The Merkel Mail

Thursday, April 24, 1980...Merkel, Texas -

Bart Pursley is on the heels of the winner of the 330 Intermediate Hurdles in last week's district track meet. Pursley finished second and earned the right

to compete in the regional meet, this wekend in Lubbock. (Staff photos by Cloy. A. Richards)

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Pursley, Martin qualify for regional meet

Randy Martin and Bart Pursley will compete this weekend in Lubbock in the Region 1 Track Meet as results of their second place finishes in the District 6-2A meet last weekend in Colorado City.

Pursley placed second in the 330 hurdles and Martin placed second in the pole vault to qualify for the regional meet. Eight districts will be competing and the top two finishers in each event will compete in teh state tournament in Austin in May.

The Badgers placed seventh with 43 points, but a controversial ruling put them there. Meet officials disqualified the mile relay team

after they placed third because, one meet official said relay anchorman Danny Davis threw his baton down at the finish of the race. The disqualification cost the Badgers 12 points, which would have been enough to place third in the meet.

Badger track coach Doug Guynes told the Mail Monday that the disqualification hurt and it hurt because the relay team ran a good race, and had improved their time by 18 seconds over the Winters meet three weeks ago.

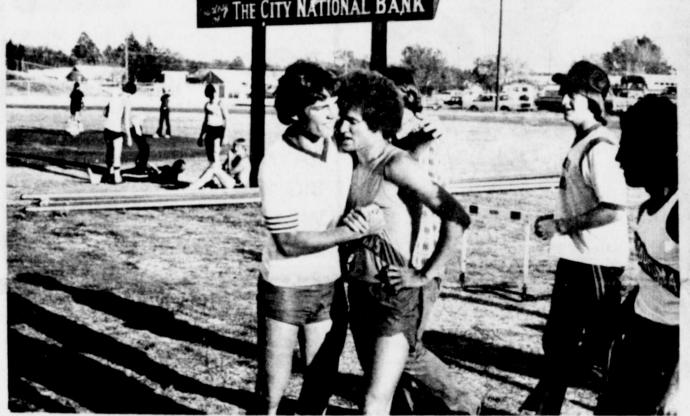
He also said that three members of that team would be back next year and they would have a chance of going to the state meet.

Scoring for the badgers in the district meet were Pursley and Martin, Sal Acosta placed third in the 880, Bart Pursley third in the pole vault, Ty Nelson grabbed third in the high jump, the 400 meter relay consisting of Pursley, Gary Tutt, Dusty Barnhill and Allen alleright placed 5th with a capacit Allen Allbright, placed 5th with a school record time of 45.03, Martin placed fifth in the 110 high hurdles, Tutt grabbed sixth in the 100, Nelson placed fifth in the 330 hurdles, Acosta grabbed sixth in the mile run. In last week's track story, we forgot to mention one other senior who competed in his last meet, Robert Fowler.

The regional meet will be held Friday and

handy martin leaps out of the pit after going 13 feet in the pole vault. Helping him celebrate is teamate Bart Pursley back to camera) who placed third in the pole vault. (Staff photo)





Badger vaulter Randy Martin easily clears 12 feet in last week's district track meet in Colorado City. Martin went on to clear 13 feet and placed second,

earning a chance to compete in this weekend's regional meet in Lubbock. (Staff photo)

Construction announced at meeting

Taylor Electric Cooperative held their annual meeting last Thursday at the Taylor County Coliseum and members learned that the Co-op has applied for a loan to upgrade existing facilities.

Co-Op manager Don Hart also told the crowd that the administrative offices here were about to be remodeled to create more office space.

During the manager's report, Hart said that the Co-Op had made \$198,000 in profits over the last year. He also broke down where the dollars go from the Co-Op and said that 66 percent of all costs were for wholesale power. The Co-Op is currently buying 85 percent of its power from West Texas Utilities and the remainder from Texas Electric Service. Hart also told the audience that the wholesale power contract with WTU expired in December of '79 and that a group of cooperatives have filed with FEC challenging the proposed wholesale power costs under the new contract.

He added that the two sides had until June 5th to reach an agreement. WTU is asking for a 13 percent increase and the Co-Ops are asking that the increase be smaller

He said if an agreement is not reached, that the

August billing would reflect the 13 percent increase and that if the agreed rate is lower than the proposed 13 percent hike, that customers would be rebated the difference. It will be denoted on the bill as a power adjustment clause.

Hart also announced the application by the Co-Op to secure low interest loans of \$2.2 million for repair of lines, poles and the extension of office area at the Co-Op's headquarters here. Office additions will cost around \$200,000.

He also reported that the Co-Op had, in the past, hired special consultants to complete power need projections, as well as environmental impact statements, but that the Co-Op staff were now totally preparing the loan packages.

Hart said that power needs grew at a 9 per cent pace last year and that the Co-Op was currently in the middle of a pole-replacing project in the Merkel-Trent area. He said pole crews had finished installing new poles in the Tuscola area.

Two retirements were announced at the meeting. Hollis Mitchell retired last Thursday after 34 years with Taylor Electric and director Ray Orsborn retired after serving on the board of directors for 18 vears

Saturday on the campus of Texas Tech in Lubbock.

Budget workshop set for city Thursday

The city will begin round two of annual budget talks at a scheduled meeting Thursday night at City hall at 7 p.m.

City officials two weeks ago went into executive session to deliberate the amount of a pay increase for city employees as well as heard a recommendation that the tax rate remain at \$1.50 per 60 per cent of evaluation.

(The Mail incorrectly reported last week that the city would still be offering a \$10,000 deduction on residential homesteads. The city offers a ten per cent reduction, not \$10,000. The Mail regrets that error.) The meeting Thursday will also include a public budget hearing.

Chamber elects Long pres., Farmer v.p., Wade secy.

The Merkel Chamber of Commerce board of directors met Monday morning and elected a new slate of officers.

New president for the chamber is Bob Long, vice president is Derrell Farmer and Ann Wade is secretary-treasurer

Chamber officials have also kicked off their 1980 membership drive and chamber directors will be contacting new business-private memberships in the community.

After saying that the chamber needed to be restructured so that it could become a more effective organization, the board of directors named the following people to head committees inside the chamber. They are: Agriculture-Bob DuBose, Banquet-Benny Melton, Budget and Finance-Bob Long, City Beautification-Bob Hammond, Christmas Parade and Special Events-Emma Lois Shugart, Education-Bob Long, Membership-Bob Long, New Industry-Don Hensley and J.A. Sadler, Publicity-Bob Long, Benny Melton and Ann Wade, Retail Development-Benny Melton and Emma Lois Shugart, Recreation-Derrell Farmer, and a new committee, Summer Job Program-Benny Melton.

The summer job program was suggested by Bob Hammond as an avenue to match youth workers to people who need odd jobs done around their homes. Chamber has decided to study the idea and welcome any citizen input on summer jobs for youth.

Bob Long told the directors "The only way we are going to become a more efficient organization is to get people involved. "The chamber will hold monthly meetings the first Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m. Meetings are held at Boney Insurance Agency



Bart Pursley is congratulated by teamate James Turner after Pursley raced to a second place finish in the 330 Intermediate Hurdles at the district track meet. (Staff photo)

Rabies clinic set for

Saturday at fire station

The Merkel Volunteer Fire Department and Dr. Warren Dozier are ready for the annual Rabies clinic here Saturday from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. at the Fire Station.

Dr. Dozier, Merkel's veterinarian will be administering rabies and distemper shots to dogs and cats. The rabies shot is a requirement for your dog to have a city dog tag.

The cost for the rabies shot is \$4.50 and the distemper shots vary from animal to animal.

Merkel Police Chief Ray Pack told the Mail that his department would soon be enforcing the dog ordinances strictly because Dr. Dozier has facilities to house dogs in the city dog pound and the citizens have had opportunity to have their pets vaccinated.

The city dog ordinance says that all stray dogs will be picked up and that all dogs not on a leash, fenced in, or at the heel of its owner shall be picked up. City dog tags and registration forms will be available at the clinic.

Chamber apparantly being reborn

by Cloy A. Richards

The Merkel Chamber of Commerce held a meeting Monday and elected new officers as well as establishing several committees that could be keys to solving some local problems.

The names of the committee heads are printed on page one of this week's Mail. These folks will need input from thelocal people on how to go about improving local conditions.

This month's issue of Texas Monthly ran a nice spread on some of the finer small towns in the state. One of the towns, Navasota, is about 20 miles from where I grew up.

I have seen that town decline in population by 2000, and then climb back to a strength of about 5,000.

One of the major reasons the changes were made was the creation of the Navasota Industrial Foundation. The Foundation sold land, or leased it to prospective industry. Even the Navasota High typing students got involved as they typed more than 3,000

letters to AmericaN Industry officials "ing what a great place Navasota would be to bui. 'ant.

Twenty years after that organization was .nartered, seven industries signed up and now employ 1400 people. Good things are worth waiting for, but you must work for them to happen while you are waiting. One chamber member remarked that a lot of comments had been made that the chamber does not ever do much. By offering your inputs to these committe heads in areas such as beatuification, agriculture, education, you could have a part in starting the ball rolling.

A letter to the editor in this week's paper from Joe Lassiter, stresses the importance of the May 3rd Primaries for Taylor County. It deserves your attention.

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Dog and cat owners have one more chance to have their pet vaccinated as well as the dogs registered and tagged by the city. The Merkel Volunteer Fire

Department's annual rabies clinic is Saturday from one until three p.m. at the Fire Station.

Taylor Electric held their annual meeting last week and drew a pretty good crowd. Members learned that the Co-Op was about to start remodeling their office facilties here to the tune of \$200,000 as well as an application for \$2 million worth of system improvements.

The news was all pretty good for the members. They heard that the Co-Op had shown a profit, and that demand for power had increased by nine per cent.

During the sports season this year, I have enjoyed the advantage of being a Monday morning quarterback during weekly interviews and I have come to know a few of the coaches

One guy I have always felt that I had a good, professional relationship with is departing track coach, and assistant football coach, Doug Guynes.

He is not the type pf guy that complains, or lays blame on folks. He just may have had plenty to fuss about this weekend in Colorado City. A controversial call by a meet official disqualified the Badger relay team and the loss of the point moved the Badgers from a third to a seventh place finish.

He really did not fuss to much to me about the call An official said the anchorman on the relay team threw the baton down at the end of the race). It seemed that the incident had helped him put things in their proper perspective.

He said the male athletes at Merkel High had a rough go of it this year. He also said that an 0-10 football season and a seventh in the district track meet might suggest that there are a "bunch of whimps" at Merkel High, but Guynes says, they are some of the finest athletes around. He spoke of the athletes that would be back, and said the sports future looks better around here.

I'm ready for that.

The Mail wishes Badger Juniors Bart Pursley and Randy Martin good performances in the upcoming regional meet in Lubbock this weekend.

Martin will be pole vaulting and Pursley will be in the 330 Intermediate Hurdles. Not to slight the Trent Gorilla's who will be at Mcmurry College in Abilene Friday and Saturday for their regional meet.

Trent's Herbert Beaver will be competing in the 100, 220, long jump and as a member of the sprint relay, The relay consists of Beaver brothers, Herbert, Gilbert and Richard as well as Greg Beasley

In more sports notes, former Badger vaulter Brad Pursley won the pole vault at the Kansas relays this weekend. Pursley went 17'9" to win the meet

The Merkel Country Club has hired a new golf pro that has expressed interest in starting a junior golf program here. Watch next week's Mail for more on

Badger sports banquet

Thursday, April 24, 1980

Moore, Caulder wed

Tonya Ann Moore and Alvin Doyle Caulder Jr. were married Saturday, April 12, in a candlelight ceremony at the Tye Baptist Church. The Rev. Leonard Payne of First Baptist Church Sulphur Springs officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moore of Merkel. The parents of the groom are Mrs. Wanda Martin of Merkel and Doyle Caulder, Sr. of Corpus Christi.

The altar of the church was decorated with a gold pyramid candlelabara at the back with two smaller candelabaras on each side toward the front. The candles were springtime colors of pink, yellow and green, the bride's chosen colors. Ferns graced the candelabaras. The unity candle placed in the center was decorated with greenery and roses. A votive candle and greenery was placed in each window of the church.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Her gown was of white satin with an overlay of net with chantilly lace. It had a cameo insert neckline. The bodice was accented with seed pearls. The lace bishop sleeves were gathered to a wide cuff. The triple laced skirt formed a chapel train. Her chapel length veil was held in place by a lace and seed pearl band and it was trimmed in matching lace of the gown. Her bouquet was a cascade of white roses. She wore a necklace of pearls that belonged to her great grandmother.

Aunt of the bride, Nancy Ellen Moore of Tye, was organist. Marla Bodine, of Abilene, sand "True Love Comes from God" as the candles were being lighted. She sang "The Wedding Song" during the lighting of the unity candle. "The Wedding Prayer" was sung by Rev. Payne as a benediction to the ceremony.

Rita Moore was her sister-in-law's matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Debbie Caulder, sister of the groom, and Lisa McFall of Tye, cousin of the bride. They wore floor length crepe dresses with a chiffon cape. They also wore pink, yellow, and green. They carried nose gays of pink roses and yellow minature carnations with streamers that matched each dress

Angie Allen, of Abilene, was the flower girl. She wore a pink floor length dress identical to the matron of honor. She carried a white basket with rose petals. Best man was Maury Moore, brother of the bride. Groomsmen were Mike Wilkes of Silver and Eddie Caulder, brother of the groom. Ushers were Shawn Moore, brother of the bride, Doug Walker of San Angelo, and Dave Walker of Odessa, both cousins fo the bridegroom. All wore black tuxedos with shirts matching the spring colors of the brides attendants dresses

Candle lighters were Doug Adams of Temple and Kevin Walker of San Angelo.

Karla Moore of Tye and Cindy Boone registered guests. Rice bags at the reception were distributed by Cristi Moore.

The reception followed in the Fellowship Hall hosted by the bride's parents. Kathy Smith of Abilene, Gayle Maxey, and Angie Wells of Tye presided at the bride's table.

Members of the houseparty included Mrs. Elmo Moore, Mrs. Paul Moore, both aunts of the bride from Tye, Loneita Teaff, Mrs. Johnny Teaff, Mrs.



Xi Nu Chi meets

Members of Xi Nu Chi, chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, were served a Mexican supper by hostess Mamie Steck Tuesday, April 8th at their regular monthly

The program for the evening was presented by Connie Y b a r r a, chairman and Louise Dubose co-chairman. The program was on Mexico. Several items were on display to examine the needlework

Committee reports were given. Jocille Brady, service chairman, gave a report on service and displayed the books which will be donated to our Merkel Library. Rituals, which will be

held in Abilene, April 12th were discussed.

Founders Day Dance to be held in Abilene Civic Center Saturday, April 19th, was also discussed.

Members present for the enjoyable evening were Liz Eager, Connie Harris, Blanche Hewitt, Val Patterson, Louise Dubose, Connie Ybarra, Glenda Teaff, Kathy Leverich, Ginny Yad-dow, Pat Neff, Dana Dozier, Betty Allday, and Jocille Brady.

PRESTIGE Homes and Properties

Over 5 acres NE Merkel, extranice rock home; full basement, garage apartment, pecan and fruit trees, commercial-s i z e swimming pool needs repair. Granbury Lake, 2 lots total 120'x90' - high on hill overlooking lake and city, beautiful building site, 500 sq. ft. trailer house permitted; equity, under 9 percent interest





set May 3rd

The All-Sports Banquet will be held May 3rd at 7 p.m. and tickets are available from Jeanette Pursley or Art Hererra.

Gordon Wood, football

coach at Brownwood High, is speaker. Tickets are five dollars. The banquet hopefully will be held in the new junior high gym, catered by Pug and Leo's.

Berneil Teaff, and Mrs. Jack Boone.

The Bridegroom's parents hosted the rehearsal dinner at the Jamica Inn in Abilene on Friday night. Both the bride and groom graduated from Merkel High School. The bride is now attending Hardin Simmons University and is employed by Pioneer Drive Child Care. The groom is employed by Wes-Tex Drilling of Abilene.

After a wedding trip to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, the couple will live on Rt. 3, Abilene.

Homemakers hold Anson meeting

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The Texas Extension Homemakers Association Council met April 16th at 2 p.m. at the Activity Center in Anson with Mrs. Amie Price, Vice chairman acting in the absence of Mrs. Louise Chancey, chairman.

The recreation leader, Mrs. Daisy Mashburn, led a game called "Fortune Telling.

The council consisted of three officers, ten council members and three visitors. Six clubs were represented.

The yearbook committee reminded the members if they have any suggestions for the yearbook to please turn in information on the subject

Mrs. Alma Foster, chairman of 4-H clubs reported that a meeting

Beauty pageant

rehersal set

There will be a rehearsal for the Miss Merkel Beauty Pagent Friday at 4 p.m. at the high school auditorium. There will be a photographer at the auditorium at 5:30 p.m. Saturday. Price of pictures will be \$7.00 for two five by sevens and four wallet size.

The Beauty pagent will begin at 7 p.m. Saturday at the auditorium. Price of admission will be \$1.00 for adults and 50 cents for students. The photographer is Worthy Long of Abilene

of 4-H clubs members will be held at the Ericksdale Church on a.m. It will be a covered Tuesday, April 22nd. dish luncheon. E a c h Registration to start at club is to carry out a 9:30 a.m. The subject theme of some kind. The for the day will be clubs are to bring prizes opportunities for 4-H to be given to the club Club members. A lunhaving the most memcheon of barbaqued bribers present, the club sket will be served at coming the greatest dis-12:00 noon.

tance, the oldest mem-Rally Day or Fun Day ber present, the youngwill be held at the

est member present and Activity Center in Anson the most original coson May 21st with registration starting at 9:30 tume

From one until two p.m. Mrs. Joyce Hartwich of the Sunshine Club will give a demonstration on making silk flowers.

The council adjourned after several games were led by the recreational leader, Mrs. Mashburn

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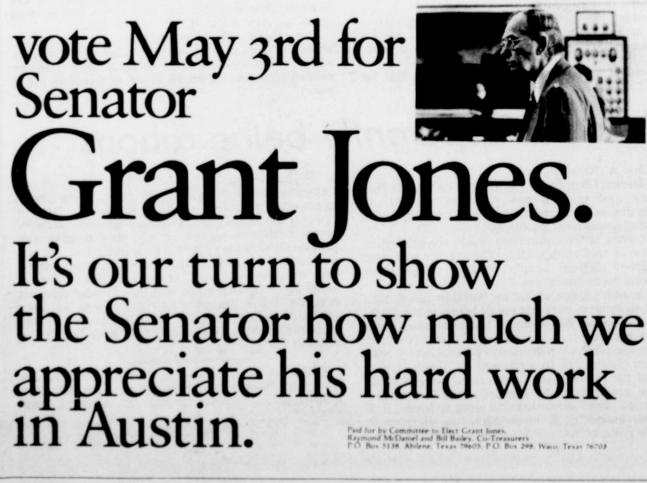
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Grant Jones has been called the hardest working member of the Texas Senate. He has earned the respect of his colleagues because of his dedication to duty. Texas Monthly magazine twice named him one of the Ten Best Legislators, calling Grant Jones "...honest ... a gentleman ... probably the best briefed senator of all, and he does it by himself."

The Waco Tribune-Herald referred to Grant Jones as "soft spoken, low-key, highly intelligent ... a senator relying on facts rather than oratory or showmanship to make his points.

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Upcoming election importance

Dear Editor:

The Republican and the Democratic political primaries will each hold primary nominating elections on May 3rd. There are 37 voting boxes in Taylor County, designated by the Commissioners Court. The Republican party has combined, on a select basis, the 37 boxes into 11 voting boxes for their nominating primary. Precint 24, 25 and 22, voting precints in the immediate Merkel area, are in a combination which the Republican party has designated voting box A situated at the cafeteria at Mann Junior High, 2545 Mimosa Street in Abilene. All gualified voters of the above numbered precincts wishing to vote in the Republican primary, will vote at Box A. The Republican Party Precinct convention will be conducted at the Abilene High School Cafteria at 8 p.m., May 3rd.

The Democratic party nominating primary elections will be conducted in all of the 37 boxes throughout the county. Precint 24, Merkel, will vote at the Senior Citizen's Building at 126 Edwards here. The Democratic Party Precint Convention will be at 7:15, May 3rd at the same location.

The Texas Election Laws speak very clearly about the conduct of the voter. A voter may vote in only one political primary, either the democratic or republican. A voter becomes a member of a political party of his or her choice by voting in that political party's primary and by doing so remains a qualified member of that party for the duration of that voting year.

In order to legally participate in a political party's conventionproceedings and procedure, a voter must have legally cast a vote in that political partys nominating election. (Since Taylor County has the process of voting preceedes the event of the Precint conventions, it renders moot the provisio that party affiliation also may be achieved by taking part in a convention of that party prior to a primary.) When voters present themselves at the election polls, a proper voter registration form should be presented to the election clerk. If the clerk qualifies the person as a legal voter for the casting of a ballot at that particular box, the voter will then be told to sign the signature roster. At the heading of that roster, the following statement will be attested to by each signatory "I swear that I have not voted at a primary election or participated in a convention of any political party during this voting year." The clerk will stamp either Democratic or Republican on the voter registration form in the space provided. Upon signing the roster, the voter is then provided a ballot and completes the voting process. Any voter so qualified may then attend the precint convention of his or her political affiliation and by presenting their stamped voter registration card certificate gain official admittance and participation.

In Democratic Precinct 24, there are 15 delegates and 15 alternates allowed to the County Convention, May 10th at 2 p.m. at Cooper High School. Party rules say that 50 per cent will be women. The local precinct also has been awarded one delegate to the State convention, scheduled for June 20-21 in San Antonio. 'the party precinct convention is the initial vital step in the delegate selection process which results in the party's presidential candidate you vote on in November.

Voter precint 24 has a voting strength of 1372 votes. 1980 is the year of the census. The next Legislative Session will undertake the task of redrawing political boundries. It is very unlikely that Merkel Precinct 24 boundries will remain as they are now drawn. It is vitally important that we express a unified front of political strength in the Democratic Primary, on May 3rd against the time and place we shall emerge in the new political alignment. A community is no stronger politically than the determined force of citizenry expressed at the voting box!

> Joe E. Lassiter, Democratic 24 Precinct Chairman 1211 South 3rd Street Merkel, Texas

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Newsbriefs

Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brazelton are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Teresa Joe Brazelton to Rocky Wayne Bryan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bryan, Rt. 3 Merkel.

Teresa will be a graduate of Trent High School in May.

Rocky is a 1977 graduate of Trent, and is employed by Taylor Electric of Merkel.

Their wedding will be held at the First Baptist Church of Trent on June 7, 1980

Xi Nu Chi news

Beta Sigma Phi, the world's largest Greek letter sorority, celebrate every year the anniversary of their organization's founding.

This year the civic, social, and cultural organization enters its community women and 50th year. The sorority

golden anniversary ceopportunities the sorority offers its members. lebration Saturday with Ginny Yaddow, a sethe presentation of a "Girl of the Year" from ven year perfect attendance member of Beta The local Founder's Sigma Phi, is vice pre-Day celebration was sident, historian and held in Abilene Civic city council representa-Center Saturday, April tive of Xi Nu Chi. She 19. Participating locally was Valentine Sweetheart and chairman of were members from fifteen Abilene Chapters the Christmas parade

to enjoy to the fullest the

and two Merkel chapfloat committee. ters. Men of Year from Ginny is married to Lee Yaddow and have a each chapter were also son, Todd.

Xi Nu Chi man of the Beta Sigma Phi memyear is Billy Bob Neff. bers active in 31 coun-Billy Bob is a teacher at tries around the world Mann Jr. High in Abiwill be working toward lene. two goals: to extend the hand of friendship to



Teresa Brazelton-Rocky Bryan engaged

Ernest Henderson buried in Irving

Services for Ernest Henderson, 84, of Irving, were held last Thursday at 10 a.m. at the South MacArthur Church of Christ with Art Mc-Neese officiating. Burial was at the Colony Cemetery in Ir-

ving. An Irving resident for 27 years, Henderson owned the Henderson Cafe. He also worked for

LTV until his retire-

ment

He was a decorated veteran of World War I and a lifetime member

of VFW Post 2494. He is survived by his wife, Jettie Henderson of Irving, sons Ernest of Nevada, Tex., and Bobby of Irving, a daughter, Juanitta Hunn of Fort Worth, brother Atwell Henderson of Merkel. and Inez Smith of Merkel, eight grandchildren, and five great grandchildren.

Page 3 **Blood pressure clinic**

On May 8th from 9:00-12:00 in the United Savings conference room there will be a **Blood Pressure clinic** and Diabetic Screening. It will be a free service provided by Taylor County Health Unit and Lambda Beta of Merkel.

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request; and (2) a brief

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Legal notice

Abilene Auction, Inc., P.O. Box 1461, Abilene, Texas 79604, has applied to the Texas Department of Water Resources for a permit to authorize the disposal of agricultural waste from a livestock auction facility by natural evaporation and irrigation of pastureland. The applicant proposes to construct wastewater retention facilities to retain the rainfall runoff from approximately 23 acres of holding pens and associated area. The facility will consist of a dike, retention pond, and irrigation equipment and land available for the disposal of accumulated wastewaters.

of the hearing. If no The livestock auction sufficient request for barn is located on the northeast side of the City of Abilene at a point approximately one-half (1/2) mile north of IH-20 in Taylor County, Texas. The irrigated tract is in the drainage' area of Cedar Creek tion. which flows into Elm Creek; thence into Lake Fort Phantom Hill in the Brazos River Basin. No discharge to the surface waters in the State is proposed or authorized. LEGAL AUTHORITY Section 26.028 of the

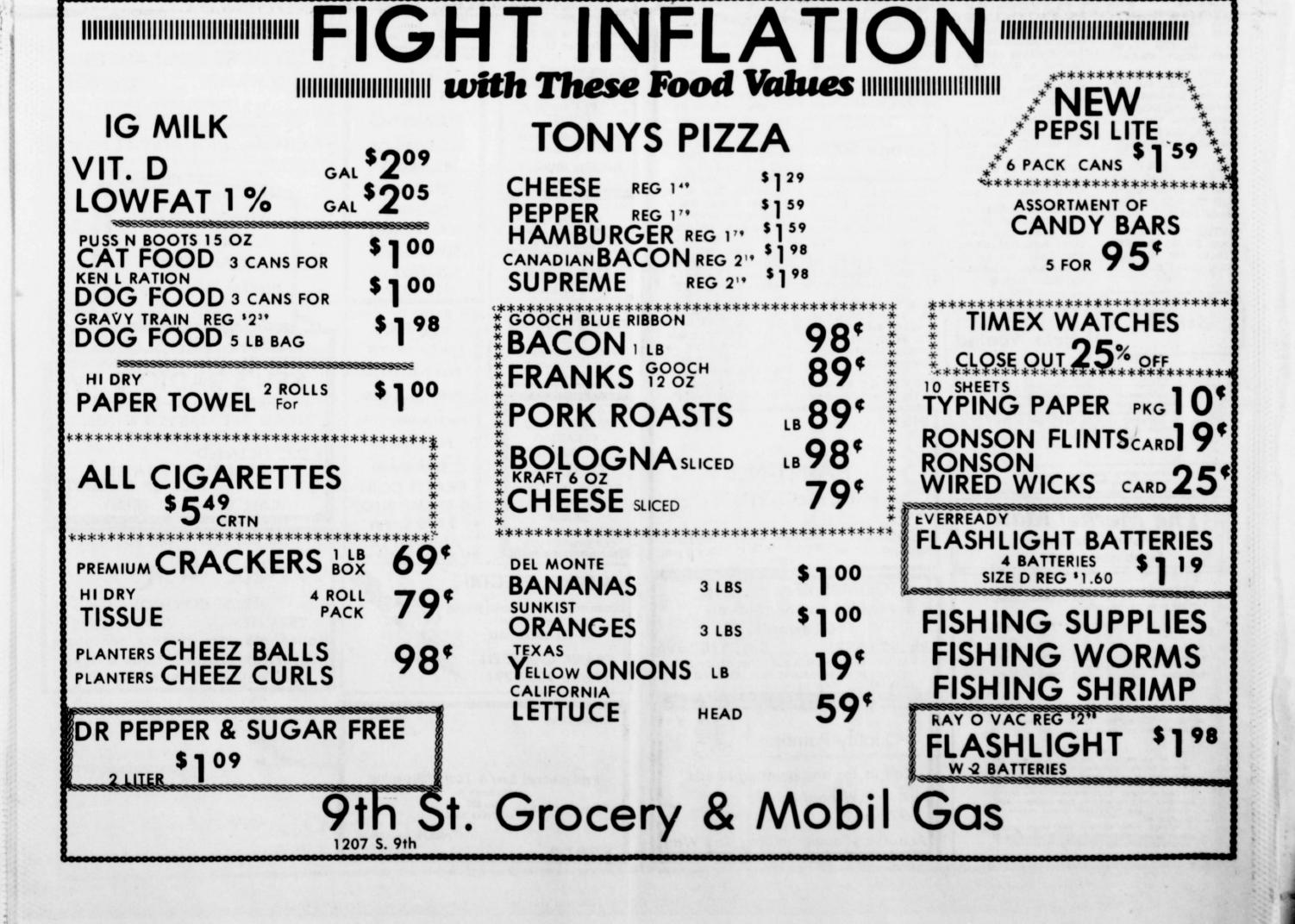
Texas Water Code, as amended, and Chapter 25 of the Rules of the Texas Department of Water Resources. No public hearing will

be held on this application unless an affected person who has received notice of the application Commission has requested a public

hearing is received within 45 days of the date of publication of the notice concerning the application, the permit will be submitted to the Commission for final decision on the applica-Requests for a public hearing and-or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing to Larry R. Soward, Assistant Chief Hearing Examiner, Texas Water Commission, P. O.Box 13087, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711, Telephone (512)

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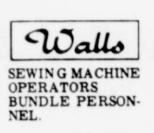
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Thursday, April 24, 1980

SALE at Trent, Saturday 8 to 5. Lots of furniture and misc. South over tracks, second block turn right. Rock house on second block. Mac Sipe house.

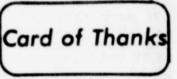
GARAGE SALE: Small wooden dinette set, refrigerator, gasoline lawn edger, electric hedge clippers, clothes, lots of odds and ends. Saturday and Sunday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. 1112 9-1tp

BIG YARD SALE: Trash and treasures, misc. items, baby furniture, bassinet, girls, ladies clothing. Noodle Doom Rd., Trent. Fifth mobil home. 862-2201 Thursday, Friday and Saturday. 9 1tp

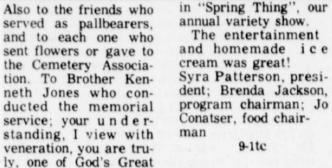
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WILL TRADE Record section of stereo (new) for hi fi portable record player. McHugh 928-4797

LOST DOG Missing since April 10th. Small. tan, part Chihuahua. Call 928-5388 9-1tp .



Your expressions of concern for me during my illness are very much appreciated. Especially your flowers



9-1tp May God's grace be upon each of you for the acts of kindness and prayers shown to me while I was in the hospital and also for caring for Garrett in his illness and carrying him to the doctor and bring him to the hospital each day. He also joins me in thanking you.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D.

McConnell

W.G. and Allene Richardson. 9-1tp The City of Merkel, Texas, will hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 24, 1980. Purpose of said hearing will be for review and adoption of the City Budget for the fiscal year May 1, 1980 to April 30, 1981. Any interested citizens may attend. Lou David Allen, Mayor The City of Merkel, Texas, will hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, May 8, 1980. Purpose of said hearing will be for review and adoption of the City's Federal Revenue Sharing Budget for fiscal 1980-1981. Any Interested citizen may attend or submit written comments to the City Hall, 107 Lamar, Merkel, Te-

xas 79536. Lou David Allen, Mayor 9-1tc On behalf of the Trent



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Market street closed in Tye

By Harold Boyd

Just another week and we'll all be going back to the polls again to elect a sheriff and county commissioner. We have several who are running for these elected offices and not really any hot issues they are running on. Listen to them and vote your conviction May 3rd.

Your new city hall is under way into becoming a reality. This is a great thing for the people of Tye and just a start of what is to come for the future. When the 1980 Census is completed, we should have a gain in our growth and can expect more in the future as time goes on.

Market Street, the road that runs north and south from the truck stop to the north gate of Dyess is officially closed due to its unsafe travel conditions. Beings at the present we don't have the man power nor machinery to repair it, it will remain closed. The city will be asking the county to assist us in getting it repaired where as to assist us in getting it repaired where as we pay for it. So if you travel this way, we pay for it. So if you travel this way, select another route of travel for your safety

Your city crews are trying to get the alleys opened and cleared as quickly as possible so as the contractors can start on the sewer collection system project. This is our only hold up. Soon as the alleys

are cleared then only will they start. Truman and his crew are trying to get this done as quickly but have other things that also need to be done such as fixing or repairing water lines, collecting refuse and trying to get the roads in shape. Beware, the project will start very soon. This also be another milestone in Tye's growth, so you can see time is changing.

Little League baseball is in now and thanks to the folks over in Merkel who let our kiddos play there. We have them practicing here in Tye and then play their games there and at other towns around. If you have a boy interested in playing ball, and will support him and his team I suggest you contact Art Herrera at the barber shop and he'll be most happy to let you know the requirements or if you can spare the time in helping they will be happy to have your support. Art has been a great believer in baseball and the youth here for several years as you can see the winning trophies that the kids have won.

Scratching around Tye for news of interest and the like is really hard. If you have something of interest or an event contact me or the Mail so as we can give it our attention and let everyone share in your event or let them know what you are doing.

So for another column, take care and we'll see you next week.

Best grocery buys this week

COLLEGE STATION-Best food buys for the next week or two include fresh fruits and vegetables, pork, poultry and eggs.

From the standpoint of Dr. Carol Akkerman, consumer information specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the Texas A&M University System, here's how the picture shapes

FRESH VEGETABLES--are becoming more plentiful in local markets as "their" season begins. Take advantage of good buys--pay close attention to cabbage, sweet potatoes, Oregon potatoes, green onions, radishes, carrots, tomatoes, salad greens and rutabagas

You'll find prices down considerably on lemons, pineapple, strawberries, Valencia oranges and apples--red, golden delicious and Granny Smith. These apples are crisp, juicy and good for eating fresh or cooking.

Pineapples are ripe when only a slight yellowish tinge is on the green shell. To prepare, cut off the ends, slice in half lengthwise and carefully peel the thorny skin. If pineapple eyes remain in the juicy pulp, use a paring knife to life them out. Slice and remove the fruit from the pithy core. Eat fresh with or without a little sugar.

Eating a wide variety of fresh vegetables and fruits will add the essential nutrients to your diet, the minimum amount of calories, and it will cost next to nothing.

MEAT--in the meat department, pork, chickens, turkeys and eggs are still best buys.

Because of the variety of fresh and cured pork available, select different cuts, including pork chops, rib-end and loin-end roast, ham and bacon. Beef production is still down, and it's likely prices

wil continue to go up in the next few months. If you have extra cash and freezer space, you may want to stock up on beef.

Eggs are still available at bargain prices.

Shell color doesn't affect the grade, nutritive value, flavor or cooking performance. Color is determined by the breed of hen.

Eggs are an excellent source of vitamins, minerals and protein. Include them in the diet in moderation. Easy-to-prepare main dishes with eggs are cheese souffles, ham omelets, and quiche.

Always store eggs in a cool, covered container with the large end of the egg turned upward. DAIRY--specials for the next couple of weeks will

include milk, sour cream, yogurt, and a variety of cheeses

Approximately nine pounds of milk is used to make one pound of cheese, so cheese is considered a milk substitute.

Exact food values differ among cheese varieties, but all are exceptional sources of calcium, and all are good meat substitutes.

In summary, remember, your best food buys for the upcoming week or two will be fresh fruits and vegetables, pork, poultry and eggs.

Local minister to officiate wedding

Jacquelyn Kay Harrison and David Burton Lamerton of Stillwater, Okla, have announced plans for an Aug. 2, 1980 wedding.

The ceremonies are set at the First United Methodist Church of Bossier City, La. The minister will be the grandfather of the bride, Rev. Lynward Harrison of Merkel.

The prospective bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn W. Harrison of Bossier City and the prospective groom's

Little League workday

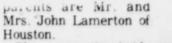
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"GRAZE, GREEN CHOP OR HAY"

Workday for Merkel Little League will be Saturday, April 26th at 9:00. All parents are urged to come and help.

The Little League Pa rade will be Thursday, May 1st at 5:00 in front of Carsons Super Market

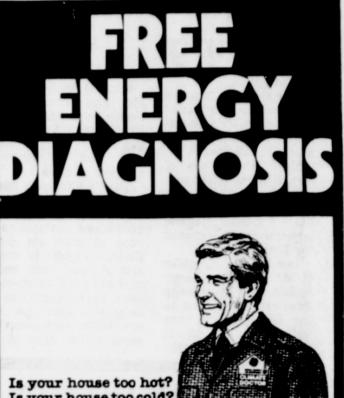


The prospective bride has attended Southwest Missouri State University and will graduate in July with a BA degree in English from Oklahoma State University. She will work on a summer internship in Technical Communication. Her grandparents include the Harrison's of Merkel and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Price of Merkel. The prospective

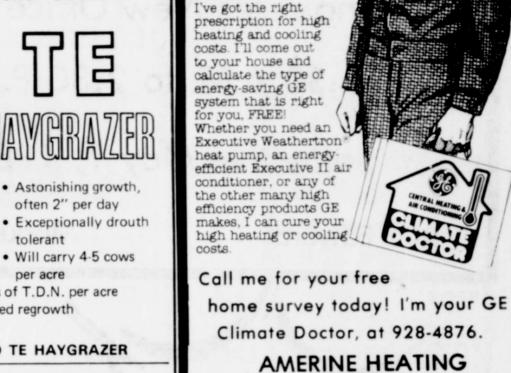
groom will be graduated in May from Oklahoma

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Cottonseed laws checked closely

COLLEGE STATION-Farmers planning to grow and sell cottonseed for planting purposes should keep in mind the laws created by the U.S. Plant Variety Protection Act of 1970.

This act protects certain cotton varieties with patents, says Dr. Bob Metzer, cotton specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. The seed of these varieties can be produced only by the owner of the patent or another individual or company the owner designates to produce them.

The act is an effort to protect investments encountered by seed breeders and seed companies during the development of a new seed variety, explains Metzer.

"The breeder, owner or seed company who has developed the variety should be contacted to determine the plant protection status before offering the seed for sale," recommends Metzer. "Otherwise one can unknowingly violate both state and federal

seed laws

Seed of cotton varieties sold in Texas fall into four categories, says Metzer. These are (1) varieties unprotected by law, (2) varieties protected by patents not requiring the variety to be sold only as certified seed, (3) protected varieties specified to be sold only as certified seed, (4) varieties with only Texas protection.

Protected varieties will be identified by a label attached to each bag of seed stating "unauthorized propagation prohibited-U.S. protected variety", or "unauthorized propagation prohibited--U.S. variety protection applied for," says Metzer. Foundation seed which is used to grow registered

seed can be obtained from the Foundation Seed Service at College Station by any citizen, Metzer says. The registered seed can in turn be planted to produce certified seed which can be sold to the public.

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FFA chapter attends district meeting

by Patti Bird The Merkel Chapter attended the Big Country District FFA meeting last Tuesday afternoon, in Ballinger.

Mark Bland, son of Mrs. Roberta Bland was named Area IV vice president. Mark's Lone Star Farmer Degree application also passed the District Check.

Jan Melton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benny Melton won the Sheep Proficiency Award on the District level. She will now go on to compete at Area level.

Michael Jordon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Goode, won the Swine Proficiency Award on the District level. He will also go on to compete at Area. The FFA Chapter has been really busy the past month getting re-

cord books and applications in order for the District Check. It was alot of hard work and confusion, but the members have numerous awards to show for it now. So the work doesn't seem too bad after all.



Jan Melton and Mark Bland

UNITED SAVINGS Announces New Office Hours 9:30 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. effective May 1, 1980 Merkel, Texas 301 Edwards

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In order to make a shopping coup, a refunder has to collect as many, "free" coupons as possible. Free coupons are given by manufacturers for certain proof of purchases that they require. These free coupons can really slash costs on your grocery budget. For example: Libby's Chili has an offer out where if you send in two labels you get one can of the product free. This cuts your price for two cans by 50 percent, if you use cents-off coupons when purchasing the two cans it will further reduce your grocery bill. For instance: two cans at \$1.09 each equals \$2.18, minus two 25c cents-off coupons reduces the price to \$1.68, and you will be getting one can free which further reduces the price to 59c for three cans, less than 20c apiece!

The same principle is used to collect the larger cents-off coupons from manufacturers. Once you have a fistful of coupons go on your shopping 'spree', it will make you a refunder for life!

For a sample refund bulletin that lists several hundred refund offers, send \$1.00 to Shopper's Bonus, P.O. Box 109, Marksville, LA 71351. For a free listing of over forty refund bulletins, send a long self addressed stamped envelope to the same address. Try these refunding offers:

Underwood Brunch Bunch Offer, NBO28, El Paso, TX 79977. \$1.00 cash refund, send proof of purchase from english muffin package plus any two Underwood wrappers. Limit one per family. Offer expires 4-30-80

Treasure Isle, NB361, El Paso, TX 79977. \$2.50 in coupons toward purchases of any Treasure Isle Seafood products. Send the UPC code (the box with

the vertical lines) trom any five Treasure Isle products. Limit one per household. Offer expires 5-30-80

Halls Free Bag Offer, P.O. Box 9808, St. Paul, MN 55198. Free bag of Hall's Cough Tablets, send two empty 30 count or two empty 60 count bags. Receive same size free (if you send the 30 count you get that

same size free). Offer expires 12-31-80. Cash In, P.O. Box 1764, Dallas, TX 75221. \$1.00 cash, send three net weight statements from 99c or larger size of Frito-Lay's Brand potato chips. Form is required on this offer and may be obtained by writing to the above address. Offer expires 8-31-80.

Inspector A.J. Aunt Jane's Pickles, P.O. Box 729, Charleston, SC 29402. Free minilite, send six Aunt Jane's pickle jar labels for each light ordered. Offere expires 4-30-81.

Colgate Cuts Cost, P.O. Box 556, Young America, MN 55399. Write to this address for a form that is required for a \$3.00 cash refund offer. Expires 7-31-80.

Want to join?

Anyone interested in belonging to the largest organized group of women in the United States? Come to a coffee, Tuesday, April 29 at 10 a.m. in the Extension Meeting Room, 3rd floor, Old County Courthouse. During the coffee guests will learn about Extension Homemakers Clubs and what they do.

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Trent News

Jr. Sr. held

The Trent Jr. Class honored the Class of '80 with a banquet Friday night, April 18th at the Royal Inn of Abilene.

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Theme for the banquet was "Paradise Cove." As guests arrived, they walked the "gang plank" to the 'treasure island" where pictures were made. The island was decorated with palm tree, pirate flag, treasure map and treasure chest. Table decorations included treasure map programs and bottles with messages inside.

Riley West, Jr. Class president, served a s Master of Ceremonies. The invocation was given by Leslie Masonheimer, vice president. Class treasurer, Rebecca Sipe gave the welcome and Tammie Hicks, Sr. class president gave the response. The prophecy for the Class of '80 was read by

Janie Beaver and Eddie Adams. The Sr. Will was read by Kim Richardson and Debbie Jackson. Todd Richardson in-

troduced the entertainment, Mickey Lee and Woody Woodrow, both students for A.C.U. They entertained the guests with musical selections and humor.

Danny Freeman, Sr. Class vice president, closed the banquet with the benediction.

Other members of the senior class are Herbert and Gilbert Beaver, Teresa Brazelton, Sherry Jackson, Billie Gregory, Cheri Patterson. Other members of the host class were LaNita Stephens, Marcie Brenem, David Greenwood, Carlos Garza, David Reed, Lloyd Williams, Fidel Valdez. Class sponsors are Bob Campbell for the seniors and Mrs. John Brady for the juniors.

Charles W. Wildlife Division of Interior has recommended continuing Stenholm research, only to be overruled by Secretary Cecil Andrus. Andrus' decision can only be CONGRESS COULD described as a triumph of move closer to a solution of the "politics" over scientific data, age-old problem of predator

since the reasons he has given for halting 1080 research relate primarily to its unpopularity among environmentalists. In my testimony before that

the head of the Fish and

hearing, I pointed out that one of the biggest losses to our state is an economic loss that can never be accurately

make that intent on the part of calculated: The loss of a potential fiber industry to other Hearings on the bill, held areas not currently involved in sheep and goat production wide range of testimony from because of high predator

I VOTED AGAINST passage of the Central Idaho of Agriculture, Department of Wilderness Act April 16, feel-Interior and its Fish and ing that a state that is made up Wildlife Division, and the En- of 64 percent Federally-convironmental Protection Agen- trolled land doesn't need the additional burden of 2.2

that support for continued into heavily-restricted research into chemical con-Wilderness Designation. trols, most notably Compound Classifying an area as a

1080 for use in the toxic collar wilderness area makes that for coyote control, was ex- land virtually inaccessible to pressed by all of the agency the majority of citizens. I had representatives - except the supported an unsuccessful Department of Interior. Even amendment which would have

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cut the wilderness acreage from of our country in their wild and 2.2 million to 1.4 million acres natural state for the enjoyment and would allow multiple use management, such as roadbuilding, timber and mining activities on some of the land. The bill, as passed, will

nation by limiting domestic supplies of timber, minerals and oil, adding to the inflation rate. While I concur with the principal idea of leaving areas

of future generations, some common sense has to be used in making these designations. Multiple use management does not mean the indiscriminate hurt the economy of the entire destruction of the land that many would have us to believe. I would point out, in both of these issues, most land-

owners and landusers were the very first "environmentalists," a fact that is often forgotten by today's young liberals.



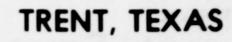
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Newspaper, can drive

The Juniors will be taking newspapers and aluminum cans to Abilene on Friday, April 25th. They will be loading them on Thursday, so if anyone has either papers or cans that need to be picked up, please

contact one of the juniors The Juniors wish to thank everyone who has been helping them in this effort and ask that they continue to do so.

This will be a continuing

project.

New swithcing

April 16 in Washington, drew a producer groups and from populations. what one of my colleagues cailed "the marshalled generals" of the regulator agencies involved: The U.S. Department

control, with passage of recent-

ly introduced legislation which

would give the Departments of

Agriculture and Interior a clear

mandate to settle the issue for

6725, the Animal Damage

Control Act, which would

Congress unquestionable.

I am a cosponsor of H.R.

once and for all.

It was interesting to note million acres of that land put

coming, all 862 numbers will change

Telephone switching equipment in Trent is scheduled for replacement this fall. As a result, all phone numbers beginning with 862 will be changed.

"No one likes to have his number changed," said Alan Armstrong, customer services manager for Continental Telephone, "If there were any way to replace the old equipment with-out the number changes, we'd do it. But that's not possible," he added.

Armstrong explained that the present switching center was installed during 1955. Since that time there have been numerous advances in telephone switching technology

"For example," said Armstrong, "all num-bers on a party line in Trent are now fixed. If a party line customer moves to another part of town, we have to change his number to one that is associated with the line running by his new location. If a customer changes from party line service to private line service, his number

must change also."

When the newer equipment is installed, Armstrong says that every customer will receive a new phone number, but he can retain that number for as long as he has phone service in Trent. The phone company will have complete flexibility in assigning numbers no matter the type or loca-

tion of service. Trent phone users who have party line service now hear another ring on the line besides their own. The replacement equipment will provide exclusive ringing for each customer and coded ringing will be eliminated.

Telephone customers will be informed of their new phone numbers about three months prior to the changeover. New numbers will all begin with 862-6xxx. A supplemental p h o n e book will be issued containing the new numbers and will be mailed to residents of Trent, Merkel, Noodle, and Nubia. Trent numbers are local calls from all four towns.

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WW1 group meets

The World War I Barracks and Ladys' Auxiliary met Tuesday, April 15 for their regular monthly meeting at the Senior Citizens Building. Luncheon at noon. Each group had their separate business meetings with election of officers.

We wish every eligible man and woman would join on this very impor-

tant organization. Those enjoying this fellowship were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Fergu-sen, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Bonneaux, Mr. and Mrs. O.E. Harwell, Mr. and Mrs. Dent Gibson, Dee Poland, Mable McRee, Jewell Criswell, Maggie Renfro, Billie Hartley. Regular meetings are on the second Tuesday of each month.

