The Merkel Mail

Thursday, March 20, 1986 ... Merkel, Texas

Our 98th Year

Merkel without water Thursday



was discovered at 3:30 a.m. restored. Thursday morning by city em- § Merkel residents were advised

residents faced last § At least four city employees Thursday without water as a large worked until 6 p.m. Thursday state could declare the water leak in the main line from Abilene night when water service was

to boil water before drinking

I hursday through Monday, so the "safe."

§ School students were asked to bring their own drinking water

Staff photo



Merkel Chamber of Commerce's Citizen of The Year at the annual

Don Dudley was named the membership banquet held last Thursday at Heritage Hall. [Staff



WTU will refund fuel charges

West Texas Utilities Company's retail customers should see another decrease in their electric bills soon if the Public Utility Commission of Texas approves a request filed Monday in Austin.

WTU is asking permission to refund to customers a total of \$9.3 million in retail revenues collected in excess of actual fuel costs, and to lower its fuel charge rate. The total includes \$9,146,092 in actual fuel cost savings which have accumulated since the current fuel rate for WTU was set by the PUC last August, plus \$215,837

This would be the second time within a year for WTU to make a refund and to lower its fuel cost factor. Over \$16 million was refunded in August 1985.

If a reduction in its fuel rates, technically known as the Interim Quarterly Fixed Fuel Factor, is approved, WTU officials estimate the fuel cost charges to its customers will drop by 8.2 per cent during the three month quarter beginning in May.

The due amounts on customer bills include both fuel costs and base rates. Utility companies are fuel. WTU has had no change in its base rates since 1984.

Under WTU's proposal, all existing retail customers would receive refunds through one-time credits to their bills in the billing month of May, except for seasonal cotton gin customers, who would receive their refunds in Decem-

A typical residential customer would receive refunds of \$22. Glen D. Churchill, WTU presi-

dent and chief executive officer, said this refund, as well as the one made last year is necessary because of a softer fuel market and the fixed factor method of collecting for fuel costs.

The present method was ordered by the PUC after the Public Utility Regulatory Act was amended in 1983. Previously, an automatic fuel adjustment clause matched fuel billings to fuel expense each month. These immediate adjustments prevented over-recoveries and made refunds unnecessary

Churchill said WTU's fuel costs have declined two years in a row. "This reflects our successful efforts to purchase natural gas at

lower prices to the extent possible, and to take advantage of declining prices," he said.

'Also, we had substantial bene-

fits from lower fuel costs associated with power purchased over our system's high voltage direct current tie with Public Service Company of Oklahoma, which now has been in operation for a full Natural gas is the principal fuel

for all of WTU's eight major § Genevive King was named annual Chamber of Commerce power generating stations. In amounted to more than half of WTU's total operating costs, but have dropped from an all-time high of \$3.18 per million BTU in 1983 to \$2.55 in 1985.

Grace Presbyterian celebrating 100th anniversary Sunday

The Grace Presbyterian Church of Merkel will be celebrating its 100th anniversary on Sunday, March 23rd at the regular worship service at 11:00 a.m.

The church was organized as a Cumberland Presbyterian Church on January 3, 1886 by the Rev. A.A. Baker, who was the first pastor. At the time of organization there were eleven members, five of whom were members of Rev. Baker's family.

The small congregation met in the school house or the Baptist church until September, 1890 when they built a frame structure located at the corner of Ash and South Second Street. The campaign to build the present building was launched on Thanksgiving Day, 1915. The Rev. Hubert E. Bullock was the first minister to serve the new church (1914-1922). Rev. R.E. Walker served from 1927 until his death in May, 1940, the longest of any minister.

Rev. Robert D. Christian, a retired Air Force Chaplin, became the present minister on the first Sunday in March of 1981.



Over a hundred special invitations have been sent to former members and a dinner for all members and tormer members anniversary on March 23, 1986 at will be held at Heritage Hall after 11:00 a.m. the morning worship service. The

public is invited to join the membership in worship and celebration of the church's 100th

Thanks for getting the water back on, Easter Eggs, more

by Cloy A. Richards

We all owe a few people a big pat on the back for their efforts in getting the city water back on after a large leak drained the merce Banquet was held Thursmain line from here to Abilene.

and brought back a lot of Genevive King was named Womemories to others (memories they'd just as soon forget).

The leak was discovered at 3:30 a.m. Thursday as city employees were walking the line looking for the location of the leak. The hole shifting earth) was about the size and Thursday's at Heritage Hall. of a football.

The water was turned back on

Thursday around 6 p.m. Merkel school students had their advised to bring their own drinking water Friday because the state could not "vouch for the

safety" of the water until Monday. The city employees should be

commended for their long hours and patience in explaining the situation over the telephone.

The annual Chamber of Comday night and Don Dudley was It was a new experience to some named Citizen of The Year and man of the Year

Mrs. King was honored for her raising two boys alone following the death of her husband, and for more recently devoting long hours for the Senior Citizens Nutritional in the pipe (probably caused by Program held here on Tuesday's

Mr. Dudley, Precinct 2's County Commissioner was honored for his long time service to the community at various fund raising second day off last week and were events and for his efforts as Precinct 2 Commissioner

Congratulations are in order for Don and Genevive.

Food Store Monday morning that caused slight damage.

After Health Department Inspectors looked over water damaged cans, some inventory was removed.

Mozetta said things were pretty much back in order Tuesday

The annual Easter Egg hunt, sponsored by the Merkel Chamber of Commerce, will be held Saturday, March 29th at 10 a.m. at the new city park.

Three age divisions of children will be seperated by streamers as they hunt eggs. Prize eggs will be hidden and children finding those eggs will be rewarded with special

The chamber sponsors the annual event that is open to all A small fire broke out at Handy children in the area

chapters of Bet Sigma Phi at the photo]

Woman of The Year by three local Banquet Thursday night. [Staff recent years, fuel costs have

USDA surplus commodity distribution planned here April 12th

A surplus food commodity distribution will be held here April

The periodical food distributions are held as the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) provides food items to people who meet income guide-

of whether they have been eligible

People wishing to apply may do so between now and April 4th.

This time, people interested in Hall each weekday and at the receiving the surplus commodities Senior Citizens Nutritional Prowill have to re-apply, regardless gram held at Heritage Hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Volunteer labor is in charge of the distribution. People wanting to help with the distribution process Applications are available at City can get in touch with J. A. Sadler at 928-4911.

Winners, contestants named from Lambda Beta beauty pageant



§ These are the divisional winners Ashlei Sipe, Kayla Tarpley [back of Lambda Beta's Annual Beauty Yow Michelle Ingram, Amber Pageant held Saturday night at Whisenhunt - Miss Merkel 1986. the Merkel School Auditorium, Amanda Meyers, Aimee Roberson Divisional winners included [front and Michael Seaton is the young

row from left] Mandy Kilpatrick, man. [Complimentary photo] The annual Miss Merkel & Little Veterinary Clinic, Kari Verner-

Bank, Steven Deitz- Circle A

Girls 3rd fhru 5th: Trisha Louise

ne Electric, Karly Byers- Dr. Don

Lady Love, Marijke Holmes-

ja's Beauty Salon, Shana Nicole

The Merkel School menu is as

Monday March 24: Burritos

Tuesday March 25: chicken

Wednesday March 26: beef

Thursday March 27: Pizza,

Friday March 28: Easter holi-

buttered corn, broccoli with

cheese, jello with mixed fruit.

*PARENTS'S SIGNATURE

follows:

Boys K thru 3rd:

Mr. Merkel Pageant was held on Merkel Drug Company, Didi Lynn Saturday, March 15. Bonnie and Young-Fit & Firm, Stephanie Rae Rudy of KEAN Radio in Abilene Young-Tran Clinic. were co-hosts of the pageant. There were 89 entries, making the Anthony Arellano- Pleasantville judges's decision very difficult. Apartments, Nathan Byers- Far-The list of winners and their mer's & Merchants National

Girls Preschool: Tied for 1st Western Wear, Justin Goldsmithplace was Ashlei Sipe- Sonya's Taylor Electric Co-Op, Cody Beauty Salon and Kayla Anne Minze- Ann's Flowers, Craig Tarpley- Farmers and Merchants Mullins- Home State Bank, John National Bank; Tied for 2nd place Myers- Higginbotham- Bartlett, was Erin Holmes- Merkel Locker Derrick Schafer- Amerine Mecha-Plant and Miranda K. Riggan- nical Riggan & Riggan Construction; 3rd Place was Cortnee Lou Alexander- Raymond's Tye Tex-Hamner- Something Special Gift aco, Melisa Clarissa Biera- Brau-

Boys Preschool: 1st place Mich- Roberts, Shayla Carter-Germania ael Thomas Webb- P&L Auto, 2nd Farm Mutual, Mandy Christian-Place Tony Neil Young- Merkel Gerald Rutledge, Robin Renee Restaurant & Motel, 3rd Place Cochran- Merritt Trucking Co., Shawn Brian Williamson- Handy Inc., Tittany Hill- Dolores Adair-

Girls Kindergarten thru 2nd Childress Bail Bond, Sharae Ou-Grade: 1st Place Bandi Kilpatrick stad- West Texas Welders Supply, J.H. Strain & Son, 2nd Place Amy Lori Ann Pirraglia- H.W. Lemons. Jo Pack-McAninch Transport, 3rd Inc., Kathryn J. Rister- Carson's Place Brandi Gray- Shannonside Supermarket Cne' Seymore- Son-

Boys Kindergarten thru 3rd Seymore- Beauty Shack, Trina Grade: 1st Place Michael Seaton- Tittle-Marilyn Tittle Bookkeeping Barnett Barber Shop, 2nd Place MISD lunch menu Casey Roberson- Hammond Insurance, 3rd Place Monty Moore-Watts Dirt Construction.

Girls 3rd thru 5th Grade: 1st Place tied Amanda LeeAnn Myers with cheese stick, spanish rice, Bragg's Department Store, Aimee lettuce wedge, applesauce cake. Jo Roberson- Hi Val Farm and Home Supply, 2nd Place Shelly fried steak, cream gravy, whipped Seymore-Farmers and Merchants potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, National Bank, 3rd Place Angle sliced peaches. Nault- Duane Shugart Motors.

Girls 6th thru 8th Grade: 1st stew, potatoes, onion, carrots, Place Michelle Leigh Ingram- veg. salad, corn bread, blushing Joe's Boots, 3 way tie for 3rd pears. Place Shelly Green- Independent American Savings, Jennifer Hatley- Cody's Western Wear, Christi

Minze- Ann's Flowers. Miss Merkel 1986 1st Place day, No School. Amber Renee Whisenhunt- A&A *** Travel Center, 2nd Place Pam Neff- Prestige Homes & Properties, 3rd Place Candice Henslee-Perry Ann's Beauty Nook

Other contestants and their

sponsors are as follows: Girls Preschool: Kaci Bland-Cal-Tex Feedyard, Amanda Lynn Bowen- Griffin Diesel Service, Mandy Brenem, Consolidated Plumbing, Traci Lee Burfiend-Rite-Way Plumbing, Rebecca Sue Cochran- Taylor Telephone, Cortney Dubose Dubose Texaco, Katherine Elliott- D & T Automotive, Leticia Flores- Udil's Fina, Jenna Helmer- Blair Water-Supply, Crystal Danielle Hester- L & W Snack Bar, Christie Holmes-Starbuck Company, Brandi Rena Ingram- Palmer Motor Company, Ashlea Parker Riggan-Billy Clark C.P.A., Chastity Savage- Big Country Cablevision, Brandy Verner- Cunningham's Quick Stop, Allison Walton- Country Etc., Brina Whisenhunt- Whisenhunt Grain and Feed.

Boys Preschool: Kenneth Andrew Bauer- Wylie Truck Terminal, Brent Kilpatrick- TJ&T Tire Company, Justin Knight- Farmers & Merchants National Bank, Colby Tyler Watts- Buffalo Ener-

Girls K thru 2nd: Brandy Casper-Hicks Auto, Angela Renee regory. Seymore Insurance, semra Jo Helmer- Newco Services, Brandi Hicks- West Texas Utilities, Shelli Renee Leamon-Merkel Mail, Stacey Long- Pat's Beauty Shop, Katle Loper- Dunagin Transport, Beth McClintockarmers & Merchan : "ational Charlotte Williams- Merkel Brick

Girls 6th thru 8th: Debra Garcia- Ranger Plant Construction Company, Veronica Keller-Robin's Jewelry.

Girls 9th thru 12th: Traci Lynn Russell- Independent American Savings, Jeannie Russel- Cody's Western Wear, Dee Ann Benefield Jack South Grain, Ronna Casey-

Misti Lea Vaughn- Billy Clark C.P.A., April Lynn Dupont- Kid's

Miss Merkel of 1986 will be furnished with the following prizes: \$50 Savings Bond and necklace from Lambda Beta, Heart shaped locket from Wilson's Jewelry, \$20 gift certificate from Ben Franklin Store, a new car to ride in for parades from Max Murrell Chevrolet, one free hair cut from Pat's Beauty Shop. Ladies Timex watch

from Carson's Supermarket, \$15 the following: The Merkel School.

from the Big Country Inn. that supported the pageant. A ford, Richard Rogers and Paul special thank-you goes to each of Rogers.

gift certificate from Bragg's Bonnie & Rudy, KEAN Radio, The Department, and dinner for two Merkel Mail, Snappy Photo, Ann's Flowers, Cody's Western Wear. Once again it is time to express West Texas Welder's Supply, our gratitude to all the people that Shelle Doan, Miss Merkel 1985, make the pageant possible. We Shelly Key, Ranger Plant Conwant to thank all of the sponsors, struction, Our Judges: Janice the contestants, and each of you phillips, Kala Key, Teresa Craw-

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REGISTRATION FEES FOR ALL THREE LEAGUES WILL BE \$15.00 PER BOY UNLESS THERE IS TWO IN A FAMILY THEN THE FEE WILL BE \$25.00. THE T-SHIRTS AND THE T-BALL NEED TO *STATE SIZE OF SHIRT THEY NEED AT THE BOTTOM OF THE REGISTRATION FORM.

ALL RECISTRATION FORMS MUST BE SIGNED BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN. SHOULD YOU HAVE

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all legal responsibilities.

I understand that proof of age will be furnished, as required by UGSA, to make the girl eligible to play. This will be no later than the opening game of the season. I understand that failure to return the uniform issued to my child will result in the purchase of the uniform at current replacement prices. Signed:

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In case of emergency, I/We hereby authorize emergency treatment and/or care and if I/We cannot be reached, please contact

If you wish a family doctor contacted in case of emergency, list doctor's name DATE:

Little League, girls softball set

registration March 22&29

Registrations will be held for 3281 at night Merkel Little League and United Girls Softball March 22 and 29 Another session will be held at the last week same time and location March 29.

UGSA SOFTBALL

into four divisions. In Division 1, all boys 8 and 9 and boys 10-12 not girls must be 7 before Sept. 1; in "drafted" by Little League teams. Division 2, girls must be 10 before Sept. 1; in Division 3, girls must to boys 10, 11 & 12. be 13 before Sept. 1 and in Division

The registration fee will be \$20. That pays for the \$4 national registration fee, \$10 for the formation, contact Terry Wade, purchase of a t-Shirt & Cap and \$6 Gary Parker or Cindy Sipe in for insurance.

The association is also asking that all parents either volunteer for work at the concession stand or pay a \$3 fee for a replacement

For more information, contact Mamie Steck at 928-5581 or Billy this season. Clark, 928-5663 daytime and 846-

LITTLE LEAGUE

Follwing a meeting Sunday, from 9 a.m. until noon at the WTU changes were made to age Building on Edwards Street here. groupings announced in The Mail

This year, the league is starting a T-Ball division for ages 6 & 7 Girls softball is broken down The T-Shirt league will consist of

The Little League will be open

The first round of tryouts will be 4, girls , ust be 16 before Sept. 1. held April 10 at 7 p.m. at the Merkel Little League field.

For additional registration in-

Editor's Note. Regsitration forms for both leagues are elsewhere in this edition of The Mail. School students will also receive forms. Tye residents were added to Western Little League

Jr. High at C-City track

Merkel's 7th and 8th grade boys meter purules. participated in the Lone Wolf Relays at Colorado City last were: Robert Frazier 3rd in 3200 during the past two weeks, during weekend. The 8th grade finished meter run and 3rd in the 1600 testing by Big Country Cable- Channel is available by calling the 6th with 21 points. The 7th grade meter run; Devin Ely 7th in the vision placed 3rd with 116 points. Snyder 800 meter run; Charles Benefield a 4A school took 1st place in both 6th in 110 meter hurdles and 4th in until midnight each day. The expected in the near future. divisions.

were: Jeremy Judge 6th in shot put with a throw of 37 feet; David and 3rd in the 300 meter hurdles; Thomas 5th in shot put with a throw of 38 feet; Chance Ferguson in discuss and 1st in the 200 meter 3rd in high jump with a jump of dash; Sean Leaman 1st in high Tournament on April 19 to help 5'4"; Steven Ross tied for 3rd in pole vault with a 8' vault and 3rd in the mile with a time of 5 minutes 36 seconds; the 400 relay team of Kyle Doan, Kevin Roberts Chance Ferguson and B.J. Wiles Pack was 2nd behind Snyder; the placed 5th; the mile relay team of Kevin Roberts, Chip Townsend, B.J. Wiles and Gary Tilley placed 5th with a time of 4.16; Phillip

400 meter dash; Mathew Davis The 8th grade boys who placed was 6th in the 100 meter dash; Cody Sutterfield 7th in long jump John Boswell 4th in shot put, 2nd jump with a jump of 5'2", 1st in with expenses for the little girls. long jump with a jump of 15'91/2' and a 1st in the 400 meter dash; Contact Becky Holmes at 548-2575 the 400 meter relay of Davis, to enter your team and for more Boswell, Leaman and Destry mile relay of Davis, Boswell, Leaman and Benefield was 1st with a time of 4:16.

Merkel will be at McMurry against a field of 17 teams.

Mr. & Mrs. Nolan Palmer

Local cable ads Disney

Merkel now has the Disney follows a set schedule during the Channel available.

The 7th grade boys who placed "discovered" the channel on cable nights and on weekends.

The network is on from 5 a.m. No further channel changes are

The United Girls Softball Association is sponsoring a Coed The entry fee is \$90 per team.

Big Country Cablevision of Disney network pretty much daytime on weekdays, and runs Some cable customers have movies and classic movies at

Information about the Disney local cable office at 928-4750.

UGSA sets softball tourney

There is also a workday scheduled to get the fields in condition for the season to start. The workday is scheduled for Saturday, April 12 at 8:00. All parents and coaches are urged to attend and help get the fields in good

Russom retires from Exxon

Seymore placed 6th in the 110 Saturday and will compete pany, U.S.A., recently observed Mexico. Production field assignhis 30 year service anniversary, ments followed in the Eunice area He is assigned as Senior Electri- and in 1964 he transferred to cal Technician in the Midkiff area, Midkiff, Midland District, Southwest Rocky Mountain Division.

In 1956, he joined the Company T.H. Russom, with Exxon Com- as a Roustabout in Hobbs, New

His hometown is Merkel. Mr and Mrs. Russom make their home in Midland

Palmer's celebrate 50 years

Nolan and Ann Palmer will be

Children of the couple, Mrs. 39 years. Ronny (Pat) Leveridge of Mercer The Palmers are members of Palmer of Abilene will host the grandchildren

celebration

He was born Jan. 10, 1915, at honored Sunday, March 23, with a Edgewood. Mrs. Palmer was born reception from 2 until 4 p.m. at Oct. 15, 1916 at Medina. They met First Baptist Church in obser- in Merkel and were married there vance of their 50th wedding March 19, 1936. Palmer has owned and operated Palmer Pontiac for

Island, Wash., and Ronald G. First Baptist Church and have 5

There will be a Supporter's Rally for Don Dudley, Taylor **County Commissioner** for Precinct 2., on Friday, March 21, 1986 at 7 p.m. at the Taylor Electric Building, 1610 North 1st, Merkel. If you are interested in helping re-elect Don Dudley to a second term as county commissionerplease come. Your attendance and support will be appreciated

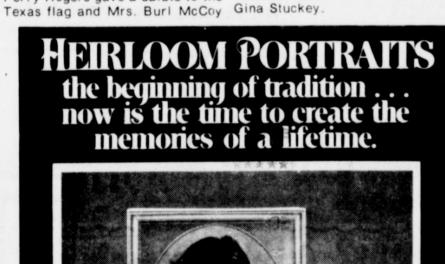
Political Ad paid for by Don Dudley Campaign, Coy Tate, Treasurer

Fortnightly club holds meeting

S.C. Dixon were co-hostesses for yarns. the Merkel G.F.W.C. Study Club

played a medley of Texas song. Mrs. Perry Rogers and Mrs. Volunteers told some good Texas

Present which met March 11 in the Home Brown, Randy Carson, S.C. Dixon, of Mrs. Rogers. Mrs. Orvel Hill R.M. Ferguson, Mack Fisher, called the meeting to order and J.W. Hammond, Comer Haynes, Mrs. Comer Haynes presented the Orvel Hill, Buster Horton, Carl program, "Texas Heritage". Mrs. Hughes, James Jay, Allen King, Mack Fisher told about The C.B. Knight, Joe Lassiter, Henry Treaty Oak in Austin and Mrs. Martin, Burl McCoy, Billy Bob Randy Carson discussed San Neff, Truett Patterson, Phillip Jacinto Stands Tall. Faces frozen Pursley, Curtis Rister, Perry in stone and life on the prairie Rogers, Ed Sandusky, C.M. Seywere discussed by Mildred Hamm more, Andy Shouse, Howard and Mrs. S.C. Dixon. Mrs. Curtis Sliger, Alf Walla, Ray Wilson, Rister showed slides of scenes in Misses Mildred Hamm, Mary Austin and San Antonio. Mrs. Collins, Maurine White and two Perry Rogers gave a Salute to the visitors Misses Pam Neff and





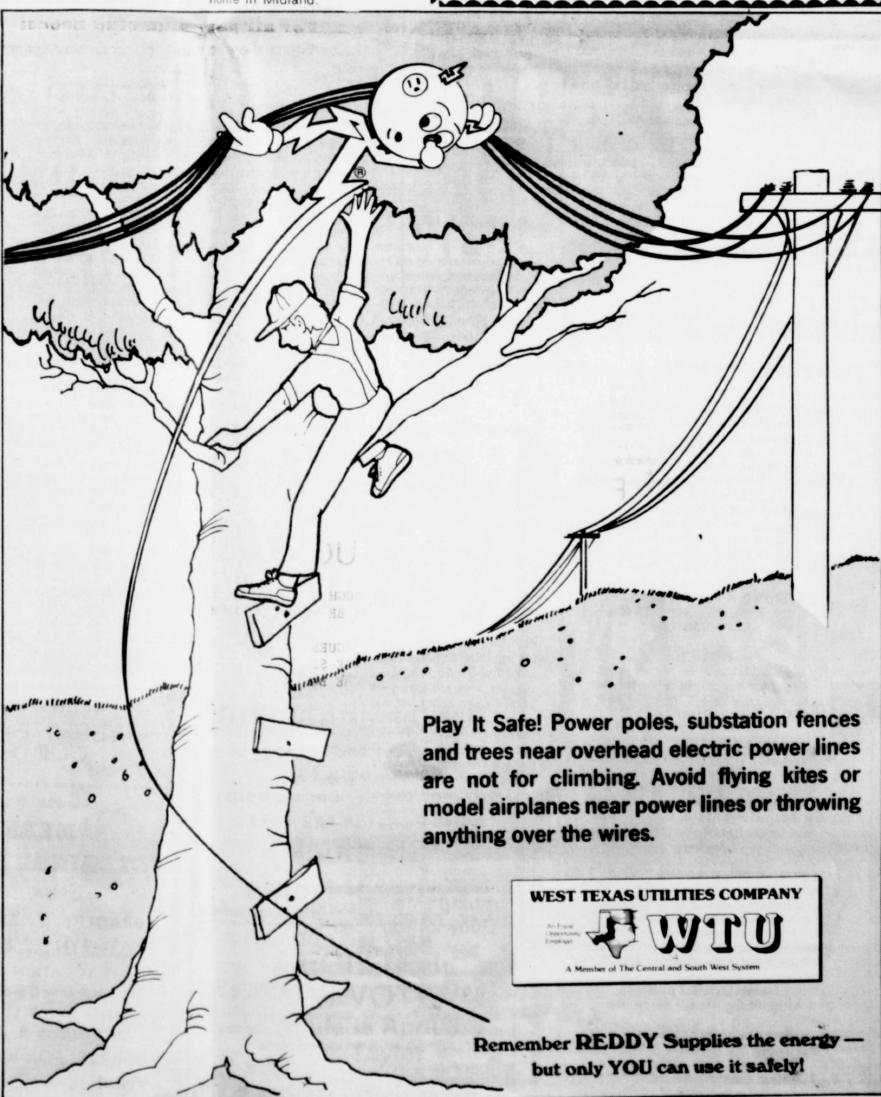
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152-5tc

For Sale: 2 used refrigerators; mini bike frame; 2 go-carts; 2 rebuilt 5 hp engines; 2 rebuilt 3 hp engines; small riding mower; boys 20" bicycle. Call 928-4394.

156-1tc

For Sale: 1979 Fiberglass bass boat. 85 hp motor, drive on trailer. Call F & M National Bank 928-4728. 156-TFC

For Sale: 1909 Ford 4 door. Frank Brnovak 846-4351

156-3tp

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155-2tc

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155-2tp

Found: 2 yellow male dogs, one short and one long-haired. One small brown male dog. Young female cow dog cross. Female pekignese cross. All available for adoption if not claimed. Merkel Veterinary Clinic 928-5235.

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the thoughtfulness of everyone for their pray- returned unserved. ers, visits, cards and flowers. All this meant so much to us during Hollis' stay in the hospital and at home. It is so good to know we are loved and-though of by so many friends. Please continue to pray for us. Hollis & Ethel Mitchell

Thank You for the kind and thoughtful expressions of sympathy expressed to us in our loss of my Mother, Ruth McHugh. We appreciate so much your prayers, the delicious food, the lovely flowers and the comforting cards. We thank God for each of you and for his peace which passeth all understanding.

Jill and James Boyd And Family 156-1tnc

We are truly grateful to the good friends who did so much for us during our recent stay in the hospital. May we take this means of saying thank you for the many comforting experssions of your friendship and affection. G. W. & Faye Hughes

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE STATE OF TEXAS To: RICKEY WALKER ADDRESS UNKNOWN. Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby cominanded 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 14th day of April 1986, at or before ten o'clock A.M. before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Abilene, Tex-

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, on the 1st day of February A.D. 1984, in this cause numbered 38-638-A on the docket of said court, and styled SECURITY STATE BANK Plaintiff, vs. RICKEY WALKER Defendant.

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: SECURITY STATE BANK are Plaintiffs and RICKEY WALKER are defen-

the nature of this suit is

A brief statement of

as follows, to wit: Plaintiff requests judgment in the sum of \$3,354.77, plus attorney's fees in the amount of \$750.00, making a total of \$4,104.77, for costs of suit and for other relief, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety Words cannot express days after the date of its issuance, it shall be

> The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs. Issued and given un-

der my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 26th day of February A.D. 1986.

Attest: Rilla Mahoney, District Clerk, 350th Dist. Court Taylor County, Texas. By Patricia Henderson Deputy. 154-3tc-78

PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: John Wayne Gilliam, Address Unknown, Respondent:

CITATION BY

GREETINGS: +YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County in Abilene, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of Sharon Ann Halstead, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 28th day of February, 1986, against John

Wayne Gilliam, Respondent, and said being numbered 10,005-C on to the docket of said Court. Interest of Jennifer Katie Gilliam & Jessica * Ann Gilliam, a Child". the nature of which suit is a request that the. Court determine what parent-child relationship exists between the children and any other persons, that same be terminated, that David Eugene Halstead be granted a decree of adoption of such children, and that any other relief requested be gi-

Said child was born the 7th day of May, 1976 (Jennifer Katie Gilliam) said child was born the 29th day of November, 1977 (Jessica Ann Gilliam)

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgement 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

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this the 6th day of March, 1986. Rilla Mahoney, District

Clerk, 326th District Court, Taylor County Texas by Rita Moore Deputy 155-88-1tc

For Sale: The City of Tye, Texas has the following for sale: A 1973 Oldsmobile

High Top ambulance. Has stretcher, vacuum suction unit, storage space and all emergency lighting. Vehicle has 49,370 miles and is in very good condition. Minimum bid \$1,000.

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cepted in the office of the city secretary 205 North Street, P. O. Box 145, Tye. Texas 79563 until 3 p.m. March 14, 1986. Bids will be publically opened and read aloud at the regularly scheduled city council meeting March 18, 1986 at 7 p.m. at 205 North at the Tye Municipal Building, Tye, Texas. The city reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to accept the bid considered most adventageous to the City of

Jo Moore City Secretary THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: IRENE PORTLOCK ADDRESS UNKNOWN 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 14th day of April 1986, at or before ten o'clock A.M. before the Honorable 350th District Court of Taylor County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Abilene, Tex-

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, on the 23rd day of Jan. A.D. 1985, in this cause, numbered 526-D on the docket of said court, and styled security state bank Plaintiff, vs. IRENE

PORTLOCK Defendant. The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: SECURITY STATE BANK are Plaintiffs and IRENE PORTLOCK are Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Plaintiff requests that judgment against the defendant for the sum of \$3,493.00, exemplary damages in the sum of \$1,000.00 costs of suits and such other and further relief, both general and special to which the 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 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 26th day of Feb. A.D. 1986. Attest:

Rilla Mahoney, District Clerk. 350th District Court. Taylor County, Texas By Patricia Henderson, 154-3tc-81

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Home State donates champ's saddle



Patricia Boyd-Gorbett [left], Bank, show the saddle the Trent Terrell Jennings of Home State Abilene. [Staff photo]

President of the West Texas Bank will present to the winner of Barrell Racer's Association and this weekend's Futurity Race in

Ladies auxillary meets

World War I met Tuesday, March well, Mrs. Harvell, Mrs. Renfro, 11 for a covered dish luncheon. Ruth Cox, Lorene Beaird, Mrs. They were 10 present: Mabel Ferguson. We miss the ones that McRee, Mr. and Mrs. Dent weren't there.

The Ladies Auxiliary Veterans Gibson, Bell Hartley, Jewell Cris-

The winner of the West Texas Barrell Futurity will take home a saddle being presented by Home State Bank in Trent, according to West Texas Barrell Racer's Association President Patricia Boyd-Gorbett.

The race will be held March 21-23 at the Horse Barn at the Taylor County Expo Center.

Terrell Jennings, president of Home State Bank said "We are happy to be involved with this event." It is the third year the bank has presented a saddle to the

The race will be the second largest of its kind in the nation. The top 15 professional and amatuer riders are expected to compete for more than \$50,000 in

prizes Contestants will be in Abilene from 16 states and Canada. The professional division results will count toward qualifying for the

national finals. A preview party will start things off Friday night. The audience will get a chance to meet the horses and riders. Runs will start Saturday at 9 a.m. with the Futurity starting at 4 p.m. and the open division starting at 8 p.m. Sunday's activities start with an 8: 30 a.m. church service, with the 2nd go round starting at 9:30 a.m. and the finals start at 3 p.m.

No admission will be charged and the event is open to the public.

The event will provide horse fans a chance to get a look at the best riders in the country, according to Mrs. Gorbett.

The race is being sponsored by the WTBRA. Last year, the association paid out over \$100,000 in winnings. About 350 entrants are expected.

The WTBRA will also be sponsoring weekly races in June at the Merkel Riding Association's Arena. Mrs. Gorbett called that arena the best in the area.

WTU sets local cooking school

West Texas Utilities will host a Microwave Cooking School on Monday, March 31, 1986 at 7:00 p.m. in the Heritage Hall. The Electric Living Consultants from Abilene will demonstrate exciting new recipes of meats, vegetables. and desserts using the Amana Radarange and Frigidaire Microwave. Save yourself time and energy when cooking and cleaning by learning new techniques using the most convenient kitchen appliance, the microwave oven. Microwaves not only save electrical energy, but help you have a cooler kitchen during those airconditioning months. Come join us for free instruction and tasting of the foods. Call the WTU Local Office at 928-5122 to make your reservations.

Beta Sigma Phi meets

Beta Sigma Phi's branch chapter Xi Nu Chi held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday, March 11, 1986 at Pleasantville Center. Special guest, Patrolman Michael Pippins of the Merkel Police Department, presented the program on Drug Awareness. He showed three slide films titled "Steering Straight", "Drug of Abuse", and Marijuana in the Classroom". Proceeding each film viewed a question and answer session was noted.

Cookies and soft drinks were served to members and their families attending: Mary Hill, Richard Hill, Austin Hill, Judy Elliott, Connie Harris, Robert Harris, Kris Harris, Donna Lang, Sha Lang, Nancy Johnson, James Johnson, Phillip Johnson, Sue Johnson, Nancy Duncan and Spencer Duncan.

Tittle's announce

arrival of daughter

Mr. and Mrs. Monty Tittle would like to proudly announce the arrival of their newly adopted 5 month old daughter, Whitney Breck. Whitney arrived from the Methodist Home in Waco, February 28, 1986 and is the granddaughter of Wanda Tittle, Mr. and Mrs. Don Latimer, and Mr. and

Mrs. Neely Tittle. Whitney and her parents were honored March 7 with a champagne toast in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Dunnagin. Baby showers held in her honor were given by friends and employees of F & M National Bank March 8 in the home of Mrs. Don Whisenhunt and by friends and Beta Sigma Phi sorority sisters March 17 in Whitney's new home at 114 Country Club.

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§ Joe McDuff [left] and Sammy Banquet. Doan again prepared the barbe- § Judging by the prices the precinct 2 County Commissioner. cued brisket and red beans for the "leftover" briskets brought and Doan is owner of A & A Travel annual Chamber of Commerce the pace they were sold, they Center here.

is a farmer-rancher and retired

Staff photo

performed their task well. McDuff Farm program deadline is April 11

11 to sign up for the various crops, participation in the farm marginal, depending on whether commodity programs administer- program was found to be highly yields per planted acre increase ed by the U.S. Department of profitable compared to nonparti- when moving to a lower level of Agriculture. Because the pro- cipation," Lippke points out. grams are complex, the Texas Returns to participation for they can make knowledgeable plains. decisions.

his particular situation," says dryland production in the Rolling Lawrence Lippke, Extension eco- Plains to more than \$150 per acre aspects so as to help them with down the various parts of the margins indicate that the level of programs as they apply to deficiency payment could be mind the \$50,000 limit on governdifferent crops. With these deci- reduced substantially without af-, ment payments, and they also sion-making aids, farmers can get fecting the decision of whether or need to look at the government's

economists have analyzed four the same region. major production areas in Texas Two other issues of concern for the major program commodi- relate to whether to participate in the commodity programs are ties, cotton, feed grains and the optional diversion portion of becoming available on almost a wheat. Consideration was given to the wheat program or whether to daily basis, so producers should deficiency payments, the acreage reduce planted acreage to a level check with their local ASCS reduction program, and planting a lower than permitted acreage on offices before reaching a final non-program crop on acres taken any of the commodities. "The decision on participation, suggests out of production

Texas farmers have until April "In all analyses involving these in either of these options is

Agricultural Extension Service is sorghum ranged from \$39 per acre ence the decision to plant less than lending a hand in helping farmers in the Coastal Bend to almost \$90 permitted acres is the return a interpret the programs so that per acre in the northern High producer might receive from a

For cotton, the advantage of a 'The many facets of the farmer taking part in the governprograms make it tough for a ment program exceeded nonparti- all particulars of the various ch, 1986. farmer to decide what is best in cipation by almost \$69 per acre for government programs, we have A Sugar Maple, Weeping Willow rage tree planting. nomist. "We've tried to break in the Coastal Bend. These wide their decisions," notes Lippke. a better handle on what to do'. not to participate, says Lippke.

can get copies of worksheets and participation exceeded those to highly erodible cropland out of other aids at county Extension nonparticipation by some \$15 per production for 10 years. The offices or from Extension econo- acre for dryland production in the sign-up period for the first year northern High Plains to \$87 per has been completed, but addition-To assist farmers, Extension acre for irrigated production in all acres will be accepted into the

decision of farmers to participate the economists.

planting," Lippke points out

Another factor which may influreduced acreage.

tried to sort out some of the main Red Oak, Green Ash, Thornless To become a member of the March 31, 1986. "They need to continue to keep in new Conservation Reserve Pro-According to Lippke, farmers Regarding wheat, returns to gram, a five-year effort to take

Details about implementation of

program in the coming years."

+WHEREAS, on the 24th day of January. 1986, Robertson Oil Company recovered in the 42nd District Court of Taylor County, a judgement against Leo Leibowitz Trust for the sum of \$8,819.60 (includes attorney's fees) with interest thereon from the 24th day of January, 1986, at the legal rate; and.

WHEREAS, the said judegement is a foreclosure of a Mechanic's Lien on the following described property, to-

BEING a 6.25 per cent working interest in an Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease known as the Griffin C-1 Lease, Lease no 09112, located in Taylor County, Texas on the following described property, to-wit:

The West 125 acres of the East 250 acres of the South 500 acres of the West 2000 acres in the Hood County School Land Survey 94, Taylor County, Texas.

WHEREAS, on the 24th day of February, 1986. Rilla Mahoney, Clerk of the 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas, issued an Order of Sale commanding the Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas to proceeu to seize and sell the above described pro-

perty as under execution, and that the Sheriff apply the proceeds to the payment and satisfaction of said sum of \$8,819.60, together with the interest due thereon. and all costs of suit.

THEREFORE, I, Sheriff John Middleton will hereby sell at the courthouse door on the 6th day of May, 1986, be-tween the nours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. the above described proper-

Respectfully Submitted John Middleton Sheriff of Taylor County 155-69-3tc

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: LUCY NAYDEN. MELVIN NAYDEN, O. ELLIS. LUCILLE ANKENY FAHRING, J. W. SCHULER, FRAN-CES LAUGHLIN, O. E. SALLBANSEN, MAR-TIN WAGNER, CHAR-LESH. BOGGETT, HE-LENE RUNYON, THO-MAS J. RUNYON, H. DOUGLAS, DAVID JAMES. MRS. G. H JOHNSON' SARAH HA-ZEL WIRE, GUY G BENYON, EVERETT RAY RUST and CECIL LEA RUST KINCAN-NON and their unknown heirs at law and devisees, who are alive or deceased. Residences Unknown, Defendant's Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10 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 28th day of April, 1986, at or before 10 o'clock A.M. before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Abilene, Te-

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said Court, on the 10th day of March, A.D. 1986, in this cause, numbered 39,746-A on the docket of said court, and styled FRED SHELTON, III, SPUR OIL, INC., FRED SHE-LTON' FRAN SHEL TON' WATTS WEBB. TERRY PRICHARD. ERNIE PRICHARD, MRS. ERNIE PRI-CHARD' SHERYL A OVERMAN, BILL WELLS and URBAN ENDRED are Plaintiff's and LUCY NAYDEN, MELVIN NAYDEN, O.

L. ELLIS, LUCILLE

ANKENY FAHRING, J.

W. SCHULER, FRAN-

CES LAUGHLIN, Indi-

vidually and as Inde-

pendent Exucutrix of

the Estate of C. R. Laughlin, Deceased, O. E. Sallbanses, Martin Wagner, Charles H. Boggett, Helene Runyon, Thomas J. Runyon, H. Douglas, David James, Mrs. G. H. Johnson, Individually and as Independent Executrix of the Estate of G. H. Johnson, Deceased, Sarah Hazel Wire, Guy G. Benyon, Everett Ray Rust and Cecil Rust Kincannon, Defendants.

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

ers of oil and gas leases covering an undivided 98.665456 per cent of the oil, gas and other minerals in and to the following described property situated in Taylor County, Texas, to-wit:

BEING the Southeast quarter (SE / 4) of Section 233, Block 64, H&TC Railway Company Survey, Taylor County, Te-

Defendants claim or own an undivided 1.334544 per cent of the oil, gas and mineral interest in the above described land and have not paid taxes on the respective mineral in- to: CINDIE LOU KIRterests in said lands and BIE. have not rendered the same for taxes at any time within Five years

successively preceeding

the filing of this suit.

Plaintiffs request the Court to appoint the District Clerk of Taylor County, and her successors in office, as Receiver under the provisions of Article 2320b of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended, for the purpose of executing and delivering an oil, gas and mineral lease covering the mineral interest owned or claimed by the Defendants in above described lands, and said lease is to contain such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Court, and for costs of suit and general relief, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on

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 10th day of March, A.D. 1986.

Attest: Rilla Mahoney Plaintiffs are the own- Clerk, 4nd District Court Taylor County, Texas B JoAnn Lackey Deputy 156-166-4tc

> NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESATET OF DEWEY L. MOFFETT.

DECEASED NOTICE is hereby given that Original Letters of Testamentary for the Estate of DE-WEY L. MOFFETT. Deceased, were issued on March 10, 1986, in Docket No. 17,027, pending in the County Court of Taylor County, Texas.

The residence of the Independent Executrix is in Tarrant County, Texas. The address is 1104 Patrick, Crowley, Texas 76036.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner as prescribed by law. DATED this the 10th day of March, 1986. Respectfully submitted

WHITTEN HAAG HACKER, HAGIN & CUTBIRTH P. O. Box 208 Abilene, Texas 79604

(915) 672-7824 By Laura Lee Price State Bar No 16300600 ATTORNEYSFOR APPLICANT CINDY LOU KIRBIE 156-46-1tc

Services held for Ollie Fox

Services for Ollie Fletcher Fox, Starbuck Funeral Home. were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at after a long illness. Jones officiating. Burial was in Church.

Rose Hill Cemetery, directed by Survivors include his wife, grandchildren.

Edith Thompson Fox of Merkel; a 84, retired automobile mechanic, He died Sunday at his home daughter, Euvalda Walker of San Antonio; two sisters, Vaniecia First Baptist Church with the He was born in Davis, Okla, He Kimble of Amarillo and Elvira Revs. Wayne Keller and Kenneth was a member of the First Baptist Carson of Wichita Falls; five grandchildren; and five great

Hewitt's services held here Tuesday

Sunday at a local nursing home. Home. Larry White officiating. Burial First Baptist Church.

was in Rose Hill Cemetery Survivors include his wife,

Roy Allen Hewitt, 81, died directed by Starbuck Funeral kel; two sons, Lawrence Hewitt of Services were held at 4 p.m. He was born in Commerce. He bud; a daughter, Marie (Mrs. Tuesday at First Baptist Church was a retired Continental Tele- Larry) White of Stephenville; a with the Revs. Wayne Keller and phone lineman and a deacon at the sister, Mrs. Alfred Lyday of Merkel; seven grandchildren; and seven great grandchildren.

Lambert's services held in Tuscola

Wednesday at Tuscola Baptist retired farmer, and widower. Ladner officiating.

died Tuesday, after a brief illness Winters, Ovalo and Merkel. He Twetine of Clovis, N.M., a sister, at Hendricks Hospital in Abilene. was a resident here in Starr Myrtle McKinney of McKinney, Services were held at 3 p.m. Nursing Home. He was a Baptist, two brothers, Jessie of Durant,

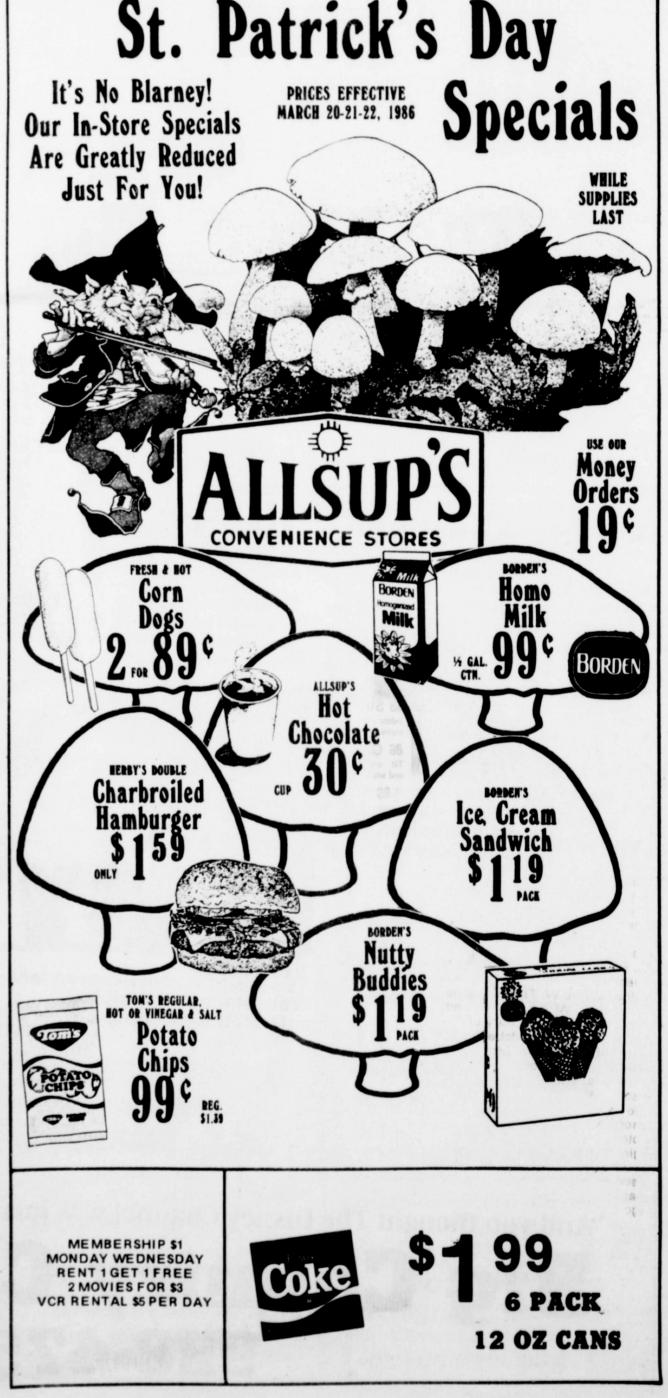
Cemetery with the Rev. Don Bill Lambert of Merkel, Ray of Potosi, John of Marietta, Olka, grandchildren; several step child-Born in Sulphur Springs, Okla., deceased; two daughters, Elsie ren and step grandchildren and

William (Will) Lambert, 94, he was a former resident of Lewis, of Fayetteville, Arkl, Mae Okla. and Bolin of Ardmore, Church. Burial was in Tuscola Survivors include three sons, Okla.; 12 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren; 2 great great

step great grandchildren. Arbour Day group has low cost trees

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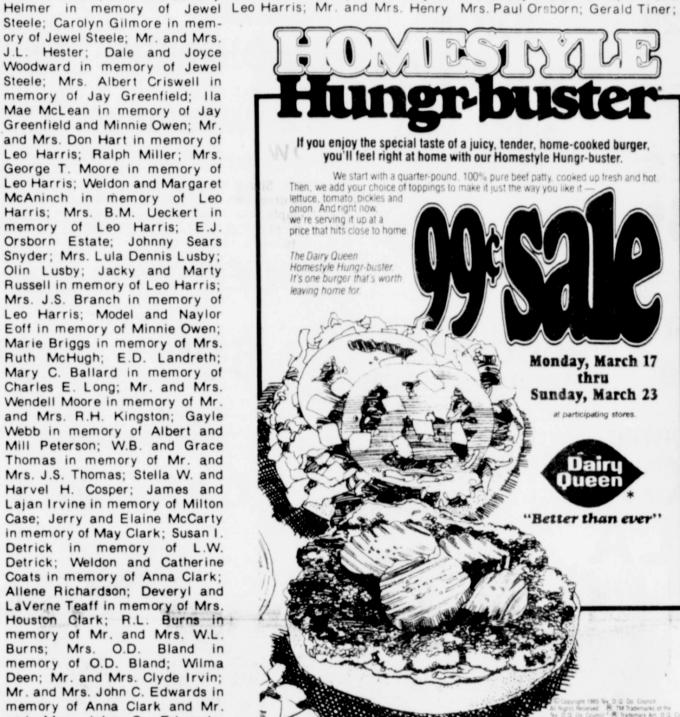
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