

The Badger Booster Club will meet every Tuesday at Pug and Leo's at 7:30 p.m.

The Merkel ISD Tax office has now moved and taxes may be paid at the old Merkel High School Building at 3rd and Ash.

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The Texas Department of Health has filed a lawsuit in 104th District Court in Abilene because

of city landfill operations. The Merkel City Attorney is currently drafting a formal response to the suit. (Staff photo by Drew Mawson)

Ambulance service needs volunteers

The Merkel Emergency Medical Service needs your help according to their president.

Vernon Wade, director of the Merkel EMS told the Mail Friday, the service only has six qualified Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) to man the ambulance, and those six are on call 3 days and off six. Some of the EMTs have told Wade they would not be able to continue being on call for 72 straight hours much longer.

Wade said the need for EMTs is what is prompting the Merkel EMS to hold an Emergency Care Attendant's (ECA) Course as soon as twelve volunteers for the course sign up.

Wade said, "We have to have a minimum of 12 people sign up for the course and we need to find the interested people so they can be qualified to run the ambulance. We have a good ambulance service here, but if we can't get more people interested, we may lose it."

Ambulance attendants are paid \$10 for each run made, but they are not paid for their on-call periods. Wade said the ambulance makes about 16 calls per month.

There is only one requirements for the ECA course, and that is you must be at least 18. The

ECA course is 40 hours long and will teach the basics of emergency care, CPR and other lifesaving techniques. Wade said the course would be very beneficial for anyone to take because one never knows when basic lifesaving skills could come in handy.

Once a student has passed a state certification test, they are then eligible to try for their EMT certificate, which is a 140 hour course.

The Merkel Emergency Medical Association operates the city ambulance as a non-profit organization, however, the ambulance is self sufficient, meaning the city does not have a subsidy commitment to keep the ambulance service. That situation would change, according to Wade, if the city had to pay at least two qualified EMTs to stand by, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

He went on to say, "We are within 20 minutes of some of the best medical care in West Texas and we currently have an excellent ambulance service. But we desperately need qualified people to help us operate the service."

Persons interested in attending the ECA course are encouraged to contact Vernon Wade at 928-4742.

Badgers, suit, ambulance and more

by Cloy A. Richards

The Badgers finally broke their two season long losing streak in Anson Friday as Willie Marsh's 31 yard field goal beat Anson 3-2.

Talking with Badger Head Coach Byron Shelley Monday, one sensed a note of optimism concerning the final three games of the year. The Badgers face the strongest team in the district Friday in Rotan, but after that, Hawley and Albany are left and the Badgers can play with both of those teams.

Two wins in the last two games would give the Badgers a record of 3-6-1 with a 3-3-1 record in district play. That wouldn't be a bad year for a team that was expected to be dead last in the district.

And if Rotan doesn't play well here Friday, the Badgers could post a winning record in district play and that would be a major coup.

Stranger things have happened.

Merkel Mayor Lou David Allen made a comment concerning the lawsuit filed in 104th District Court by the state concerning problems at the sanitary landfill here.

Mayor Allen said, "A lawsuit is a strange and bizarre way for the state of Texas to communicate with one of its municipalities" and added, "if they considered problems at our landfill to be so bad, why did not someone in the State Department of Health pick up the phone and call the Mayor and tell him things were in bad shape?"

It seems to me there is clearly an amount of confusion on the state's part in this matter, and a mistake has been made somewhere between the regional inspection office and their superiors in Austin.

The reason for my suspicion is documented. The city was warned once in February that existing problems at the landfill needed to be corrected and the city had two weeks to show "good faith" in taking care of the problems.

The city spent \$13,000 in additional maintenance at the landfill since receiving the letter and the last inspection team to visit left work with the landfill operator the place was looking good.

The next piece of correspondence from the state concerning the matter came in the form of a lawsuit.

I have spoken with three different officials in Austin with the health department and one in Abilene following up on my suspicion that information the regional office has concerning the landfill was more current than information on file in Austin. Trying to get a state official to admit a mistake may have been made is about as easy as getting my son to leave grandma's house.

The city is aware of the problems that exist at the landfill. Council is now studying possible alternatives to correct the problems, but they are keenly aware that only a certain amount of work can be done with resources available. Any expenditures greatly exceeding planned maintenance

costs would create the need for a budget amendment, additional revenue, or even a bond election.

Judging from the state's attitude, we may not have too long to make up our minds on a course of action. The city attorney in currently drafting a formal reply to the suit, and you know legal matters, this could be the start on a long, long process.

The Merkel Emergency Service needs you.

EMS Director Vernon Wade told the Mail last week that about six more qualified EMTs are needed to man the Merkel Ambulance Service. Wade said currently there are six qualified EMTs here and they are on call for three days, off six. He said if more personnel are not found to volunteer, the Merkel Ambulance Service will face hard times in the future.

Wade is wanting to hear from any local resident 18 or over, who would like to attend a 40 hour Emergency Care Attendant's Course that will lead to the 140 hour Emergency Medical Technician Certification.

This week is Grade Crossing Safety Week and the Mail has prepared an article in this week's edition that explains how a serious problem from a safety standpoint has been dealt with.

In 11 years, safety experts, the rail industry and the Federal Government have combined to reduce fatal accidents by more than 50 per cent and they pretty well agree that fatalities can be cut in half again.

After 11 years of research and development into warning devices, after 11 years of public education, after 11 years of government funding, this program has worked, and worked at a higher rate of success than planned for.

The emphasis on grade crossing safety will not stop, it is being shifted. Most of the research engineers feel the warning devices at grade crossings have reached their ultimate in effectiveness. They also pretty well agree that public education is the only area where safety at grade crossings can be drastically improved.

HBO is now showing Superman-The Movie, and a scene shows Superman racing a train to get across the crossing before the train gets there. Even if Superman did not make it in time, I think the train would end up losing in that collision. It is a much different story when the collision is between a car and a train, the train wins every time.

The best rule when you approach a grade crossing is to stop...look...listen, unless, of course, you are Superman.

The Merkel PTO Halloween Carnival is Saturday at Badger Stadium, weather permitting.

It is the one big money making event for the PTO to help purchase instrumental materials for MISD students. Your patronage at the carnival will be appreciated and it will help get your children into the Halloween season.

State sues city over landfill

Merkel Mayor Lou David Allen said the state has "an odd and bizarre way" of communicating with its municipalities when it has to sue to correct problems at the Merkel sanitary landfill in a special meeting of the Merkel City Council at City Hall Thursday night.

The mayor went on to say, "if things at the landfill were that bad, why didn't the Attorney General's office or some official from the State Department of Health call me on the phone and tell me there were serious problems."

The discussion was in the wake of a lawsuit filed in Judge Daniel's 104th District Court by the Texas Department of Health (TDH) concerning violations of the solid waste disposal regulations.

The violations named in the suit included an improper slope to a water retaining dike, uncovered construction debris, loose trash blowing off the dumpsite, as well as improper amount of top soil over old trash sites.

The suit is seeking from \$50 to \$1000 in punitive damages against the city.

Council's discussion of the suit hinted at possible confusion between field inspectors from the Texas Department of Health's Abilene region and TDH officials in Austin. In February of this year, the city received a registered letter from TDH and the letter outlined problem areas.

The letter went on to say that possible legal actions would be taken by TDH if the city did not show a "reasonable amount of good faith" in correcting the existing problems.

After receiving the letter, the city spent \$13,000 in equipment rental time and equipment note payments to take care of the alleged problems. The debris from the demolition of the old Merkel high school was covered, the water retaining dike was worked on and top soil was added to old dumping sights. These actions at the landfill prompted the mayor to say "I think we've

shown a reasonable amount of good faith in taking care of the problem and that is why I could not understand why we were sued. We get a letter in February asking us to do something, their own people inspected in March and told the operator the landfill looks good and the next piece of correspondence we get from TDH is a lawsuit."

City Manager J.A. Sadler told council some of the details that the TDH is demanding be done at the landfill. Concerning the improper slope of the water retaining dike, the city would have to extend 20 feet into the cotton field to the North of the dump site to obtain proper slope. (The slope is required so a shredder can be used to mow weeds and grass, even though the city does not own that type of shredder.) Sadler said the slope of the dike would be the only difficult problem to solve at the landfill.

The city attorney is currently filing an official response to the suit and has two weeks in which to complete his response. Mayor Allen said, "We want to follow the TDH guidelines, none here is saying that we don't, but we can't place the city in a default situation either."

Sadler also pointed out that currently four of six city employees work in sanitation (outside employees excluding secretarial positions).

Mayor Allen added, "I'd like to say to the citizens of Merkel that I had always thought we were spending too much money at the landfill, but I also knew that we had to. We have never intended to slight our responsibilities and if they (TDH) wants to come out and inspect on a weekly basis, we'd be glad for them to."

Council made no decisions during Thursday's session but agreed to look into the problem, and to have the city attorney formally file a reply to the allegations contained in the suit. That process was expected to take until late next week.

Board approves tax discount plan

Merkel Independent School District trustees voted Tuesday night to formally accept the tax year 1981 roll, and will begin offering discounts for early payments of school taxes next year.

Tax assessor-collector Vicki Thomas presented the tax roll to the board, and it contained a \$100,000 surprise for the district. Local taxes were expected to create about \$850,000 in taxes but will generate \$1,000,014 in taxes this year. The district's assessed evaluation also was higher than expected, \$54,268,790.

The current tax statements, which were delayed by a computer firm, have now been mailed from Mrs. Thomas' office and most MISD taxpayers have already received their current statements.

The board voted last night to start the popular 3-2-1 discount plan for early payment of school taxes. Beginning next October, taxpayers will get a three per cent break on taxes paid in October, two per cent for taxes paid in November and a one per cent reduction for taxes paid in December.

That plan is designed to bring in more money when school districts cash flow is low for the district. Superintendent Bill Everett told board members the change would cost the district about \$7,000 a year, but that could be made up through certificates of deposit.

The board also withheld the final ten per cent

payment to Haney and Sivley, the contractors for school construction. The payment is being withheld until a list of minor problems with the new facilities are touched up by the contractor. The board also decided last night to not assess any late completion date penalty payments to Haney and Sivley.

The board also decided Tuesday night to purchase three lots from a former Merkel resident now living in Dallas. The school will pay \$1,500 each for three lots west of Merkel Elementary. The lots are currently owned by Francis Coker Jennings and are lots 1,2,3 of block 8-Haynes addition.

Board members heard a report from Everett concerning the district's growth. Average daily attendance, which was 886 two years ago, is now just over 1,000 according to the superintendent, and the superintendent said "If that growth continues, we will have some space problems pretty soon." Four of the temporary classrooms have been moved to the Elementary school campus and board members last night decided to leave the remaining eight buildings where they are, to take care of future needs of the middle school.

The board also decided last night to hire an additional custodian for the new high school facility and heard a year-end tax collection report. The report showed 93.53 of last year's school tax has been collected.

Merkel wins 1st game 3-2 , face Rotan here Friday

Anson High ex Jeannie C. Riley may have a new heartbreak song to write as Willie Marsh's 31 yard field goal late in the first half proved to be all the Badgers needed to beat Anson 3-2 in Anson last Friday.

The win is the first for the Badgers in two seasons and first for Badger head coach Byron Shelley.

Shelley told the Mail Monday, "I was real happy with the win. We are still looking forward to putting more points on the board because we haven't been giving many up."

He also said, "For everyone's information, that safety in the fourth quarter was planned. There were about seven minutes left in the game and we did not want to take the chance of getting that punt blocked for an easy touchdown."

The Badgers gained 153 yards on offense and played without the service of five starters, Michael McCoy, Ty Nelson, Randy Martin and Sal Acosta all left the game because of injuries and Allen Allbright missed the game because of the flu. Martin and McCoy are both receivers and those injuries meant the Badgers could not rely on their passing game, as Merkel only threw the ball nine times.

Shelley said, "We had super defensive effort. We played 15 of 18 available people on defense, lost both of our starting defensive ends during the game, and still managed to keep Anson from scoring. We must have played defense 65 per cent of the game."

Anson turned the ball over five times and Merkel lost two fumbles and an interception. Shelley said the kicking game was the key to the Merkel win. Punter Willie Marsh, who kicked the game winning field goal, punted three times for a 43 yard average, and running back Bart Pursley had two quick-kicks for a 50 yard average.

Shelley said he was pleased with the "whole

team" for a defensive effort and said he was happy with the offensive play of Pursley who had 63 yards rushing and caught one pass and also said Dusty Barnhill played well on offense and defense.

The Badgers won't have much of a chance to feel good about the win because the strongest team in 8-AA visits Friday night. The Rotan Yellowhammers last year champs, will try to cap their third straight district championship here Friday.

Shelley said Rotan has so many offensive weapons that it will take another super defensive performance for the Badgers to upset Rotan. Rotan has lost once this year, 7-6 to Winters and Shelley said the Badgers always seem to be up for the Rotan game.

Rotan features a four year starter at quarterback, Byron Weathersbee (he is coach Shelley's namesake), as well as a strong running game led by Keith Mullins. The Rotan defense has allowed less than one touchdown per game this year.

Randy Martin's ankle injury could keep him from full action Friday, but other than that, the only problems the Badgers may encounter are the new stadium lights.

Badger stadium lights were replaced last week and Coach Shelley said, "they are blinding, it looks like daylight on the field." The Badgers worked out briefly under the lights Monday night to get used to the glare.

In other action last week, it was all bad news in Anson. The 7th grade lost 22-6, the 8th grade lost 34-0, and the junior varsity lost 14-0.

The 7th, 8th and J.V. teams travel to Rotan this week with games starting at 5 p.m.

Kickoff for the Badger-Rotan game here is set for 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Editors Note: In 1973, then Secretary of Transportation John Volpe issued a goal calling for a 50 percent reduction in highway deaths.

One problem area special emphasis was given was fatal accidents at intersections of public roadways and railroads (grade crossings) as 1,520 people lost their lives at grade crossings in 1967. Eleven years later, that goal was met and passed as preliminary figures from 1979 show 733 people died at grade crossing accidents.

During National Grade Crossing Safety Week (Oct. 19-25) the Mail decided to take a look at grade crossing safety, where the program stands and where the program is heading.

by Cloy A. Richards

Most MISD bus students do it, just about every south side resident find themselves doing it at least twice daily, even most farmers do it everyday.

They drive or ride across a grade crossing. Last year, 733 Americans lost their lives at grade crossings, and although that is 50 per cent fewer than died in 1967, the Texas railroad industry, as well as various state safety organizations, want that number to be cut in half again.

The problem of grade crossing safety was realized by Congress in 1973 as they began earmarking funds from Federal Highway programs to be set aside to install warning devices, research and development as well as engineering advances. Those Federal dollars came from the gasoline tax you pay at the pump.

The Department of Transportation then began funding the purchase cost of the standard grade crossing protection devices, (lights, gates) while the railroad industry agreed to install and maintain the devices.

The warning facilities were installed at grade crossings that were statistically proven to be hazardous, according to a mathematical formula attained through an inventory and history of every grade crossing site in America, about 350,000 crossings.

Grade crossing fatalities have been reduced by 50% while potential has increased 60%

Coupled with increased public awareness of potential hazards and the dollar input from Congress, deaths were reduced by more than 50 per cent in eleven years while the potential for accidents rose 60 per cent because of increased personal motor vehicle travel, according to Federal Railroad Administration statistics.

Just because the program has been successful does not mean emphasis will stop, it will be shifted, according to various railroad and safety experts.

Janet Coleman, office of Research and Development of the Federal Highway Adminis-

tration said, "we are continuing to study and test new, innovative protection devices for grade crossings. The University of Tennessee is now testing some designs for us. We are looking at the standard traffic signals, (red, yellow, green) because when a driver pulls up to a grade crossing with conventional protection, he really does not know if the crossing device is working, because it is dark. With red, yellow, green, a light will always be on. We are also looking into the idea of installing the police 'cherry' lights at the crossing, because they have outstanding attention getting properties."

She went on to say, "although research and development will continue, the day is coming when we will reach an engineering plateau concerning improvements of the grade crossing protection devices, after that, the education factor will be the major push in grade crossing safety, and that push has already started."

Public Education of the hazards of grade crossings are now being handled under the auspices of "Operation Lifesaver". The program is a marriage of the railroad industry, safety experts, and the public and it is designed to make people aware of potential grade crossing hazards.

According to the National Associate Director of Operation Lifesaver, the program in Texas is the one of the nation's best.

Ernie Oliphant said "You can see a direct correlation of accident statistics in states that do not have a strong Lifesaver program when you compare them to states that have a good program, as well as see increases in grade crossing accidents in a state when their program weakens. Operation Lifesaver will continue to carry the message of grade crossing safety. One of these days, the engineering of warning devices will reach a plateau and the motorist will then have to rely on observing warnings by those devices for their safety, as well as their personal awareness of the hazards."

Operation Lifesaver conducts thousands of workshops annually in local schools, private businesses and organizations. Their goal is to inform the public of the potential of a grade crossing accident, and how to prevent such an accident.

Wayne Henley trainmaster with the Missouri Pacific railroad in Big Spring presents Operation Lifesaver messages in this area. Henley told the Mail, "We take the Operation Lifesaver message to any organization in the area that makes a request. We have visited the Merkel schools in the past, as well as presentations we have made in the Abilene area. We also depend on the media to get the word out and we are willing to attend any meeting if they will give us a few minutes to talk about the Operation Lifesaver program."

This writer will have to profess a certain amount of 'special interest' in the area of grade crossing safety. Charlie Amos of the American Association of railroads said, "He may not like this term, but your father would have to be considered one of the grandfathers of grade crossing safety. We have correspondence from him dated before there was a Department of

Transportation and he, along with others, have spent years studying, and meeting a challenge of reducing fatalities at grade crossings."

Hoy A. Richards, a former transportation research economist with the Texas Transportation Institute was instrumental in the National Inventory Program, which was designed to statistically designate grade crossings with the highest potential for accidents. That information was used to purchase adequate warning devices for those crossings.

Richards said, "I think fatalities at grade crossings can be reduced in half again, but it will take increased public awareness of grade crossing hazards and a strong Operation Lifesaver program to keep that message in front of the people. Congress has already appropriated the money to spend for protection devices for the next two years, but after that money is gone, no one knows what level money will be reappropriated. The Lifesaver program will become increasingly more important as a key to increasing safety at grade crossings."

"You can't argue the fact that fatalities have been cut in half and I have no doubt they can be reduced by 50% again"-Charlie Amos

Amos went on to say, "The grade crossing safety program is second to none and has been the most successful highway safety program to date. The emphasis of safety at grade crossings now is continued research and development, coupled with public education concerning the hazards. It's a double-barrel approach. If you take one barrel away from the shotgun, then you don't really have anything."

He added, "You can't argue with the fact that deaths have been cut in half since serious efforts were placed on grade crossing safety. I also have no doubt that fatal accidents at crossings can be cut in half again, but it will take increased public awareness of the hazards, along with continued support from the rail industry and the federal government."

"The old rule of Stop...Look... and Listen has not killed a person at a grade crossing yet."

Perhaps one safety official in Austin put it best. She said, "The old rule of 'stop, look and listen' has not killed one person at a grade crossing. It takes continued effort by the rail industry, as well as the media through all of the various local, state and federal safety organizations, to get that message across. It is statistically proven the public is more aware of the hazards, we just need to get to the ones that don't and make sure we teach the hazards of grade crossings in our schools."

Crossing accidents cut in half, experts say it can be done again



CRAZY DAY SPECIALS

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Fortnightly meeting

Eight members of the Fortnightly Study Club attended the workshop for the Mesquite District, Texas Federated Woman's Clubs, on Saturday, Oct. 18, in Albany. Mrs. J.W. Hammond, of Merkel is the Second Vice President of the Mesquite District and chairman of the scholarship committee of the district.

The purpose of the meeting was to acquaint the various clubs making up the Mesquite District with the activities and opportunities of the District and State organization. The organizations conduct an educational and personal development program and award scholarships and contribute to many worthwhile projects throughout the State. Two of the projects currently being emphasized are the Girls Town and the MDD Anderson Clinic.

Those from Merkel who attended the meeting with Mrs. Hammond were Mmes. Andy Shouse, Dent Gibson, Allen King, and Misses Mary Collins, Avis Deavers, and Maurine White.

The Fortnightly Study Club met in regular meeting at the Big Country Inn on Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 14, with Mrs. Andy Shouse, president, presiding.

Mrs. Ray Wilson introduced the program and the theme for the day: There's no place like home. Let's make it safe. Mrs. Ed Sandusky and Mrs. Alf Walla discussed safety in the home and pointed out how irreplaceable valuables such as keepsakes, pictures, books, etc. can be lost by fire or other disasters which may have been caused or contributed to through individual carelessness.

Some of the safety measures which they discussed were care of wood burning fireplace and stove chimneys, thawing frozen pipes, cleaning clothes and other items, checking electrical wiring and use of appliances, and how to provide safe water for drinking in case of a disaster. They emphasized the importance of each member of the family knowing routes of exits in case of a disaster. Regular family disaster drills should be conducted, especially if there are small children in the family. It is important that they are pointed out to know what to do in case of a disaster, such as knowing what type of fire extinguishing material to use on different types of fires.

In the business meeting the group voted to have a sidewalk sale in front of Ben Franklin Store on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 24 and 25 and to participate in the City-wide Crazy Day.

Miss Avis Deavers, hostess for the meeting, served refreshments to Mmes. Shouse, Wilson, Walla, Sandusky, Lynwood Harrison, S.D. Gamble, Johnny Cox, S.C. Dixon, Charles Eager, Mack Fisher, Dent Gibson, Comer Haynes, Allen, King, C.B. Knight, Connie Mack Seymore, and Misses Maurine White and Mildred Hamm.

Glasscock's have son

Allen and Lori Glasscock of Altus, Okla. have announced the birth of a son, Daniel Alan, born Oct. 11. He weighed 6 lbs. 9 ozs. at birth.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Don Glasscock of Merkel and maternal grandmother is Sandy Koepper of Ponca City Okla.

Council, Tye PTO carnival, Crazy Days more

Whats Happening in Tye
By Harold Boyd

Here we are for another week with Tyes Happenings and news.

Your city council met in regular session on Oct. 14 at you city hall. Several concerned citizens were present. City council meeting open and minutes of Sept. were read and approved by all. Mr. Billy Jacobs of Yeatts and Decker met with your council on the sewer line. At this present time, the project is some 45 per cent complete. Third item was, Mr. Bill Button met with the council regarding WTU's rate increase. This was suspended for 120 days. WTU wants to increase WTU rates some 8 to 10 percent over all. Your city council elected to take it 120 days to study this issue. Mr. Brockman from the Television Cable Service, Inc. requested an ordinance to permit T.V. Cable Service in Tye. Our council voted to table this item. It is up to the people of Tye to request the city council for adoption of an ordinance to permit them to operate in the city of Tye. This can be done by a signed petition, then let your council act. Mr. Ernest Tyler requested a variance of the uniform building code, his request was tabled for further study. Amended Contract with Abilene for legal services was approved to raise their rate from \$15.00 to \$20.00 per hour. The CD's were renewed, the large on \$121,390.75 for 3 months, the \$62,937.93 for 6 months was approved. The approval of Court Clerks appointment as Notary approved 4-1. Mrs. Gene Cates request for removal of the carpet at the Community Center in the kitchen area died for lack of a 2nd. Council agreed to sell the Chevrolet Plu instead of repairing it. Council approved placing a street light at the Post Office. If you will note, there is a street light in front of Permium Corp which should be taken into consideration. The court and police reports were given and approved by a 4-1 vote. Last but not least, was financial report was given and approved. This meeting was adjourned.

At this time I would like to inform the citizens of Tye regarding the Police and Court System in Tye.

This was requested by the citizens of Tye some 4 years ago and became a reality soon after that. Through the WTCOG we got a policeman, car and established the Municipal Court. True, this wasn't set up to be a money maker for Tye, but for the preservation of law and order. If we're to keep what was once requested, it would help the citizens to visit your council meetings and hear for yourselves. If you want on the agenda, contact the city mayor and request your appearance. Should we not be careful, we may lose these items, and for one, I wouldn't like what the end results will be. Tye has somewhat been quite, but without law and order, we'd be a

Stith roof fund

Donating to the Stith Community Center Roof Fund were: Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Wilburn \$100; Vada Hudson \$25; Mrs. Orion Higgins \$5; Allen Higgins \$6; Stith Musical Daisy Mashburn, Vada Hudson \$50; Roy Mashburn \$25; Donations of audience at musical 10-18-80 \$30.55.

The total collected was \$241.55.

breaking place for more crime. So pay attention to what is going on at your city council meetings and in Tye.

Remember Crazy Daze at Merkel! It is great that our neighbors at Merkel are interested in their neighbors. We are fortunate to have them for Crazy Daze will help Tye Fire Department in benefits from this endeavor. Get behind Merkel and let's show them our appreciation. For more information, contact Merkel Chamber of Commerce and they will give it to you.

To our 7th and 8th football players from Tye, you're the greatest. We have several young men from Tye that play on this team and have excelled in winning. Now if we could get the Mail to exploit our men from Tye in the write-ups, it would be great. If you like to watch good football, get out and watch them every Thursday evening. A good evening of great football.

The students of Tye Elementary School are at it again. Super Sales People, they have got raffle tickets for T.V. (color), getting prizes together for their games at their annual Halloween Carnival. The carnival is set for Oct. 31, Friday an evening of fellowship and fun. These items will be well supervised, so bring Grandma, Grandpa, Uncle Joe and Aunt Mary out and participate in the fun.

What are those boys doing? Practicing and getting ready for the annual pushmobile races to be held at the K-Mart store. Tye has been at this the past 4 years and have come home as winners each year. Should you have a young man interested in becoming a cub scout or boy scout contact Mr. Bill Adams. He'll be most happy to get that young man involved.

Other than that, what else is happening in Tye? Surely more than this is happening, but we haven't heard from you. Again, we invite your news of your organization happenings or

upcoming projects. November 4th is the day all registered citizens will go to the polls to vote for President, county leaders and Bingo. Vote your convictions and hope our country can rebuild itself as it once was. Build us to be respected, trusted and of high moral. Only, "we the people can do this..." This is a right we still have...So exercise it by voting for the person, party of your choice.

Till next week, take care. See ya next week, same time and same place in the Mail.

Getting it right

In last week's Mail we misidentified Homecoming Queen D.W. Best's escort. The Mail reported

incorrectly, she was escorted by Chris Mashburn. She was escorted by Eddie Caulder. The Mail regrets that error.

To our Merkel customers.

After October 1, 1980 gas bills may be paid at the Boney Insurance Company

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35-1tc

Card of Thanks
The kindness and sympathy of neighbors and friends in our recent sorrow will always remain with us as a precious memory. Our sincere thanks and gratitude for all those comforting acts. The Family of D. Perry.

35-1tp
We wish to express our appreciation for the prayers, food, flowers, and every act of kindness shown us in time of our sorrow in the loss of our loved one Herman (Joe) Dickerson. Also we wish to thank Bro. Harrison and Bro. Bugg for the beautiful service. The Family of Joe Dickerson, Brenda, Linda, Joyce, Waylon, Gary, Mrs. F.W. Dickerson (Mother), and brothers and sisters.

35-1tc
For the many cards, letters, phone calls, and especially the prayers and food in our time of sorrow, we say thanks to our many friends, to Roy Davis and the choir, Bro. David Bugg, Rev. Kenneth Jones, George Starbuck for the beautiful memorial service for our loved one. The Williams family and Goldia

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Notices

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Amparo Falcon Gonzales, Respondent
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 Marcelino G. Gonzales, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 3rd day of October, 1980, against Amparo Falcon Gonzales, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 4623C on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Matter of The Marriage of Marcelino G. Gonzales and Amparo Falcon Gonzales", the nature of which suit is a request to the court to grant a divorce to Petitioner.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree dissolving the marriage and providing for the division of property which will be binding on you. The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child 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 adoption.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved. The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and made due return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this 3rd day of October, 1980.

Irene Crawford Clerk, 326th Dist. Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Rella Mahony, Deputy.

34-4tc
NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that HACK DRILLING COMPANY, a partnership composed of E.E. McGill and F.H. Lloyd, doing business at Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, will become incorporated, and that after October 1, 1980, the business will be conducted under the name of HACK DRILLING CO., INC., a Texas corporation, at its same location in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas. This Notice is given pursuant to Article 1302-2.02 of the Texas Miscellaneous Corporation Laws Act and Section 6.103(7) of the Texas Business and Commerce Code.

32-4tc
PUBLIC NOTICE no.1
The City Council of the City of Merkel will be conducting a public hearing at 7:00 p.m., 10-27-1980 at City Hall for the purpose of soliciting citizen input for the development of a Community Development Block Grant Pre-application to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. All citizens, particularly low income and minority residents, are invited and encouraged to attend.

35-1tc
CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Malcolm Leon Toombs, Jr., Respondent.
GREETINGS:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock 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 Malcolm Leon Toombs Sr. & Wife Rebia, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 10th day of Sept., 1980, against Malcolm Leon Toombs Jr., Respondent, and said suit being numbered 623-C on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Interest of Marissa Lynett Toombs, A Child", the nature of which suit is a request to the Court to grant a divorce to Petitioner, and made due return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this 16th day of Oct., 1980.

Irene Crawford, District Clerk, Taylor County, Texas. By Johnnie Wakefield Deputy.

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Sandusky's 50th

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sandusky of Merkel are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary. They were married Oct. 22, 1930 in Abilene. Mrs. Sandusky is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. P.F. Harris of Merkel. Mr. Sandusky is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Judge Sandusky of Merkel. They had two children; a daughter, Mrs. E.J. (Barbara) Griffin, who died Dec. 29, 1977; and a son, Glenn Sandusky, of Merkel. Their son, daughter-in-law, Barbara and two grandchildren, Grant and Marissa Sandusky are honoring them with a reception, Sunday, Oct. 26, 1980 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church. All friends and relatives are invited to attend. They request no gifts.



Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sandusky will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this weekend. (Staff photo by Drew Mawson)

Irving man killed

An Irving resident was killed in a car-truck accident three miles west of Merkel on I-20 here Saturday. The death was the first since Jan. 1, 1978 within three miles east and west of Merkel on I-20.

John Harry Brannin died Saturday evening at Hendrick Medical Center from massive head injuries and a companion, Patsy Hamilton was listed in stable condition Monday from a severe concussion.

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Thursday is the deadline for entries in the Crazy Days Cake Bake. Entries are to be delivered to Boney Insurance by 5 p.m. today.

The Crazy Days Parade, complete with the marching band is scheduled for 2 p.m. November 1st. The usual prizes for the craziest horse, float, bicycle, band member will still be awarded.

MISD student will also be having a Crazy Days at school Oct. 31st when students compete for prizes for crazy attire.

Of course, the annual Halloween PTO Carnivals are set. Merkel's is scheduled Saturday at Badger Stadium and Tye's will be Oct. 31st at the Tye Elementary School.

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CRAZY DAYS

The Mail invites you to visit your Merkel Merchants and take advantage of their **CRAZY** prices!

OCT. 27
NOV. 1



Mildred Barnett (left) was named Coming Home Queen in ceremonies at Merkel High's Homecoming two weeks ago. Junior Clark (right) was named Mr. X. (Staff photo by Drew Mawson)

SPEAKING OF SOAPS

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Gloria Loring plays Liz on "Days of Our Lives."

BY MARY ANN COOPER

Though Gloria Loring "Liz" has been placed in the unenviable position of being the "other woman" in "Don and Marlena's" marriage on Days of Our Lives, Gloria herself is sitting in the catbird seat riding a wave of new popularity in a career that has included over 300 guest appearances on TV shows such as "The Tonight Show," "The Merv Griffin Show," and "The Carol Burnett Show." Her continuing role on "Days of Our Lives" is her first dramatic venture, however.

The daughter of a trumpeter playing father who performed with Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey's band, and a mother who also sang, Gloria is listed in "The World's Who's Who of Women."

As a songwriter, Gloria and her husband/producer Alan Thicke wrote the themes to the television shows, "Different Strokes" and "Facts of Life." Gloria is currently under a songwriting contract with United Artists Music.

The blond haired, blue-eyed singer/actress was born December 10 in New York City. Her pastimes include tennis, reading and needlecraft. Her sultry presence on the daytime

scene has left little time for needlecraft as her popularity grows not only with the male viewers but with the female viewers as well.

Speaking of viewers, Speaking of Soaps is fast approaching its second anniversary and we would like to share our celebration with our loyal readers and soap opera viewers.

To achieve that end, next week we will begin an exciting new contest entitled "Name That Soap." The grand prize winner of this contest will receive an all-expense paid visit to New York City which will include round-trip transportation to New York, a visit to a major studio to watch a soap being taped, lunch with a soap star and dinner with yours truly.

All you have to do to win is read Speaking of Soaps for the next six weeks and answer the contest question that appears in each week's column. At the end of six weeks write down as many answers as you know and send them to the address that will be printed with the final week's question. The winner will be the person who submits the most correct answers. In case of a tie the winner will be selected at random from

the correct entries submitted. In addition, the first six runners-up will receive Speaking of Soaps tee shirts.

Now a look at what's been happening and what will happen on all afternoon dramas.



Recap 10/20-10/24
Preview 10/27-10/31

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS -- Lorie is becoming very possessive of Jamie and Luke plays right into her hands. Derek is living the good life but is about to take a fall.
AS THE WORLD TURNS -- Kim and John lock horns again while Dee, blinded by love, stands by John. Nick's friends make an effort to clear his name.
THE GUIDING LIGHT -- Alan's future with Hope is clouded by a shady business deal. Rita and Ed have not put all their problems to rest.

SEARCH FOR TOMORROW -- Jo tries to build a new life but is nagged by the past. Sunny's condition worsens.

RYAN'S HOPE -- Ken George Jones is dead. Maeve is forced to admit to the police that Jill was found at Ken George Jones' bedside holding an empty hypodermic. Jill disappears. Kim and Seneca fight about Michael. Faith is even more attracted to Frank. Jack and Rose make peace and grow closer together.
THIS WEEK: Jill is put in a vulnerable position by those close to her. Rose has second thoughts about her attraction to Jack.

ALL MY CHILDREN -- Chuck accuses Palmer of railroading Donna toward divorce. Palmer and Donna plan a trip to Haiti. Estelle's pregnancy test is positive but she doesn't tell Benny. Paul begs Ellen not to marry Mark. Joe is convinced that Leora is a victim of wife beating.

THIS WEEK: Ellen is being pulled in two different directions. Joe sticks his neck out and almost gets it chopped off.

ONE LIFE TO LIVE -- Pat confronts Asa with Nicole's claim that he is not Bo's father. Karen helps in dissuading a malpractice suit against Marco. Edwina reaches a decision. Dorian wants Herb and makes a sizable campaign contribution. Marcello runs into some of Katrina's "old friends."

THIS WEEK: Asa has found a formidable enemy and is at a loss as to how to combat her. Marcello demands some answers from Kat.

GENERAL HOSPITAL -- Hutch, with a bullet wound in his chest, is taken to General Hospital. Luke and Laura spend the night together. Joe Kelly gets the warrant for the arrest of Frank Smith. Upon their return to Port Charles, Laura denies her love for Luke and looks for Scotty. A scandal hits General Hospital.

THIS WEEK: Luke tries to talk some sense into Laura but fails. Gail worries about what the pressure will do to Lee.

EDGE OF NIGHT -- April and Draper finally begin to put the past behind them. After losing the custody battle, Raven wastes no time in getting rid of Jamie. Emily gives Draper an ultimatum. Jody is shocked to find an unconscious Nicole.

THIS WEEK: Nicole's condition worsens and has Miles deeply depressed. Jody tries to cheer him up.
THE DOCTORS -- Greta is feeling guilty. Darcy borrows more money from Alan. Garner and Bennett have a fight. Ida visits Bobbie. Bobbie has her baby. The custody hearing closes and the judge deliberates on a decision.

THIS WEEK: The custody hearing opens old wounds and leaves much bitterness. Darcy is taught a lesson she will not soon forget.

ANOTHER WORLD -- Tracy opens in San Francisco and is a big hit. Larry confesses to Blaine that he is afraid that Delaney will take Clarice away from him. Amy and Kit fight over Jerry. Kit signs the annulment papers. Blaine threatens Delaney. Miranda loses the tape. Larry comes to arrest Rachel.

THIS WEEK: A wedge is driven between Clarice and Larry by Delaney's continuing presence and influence. Things look grim for Rachel as more evidence pops up.
TEXAS -- Jasmine signs the annulment papers. Ryan

tells Ginny that Barret is dead. Hassin comes to the U.S. to see Clipper. Alex hires Paige. Judd receives a medical discharge. Paige plans a birthday party for Dennis.

THIS WEEK: Dennis has found a new reason to resent his mother. Clipper is up to no good again. Ownership of the tape comes to a climax.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES: Don accepts the post of District Attorney without telling Marlena. They are growing further apart. Joshua finds a woman who saw his mother murdered and convinces her to testify. She had been in a mental hospital all this time. Jarvis may be further implicated in this matter.

THIS WEEK: Joshua is disappointed and reacts angrily. Todd is not himself.

Merritt graduates

Airman Monte M. Merritt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen G. Merritt of Merkel, Texas, has been assigned to Shepard Air Force Base, Texas, after completing Air Force basic training.

During the six weeks at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

4-H club meets

The Merkel 4-H had their October meeting Monday night October 20 at the First United Methodist Church. Jay Gibson, president, was in charge of the meeting. Melissa Davis read the minutes of the September meeting. Richa Hill led the American Pledge and Kelly Stovall led the 4-H pledge and motto. Kay Cass showed a film to the club on rat control. Mrs. Gloria Henslee served

refreshments to everyone.

The members present were: Jay Gibson, Melissa Davis, Kelly Stovall, Leigh Anne Allen, Tami Elliott, Debra Carey, Richa Hill, Candice Henslee, Krista Toombs, Michelle Barnett, Teresa Lucas, Kristy Elliott, Darrel Shipman, Alyse Ferguson, Stacy Ferguson, Russell Morgan, Amber Whisenhunt, and Marty Flowers.

FFA students return from Dallas

The FFA students have now begun parliamentary procedure. Mr. Naron worked with these students while Mr. Riley was in Dallas at the State Fair Stock Show. Results of the stock show are as follows: Jay Gibson placed 23rd with his hamp cross lamb and 33rd with his hamp lamb; Mike Hagar placed 14th with his chester white; Randy Leverich placed 22nd with his crossbreed; Chris Mashburn placed 28th with his crossbreed barrow; Ann Melton

placed 20th with her crossbreed; Melissa Harris placed 13th with her Duroc; and Lynn Hayes placed 17th with his Duroc. Congratulations to these people.

For two weeks the Merkel FFA students will be selling fruit; apples, grapefruit and oranges at these prices: Oranges- small box \$7.50, large box \$12.00; grapefruit- small box \$7.00, large box \$10.00; apples, one size box \$9.00.

See you next week with more ag news.

Middle school selling tickets

The Merkel Middle School is selling chances for a 30-30 Winchester Deer Rifle and a 12" Black and White Philco Television for the PTO Carnival. The items are on display at Hi-Val Farm and Home Supply on North First. Tickets can be bought

there or from any Middle School student for only \$1.00 a chance. The money made on this project will be announced at the PTO Halloween Carnival Saturday October 25 at the Football Stadium. You do not have to be present to win.

Blevins-Rister wedding held

Sheila Ann Blevins of Hamilton, Ohio and Harvey L. Rister of Tucson were united in marriage on Sept. 19. Sheila is the daughter of the late Marvin

Eugene Blevins and Winifred Blevins of Hamilton, Ohio. Harvey is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Rister of Merkel. Harvey is a gradu-

ate of San Diego Mesa College. He flew for Coehise Airlines in Tucson.

After a trip to Europe, the couple will live in the United States.

REPORT OF CONDITION

Consolidating domestic subsidiaries of the

The Farmers & Merchants National Bank of Merkel

In the state of Texas, at the close of business on September 30, 1980 published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under title 12, United States Code, Section 161.

Charter number 7481 National Bank Region Number 11

Statement of Resources and Liabilities		Thousands of dollars
ASSETS		
Cash and due from depository institutions		2,358
U. S. Treasury securities		3,045
Obligations of other U. S. Government agencies and corporations		500
Obligations of States and political subdivisions in the United States		453
All other securities		20
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell		700
Loans, Total (excluding unearned income)	8,270	
Less: Allowance for possible loan losses	63	
Loans, Net		8,207
Lease financing receivables		-0-
Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and other assets representing bank premises		181
Real estate owned other than bank premises		13
All other assets		523
TOTAL ASSETS		16,001
LIABILITIES		
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations		5,673
Time and savings deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations		7,767
Deposits of United States Government		-0-
Deposits of States and political subdivisions in the United States		761
All other deposits		-0-
Certified and officers' checks		32
Total Deposits		14,233
Total demand deposits	5,863	
Total time and savings deposits	8,370	
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase		-0-
Interest-bearing demand notes (note balances) issued to the U. S. Treasury and other liabilities for borrowed money		23
Mortgage indebtedness and liability for capitalized leases		-0-
All other liabilities		294
TOTAL LIABILITIES (excluding subordinated notes and debentures)		14,550
Subordinated notes and debentures		-0-
MEMORANDA EQUITY CAPITAL		
Preferred stock	No. shares outstanding	-0- (par value) -0-
Common stock	No. shares authorized	132,000
	No. shares outstanding	132,000 (par value) 330
Surplus		330
Undivided profits and reserve for contingencies and other capital reserves		791
TOTAL EQUITY CAPITAL		1,451
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CAPITAL		16,001
MEMORANDA		
Amounts outstanding as of report date:		
Standby letters of credit, total		-0-
Time certificates of deposit in denominations of \$100,000 or more		415
Other time deposits in amounts of \$100,000 or more		219
Average for 30 calendar days (or calendar month) ending with report date:		
Total deposits		14,327

We, the undersigned directors attest the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief is true and correct.

Don W. Hunsley
[Signature]
[Signature]

Directors

Betty Jane Tittle

Vice-President-Cashier

of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this Report of Condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Betty Jane Tittle
Signature

October 10, 1980

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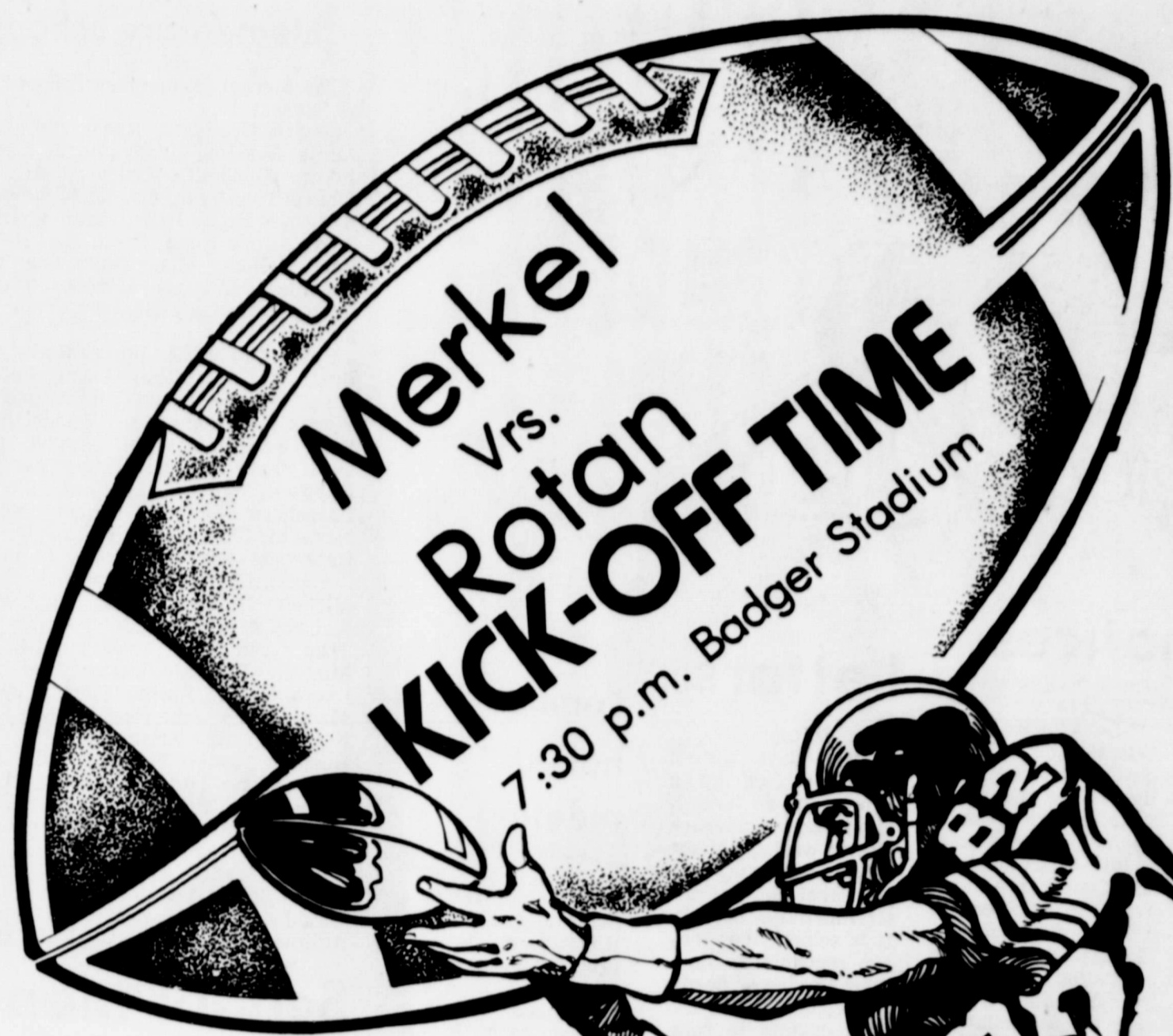
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Sal Acosta wraps up the Anson quarterback in last week's 3-2 win over Anson.
(Staff photo by Drew Mawson)



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Legal notices

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Jerry T. Barry, Defendant, Greeting: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 1st day of December A.D. 1980, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 14th day of October A.D. 1980, in this cause, numbered 36,874A on the docket of said court and styled In Re: Change of Name of Ronald Ray Barry.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Ronald Ray Barry, a minor is currently living with Marshall M. Jacobs, Jr., Petitioner his stepfather and that the minor currently goes by the name Jacobs. It is for his best interest and benefit to change his name and adopt another as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 14th day of October A.D. 1980.

Attest: Irene Crawford Clerk, 42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas By Rilla Mahoney, Deputy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Bennie Loyd

Schooler, Respondent: 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 Bertha Naoma Schooler, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 7th day of August, 1980, against Bennie Loyd Schooler, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 4345c on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Matter of The Marriage of Bertha Naoma Schooler and Bennie Loyd Schooler", the nature of which suit is a request to grant divorce.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree dissolving the marriage and providing for the division of property which will be binding on you.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child 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 adoption.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this the 14th day of Oct., 1980.

Irene Crawford, District Clerk, 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas, By Johnnie Wakefield, Deputy.

Letters..

Dear Editor:

These days each time we pick up a newspaper or tune in to a radio or television station we hear of the trouble our young people are in or the terrible things they do. It is seldom that they are recognized for their service or deeds.

I would like to use your column to commend the Alpha Phi Omega at Hardin Simmons University for their participation in community service.

For two years I have been trying to find enough interested parents to help put a new roof on the scout building. But everyone was busy with other things. Merkel is very lucky to have a building for their scouts to meet in but this building has not been kept up and is in terrible shape. Last year the Merkel Lions Club donated the material for the new roof. But the time was something no one had.

Saturday, Oct. 18, 1980, the members of Alpha Phi Omega gave up their day to put the new roof on. My husband was the only person from Merkel to help them. I have never worked with a group of young men who impressed me as these young men did. They were hard workers and seemed to enjoy doing for others.

I salute each and every member of Alpha Phi Omega at Hardin-Simmons University.

Sincerely, Sherry Ferguson Service Unit Chairman Merkel Girl Scouts

Lambda Beta holds meeting

Lambda Beta held their Oct. 7, 1980 meeting at Gloria Henslee's home. Judy Elliott and Kay Teaff gave a program on literature and poetry. Everyone was asked to read a favorite poem. Robert Frost was a popular poet of the group.

Those enjoying this evening were: Gayla Beard, Annette Clark, Judy Elliott, Belle Hammond, Gloria Henslee, Nancy Hogan, Chera Hohertz, Jodie Morris, Beverly Reed, Minyon Seymour, Kay Teaff, Barbara Welch and Barbara Peterman.

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Elementary school honor students named

The Merkel Elementary School Honor Roll is as follows:

Second Grade: A Honor Roll: Coby Arch, Jamie Beasley, Jenny Boyd, Lois Campbell, Jayma Goldsmith, Collin Jacobs, Cara Kelso, Phuong Thao Tran, Brandon Toombs, and Daniel West. A-B Honor Roll: Dustie, Baldree, Brandon Boyd, Aimee Bugg, Devin Ely, Robert Frazier, Betsy Hellums, Missy Jones, Sean Leamon, Roy Manahan, Michael Moreno, Tonya Moreno, Detry Pack, Lupe Quintero, Tracie Thomas, and Maria Uribe.

Third Grade: A Honor Roll: Lisa Cannon, Rebecca Cates, Misti Doan, Robynn Dudley, Jenni Quance, Penny Smith, and Anne Marie Wojeik. A-B Honor Roll: Bridget Acuna, Regina Best, Sabrina Boswell, Angela Carson, Kyle Doan, Toby Dupont, Chance Ferguson, Rickey Haggard, Melissa Hallford, Stephen Jacobs, Cassandra Moreno, Denise Moreno, Tricia Newsom, Chris Pack, Kevin Pilgrim, Gay Lynn Robertson, Matt Smith, and Jimmy Townsend.

Fourth Grade: A Honor Roll: Camilla Bright, Michele Dudley, Richa Hill, Anissa Jones, Melissa Morris, Wade Toombs, Diem Trang Tran, and Max Trevino. A-B Honor Roll: Michelle Barnett, Walter Best, David Biera, Laura Burks, Norma Cuellar, Jennifer Davis, Mary Dillion, John Paul Dudley, Stacy Flowers, Kody Hogan, Krista Johnson, Amy Jones, Kenneth Jowers, Howard Kelly, Julie Koflanovich, Maxie Lang, Jon-David Layher, Teresa Lucas, Kim Morris, Pam Neff, Kim Richards, Glyn Ann Rutledge, Tony Trevino, and Kevin Waller.

Fifth Grade: A Honor Roll: April Duncan, Kristy Elliott, Ted Seymore, Todd Smith, Krista Toombs, Misty Vaughn. A-B Honor Roll: Mark Aldrete, Angie Cannon, Kyle Coker, Russell

School menu

- Thursday Oct. 23: Pork steak with gravy, candied sweet potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, and pears.
- Friday Oct. 24: Sloppy Joes, sliced onions, pickle relish, tater tots with catsup and oranges.
- Monday Oct. 27: Chicken fried steak with gravy, mixed vegetables, cream potatoes, hot rolls, and jello with fruit.
- Tuesday Oct. 28: Bar-B-Q on Bun, potatoe salad, baked beans and peaches.
- Wednesday Oct. 29: beef tacos with taco sauce, pinto beans, lettuce, cheese, and plum cobbler.
- Thursday Oct. 30: fried fish with tartar sauce, macaroni and cheese, spinach, corn bread, and chocolate pudding.
- Friday Oct. 31: Hamburgers, lettuce, tomato, pickles, onions french fries with catsup, and peanut butter cookies.

Doan, Shelle Doan, Jerry Flowers, Gina Gober, Kim Graham, Melissa Harris, Candice Henslee, Jamie Heyen, Angie Moreno, Ramon Moreno, Crissy Nailey, Shayna Reynolds, Karrie Rich, Tracie Russell, Mindy Steward, Amy Stuckey, C.J. White.

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Trent News

Thursday October 23, 1980

Gorillas win 53-6

The Trent Gorillas ran their season record to 6-0, District record to 3-0 Saturday by defeating the McCaulley Eagles 53-6. The Defense had a big night by scoring half of the points. Everyone saw plenty of playing time. Starting the scoring for Trent was Greg Beasley returned the opening kick off 63 yards. P.A.T. was no good; Richard Beaver scored on an interception of 25 yards. Lloyd Williams added the P.A.T.; Richard Beaver scored on an end run of 51 yards. P.A.T. was no good; Greg Beasley ends the first quarter scoring by returning an interception 37 yards. P.A.T. was no good; Greg Beasley returned a kick off 55 yards for a T.D. Lloyd Williams added the P.A.T.; Mike De La Cruz scored on an end run of 60 yards. P.A.T. was no good; Greg Beasley 40 yard run. P.A.T. pass from Greg Beasley to Eddie Adams; Kevin Whitley a 20 yard pass from Greg Beasley.

High school honor students named

Missy Simpson, Matt Jackson, Greg Beasley, Mike De La Cruz, Sandra Griffith, John Perkins, Leslie Masonheimer, Todd Richardson, Rebecca Sipe, Riley West, and Darla Ross were all on the Trent Jr. high and High School A Honor Roll.



Trent's Homecoming parade two weeks ago was one of the largest they have had in years.

The shepperd in the middle of the float seems to be a little tired of waving. (Staff photo by Drew Mawson)

Adams, Williams in state show

Eddie Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adams and Lloyd Williams Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Williams Sr., showed swine at the State Fair. Lloyd placed 14th with his duroc.

This year the Trent FFA is offering delicious Ruby Red Grapefruit and Juicy Oranges. The quality of this tree ripened, orchard fresh fruit from the Rio Grande Valley of Texas is tops. The oranges is priced at \$7.50 per box for the 20 pounder and \$12.00 per box for the 40 pounder. The grapefruit is priced at \$7.00 per box for the 20

pounder and \$10.00 per box for the 40 pounder.

We are also selling Red Delicious Apples, which are tree ripened in Washing State. They are priced at \$9.00 per box for the 14 pounder. If you order fruit from us, it will be delivered to your home the week before Christmas.

You may also be interested in buying whole hog sausage. It is made from our chapter fed hogs. A 2 pound stick is selling for \$2.50. The sausage can be delivered as soon as you order. If you would like to save money by buying from us, call 862-6225 or contact any Trent FFA member.

Trent junior high downed 32-6

Trent lost its second game of the season last Thursday 32-6. Trent now 2-2 for the year lost to Highland. Both of Trent's losses have been to Highland. Trent's six points came on a pass from Roger Brenem to Jim Simpson. P.A.T. was no

good. Trent has two games remaining this season. Thursday the 23rd, Trent travels to Leuders-Avoca for a 5:30 ball game. Then on the 30th, Trent travels to McCaulley for it's last game of the year. Game time is at 6:00.

Trent seniors schedule talents show Friday

The Senior Class of Trent High School have a festive evening planned for all who enjoy the performance of good area talent.

The two hour show will begin at 7:30 in the Trent Gym, Friday, October 24th. You will find yourself tapping your toes to the rhythm of bands and instrumental solos; laughing at skits, clowns

and costumed entertainees; and thoroughly enjoying the singing of quartets, duets and solos.

Admission is 50 cents for adults and senior high students. Jr. high students and younger will be admitted for 25 cents. Cold drinks will be for sale at intermission and a bake sale will be held also. Come and enjoy a fun filled evening.

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YOUNG LEAN PORK ROASTS
BEST by TASTE



SHOP AND SAVE

ARMOUR STAR
CHICKEN FRIED
BEEF LB **\$1.69**
PATTIES

LEAN FRESH
LB **\$1.39**

ARMOUR STAR
POUND PKG **\$1.69**
BACON

FRESH LEAN
END CUT LB **\$1.39**
PORK CHOPS

GOOCH BR
BEEF SHORT
GOOD FOR BAR B-Q LB **\$1.39**
RIBS

GOOCH BR
BEEF OR REG
12 OZ PKG **\$1.29**
FRANKS

GOOCH BR
SAUSAGE LB **\$1.29**
HOT LINKS

FRESH LEAN
CENTER CUT LB **\$1.89**
PORK CHOPS



OWENS REG OR HOT
1 LB BAG **\$1.49**
2 LB BAG **\$2.98**

FOREMOST
COTTAGE CHEESE
16OZ PKG **93¢**

LIQUID
WISK
GT 33 OZ **\$1.53**

LIQUID
DISHWASHER
DERMASSAGE
GT BOT **89¢**

FROZEN FOODS
AUNT JEMINA 10 OZ
WAFFLES EA **63¢**

WELCH
CRANBERRY
12OZ CAN **79¢**
JUICE

V.I.P. CUT 10OZ
BROCCOLI 2 FOR **73¢**

V.I.P. 2 LB
CRINKLE CUT
POTATOES BAG **69¢**

TISSUE
MARINA
4 ROLL PACK **93¢**

FORMOST
HOMO
MILK
GAL **\$2.13**
JUG

FORMOST
LOW FAT
MILK
GAL **\$2.09**
JUG

FORMOST
SO-LO
MILK
QT EACH **63¢**

SUN SHINE
KRISPY
CRACKERS
1LB BOX **59¢**

CINCH
CORN BREAD
MIX
15OZ BOX **49¢**

SEE DISPLAY
TRICK
OR
TREAT
CANDIES

BROASTED
CHICKEN
We take call in orders
8PIECES FEEDS 4
WE GIVE GIFT BOND STAMPS
Double on Wednesday with \$5.00 or more

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CARSON'S SUPER MARKET
MERKEL TEXAS
FRESH VEGETABLES
BEST MEATS IN TOWN