The Merkel Mail

Thursday, March 10, 1988 Merkel, Texas

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1 killed, 1 in critical condition in Saturday wreck

An Abilene man was killed and a Merkel High senior remains in critical condition following a car accident here Saturday.

Jeffrey Scott Carroll, 22, a 1983 graduate of Merkel High was killed and Lee Leverich, 18, of Merkel, was listed in critical condition Tuesday night, according to Jo Thompson, community relations direcor of Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Scott was killed when he lost control of his pick-up during a high speed chase by Merkel police officer Steve McNally. Leverich suffered broken bones and internal. injuries in the accident.

Scott was pronouned dead at the scene of the accident, south of the Merkel Vo-Ag building, by Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace Jack Keenan. Leverich was transported to Hendrick medical Center by the Merkel Emergency Medical Service.

Free tax assistance available

Free tax assistance is available through VITA, the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program sponsored by the Internal Revenue Service and will be available at Merkel's First United Methodist Church March 19th from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. and at the Ben Franklin Store March 12th from 10 a.m. un-

VITA helps lower income, elderly and non-English speaking taxpayers fill out form 1040EZ, form 1040A or a basic form 1040. Volunteers also alert taxpayers to the special credits and deductions for which they may be eligible, such

as the child care and earned interest credits, the tax credit for the elderly, and deductions for certain medical and dental expen-

However, VITA volunteers do not handle complicated tax matters, ac cording to the IRS.

Taxpayers seeking the local help should bring this year's tax package, usually received through the mail, wage and earnings statements the interest received from banks, a copy of last year's tax return, if available, and any other information concerning income and ex-

MISD board meets

The MISD school board will meet March 18th for their regular session. The meeting will be held in the conference room of the high school building.

Board members will act on a request from the Senior Class to hold a dance as a fund-raiser, will sign papers completing sale

of school owned lots and will hear reports from campus principals.

The board will also discuss a request for a leave of absence, discuss personnel evaluations and contract renewals as well as personnel assignments for 1988-89. The public is invited to attend.



Merkel senior Brit Pursley was named to the alldistrict basketball team. (Staff photo)



Merkel senior Lynn Hays, shown here in action against Ballinger, was named to the alldistrict basketball team. (Staff photo)



These Merkel 1st grade students of Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. West combined to read 1,300 books in the

BOOK-It program sponsored by Pizza Hut. The students were treated to free pizzas for their efforts.

Tragic weekend, Chamber . . . more

by Cloy A. Richards

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It was a tragic weekend here. Saturday night, a Merkel High graduate was killed and a Merkel High senior was badly injured in a car wreck.

Jeff Scott, 22, of Abilene died and Lee Leverich, 18, or Merkel was badly injured after a pick-up Scott was driving hit a tree near the high school following a high speed chase by Merkel patrolman Steve McAnally.

Scott was a 1983 graduate of Merkel High and has lived in Abilene for the past couple of years. He was employed by WTU as a ser-

viceman. Leverich was listed in critical condition Tuesday night at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. Our thoughts and prayers (ours meaning the entire community) are with the Scott family for their tragic loss and to the Leverich

family. Tragedies are never easy to cope with. They shouldn't be, but we can help those affected. Remember these two local fam-

The home of Merkel junior high teacher-coach Bruce Woods was destroyed by fire here Saturday night.

ilies in your prayers.

The family did not have a chance to save any of their posessions. If you would like to help them in any way, contact the Middle School.

The annual membership banquet of the Merkel Chamber of Commerce will be held Tuesday, March 15th at 7 p.m. at Heritage Hall.

Entertainment for the evening will be provided by Abilene magician Lonnie Chevrie. The highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the

Citizen of the Year award by the

Tickets are \$7.50 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. The entire family will be able to enjoy

this year's banquet as Chevrie puts on a heck of a show.

It's really a good value as well. I don't think you would find many places that would be willing to entertain you as well as feed you a good meal at those prices. Support YOUR Chamber by attending Tuesday night.

While we are on the subject of the Chamber, Gary Hicks has been busy as he got an early start on Arbor Day.

Last week, Gary planted 20 pine trees along the Old Highway 80 right of way and a couple of pecan trees in the lot the chamber has

been maintaining downtown. Gary has plans to set out a few more trees and if you would like to help in any way, either by donating trees or have suggestions for placement, contact him at

Hicks Auto. While we are at it, we will need a little help from a local farmer. If you happen to be using and weed killer and have a little left, there are a few weeds on the lot downtown that we need to get out of the Bermuda grass when Mother Nature says it is the right

If you have a kid in the elementary school either here or in Tye, you no doubt know that author John Erickson was here Monday.

Erickson, the creator of the Hank The Cowdog series of books entertained students Monday and appeared for the community Monday night and he put on a heck of a

The man is a very talented writer who also proved he is no stranger to a banjo or a microphone. His program here Monday was the best entertainment I have seen in a long time and his appearance was

paid for by your donations to the Merkel Elementary PTO. I hope it can become a periodic tradition here.

MHS baseball schedule

The Merkel High baseball team

A schedule of games appear in

Registration for the Merkel

Little League gets started Sat-

urday at the local WIU office from

Elementary school students in

registration forms at school this

week and if your little baseball

player didn't get home with his,

you can contact Delbert Dearing at

Fees are \$25 per player or \$35

maximum for more than one player

in a family. Fees were increased

this year as uniforms and equip-

People interested in running for

the city councils of Merkel, Trent

and Tye or for school board seats

in Merkel and Trent have until

March 23rd to sign up for a spot

Only one person has registered

and that is Ronny Doan who is run-

In case you haven't heard, Mar-

lin, the basketball team that

knocked the Badgers out of the

playoffs, lost their first round

game in the regional basketball

Marlin was downed in double ov-

ertime was Brownfield and Merkel

coach JohnnyHampton told me Tues-

day that Marlin did not play well

gers placed more players on the

All-District team than any other

school, and rightfull so given the

fact the Badgers were undefeated.

Named all-district were Seniors

ynn Hays and Brit Pursley and Jun-

ior Kenneth Jowers, Mentioned hon-

orably were Senior Ted Seymore and

Speaking of basketball, the Bad-

ning for Lee Yaddow's spot on the

ment needed to be replaced.

Merkel, Trent and Tye received

here Tuesday.

this week's edition.

9 a.m. until Noon.

Merkel Elementary.

on the ballot.

tournament.

in that contest.

Junior Monty Griffin.

Merkel School Board.

The Merkel Badger baseball season got started Tuesday as the Bagdres hosted Sweetwater in their only non-district game of the seastarted their season on the right foot as they downed Sweetwater 6-5

The Badgers have won the district championship for the past three seasons and a new team came in this season as Ballinger will field a team. Johnny Hampton is coaching the

team in his first season. Varsity Baseball Schedule March 18 Merkel at Wylie March 29 Ballinger at Merkel April 5 Merkel at Clyde April 8 Wylie at Merkel April 12 Merkel at Ballinger April 19 Clyde at Merkel April 22 Merkel at Wylie April 26 Ballinger at Merkel April 29 Clyde at Merkel May 3 Merkel at Clyde

May 10 Merkel at Ballinger Little League registration

May 6 Wylie at Merkel

Registration for the Merkel Little League will be held at the local WIU office March 12 and 19 from 9 a.m. until Noon.

Forms are being sent home with students at Merkel, Trent and Tye school this week.

Cost of registration os \$25 per player or \$35 per family. The tryout for the major leagues will be announced later. All boys age 10 as of August 1st who did not play on a major league team last year will be required to

Canyon fire meeting

The Mulberry Canyon Volunteer rire Department will meet March 14 at 7 p.m. at the tabernacle nextto the Pioneer Memorial Methodist Church.

The election of annual officers will be held. Due to several burglaries in the area, there will also be a deputy from the Taylor County Sheriff's Office present to help answer questions on the organization of a crime watch. All families of the area are asked to attend.



Merkel junior post man Kenneth Jowers, shown here in action against Marlin, was named to the alldistrict basketball team. (Staff photo)

Chamber banquet Tuesday

The Merkel Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual membership banquet at Heritage Hall Tuesday night at 7 p.m.

Highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the Citizen of the Year award.

Entertainment will be provided by Abilene magician Lonnie Chevrie. Tickets for the event will be available at the door.

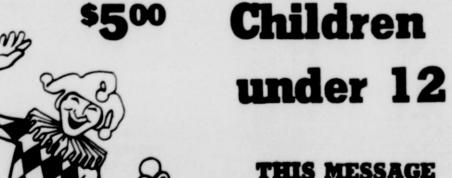
Chamber of Commerce Membership Banquet Tuesday, March 15,

at Heritage Hall at 7 p.m. enjoy a night of good food and entertainment for

the whole family

- **★ Magic** by Lonnie Chevrie
- **★ Barbecued Brisket**
- * Citizen of the Year awards
- * Brisket auction
- **★ Everyone invited**

\$7⁵⁰ adults **Tickets** \$500 Children





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The Merkel Mail March 10, 1988- Page 2 Trent names honor students

O'Kelly, Amanda Callas, Michael

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1st grade: Chris Woffor, Kaci Bland, Laramie Gorbett, Ashlea Parker, Mindy Ray, David Rios, Kevin Sanford.

2nd grade: Melesa Alexander, Wendy Harwell, Tracy Jennings, Amanda Keith, Steven Dickerson. 3rd Grade: Adam pruett, Derek Galvin, J. P. Marburger, Ryan Bigbee, Scott Dulaney.

4th Grade: Teri Brazelton, Allison Davis, Rebecca Evans, Belinda Falcon, Jaime Ray. 5th Grade: Suzanne Elmore, Krista Pruett, Crystal Christensen.

8th Grade: Janet Gibson, Tanmy 9th Grade: Travis Walker. 10th Grade: Jon Evans, Denise

Gibson, Renee Gibson. 11th Grade: Lewis Knapp, B. J. 12th grade: Tammy Collier, Glenna Clark, Terri Masonheimer, Scott

O'Kelly, Brian Massey. The following students were listed on the A-B honor roll: Kindergarten: Daniel Robinson, Brandy Kelly, Jerrod Brown.

1st Grade: Mandy Brenem, Kathy Callas, Aaron Dulaney, John Eaves, Jason Moore, Sawn Schrieber, Misty Simpson, Cody Smith.

2nd Grade: Jared Cabral, Tye Christensen, Matt davis, Ma Hackney, Lindsay Jones. 3rd Grade: Becky Galvin, Dee

J. Bland, Jamie Deen. 4th Grade: Tammie Deen. 5th Grade: Brad Clark, Justin Williams, David Boles. 6th Grade: Jamie Alexander, Brandi Dickerson, Jason Jontra,

7th Grade: Jennifer Cabral, Timothy Childress, Tory Dean, Juanita Fair, Jake Falcon, Britt Sipe, Tricia Ussery.

Mark Payne, Sara Rios, Jason Gol-

8th Grade: Scott Bloodworth, Jerry Collier, Jennifer Oden. 9th Grade: Julie Clay, Cipi Fal-

on, Jamie Masonheimer. 10th Grade: Sheli Boles, Brenda Galvin, Kristy Keeling, Keith Oden, Mike Payne, Kim Jones. 11th Grade: Dock Carriker, Sandy Collier, Micki Gaskill, Jason

12th Grade: Leslie Brazelton.

Xi Nu Eta plans

The Xi No Eta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi held it's Valentine Ball on Feb. 5th. It was a huge success. This will be an annual event

sponsored by Xi Nu Chi. The winners of the club's Valentine Sweetheart wwkend were Don 6 Owen Latimer.

Plans are being made for a men's softball tournament. Details will be announced at a later date. The club wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support of their activities.



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New Titles Arriving Week

Services held here Monday for Jeff Scott

Jeffrey (Jeff) Carroll Scott, 22, of Abilene, died March 5th in an auto accident here.

Funeral services were held March 7th at Pioneer Memorial Methodist Church with Rev. James McKee officiating. Burial followed at the White Church Cemetery under the direction of the Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born April 16, 1965 in Abilene, he was the son of David and Jean Scott of Merkel. He attended Merkel schools for all of his 12 years in school and was a 1983 graduate of Merkel High. He attended Pioneer Memorial Methodist Church and was a WIU serviceman for the past 25 years.

While a student at Merkel schools, he was active in sports and in the FFA program He enjoyed playing golf and fishing as hobbies.

He married Kelly Dawn Sherrill June 28, 1985 in Abilene. He is survived by his wife of Abilene, his parents David & Jean Scott of Merkel, maternal grandparents David & Louise Woodard of Abilene, paternal grandparents A. D. & Mable Scott of Merkel, two brothers Taylor and Spencer Scott, both of Merkel.

Serving as pallbearers were Tony McInroe, O. C. McKeehan, Billy Mc-Keehan, Ken Lang, Mike Bradford and Butch Linahan.

Middle school's honor students

The following Merkel Middle School students were named to the All-A Honor Roll for the 4th six week grading period. Tanya Beasley, Lori Best, Son

Tanya Beasley, Lori Best, Son Hui Chon, Elizabeth Hernandez, Jennifer Hobbs, Shayla Miller, Cheryl Wood, Mendy Brnovak, Shayla Carter, Matt Cravens, Jason Heuerman, Susan Holden, Kimberly Isreal, Caleb Kelso.

Mendy Law, Lonnie Liggins, Jennifer McKee, Angie Nault, Cliff Owen, Andrea Richardson, Joy Roberson, Cody Tittle, Trinh Tran, Marck Wright, Judd Burton, Dana Hammond, Heather Henderson, Kathryn Rister, Elizabeth Smith, Sandi Wood.

A-B Honor Roll: Chris Baber, Mandy Barnett, Amanda Biera, Scott Cannon, Lisa Fenton, Julie Harding, Michelle Ingram, Stephanie Jones, James Melendez, Billy Page, Ricky Riley, Ellen Rutledge, Also, Bryan Lepard, Brian Miller, Melanie Mitchell, Zac Nagid, Amy Podrovitz, Troy Roberts, Lana Rogers, Corley Segovia, Angie St. Cyr, Jason Tipton, Billy Vera Cruz, Kelly Warren.

Stephen Santee, Kriste A, Smith, Amy Sparks, Trisha Trevino, Sebastian Ascencio, Amanda Avalos.

Also, John bauer, Adam Biera, Joel Bird, Spencer Duncan, Tammy Graham, Austin Hill, Kimberly Holmes, Wendy Hudman, Dee Dee Jackson, Jason Kofoed, Wayne Martin, Crystal newberry, Delayne Pack, Orville Pirraglia, Jason Putnam, Jason Reneau.

Also, Renli Reynolds, Jason Robison, Travis Sanders, Wendy Schrampfer, Tami Sims, Shawn St. Cyr, Christie Tucker, Krystal West, Donnie Windland, Kelly Atkinson, Velma De Leon, Nellie Gonzales, Josh Jerry, Linday Layher, Oscar Ledezma, Roy Lehmann.

Compere group meets

The Compere Extension Homemakers met at the home of Amie Price Feb. 26. Annie Taylor read some jokes and a humorous Stress Diet. Roll call was taken and Mrs Taylor presented a Treasurer's Berort.

Ginger Hoog presented the coun cil report and member elected Amie Price as a delegate to the district meeting April 19 in Vernon.

After the program on light cooking, secret pal gifts were exchanged. Their next meeting will be March 10.

Attending were Annie Taylor, Ailene Terry, Bertha Hunter, Frances Carter, Evorie Dillard, Ginger Hoog, Dolores Adair, Amie Price and a guest, Blake Steele.

Samford's daughter born

Mark and Vicki Samford are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Amber Lynn, born Feb. 4th at Hendrick medical center in

Abilene.
The grandparents are Mr. & Mrs.

Buddy Samford of Abilene and Mr. & Mrs. Charles Reddin of Merkel. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Sylvia Quattlebaum of Trent, Mrs. Etta Stamford of Hondo and Mr. &

Mrs. Howard Reddin of Abilene.

For those who have been so helpful in supporting my candidacy, I thank you.

Senator Grant Jones

Paid for by Committee to Elect Grant Jones, Raymond A. McDaniel, Jr., Treasurer P.O. Box 5138, Abilene, Texas 79608



HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS



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You qualify for a homestead exemption if you owned your home on January 1 and used it as your primary residence on January 1. It doesn't matter whether your home is a house, a condominium or a mobile home.

Exemptions are available to all homeowners to lower their school taxes.

Additional exemptions are available to homeowners who are disabled or age 65 and over.

Apply to your local appraisal district office at the address shown below for all exemptions you may qualify for. Application forms are available there.

If you received a homestead exemption on your present home in 1987, you won't need to apply again for 1988 unless your chief appraiser requires you to reapply.

However, if you became 65 or disabled before January 1, file a new application to receive the additional exemptions.

If you haven't received an exemption on your present home, or if you've moved to a new home, make a new application for 1988.

The deadline for applications is May 2, 1988. Contact your appraisal district before then if you need more time.

Springate's services held

Royce Springate, 65, of Abilene, died March 3.

Funeral services were held March 6th at the Starbuck Chapel here with Rev. Don Cauble of Abilene officiating, Burial followed at Rose Hill Cemetery here under the direction of the Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born March 4, 1922 in Mercer County, Kentucky, he was the son of the late Colman Paris and Alva (Lyons) Springate. He married Lauda Barbee May 8,

1954 in Las Vegas, N.M. He served 222 years in the United States Air Force and retired

as a staff sergeant. He worked for

10 years at the Abilene State
School. He lived in Cisco for 15
years and in Abilene for 5 years.
He is survived by his wife of
Abilene; two sons, Frank of Abilene and Kenneth of Marion, II;
two brothers Maurice of Abilene
and Edwin of Lawrence, Ky; two
sisters, Geraldine Hawthorne of
Lawrenceburg, Ky and Betty Morris
of Mercer County, Ky; four grandchildren and several nieces and

nephews.

Serving as pallbearers were Eddie Barbee, Donnie Barbee, John Barbee, Jerry Black, Stephen Head and Kevin Head.

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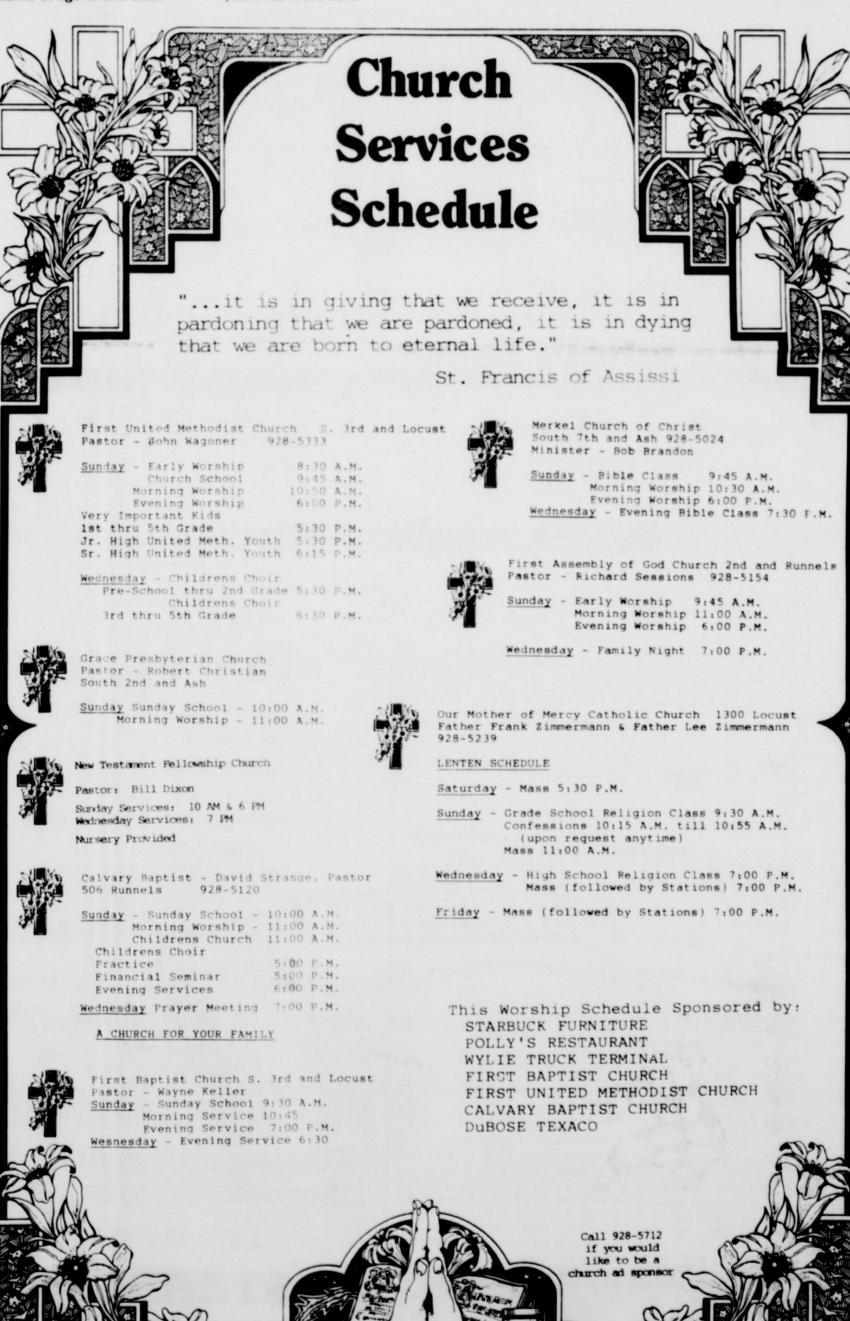
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For Sale: 12' flat-bottom aluminum boat with trailor, 25 horsepower motor, troling motor. \$650 call after 5 862-6355. 8-4tc

For Sale: wooden dining table with 5 chairs and two extra leafs. In good 19 point service check, Special condition. \$70. Call 862-6494. 9-ltp

For sale: tandem axle utility trailer, lights & safety hitch.

Rabbits for sale: perfect gifts for Easter. Place your order now for Easter. Several breeds, all ages. Call 862-6121.

For Sale: pecan trees- 6' \$10. Chevene, Tejas, Kiowa, Choctaw. Call 928-4983.

9-1tp

Girl Scout Cookies are here. If you would like to purchase call Martha Sue Justice at 928-

Piano for Sale: Wanted: Responsible party to assume small monthly payments on piano, See locally, Call credit manager 1-800-447-4266. 9-3tp

For Sale: 3 mostly spanish kid goats. 1 male, 2 female \$25 each. 928-5046.

Free! 20 volume Book of Knowledge Encyclopedia. To anyone who will pick them up. 610 Oak Mrs. John West 928-4824.

10-1tnc

4542 after 4 p.m.

For Sale: 1980 Chevy Citation, 1 owner, 64,000 miles, damaged rear door. Excellent condition \$675. 402 Chevy long block engine \$375. Console color tv \$135, 1511 Heath (off Ash Street) 10-1tp

Free! Beautiful puppies, 6 weeks old. Retriever/Australian sheep dog, etc. 4 males, 2 females call 928-4488. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. 10-2tp

For Sale: Heavy duty tool box & headache rack for Chevrolet or GM long-wide bed pickup. Call 928-

MISC

Will do typing in my home, also Watkins Products are available. Martha Sue Justice 928-5017. 7-TFC

Center-Open 6 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Hot out, built in 1987, it has a wooden lunch & snacks provided. For deck, central heat, horse barn more information, call 928-4904 or with chain link fence. Call Ken come by 207 Orange.

Sticks N Stones Day Care Center 201 Oak, open Monday-Friday 6:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Call 928-4381 TFC

Handy Man: Try me, I may be able to help. All types of clean-up jobs, 1969 Ford pickup. THE WHOLE ENtrash, garage, small repair jobs. For any job around the house, inside items seperately, 928-3363. or out, call 928-3373. I also do roto-tilling.

not claimed. Adult male shaggy brown dog. Adult male border collie type dog. 6-8 mos. old male pup, black and tan, wearing black leather collar. Merkel Vet Clinic

Wanted: Lady to live in to take 3624, 512-895-2141, 512-895-2259. care of my mother for room and board and small salary. Call 928-5694.

1-TFC

ladies apparel, childrens (\$20-\$40 value) or show store. Regular stores choose from jean/ sports- 928-5613. wear, ladies, men's, large sizes, petite, dancewear/ aerobic, bridal, lingerie or accessories store. Brands: Liz Claiborne, Healthtex, Camp Beverly Hills, St. Michele, Forenza, Bugle Boy, Levi, Organically Grown, Lucia, over 2,000 others. Or \$13.99 one price or multi-tier pricing discount or family show store. Retail prices unbelivable for top quality shows normally priced from \$19 to \$60. Over 250 brands 2,600 styles. \$17,900 to \$29,900: Inventory. training, fixtures, grand opening. airfare, etc. Can open 15 days. Call Mr. Morphis (305) 366 8606.

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10-1tp

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10-NC

REAL ESTATE

For Sale 60x12 Mobil Home. 2 Bdrm, 1 Bath. Call 928-3353. 10-ltcg

Having trouble qualifying or having credit problems? 2 bedroom, 1 bath, newly remodeled. Free to a good home: playful out- new carpet & paint. Call me now door kittens, 12 weeks old. Call 928 Ken Hogan at Century 21 Abilene Big Country 692-8311, 928-4826. 675-9138

for sale: ¿ nice large lots on S 2nd Street in Merkel. Owner will finance with small down payment. Call 928-3281.

Merkel-For Sale: Brick, 3 bedroom, fireplace, double carport, partially fenced, equity-owner finance, negotiable, 846-3191. 8-2tp

For sale: 3 bedroom house to be moved off a lot at 202 Locust. Con- 126, turn on FM 605 15 Mile turn tact Mildred Starbuck 928-4712. 5-TFC

Village, Reduced, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, corner lot, water well, must sell. Call 928-4487. 4-TFC

This nome of 3.23 acres is looking for a new owner. 2 Granny's Playhouse Day Care bedroom, 1 bath, modern through-Hogan at Century 21 Abilene Big Country 692-8311 675-9138 928-4826. 4-TFC

> For Sale: All together or seperately: 14 X 70, 2 bedroom, 2 bath on 1.33 acres, ceiling fans, storm windows, skirted, 10 X 9 storage bldg. completely fenced, pony stall, paddock, shetland mare, miniauture stallion and a CHILADA for \$18,000. Will sell

10-1tp For Sale: Lovely ranch style 3 br Found. Available for adoption if 2 btah brick in nice area. Many extras. \$62,500. Call Carolyn 692-1449 or Ken 928-4826. Century 21 Abilene Big Country 692-8311. 9-1tc

> For sale: 3 bedroom, 1 bath on 2 lots, well insulated, vinyl siding, 1 block from High school call 698-TFC

For Sale: 2 story large living room, dining room, kitchen, master bedroom & bath downstairs, Own your own \$14.99 one price large upstairs, , 3 bedrooms, bath, lots of storage room on corner lot. priced to sell Cyrus Pee, Realtor

52-TFC

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10-3tp

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For lease: 3 pedroom, 2 bath modern, country home. Merkel school, city water. 1,200 square feet, shop building. Acreage available. Call 915-573-3673 Snyder after 6 p.m.

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Classifieds

1. 2 & 3 bedroom mobile homes. Rents start at \$185 & \$200 is the Mens Shirts, Jeans, Dresses, highest rent. Mobile home tots for Anon meetings are Tuesday & rent near school \$50 per month.

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CARDS OF THANKS

The management and employees of The Merkel Dairy Queen would like to extend their sincere apologies to their many customers that had to wait on food orders and to be waited on Saturday. Due to illness and schedule changes, we were working short-handed.

Please accept our apoligies. Your business is greatly appre-

Thank You Merkel Dairy Queen 10-1tc

GARAGE SALES

4 Family Garage Sale: Sacurday 8-4 #2 Pioneer Court. 10-1tc

Garage Sale: Trent- Thursday only, antiques, family clothing, misc. Gray house kitty-corner from Baptist Church. 10-1tc

Garage sale: Portable dryer, antique cedar chest, #12 Pioneer Court. Friday & Saturday 9 a.m.-

5 family porch sale: North on FM left on first county road. Big white house, Friday & Saturday Home for sale in Humphrey's Call 928-3915 for directions. 10-1tc

Yard Sale-Western Albums. Montgonery Ward Sewing Machine, Pepsi Clock, paper backs, day & Friday, 9:00, 112 Ash. Weather Permitting. 10-1tpd

Garage Sale (continued) 812 Oak, Thurs and Priday, Vacuum, Mattress and head board, and lots more.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS County of Taylor

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain Writ of Execution issued out of the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas, of the 1st day of March, 1988, by Writ of Execution of said 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas, for the sum of Nine Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Nine Dollars & 78/100 Dollars, in favor of Mohawk Mud Company in a certain cause in said Court, No. 38-111-A and styled Mohawk Mud Company vs. Jim Curry, placed in my hand for service, I, ohn W. Middleton as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did on the 8th day of March, 1988, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

Being a 7.195 acres tract of land out of part of Survey 22, Lunatic Asylum Lands, Taylor County Texas, described by metes and bounds as follows:

BEGINNING at a corner fence post set for the S. E. corner of a 10 acres tract of land, 813.43 feet East and 2877.81 feet South of the N. W. corner of Survey 22, Lunatic Asylum Lands, Taylor County, Texas, for the S. W. and beginning corner of this tract:

THENCE North 00 Deg. 05 Min. West 757 feet along the E. B. L. of said 10 acre tract to a corner fence post set in the S. B. L. of F. M. Highway 707 for the N. E. Corner of this tract, said point being in a curve to the left having a central angle of 74 Dec. and 00 Min.:

THENCE around said curve and along the S. B. L. of said F. M. Highway 707, 465.51 feet to an iron pin set for the N. E. corner of this tract;

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and levied upon as the property of Jim Curry and that on the first Tuesday in April, 1988, the same being the 5th day of said month at the Court House door, of Taylor County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., by virtue of said Writ of Execution I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for each, to the highest bidder, as the prop-

erty of said Jim Curry. THIS SALE WILL BE FOR CASH OR A CHASIER'S CHECK ISSUED FROM A TAYLOR COUNTY BANK.

SALE WILL BE HELD AT 10:30 A.M. And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceeding said day of sale, in The Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Taylor County, Texas. Witness my hand, this the 8th

day of March, 1988. John W. Middleton Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas By Eddie Swanson, Sr., Deputy 10-3tc

APPLICATION IS BEING MADE FOR A PRIVATE CLUB DOING BUSINESS AS THE WHISKEY RIVER CLUB 1405 NORTH 7th MERKEL, TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS. 79536. W. C. PENNICK, PRESIDENT,

CHARLES FLOWERS VICE PRESIDENT &

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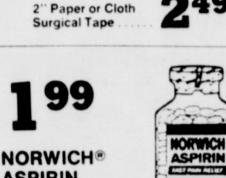
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The Merkel Elementary PTO brought author John Erickson to town Monday for programs during public school week. Erickson is the author of the Hank the Cowdog Series and also proved he was pretty good witha banjo. (Staff photo)

Trent tennis results

in action last Tuesday in a dual match against Abilene Christian in Abilene.

Boys team score ACHS 7-Trent 3 In singles matches, Jamie Masonheimer, Dock Carriker and Mike Payme won their matches while Payne, Brian Massey, Lee Hun and

Jon Evans were defeated. Doubles teams of Massey-Payne, Carriker-Hunt and Massey Evans were defeated.

Girls team score ACHS 7 Trent 2 In girls singles, Luci Masonheimer won her matho while Denise Gib

son, B. J. Poindexter, Julie Clay, Rene Gibson and Tarmy Collier were

The doubles team of Poindexter and Collier won their match while the doubles teams of Masonheimer-D. Gibson and R. Gibson-Clay were

Their next action will be as they host a tournament March 7th

The Trent tennis team would like to thank Robert Boyd for his donation which made it possible to have medals for the Trent tennis tournament.

Local soccer results

Merkel soccer teams invaded Abilene Saturday for the second week of Big County Soccer Aaction.

The Rowdies evened their record at 1-1 by shooting down the Dyess AFB Firebirds 5-0. The Rowdies received balanced scoring from Rustv Holmes and Aaron Dulaney with two goals each while Michael Watson contributed a goal. Solid defensive efforts were received from Heath Hendserson, Kyle Whisenhunt, and Ricky Dye in the shutout vic-

Courtney Hammer, Terra Cox, Shelley Vaughn and Jennifer Hewitt combined for nine goals to lead the 5 Pints to a 9-0 corraling of the Little Ponies. The win upped their record to 1-0-1. With the win, the k Pints have now gone nine consecutive games without a

The Defeeters received outstanding efforts from all the girls Saturday as they battled to a 1-1 tie with Sugar & Spice, Thye Defeeters actually dominated the

game but had two goals called back due to penalties. With the tie, the Defeeters remained unbeaten at 1-0-1 on the season.

Ray Pace and Jason Clinton scored a goal each for the Badgers to lead them to a 2-2 standoff with the Abilene Soccers. Cole Manahan, Randall Necessary, Judd Burton and Doug Alldridge all played well for the Badgers who upped their record to 0-1-1.

The Sidekicks upped their record to 1-1 with a 4-0 shutout of the Jim Ned Spriti behind three goals by Matt Butman and a goal by Colby Watts and a strong defensive effort by Adam Vinson, Wes Burton and Tony Young.

With a combined record of 3-0-2 in last weekend's action, Merkel team in all divisions have shown they are a force to be reckoned with in Big Country Soccer and will again take the fields next Saturday in quest of their first place trophies.

Coach Lepard congratulates MHS athletes success

by Coach Dick Lepard To all the young men and women who gave up so much of their time for our school, and to our coaches,

let me begin by saying thanks. Let me start by acknowledging something we all know-- it is good ton win!

The season has ended and our record stand for everyone to see. We have every reason to be proud of it. You worked for it, you have fought for it, you have sweated for it, it is yours!

Perhaps we should just accept it for what it is, an outstanding tribute to the dedication, diligence, and hard work of a superb group of young athletes. Cartainly, this is what our record shows. We see reflected in it countless hours on the court, sore muscles, infinite patience, and a fierce determination on the part of each of our players to be the best he or she is capable of being.

I also want to say thanks to the support students who helped in taking care of the team as managers and videcu the games; all of these are vital parts of a team.

I would like to thank the workers who helped at the games all year, for your time and concern.

We are grateful to you, and in all honesty, we could not have done it without you.

We have been victorious. We have had a winning season. You have worked; you have striven; you have

We may all be justly proud of

I rent tennis

The Trent tennis team traveled to Rotan on March 3rd to take on the Yellowhammers in high school tennis action. Results are as follows: Girls Singles; Luci Masonheimer defeated Montez 8-0, Masonheimer defeated Guerra 8-1, Girls Doubles; Julie Clay and Ginger Massey lost to Stinson and Boone 6-8, B.J. Poindexter and Tammy Collier lost to Mc-Queen and Hernandez 4-8, Poindexter and Collier defeated Stinson and Boone 8-6; Boys Singles, Jamie Masonheimer defeated Morrow 8-2. Dock Carriker defeated Cave 848, Dock Carriker defeated Yanez 8-4; Boys Doubles-Masonheimer and Carriker lost to Garza and Matthies 8-9.

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Merkel elementary's honor students

named to the honor rolls at Merkel Elementary for the fourth six week grading period.

1st Grade All A: Amy Albritton,

Ananda Alexander, Ananda Baker, Jana Beasley, John Campbell, Elizabeth Clinton, Rebecca Cochran, Mitchell Collins, Lacy Dearing, Casey Dohogne, Shayla Dozier, Cheryl Early, April Fisher, Elizabeth Green, Jodie Hellums, Heath Henderson, Hilary Heuerman, Tabitha Hill, Ashli Hobbs, Jonathan Hood, Brandi Ingram, Heath Jones, Tamera King, Dee Dee Lambeth. Crystal Malone, Elizabeth Martinez, Landry Meeks, Trey Naron, Kristen O'Rear, Santio Paden, Jordan Paulsen, Elizabeth Ramariz, Curtis Rollins, Chastity Savage, Alaina Segovia, Katie Taylor, Kyle Whisenhunt.

1st Grade A-B: mex Alston, Kim Bird, Arik Chavira, Ray Dela Cruz, Bo Dunagin, Leticia Flores, Christy Frazier, Rhonda Hollis, Rusty Holmes, Phillip Johnson, Keith Jones, Stephanie Jowers, Matthew Marez, Courtney Melton, April Minor, Robert Paden, Wade Schrampfer, Danny Seymore, Michele Simmons, Jerri Smith, Cindy Stephens, Casey Strange, Shanda Stratton, Adam Tarpley, Crystal West, Jennifer Williams, Shawn Williamson.

2nd Grade All A: Eric Beaird, Brandon Blue, Shayla Boone, Brandy Bryan, Wesley Carter, Brandon Cobb, Natalee Cravens, Jason Davis, Tamra Helmer, Guillermo Hernandez, Brad Hicks, Brian lerma, Caleb Linzy, Christina McCarty, Jerry

Morales, Mark Moreno, Amy Pack, Della Rister, Tanya Rister, Nicholas Rodriguez, Julie Sanders, Melissa Sanderson, Amanda Smith. Clay Sparks, Cameron Strange, Beki Stephens, Sharlet Sutterfield, Tamara Tarpley, Monetta Teague, Kacy Trawick, Cory Walker, Brandon Wyatt.

2nd Grade A-B: Britanny Burton. Candice Carson, Monty Clay, Chris Crouse, James Deitz, Cheryl Dodd, Anna Dutton, Steven Dye, Bryce Freeman, Nichole Geisler, Nieves Gonzales, Juston Gray, Jamie Hellums, Dawn Jowers, Tony Layher, John Ledezma, Carolyn Lee, Justin Mann, Shannon Middleton, Esther Morales, April Phillips, T. J. Roberts, Scotty Rodriguez, Diana Rogge, Jeremy Sanders, James Stewart, Adam Tucker, Rebecca Van Zandt, Carolina Vera Cruz, Robby Welborn, Aneka Wood, Stephanie

3rd Grade All A: Taras Beasley, Sara Boggs, Bryan Cruz, Matt Dearing, Brent Fisher, Tabitha Garrett, Justin Goldsmith, Amy Haley, Cam Hendricks, Jeffrey Jacobs, Leslie Jacobs, McKinsey Laird, Amanda Love, Michael Mc-Murray, Craig Mullins, Zach Riggle, Jane Roberts, Amanda Sanderson, Aric Steamoller, Tristan Wilburn.

3rd Grade A-B: Crystal Watson. Shawn West, Rowdy White, Christie Williams, Anthony Alexander, Heather Lentley, Eric Cano, Joseph

Clark, Kelli Cunningham, Eric Ca-School will hold their final no, Joseph Clark, Kelli Cunningham, haul of the year March 12th.

Amber Hatley, Roberto Hernandez, Adreane Holloway, Jason Hudman, Kenlea Jones, Jeanette Lanford, Jamie Leggett, Valerie Littrell, Imelda Martinez, Marisela Martinez, Shawna Maxwell, Cody Minze, Dustin Necessary, Melissa Paden, April Stephens, Tracee Ramsey, Travis Rogers, Nicky Rucker, Jeremy Tipton.

4th Grade All A: Lanae Baker, Chrystal Beaird, Rhett Buntin, Jeremy Burt, Oscar Cano, Brandy Casper, T. J. Dohogne, Wendy Elliott, Tessa Fudge, Shera Hammond, Rebecca Hobbs, Sandra Juarez, Shelli Leamon, Jessica McKee, Rendi Meeks, Andy Miller, Michael Minor, Tabi Reed, Ryan Reynolds, Tina Rister, Tabatha Sumrall.

4th Grade A-B: Holly Browning, Rachel Buddin, Christina Danielski, Mike Deatherage, Cole Dempsey, Jennifer Folkes, Mandy Fuller, Molly Griffith, Joe Hankins, James Hester, Ryan Holmes, Bubba Jackson, Paul King, Josh Kofoed, Beth

McClintock, Arthus Martinez, Michelle Reyna, Nancy Stephans, Candice Williamson, Angela Worley. 5th Grade All A: Crystal Boone, Bryce Buntin, Karly Byers, Jason Clinton, Steven Deitz, Kevin Graham, Rachel Haley, Molly McCormick, Marcus Malone, Cole Manahan, Anthony Paden, Lori Pirraglia, Kim Rakaski, Justin Riggan, Christy

Rister, Aimee Roberson, Amanda

Smith, Ricky Vaughn, Nancy White.

Sanders, Jason Seyfert, Traci

5th Grade A-B: Scott Walsh, Charlotte Williams, Rosemary Barrendez, Matt brnovak, Maricruz Castellanos, Erin Folkes, Augustine Gonzales, Jennifer Gonzales, Freddy heady, Laurie Hellums, Martin Hernandez, Angela Jowers, Anthony Landeros, Dustin Lewis, Amy Lindsey, Amanda Moreno, Amanda Myers, Alma Preito, Joey Richards, Scott Richardson, Joe Ben Roberts, Linda Rodriguez, James Rogge, Cne' Seymore, Trinity Tankersley, Brandi Tarpley, Trina Tittle, Gregg

Toliver begins pharmacy school

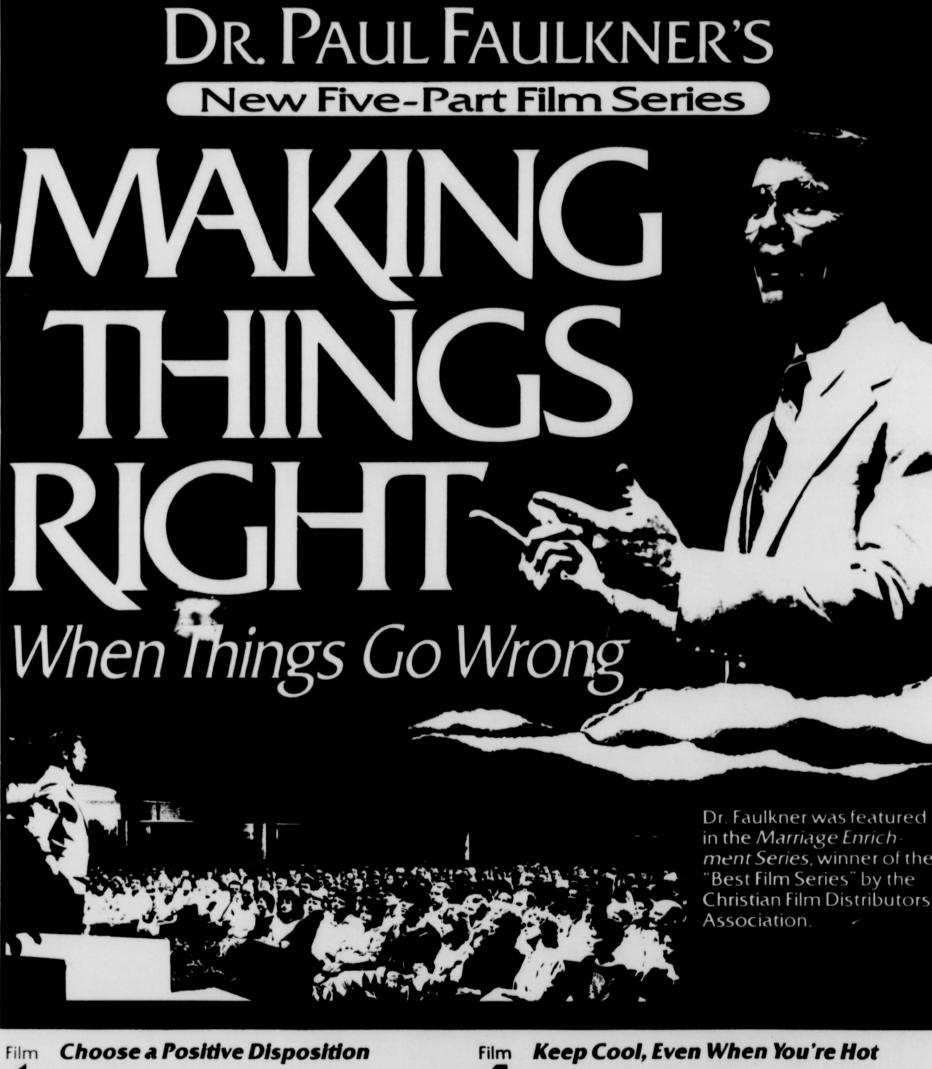
Larry Toliver of Merkel has been accepted and is in his first semester in the Southwestern ed to the spring 1988 pharmacy Oklahoma State University School

He is the son of Bobby & Sonja Toliver of Merkel. Thirty-six students were accept-

THS seniors hauling trash

The Senior Class of Trent High School will hold their final trash

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6TH APRIL

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Local CPA goes over changes from Tax Reform Act

by Andy Hart, CPA

This week's topic is tax credits. The Tax Reform Act repealed several credits but there are some provisions regarding carryover of prior years unused portions of these credits. The residential energy credit is no longer available for energy saving items installed after 1985, but unused carryovers

ward , the credit is lost. Investment tax credit was also repealed by the new law. Taxpayers will be able to use carryov-

may be used in 1987 only, after-

School wall at DQ

The Merkel Dairy Queen has donated a wall for use by the Merkel schools. The wall will be used to display photos of school awards, events, and any other activities related to the school.

Persons who have pictures or articles to be displayed are urged to bring them by the Dairy Queen

They are also planning to post a bulletin board for announcements They ask the announcements be written neatly on a 3X5 card.

WWI ladies meet

The Ladies Auxillary of the Vet erans of World War I met Tuesday for their first meeting of the year. They held a pot-luck lunch-

Those present included Billie Hartley, Maggie renfro, Mabel Mc-Kee, Ruth Cox, Jewell Criswell, Lorene Beaird, Darla Gibson. Minutes were read and their next meeting will be held the third Tuesday in April.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Texas

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by

virtue of a certain Order of Sale

issued out of the Honorable 104th

Texas, of the 23rd day of February

County, Texas for the sum of Three

Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Nine

costs of suit, under a, Judgement,

in favor of LeClair Operating in

a certaincause in said Court, No. 17,746-B and styled LeClair Oper-

ating, Inc. vs. Sherman Oil & Gas,

Inc., placed in my hands for ser-

vice, I John W. Middleton as Sher-

iff of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the 23rd day of February, 1988,

levy on certain Real Estate, sit-

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Taylor County, Texas

LEASE SCHEDULE

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the following described leases:

essor: Citizens National Bank;

Lessee Amoruso Petr. Co; Lease

Date 1-30-81; Recording Volume

Wagstaff; Lessee Amoruso Petr.

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Co.; Lease Date 1-30-81 Recording

lie A. West; Lessee Amoruso Petr.

Co; Lease Date 11-24-80; Recording

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Petr. Co; Lease Date 11-13-80 Re-

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sor; Leon Copeland et ux Lessee

Amoruso Petr. Co.; Lease Date 11-

6-80; Recording Volume 1198, Ex.

1327, Page 305, Page 755, Lessor

Blantye Copeland; Lessee Amoruso

12-7-80; Recording Volume 1198,

Ext. 1323, Page 302, Page 561.

Lessee Amuroso Petr. Co; Lease

McNiece et al; Lessor Amoruso

Date 11-21-80; Recording Volume

1198, Page 294. Lessor Lois Tims

Petr. Co.; Lease Date 11-6-80 Eff.

Page 280. Lessor George V. Edgar,

Co.; Lease Date 11-6-80; Recording

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tie Patterson et al; Lessee Amo-

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Amoruso Petr. Co; Lease Date 11-

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276. Lessor Texas O. Wagstaff;

Lessee Asamera Oil (U.S.) Inc.;

Lease Date 10-18-83; Recording

and levied upon as the property

that on the first Tuesday in Ap-

ril 1988, the same being the 5th day of said month at the Court

House door, of Taylor County, in

tween the hours of 10 a.m. and 4

p.m. by virtue of said levy and

said Order of Sale, I will sell

said above described Real Estate

at public vendue, for each, to

the highest bidder, as the prop-

erty of said Sherman Oil & Gas,

This SalE Will Be For Cash Or

Sale Will Be Held At 10:15 A.M.

And in compliance with law, I

give this notice by publication,

in the English language, once a

week for three consecutive weeks

newspaper published in Taylor Co-unty, Texas.

Witness my hand, this the 7th

immediately preceeding said day of sale, in The Merkel Mail, a

A Chashier's Check Issued From A

Taylor County Bank.

day of March, 1988.

the City of Abilene, Texas, be-

of Sherman Oil & Gas, Inc. and

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ssor Doyle W. Taylor et al; Lessee

11-30-80; Recording Volume 1198

Jr. et al; Lessee Amoruso Petr.

Lessor Lois Tims McNiece et al;

Petr. Co; Lease Date 11-6-80 Eff.

Volume 1198 Page 272. Lessor Ol-

All right, title and interest of

scribed as follows, to-wit:

District Court of Taylor County

1988, by Order of Sale of said

104th District Court of Taylor

Dollars / 55/100 Dollars and

ers from prior years to offset tax liability in 1987, but there are same rules limiting these carryovers. In 1987, calendar year taxpayers will have to reduce their business credit carry-forward by 17½ percent. If you are able to use only a portion of the reduced credit in 1987 because of tax liability limitations, you may carry the unused portion as well

reduction forward to 1988. Earned income credit has been increased by the new law. Qualifying taxpayers with a dependant child and adjusted gross income of less than \$15,432 may be eligible for this credit. The credit can be as much as \$851 and is refundable

if it exceeds your tax liability. Another credit was repealed

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Want to learn more about the You'll learn how your property is property tax system? That's possible by reading a pamphlet the State Property Tax Board has written and made available at the local appraisal district office.

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RICHARD SIMCO, INDIVIDUALLY, Defendant. Greeting:

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. of the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you sere served this citation and petition, a default judgement may be taken against

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the first monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday the 18th day of April, 1988, at or before ten o' clock A.M. before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County, Texas, at the Court House of said County, in Abilene, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said Court, on the 1st day of March, A.D. 1988, in this cause, numbered 18,138-B on the docket of said court, and styled THE FIRST STATE BANK ABILENE, TEX-AS Plaintiff, vs. RICHARD SIMCO, TRUSTEE AND RICHARD SIMCO, INDI-

VIDUALLY Defendant. The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: THE FIRST STATE BANK ABILENE, TEXAS are Plaintiffs and RICHARD SIMCO, TRUSTEE AND RICHARD SIMCO, INDI-

VIDUALLY are Defendants. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, towit: Suit on deficinecy balance remaining on two Promissory Notes held by Plaintiff First State Bank Abilene, Texas, executed by Defendants Richard Simco, Trustee and Richard Simco, Individually following Foreclosure Sale by First State Bank, Abilene, texas, on the liens securing said Notes. Plaintiff seeks judgement for unpaid principal and interest, post judgement interest, attorneys fees, cost of suit and such other and further relief to which Plaintiff may be entitled.

as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this The officer executing this pro-

cess shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 3rd day of March, A.D. 1988. Attest: Rilla Mahoney, District Clerk, 104th Court, Taylor

County, Texas by Patricia Henderson, Deputy Clerk's Name and Address Rilla Mahoney, Clerk District Court Taylor County Courthouse

Abilene, Texas 79602

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY TAYLOR COUNTY COURTHOUSE ABILENE, TEXAS 79602 CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: ALBERT AYALA OR TH UNKNOWN OWNER OR ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIM-ING ANY INTEREST IN A 1980 CHEV-ROLET AUTOMOBILE. Parties in the hereinafter

styled and numbered cause: You (and each of you) are hereby commanded to appear before the 350th District Court of TAYLOR County, Texas, to be held at the Courthouse of said County in the City of ABILENE, TAYLOR County, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 48 days from the date of the issuance hereof; that is to say, at or before, 10 o' clock A.M. on the 18th day of April, 1988, and answer the petition of plaintiff in Cause Number 2182-D, in which THE STATE OF TEX-AS (Plaintiff) VS. 1980 CHEVROLET AUTOMOBILE (Defendant), filed in said Court on the 26th day of JAN.

suit is as follows: The State of Texas is seeking a forfeiture of a 1980 CHEVROLET, VIN#1P87HAL557858, which vehicle was registered to ALBERTO AYALA, of TIAJUANA, MEXICO, and which

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(list the name, address, and telephone number of the local appraisal district).

was seized by officers of the TAY-LOR County District Attorney's Office on JANUARY 25th, 1988 in TAY-LOR County, Texas while it was being used in the transporting for delivery of COCAINE IN TAYLOR

COUNTY, TEXAS. All as more fully appear from Petitioner's Original petition on file in this office, and which reference is here made for all intent and purposes. WITNESS, RILLA MAHONEY, DISTRICT CLERK of the District Courts of

TAYLOR County, Texas. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at office in the City of ABILENE, Texas this the 26th day of February,

Rilla Mahoney Clerk of the District Courts, Taylor County, Texas by Patricia Henderson, Deputy Clerk's Name and Address Rilla Mahoney Clerk District Court

Taylor County Courthouse Abilene, Texas 79602 NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgement may be taken against

CHARLES E. MYERS ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF 1150 ESTATE DRIVE, SUITE D ABILENE, TEXAS 79602 CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: ALLEGED BIOLOGICAL AFTHER IS UNKNOWN, ADDRESS UNKNOWN, Respon-YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to ap-

pear and answer before the Honorable 326th DIST. 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 CHRISTIAN HOMES OF ABILENE, INC., Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 29th day of FEBRUARY, 1988, against ALLEGED BIOLOGICAL FATHER IS UNKNOWN, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 829-CX on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Interest of AN UNBORN CHILD, a Child", the nature of which suit is a request TO DETER-MINE WHAT PARENT CHILD RELATION-SHIP EXISTS BETWEEN THE CHILD AND ANY OTHER PERSONS AND THAT ALL SUCH PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIPS BE TERMINATED.

Said Child IS UNBORN. The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgement or de-cree in the child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parentchild relationship and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's

adoption. The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make dure return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at ABI-LENE, TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS, this

the 1st day of MARCH, 1988. rilla mahoney, district clerk 326th District Court Taylor County, Texas By Patricia Henderson, Deputy Clerk's Name and Address Rilla Mahoney Clerk, District Court

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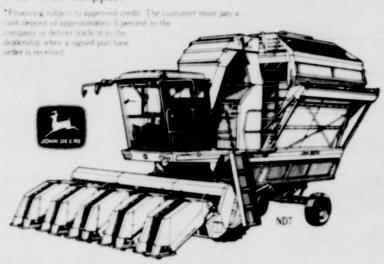
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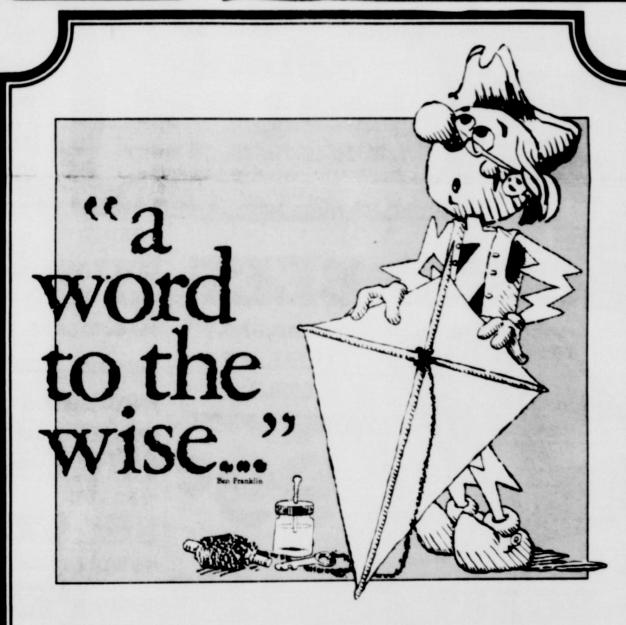
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John W. Middleton Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas By Eddie W. Swanson, Sr. Deputy LAURA LEE PRICE, ATTORNEY P. O. Box 208 Abilene, Texas 79604 THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: RICHARD SIMOO, TRUSTEE AND

