

New Council Members Sworn In Thursday

Two new members, Jerry Byrd and Jimmy Atkinson, and one incumbent member, Pete Morgan, were sworn in as city council members Thursday, April 11 at the regular meeting of the council. After the swearing in ceremony administered by City Secretary Roy Kimbrell, Atkinson was given charge of the Water and Sewer Department while Byrd was assigned responsibility for the Street Department. Morgan has been overseeing the Fire Department, and will continue to do so. Darrell Farmer will continue over the Sanitary Landfill and Vernon Wade over the Police Department.

Before canvassing the returns of the election, Fred Starbuck appeared before the council asking that the council repeal ordinance 192 which deals with Civil Defense. He asked the Council to approve another ordinance as the old one was outdated. The council agreed and approved the new ordinance.

After canvassing the vote and swearing in the new members, the council was told by Mayor Allen that the law required that notice of council meetings be posted 48 hours prior to meeting time. He said that the council will meet every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month from now on.

The Council decided to split the duties of Robert Harris who has been over all the public works for the city. The council decided that more and better efficiency could be gained by giving Harris help with his many duties. The council, while electing that Harris was doing a good job, gave Robert Moreno the responsibility for the Street and Sanitary Landfill operations. He is to coordinate the work force to see that all duties of the departments are carried out.

Other matters before the council included: - City Secretary Roy Kimbrell told the council that a proposed budget was ready.

Lions To Sell Brooms Thurs.

Members of the Merkel Lions Club will hold its annual broom and mop sale April 19. Members of the club will go from house to house to sell brooms, mops, brushes, ironing board covers, towels, dish cloths, and many other top quality household items.

The articles are all manufactured by blind workers in the Lighthouses for the Blind which are located throughout the state of Texas. Every household can use some type of household cleaning aids and every item sold helps some blind person to help himself.

Mark Fisher, president of the Lions Club, encouraged residents to purchase the different items as the proceeds of the sale will go to send some physically handicapped child to Lions Camp at Kerrville, Texas.

Each year the Lions Club sponsors a camp for handicapped children at Kerrville. Anyone knowing of a deserving handicapped child is urged to contact the club. All expenses will be paid by the Club.

The Caravan Truck will be located at West Texas Utilities.

New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Ross of Abilene announced the arrival of a baby girl, Teresa Denise, born April 2. She weighed 6 lbs. 2 1/2 ozs. They have a son, Steven, age 3 years.

Paternal grandparents are Mrs. June Lambert of Merkel and Mr. Cecil Ross of Abilene.

for their study. Copies were given to the members. Action is to be taken on the budget Thursday, April 18.

- Mayor Lou David Allen told the council that he had been working with a city manager in another city on budgetary matters. He said that he hoped to have a plan to put in effect that will keep all council members abreast of the City's financial position at all times.

- Was told by Police Chief Jim Broussard that the City had had 4 complaints filed on persons with trashy lots. A letter will be sent to the owners by Mayor Allen giving them 10 days to clean up their property. If the property owners do not comply, the City can do the work and charge the owners and they are subject to a fine. Some of the property has old ice boxes on it and the safety hazard was mentioned.

- Discussed the fine structure for the city of Merkel. A list of comparable towns and the amount they charge for traffic violations was shown to the council. The council agreed that Merkel was too low and ask Councilman Wade and Chief Broussard to look into the matter.

- Approved a request that the city dig the trench and connect the pipe connecting Brickhaven Housing to water wells. The housing project will use the wells to water their lawns. Robert Harris told the Council the project would cost the City about \$207.

- Heard a report from Robert Harris that the line had been moved to the other side of the railroad track. He said that it cost the City \$1,500 for the project. A private contractor done the job.

- Approved a franchise agreement with Continental Telephone of Texas. The franchise ordinance is to run for 25 years.

- Was told by City Secretary Roy Kimbrell that the city's Sales Tax check amounted to \$4,100. He also told the council that the revenue sharing check was \$8,948.

Members present were Jimmy Atkinson, Jerry Byrd, Mayor Allen, Darrell Farmer, Pete Morgan and Vernon Wade.

Chamber of Commerce Chairmen Announced

The Chamber of Commerce met Tuesday, April 9. They went through the report on the Chamber Banquet. The banquet was termed a success.

The park was discussed. As soon as the weather starts warm, the park will be plowed and reseeded. There are plans to get picnic tables and barbecue pits and maybe tennis courts also.

The budget for the coming year was approved.

Summer Recreation was discussed with a fund raising drive to be sometime in May, since they are no longer a part of Community Fund. The date will be announced later.

The date for the Chamber meetings was changed from the 2nd Tuesday of the month to the 1st Tuesday for the rest of the summer months.

Various committees were reappointed:

- Agriculture - Don Dudley
- Banquet - Joe Lassiter
- Budget and Finance - Betty Jane Tittle
- City Beautification - Blanche Hewitt
- Christmas Parade and Special Events - Truett Thompson
- Education - Travis Davis
- Membership - Bobby DuBose
- Industry - Bill Button
- Publicity - Steve Lanham
- Retail Development and Promotions - George Starbuck
- Recreation - Bill Tate
- A Library Fund Raising Drive was planned for July.



WITH COACH BULLINGTON--Pictured above are the award winners at the All-Sports Banquet. From left to right, Junior Ascencio, Best Lineman; Jim Land, Best Back; ACC Coach Bullington, Nancy Fudge, Best Girl Track; Cindy Whisenunt, Best Girl Basketball; Robert Morgan, Best Boy Basketball; Larry Toliver and Jeff Cox, Best Boys Track (tie); and Bill Watts, Most Conscious Award.

Booster Club Award Winners Named at All-Sports Banquet

Abilene Christian College Coach Wally Bullington told the Merkel All Sports Banquet that he was not afraid to talk about winning because "if you become a winner, it means the athlete will try to better him or herself."

Merkel High Principal Travis Davis told the audience that a total of 96 students were participating in athletics. He presented the Booster Club Awards.

- Award Winners were: Best Back - Jim Land
- Best Lineman - Junior Ascencio
- Most Conscious Award - Bill Watts
- Best Boy Basketball - Robert Morgan
- Best Boys Track (tie) - Jeff Cox and Larry Toliver
- Best Girl Basketball - Cindy Whisenunt

Best Girl Track - Nancy Fudge

Speaking to a large crowd, Bullington told the Merkel athlete honorees that he had six things he wanted to talk to them about. The first was about winning. Second, he said that a true athlete should be willing to lay it on the line for the team. Bullington went on to say that this is a very difficult thing to do in both sports and life. He related an experience when he was coaching at Abilene High School. He told the audience that his team was playing arch-rival San Angelo at San Angelo. At half-time, the Abilene team was behind 14-0. He said he didn't know what to say to his team, but told them that if they tried during the last half they could still play a good game. A fullback on the team got up and told his teammates that he didn't want to just play a good game, "I want to win." Bullington said that these words by one member of the team inspired the other boys to win. The Abilene team won the contest. He admonished the Merkel athletes not to "minimize what you can do as an individual."

Thirdly, he said, "don't be afraid of failure." He explained that some people won't do anything because of the fear of failure. He drew a laugh from the audience when he said that the statement by Bobby Long might be applicable here, "I never

got beat in my life... the clock has ran out when we were behind a few times, but I never got beat." Long said.

The fourth point Bullington made was "Don't Quit!" He told the gathering that when it seems you can go no more, just keep trying. Fifth point he talked about was having a game plan. "What is your game plan?" Athletes should have a game plan not only for sports but for life he said.

The sixth and last point was follow through. "A winner is one who has follow through in life. Follow through is putting into action what is right. And follow through with gratitude for the fine parents and the good athletic program you have here is most important," Bullington concluded.

Master of Ceremonies Larry White introduced the head table, followed by the welcome address by Booster Club President Finley Barnett.

The Merkel Coach introduced the members of the Football, Basketball, Track Team, Girls Basketball Team, Volleyball Team, Girls Track Team, Golf Team and the Tennis Team.

Coach Paul Woodfin recognized several people who he said "are necessary for a successful athletic program." Among those recognized were the Band, Twirlers, Ida Mae Strickland, Cheerleaders, and the newly elected Cheerleaders.



FOOTBALL AWARDS--Winning the Booster Club Trophies at the All-Sports Banquet Monday were, L. R. Bill Watts, Most Conscious, Junior Ascencio, Best Lineman, and Jim Land, Best Back.

Taylor Electric Meet Is Thursday, April 18

The 33rd Annual Meeting of the Membership of Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc. will be held at the Cooperative Annex in Merkel on Thursday, April 18, as announced by Manager Don Hart.

Registration will begin at 9 a.m. and at 9:30, L. C. Agnew and his Western Band of Baird will entertain with western music and song. About 75 electrical gifts will be given away during the day. A barbecue lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. by Mack Eplen's Catering Service of Abilene.

Jr. High Girls Capture Junior Conference Title

The Merkel Jr. High Girls placed first in the Jr. Conference Track Meet held here Tuesday, April 9, 1974.

"It came down to the last event, the 1320 Relay to decide the winner of the meet. Our girls beat Jim Ned thus winning the track meet by one point over Jim Ned. It was a great effort," said Coach Russell.

1320 RELAY--1. Cathy Holloway, Kandi Ascencio, Kelly Magee, Ronny Trull, 3:30.4. 60 YD. DASH - 1. Beth Phipps, 8.1; 5. Jeanette Robinson, 5.8.

880 RELAY - 2. (Gayle Reed, Christy Fudge, Kathryn Irvin, Beth Phipps) 2:05.6. 100 YD. DASH - 2. Pam Morgan, 12.8; 3. Kathryn Irvin, 12.9.

220 YD. DASH - 2. Beth Phipps, 28.8; 3. Ronny Trull, 29.4; 5. Gayle Reed, 30.5.

Jr. Badgers Win Junior Conference Track Meet

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At 1 p.m. the business session will begin with reports given by officers, directors and committees.

Directors whose terms expire are Ray Orsborn, Mulberry Canyon; Tommie Johnson, Opalin and R. C. (Sonn) Watts, Jr., Hylton.

Nominations by the Committee of Nominations, pursuant to the By-Laws are Zone I - Borden Perkins Mulberry Canyon

Zone II - Frank Chrane Dudley

Zone III - Wiley Moore Nolan

In reviewing the year of 1973 for Taylor Electric Cooperative, Hart said, "The progress and work has been exciting and interesting. It has been challenging with the shortages of material, in crease costs, scarcity of fuel and limited source of funds."

Hart said prices for supplies and materials to build lines, to add the necessary equipment, and to provide expanded services continue to rise. Manufacturer's prices compared to last year were up sharply, and we are told that these prices will continue to increase along with the present inflationary trend and the growth building activity.

"Even more alarming than the increased cost is the fact that these essential items are all in extremely short supply," he said.

"These are just a few of the many problems facing Taylor Electric Cooperative in the future. Rather than the problems, let us call them challenges and more opportunities. One thing is sure we are committed to providing you with the best and most economical service available. Our needs demand our very best efforts. The continued help of an understanding and informed membership is appreciated," Hart said.

Farmers Union Meet April 18

The Farmers Union will have a meeting Thursday, April 18 at 8 p.m. at the Asteroid Restaurant. All members are urged to attend.

Annual Beauty Pageant Is Saturday

Lambda Beta Sigma Phi's Annual Beauty Pageant Saturday, April 20, at the high school auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

Master of ceremonies will be Larry White. Rehearsals will be Friday at 7 p.m. at the auditorium. Theme for this year is "Alice in Wonderland". Mrs. Phil Seymore is chairman of the stage decorating committee.

Trophies will be awarded to all 3 winners in each division which are Pre-School, Primary, Elementary, Jr. High and High School. Trophies are on display at Bullocks Hardware.

Darla Mawson is in charge of registration, and Mrs. Larry Teaff is chairman of securing the sponsors.

Tolar Branon will make a color packet for those interested. Judges will come from Abilene Beta Sigma Phi City Council of which Merkel is part of.

Last year's winners will award the trophies. Girls and sponsors will be listed next week. A coke party was held Monday at the Methodist Church Fellowship for the Jr. and High School girls entered in the Beauty Pageant.

Clark, Craig Jones, Billy Bol Neff and Darla Mawson.

If there is any business or person, wishing to sponsor a girl and have not turned in their name, please call Marie White, 928-5113. The fee to sponsor a girl is \$5.00.



GOING TO REGIONAL - Six members of the Merkel Badger Track team will leave Thursday for the Regional Track Meet at Lubbock. They are, 1st row, Steve West, Jeff Cox, Back row, Larry Toliver, Darrel Bunch, Derrell Riggins, and Doug Hutchins. Their coach is Larry Jones.



GRASS GROWN ON TEST PLOTS—Texas Department of Agriculture agronomist Don Ator looks over one of many grass varieties on 51 test plots at the TDA laboratory in Giddings. One variety is Eastern Gama, a favorite of cattle.

Cows Mooing Over Eastern Gama

Cows can't resist eating Eastern Gama, the ice cream of grasses.

That's the reason Eastern Gama is seldom found on rangelands. Cattle and other ruminants like it so well that they have practically eaten it out of existence, says Agriculture Commissioner John C. White.

One place it can be found however, is at Texas Department of Agriculture's 85-acre "farm" at Giddings. It is one of the 51 kinds of grasses growing there under the tender care of Agronomists Don Ator, R.S. Gowan and Bert H. Johnson.

TDA specialist found some Eastern Gama, a native grass that has the formal monicker of "Tripsacum dactyloides," growing beside a road within a few miles of the Seed Lab which TDA opened at Giddings in 1971, and promptly transplanted some of it to the farm.

It has done well, protected and cared for as it is.

Eastern Gama is seldom found in pastures, says Agronomist Harry Forbes, because it is liked so well by cattle that they eat it out of existence, if they are not restricted in their grazing.

Forbes says he has heard that there is a ranch or two in the Houston area that grows Eastern Gama as one of the grasses in a pasture rotation program.

The "ice cream" grass at Giddings is wide leaved, but other strains may be found over the United States, growing in such protected places as road rights-of-way.

When allowed to do so, it will grow to a height of six or seven feet, and it grows in bunches. It seeds, but its seeds are difficult to collect. Therefore, roots are the best way to propagate Eastern Gama.

It likes wet climates, does not respond as well to fertilizer as do some introduced grasses, and it does well in deeper and tighter soils.

Certified Seed Directory Now Available

AUSTIN—When a farmer buys a sack of planting seed, he has his entire crop and year's income at stake.

To help farmers select seeds, Agriculture Commissioner John C. White has announced the publication of the 1973 Texas Certified Seed Directory.

The directory lists the 133 seed growers who have applied for inspection under the seed certification program. It also lists the acreage of foundation, registered, and certified seed for each grower, White said. "The seed directory is available to farmers so they will know which seed producers are meeting the strict standards and quality requirements of the State of Texas," he said.

Copies of the 1973 Texas Certified Seed Directory are available by writing to John C. White, Commissioner, Texas Department of Agriculture, P. O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711.

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Farmers on Roller Coaster... Red Meat Processing Down... Anti-Screwworms Plans Progress... Lack of Rain Reports Heard

THERE'S NO DOUBT that Texas farmers are better off than they used to be -- if you pick the right periods of time; and there's no doubt that they are worse off than they used to be -- at other times.

The Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service says that the "All Farm Products Index of Prices Received" last March 15 was 543 per cent of the January, 1910-December, 1914 base. That is 34 points below the previous month of this year but 100 points (23 per cent) above a year ago.

On the other hand, the livestock products index was about eight per cent below February 1974 and 10 per cent below the same period last year, as any cattleman will testify. Beef cattle were down \$3.40 a hundred from February and \$5.60 below a year ago at \$40.40 per hundred. Hogs at \$33.20 a hundred were down \$5.20 from February and \$4 from a year ago.

PROCESSING OF RED MEAT was down during February 1974 in Texas. Slaughtering plants produced 160.9 million pounds during that month, which is 20 per cent lower than the 201.0 million pounds produced in January 1974 and four per cent below February 1973. February 1974 slaughter of cattle totaled 252,000 head, 65,000 head fewer than the previous month and 17,000 below February a year ago.

There were 569,000 head of cattle slaughtered during the first two months of this year; 214,500 sheep and lambs were killed during the same two months. Sheep and lambs killed totaled 98,500 during February, which is 17,500 fewer than the month earlier and 2,000 more than in February 1973.

SCREWORMS are showing up more frequently now in Mexico, it is reported. Slow help is on the way, however. Mexican and U.S. officials are reported by USDA to be negotiating with contractors for construction of the main facility in southern Mexico in which to produce more than 300 million sterile screwworm flies each week.

The production plant is supposed to be completed in 1975. The plan is to eradicate screwworms north of Tuxtla Gutierrez, Mexico, then to keep a permanent barrier of sterile flies across Mexico's narrow Isthmus of Tehuantepec to keep the pest from moving northward.

LACK OF RAIN is a drawback to farming in many parts of Texas, but progress is reported in planting in 1974 crops. Oats are reported doing well in the southern and eastern half of the State where moisture has been adequate.

Wheat is heading out from the Cross Timbers to South Texas and is in the boot stage on the Low Plains. Irrigated wheat is making good growth on the High Plains, and rains a couple of weeks ago helped some dryland wheat, but most dryland wheat has poor prospects.

Rice seeding is reported more than half completed, and cotton planting is about seven per cent complete over the State, all of it in South Texas. Peanut planting is underway in South Texas.

IF PECAN buds herald true spring weather, then such weather is here; because pecans are leafing in most South Texas areas and budding in other areas of the State.

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Pol. Advertisement Paid by Elmer Martin Campaign, Elmer Martin, Manager.

Trent to Present Talent Show Thursday April 25

"Reflections" will be the theme of the Talent Show scheduled for unreeing on Thursday, April 25 at the Trent Gymnasium at 7:30 p.m.

Dave Dalzell of KRBC in Abilene, will be on hand to add his own spectacular brand to the event as Master of Ceremonies. There will be judges and prizes awarded to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places in two divisions, which will be Novice and Veterans. "Reflections" will be just

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Elmer Martin
Alton Staggs
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For Justice of the Peace:
Lewis Millett
For Taylor County School Superintendent
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Taylor County Judge For Re-election
Judge Roy Skaggs

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that - as it will have acts that will take you back through the years with music and bring you up to the present day "jive."

Just to name a few, here are some of the personalities to appear for your entertainment: J.W. Brewer (the auctioneer); Stan Hicks Paul Donnelly; Larry Toliver; Musical Group "Storm" and Female vocal group. You may enter the talent show by calling Mrs. Jon Henderson, 862-2411 in Trent or mailing name, entry fee of \$1, and something about you, your act, or group to Box 105, Trent, Texas 79561. Area residents are urged to enter the show and in order that programs be printed, it is necessary that entries be in by Friday, April 19.

The Veterans Administration warns veterans and servicemen who sell homes purchased with GI loans to make certain they obtain a "release from liability" when purchasers assume their loans.

(FARM AND RANCH) Recipient of the 4-H Silver Spur award, a former Soil Conservation Staff member and a conservation award winner with his own row crop and stock farm, State Rep. Elmer Martin knows the needs of West Texas and its agriculture. That is why he co-sponsored the Texas Constitutional proposal to tax agricultural land in relation to production capacity. (Adv. paid by Martin Campaign, Elmer Martin, manager.)

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4-H Is Opportunity For Texas Youth To Learn

COLLEGE STATION - "Opportunity" is calling for Texas youth. Whether or not they answer the call can have an important effect on their experiences down the pathway of life.

That opportunity is 4-H, a youth development program for boys and girls between the ages of 9 and 19, believes Dr. Warren Mauk, 4-H and youth specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the parent organization of 4-H.

"4-H provide youngsters an opportunity to learn something that will help them in everyday life-many practical things, such as health, safety, conservation, leadership, citizenship and nutrition, as well as things that may lead to a fuller and richer life, such as knowing how to tune a small engine, how to grow vegetables, how to cook and sew, and how to raise and train an animal, to name only a few."

And there's a uniqueness about 4-H, points out Mauk, that makes it a special type of program.

"4-H is something different to everybody because of the different background and experience that each and every member has. Thus, 4-H boys and girls learn from one another by sharing their experiences, plus they have additional experiences on their own through guidance from adult leaders and Extension Service professionals.

"The Extension Service professional staff to back up the 4-H program - that's another unique advantage of 4-H," notes the Texas A&M University System specialist. "In whatever area a youngster's interests lie, there is a knowledge specialist to provide background and training to guide the youth along the way."

"The 4-H program also involve the youth's family - it's a family affair. Many 4-H experiences happen at home, and this is where 4-Hers actually work with their projects. So the youth and their families work and learn together. Hopefully, these experiences will help family members communicate more openly and thus become more close-knit."

According to Mauk, "4-H provides an opportunity for youngsters to 'practice' for the real life experiences they will encounter in the future. Such training can only lead to a more complete and more meaningful life."

The specialist encourages any youth or parents interested in the 4-H program to contact their local county Extension office or the State 4-H office at Texas A&M University.

Govemor To Encourage Texans Vacations
Governor Dolph Briscoe announced today he is inaugurating a comprehensive plan to encourage Texans to take fuel-saving vacations within the State this year. "Vacationing in Texas will not only provide Texans with the opportunity to see some beautiful country while conserving fuel, but it will help to protect the jobs of the 600,000 Texans employed in this \$2.2 billion industry," the Governor said. "In Texas we aim to save energy - to save jobs. Tourism is one of the industries most sensitive to the gasoline shortage, and by encouraging fuel saving vacations within Texas we will help to preserve the livelihoods of those who serve the traveling public, and to protect the nearly \$4 billion investment that the private sector has in tourist-serving facilities in Texas," Governor Briscoe added. "At a time when conserving fuel is so important, I want to remind all Texans of the many fine vacation opportunities that abound throughout our State." The Governor pointed out that "Texans can visit mountains, Gulf beaches, forests, lakes, deserts and a tropical valley without leaving the boundaries of our State." The Governor said the plan to encourage Texans to discover Texas vacation spots will be a coordinated effort involving the Texas Tourist Development Agency, the Texas Highway Department, the State Historical Commission and other State agencies. Travel folders have been prepared on 10 scenic Travel Trails through Texas. Each trail is designed to give travelers more vacation opportunities for the mileage. The trails, which encompass every region of Texas, vary from the historic Independence Trail to the Lakes Trail.

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Governor Dolph Briscoe announced today he is inaugurating a comprehensive plan to encourage Texans to take fuel-saving vacations within the State this year. "Vacationing in Texas will not only provide Texans with the opportunity to see some beautiful country while conserving fuel, but it will help to protect the jobs of the 600,000 Texans employed in this \$2.2 billion industry," the Governor said. "In Texas we aim to save energy - to save jobs. Tourism is one of the industries most sensitive to the gasoline shortage, and by encouraging fuel saving vacations within Texas we will help to preserve the livelihoods of those who serve the traveling public, and to protect the nearly \$4 billion investment that the private sector has in tourist-serving facilities in Texas," Governor Briscoe added. "At a time when conserving fuel is so important, I want to remind all Texans of the many fine vacation opportunities that abound throughout our State." The Governor pointed out that "Texans can visit mountains, Gulf beaches, forests, lakes, deserts and a tropical valley without leaving the boundaries of our State." The Governor said the plan to encourage Texans to discover Texas vacation spots will be a coordinated effort involving the Texas Tourist Development Agency, the Texas Highway Department, the State Historical Commission and other State agencies. Travel folders have been prepared on 10 scenic Travel Trails through Texas. Each trail is designed to give travelers more vacation opportunities for the mileage. The trails, which encompass every region of Texas, vary from the historic Independence Trail to the Lakes Trail.

PUBLIC NOTICE
STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Whom it may concern, Respondent, Greeting:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County, Texas at the Courthouse in said County, in Abilene, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of twenty days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the Amended petition of Beulah Wynn Love, Supervisor, Taylor County Child Welfare Unit, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 4th day of April 1974, against the unknown natural father and natural mother, Janie Loya Culver, Respondents, and said suit being numbered 8802-DR on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In the interest of Ruben Telado Gereno a child and/or children," the nature of which suit is a request to Terminate Parent-Child Relationship. Said Ruben Telado Gereno was born the 18th day of July 1969, in Abilene, 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. Issued and given under my hand and seal



(Photo by Drew Mawson)
FLAG CEREMONY
... Kelly Wolf, Calvin Wolf, William Martin and Bill Fisher

Boy Scouts To Sell Scout-O-Rama Tickets

This past weekend, Troop 18 went to Noodle Creek on a camp out. Boy Scouts that attended were Alan Mawson,

H-SU White Horses To Lead Rodeo Parade

Hardin-Simmons University's Six White Horses and Riders will lead off the Cotter County Rodeo Parade on April 19 in Paducah. They will perform a special routine that evening at the rodeo. Riders are Martha Chalmers, freshman from Abilene; Jan Meares, junior from Roscoe; Lou McCombs, junior from Rotan, Cynthia Sandusky, junior from Merkel; Penny Tieman, junior from Midland; and Christine Wiley, senior from Merkel.

Mrs. Martha Williamson is sponsor of the group. The White Horses have paraded and performed in 40 of the 50 states over the last quarter of a century. Among the most notable appearances were the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in 1970, the inauguration of President Nixon in 1969, and the inauguration of Gov. Dolph Briscoe in 1973.

Kelly Wolf, Drew Mawson, Billy Fisher, Louis Goodman, Brad Wade, Leo Ortega, William Martin, Calvin Wolf, Scoutmaster and Kyle Wolf, Cub Scout, also attended.

Kelly Wolf did the cooking for his cooking merit badge. Considering a weekend of sand blowing, the Scouts had a good time.

The Boy Scouts will be selling tickets to the Boy Scout-O-Rama, which will be held Saturday April 20, at the Women's Exhibit Building at the Taylor County Fairgrounds, from 1 p.m. until 9 p.m. There will be a drawing every hour.

If you wish to buy these tickets and not attend you may put your address and telephone number on the back of the tickets and give them back to the Boy Scouts and they will be dropped in the hopper. The tickets sell for \$1.00 each and Merkel Troop 18 will receive a share of the proceeds.

Seven Seas to Open May 3

ARLINGTON, Tex. - Seven Seas marine life park will begin its 1974 season on the evening of May 3, with a "new look," new shows, new attractions and a cut in parking prices.

STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights

by Bill Bookin
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN, Tex. - It's show and tell time for political candidates, and many of them don't have as much to show as they would like to for their fund-raising efforts.

Gov. Dolph Briscoe ran second to Republican gubernatorial candidate Jim Granberry in campaign spending up to March 25, according to the first contribution-spending reports filed with the secretary of state.

Granberry reported contributions and loans of \$171,425 (including \$22,500 of his own money) and spending of \$171,425 since last summer when he began his race.

Briscoe's spending - including a \$120,000 loan of his own money - was pegged at \$153,754.

Frances "Sissy" Farenthold reported some \$40,865 in expenditures and debts.

The effort is far below that of 1972 when Briscoe spent nearly \$1.6 million in the primaries, and Mrs. Farenthold spent \$672,441.

Comptroller Candidate Bob Bullock has reported spending of about \$60,000 in his Democratic race, and Hugh Eduburg said he has outlays of about \$12,900.

Eduburg acknowledged he is using about \$7,000 of his own money. Bullock said he has used \$12,600 from his own resources, and has \$38,300 in loans from his business partner, Ken Wendler of Austin.

One of the big-spending groups so far has been the Texas Citizens for Parimutuel Horse Racing, which reported a \$7,000-cost campaign to get the issue of legalizing race track betting on primary ballots.

NEW CONVENTION GOAL - With the Constitutional Convention in recess, President Price Daniel Jr. has a new goal: he is aiming to wind up the revision task by May 31.

Actually, he conceded the first or second week of June is a more realistic target.

Two of the toughest articles - judiciary and general provisions (which includes the controversial right to work issue) - remain to be debated when delegates return to Austin.

They must also vote again (and muster a two-thirds majority) on the seven articles approved tentatively so far.

and then decide the form of submission of the constitution, and alternative proposals to voters.

PRISONER COLLEGE PLAN OFFERED - Prison inmates at Ramsey Unit will be the first in the U.S. to be offered a chance at four-year college degrees through the University of Houston at Clear Lake City.

Junior college associate degrees have been available since 1965 through special programs.

Thirty-to-60 students will begin classes at Ramsey Unit in June. Next fall, Stephen F. Austin University is due to extend courses to inmates at Coffield Unit near Palestine.

"The more education a man has, the less likely he is to return to prison," said State Prison System Director W. J. Estelle.

nization of property tax laws since 1925 has been awarded by the Legislative Property Tax Committee.

Law Research Corporation of Texas, an Austin group, received the maximum \$125,590 - cost recodification contract.

LPTC abandoned a plan to conduct an intensive school property tax survey on a totally-random-selection basis. The 35 school districts will be re-selected to insure a geographic spread in five regions.

COURTS SPEAK - Power of city governments to regulate extended area telephone rates was approved by the State Supreme Court.

APPOINTMENTS - Frank Hutchinson is new director of Minority Business Enterprise.

CONTRACT AWARDED - A contract for the first modern-

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The Annual Meeting of the Members of Taylor Electric Cooperative will be held on Thursday, April 18, 1974, in the Annex. Registration of members will begin at 9 a.m. The morning hours will be devoted to a program of entertainment and drawing for attendance prizes. Lunch will be served at noon. Business meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m.

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Drawing 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Entertainment 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Lunch 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Business Session 1:00 p.m.

Directors Meeting
to Follow



SERVE LEFTOVERS WITH FLAIR—Leftover roast beef and barbecue sauce make a tasty filling for homemade turnovers. The recipe, created by Texas Department of Agriculture home economists, is a great way to serve yesterday's roast.



BARBECUED BEEF TURNOVERS

2 cloves of garlic
1/2 green pepper
1 small onion
2 Tbsp. butter
2 Tbsp. brown sugar
2 cups chopped leftover roast beef

1/2 tsp. dry mustard
1/2 c. catsup
1/2 c. cold water
2 Tbsp. vinegar
2 Tbsp. Worcestershire sauce
1/2 tsp. black pepper
1/2 tsp. hot pepper sauce

Chop garlic, pepper and onion finely and cook in skillet with melted butter until wilted. Add remaining ingredients and cook slowly for 15 minutes. Put 2 cups chopped leftover roast beef in bowl and add enough sauce to moisten well. Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Roll pastry on floured board to thickness 1/8 inch. Cut into 9-inch squares and put mound of filling in center of each. Brush edges with water, then fold into triangles and seal edges together with a fork. Bake on cookie sheet for 15-20 minutes or until brown. Serve with remaining sauce.

For additional beef recipes, write John C. White, Commissioner, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711.

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Merkel Garden Club Show Saturday April 20

The Merkel Garden Club will present a Flower Show Saturday, April 20 from 3-6 p.m. in the Mellinger Building. The Show will be open to the public.

Three Merkelites Will Take Part In H-SU Rodeo

Three Merkelites will play important roles in the Hardin-Simmons University's 28th Annual Interscholastic Rodeo, which will be held April 25-27.

They are Christi Wiley, senior, Cindy (Wiley) Sandusky, junior, and Johnny Thompson, a senior.

Miss Wiley is 1st vice president of the Rodeo Club, which handles many of the rodeo arrangements. She is serving as a member of the Programs Committee and the Hospitality Committee.

Cindi Sandusky is serving as a member of the Hospitality Committee. Thompson, is also serving as a member of the Hospitality Committee.

The rodeo will be held at the Carl Myers Memorial Arena near H-SU.

Advanced tickets for the performances can be purchased at H-SU for \$1.50 per adult and 75 cents per student.

The title of the show will be "Poetic Venture", with Mrs. Oda Clark as chairman.

A new feature this year will be the Education Exhibit, which will be an Art Display by various local artists.

This feature will be non-competitive.

The Flower Show proper will be judged by out of town judges.

Fortnightly Study Club Met April 9

The Fortnightly Study Club met Tuesday April 9, 1974 in the home of Mrs. David Gamble.

Mrs. Don Dudley, president, presided, and fourteen members answered roll call.

The program for the day, 'I Lost Everything in the Post-Natal Depression' by Erma Bombeck; was a book review given by Miss Christine Collins.

Members present were Mrs. Stanley Toombs, Andy Shouse, Carl Hughes, Mack Fisher, Johnny Hammond, Bryan Dunagin, Lige Gamble, S. C. Dixon, Comer Haynes, Johnny Cox, Ray Wilson, Don Dudley, David Gamble and Miss Christine Collins.

ROUND-UP
BY KAYE LANHAM

ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON April 5th, a small family birthday celebration was held in honor of the 93rd birthday of Mrs. Annie (C.F.) Stevens at the home of her son, S.P. Stevens in San Antonio.

Mrs. Stevens has been residing in a nursing home in San Antonio for the past 2 1/2 years.

Her grandson, Larry, and his wife and two children were present for the occasion. She thoroughly enjoyed herself,

and also wants to take this opportunity to thank her many Merkel friends for remembering her with cards and letters on her birthday. Although her failing eyesight will not permit her to read, she has the letters read to her over and over again, and enjoys them more so each time.

Ladies Golf News

Tuesday was a made to order day for the ladies golf day. The ladies played blind partners, this is where partners are drawn after everyone is through playing. Nineteen ladies turned out to play. Winning first was Jo Ann Smith and Joyce Knight. Winning second was Wanda Hendricks and Mary Childers. Ladies don't feel bad about hitting your balls in the tank from now on. Today Fannelle Boney hit two in the tank taking a seven on hole number three, but came shining through the nine hole course with even par. When someone that can play golf as well as Fannelle Boney hits two in the tank, it makes golfers like me feel much better.

Cheapest Cut Not Always The Best Buy

AUSTIN—What is the best buy at the meat counter? Sometimes the cut with the higher price.

"Cost per serving is the way to figure price when buying meat," said Agriculture Commissioner John C. White. "Often more expensive cuts will provide more meat and reduce the cost per serving."

A Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) chart has been designed to determine at a glance the cost of meat per serving. It is small enough to fit into a purse.

According to TDA home economists, the number of servings per pound usually depend on the cut. A chuck blade or arm roast yield two servings per pound but a pound of boneless chuck or sirloin tip yield three. Ground beef, sausage and poultry breasts usually yield four servings a pound.

Merkel-Trent Reservists Take Part in 'Over The Top'

Army Reservists in the Merkel-Trent area are taking an active part in operation "Over the Top," a concentrated drive throughout the 13-state Fifth Army area to bring new members into the Army Reserve.

4 Allen Morgan, 862-2554, at Trent.

They are members of Abilene's 490th Civil Affairs Co., one of the top Army Reserve units in the nation for the past six years in a row.

Both male and female members are being sought for various military positions, including office and secretarial jobs. Only two weeks of active duty is required for some women with special typing skills.

The 490th has immediate openings for several men and women who, while learning the skills required, may earn \$48.42 to \$55.28 for four four-hour drills (usually a Saturday and Sunday) each month, according to Lt. Col. Harold Pittard, 490th commander.

During April, local Reservists will be speaking to high school students in the Merkel-Trent area and will be available to answer any questions regarding Reserve activities and pay.

Further information is available from these area members of the 490th: Capt. James Jacobs, telephone, 928-5852 at Merkel, or Spec.

To provide a successful learning experience, an allowance must be regular in line with a child's activities and ability to handle money according to Dorothy Taylo family life education specialist.

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Renae's Open House Held Sunday, April 14

Renae's Haute' Coiffure held their open house Sunday, April 14 at 102 Edwards.

There were about 55 attending.

Registration was taken and a drawing was held for a Frost and a Bio-Wave Permanent.

Winners were: Frost — Maxine McDaniel Bio-Wave Permanent — Melody Seymore.

Missionettes

By SUSAN WHEELER

The Missionettes had an Easter Egg Hunt Friday with 10 visitors at the home of Mrs. Dale Wheeler.

Refreshments were served by the parents of the Missionette girls.

There was a total of 30 people attending.

Ad and News Deadline

Effective immediately, news and ad deadline is noon Tuesday. All copy must be in the Merkel Mail office by this time for it to get in this weeks edition.

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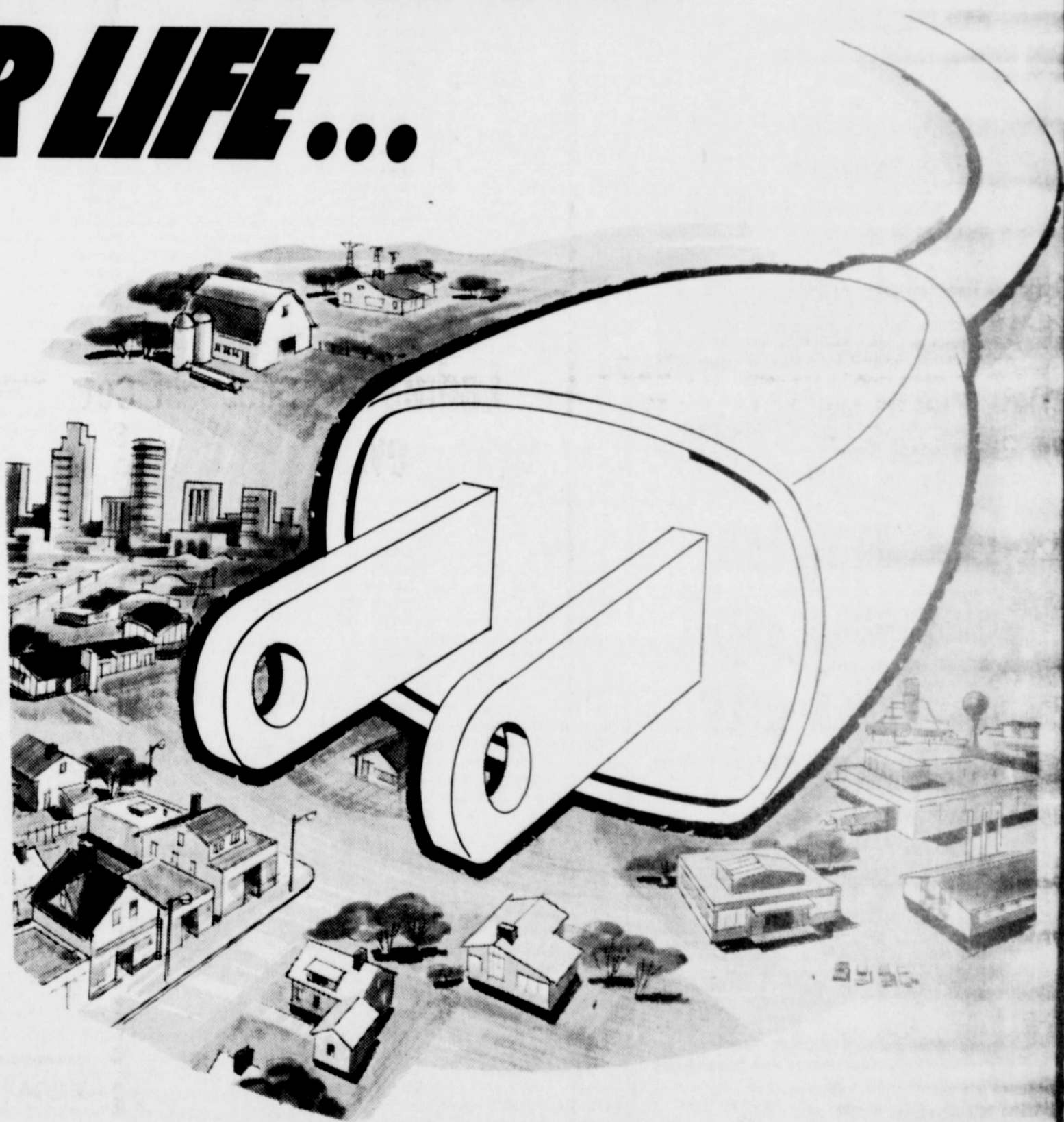
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Skaggs Announces Campaign Organization

Roy Skaggs, incumbent candidate for re-election as Taylor County judge, said Monday morning he had completed the organizational work on his political campaign for the May 4th Democratic Primary.

Campaign workers and chairmen are planning a "legionade rally" from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, April 21, at the Starlite Motor Hotel.

"All voters are invited," said Skaggs.

Lemonade will be served from 2 to 2:30 p.m. Bob Bailey will make the keynote address at 2:30 p.m. Supporters will visit with the candidate until 3:30 p.m.

Judge Skaggs said other participants in the political rally will include:

Mrs. Wm. R. Cree and Mrs. Malcom Shultz, co-chairpersons of the arrangement committee.

Others on the arrangements committee include Mrs. Mary Blaylock, Mrs. James Harris, Mrs. Joyce Lindsey, Mrs. Bob Jordan, Mrs. Jim Rose and Mrs. Pat Wright.

Listed on the finance committee were four co-chairmen: Stanley Wilson, Bobby Sayles, Grover Nelson and Raymond McDaniel, Jr.

Harold Crawford and Sherwyn McNair were named co-chairmen of the publicity committee. Others on the publicity committee included Sylvester Neal and Fred Starbuck.

Tommy McAlister was named chairman of the get-out-the-vote committee.

Others on that committee are Garvin Beauchamp, Tommy Bratton, Tom Gonzales, Ralph Hooks, Dr. Joe C. Humphrey, the Rev. A. H. Hurd, and Hugh L. Skinner.

Senior Citizens News

The Senior Citizens met Thursday night for game night. Some played games, while others spent the evening just visiting and enjoying fellowship.

Refreshments were served to one of the largest groups that ever attended on Game Night.

Plans are being made for curtains for the windows. Chairs have been brought for the dining area. All have been repaired and are ready to use. We need a few more folding chairs, cane bottom or breakfast chairs. All will be required, regardless of condition.

Next meeting will be Thursday, April 18. Visitors are welcome. Monday, April 22 will also be game night. We urge everyone to come and enjoy the fellowship.

Irvin Walker is president for APRIL.



JR. HIGH TRACK GIRLS - Shown are the Junior High girls track team. They are, first row, Ginger Farmer, Ronneye Trull, Cindy Smith, Kelly Magee, Mary Roeder, Cindy Boone, and Tammy Thomas. Second row, Diana Bien, Beth Phipps, Jeanette Robinson, Cathy Holloway, Kathryn Irvin and Pam Crenshaw. Third row, Christy Fudge, Pam Morgan, Freda Crenshaw, Gavle Reed, Kandi Ascencio and Sherry We-t. Top row, Coach Russell, Carrie Law, and Becky Watts.

Training Classes For M-44 Use To Be Rescheduled

AUSTIN - Training programs in the experimental use of the M-44 predator control device to reduce livestock losses will resume just as soon as classes can be rescheduled. Agriculture Commissioner John C. White has announced.

Classes were cancelled when a restraining order was imposed in early March. The order was lifted March 29. The program is to run until June 1, 1975.

Forty-four counties have been named as sites for the experiment. They were chosen on the basis of greatest predation loss and climatic and geographical conditions.

Taylor County is participating in the program. All livestock owners who received permits after attending the schools before the restraining order was imposed may proceed with the use of the M-44 and can purchase the sodium cyanide capsule. White stated, Permits are being mailed to all who have had the training but who have not issued permits.

"By the end of the week we should be able to announce schedules. Right now we plan to begin the first classes in the Central Texas area," White said.

One of the major interests

of the study is to determine the effectiveness of the spring-loaded mechanism and to obtain accurate data in the 44 counties on the losses to predators. The device uses sodium cyanide capsules, which break down into non-persistent chemicals not harmful to animals which may feed on the carcass of the predator.

Only qualified operators may obtain the control devices. The antidote, any nitrate capsules, must be available for purchasers at each distribution point.

Ranchers must report monthly on the number and type of predators killed, any damage to other wildlife, and any injury to humans.

Any person found to be using the material improperly will have his applicator's permit revoked and will be denied further use of the chemical, White said. Failure to adhere to the provisions of the program could result in a three-month suspension of the program throughout the county.

Control areas have been set aside in ten of the participating counties. In these no ejectors will be permitted. Reports from these pastures will be compared with those from the M-44 sites.

Rising Costs Making Highway Maintenance More Difficult

ABILENE - "Keeping our highways in good condition is a day in, day out operation and the Highway Department maintenance man is on call 24 hours a day," according to Robert Warren, Texas Highway Department Maintenance Foreman for Taylor County.

Maintenance operations may range from repairing extensive damage caused by storms to keeping the highways free of litter. Traffic services performed by maintenance crews include highway striping, signs, roadside rest areas, signals, right-of-way beautification, lighting and emergency service such as snow and ice removal.

"It's a full-time job," Warren said. "A point often overlooked is that while federal assistance is a big factor in construction of much of the highway network, the State bears the entire cost of maintenance on the system."

"Maintenance costs," Warren said, "which have risen about 11 per cent each year for the past several, have jumped drastically as a result of increased costs in fuels, materials and petrochemicals. For example, the costs of asphalt which increases approximately 12 per cent from mid 1970 to mid 1973 has jumped over 100 per cent in the past six month period. Each order for materials reflects an increase in price."

Warren declared that these are difficult times for highway maintenance people.

"Scarcity of materials and resulting delays in delivery make it hard to plan and execute maintenance work efficiently, so work is often interrupted or delayed."

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Young and Farabee Speak Out

Two candidates for state offices, Ray Farabee and Mike Young, spoke out on issues of importance to their districts when they joined local candidates and area folks for a box supper fellowship in the Capitola Community Center Friday night. Approximately 100 people from Roby, Rotan, Sweetwater, Colorado City and surrounding areas attended.

Farabee, candidate for State Senator in the 34th Senatorial District, told the audience that his district included 29 counties, and was one of the last great rural areas, producing more fuel, fibers, oil and food than any other area in the state.

He stated that all too often Senators from the district concentrated on Houston and larger cities, and passed legislation which was meaningless to the rural areas.

Farabee said that rural communities are a great tradition, and that our nation is dependent upon rural products for survival. We must have representation that concerns itself with the rural as well as the urban problems, he said, and gave that as his reason for making his second tour of all 29 counties in his race for the Senate office.

I want to hear direct from the people what you need in state government, Farabee said, and we can work out equitable legislation for all 29 counties if we put our minds to it.

Mike Young, candidate for State Representative, District 61 explained the one-man, one-vote situation for District 61. It's a numbers game, he said. There are 68 men and votes from the five counties where the large cities are located, and only one man and one vote for the entire 5 counties of District 61, (Nolan, Fisher, Jones, and Mitchell Counties and a portion of Taylor County).

The 61st District is a widely diversified one, Young said. The representative you send to Austin will need to deal with rural and urban, gas and oil, educational and legislative problems, and he will be just one man working against the odds - 68 to 1. You can't become an instant expert in all of those fields in the few months of a campaign, Young said. You need the qualifications before seeking the job as representative.

He listed his qualifications in rural and urban living, gas and oil interests educational and legal fields.

Young took a stand concerning real property taxation. He said that real property is sharing more than its fair share of taxes. He explained why this was happening, and said that his answer is to get a representative in the legislature who knows

the ropes and can work with other legislators to pass reasonable laws for the benefit of all.

Young pointed out that the huge surplus in the state general fund is not due to frugal spending by State Government, but due to an error in estimating the total income capability of the state. You were over-taxed, Young said, because too many representatives were unaware of the potential of their own districts.

Local candidates who spoke at the Capitola meeting were Dwight Lovett, Fisher County

Judge seeking re-election, Ralph Ammons, candidate for Fisher County Judge, Thurman Terry, seeking re-election as Commissioner, Precinct 4, Jimmy Wright, candidate for Fisher County Treasurer, and Vivian Helms, candidate for Fisher County Treasurer.

Johnny Ammons of Roby was auctioneer for the sale of box suppers, and Mrs. Bennie Kidd, chairman of the Capitola Community Center, announced a total of \$414 raised. The funds will be used to buy equipment for the center.

Merkel Fina Station Under New Management

The Merkel Fina Station, previously owned by the Buddy Windhams, is under new management now.

The new manager is Ricky Elliott of Haltom City, just outside of Fort Worth.

He and his wife, Judy, were both born in Abilene. Judy is the daughter Mr. and Mrs. Harry Grant of Abilene.

Mr. Elliott's wife and two

daughters, Tami, 7 and Kristi, 4, plan to move here by the first of June.

He was a used car lot

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Regional Qualifiers Meet Held Thursday

A regional qualifiers track meet was held here Thursday for Class AA, A and B schools and was highlighted by a 9.7 hundred run by Randy Hunter. Hunter, of Cross Plains, was aided by a wind at his back but far outdistanced his closest pursuer, Jeff Cox of Merkel who finished in 10.2 Hunter also captured the 220 in 23.4.

Knox City, Hermleigh, and Baird also had double winners.

Baird's Jimmy Meadors took the shot put with a heave of 48-5 and the discus with a throw of 152-1 3/4. Knox City won both relays, capturing the sprint in 45.9 and coming back for the mile blue ribbon in 3:39.1.

Joe Taylor of Hermleigh covered the 120 high hurdles in 15.3 and the 330 intermediate in 41.2 for his blues.

Merkel and the other regional qualifiers will go to Lubbock, April 18, 19 and 20.

Handy Prince, Crowell, 5:03.7; 3. Mikey McClure, Jim Ned, 5:15.3.

MILE RELAY - 1. Knox City (Nefro Gonzales, Dale Bloxham, Jimmy Moore, Eddie Johnson) 3:39.1; 2. Merkel 3:43.9; 3. Crowell, 3:47.6.

SHOT PUT - 1. Jimmy Meadors, Baird, 48-5; 2. Ronnie Roemisch, Hermleigh, 45-8; 3. Robert Taylor, Knox City, 44-7 1/2.

DISCUS - 1. Jimmy Meadors, Baird, 152-1 3/4; 2. Robert Taylor, Knox City

146-6 1/2; 3. Ronnie Roemisch, Hermleigh, 131-6 3/4.

HIGH JUMP - 1. Derrell Rigan, Merkel, 5-10; 2. Wallace, Lueders, 5-10; 3. Phillips, Cross Plains, 5-8.

POLE VAULT - 1. Simpson, Lueders, 12-0; 2. Kirkham, Cross Plains, 2. Horton, Jim Ned, 11-0; Phillips, Cross Plains, 10-6.

LONG JUMP - 1. Jeff Cox, Merkel, 20-2; 3. Jacky Evenson, Crowell, 18-9; 3. Eddie Johnson, Knox City, 18-8.



JR. HIGH TRACK TEAM - These boys pictured above have made sacrifices for their track this year according to Coach Martin. He says he is looking forward to them participating in track in the coming years. They are, front row, Brad Shugart, Brad Pursley, Hector Ascencio, Mike Frazier, Donny Riggan, Randy Holmes, Jesse Sparks, Second row, Randy Cox, Mike Davis, Mike Sims, Craig Land, Billy Harris, Roger Reed, Dwan English. Third row, Louis Goodman, Darrell Harris, Dolin Morris, Terry Criner, Rusty Watts, Ronny Whisenhunt, Tommy Jones, Dennis Phillips, Garth Doan, Ricky Hower, David Wharton, Kelley Wolf, Richard Schultz, Maury Moore, Lee Reddin, and Craig Hutchins.

JR. BADGERS WIN

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Merkel, 3:14.4; 4. Jim Ned, 3:16.

60 YD. DASH - 1. Herron, Jim Ned, 7.2; 2. Frazier, Merkel, 7.4; 3. Moon, Wylie, 7.6; 4. Taylor, Jim Ned, 7.7; 5. Sparks, Merkel, 7.8; 6. Ascencio, Merkel, 7.9.

60 YD. HURDLES - 1. Pursley, Merkel, 9.2; 2. Sanders, Jim Ned, 9.8; 3. Riggan, Merkel, 9.9; 4. Harris, Merkel, 10.2; 5. Baxter, Baird, 10.3; 6. Ivy, Baird, 10.4.

100 YD. DASH - 1. Price, Wylie, 11.3; 2. Herron, Jim Ned, 11.5; 3. Howes, Merkel, 11.9; 3. (tie) Frazier, Merkel, 11.9; 5. Herbert, Jim Ned, 12.0; 6. Taylor, Jim Ned, 12.1.

100 YD. HURDLES - 1. Pursley, Merkel, 13.8; 2. Sanders, Jim Ned, 14.2; 3. Lovelady, Wylie, 14.8; 4. Ivy, Baird, 15.0; 5. Southall, Wylie, 15.6; 6. Criner, Merkel, 16.2.

660 YD. DASH - 1. Whisenhunt, Merkel, 1:39.1; 2. Gonzales, Baird, 1:44.8; 3. Dick, Jim Ned, 1:46.0; 4. Mendez, Baird, 1:46.1; 5. Sims, Merkel, 1:50.3; 6. Light, Wylie, 1:51.0.

330 YD. DASH - 1. Skinner, Baird, 41.9; 2. Hobbs, Wylie, 42.0; 3. Whisenhunt, Merkel, 42.2; 4. Holsom, Jim Ned, 43.4; 5. Wharton, Merkel, 43.4; 6. Sparks, Merkel, 44.4.

440 RELAY - 1. Wylie, 51.7; 2. Merkel, 52.1; 3. Jim Ned, 52.8; 4. Baird, 54.1.

CHINNING - 1. Earp, Baird, 22; 2. Howe, Jim Ned, 18; 3. Atkinson, Jim Ned, 17; 4. Handley, Jim Ned, 17; 5. Mendez, Baird, 16; 6. Keltner, Wylie, 15.

SHOT PUT - 1. Rodriguez, Baird, 36' 11 1/2"; 2. Howes, Merkel, 36' 11"; 3. Helser, Jim Ned, 34' 6"; 4. Saddler, Baird, 34' 5 1/2"; 5. Doss, Fosses, Baird, 34' 3 1/2"; 6. Wharton, Merkel, 33' 11 1/2".

1/2".

DISCUS - 1. Price, Wylie, 95' 9 1/2"; 2. Walker, Baird, 89' 2 1/2"; 3. Davis, Merkel, 84' 2 1/2"; 4. Howes, Merkel, 83' 6"; 5. DeBerry, Wylie, 82' 10 1/2"; 6. Grun, Jim Ned, 76' 2".

LONG JUMP - 1. Herron, Jim Ned, 15' 9 1/2"; 2. Pursley, Merkel, 15' 8"; 4. Marsh, Wylie, 15' 2"; 5. Phillips, Merkel, 14' 7 1/2"; 6. Skinner, Baird, 14' 5".

HIGH JUMP - 1. Hobbs, Wylie, 5'; 2. Pursley, Merkel, 5' (more misses); 3. Phillips, Merkel, 4' 8"; 4. Sanders, Jim Ned, 4' 8"; 5. Skinner, Baird, 4' 8"; 6. Frazier, Merkel, 4' 6".

POLE VAULT - 1. Pursley, Merkel, 8'; 2. Vestal, Baird, 8' (more misses); 3. Phillips, Merkel, 8'; 4. Hobbs, Wylie, 8'; 5. (tie) Clark, Wylie; Hebert, Jim Ned; Atkinson, Jim Ned; Shugart, Merkel; 7' 6".

440 - 1. Jacky Evenson, Crowell, 52.3; 2. Larry Toiver, Merkel, 52.5; 3. Eddie Johnson, Knox City, 53.2.

330 INTERMEDIATES - 1. Joe Taylor, Hermleigh, 41.2; 2. Ricky Hacker, Knox City, 42.7; 3. Jimmy Lynn, Knox City, 43.0.

220 - 1. Randy Hunter, Cross Plains, 23.4; 2. Jacky Evenson, Crowell, 23.5; 3. Jeff Cox, Merkel, 24.0.

MILE - 1. Billy Bundy, Throckmorton, 4:53.2; 2.

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