

The Merkel Mail

Thursday, November 14, 1985 ...Merkel, Texas

Our 97th Year



§ Trent's Randy Hughes [40] will have one more week of collisions like this as Trent plays Paint Rock

Friday in their final game of the 1985 season. Kraatz photo

Food distributed to 500 here; alleys will be cleared

The Merkel City Council heard about Saturday's food distribution program and heard a proposal to clear and level alleys at their regular session held at the Merkel Emergency Medical Service Building Monday night.

Councilmen also learned the fund to build a new City Hall now stands at a little over \$10,000.

Saturday, volunteers distributed 9,072 pounds of surplus food commodities at the Merkel Volunteer Fire Department's station. City manager J. A. Sadler said "We had more than 500 people show up for the food distribution. It's a real good program and it helps people who really need the food. The Carson's are to be thanked because they loaned us shopping carts and that sure makes the process a lot easier."

The food distributions are held quarterly. Food given away is collected from the U. S. Department of Agriculture and is surplus commodities or commodities purchased for public distribution by federal ag loan programs.

Volunteers handed out 26 cases of butter, 139 cases of cheese, 40 cases of flour, 68 cases of honey and 135 cases of milk.

Council also learned the building fund for a new City Hall, to be located South of the Ambulance Building, now contains just over \$10,000.

Sadler told councilmen "We are getting closer and closer to having enough money to get the building in the 'dry'."

That money is derived from the city's 2 per cent tax on gross receipts on local Bingo games. That tax was initiated here last year.

Council also learned it would be able to use Community Development Funds to clear, clean and level city alleys.

Sadler met with local consultant Randy Randolph here Monday and was told the city would be able to use the current funding under the Community Development Program in certain sections of town.

Planned for the alleys are tree trimming, cleaning up and level-

ing ruts in the alleys.

Council will be accepting bids on that work between now and Nov. 25th.

In other action, council heard the monthly police report from Merkel Police Chief Ray Pack. Pack's department worked a total 81 cases in October.

There were three cases of criminal mischief, a case of criminal damage and destruction, a case of criminal trespassing and police worked seven accidents.

Also, police answered 7 prowler calls, investigated three burglar alarms, made six dog calls and picked up five dogs and investigated two run-away cases.

Police also investigated two cases of obscene phone calls, three hit and run cases, issued 26 citations and investigated five cases of theft.

They also investigated four cases of burglary, one assault, made two arrests for disorderly conduct and investigated two cases of family disturbance.

Merkel's patrolmen are Mike Pippins and Steve McNally.

2,300 bales ginned so far

It's been an on again, off again cotton harvest so far this year but Farmers Co Op Gin here and Planters Gin in Trent have already ginned quite a few bales.

As of Monday, Farmers Co Op Gin here had ginned 1,100 bales and were busy cleaning up the yard Monday as light rain and drizzle slowed the harvest down.

Bennett Massey, in his first year here as manager, told the Mail Monday "It would be hard for me to say what to expect this year. The gin is running real smooth and we have been getting a lot of remarks about low leaf in the cotton from the grading office. Most of the cotton is grading in between 46 and 50 cent cotton and it is running real smooth."

Over at Planters Gin in Trent, Mrs. Shaefer said they had ginned 1,200 bales as of Monday and had 17 modules on the yard to work on. She said the cotton was grading light spot to low middlin because most of the cotton was still green and wet. She said the grades would go up further along in the harvest season. She said most all fields were averaging a bale to the row acre and said it will be a good harvest for that territory. She said "We have hardly scratched the surface. There is a lot of real good cotton out here."

Harvests in the Merkel area are ranging from 2/3 of a bale to the row acre and up.

Harvest activity has been slowed by recent damp weather and

there has not been a killing frost this season. Many farmers are spraying or have sprayed to kill the leaves for harvest.

Merkel's tax rebates are up 6% in '85

Merkel's share of the state's sales tax jumped in October according to a news release from the State Comptroller's Office.

Merkel's \$11,041.03 October sales tax rebate check pushed the 1985 total to almost six percent ahead of last year.

So far this year, Merkel has received \$61,137.41 compared to \$57,735.57 through the same period last year.

Much of the increase in sales tax rebates to Texas cities has been credited to new items being considered taxable by the Texas Legislature beginning in October of last year.

Tye received something of a windfall as their October check was \$42,505.46. That check was \$35,000 more than last October's check and pushed their annual total to \$105,437.72. Tye's rebates are 80.58 percent ahead of 1984 payments.

Trent's rebates are running 16.35 percent behind last year's. Trent's latest check of \$354.58 raised their annual collection to \$2,385.79.

Texas cities shared in \$115.2 million in rebates to the 1,010 cities that levy the local option one percent tax.

The Clyde Bulldogs used two fumbled kickoffs in a row to down the Merkel Badgers 40-8 last Friday in Clyde. The Badgers ended their season at 3-7 (1-4) in district play and finished 5th in the district. Clyde ended 2-3 in the district and finished fourth.

The game was tied 8-8 with three minutes to play in the first half. The Badgers fumbled two kickoffs and Clyde converted both into touchdowns to take a 20-8 halftime lead.

In the second half, three Merkel fumbles set up Clyde scores as the Bulldogs cruised to a 40-8 win.

Badger coach Dick Lepard told The Mail Monday "We played a pretty good first half up until the two fumbles. We have made a lot of mistakes this year and part of the reason is because we are so young."

He said he liked the running of Shayne Newberry and Ramon Moreno.

Lepard said "Evaluating the season, I'd like to give the kids credit for the things they did right and I'll take the blame for the things we did wrong. We had a lot of young kids out there this year and they made some mistakes, but next year we will have a bunch of seasoned veterans."

The coach and his staff have started making a few preparations for next year. He said they were trying to improve weight training exercises and equipment.

He also said he would change his workout patterns next year to include more work on special teams (kick and return teams) and 'Situations' (like what to do on a particular down).

He said "We were just a couple of touchdowns away from being 5-5 this year. We should be better next year because we will have quite a few experienced players and it will be our third year here (the coaching staff). Things should start falling into place."

Lepard said he had no idea what district the Badgers would play in next year but added "It really doesn't matter who we play, because we have to compete with ourselves to play the best we can each week."

Lepard said he wanted to thank Max Murrell Chevrolet for the use of a pickup this year to haul football and film equipment. He also wanted to thank Virgil Jones and Finley Barnett for their work filming each game. He said "I don't know if people appreciate what they do but the film is perfect each week and they have done a real good job for us."

Merkel, like all other Texas high schools will be re-aligned by the UIL before next season. Graham will be moving up to 4A and Cisco may be moved to 3A.

Lepard closed by saying "we will be trying to improve the weight program and get ready for

next year. We are not concerned with who we will be playing next year because we will be competing with ourselves to play the best we can. We want to play respectable football here."

Benefit auction planned for local youth in coma

A benefit auction for a local youth, who is in a coma at Children's Hospital in Dallas, will be held Saturday, Nov. 23 at 1 p.m. at the West Texas Auction Arena.

Paul McCaulley of 710 Avondale here has had three brain operations recently.

Proceeds from the auction will

be used to help pay medical expenses for the youth. Contributions are being accepted now.

A fund has also been set up at the Farmers & Merchants National Bank.

For more information, contact West Texas Auction Arena at 928-4063 or 928-4301.

Band, barbecue, Bingo, Badgers, benefit ... more

by Cloy A. Richards

The National Weather Service is calling for the first killing freeze of the year Friday morning.

If it happens, the first freeze will come two days before the annual "First freeze" date.

With the way the weather runs around here, it wouldn't surprise me if it was 30 or 80 Friday morning.

How many of you tried to stay up with the tv mini-series North and South.

For those that did struggle through 12 hours of the show, you learned Sunday night that you'd have to wait until spring for the additional 12 hours.

It was like seeing the first half of a football game and then reading about the rest five months later.

The Merkel Band Boosters are sponsoring what should be a very good meal Saturday at Heritage Hall.

Sammy Doan of Merkel will be cooking barbecue and the man knows what he is doing.

Plates will be \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children under 6. The meal will be served from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m.

Proceeds will help pay for

Merkel Band activities.

The Merkel Badgers ended their season last week and, all in all, I think it was a season that gave us a few hints of better things to come.

The Badgers won a district game, something they had not done in five years and did not finish last in district.

Those may be considered small gains by some, they are gains.

Coach Dick Lepard and his staff have already done some season ending soul searching and have already come up with a couple of ideas.

Lepard told me Monday he would start using more detailed workouts to include more work on special teams as well as 'situations' (like 3rd and 10 and so on). He feels that will help the Badgers overcome a lot of mistakes in those situations.

The Badgers did have a lot of young players on the field this year and those players will be seasoned veterans next year. It caused problems this year but should really help improve things next year.

The Badgers did manage to accomplish a few things this year that have been missing in the past five years and seem to be in a position to make even more

improvements the next couple of seasons.

So, they are going to be able to use some of our current Community Development funds to clean up alleys.

The alley clean up will save a lot of wear and tear on the city garbage trucks and police cars that must use the alleys frequently.

Did you know the legal Bingo games here have raised more than \$10,000 for the city?

Well, they have and the city is going to use that money to build a new City Hall.

The city enacted the two percent of gross tax last year.

A benefit auction will be held next Saturday to help pay medical expenses for a local youth in a coma.

Paul McCaulley of 710 Avondale is at Children's Hospital in Dallas.

Contributions for the auction are now being taken by the West Texas Auction Arena and cash contributions can be made to an account set up for him at the F & M Bank here.

Researcher believes efforts to change constitution are wrong

By Glen E. Thurow PRS, 1985
Glen E. Thurow is Associate Professor of Politics and Chairman of the Politics Department at the University of Dallas.

"Let us keep our Constitution up-to-date. Why should we be bound to the words of people who died a century or two ago? Democracy means that the living majorities of today should rule, not the dead hand of the past." These sentiments are today widely shared, even among Constitutional scholars and judges. And they have led to the opinion that judges should not follow the words and original intentions of the Constitution in deciding whether laws are constitutional, but should rather bring the Constitution up to date by reading into it contemporary understandings of proper democratic procedure.

The United States was the first nation in the history of the world to be founded upon a written constitution. Until recently, this has been a source of national pride. Before the American Revolution the constitution of a country was considered simply its customary, unwritten way of doing things. An unwritten constitution such as that possessed by England entails obedience to the prevailing customs of the country. Should customs change, the constitution changes.

In contrast, it is of the essence of a written constitution that it entails obedience to words written in the past, regardless of current customs or preferences. Although we may amend the Constitution, so long as the words continue unamended it is our duty to obey them. In denying that we should be bound to these words, scholars would have us interpret our written Constitution as though it were an unwritten constitution, changing as opinions and customs change.

Why should we be bound to the words of the Constitution written two centuries ago? There is both a superficial and a more fundamental answer to this question. The simple answer is that we of the present generation have the right to amend the Constitution. If we do not like it, we can change it.

Although it is difficult to amend the Constitution, it is in fact easier to amend it than it was for the first generation of Americans to establish it. Not only did it take a tremendous political struggle to create the Constitution, but even the formal requirements for ratification were much stricter than are the requirements for amendment. Then it took the unanimous consent of the state ratifying conventions to create a nation to thirteen states. Now the Constitution may be changed by a vote of only 3/4ths of the states. Were we as determined today to alter the Constitution as those alive in 1787 were to make it, we could easily do so.

But there is a more important reason why we should be bound to our 200-year-old Constitution. In speaking of democracy as though it were simply the rule of the majority, we forget the difference between this kind of democracy and constitutional democracy. The basic principle of constitutional democracy is the great principle of the Declaration of Independence: that "all men are created equal." This principle means that majorities have no more inherent right to rule minorities than minorities do to rule majorities. Every individual has an equal right to rule himself.

Consequently when a constitutional democratic government is established, the majority does not have the right to rule in its own behalf, but is merely the representative of everyone. In American democracy, the majority rules not because it has a right to pursue its own interests at the expense of others, but because it is thought the form of rule most consistent with man's natural equality and most likely to protect the equal rights of all. In a famous passage of his First Inaugural Address, Thomas Jefferson succinctly expressed this fundamental principle of constitutional democracy:

All, too, will bear in mind this sacred principle, that though the will of the majority is in all cases to prevail, that will, to be rightful, must be reasonable; that the minority possess their equal rights which equal laws must protect, and to violate which would be oppression.

It is in recognizing that rule by the people is not merely a right but also a duty that constitutional democracy becomes possible. In binding ourselves to a written constitution we recognize that

there are limits on what even a majority has the right to do. But because, and only because, these are limitations which we impose upon ourselves in solemn moments of constitution-making and which we design to be permanent, we do not become less self-

governing by having a constitution but more so. A people that stands by its deliberate and fundamental decision is self-governing; one which allows those decisions to fluctuate without solemn deliberation or to be altered by judicial decision has ceased to govern itself.



CONSUMER ALERT

by
Jim Mattox
Attorney General

Tenants Have Legal Right to Security

If you are a tenant or a landlord, you should be familiar with the laws governing the renting of residential property. Laws concerning safety of tenants are often quite specific in their requirements.

WHAT THE LAW SAYS

The landlord has an obligation to install the following security devices if requested to do so by the tenant:

- one interior window lock or latch per window;
- one pin lock that operates without a key for each sliding glass door;
- one deadbolt lock, operated from the outside by key and from the inside without a key, per exterior door, excluding sliding glass doors, screen doors and garage doors;
- one night latch per exterior door, except on sliding, screen and garage doors.

WHO PAYS FOR IT

If the tenant has a written lease, the landlord may require the request for security devices to be in writing. The landlord may decide how and where security devices are installed generally and may charge the tenant for the cost of installation. The landlord may not make a profit on the transaction.

In certain instances, the landlord must install the locks and latches without reimbursement from the tenant. For example, if the apartment has not had a window latch at all, the landlord must install one without charge. Likewise, if the apartment has had no deadbolt or doorknob lock during the time the tenant has lived in the apartment, the landlord may not charge for installation of the lock.

OTHER TENANT RIGHTS

A landlord must comply with a request to install the locks or change or re-key them within 15 days of receiving the request, except under certain circumstances such as illness or a death in the family.

In addition to the locks, each rental unit must have smoke detectors. The law prescribes the number and placement of the smoke detectors.

Tenants may not waive the right to have smoke detectors and locks installed as set forth in the law.

FOR MORE HELP

If you need more help or information on this or other consumer problems, contact your nearest Attorney General Consumer Protection Office (in Austin, Dallas, El Paso, Houston, Lubbock, McAllen and San Antonio). The Attorney General's Office is the people's law firm. We're here to help you.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: JULINA TERRELL KAY JEFFERSON TERRELL, GARY THAN TERRELL, TERRELL LYNN GALLMAN AND THE UNBORN CHILDREN AND DESCENDENTS OF TAMARA KAY TERRELL GALLMAN, Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock 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 9th day of December 1985, at or before ten o'clock A.M. before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Abilene, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, on the 23rd day of October A.D. 1985, in this cause, numbered 16,863-B on the docket of said court, and styled, TAMARA KAY TER-

RELL GALLMAN Plaintiff, vs. JULINA TERRELL, KY JEFFERSON TERRELL, GARY THAN TERRELL, TERRELL LYNN GALLMAN, and THE UNBORN CHILDREN AND DESCENDENTS OF TAMARA KAY TERRELL GALLMAN Defendant.

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: TAMARA KAY TERRELL GALLMAN are Plaintiffs and JULINA TERRELL, KY JEFFERSON TERRELL GALLMAN are Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of the suit is as follows, to wit: Plaintiff's Original Petition for reformation of deed, in that certain Mineral Deed from W.L. Meeks to Elmer J. Terrell dated December 18th, 1946 and duly recorded in Volume 351, Page 589 of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, to which deed reference is hereby made for all purposes of description; and SECOND TRACT: Being 40 acres, more or less, out of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 52, Block 19, T&P Ry. Co. lands, describe the interest transferred, and grant such further relief as in that certain Mineral Deed from W.L. Meeks to Elmer J. Terrell dated December 18th, 1946 and describe the interest transferred under the 351, Page 589 of the

following described property:

FIRST TRACT: Being the South 100 acres, more or less, out of the Southwest Quarter of Section 51, Block 19, T&P Ry. Co. Lands, Abstract No. 373 and described more fully as first tract in that certain Mineral Deed from W.L. Meeks to Elmer J. Terrell dated December 18th, 1946 and duly recorded in Volume 351, Page 589 of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, to which deed reference is hereby made for all purposes of description; and

SECOND TRACT: Being 40 acres, more or less, out of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 52, Block 19, T&P Ry. Co. lands, describe the interest transferred, and grant such further relief as in that certain Mineral Deed from W.L. Meeks to Elmer J. Terrell dated December 18th, 1946 and describe the interest transferred under the 351, Page 589 of the

Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, to which deed and the record thereof reference is hereby made for all purposes of description and grant such other relief as may be deemed just and equitable." 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 Seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 23rd day of October A.D. 1985.

Attest:
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Merkel police have anti-drug abuse film available

In a continuing effort to make churches, and parent groups, among today's youth. The combination of drugs, alcohol, and driving kills more young people each year than any other cause. STEERING STRAIGHT teaches young drivers the danger of driving under the influence.

The programs may be obtained through the Department's Community Relations Office and are available for showing, free of charge, to schools, civic clubs,

DRUGS OF ABUSE is an overview of America's drug problem, explaining the five classes of abused drugs, and the symptoms, and the paraphernalia associated with each.

It will be easier to determine if a youngster has been smoking marijuana after viewing MARIJUANA IN THE CLASSROOM, which is a look at the marijuana problem

For additional information, or to schedule a free showing of any of these films, contact, Chief Ray Pack, Merkel Police Department, 928-4766.

Trent takes on Paint Rock in 1985 finale

The Trent Gorillas played Christoval last Friday night, and although they weren't suppose to even come close to winning, they put up a valiant effort in finally losing 57-34.

The game was a hard fought battle throughout the first half with Christoval leading 28-27. Trent took the lead 34-28 mid-way through the third quarter before Christoval began moving and the

Trent offense stalled. With one minute left in the game and Christoval leading 49-34, Trent had the ball on the Christoval 10 yard line but threw an interception which was returned for a touchdown, thus ending Trent's hopes.

Offensive statistics were: Dock Carriker 3 of 8 passes for 18 yards and 1 interception, Billy Clark had 1 reception for 11 yards and a touchdown, Jason Massey had 3

carries for 14 yards, Sam Jones had 5 receptions for 70 yards and 1 touchdown, Chris Simpson had 7 carries for 24 yards and 8 receptions for 51 yards and 1 touchdown. Benjamin Beaver had 8 of 17 passes for 80 yards and 3 touchdowns. He also rushed 29 times for 158 yards and two touchdowns.

Trent will play Paint Rock this coming Friday at 7:00 p.m.

New vaccine recommended for children 18 to 24 months

A new vaccine, available only during the last six months, may help ease the minds of parents with young children, according to epidemiologists at the Texas Department of Health.

That parental peace of mind would be aided by the knowledge that their children are protected against an organism (Hemophilus type b) that causes more than 400 cases of meningitis in Texas each year. TDH epidemiologist Christie Reed said both public health experts and pediatricians are recommending that

children be vaccinated against Hemophilus type b at some point between 18 and 24 months of age.

"The protection that the vaccine provides is important for all children, but especially ones taken to day care facilities", Ms. Reed said. "Outbreaks of infection caused by Hemophilus type b have been reported in a number of states. We know that, in general, children in day care centers have a greater risk because large numbers of children are in close contact."

The most serious complications caused by this bacterium are meningitis, an inflammation of membranes surrounding the brain and narrowing the airway.

"Both of these complications can be quite serious," said Ms. Reed. "The child may not be able to breathe if the epiglottis, the tissue in the throat that prevents food from entering the lungs, becomes infected. Meningitis caused by Hemophilus type b has a ten percent mortality rate, and about one-third of all those who develop meningitis have substantial neurological problems later."

TDH physicians say Hemophilus type b is a greater risk for preschool children than it is for older youngsters and adults.

Parents interested in having their children vaccinated should contact their family doctor or a pediatrician. The vaccine has no known side effects except for a temporary redness and swelling at the injection site when administered.

Grazing pamphlet available through ASCS

Planned Grazing Systems is the subject of a new fact sheet published by the USDA Soil Conservation Service.

Ken Cash, district conservationist for SCS at Abilene said the publication outlines several kinds of graze-rest techniques that livestock producers are using to improve rangeland at little expense.

"A planned grazing system is a method of grazing and resting pastures in a planned sequence. Several kinds of systems are being used in the state and each kind has its own advantages and disadvantages."

"What is important is that they all work when carried out properly and they all improve rangeland. The key is to graze and rest all pastures in a planned sequence, especially during the growing season," Cash said.

He also said some of the more common types in use include a two-pasture, one herd system; a short duration system; a high intensity, low frequency system; and a cell grazing system.

Soil Conservation Service personnel assisting local conservation districts can help livestock producers work out planned grazing systems.

Single copies of Planned Grazing Systems can be obtained free from SCS offices in counties in the Big Country.

Cattle market looking good in Texas

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus and yes, cattlemen, the market finally seems to be turning around.

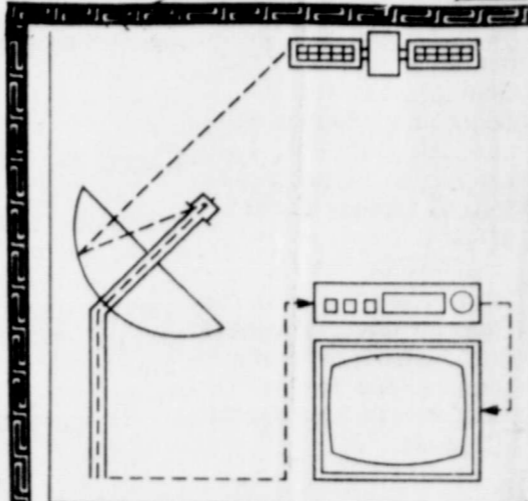
In the coming weeks, cattlemen may have another reason to feel a bit joyous other than the approaching holiday season.

Based on a variety of reports, cattle numbers are down and that trend should last into next year. The price recovery that began a few weeks ago should continue at least until the spring, says a Texas Agricultural Extension Service livestock marketing economist.

Dr. Ed Uvacek feels the latest cattle-on-feed report (covering 13 states) gives another "shot in the arm" to the cattle industry. "The number of cattle on feed has declined steadily in recent months and finally appears to be having an impact on market prices," Uvacek says.

October 1 figures show cattle and calves on feed down 12 percent, fed cattle marketings for July-September up 5 percent, other disappearance of animals during that same period down 25 percent, and expected fed cattle marketings for October-December down 4 percent.

"These figures suggest that the oversupply problems of the beef industry caused by larger marketings of overweight feedlot cattle are about over," Uvacek points out. "Even though slaughter weights are still running a little above a year ago, some feedlots are already selling some cattle that are not quite ready."



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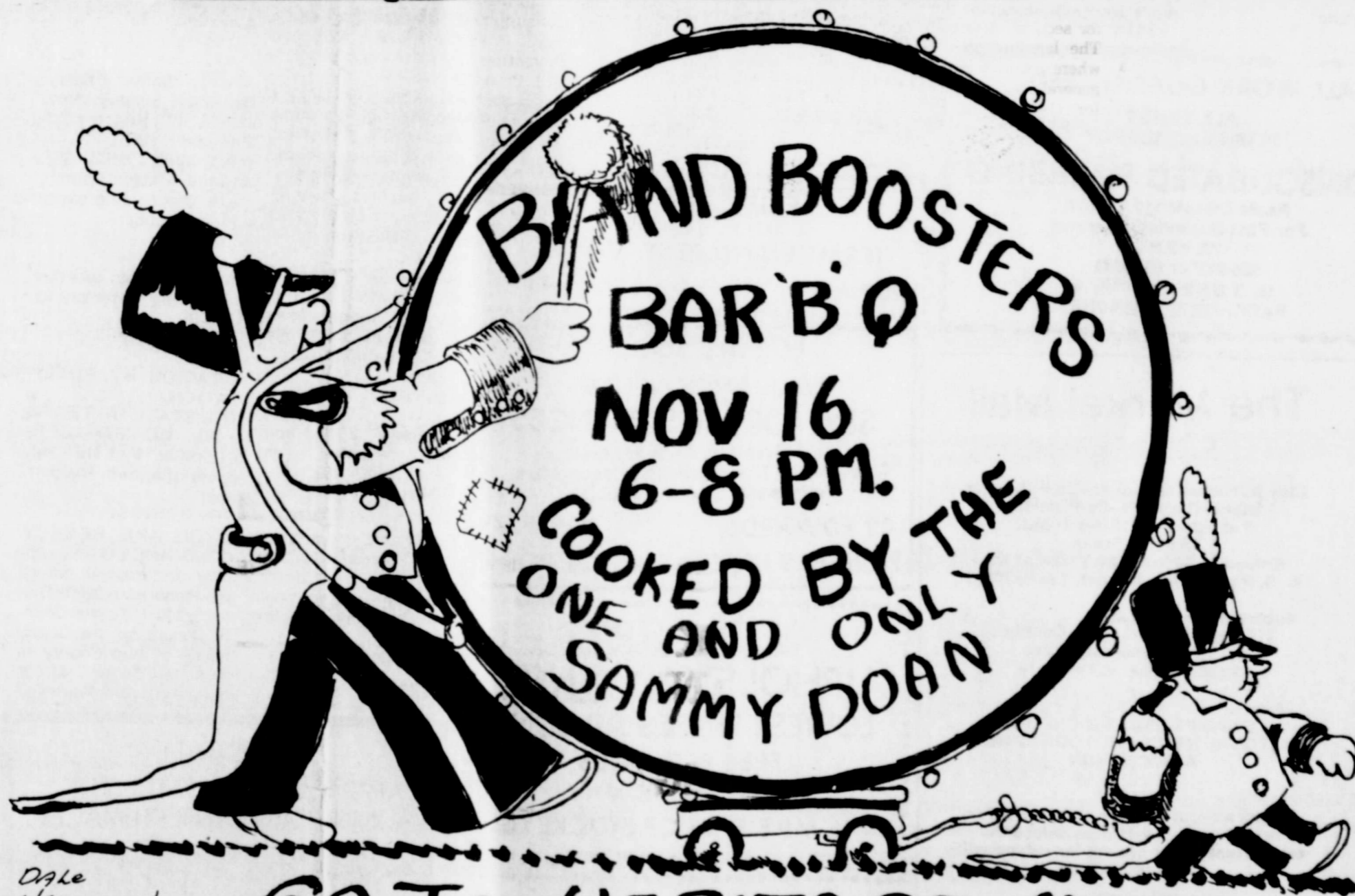
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For Sale: three lovely afghans, make lovely Christmas gifts, a few other knitted and crocheted items all for sale. Can be seen at 1507 Sunset.
136-2tc

Discovery Toys are here for your holiday shopping. High quality, educational games, books and toys designed to promote child development. Call 928-5393.
136-3tc

Forever Living Aloa Vera products are now available in Merkel. Call 928-5476.
136-3tnc

Pecans For Sale: This year in the shell \$1.00 lb. or shelled \$4.00 lb. Call 928-5782 or come by 1403 Herring Dr.
136-7tp

Buying Pecans, 50 cents lb. Berlie Wilson, 928-5211.
139-1tp

Used sucker rods, 3/4 inch by 25 feet, good for fencing, \$4 each. 928-4310.
139-1tnc

Choice Deer Hunting for day lease \$75 week days for party of three, \$100 for week-ends, special weekly rates, call 928-6335 at night.
139-TFC

MISC.

Registered child care, Monday - Friday, 5:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. Children 1-5 and after school. Balanced meals and snacks, fenced yard. Call 928-4030 or come by # 7 Pioneer Court. Drop-ins are welcomed.
135-4tc

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133-13tp

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137-TFC

Need Your Garden tilled up for the winter? Or maybe a load of Rabbit Manure to put on it. Buffalo Energy, 928-4827 1-9 p.m.
137-4tp

Babysitting: Evenings and weekends, Tammy Graham, 928-5744, 1108 N. 5th, TLC promised.
137-6tp

NEED man and wife team to deliver Dallas Morning News in Abilene on Saturdays and Sundays 928-4575. Need pickup or cargo van.
137-1tp

Lost Dogs available for adoption if not claimed. Very nice, male St. Bernard, Young male pointer, white with orange; Liver and white female pointer; mixed breed female, black with white. Merkel Vet Clinic 928-5235.

HELP WANTED NEEDED IMMEDIATELY Nurses Aides 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. Apply in person, Starr Nursing Home.
137-TFC

Granny's Den Now Open For All Your Christmas Shopping, hand made crafts and wood work. Come by and see us at 210 1/2 Runnels. (right behind Shell Station).
139-1tc

Want To Babysit your children, any hours, Call Bobbie Jacobs, 928-4019.
139-3tc

Lost Dog: Missing two weeks, young male, black and brown Basset Hound, Reward Offered.
139-1tc

Tutoring Service for elementary through middle school. Call Jill Casey 928-5393.
138-3tc

Electrical Work, new or rewiring, ceiling fans, reasonable rates. Quality work, no job too small, call anytime, 928-5795.
116-TFC

Germania Insurance Company; for your insurance needs. Locally represented by Donna Carter, 928-5348.
33-TFC

KID'S KORNER DAY CARE CENTER 2nd & Oak Open Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Call 928-4381.
66-1tc

Real Estate

Small tract Southside of Merkel (21 lots) excellent for building site. Also, in Bettis Heights Addition, 150 x 150. Call Cy Pee, Agent 928-5613.
129-TFC

Nice Doublewide mobile home for sale, cheap, \$12,000.00. Must sell soon! Unoccupied at this time, needs little work and must be moved, 928-4902
126-TFC

House For Sale: 2 bedroom, living room, dining room, kitchen, house is ready to move into. New paint inside and out price is right. Call Cy Pee, Agent 928-5613.
126-TFC

Mobil Home for Sale: good starter home, new carpeting, set up on lot, a tin shed and a wooden shed, porch, underpinned, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 2 window air conditioners. Call 928-5650 \$9,000.
120-TTC

For Sale: 2 bedroom, 1 bath trailer, 14X65, \$5,000 or \$2,500 equity and assume loan. (1 year remaining on note) Call 928-4539 after 1 p.m.
137-2tc

Over 2200 sq. ft. available on the edge of Country Club. Being completely redone and needs someone to steal it at this lowered price. Three br., 3 ba., formal living and dining—Call Debbie at 695-6106 or Dalzell Realtors 691-1300 for private showing and all the details.
111-TFC

Owner needs someone to love his big 3 br., 2 living area home on 9.96 acres. Detached garage for storage. Lease Purchase WELCOME SUPER HOUSE AND SUPER PRICE Call Dalzell Realtors 691-1300 and ask for Marion or Debbie or call 698-3431 or 695-6106. Dalzell Realtors, 3262 Chimney Rack, Abilene, Texas 79606, 691-1300.
137-4tc

ideal starter home, cute little 2 bedroom frame house, living room, bath remodeled kitchen with stove, big back yard, \$18,500 call 928-4426 after 5 p.m.
132-TFC

For Sale: "To settle estate", Duplex Apartment plus 3 car garage apt. 711 Yucca, See W.H. or H.J. Carson 928-5445 or 928-5231.
132-TFC

Exceptional bargain, 4 bedroom, 2 bath, double wide with central air and heat, 3 city corner lots, privacy fence, well, storage sheds and garden. Assumable 928-5425
138-TFC

For rent

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89-TFC

Lease with option to buy. 1 year old brick home on 1 acre FM 1235, Central heat and air, 2 bedrooms, double garage, all build-ins, \$475 per month. Appraised at \$53,000 Hooker Realtors 677-9145.
111-TFC

For Rent: 3 bedroom house, stove, refrigerator, washer and dryer, ceiling fans, fenced yard \$300 month, \$150 deposit, 928-5194.
134-TFC

For Rent: 2 bedroom rock house, stove, refrigerator, \$250 a month, \$150 deposit, 2 blocks from school. 928-5194.
134-TFC

1, 2 or 3 bedroom mobil home for rent in Merkel 928-4973.
27-TFC

For Rent: extra nice 2 bedroom mobile home, water furnished, on school bus line, near town. Call 692-9241 or 928-5416 after 6 p.m.
139-1tp

For Rent: 2 bedroom, unfurnished house, stove and refrigerator. Washer-dryer hook ups. Call 928-4533 after 12.
139-1tc

Large, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, kitchen, dining room and living room. Central heat and air, 4 ceiling fans, cook stove, side-by-side refrigerator, washer & dryer. Storm windows \$375 per month \$150. South edge of town on FM 1235, 928-5194.
128TFC

1 downstairs apartment left with 2 bedrooms, 3 ceiling fans, central heat & air, 1 bath, refrigerator, stove & dishwasher. \$275 per month \$150 deposit 928-5194.
128TFC

Available soon, large 2 bedroom, living room, dining room, kitchen, 1 bath & utility room. Ceiling fans, storm windows, carport, fenced yard \$335 per month \$150 deposit. 928-5194.
128TFC

Mobile Home Lots For Rent: 1st month free, west end of south 7th street, \$50 a month, Call 928-4973.
138-TFC

For Rent: 2 bedroom house, carpeted, real nice, call 928-5189.
139-1tp

For Rent: large house on 2 1/2 acres with barn and lot in Trent, 2 bedroom, dining room, call Thursday or Friday 862-6158.
139-1tc

Mobil home for lease with option to buy; 2 bedroom, 1 bath, completely furnished, one bedroom has a king sized bed, before 5 call 692-0702 after 5 call 928-4034.
107-TFC

Mobile Home Space for rent in Merkel, \$36 per month, Pat McAllister 846-4715 or 846-4696.
139-4tc

Card of Thanks

I would like to thank the many people who sent cards, flowers, and prayers to me while I was in the hospital. Your kind acts will not be forgotten.
Parilee Gibson.
139-1tp

Many words of thanks are due to the many friends who sent cards and called while I was in the V.A. Hospital in Kerrville. My wife, Gwen, and I appreciated all the thoughtful deeds expressed by all of our family, friends, and people of the community and the churches who asked for us to be remembered in their prayers. Thank you all for your sincere thoughtfulness.
Don Latimer
139-1tp

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, this 30th day of October, 1985.
Rilla Mahoney, Clerk,
326th District Court,
Taylor County, Texas
By Jo Ann Lackey,
Deputy.
137-4tc-87

Garage Sale: Thursday and Friday, power tools, appliances, green house East of Stuckey's.
139-1tc

Garage Sale: No. 7 Carson Circle, Saturday Only 8-12. Lots of nice things for all ages.
138-1tc

Garage Sale: Saturday south 2nd and Lois, weather permitting.
138-1tc

Garage Sale: Thursday-Saturday 8:30-5:00, 700 Avondale.
139-1tc

Moving Sale: Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Nov. 15, 16, 17, 1504 N. 1st, Bedroom suite, living room suite, desk, TV, antique table, hutch, trunk, tools, table saws, odds and ends.
139-1tp

Garage Sale: weather permitting, Saturday 100 Lois St.
139-1tp

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: OLIVER JEFFERSON PAYNE Address Unknown, Respondent:
GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas, at the Court-house 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 CHARLES EDWARD NAHOOKAIKA and O'LITA GENELE NAHOOKAIKA, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 10th day of September, 1985, against OLIVER JEFFERSON PAYNE, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 285-CX on the docket of said Court, and entitled, "In The Interest of JAMES JEFFERSON PAYNE, a Child", the nature of which suit is a request to terminate the Parental rights of Oliver Jefferson Payne from James Jefferson Payne and granting Adoption of James Jefferson Payne by Charles Edward Nahookaika. Said child was born the 18th day of January, 1975, in Freeport, Brazoria County, Texas.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.

If this citation is not 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.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
The Merkel ISD is interested in selling some lots in the Bettis Heights Addition and plan to take bids on these lots until Thursday, Nov. 14 3 p.m. Bids will be opened at the meeting of the board which will convene at 6:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 21. Any person interested in the location of these lots should make contact at the Superintendent's Office. The Board reserves the right to refuse all bids should the feel it necessary to do so.
138-1tc-22

PUBLIC NOTICE
Bids are being accepted for foundation and air-conditioning ONLY. Plans are located at Merkel ISD Administration Offices. Contact Mr. Hayden Reeves between: 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, for a period of two weeks from October 28 thru Nov. 11
138-1tc-12

PUBLIC NOTICE
The City of Merkel, Texas will receive sealed bids until 4:30 p.m. November 25, 1985, on the cleaning and removal of adjacent condemned buildings on certain alleys and vacant lots in the City of Merkel.

Alley and lot locations are involved work information will be available City Hall, 107 Lamar, Merkel, Texas.

The above described work will be done under the City's Code Enforcement Program and funded with Community Development Funds.

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PTO king and queen selected here

Merkel Elementary School had its Coronation, October 26. Nominees representing each class room earned the honor by being the highest salesperson from that class. The Princess and Prince were chosen from Kindergarten through Second grades, and the King and Queen were chosen from third through fifth grades. Winners were determined by the class

having the highest sales from Goalsetters fund raiser.

Winners are: Princess Lori Kay Volcko, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randall Volcko and Prince Monty Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Shawr Moore; Queen Linda Layer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Layer and King Michael Buckner son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Buckner.

Fortnightly group meets

The G.F.W.C. Fortnightly Study Club met Nov. 5 at Mrs. Randy Carson's with Mrs. Phillip Pursley as co-hostess. A short business session was presided over by Mrs. Ornel Hill, Club President. Mrs. Truett Patterson was welcomed as a new member. Mrs. Ray Wilson, chairman of the teaching and learning committee, gave a report on the progress they had made. Mrs. Comer Haynes introduced Angela Carson, who played several piano selections. Mrs. Allen King showed slides of her recent and very interesting trip to New

Zealand and Australia.

Present were Mmes: C. M. Brown, Randy Carson, S.C. Dixon, R.M. Ferguson, Mack Fisher, Comer Haynes, Ornel Hill, Buster Horton, Carl Hughes, James Jay, Allen King, C.B. Knight, Henry Martin, Burl McCoy, Billy Bob Neff, Truett Patterson, Phillip Pursley, Curtis Rister, Perry Rogers, Ed Sandusky, C.M. Seymore, Andy Shouse, Alf Walla, Ray Wilson, Misses Maurine White, Mary Collins, Mildred Hamm, and two guests, Angela Carson and Mrs. Frances Harn from Hurst, Texas.

Local group honors duo

Preceptor Eta Omega, Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, traveled to Abilene, Saturday to honor Louise Dubose and Yvonne Sadler at the Petroleum Club.

Louise Dubose received the Order of the Rose. This is an honor designed to express the gratitude and esteem of the chapter.

Louise was notable for her fidelity to the ideas of Beta Sigma Phi and her loyal devotion to the

organization.

To qualify for the Order of the Rose, a member must be presently active for fifteen years.

Yvonne Sadler received her Pledge for Ritual of Jewels. Yvonne is starting her first year in the Chapter.

Preceptor Eta Omega is proud of their two members. Congratulations to Louise Dubose and Yvonne Sadler.

Garden club plans Nov. 21 meeting

The Merkel Garden Club will meet Thursday, November 21st at 2:00 p.m. at the Starr Nursing Home. Members are to bring door

decorations for the residents rooms. The resident ladies are invited to participate in the decorating and join in refreshments.

Preceptor Eta Omega group meets

Preceptor Eta Omega, Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, met Tuesday at the home of Blanche Hewitt.

Committee reports were given by committee chairmen. A report on the Spaghetti Supper was given by Kathy Leverich.

The program was presented by Ann Wade, member of the Merkel Ambulance Service. Her program was on ways to give CPR when a person is choking. Demonstrations

were done on a adult manican and also on a baby.

Members were also shown how to read and take their blood pressure.

Refreshments were served to the following members: Jane Carson, Connie Ybarra, Betty Conley, Louise Dubose, Kathy Leverich, Mamie Steck, Yvonne Sadler, Betty Satterwhite, and special guest, Ann Wade.

MISD lunch menu

The Merkel School menu is as follows:

Thursday Nov. 14: Chicken tried steak with gravy, broccoli cuts, buttered corn, hot rolls, whipped jello.

Friday Nov. 15: Hot dogs, baked beans, cole slaw, sliced peaches.

Monday Nov. 18: Pizza, green beans, macaroni & tomato, applesauce cake.

Tuesday Nov. 19: Spaghetti, buttered corn, lettuce wedge with

choice of dressing, garlic bread, rosey pears.

Wednesday Nov. 20: Grill cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, slice bread, lemon pudding.

Thursday Nov. 21: Corn chip pie, pinto beans, cole slaw, peaches and cream.

Friday Nov. 22: Sloppy Joe, tater tots with catsup, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion, peanut butter cookie with almonds.

Middle school council officers

The M.M.S. has a new student council. There new officers under the direction of Ken Elliott are: Angela Carson President, Dusty

McLeod Vice President, Stephen Jacobs Secretary, Christi Moore Treasurer, Daniel West Reporter, Mi Hwa Chon Parliamentarian.

Local group hosts program

Preceptor Eta Omega cordially invites you to attend the program to be presented by Kathryn Cawley, Representative from

Lone Star Gas, to be held Tuesday November 19, 1985 at the R.E.A. at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served.



Linda Layer & Michael Buckner
Queen & King



Lori Volcko & Monty Moore
Princess & Prince

Shugart's set open house

An open house will be held Nov. 17 at the new home of Steve and Robbie Shugart.

Their new log home will be open from 2 until 4 p.m. The home is located on the Noodle Dome Road

Xi Nu holds recent meeting

Xi Nu Eta, Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, met in the home of Kathy Dacy on Nov. 5 for their regular meeting.

A program on Education was presented by Kathy Dacy.

Members present were: Kathy Dacy, Jana Nelson, Dee McCollum, Carol Portie, Marilyn Tittle and Cathy Pack. Guests present were Danna Dunagin and Daveine Holcomb.

The next meeting will be Dec. 6 in the home of Dee McCollum.

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MISD students perform well in math-science contest

On Saturday Nov. 9, Merkel Middle School and High School students participated in a UIL Science/Mathematics tournament in San Angelo. Merkel Students did very well. The following students placed in the contest at their grade level.

Number Sense: Ronna Casey 10th, Debbie Keller 10, De Ann Stevens 8th, Sandra Kotlik 4th, Steve Leverich 10th.

Science: Ronna Casey 6th, Sandra Kotlik 3rd, Danny Santee 4th, Shane Reagan 8th, Pam Neff 5th, Wade Toombs 8th, Toby Dupont 8th.

Mathematics: Ronna Casey 8th, Richard Powell 9th, Debbie Keller 2nd, Danny Santee 3rd, Shane Reagan 4th, DeAnn Stevens 6th, Steve Leverich 4th, Wade Toombs 4th, Chris Wright 7th.

Others who participated in the

contests were Shawn Miller, Mi Hwa Chon, Laurinda Powell, Twyla Wilburn, Anissa Jones, Sean Leamon, Robert Turner, Kenneth Fickle, Jennifer Hatley, Dianna Brown, Dayna Bentley, Phuong Thao Tran, and Diem Tran.

There were 23 schools participating. Some of the schools represented were Lubbock, Abilene, San Angelo, and Ft. Stockton. Merkel Middle School placed 3rd in Mathematics and 4th in Science. Merkel High School was 4th in Science and 6th in Mathematics. All of the students participating did an outstanding job. We are proud of our students. While other schools have difficulty getting students involved in mathematics and science, we have students that not only get involved, but also do well.

Soccer Badgers are 3rd

Congratulations are due to the Merkel Badgers U-8 Soccer team. The Badgers finished their season by earning a Third Place trophy in their league play with a 4-2-1 record. They also won a Second Place trophy in their interassociation tournament this past weekend with a 2-1 tournament record. The Merkel Badgers U-8 team included: Shawn West, William

Donaldson, Justin Goldsmith, Leslie Jacobs, Anthony Williamson, Billy Hefner, Candice Williamson, Jeffrey Jacobs, Crystal Beard, Robbie Stephens, Beki Stephens, Jeremy Daniels, Christi Massey, Heath Jones, Keith Jones and Randy DeLeon. The Badgers were coached by Sammi Donaldson and Dee Goldsmith and were backed by fantastic parents and fans.

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Check with your doctor about using medications to treat the flu or chicken pox. For children, in addition to acetaminophen, medications such as aspirin and aspirin containing products may not be a good idea. A rare but dangerous condition called Reye's syndrome has been reported in young people just as they appear to be recovering. Studies suggest a link between the development of Reye's syndrome and aspirin to treat the flu or chicken pox.

So, be kind to yourself when you've got the flu.



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APPLES 3 LB BAG \$1.09

CALIFORNIA
CAULIFLOWER 59¢

RED ROME
APPLES 3 LB BAG \$1.09

YELLOW
ONIONS LB 19¢

RUSSET
SPUDS 10 LB BAG \$1.29

CHOICE BEEF
CHUCK STEAK FAMILY PACK LEAN LB \$1.59

CHOICE BEEF
ARM ROAST LEAN POUND \$1.79

FRESH-LEAN-BONELESS
STEW MEAT CHUNKY POUND \$1.89

OSCAR MAYERS
FRANKS CHEESE BEEF OR ALL MEAT 16 OZ PKG \$1.69

OSCAR MAYER
BOLOGNA ALL BEEF OR MEAT 12 OZ \$1.35

LOUIS RICH-FROZEN
GROUND TURKEY \$1.09

PARADE
BACON NO. 1 LB \$1.85

FRESH FROZEN
FILLETS CATFISH 1 LB \$3.69

HORMEL
CHILI 10 OZ CAN 69¢

DETERGENT
CHEER KING BOX \$2.98

Q-TIPS
COTTON SWABS 300 COUNT \$1.98
BOX SAVE \$1.00

LIQUID
DOWN 22 OZ BOTTLE 98¢

CLEANSER
COMET 21 OZ CAN 59¢

SOFTNER
BOUNCE 40 CT BOX \$2.19

KLEENEX
TOWELS JUMBO ROLL 69¢

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