the specialist.

"Apply a desiccant to a mature As cotton begins to mature, crop that is at least 75 to 80

M. R. ROBERTS, H. M.

BERT DIVES, and W.

H. LAWLESS, if living.

and if dead, the legal

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HARKRIDER, AL-

# Tips on better grade cotton

From Page 1

of DROPP and will also help at harvest time. Make sure seed may not always provide complete control late-migrating boll wee- cotton is dry and dew is burned off leaf drop, a defoliant should be vils. Adding insecticides to defoli- before starting harvest each day, applied after five days or more, ants and desiccants has proven to Ideally, relative humidity should PREP and a defoliant may be be one of the most effective tools be 60 percent or less during the tank-mixed to reduced the number in reducing overwintering weevils. daily harvest period. The acreage of field operations. Make sure the For picker harvest the rate of treated should be in line with remaining unopen bolls are mamethyl parathion in the tank mix harvest capacity to prevent long ture to avoid reduction in lint yield may need to be reduced with 90 delays in harvest after treatment and quality. Hard, speckled bolls degrees plus temperatures to and to reduce the opportunity for that cannot be easily cut with a

The specialist advises farmers to follow this treatment with consider a relatively new harvest-

Moisture that's so essential for

excessive regrowth

"Farmers might also want to indication of boll maturity

tank mix will increase the activity lint production becomes a problem to 60 percent open. Since PREP sharp knife can be used as a rough

'Harvest-aid compounds can arsenic acid and then to wait until aid compound that hastens the play a big role in the quality of the crop dries sufficiently before opening of mature bolls," says cotton farmers take to the gin. harvesting. Proper scheduling of Metzer. "This compound, market- However, the condition of the crop harvesting after treatment is ed under the trade name PREP, at time of application as well as important in reducing barky cot- can be applied at a rate of one the weather are key factors in quarter per acre when bolls are 50 achieving good results," says

# Sandusky's hold reunion

away as Cincinnati, Ohio, Bromide

whole family at dinner, enjoying chicken and fish from Skeets the Sandusky's originated in this country. I learned that there were where the city of Sandusky (Ohio) ington, Deborah (Sandusky), Levi 5 brothers that came to this now stands. country before the Mayflower and eventually settled around the out from that area, came to Snyder, Clyde, Zela Bowman, Great Lakes Area, from there the Kentucky eventually settled in family branched out in all direc- Bronte, Texas and then to Merkel.

1955) "Among the early Ameri- people that this paper couldn't Bob, Linda, Ginna, Abbey Faulkcans of Polish Stock, men outnum- hold and it's exciting to hear about bered the women ten to one. Many my children's heritage and I hope Nellie Faye, Kenneth Day, Peggy married the daughters of Dutch or we can capture it in scrap books, and Ken, Robin, Russell Allen,

The Sandusky reunion was held English families and in time their memories for them and their Saturday and Sunday at the Senior native tongue and customs were Citizens Building with over 65 largely forgotten. But their names Bronte, Texas attended the reun- the Indian Trader, Jan Antone Sadowski, whose name, because it Sunday we came together as a sounded that way to Americans, was soon turned to Jonathan Sandusky. In 1735, he pushed Restaurant and the many other through the Alleghenies, 200 miles dishes families had brought. Stor- beyond the nearest English settleies were exchanged as to where ment, and set up a trading post Sandy, Keith Sandusky, Janie near the western end of Lake Erie.

There's a history as long as your

Those attending were: Lizzie, Dewey and Irene Sandusky, Jess Sandusky, Ed and Alwyn Sandusky, Oralie (Sandusky) and Jimmy Hines, Jerry Don, Debbie. Joe and Jay Sandusky, Pam and Dennis Orsborn, Shirley Morgan, J.D. and Margaret Sandusky, Simeon and Loyd Watson, Elmer Lee Sandusky, Stella Casper, Billy Joe and Betty Sandusky, Thad, (Sandusky), Shasta, Alex Pennand Billy Joe Foreman, Gerald. As I said our family branched Ruth Sandusky, Mary, Elmer Margaret Smith, Marilyn, Monty Tittle, Gwen (Sandusky) Latimer, Rosalie Wings, Virgil and Rita (From the Readers Digest, June arm about this proud, dedicated Patterson, Ruth Cox, Elsie Nash, ner, Judge, Camille Sandusky,

#### people attending. Relatives as far though often simplified for the convience of their neighbors, were Oklahoma, Zapata, Texas and proudly perpetuated. Typical was

By Debbie Sandusky

## Brown-Doan will repeat vows Aug. 17th

Miss Bethany Ellen Brown will become the bride of Mark Wayne Doan in an August 17th ceremony at the Foote Street Church of Christ on Corinth, Missouri.

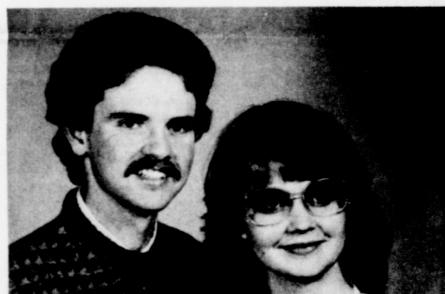
The bride elect is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy J. Brown of Cornith, Mo. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Doan of Merkel.

Miss Brown is the granddaughter of Mrs. Ruby Middleton and the late Hugh W. Middleton of Calhoun, Ga. and Mrs. Flora Brown and the late Sam Brown of Calhoun, Ga.

Mr. Doan is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Jacobs and the late Mr. and Mrs. Carl Doan.

Miss Brown is a 1982 graduate of Alcorn Central High School. She is

Permian High School and a 1985 man College.



working on a Medical Technology where he received his Computer couple are invited to attend the degree from Freed-Hardeman. Information Systems. He is pre- ceremony on Saturday, August 17 Mr. Doan is a 1979 graduate of sently employed at Freed-Harde- at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary of the Foole St. Church of Christ and the graduate of Freed-Hardeman All friends and relatives of the reception which follows.

# Cooper's celebrating 60th anniversary



The family of P. B. & Opal (Harris) Cooper are honoring their 60th wedding anniversary with a reception to be held at Heritage Hall here Saturday from 2 until 5 p.m.

The Coopers were married in Abilene August 1, 1925 and have lived most of those 60 years in Eskota, Merkel & Trent. They are Williamson of Brownwood; Benny

now living in Sweetwater, having moved there in 1981 due to ill

Their neice & her husband Charlie & Linda (Luke) Cunningham of Kingswood, assisted by their children W. H. & Doris Williamson of Sweetwater and Grandchildren Randy & Carolyn & Debra Thompson of Abilene and a nephew, Ronnie & Marsha Luke of Lubbock, would like to extend an invitation to all friends of the family to come by and share this special time with them.

Mr. Cooper is a retired farmer and was a custodian at Sadler Clinic here. Mrs. Cooper was and LVN at Sadler Clinic here

## **Public Notices** TO: MARY D. HALE,

THE STATE OF TEXAS To: JERRY KOCH De-

fendant, Greeting: You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer representatives of each to the Plaintiff's Petition of said Defendants, and at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of each of said named forty-two days from the date of the issuance of representatives of the this citation, same being unknown heirs, legatees and devisees of each of Monday, the 2nd day of said named Defendants; September, 1985, at or and if they be dead, the before ten o'clock A.M. unknown heirs, legatees before the Honorable dispensation, delivery and devisees of the 104th District Court of unknown heirs, legatees Taylor County, Texas, and devisees of said at the Court House of named Defendants, the said County in Abilene, place of residence of each being unknown to Texas. Said Plaintiff's Pe-

Plaintiff, and all parties being Defendant's, Gre- tition was filed in said court, on the 5th day of You are hereby co- December, A. D. 1984, in ney's Narcotic Investi- at or before 10 o'clock A. mmanded to appear by this cause, numbered filing a written answer 16,355-B on the docket of to the Plaintiff's Petition said court, and styled at or before 10 o'clock A. THE STATE OF TEXAS. M. of the first Monday Plaintiff, vs. 1977 GMC after the expiration of Pickup VIN forty-two days from the date of the issuance of # CCS447A127794 Defenthis citation, same being dant. Monday the 12th day of The names of the August 1985, at or before parties to the cause are

ten o'clock A. M. before as follows: the Honorable 42nd Di-THE STATE OF strict Court of Taylor TEXAS are Plaintiffs County, Texas, at the and JERRY KOCH are Court House of said Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is tition was filed in said as follows, to-wit:

State of Texas prays June, A. D. 1985, in this that this be considerd as cause, numbered 39,360- a Notice of Seizure and A on the docket of said Intended Forfeiture, and court, and styled, DO- that upon final hearing, as provided by Statutes, this Court shall enter its Order finding that said vehicle was used for the purpose of transporting for delivery, or in any manner to facilitate the MARY D. HALE, M. R. transportation for delivery, and property as A.D. 1985.

HARKRIDER, AL-BERT DIVES & W H LAWLESS, if living, and if dead, the legal representatives of each of ding said seizure to be Gandy, Deputy. said Defendants, and the disposed of in accorunknown heirs, legatees dance with the proand devisees of each of visions of Section 5.08 of said named Defendants Article 4476-15, V.A.C.S. A brief statement of and the proceeds, if any,

entitled to receive.

returned unserved.

A. D. 1985.

Gandy, Deputy (Seal)

WAYNE HUITT, JR.

Defendant, Greeting:

121-99-4tc

To: RAYMOND

the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff is the owner

County in Abilene, Te-

Said Plaintiff's Pe-

Court, on the 24th day of

NALD S. JOHNSTON

Plaintiff vs. MARY D.

HALE, et al. Defendant.

The names of the

parties to the cause are

TON are Plaintiffs and

DONALD L. JOHNS-

ROBERTS, H. M.

are Defendants.

as follows:

of some lots in the original town of Ovalo, in Taylor County, Texas, and more particularly described as follows:

and Lots 1, 2, 3, 12, 12, 15 file in this suit. and 17 in Block 7, all in Original town of Ovalo, served within ninety Taylor County, texas.

Defendants claim some right, title, estate or interest in these premises which is adverse to Plaintiff's claim of ownership. This claim mptly execute the same Plaintiff's title, and such make due return as the claim is without right law directs. whatever.

Plaintiff says that he der my hand and the has good and perfect Seal of said Court, at title to said lands under office in Abilene, Texas, and by virtue of the ten (10) year statute of limitation of the State of Texas (Revised Civil Statutes Article 5510) and seeks Judgement for the title and posession of the real property. Plaintiff seeks such other and further relief to which Plaintiff may be justly entitled, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff'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 24th day of June A. D. 1985. Attest: RILLA MA-

Said Plaintiff's Peti-HONEY Clerk, 42nd Dition was filed in said strict Court, Taylor Cocourt, on the 19th day of unty, Texas By JoAnn June A.D. 1985, in this Lackey, Deputy. cause, numbered 16,657-120-4tc-138 B on the docket of said to the highest bidder, as court, and styled, THE the property of said

intiff, vs. \$95.00 CASH Defendant.

> parties to the cause are as follows: THE STATE OF TEXAS are Plaintiffs, and RAY-MOND WAYNE HUITT, JR. are Defendants.

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

That the Court enter its Order finding that said \$95.00 cash was derived from sale, manufacture, distribution, and other commercial undertaking as alleged and described in Section 5.03 of Article 4476-15, V.A.C.S., to-wit:

Marijuana and upholding said seizure and forfeiting to the Taylor County District Attor- to the Plaintiff's Petition gative Fund the said \$95.00 cash as provided by said law and ordering the same to be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of Section 5.08 of Article 4476-15, sposed of as provided by orable 350th District said law, and for such other relief, at law and equity, as the State of

Texas shall be entitled to receive. by Plaintiff's Petition on

file in this suit. If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its court and styled, THE issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this process 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 15th day of July

alleged and described in Attest: RILLA MAHO-Section 5.03 of Article NEY, Clerk, 104th Di-4476-15, V.A.C.S. to-wit: strict Court, Taylor Co-Marijuana and uphol- unty, Texas By Kelly

> NOTICE OF SHERRIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS County of Taylor NOTICE IS HEREBY be disposed of a pro-GIVEN That by virtue vided by said law, and of a certain Writ of for such other relief, at execution issued out of law and in equity, as the the Honorable 104th Dis-State of Texas shall be trict Court of Taylor County, of the 19 day of as is more fully shown June, 1985, by Writ of Lots 8 and 9 in Block 5, by Plaintiff's Petition on execution of said 104th District Court for the If this citation is not sum of Twenty two thousand three hundred eighty four and 70-100 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be under a Judgement, in favor of William Earl The officer executing Bounds in a certain this process shall procause in said Court No. 16,006-B and styled Wilconstitutes a cloud on according to law, and liam Earl Bounds vs. Dale Cox, placed in my hands for service, I, Issued and given un-Texas, did, on the 25 day of July 1985, levy on certain Real Estate, sithis the 16th day of July tuated in Taylor County, Texas, described as fol-Attest: RILLA MAlows, to wit: All undivid-HONEY Clerk, 104th ed interest of Dale Cox Operator Lot 1 of Grim-District Court, Taylor es County School Land County, Texas By Kelly No. 147, located 21/2

miles southeast of Mer-

kel, Texas. Texas Rail-

19058. This will include

Lease Hole Interest.

THE STATE OF TEXAS road Commission No.

pump jacks, storage You are hereby co- tanks, casing, tubing, mmanded to appear by rod, etc. Interest of 35 filing a written answer percent. Sale will be to the Plaintiff's Petition held at 10:00 a.m. Sale at or before ten o'clock will be for Cash Only, a A.M. of the first Monday cashiers check from a after the expiration of Taylor County Bank forty-two days from the maybe accepted, and date of the issuance of levied upon as the prothat on the first Tuesday Monday the 2nd day of in September, 1985, the September 1985, at or before 10 o'clock A.M. same being the 3rd day of said month at the before the Honorable Court House door, of 104th District Court of Taylor County, Texas, City of Abilene, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Abilene, a.m. and 4 p.m., by virtue of said levy and

And in compliance with law, I give this The names of the 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 newpaper published in Taylor County

Witness my hand, this 29 day of July, 1985.

John W. Middleton Sheriff Taylor County, Texas by Eddie Swanson, Deputy. 123-3tc-89

THE STATE OF TEXAS To: LARRY BERRY, Residence Unknown, Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by wiling a written answer M. of the first Monday after the expiration of fourty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday the 2nd day of September, 1985, V.A.C.S. and the pro- at or before 10 o'clock ceeds, if any, be di- A.M. before the Hon-Court of Taylor County Texas, at the Court House of said County in

Abilene, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Peas is more fully shown tition was filed in said court, on the 1st day of April, A.D. 1985, in this cause numbered 639-D on the docket of said STATE OF TEXAS Plaintiff vs A 1977 Ford Thunderbird VIN #

7J87H165026, Defendant. The names of the parties to this cause are

as follows: THE STATE OF TEXAS are Plaintiffs and A 1977 Ford Thunderbird VIN # 7J87H165026, Larry Berry is Defendant.

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

This proceeding is brought under and by virtue of the Texas Controlled Substances Act. Sections 5.03-5.08 said motor vehicle was being used for the purpose of transporting for delivery Amphetamine in violation of this act. Vehicle is more fully described as a 1977 Silver Ford Thunderbird, vehicle Identifica-

tion Number 7J87H165026, bearing Texas License Number 113-GWS. The seizing officer for the State of Texas ask the Court to enter its Order finding that said vehicle was used for the purpose of Dollars and costs of suit, transporting for delivery and property as alleged, and uphold said seizure of such vehicle, and forfeiting to the Abilene Police Department, said vehicle as provided by said law, and ordering the same John W. Middleton as to be disposed of in Sheriff of Taylor County accordance with the provisions of Section 5.08 of Article 4476-15, V.A.C.S., and the proceeds, if any, be disposed of as provided by said law, and for such other relief as the State of Texas shall be entitled to receive. as is more fully shown by Plaintiff'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 process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the this citation, same being perty of Dale Cox and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 16th day of July, A. D. 1985. Attest: RILLA MA-

HONEY, Clerk, 350th Taylor County, in the District Court, Taylor County, Texas By JoAnn between the hours of 10 Lackey; Deputy (Seal) 122-4tc-113

CALL IN YOUR said Writ of Execution I will sell said above CLASSIFIEDS described Real Estate at Public vendue, for each, 928-5712

# Seat belts will save lives says safety engineer

about seat belts that permits so much death and suffering in the

It is indeed strange thinking unwrinkled clothing, says a safety Gary Nelson, safety engineer with -Myth: Seat belts are unneces- or scraping along the pavement. the Texas Agricultural Extension Sary for short trips. Most of this strange thinking is Service, The Texas A&M Univer-

name of personal convenience and myths about seat belts, says Dr based on a number of common sity System.

### Trent ISD offers details on reduced cost nutrition program for students

tious meals every school day. Nondiscrimination: and breakfast for \$.75.

sign it, and return it to the school. ington, D.C. 20250. Please answer all questions on the tion cannot be processed by the school: (1) the total household income must be listed by the amount received by each household member receiving income and the type of income it is (such as food stamps, (2) names of all household members, (3) social security numbers of all household members 21 years old or older or the word "None" for any household member who does not have a social security number, and (4) the signature of an adult household member.

Veritication: The information on the application may be checked by the school or other officials at any time during the school year.

Reporting Changes: If your child is approved for meal benefits, you must tell the school when your household income increases by more than \$50 per month (\$600) per year) or when your household size decreases.

Reapplication: You may apply for benefits at any time during the school year. If you are not eligible now but have a decrease in household income, become unemployed, or have an increase in family size, fill out an application at that time.

Foster Children: If you have foster children living with you, they may be eligible for these benefits. If you wish to apply for these benefits for them, please contact the school and they will

### Tuesday-Thursday school sign up set

MOMS-It's time to sign up your pre-schoolers, ages 3-5, for a great learning experience at the Merkel Church of Christ on Tuesdays or Thursdays or both days.

Besides having lots of fun, we have great classes in Bible, art, numbers, colors, alphabet, manners, etc. to help prepare your child for kindergarten, or just to give Mother a "Day Out"

For further information call Bernice at 928-5176.

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# Hart named to electricconsumer group

Mitzi Hart of Merkel has been selected to chair a new Key Woman Delegate Program of the Texas Rural Electric Women's Association. The action came last week at a session in Austin coincident with the 45th annual meeting of the Association of Texas Electric Cooperatives. Key woman delegates have been named by rural electrics throughout the state to work with co-op personnel in creating and implementing programs to enhance the relationship between the rural utilities and the consumers they

Mrs. Hart's interest in rural electrification is heightened by her husband Don's work as manager of Taylor Electric Cooperative. which is headquartered in Merkel. Mrs. Hart has just completed two years as Texas' member of the board of directors of the National Rural Electric Women's Association. She's a member of the faculty at Sweetwater High School the Sweetwater Classroom Teachers Association, and the Texas



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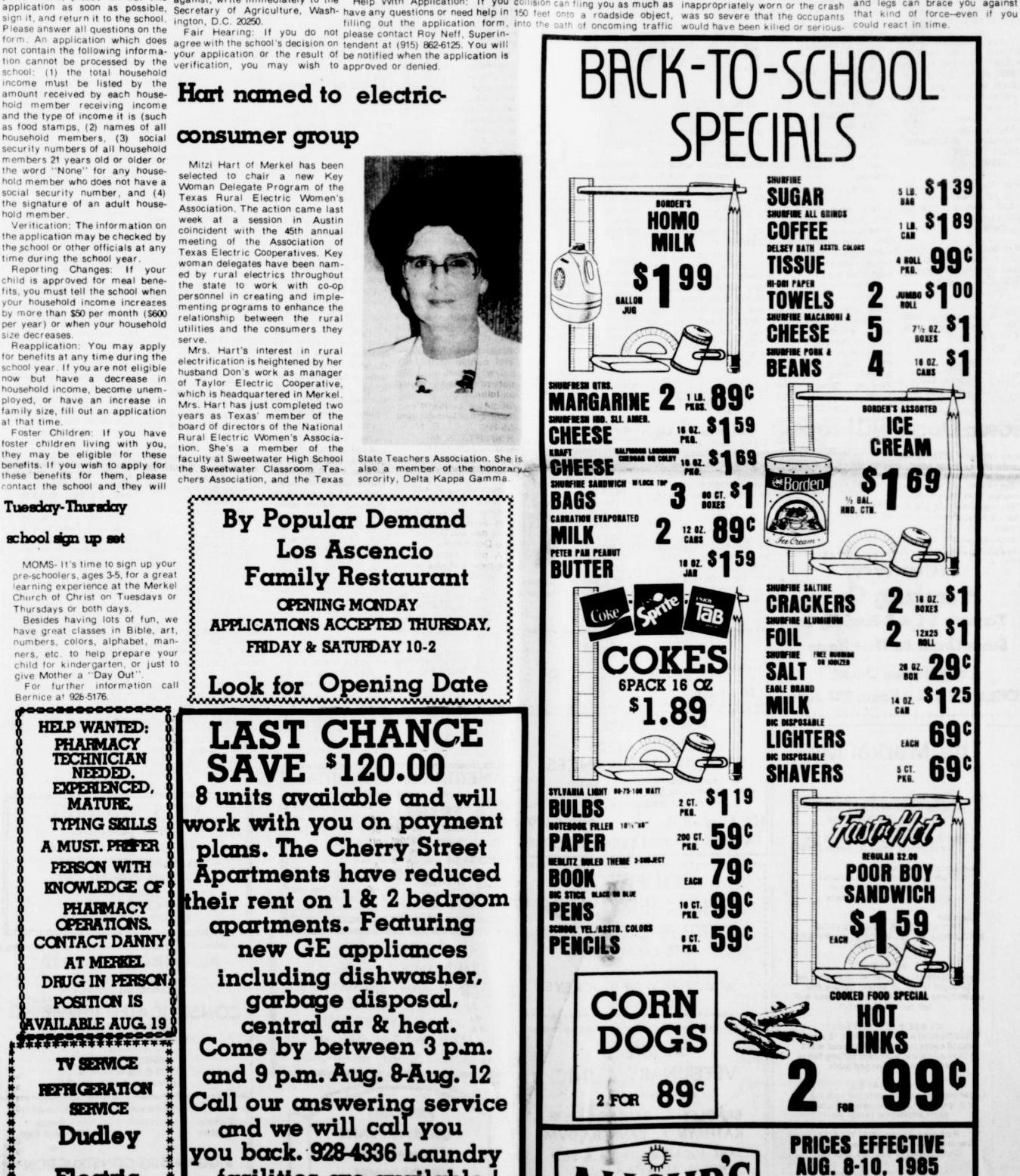
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Company, recorded in

Volume 1288, Page 382,

Deed Records of Taylor

County, Texas, both

leases covering 208.5

acres out of the Otis G.

Eels Survey 453, Cert.

245, Patent 749, Volume 2 in Taylor County, Texas, to-wit: BEGINNING at stake in ground for SW corner of said Survey;

THENCE East 1019 varas to stake: THENCE North 1275 varas to stake:

THENCE West varas to stake: THENCE South 133 varas to stake:

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> (a) 6.48 acres in railroad right of way as shown in Vol. 52, Page 245. Deed Records of said County,

(b) .56 acres deeded to Taylor County in Vol. 178, Page 525, Deed Records of said County,

(c) 1.784 acros deeded to Texas in Vol. 532. Page 40. Deed Records of said County TRACT TWO:

160 acres covered by that Oil and Gas Lease dated September 5, 1980, from George Herring to J.K. Ridley, and recorded in Vol. 1163. Page 249, Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, and covered by that Oil and Gas Lease dated September 14. 1980, from George Herring, et ux, to Penroc-Guernsey Joint Venture recorded in Vol. 1213. Page 477, Deed Records of Taylor County. Texas, both leases covering 160 acres. more or less, out of the Otis G. Eels Survey No. 453, in Taylor County, Texas described as fol-

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mound; THENCE East 905 varas to point in the tank; THENCE North at 128-1/2 varas past W.P. Crows SW corner 998 in the North line of Otis G. Eels Survey;

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(b) All of the surface of .326 acres in right of way from G.E. Harrison to Texas, dated July 5, 1956, recorded in Vol. 529, Page 9, Deed Records of said County.

Reference is here made to the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, for a more complete description of said leases and the properties covered thereby.

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### **Alec Carter**

Alec B. Carter, 71 of Noodle, a retired farmer, died at 5:37 July 25th at the Anson General Hospital following a lengthy illness. Services were held July 27th at the Noodle Baptist Church with the Rev. Larry McKay, pastor, officiating. Burial followed at Rose Hill Cemetery, here, directed by Lawrence Funeral Home of Anson

Born July 5, 1914 in Menard County, he married Lozella Hubert, July 2, 1938 in Haskell. He was a Baptist. His wife, a son, his parents and a brother preceded him in death.

He is survived by 3 daughters, Mrs. Ronnie Hines of Burleson, Mrs. Bill Bush of Abilene and Mrs. Keith Taylor of Anson; a son, Bernard Lee (Bud) of Noodle; two brothers, Frank and Charles (Kip) both of Noodle; 3 sisters, Barbara Coates of Noodle, Mrs. L.V. Ely of Hamlin and Mrs. A.J. Barbee of Azele; 12 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren.

### **Bertie Coats**

"Bertie" Clark Coats, 100, the last living member of the family that settled Mulberry Canyon south of here, died at 8:35 p.m. Tuesday at Sears Retirement Center in Abilene.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the United Methodist Church in Merkel with the Rev.

retired chaplain of Sears Ratire- attended for years afterward. ment Center. Burial was in Rose Mrs. Coats played for church Hill Cemetery, directed by Star- services for a number of years. buck Funeral Home.

Born Feb. 3, 1885, in Comanche, sary celebration she was recogto pioneer parents Mr. and Mrs. nized as the oldest member H.D. Clark, her five sisters and She also played for family and two brothers moved to Mulberry friends at Sunday night get-Canyon in a covered wagon when togethers. After moving to the Mrs. Coats was 3 years old.

She was called "Bertie" by her church services, birthday parties sons and daughters, other family and special programs there. She members, friends and by the also played at her 100th birthday personnel of Sears Retirement party.

A longtime pianist, she rode home and sometimes I get lonehorseback three miles for her first some. Playing helps," she once music lesson from a teacher who said at the center. came to the community and Two daughters, Florence Coats boarded with a family.

She married Tom Coats in 1902 her in death. in Mulberry Canyon. The couple Survivors include two sons farmed for a couple of years Lendon of Merkel and Weldon of before moving to Merkel in 1905 Abilene; three grandchildren; sewere Mr. Coats began his lifetime ven great grandchildren; and one career of drilling water wells. He great great grandchild. died in 1961.

Her husband first bought her an Bernard Clark, L.R. Wilson, Arorgan and later traded it for a thur Lee, Gary Scott and Cecil piano. Once when her young son, Crawford. who had problems with an elbow infection for years, wished for a Victrola, she traded her piano for a Victrola and eight records.

"Oh how I missed it," she later said. Eventually her husband bought her another piano.

She was a charter member of

## May Teaff

May Belle Teaff, 88, of Tye, died White Church Methodist at Mul- at 10:12 a.m. Wednesday at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. Services were at 2:30 p.m. Friday at the Tye Baptist Church. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery, in Merkel, directed by Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home. The Rev. Fred Thomas, of Tye, officiated assisted by the Rev. Temple Lewis, both Baptist ministers.

During the church's 100th anniver-

Sears Center she played for

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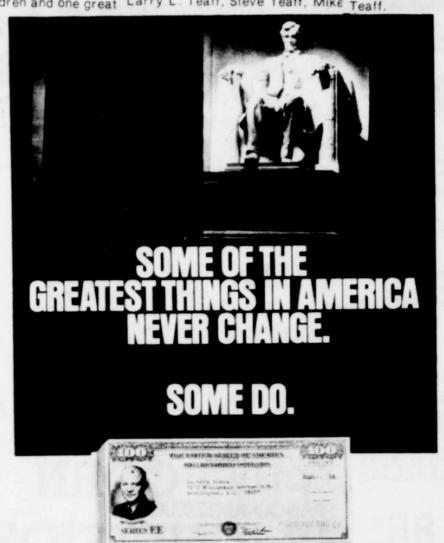
Pallbearers were J.H. Clark Jr.

Born Feb. 19, 1897, in Blum, she was a homemaker. She lived for a short time in Odessa and graduated from Odessa High School.

She attended Draughon's Business College in Abilene. She moved to Tye in 1914. She married Archie Van Burn Teaff, Feb. 14, 1925, in Abilene. She was a member of Tye Baptist Church. Her husband died in August

Survivors include two sons, living children, of which all were Leroy and Johnny, both of Tye;

John Wagoner, pastor of United berry Canyon, but she and her kel; a brother, Ted Bigham of great grandchild. Methodist Church, officiating, as- husband began attending Merkel Ovalo; five grandchildren; five Pallbearers were grandsons, Dannheim, David Teaff and Eric sisted by the Rev. Lloyd Mayhew, Methodist Church in 1905 and great grandchildren and one great Larry L. Teaff, Steve Teaff, Mike Teaff,



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## Cutler named chairman of political action group

Tommie Cutler of Merkel has been elected chairman of the political action group known as Rural Friends. The organization is composed of rural electric leaders and personnel and other citizens involved in education on political issues of concern primarily to rural areas. Cutler has been vice-chairman of the group for the

last year. He is assistant manager of Taylor Electric Cooperative. which is headquartered in Merkel.

Cutler is a native and lifelong resident of Merkel. He has been with the Cooperative since 1956 except for three years when he served in the U.S. Army Signal Corps. He is married to the former Letha Ann Baker of Merkel, and they are parents of a son Chris.

### Hicks reunion held

This year the Hicks Family Reunion was held at the Glenn Robertson Farm. It was June 29 and 30 and is held Annually at one of the Hicks children homes. Mrs. Willie Hicks, of Hamby, is always the Guest of Honor, along with Mrs. Katie Hicks Antilley of Abilene.

They always have a big fish fry and Texas bar-b-que, hamburgers and plenty of home made ice

Mrs. Willie Hicks has eight

present but two. There are always two sisters, Eva Lee Dixon of lots of cousins and everyone has a Clyde, Marietta Newton of Mergreat time visiting.

Guest this year were from Pasadena, Texas, Azel, Texas, Hamby, Abilene, Potosi, Clyde, Austin, Dudley, Comanche, Tye and Farmington, N.M. There were 50 people for both Saturday and

Mrs. Lillie B. Hicks visited with the Hicks family for 2 weeks. She is from Landson, S.C. This is her first trip back to Texas in 22 years.

### Turner's set connuci reunion

Turner will meet at the August 18.

The descendents of the Heritage Hall for their late Mr. and Mrs. F. Z. annual reunion Sunday,

A basket lunch will be served at noon and friends and relatives are

### 4-H district winner winners named

The following were local winners in the district 7 4 H record book judgings, neld July 30th in Mertzon.

In the Junior Division, Christy Russom of the Mulberry Canyon Club was 1st in Leadership; Jason Russom of the Mulberry Canyon club was 2nd in Citizenship and Paul Ray McDaniel, also of the Mulberry Canyon club was 2nd in shooting sports.

In the Intermediate divisions, Richard Bryan of the Mulberry Canyon club was 1st in

### Seniors con se get connucis signed

Merkel High seniors that want their 1984-85 yearbooks signed by classmates need to go by the high school office.

The delivery of yearbooks is set for Sept. 7th and the school will get last year's Senior books signed and mail them for a postage charge.

### Doom reumon

The annual Doan Reunion will be held Sunday at Lytle Shores in Abilene.

All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Citizenship and Ginger Massey, also of the Mulberry Canyon club was 2nd in fashion review. In the senior divisions,

Mitzi Shelton of the Merkel Club was 2nd in fashion review; Brian Massey of the Mulberry Canyon club was 3rd in

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75-hp 2750	725	650	550
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