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Bart Pursley is framed by a receiver's legs as he delivers the ball downfield a Tuesday morning's workout. The Badgers will scrimmage in Dublin Friday at 6 p.m. More on Badger football on page 5. (Staff photo by Cloy A. Richards)

Stenholm on farm, energy, spending

Seventeenth District Congressional Representative Charles W. Stenholm made his first Merkel visit since being sent to Washington by the voters Monday as he toured the Taylor Electric Cooperatives' facilities during their open house.

Stenholm has been all over his district during the current congressional recess and told the Mail that Congress would be facing the budget and the national energy plan when Congress re-convenes on Sept. 5th.

The congressman said he was excited over the current sale of wheat that was accomplished by Parity Inc. to Portugal. He said that the sale was definitely a move in the right direction and he commended the farmers for their bravery in dealing with a foreign nation on a one to one basis.

Stenholm said "It was a group of farmers that got themselves together and made something happen. It will also be healthy for future export sales because the price they received was above the current spot market price. That is a very risky business and can involve a great deal of up-front money. But, if you believe in free enterprise, it is a very exciting situation. Everyone told them that it could not be done because they were not one of the 'big four' grain exporting companies."

Commenting on the formulation of the United States Department of Agriculture 1980 farm policy, Stenholm said "We have had real good communication between my office and USDA but they are not listening to the extent that we would like them to as yet. I am disappointed with the way the wheat program is being set up with an upward limit on prices. Secretary Butz did that from 1973 to 1975 and the current administration is now doing the same thing. That is not a move in the right direction and it does not represent a truly free market system."

He added that he was very excited about the development of gasahol but cautioned that we should crawl before we walk and certainly before we run. He said that he would like to see the government step in, like they did with the Rural Electric programs and provide low cost loans as well as technical assistance to get Gasahol off on the right foot.

He called the development of Gasahol a very positive market for grain farmers as well as ways to utilize gin trash. Stenholm said "I have no doubt that Gasahol will provide an integral portion of our future energy needs and that it will greatly help net farm income for grain farmers."

On the federal budget, Stenholm said that he has learned that Congress has already outspent its target budget for 1980 and hopes they can balance the federal budget by fiscal year 1981. He said that he was committed to that idea and that he feels government spending has to be considered a major cause of inflation. He said he would also pursue the thought of legislation to limit federal spending.

Stenholm will be touring the eastern part of his district Thursday and Friday before leaving for Washington next week.

Taylor Electric celebrates 40 years with Monday open house

Taylor Electric Cooperative opened their doors Monday to an open house in celebration of their 40 years of service to the Big Country area. Guests included several current and past directors of the coop, many members of the coop and former coop manager who now serves as the 17th Congressional Representative, Charles W. Stenholm of Stamford.

Visitors received a tour of the coop facilities including service area and bookkeeping departments. Visitors were also treated to refreshments.

In an interview with coop manager Don Hart, Hart told the Mail that the cooperative is looking at another year of growth. Hart told the Mail that the coop would experience a seven percent gain in the number of meters. He added that the open house was a way for the cooperative to say thanks for cooperation and support and for the success that the coop has had in the past 40 years.

Hart also said that the growth of rural areas, such as has been experienced north of Merkel are the kind of things that help the cooperative grow. He said he expects more growth south of Merkel when the Blair Water Line is completed.

Visitors to the coop were able to view displays on home energy conservation methods and equipment

as well as a display of photographs depicting the history of the cooperative.

Taylor Electric was organized on Sept. 21, 1939. The first directors of the coop were Johnnie Cox, Sam Butman, W. C. Church, Ed Gist, O.S. Moore, A. W. McKee, N.A. Estes, Mrs. Tom Russon and Córner Haynes.

The period from 1939 through 1941 was used to obtain members and the first loan was obtained from the Rural Electrification Agency in 1940. The first line was energized on Jan. 30, 1941. The first line supplied power to 423 consumers and 393 miles of line. A funeral was held for the old kerosene lamp, complete with a coffin at Rose Hill Cemetery.

The present plant was built in 1949, with additions coming in the later years. The present plant has a value of \$12 million and serves 959,587 members in eight counties. The 1979 line mileage figure stands at 3,369. The Cooperative employs 48 persons with an annual payroll in excess of a half a million dollars.

The current directors are Alton Whiteaker, President, R. C. Watts Jr., vice president, Jack Morrow, secretary-treasurer, Ray Orsborn, Clovis McElmurray, Tommie Johnson, J. D. Sandusky, Carl Moore and Dick Atkins. Don Hart is manager of the coop.

Slots still open in solar heating course

There are still a few positions available for persons that want to attend a solar energy theory and application course that is being co-sponsored by TSTI in Sweetwater and the Taylor Electric Co-op according to service manager Tommie Cutler.

Classes are scheduled to start on Sept. 4 and will be held each Tuesday and Thursday from 7 until 10 p.m. for three weeks. The course will also feature a Sept. 22 field trip to the TSTI Sweetwater campus where the students will construct and test a solar water heating system.

The course will be taught by Ronnie Freeman,

head of the air-conditioning and refrigeration department at TSTI and the course is open to rural residents and co-op members.

Cutler said that people interested in enrolling in the course should contact him at 928-4715 or 672-2771. He added that you may also write him at P.O. Box 250, Merkel in care of the Member Services Department.

There is no tuition charge and the course is being funded by a \$7,000 grant from the Texas Department of Education. The course will consist of 24 hours of instruction.

Todd resigns, accepts job in Tolar

Cecil Todd, former Tye Elementary Superintendent has accepted the superintendent's job with the Tolar Independent School District. Todd was reassigned to a newly created position by the Merkel ISD school board in July.

Todd told the Mail in a Tuesday interview that he never intended to accept the position of Federal and State Project Coordinator and began seeking employment as soon as he heard about his reassignment. He said he had turned down a superintendent's job at a AA school only a couple of weeks before hearing of his reassignment and said if he had known he would have been reassigned he would have accepted the first offer.

Todd said "There is a different type of administrative philosophy at the Merkel ISD than some of my ideas toward school administration and the Superintendent's job at Tolar will allow me to practice some of my own professional beliefs."

He said that it was hard for him to leave the Merkel area and he feels he has as many friends here as anyone. He also warned that the Merkel ISD was headed for turmoil because of the amount of good people that have left the school.

Todd said that he is proud of the progress that Tye Elementary has made in the areas of reading skills. He said that Tye students now place ahead of the national average for reading skills in each grade at Tye and said the teachers at Tye Elementary and Merkel Elementary were some of the best he had worked with in his career in education.

He said he feels that the involvement of parents in the education process is a very positive thing and said he felt that 90 per cent of the negative things you hear about parent involvement in the education process is not true.

When asked why he did not fight his reassignment Todd said: "I thought about it. I feel I was reassigned because of some of the problems that exist between Tye and Merkel. I decided against fighting the board's decision because it would have caused problems for the school staff, friends, communities and children." He said the fight would not have caused him any problems because "If I believe in something I will fight for it. I do not apologize for any decisions I have made and I am proud of my performance at Tye Elementary."

Todd was the guest of honor at a reception held for him in Tye by friends and supporters that drew about 75 people last week.



Visiting with a couple of attendees at Taylor Electric Co-Op's Open House on Monday is 17th District Congressional representative Charles W. Stenholm. (Staff photo by Cloy A. Richards)

Board intends to set taxes at \$1.87

The Merkel ISD school board voted Tuesday night on their intent to raise taxes and set the proposed rate at \$1.87 per \$100 evaluation.

The board also scheduled a public hearing on the tax rate for Sept. 4th at 8 p.m. in portable classroom number 2.

The board was quick to explain that the voters approved the \$1.87 rate last September when the bond issue for new school construction was passed. The current tax rate stands at \$1.57. The proposed increase didn't seem to sit too well with Board President Charles Jacobs.

Jacobs said "I can't see the reason for a tax increase that large. It seems to me that \$1.79 or \$1.80 would put us in good shape."

Board member Pat Castille replied "We can't operate in the hole, or so close to the hole that it would make you nervous. Besides, if you voted for the bond issue, you have already approved the \$1.87 rate."

Board member James Boyd said that he felt it was good news that the budget would allow the board to provide all of the services and not cause a tax increase greater than what the voters had earlier approved.

Charles Jacobs then said "I thought the farmers were supposed to get a tax break this year, we are not, taxes are going up." Pat Castille responded by saying "It's not just the farmers, everyone has to pay, no matter who you are."

Katie Necessary explained to the board that a good number of school district property owners would only end up paying 37 cents per \$100 for the bond issue because of the exemptions they had signed up for.

In a record vote on the intent to raise taxes to the \$1.87 level, board members Leroy Teaff, Larry Dudley, James Boyd, and Pat Castille voted for the intent to increase, Charles Jacobs voted against and Dink Whisenhunt and Kenny Hogan were absent and did not vote.

Tuesday's meeting, that began with a budget hearing at 7 p.m. lasted until 12:45 a.m. During the budget hearing, Dr. Elheridge outlined the fiscal year budget for the upcoming school year.

According to the proposed budget, the Merkel ISD will have expenditures of \$2,793,000 with \$1 million being spent on construction of school facilities. The budget has also allocated \$720,000 in teacher salaries. That figure includes a 5.1 per cent statewide pay hike and money paid over the state minimum to certain school administrators and teachers bringing the overall salary increase to eight per cent over last year.

Other major expenditures include \$152,000 by the school administration department, \$161,000 by food services and \$210,000 for plant services as well as \$71,500 for pupil transportation.

In projected income, the proposed budget calls for total estimated income of \$2,868,790 or a surplus of \$75,000. The budget estimates income of \$570,000 in local property taxes; \$141,600 in debts service taxes; \$909,370 from state and federal sources and approximately \$23,000 from the federal government.

Commenting on the budget, Dr. Elheridge said "A year from now, we should have about \$75,000 and that is not a healthy balance to operate on. We need at least 60 months of operating expenses left over because there are always hidden costs, especially when you are involved in as many construction projects as we are."

He went on to say "It scares me to think of what prices will be in a year. I would like to see about \$200,000 or \$250,000 left over as a balance."

The board then closed the public hearing on the proposed budget and went into the regular monthly business session.

Trustees paid bills totaling \$27,275 and the financial statement as of the end of July reported a surplus of \$112,476 with \$3,834.55 in expected revenue from local taxes.

Ned Watts of Merkel was named by the board to serve on the policy making board of Region 14 Educational Services Center.

They also named a steering committee for student learning goals in a five year accreditation process mandated for all school districts in the state by the Texas Education Agency. Dr. Elheridge said of the committee "As far as I am concerned, this group will have one of the most important functions of this school district for the next five years. This group is to set and develop goals for this school district to achieve academic wise for the next five years."

Named to that group were Pat Castille, Larry Dudley, Art Herrera, Laverne Moore, Charlene Hensley, Max Murrell, David Casey and Merkel High student Chris Cox.

In other action, the board decided to enter into a lease-purchase agreement with Xerox for a copying machine totaling \$4,195. The contract calls for \$125 in monthly payments for a four year period.

The board then went into a 45 minute executive session and returned to vote on personnel matters.

The board accepted resignations from David Reeves, who had been hired as athletic director and head football coach but could not obtain a release from a contract with the Hawley ISD. They also accepted resignations from former Tye Elementary Teacher Cecil Todd, who they had reassigned to the newly-created position of State and Federal Projects Coordinator as well as accepting a resignation from Thelma Griffith.

The board hired Byron Shelley as head football coach and athletic director, Joyce Humphrey as a High School math teacher, Carol Logan as a math teacher, Sharron Bryant and approved a two month leave of absence for Sharron Nichols.

The board also approved an increase from \$20 to \$25 per day for substitute teachers and a \$350 salary bonus for Katie Necessary for her overtime work in preparing the new budget and tax rate.



The Speaker Reports



by Bill Clayton

AUSTIN—One of the most controversial issues to face the 66th Legislature, products liability, was left unresolved this session. H.B. 1161 by Representative Bob McFarland of Arlington failed to obtain the needed two-thirds support in the Senate, after having been approved in the House by a vote of 70-66.

Under the present law, a manufacturer of a product is strictly liable for injuries caused by his or her defective product, without regard to the manufacturer's negligence or privity with the injured party. In a lawsuit brought under a strict liability theory, the plaintiff must prove that the product was defective when it left the hands of the manufacturer, supplier or retailer, that was "unreasonably dangerous" and was the cause of the plaintiff's injuries.

The bill approved by the House provided for the use of comparative fault in products liability cases. Under this concept, an injured consumer who prevails in court would be allowed to collect partial damages even if he or she was primarily responsible for an accident involving a defective product. For example, if a jury determined a consumer was 60 percent responsible and the manufacturer 40 percent responsible for injuries resulting from the use of a defective product, the con-

sumer could collect 40 percent of the total damages a jury determined he had suffered.

Also contained in the House approved bill was a provision establishing a "state of the art" defense for the manufacturer of a defective product. Under this concept a product would not be considered defective if the manufacturer can prove the defect could not have been eliminated by any discoverable or available knowledge at the time the product was manufactured.

Acting in response to cries from the many manufacturers that products liability insurance premiums are too high, the House tacked on an amendment that would require income from investment of insurance companies' reserves to be credited against proposed rate increases. The amendment would have also required companies to give more detailed figures on money they set aside in reserves for potential losses to the Board of Insurance when asking for new rate decisions.

I look for this issue to be back before the next Legislature and additional study to a workable solution permitted during the intervening time period.

Cemetery donations listed

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Randal Stevens in memory Pence Family
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 Ola E. Rice
 Jessie Newberry

Packers charged

Dale Cattle Co., Inc., Abilene, has been charged by the U. S. Department of Agriculture with failing to meet the financial requirements of the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act. The firm buys and sells livestock in northeast, central, and West Texas.

It has the right to a hearing before an administrative law judge. If the charges are proven, the firm's registration could be suspended. Livestock dealers are

required under the P&S Act to maintain financial solvency as a measure of protection for livestock sellers.

The P&S Act is a fair practices law administered by the packers and stockyards program of USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS). It promotes fair competition in the marketing of livestock, poultry, and meat.

The Act is administered in Texas by M. L. Marshall, USDA.

City receives tax rebate

The city received a check for \$1,873.52 for its share of the five percent state sales tax for July. That figure is 41 percent above the figure for the same time as last year which stood at \$16,285.97 last July. The total for this year stands at \$23,090.71. What that means is that reported gross sales, or sales on items that are taxable have been \$230,090 through July.

Tye will receive \$2,733.09 for the month and that jump pushes their yearly total to \$23,229.54 which represents annual sales thus far of taxable items at \$230,229. Their yearly increase over last year is running at ten percent.

Trent receives their rebate quarterly and will receive a payment at the end of the August reporting period.

Monthly payments to Texas cities by the State Comptroller's Office hit 27.3 million in July and that total is up 25 percent over the same period last year.

Riney gets degree

Larry Don Riney of Merkel received his masters in education administration from Tarrant State Univer-

sity on Aug. 19th. Riney was one of 112 graduate students to receive degrees in the summer graduation ceremonies.

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Chamber receives \$1000 grant

A one thousand dollar grant to be used by the Private Enterprise Development Committee of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce to award excellence in the teaching of Free Enterprise was announced today by the West Texas Chamber Foundation.

A Foundation spokesman stated that the grant carried with it a great deal of significance since it is the first grant made by the Foundation which was chartered in 1971. In making the grant the directors of the Foundation felt that there was no better way to formally activate the Foundation's efforts on behalf of West Texas than through recognition of the Free Enterprise System as it relates to future generations that must be depended upon to perpetuate the Free Enterprise System.

Bob Corkins, WTCC President accepted the grant on behalf of the Regional Chamber. Corkins stated that the money would be used to encourage the achievement of excellence in the field of free enterprise education in the public school systems of West Texas.

Fred Barrington, Chairman of the Private

Enterprise Development Committee, responsible for administration of the funds said that an awards program would be announced at the beginning of the 1979-80 school year encouraging teachers actively engaged in teaching the required course on the "American Free Enterprise System" in public school systems to enter competition for an award.

The awards program will be open to secondary level teachers representing a public school located within the WTCC service region.

Award recipients will be announced at the 62nd Annual Meeting of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce to be held in San Angelo in April, 1980.

The West Texas Chamber Foundation was created to conduct research, accumulate and disseminate information of a charitable, scientific, literary and educational nature which will result in solutions to urgent problems facing West Texas.

Donations and memorials are encouraged. For complete information write West Texas Chamber Foundation, P.O. Box 1561, Abilene, Texas, 7 604 or call AC 915 677-4325.

A&M researcher says chemicals helpful

College Station - Harvest-aid chemicals are useful tools for preparing cotton for harvest, but proper management still remains the key to a profitable harvest, reminds a cotton specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.

Dr. Robert B. Metzger says good management of cotton defoliant and desiccants is an essential step toward earlier harvest and higher lint and seed quality.

"Best results with cotton harvest-aid chemicals are obtained when calm, sunny weather is at hand. Temperatures should be above 60 degrees Fahrenheit, and soil moisture and nitrogen levels should be relatively low. Additionally, plants should have stopped vegetative growth and have a high percentage of open bolls," Metzger recommends.

"Actually, the ideal situation is to have uniformly expanded leaves with little or no regrowth," the specialist adds.

He suggests that producers check weather forecasts closely before treating cotton. "If possible, it's best to delay treatment until at least a favorable five-day forecast is received," Metzger says.

The percentage of open bolls is the best guide to

use in determining when to apply harvest-aid chemicals. "Defoliant may be applied when 60 percent or more of the bolls are open. Application of a desiccant, however, should be delayed until 75 percent or more of the bolls are open. In irrigated cotton, it is desirable to have at least 80 percent open bolls before applying a desiccant," he adds.

Treating cotton too early will not only reduce micronaire value, but will also reduce lint yields, Metzger warns.

Producers are encouraged to add insecticides to harvest-aids to reduce overwintering bollweevils.

The cotton specialist reminds that when conditioning the plant or attempting to open up the canopy, it is best to keep defoliation rates low. Weather conditions after treatment can alter the degree of defoliation. Removing too many leaves can be harmful in terms of reduced yield and encouraging regrowth.

For more detailed information on the use of harvest-aid chemicals, producers should consult their local county Extension agents. The leaflet, L-145, "Cotton Defoliation Guide," also is available at county Extension offices.

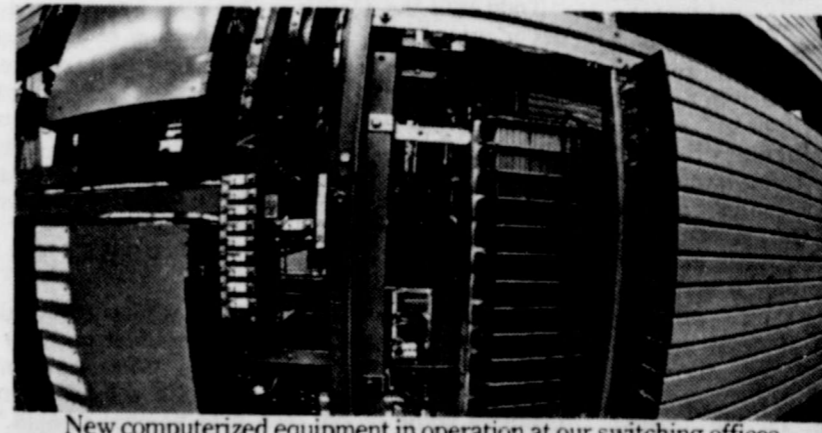
Farmers Union may take legal action

Washington, D.C., August 13, 1979 - The Farmers Union charged today that the federal government has "suspended" sales of grain to the Soviet Union and demanded that the price support loan rate for wheat and corn be raised immediately to 90 percent of parity in accordance with section 1002 of the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977.

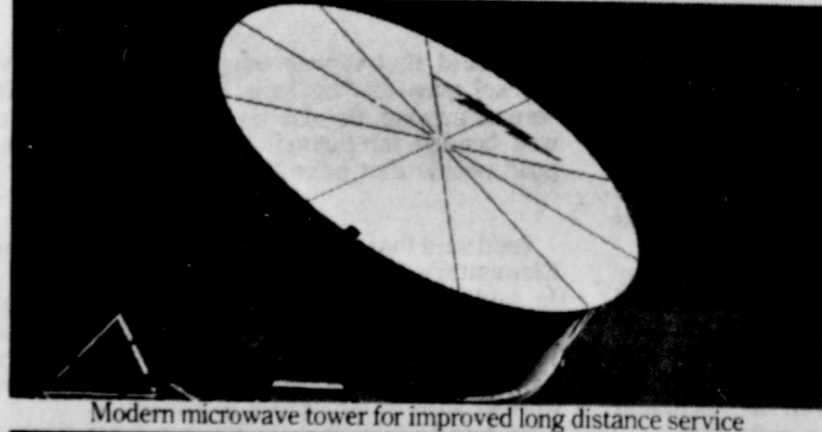
In a statement issued simultaneously in Denver, Colorado, and Washington, D.C., Tony Dechant, National President of the Farmers Union, declared that the Farmers Union is contemplating legal action to compel the government to raise the price support loans under terms of the law, or to cease its restriction against additional sales of corn and wheat to the USSR.

Ninety percent of parity would be \$5.38 a bushel for wheat and \$3.75 a bushel for corn. Average prices received by farmers in the U.S. in July were \$3.95 for wheat and \$2.73 for corn.

"There is no question that the executive branch has suspended grain sales to the Soviet Union because of concern about supply condition," Dechant explained. "In making his announcement on August 1, following the consultations, Secretary Bergland explicitly reported the quantity limits imposed by the U.S. on grain sales and further stated that any consideration of increasing those limits would be delayed to October. In Bergland's own words, 'by that time, we will have more precise information on the size of this year's corn and other feed grain crops.'"



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Crude means \$ to county

THE SALE OF CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS from Taylor County wells in 1978 boosted the county economy and accounted for \$30.6 million of the \$17.1 billion value placed on Texas production last year, according to Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association.

In a report on the economic impact of oil and gas industry operations in the top producing counties of Texas, the Dallas based Association said the county ranked with 108th among the 202 counties having marketed production valued at \$100,000 or more, not including the sale of natural gas liquids.

The county's wells produced 2.9 million barrels of crude oil, valued at \$27.4 million, and 3.2 million Mcfs of natural gas, valued at \$3.2 million. Owners of royalty in the county received \$3.8 million as their share of the output, the Association said.

"Considering the shortfall in total U. S. Petroleum production relative to our nation's energy needs, production from every Texas county is more vitally important today than ever before," said the Association's president, H. B. (Hank) Harkins of Alice, an independent producer and drilling contractor.

In addition to paying local, county, and state property taxes, producers in the county also supported state government through production tax payments estimated at \$1.5 million, according to the Association. Crude oil taxes amounted to \$1.3 million, while natural gas levies totalled \$243,000.

Based on Texas Employment Commission figures, some 3,444 oil and gas industry employees in the county received wages of about \$49.7 million in 1978.

In the search for new petroleum reserves in the county, oil and gas operators spend a reported \$7.9 million in the drilling of 130 wells, including 13 wildcat, or exploratory, wells. This effort resulted in the completion of 64 oil wells and three gas wells, although some \$2.8 million was lost in the drilling of 63 dry holes.

Petroleum processing also contributed to the county economy, with one refinery, having a total daily capacity of 20,500 barrels, and one natural gasoline plant, having a total daily capacity of 1.1 million cubic feet of natural gas, in operation.



Congressman

Charles W. Stenholm

Congressional Comment

WASHINGTON, D.C. — According to traditional economic thinking, inflation is caused by excess demand in relation to supply and a recession is the result of a decrease in the economic growth rate. Ten years ago most economists would have told you that it was impossible to experience both of these problems at the same time. The Recession of 1975 overturned this concept as we faced double digit inflation and large

scale unemployment. Outdated proposals were used to combat "stagflation." The emphasis was placed on stimulating the demand for goods. We printed more money in order to spend more and found ourselves with a much larger Federal debt, and a greater number of Federal programs. The issue of inflation was not adequately addressed and it is still with us today.

A new law appear headed for another economic downturn. It is time to start planning how we will face the next recession. The Joint Economic Committee (JEC), under the leadership of our own Senator Bentsen, has proposed that more emphasis be placed on the supply side of the economy. With increased production we can promote employment and decrease inflation at the same time. By encouraging businesses to modernize their plant and equipment, more goods will be produced and more workers will be hired.

Clearly, we can do better than we have done in the past. The Joint Economic Committee

government regulation has been applied equally to all firms across the board, without regard to the company size or impact on the economy. It is time that the Congress and regulatory agencies provide flexibility in all regulations that would reduce paperwork and

compliance costs for small businesses. A commitment to these goals would do a great deal to improve economic stability at home and improve our leadership position around the world.

Baker gets honor

MIDLAND - Charlie Baker, of 324 Country Club Drive, Merkel, has been appointed sales manager in Metropolitan Life Insurance Company's Abilene office at 1290 South Willis. The appointment was announced by Midland District Sales Manager Thomas E. Blase, CLU.

He joined Metropolitan Life as a sales representative in the Midland office in July,

1976, has qualified 2 times for the company's Leaders Conference, and is a graduate of the Life Underwriters Training Council course. A native of Bearden, Okla., Mr. Baker is a graduate of Lubbock High School. He served in the U. S. Air Force from 1955 to 1976 and was discharged with the rank of master sergeant. He is a member of the John Sayles Masonic Lodge in Abilene and the Merkel Country Club. Mr. Baker is married to the former Marilyn Fisher of Lincoln, Nebraska.

Newsbriefs It's a boy

Registration

All new students at Merkel Elementary need to pre-register. Those who have pre-registered but who have not completed all necessary information, need to do so before August 29.

Students who attended Merkel Elementary last year and received a letter last spring stating that a mumps shot was needed, must bring a record of such shot before school starts.

Honors

Tommy Anderson, formerly of Merkel, received state recognition as he played on the Lamesa, Plains Sporting Good Fast Pitch softball team. The team won the state title, undefeated at the state tournament in San Angelo. Anderson received honors as he was one of ten voted to the All-State team. Also, from the twenty teams who participated in the tournament, Anderson received the highest honor given as he was voted The Most Valuable Player.

Returns

Mary Collins, a retired vice-president at the Farmers and Merchants National Bank has just returned from a trip visiting relatives. She visited her niece and family, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Denton in Denver and also visited relatives in Lubbock, Plainview and Lamesa.

Meeting planned

The Merkel Homecoming Committee met Monday night for the first time to discuss plans for the 1979 homecoming. This year it will be held on Oct. 19th & 20th. Current addresses, nominees for Mr. X & Coming Home Queen and other suggestions are welcomed and can be given to Alvin Wozencraft, President; Bettye Conley Vice President; Sarah Lucas, Secretary; Bob Hammond or Gary Hicks. We also ask that all classes planning to hold activities please contact one of the above persons. The next meeting will be held on Sept. 4th, 7:30 at the Big Country Inn, and we would like all interested parties to attend.

Wilkerson, Melton win

David Wilkerson of Merkel walked away with the Rabbit Division of the Jones County Fair last weekend taking home five first place ribbons, two second place ribbons and one third as well as having his animals named Best Overall Buck, Best Overall Doe, Reserve Grand Champion and

Grand Champion. Jan Melton of Merkel also placed with a fourth, two fifths and a sixth in the fat lamb competition. The next show for the Merkel FFAers is scheduled on Sept. 8th through the 15th as the West Texas Fair will be held in Abilene.

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Badgers in Dublin

The Merkel Badgers open their 1979 Football campaign tomorrow night in Dublin as the Junior Varsity and Varsity will participate in a controlled scrimmage.

Head Coach Byron Shelley said the Badgers were doing very well in practices considering that everything they are learning is new and says he has 22 on the Varsity and 19 on the Junior Varsity.

The coach added that the coaching staff has had a few surprises by trying some of the players at positions they had not previously played.

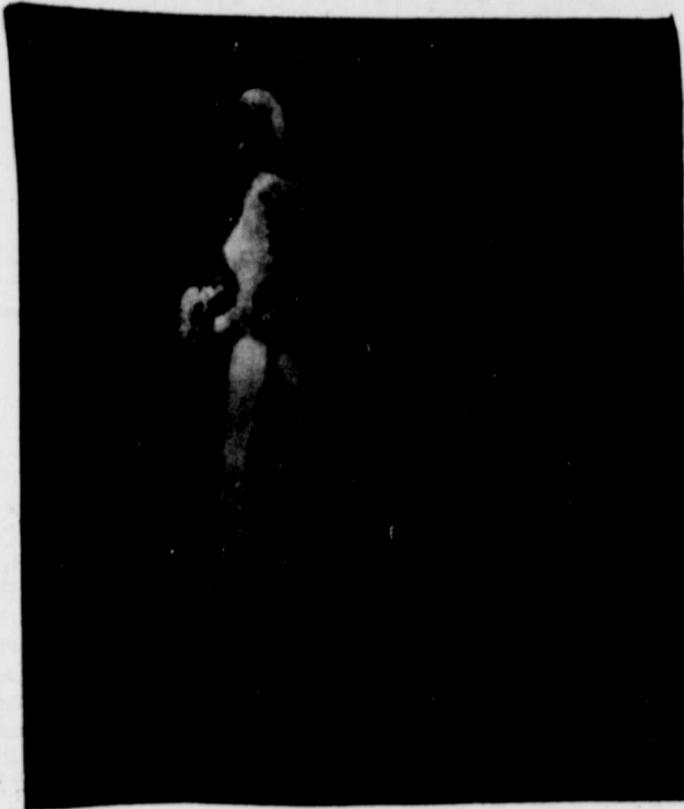
Defensive starters for Friday's scrimmage for the Varsity include: at defensive tackles, Billy Walters and Dwayne Roysden; at defensive ends, Jerry Goode and Victor Herrera; at linebacker, James Turner, Buster Brown and Mark Copeland; at cornerback Terry Owen and Bart Pursley.

Offensive starters include: at center Todd Robertson; at guards, Ricky Mathewson and Joel Huggins; tackles are O.C. McKeehan and Brian Fariello; at quarterback is Danny Davis; at fullback is Mark Merritt, at tailback is Ted Holmes, at tight end is Ty Nelson, flanker is Scott Cain and Randy Martin will play split end.

Coach Shelley commented that only one player is scheduled to go both ways currently because they want to give the kids a chance to show us what they can do.

The JV scrimmage will start at 6 p.m. in Dublin and the Varsity will start after the JV scrimmage is over.

The Badgers will scrimmage Hamlin here on Aug. 31 at 6 p.m.



Mrs. Nicky Bullock

DuBose-Bullock Wed August 10

Eva Lori DuBose and Nicky Dale Bullock were married Friday at First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Russell McAnally officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby W. DuBose, 810 Trundy Street. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Milburn Brown of Dallas, and Mr. Harold R. Bullock of Abilene.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of silk organza and Alencon lace. The bodice was fashioned with a portrait neckline embroidered with seed pearls and long bishop sleeves with lace applique. Skirt was full with pleated border at hemline which extended to a chapel-length train. Her veil was finger-tip length trimmed with seed pearls and lace appliques.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Mike Hicks of Merkel. Bridesmaid was Tammy Thomas of Merkel. They wore apricot organza gowns with matching hats. They carried long stemmed silk roses.

Flower girl was Sara Brown of Dallas, sister of the bridegroom. Her long dress was of apricot silk and she wore a headpiece of silk rose buds.

Reception was hosted by the bride's parents in the fellowship hall of the church. Serving at the bride's table were Mrs. Kim Perry and Carla Gardner, both

of Merkel and Mrs. Vic Cantrell of Abilene. Serving at the bridegroom's table were Vicki DuBose, sister of the bride, and Mrs. Wade Cozart of Belton. Vicki DuBose also registered guests.

Best man was Shelton Casady of Merkel. Groomsman was Randy Bullock, of Merkel, brother of the bridegroom.

Ushers were Sandy Bullock of Abilene and Monty Bullock of Dallas brothers of the bridegroom, and Danny DuBose of Lubbock brother of the bride.

Organist was Mrs. J. H. Clark, Jr. and Mrs. Cathy Foster was soloist, both of Merkel.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milburn Brown, at the Merkel Country Club.

The bride is a spring graduate of Merkel High School and is employed by Dillard's Department Store in Abilene.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Cooper High School and is employed by G.C.O. Drilling Co. of Abilene.

Following a trip to South Padre Island, the couple will live at 403 Edwards in Merkel.

Barber graduated

Jerry DeWayne Barber was graduated from West Texas State University Aug. 18th in the summer graduation ceremonies at the Amarillo Civic Center. He received a bachelor of science from the school of arts and sciences.

Presenting the degrees to the graduates was the president of West Texas State University, Max Sherman. Rev. James M. Hancock, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Canyon, gave the invocation and benediction during the ceremony.

Jerry Barber is married to the former Janie Clark and they are now residing in Oklahoma City, Okla. where Jerry is the sales engineer for N L Industries, Baroid

Division. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clark attended the ceremony in Amarillo.

The Consumer Alert
by Mark White
Attorney General

AUSTIN—Do you "own" your automobile? Most of us would answer this question the same as if someone asked, "Do you own your house" or "Do you own the furniture and appliances in your house." It is quite normal for us to consider ourselves the owner of goods for which we have paid and of which we have taken possession. And, although this is true of most consumer goods, it is not true of automobiles, whether they are new or used.

Many years ago the Texas Legislature found that theft of automobiles and the sale of encumbered automobiles—those on which there is an outstanding lien—were serious problems. In response to these problems the Certificate of Title Act was passed. Although the Certificate of Title Act has been on the books since 1939, several recent investigations by the Consumer Protection and Antitrust Division indicate that many consumers are unaware of its effect. First, the Certificate of Title Act provides that the ownership of a motor vehicle does not pass from seller to buyer unless the seller transfers a "certificate of title" to the buyer. Secondly, the Act provides that a certificate of title must contain certain information including the name of the owner, a description of the vehicle and the name of any person or company claiming a lien on the vehicle. These two provisions make it very difficult to sell a stolen vehicle. They also insure that anyone who has loaned money for the purchase of a vehicle will be paid back before the vehicle changes hands. The "title" owner of a motor vehicle, in the absence of fraud, is entitled to reclaim possession of an automobile even though someone else has paid for it. Problems involving titles and the ownership of automobiles most frequently arise in the sale of used cars. The Division's investigations indicate that a typical scenario for such problems goes something like this: A consumer purchases a used car from a dealer or individual. The seller promises to transfer the title within a few days or weeks. (Transferring a title from the previous owner does take some time). Since the consumer has possession and use of the automobile, the fact that the title never arrives goes unnoticed. And, the lack of a title is not discovered until (1) the automobile is repossessed by its title owner or a lienholder, or (2) the consumer applies for new tags and discovers that his automobile is owned by someone else. At this point it frequently is too late to take effective action because the few car dealers who engage in this practice are not long in business. The responsibility for obtaining a certificate of title for an automobile is the consumer's.

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NOTICE OF TAX INCREASE

The Merkel Independent School District proposes to increase your property taxes by seven point four (7.4) percent.

A public hearing on the increase will be held on September 4, 1979, at 8:00 p.m. in Portable Classroom No. 2 of the Merkel Independent School District High School located on South 3rd, Merkel, Texas

The Merkel ISD Board of Trustees has considered the proposal and voted in a meeting of the school board as follows:

FOR the proposal to increase taxes:

- Larry Dudley, Board President
- James Boyd, Board Member
- Pat Castille, Board Member
- Leroy Teaff, Board Member

AGAINST the proposal to increase taxes:

- Charles Jacobs, Board Member

ABSENT and not voting:

- Dink Whisenhunt, Board Member
- Kenny Hogan, Board Member

Trent News

Thursday, August 23, 1979

Trent ISD teachers, workers for 79-80

The 1979-80 school year will begin at Trent on Tuesday, September 4. The buses will run and the cafeteria will be in operation on this the first day of school. Registration will also be conducted on this day. Teacher Inservice will be conducted August 27-31. The faculty and staff will be as follows: First Grade-Mrs. Mary Jane Tatum, Second Grade-Mrs. Pat Murphree, Third Grade-Mrs. Debbie Pickett, Fourth Grade-Mrs. Glenda Coltharp, Fifth Grade-Mrs. Betty Kinnard, Vo-Ag-Mr. Mike Ray, Home Economics-Mrs. Lynette Sliter.

The staff will also include in Business-English-Mrs. Pat Roach, English-Mrs. Ruth Ann Key, History-Government-Mrs. Zenita Gardner, Coach-History-Mr. Bob Campbell, Band-Music-Mrs.

Margaret Cooper, Science-Mrs. Cynthia Rosenbaum, Math-Mrs. Jocille Brady, Resource-Mrs. Carolyn Baker.

Teacher Aides will be Mrs. Syra Patterson, Mrs. Vera Sharp and Mrs. Zeldia Orr.

Bus Drivers will be Mrs. Betty Brazelton, Mr. Joe Brazelton, Mrs. Winnie Dickerson and Mrs. Nancy Boyd.

Cafeteria workers are Mrs. Jean Dunn-Head Cook and Mrs. Alice Brenem.

Also included on the staff are: Custodian-Mr. Billy West, Secretary-Mrs. Brenda Kraatz, Business Manager-Mr. Don Orr, Principal-Mr. Lloyd McCoy, and Superintendent-Mr. Roy Neff.

Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE TO PUBLIC
Whereas D AND B STEEL COMPANY, a sole proprietorship of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, has been and is now incorporated as D AND B STEEL COMPANY, NC.

same location at the address of 1633 Walnut Street, Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, and, whereas, notice to the public is required by Article 1302-2.02, V.A.T.S.;

You are hereby notified of such incorporation of such firm, its new firm name and its

compliance with such law. 25-4tc

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO INCORPORATE WITHOUT CHANGING NAME

Notice is hereby given that Warford Motors, whose principal place of business is 1389 Butter-nut Street, Abilene, Taylor County, Texas,

intends on or before August 10, 1979, to become incorporated without change of firm name.

Dated August 2, 1979.
Max Warford, Owner
25-4tc

Trent school & football calendar

The Trent Independent School District has released their 1979-1980 school calendar and it calls for teachers to report on Aug. 27th with the first day of school set for Sept. 4th.

Holidays are scheduled for Sept. 3, Nov. 22

and 23, Dec. 21 through Jan. 1, March 17 to the 21st and April 7.

Teacher workdays, which are student holidays are scheduled for Nov. 5, April 18 and May 30.

School will be dismissed at 1:30 on Sept.

11, Nov. 21, Dec. 20, March 14, April 4, and May 29.

Baccalaureate services are scheduled for May 25, Junior High graduation is May 29 and High School graduation is May 30.

at 6 here, and on Aug. 31, against Christoval in Blackwell at 6.

The Gorillas will open their season in Moran on Sept. 7 at 8, Sept. 14 Benjamin travels here for an 8 p.m. kickoff, Sept. 21 Divide is here at 8, Oct 5th Highland is here at 7, Oct 13 McCaulley is here at 7, Oct. 19 Southland is there at 7, Oct 26, Hermleigh there at 7, Nov 2, Hobbs is here at 7 and Nov. 9 Trent travels to Ira for a 7 p.m. contest.

Homecoming meeting

The Trent Homecoming Association will hold an organizing meeting Saturday, Aug. 25 at 9 a.m. in the Trent School Library.

The meeting is being held to start planning for the 1979 Trent Homecoming and activities.

Dec. 21, April 7, April 18, and March 17 and 18 may be used for makeup days in case of bad weather.

The Trent Gorillas football schedule calls for a scrimmage Friday

Utleys hold reunion at Sweetwater

The descendants of the late Luther and Nannie Utley, who lived at Eskota and Trent for many years, met the second week-end in August at the Sweetwater Coliseum Annex for their annual family reunion.

Six of the seven living children of the couple were present. They were Clayton Nichols, Big Springs; Virgil Utley, Midland; Ina (Nichols) Brazelton,

Sweetwater; Willie (Utley) Robinson, Anson; Mattie Jo (Utley) Blankenship, Anson; Bertha (Utley) Anderson, Trent.

Jack Utley, Gainesville was unable to attend.

The families of the four deceased sons, Bernard, Chester, Pete Kiser and Wesley Utley were also represented.

Those attending were from Abilene - Leonard and Bobby Hopper; Shari and Naomi Smith; Billy and Carla Brown,

Carol, Marci and Kelli Downing, Dennis, Terry and Anji Utley from Austin; Fern Roberts, Larry, Judy, Allan and Lea Pherigo from Coahoma. And from Andrews - Raymond and Lula Bates, Bert and Billy Robinson-Hamlin. From Anson - The Blankenships - Gary, Caroline, Danny, Randy and Kimberly; Jackie Leon, Milette, Cary and Mandy, and Mattie Jo. From Sweetwater came Benny, Fannie and Cathy

Utley, Grace Kiser, Bob and Ina Brazelton, Linda, Jimmy and Sharla Browning and Billy Utley, Clayton, Hazel and Donny Nichols and Iva Kiser from Big Springs, Virgil, Lila, Alan and Dawn Utley from Midland, Stephan, Danny and Stephany Kiser from Arlington. And from Trent - Joe, Betty, Billy, Willie, Bobby, Sue and Teresa Brazelton and Bertha Anderson. Special guest was Della Milligan.

Legal notices

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Kenneth Ray McDonald, 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 24th day of September A.D. 1979, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 11th day of April A.D. 1979, in this cause, numbered 36,169-A on the docket of said court and styled In Re: J. J. McDonald et al.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:
A suit for partition said property being described as follows: Lot

number 8 in the Horton Hall Sub. of Lots numbered 3, 4, of Block D of the Ledbetter Addition to the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas as shown in Vol. 1 page 438 of the plat records of Taylor County, Texas 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 9th day of August A.D. 1979.

Attest: Irene Crawford
Clerk,
42nd District Court
Taylor County, Texas
26-4tc

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Date: August 9, 1979,
Larry A. Brewster, owner.
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Tye Times

Thursday, August 23, 1979

Tye scribe says farewell to principal, Community Center ready for paint

This week I shall fill this column regarding the losing of a fine person and a loss to the community and the MISD. Regardless of how ones feelings are on this, it is important that we must endure and go forth and continue to build without or with representation. Cecil W. Todd, a towering individual who spent with us a very good four years in constructing one of the best elementary schools in the district and his staff that he leaves behind. Also leaving behind many students, teachers and parents who all grew to respect and think of him as an individual who returned this respect. Weather the school board or its administration regarded this or not, this question will leave doubt in ones minds. The loss of him, our sixth grade etc, the way they do things at our board meetings are telling on us. Cecil or Mr. Todd as one might call him came from the Owen County School system in Kentucky some four and one half years ago to the Tye Elementary School and has brought forth a good elementary school. When you have a carnival that only does about three to four hundred dollars a year up to a bracket of six to seven thousand as was done this past fall, I'd say he had to be doing something right. With a PTO group that had about ten or twelve a meeting then double that within four years, some of the best teachers that I have come in contact with, I can only say we the people of MISD have lost truly a fine family man and educator.

Mr. Todd will be going to the Tolar School District as their new school superintendent which is a B plus school and soon in another year to be a A school. This speaks of the mans ability to work and get along with others.

While Mr. Todd was at Tye School, he saw the advance reading and math scolastic level come up from the low level to an advanced level of achievement. His leadership has brought forth the co-operation of teachers, parents and students to be able to work together and strive to maintz in goals, work together on projects and be successful at this.

A reception was held for Mr. and Mrs. Todd at the community center Saturday evening. Many friends, civic leaders and business men of the community came to well wish them and thank them for their past good four years with us. Refreshments were served to the 50 to 75 who came.

In a short interview with Mr. Todd, he said that it was appreciated and gratifying that he was able to work with a great group of concerned parents and business people here in Tye. When asked what the main reason for his leaving the MISD, he said "My philosophy of education is different than that of the current administration". As once said a famous general, Mr. Todd remarked, "I shall return". So it is hoped at some time in the years that are to come, he will be welcomed and looked forward to.

What ever the reasons that MISD has lost so many teachers this past year, let's not give up, but strive ahead in keeping our minds on making the best school district in the state. Let's welcome the new ones, work together and put forth an understanding and cooperation that we must have if we are to achieve harmony.

To Cecil Todd and his family, our best in your new job and feel welcome to come back any time. Our doors of this community are open to you and your family.

As in the last column, I stated that I would report the highlights of the city council meeting. Beings that I wasn't able to attend and the minutes are not yet ready, I will have to write a report in the next column.

The Tye Community Center and the new Senior Citizens Building will be ready for a coat of paint this week end and it is suggested that you bring yourself, maybe the gals will bake some pies, cakes and get out the ice cream freezers, we will have a good old fashioned paint day.

Till next week, you all take care and do appreciate your reading the Mail.

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO INCORPORATE

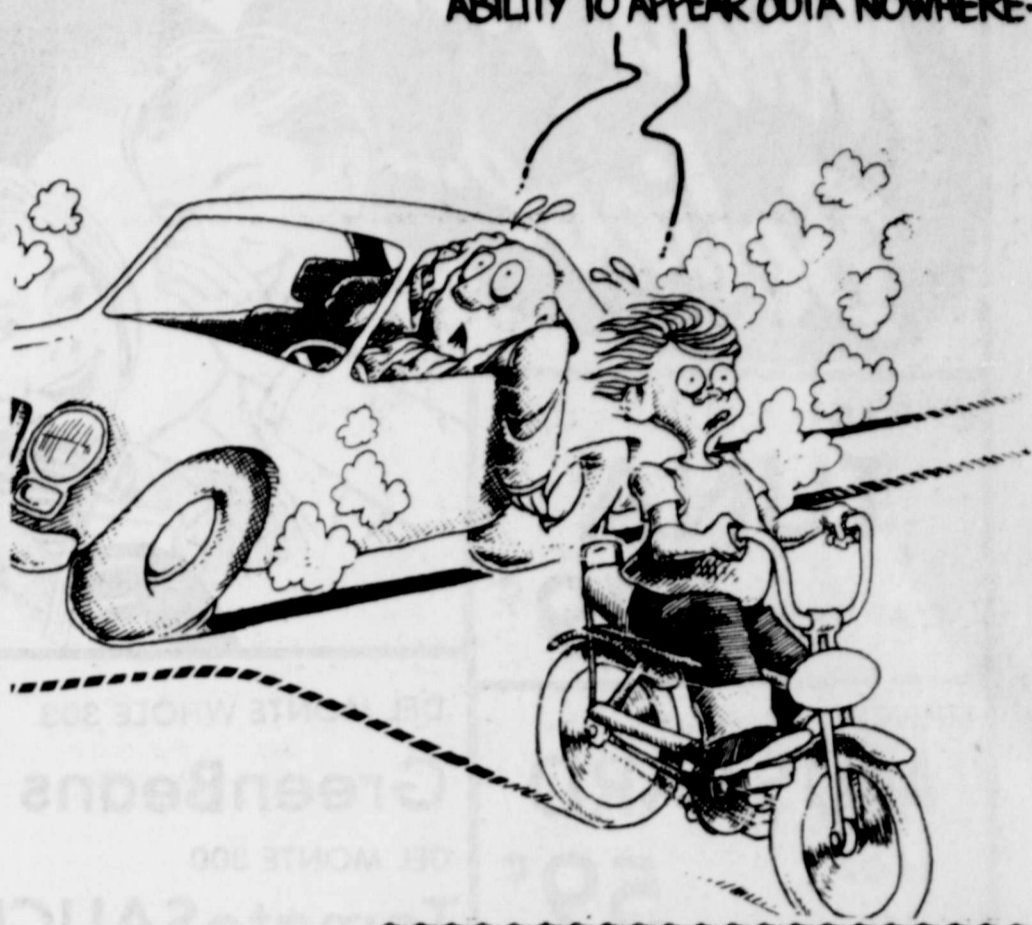
Notice is hereby given that Brittain's Furniture Showcase, whose principal place of business is at 2636 Barrow Street, Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, intends, on or before September 15, 1979, to become incorporated without a change of firm name.

Date: July 30, 1979.
Steve Brittain, owner.
27-4tc

NOTICE OF INCORPORATION

In compliance with Article 1302, 2.02 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, notice of intention to become incorporated without a change of name is given by Shoe-string Enterprises, Inc., Route 5, Box 630, Abilene, Texas.

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Best buys at Texas markets

College Station - Beef prices may drop a bit - or at least remain steady for the rest of the year, Gwendolyn Clyatt, a consumer marketing information specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, reports.

"A downturn in the economy will take some of the edge off demand for meat generally - and for beef in particular," she explains.

"Prices won't slide too far, however, because a decline in beef supplies is also expected," she says.

Best buys at Texas grocery markets this week include several fresh produce items, eggs, dairy products and some food "on special."

FRESH VEGETABLES - Budget items are soft-shell squash, corn, green beans, purple hull and blackeye peas, potatoes and okra.

Moderate-priced vegetables include cucumbers, green peppers, and cabbage.

FRESH FRUITS - Best buys are peaches, plums, nectarines, lemons, grapes, cantaloupe and water-

melon.

POULTRY - Egg prices are still low, signaling "super protein" at bargain prices. Best fryer buys are whole fryers.

DAIRY - Dairy products mean economy because there's no waste.

A quart of milk - more than two pounds of food - is one of the best investments at any price, because its cost is very low in proportion to food value.

Some markets are featuring cheddar cheeses, half-and-half, cheese slices, yogurt and milk.

GROCERY MARKET AISLES - "On special" items include canned salmon, several canned vegetables, tea bags, cake mixes and peanut butter.

BEEF - A few "specials" appear on chuck cuts, ground beef, sirloin steak and beef liver.

CONSUMER WATCHWORDS: Soft-shell squash is best when immature.

Public notice

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: The Unknown Heirs of Kittie C. Barton, Deceased, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO appear before the Honorable 104th 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 October A.D. 1979, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 15th day of August A.D. 1979, in this cause, numbered 13,718-B on the docket of said court and styled In Re: The Estate of Kittie C. Barton, (Deceased).
A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:
Declaratory Judgment, that part of her will is void for vagueness, and determining heirs.

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

15th day of August A.D. 1979.

Attest: Irene Crawford, Clerk,
104th District Court
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By Johnnie Woodard, Deputy.

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- Stock no. 392, polar white 2-door wagon, buckets and mini console, automatic, air, power steering and brakes, AM radio, tinted glass, other extras. \$5586
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