

The Merkel Mail

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Taylor County ASCS director Donald Saverance told the Mail late Tuesday that his office has received claims for damage to cotton lands has

already been set at 1,000 acres damaged from wind hail and rain over the weekend. This field is five miles South of Merkel on FM 126. (Staff photo)

Basic skills test results are in, elementary campuses rated similar

The results are in from the Texas Assessment of Basic Skills (TABS) test and Merkel ISD's two elementary campuses were rated nearly the same and Merkel High pulled the highest ratings.

The tests, which were administered to fifth and ninth grade students in February are designed to help local school administrators identify potential problem areas.

Merkel High students received a 75 percent mastering in spelling, 63 percent mastered the reading and 65 percent mastered the writing portion.

In the mathematics and reading portion of the test, the results are broken down into eleven objectives and there were six objectives in the writing portion of the test.

The results for the objectives for 8th graders mathematics portion are as follows: 91 percent mastered addition and subtraction of whole numbers, 77 percent mastered multiplication and division of whole numbers, 62 percent mastered the mathematical problem solving, 72 percent mastered use of fractions in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, 84 percent mastered use of decimals, 43 percent were able to solve problems dealing with personal finance, 71 percent mastered problem solving using money, 75 percent were able to use measurement units, 53 percent were able to use ratios, proportions and percents, 81 percent mastered map reading and 90 percent were able to read and interpret charts and graphs.

In the reading portion for ninth grade students, 65 percent were able to identify main ideas, 67 percent were able to put together sequence of events, 65 percent were able to perceive the cause and effects, 78 percent were able to evaluate information, 51 percent were able to distinguish between fact and non fact, 64 percent were able to draw conclusions, 55 percent were able to make conclusions, 92 percent mastered following written directions, 45 percent were able to use parts of the book, 88 percent mastered using reference skills and 62 percent were able to use maps and charts.

In the writing portion, 81 percent mastered spelling, 64 percent mastered punctuation, 77 percent mastered capitalization, 59 percent mastered correct language usage, 78 percent mastered the use of

sentence structure and 83 percent mastered use of commonly used forms. Ninety-nine percent of the handwriting samples were found acceptable.

Results from Tye and Merkel Elementary 5th grade students were almost similar. In mathematics, 48 percent mastered the mathematics portion while at Tye Elementary, 49 percent mastered. Both schools found 53 percent of the students mastering the reading portion.

The combined report for Merkel and Tye Elementary says that 71 5th graders were evaluated and the results are broken down into 12 objectives in math, 11 in reading and 6 in writing.

In math, 39 percent were able to use geometric terms and figures, 33 percent could interpret place value, 83 percent mastered addition of whole numbers, 81 percent mastered subtraction of whole numbers, 68 percent mastered multiplication of whole numbers, 75 percent mastered division of whole numbers, 67 percent mastered solving word problems with addition and subtraction, 47 percent mastered solving word problems with multiplication and division, 83 percent using units of measurement, 85 percent mastered the use of graphs, 40 percent could identify equivalent fractions and 61 percent mastered using sequence numbers.

In reading, 55 percent were able to identify the main idea, 85 percent could recall facts and details, 75 percent mastered following a sequence of events, only 28 percent could distinguish between fact and non fact, 68 percent mastered drawing conclusions, 55 percent were able to predict outcomes, 93 percent mastered using context clues, 82 percent mastered use of an index, 76 percent were able to use maps and charts, 80 percent mastered following written instructions and 73 percent were able to identify character feelings.

In writing, 97 percent mastered spelling, 54 percent mastered use of punctuation, 86 percent mastered capitalization, 68 percent mastered correct english usage, 86 percent mastered use of sentence structure and 92 percent could use commonly used forms.

The TABS test next year will include third grade students. According to a MISD news release, scores will be kept on file and parents or guardians of fifth or ninth grade students may look at the scores.

Like that rain...but the hail we can do without

by Cloy A. Richards

Someone must have let their rain dances become too intense as the area was hit by high winds and rain over the weekend.

Some young fields of cotton south and west of town were washed, rained, and hailed out, and the rains and wind also did not help the already light grain harvest here.

In town, only one instance of damage was reported that to the awning of a mobil home. While rain amounts varied and were very spotted, the Mail gauge showed 1.9 inches over the three day period.

For some reason, the Mail is out to get the Merkel Police Department when they buy a patrol car.

Last year, when council decided to start purchasing used cars once a year for patrol cars, we printed the city had purchased 1874 model cars. Heck, we were only off 100 years.

Last week, we printed a purchase price of \$12,490 for the cars being purchases this year. The real price is less \$10,000 or \$2,490. Sorry about that guys.

The Reunion Shelter at the Merkel City Park is just about completed. Over the weekend, volunteers completed installation of panels, painting and all that is left is for mounts to be tacked in to the frame.

The construction of the Shelter went quickly, and now it is time for Merkel Citizens to make sure the structure is paid for. Your donations to the Chamber

are needed, will be recognized, and are being actively solicited.

The facility should be here for a long time, considering it went through this weekend's storms and did not suffer any damage.

Although the donations went over the \$1,000 mark this week, a substantial number of additional donations are needed to cover the expense of construction for the Shelter.

The Shelter has been constructed for a cost of less than \$2.50 per square foot, and that is because of volunteer labor and some good deals for the concrete and iron that went into the building.

It is a facility that can be used by anyone, anytime, as long as a reservation is made and the cost of electricity and water is paid.

If you don't feel you can make a cash donation, or purchase the donation tickets and have a green thumb, the Mail has come up with a way for you to help.

The Mail is sponsoring a vegetable table at the Fun Day and we are going to donate our sales to the Chamber. If you have a garden and have some spare vegetables that we may pick, or pick up from you on July 3rd, please give us a call at 928-5712. We are trying to eliminate all excuses for not joining in on this project, that will benefit the citizens of this community and area.

Weekend storms damage cotton

Taylor County's executive director of ASCS office told the Mail Monday morning that he had already had three damage claims and as many as ten phone calls from farmers south and west of Merkel concerning damages from high winds, flooded croplands and hail from storms over the past weekend.

Donald Saverance told the Mail "We have already taken three disaster payment claims and have had about a dozen phone calls, and this is the first working day following the storms. We really won't have a good estimate on acres of damage because farms have 15 days from the date of the storm to file for payments under disaster programs."

Saverance said the payment for damaged cotton runs at 19 1/2 cent per pound on 75 percent of the established yield on a farm and for grain \$1.25 per bushel on 60 percent of their established yield.

Saverance said all of the damage reports within the county have been restricted to south and west of Merkel and that a conversation with the Nolan

County ASCS office said most of their damage was south of I-20.

As far as wheat goes, Saverance said he had not heard from any wheat producers who suffered damage but said any wheat not harvested would surely be lost south and west of Merkel.

"We really needed the rain here. Most of the stock tanks have just about been filled and water reservoirs in the area caught some good runoff. We, of course, hated to see the hail storm and it will cost plenty of farmers but we will just keep our fingers crossed and hope that some of the cotton will come on out, and not have it's growth stunted too much," Saverance added.

He also said "The farmers will have to assess their particular damage and decide if they will try to let their current stands mature, plant cotton again, or move to a later developing grain crop."

He said producers that want more information on disaster payments and eligibility should contact the ASCS office at 695-0140 no later than July 7th.

Merkel PD kept very busy

The Merkel Police Department has gone through one of their busier two week periods in quite a while.

The Merkel P.D. made a drug bust and it turned out to be one of the largest drug seizures in the county this year. The case was turned over to the Taylor County Sheriff's Department since the bust was made outside the city limits after officers discovered marijuana and other chemical drugs.

Merkel P.D. Officer Fred Hunt arrested a subject for indecent exposure last weekend and the subject gave Officer Hunt a hard time about the arrest and was later charged with disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

Merkel Police Chief Ray Pack arrested two youths on Merkel School grounds after they had busted out some windows from a Merkel ISD bus. The youths were found guilty and full restitution was made by their parents. Merkel Police Officer Hunt also conducted an extensive investigation to clear up vandalism to the Merkel Laundry. A plate glass

window was broken and restitution has been made in that case as well.

Merkel Police have also filed 25 complaints against dog owners for violations of the City Dog Code, and according to Chief Pack, some dogs are still running loose.

Pack said "With only one officer on duty at a time, you just can't spot all of dogs at once but we do appreciate the help from Merkel citizens in aiding us to solve this problem and we hope to have the dog problem solved within the next six months."

Last Tuesday, seven people were charged with misuse of a telephone.

Allsups on I-20 received a bomb threat and the Merkel P.D. evacuated the building. The Wylie Shamrock Cafe also received prank calls that day and after investigation by the Merkel P.D., along with Taylor County Constable Vernon Wade, had made seven arrests. The seven pled guilty in front of Taylor County Justice of the Peace Henry Guenther and paid fines.

Shelter Drive goes over \$1,000

The Merkel Chamber of Commerce so far has deposited \$1,052.25 for the Reunion Shelter, with two weeks to go before the July 4th Fun Day, scheduled from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. at the City Park.

There will be a full day of entertainment, games, food and several drawings for prizes that have been donated by local merchants.

An auction has also been planned and local folks with anything of value are asked to call the Chamber office at 928-5722 to place their items on a list for the auction. A list of items that will be auctioned off will be in the paper next week. There will be no auction fees levied to the seller or buyer.

Various groups and organizations will have food and game booths. They include: Merkel Art Club-Beans and cornbread, lemonade, dill pickles, cookies and popcorn, Catholic Church-tacos, Lambda Beta-milkshakes, Chamber of Commerce-chili dogs and frito pies, Merkel Ambulance Service-watermelons, Trent Recreation Improvement Project-coke and misc., Tye Volunteer Fire Department, coffee, tea, cakes and pie, Little League-snow cones, Xi Nu Chi-corn on the cob, Trent Juniors-ice cream, Tye Senior Citizens-sandwiches, Girls Softball-hamburgers and french fries, VFW Ladies Auzillary-fried chicken, fried pies, cantalope, bar b q sandwiches, potato salad, Merkel High Twirlers-peanuts, cup cakes candy brownies.

Games being sponsored include Methodist Church-Dunkin' Sam and sponge throw, Merkel Riding Club-Country Store, Trent cheerleaders-car bash, Methodist Church-cake walk, Merkel High Cheerleaders-ring throw and balloons, Methodist Choir-guessing game.

The Merkel Mail is sponsoring a produce booth at the Fun Day and will donate all sales to the Chamber. If you have any garden produce that may be picked anytime Thursday, call the Mail at 928-5712 and we will take your vegetable donations for the Chamber's

Fund Drive.

Making cash donations since last week were Pat and Betty Cypert-\$50, Rev. and Mrs. Russell McAnally-\$10 and W.S.J. Brown-\$50.

The schedule for the entertainment has been set. Ray Pack and the Original Halfbreed Band will lead things off from 10 until 10:30 a.m., followed by Kenny Slack Band from 10:45 to 11:15 a.m., followed by the Hewitt Brother from 11:30 until noon, The Kinsman Quartet from 12:15 until 12:45, The Cypert Family Quartet from 1 until 1:30, DeLos Heros Landeros from 1:45 until 2:15, The West Bound Bluegrass Band from 2:30 until 3, the Kenny Slack Band from 3:15 until 3:45, the Hewitt Brothers Band from 4 until 4:30, the Kinsman Quartet from 4:45 until 5:15, DeLos Hros Landeros from 5:30 until 6, a Fiddlers contest from 6:15 until 7, Square Dancing by The Levis and Lace dancers from 7:15 until 7:30, Ray Pack and the Halfbreed from 8 until closing.

Guest performers will include Ronnie Scott, Jim Shugart, Monte Tittle, Ann Dye and Magic by Reverend Buggs.

Donations to the Merkel Chamber of Commerce's Reunion Shelter Fund Drive have been received from the following people since last Tuesday: Mrs. J.A. McWilliams, Vivian Davis, Blance Hewitt, Ace Moreno, Carolyn Gilmore, JoAnn Smith, Mike McCartney, Polly Fisher, Judd and Brittany Burton, Evelyn Martin, Rosa Miller, Mary Acuna, Connis and Opal Williams, Ferrell and Wayne Adcock, Mrs. G.W. Hughes, Ronnie-Ryan and Rose Holmes, Missie and Keith Beddingfield, Steve Shugart, Patsy Bigbee and Ned Watts.

Also contributing were Donnie Doan, Earl Laird, Juan Ybarra, Derrell Farmer, Bettye Conley, Earl Mashburn, Greg and Brent Fisher, Wanda McAninch, Louis Lawrence, Hardin Perri, Wright Dishman, Greg Fisher, and Nancy Plunkett.



John Townsend receives A & M scholarship



Mrs. Randall Dillard

John S. Townsend IV, president of the Merkel 4-H Club, was named winner of a \$2800 C.J. Davidson Scholarship at the opening assembly of the 1980 State 4-H Roundup at Texas A&M University. This scholarship is the largest awarded to non-agricultural students.

The scholarship was presented by Tom Davidson, executive director of the Texas 4-H Foundation and 4-H youth specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. John plans a pre-med major in college. John was chosen one of four outstanding students at Merkel High School as a freshman, and won district, regional and competed at state in U.I.L. prose reading. John won a trip to Washington, D.C. through his public speaking with the National Youth Tour group.

He is an Eagle Scout and also won the Medal of Merit award for outstanding service by the Boy Scouts of America. John twice won honorable mention actor with district U.I.L. one act play and served as the yearbook photographer, band quartermaster, and school mascot.

John is a member of the Volunteer Clearinghouse and helps with the teaching of crafts to retarded citizens, and is also an instructor in C.P.R. for the American Heart Association. John won 4th place this year in public speaking at State 4-H Roundup out of 28 contestants. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. John S. Townsend, III of Merkel and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Patterson of Merkel.

Carey-Willard wed

CROSS PLAINS- Janet Melinda Carey and Randell Powell Dillard were married May 24 at First Baptist Church with Joe Simpson officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton W. Carey of Merkel and the bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Bobby P. Dillard.

The bride was given in marriage by her parents.

Janice Phillips, twin sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Cathy Carey of Merkel, sister of the bride, and Norma Parks of Baytown. Flower girls were Kristin Deike of Winters and Jami Lewis.

Glenn Nickerson was

best man. Groomsmen were Allen Phillips and Tommy Clark. Ushers were Michael Dupriest of Rankin and Robby Bailey. Lighting candles were Debra Carey of Merkel, sister of the bride, and Celia Carey of Mont Belvieu.

The reception was given at the church. The bridegroom's parents hosted the rehearsal dinner in their home.

The bride is a graduate of Midland High School.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Cross Plains High School and is attending Cisco Junior College. He is employed by K.H. & L. Oil and Gas.

After a wedding trip to Corpus Christi, the couple will live in Cross Plains.

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PLEASE PRINT OR WRITE CLEARLY

• I have checked with the members of my household, and I believe that one (or more) of us was NOT counted in the 1980 Census.

• On April 1, 1980, I lived at _____ (House number) _____ (Street, road, etc.) _____ (Apartment number or location) _____ (City) _____ (County) _____ (State) _____ (ZIP code)

• This address is located between _____ (Street, road, etc.) and _____ (Street, road, etc.)

• I am listing below the name and required information for myself and each member of my household.

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All persons who usually live here but are temporarily away.			Any person who usually stays somewhere else most of the week while working there.		
All persons with a home elsewhere but who stay here most of the week while working or attending college.			Any person visiting here who has a usual home elsewhere.		
Anyone staying or visiting here who had no other home.					

NAMES OF ALL PERSONS LIVING IN THIS HOUSEHOLD ON APRIL 1, 1980 AND THOSE STAYING OR VISITING HERE WHO HAD NO OTHER HOME	How is this person related to the person on line 1? For example: Husband/wife, Son/daughter, Father/mother, Grandson/granddaughter, Mother-in-law, Sister, boarder, Partner, roommate	Male or Female	Is this person -	When was this person born?	Is this person -	Is this person of Spanish/Hispanic origin or descent?
1. Last name First name Middle initial				Month Year		
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Butman's relatives hold reunion

Descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sam Butman Sr. met June 15 at the Butman Methodist Youth Camp for their annual get-together.

About 60 members registered and enjoyed an evening of swimming, visiting, Kooking, and eating a delightful supper under the spacious and colorful pavilion.

Two elder members were unable to attend:

Louis Butman who is in Shady Oaks Rest Home in Abilene was unable to attend and Mrs. Same Butman Jr. (Lillie) was recuperating from a bout with pneumonia and was unable to attend.

Registering were Mr. and Mrs. Will Butman, Mrs. Ford Butman, Mrs. Louis Butman, Joe Swinney, Mrs. Lottie Everett, Mrs. Mary Russom, Mr. and Mrs. Russell McAnnaly, Mrs. Tommy Swinney, Sheila

and Jackie, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Swinney, Tammy, Darla and Mamie. Mr. and Mrs. James F. Butman and Grandson, Brent, Harold Swinney, and son Kyle, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Wilson (Sterling) Mr. and Mrs. Cloris Harrison (Sweetwater), Mr. and Mrs. Pete Peterson (Sinton) Eddie Butman, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Bob Neff, Tammy, Randy, and Pam, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ray

and son David, Mrs. Baming Butman, Gary Beth, and Scott, (Abilene), Don Russom (Sweetwater) Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Gray (Big Spring) Mrs. Frank Brnovak, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Merrell, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Riley and boys Billy Ray and Rickey, Jimmy Ramsey and Gloria Henery (Abilene), micky Phillips (Lubbock) Margie Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Butman, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Butman (Abilene).

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Newsbriefs

Visitors

Visitors of Mrs. O.J. Reynolds and Bob last week end, were her son R.W. and wife of Palm-dale California.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Selby and two daughters of North Hollywood California also Mr. and Mrs. Jim Casper of Tye and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caperton of Eunice, Mexico.

Granddaughter

Mr. and Mrs. Skipper Youngblood of Lefors, Texas proudly announce the arrival of their baby girl born May 27, 1980 at 9:32 p.m.

Dottie LeAnn weighed 7 pounds and 4 ounces and was 18 inches long.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Manfred Noster of Merkel.

Reunion

The families of R.L. and Rosa McLean met on Father's Day, June 15th, 1980 in the Senior Citizen's Building at Merkel.

Attending were Garrie Latimer of Abilene, Blanton and Sue McLean of El Paso, Cullen and Clebia Toombs of Snyder and Mrs. Dewell McLean of Merkel. Vance McLean of California was unable to attend. Two grandchildren, five great grandchildren and three great grandchildren

were at the reunion.

A contribution was made by family members to the Rose Hill Cemetery fund in remembrance of R.L. and Rosa McLean.

Party

On Monday evening, June 23, a cake and ice cream party was held at the home of Sandy and Roy Davis to honor the players, coach and manager of the Cardinals ball team. Awards were given to manager John Vinson, Coach Roy Davis, Frank (Pops) Merritt, Keith Beddingfield and Ryan Holmes.

Our thanks to the Davis' for having the party at their home.

Hostesses: Beverly Johnson, Fay Roysden, Linda Beddingfield.

Tejanitos win

The Merkel Tejanitos got their revenge Sunday by downing the Abilene Cardinals 10-7. Merkel collected 12 hits during the contest with John(Boy) Biera, Ramon Moreno, Daniel Moreno and Rudy Biera each had 2 hits. David Stout went the distance on the mound allowing nine hits, three base on balls and striking out 12 batters.

Merkel is now 5-4 for the year and will play Sweetwater at home Sunday June 29.

Blair water line complete

The contract with U-Three, Inc. is completed and the water line has been turned over to Blair Water Supply Corporation. At the present time, the corporation is billing 230 meters.

The Board of Directors is composed of nine members, and it meets the last Thursday of each month at Taylor Electric Co-op.

Mason installation

The Merkel Masonic Lodge no. 710 is to hold installation. Installation of officers will be held Sat. July 5, 7:00 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge Hall.

This will be an open ceremony and there will be home made ice cream and cake served afterwards.

The officers to be installed are as follows: Worshipful Master- Walter Harris, Senior Warden- Buddy Hunter, Junior Warden- David Robertson, Secretary- Roy Mashburn, Treasurer- Charles (Peck) Eager, Senior Deacon- E Jones, Junior Deacon- J.W. Williams, Chaplin- Wiley Noah, Tiler- A.B. Durham, Senior Stewart- Derrell Shipman, Junior Stewart- Gerald Rutledge.

Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Brasher of Channel View, Texas have announced the engagement of their daughter, Anne Louise to Michael

Earl Steck, son of Mrs. Mamie Steck, Merkel, Texas.

The couple is planning a July 12 wedding at the First Baptist Church, Channelview, Texas.

The Bride-elect is a graduate of Merkel High School, and received his B.S. and Masters Degree from Tarelton State University and is employed as a Coach and Science Teacher in the Channelview School System.

Goodman club

The Goodman Extension Homemakers Club met the 17th of June in the home of Mrs. David Carter with the President Mrs. Garland Price opening the meeting with 7 members, 2 visitors and 4 children. Prayer was led by Mrs.

Ione Adams, game by Mrs. Vivian Winters, council report was given by the delegate Mrs. David Carter. Mrs. Frank Carter was nominated by the club as a delegate to the state meeting, and was also nominated as Teha for council. Refreshments were served to Mrs. Amy Price, Frances Carter, Irene Pomroy, Vivian Winters, Belvie Butler, Ione Adams, Odessa Butler, Donna Carter Shala David, Suzanne Veracruz and children, and Ann Wade.

The next meeting will be July 13 in the home of Mrs. Garland Price. Everyone is welcome regardless of color, race or economic circumstance.

The meeting was turned over to Mrs. Ann Wade of Anns Flower Shop.

Join the Merkel Chamber of Commerce in making Fun Day 1980 a barrel of fun

- The following is a list of the prizes and their sponsors being offered by local merchants.
- Johnny Holmes Shell-Oil change with filter and lube
 - Pug and Leo's Restaurant-Two buffet dinners
 - Palmer Motor Company-Auto litter container, auto tissue dispenser, and tuneup including eight plugs
 - Tessie's Snack Bar-Two club steaks a la carte
 - Big Country Inn-Two catfish dinners
 - Merkel Locker Plant-5 two pound packages of sausage
 - Watts Dirt Contractor-\$5
 - Merkel Auto Parts-1/4 ratchet and socket set
 - Walls Industries-Quilted vest
 - Beddingfield TV Service-General tv adjustment
 - Allen-Cypert Tax Service-10 off on any two individual IRS returns
 - Stanford's Electronics-Radio Headset
 - Castille's Hardware-Wood hat rack
 - Kut and Kurl-permanent and a curling iron
 - Lois' Beauty Shop-Two hot curl brushes and a permanent
 - Pat's Beauty Shop-Three free haircuts and two free shampoo and sets
 - Circle A Western Wear-Straw hat
 - Ann's Flowers-\$10 to \$15 green plant
 - Dairy Bar-10 piece pack of chicken with fries and rolls
 - 9th Street Grocery-misc jewelry and a man's pipe
 - The Merkel Mail-\$10 and a lifetime subscription
 - Carson Super Market-2 Sets Steak Knives, All purpose handy cleaner, Presto Burger, Presto Wee Bakery Oven
 - Taylor Electric- Fr. Daddy
 - Things in General-2-\$10.00 Gift Certificates
 - Hicks Auto Supply- Misc. Auto Assessories
 - Taylor Telephone-Waring Push Button Blender
 - Luskey's-1 Pair of Boots
 - Emma & Duane-Misc.
 - Pug and Leo's-2 Buffets
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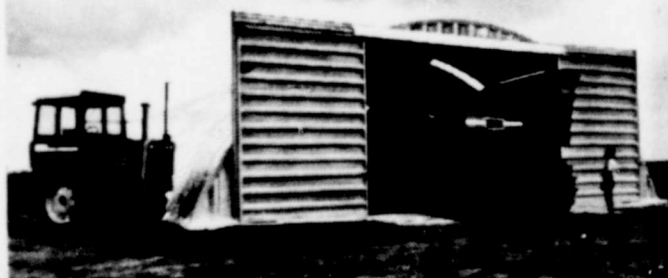
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Sunshine club meets

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The program was held for the Presidents, V. Pres. and council delegates of the Texas Extension Homemakers Assoc. (TEHA) clubs for the purpose of carrying the information back to their club members.

Mrs. Rust attended a work shop on Stress- The wear and tear of Life and Heart Attacks, at the State meeting in Ft. Worth, Sept. 25th, 26th, and 27th 1979. Stress is common among all of us, in all walks of life. It attacks all ages. We think we know what causes it and we know how to control it but we don't.

- These are some of the things a person might do to help.
1. Let the family do their part of the work.
 2. Don't ever retire, keep going.
 3. Cry if you want to, don't be ashamed to cry, it helps.
 4. Shift responsibility, have team work. Plan your schedule.

Some points were brought out about Mouth to Mouth Resuscitation. Every one should take a course in C.P.R.

At 2 pm the council of the TEHA opened a regular monthly meeting. The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Louise Chancy of Comper Club.

The recreation leader, Mrs. Daisy Mashburn of 5th Club led a game, A Flag Day Quiz.

The Council consisted of 4 officers, 11 council members, 5 visitors, 6 clubs were represented.

Mrs. Amie Price, chairman of the Yearbook Committee, passed out sheets containing Yearbook suggestions and ask members to check programs they are most interested in and return at next council meeting.

Mrs. Alma Foster, Chairman of 4-H committee announced about the plaques that were won at M College recently.

Mmes. Frances Carter of Goodman Club, Louise Chancy of Comper Club and Helen Haynes of Sunshine Club were elected delegates to attend the State meeting in San Antonio, Oct. 14-17, 1980.

Mrs. Frances Carter was elected TEHA Chairman for 1981.

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Little league report

by Ronny Powell

This week in baseball the all-stars were picked and will be given on Monday the 30th. Here is the scores--Tuesday the 17th, Game I The vets downed the Supers 9-1 Game II The Braves in an upset beat the Killowatts 6-4--Thursday the 19th, Game I the Bankers sunk the Willies 12-9. Game II the Killowatts stomped the Supers 4-0. Friday the 20th, Game I The Willies and Braves blasted each other but came out with a 4-4 tie game. Game II The Bankers win their game 10-4 over the Vets. The standings are now like this:

- 1st place-Killowatts-8-3-1
- 2nd place-Supers-9-5-1
- 3rd place-Vets-6-5-1
- 4th place-Braves-5-6-2
- 5th place-Bankers-6-7
- 6th place-Willies-2-9-1

The standings are pretty well locked up as to the 1st and 2nd places The Killowatts' defeat over the Supers pushed them at least 2 games ahead of the pack. But who knows what will happen. The last game of the season will be Monday June 30. After the game the awards will be given out and the all-stars will be announced. There are games scheduled for Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Come out and support the teams. Concessions are available at the park.

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 TO: Richard B. Landers and Betty Landers or the unknown heirs of Richard B. Landers and Betty Landers if they or either of them be deceased, Defendants,
 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 11 day of August A.D. 1980, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 23 day of June A.D. 1980, in this cause, numbered 36721-A on the docket of said court and styled B.J. Sheppard and Bonnie L. Sheppard, Plaintiffs, vs. Richard B. Landers and Betty Landers, Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

suit to establish lost, destroyed or carried away deed of Lot 7, Block G, Section 1, Park Plaza Addition to the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, and to establish title by limitations

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 23 day of June A.D. 1980.
 Attest: Irene Crawford Clerk
 42nd District Court
 Taylor County, Texas
 By Irene Crawford

Sewer line project underway

By Harold Boyd

Its official now that your city hall has been dedicated and is opened.

Have you noticed the stakes with the green and red streamers? This is the markings for the long, tired and most needed sewer line. Sometime this week equipment, men and materials will be arriving so as they will be starting. Still some minor work to be done but that will happen along with the project.

I would like at this time to say a special thank you to Dee Dee DPatterson. It seems boys will be boys and mine included. He and his buddy "Bronco", decided to go to the craw dad hole and in their little expedition my boy cut his foot on glass. Beings that this happened they went to "Denner's" house, closest one by, I guess. Well "Dee Dee" applied her knowledge of First Aid in wrapping his foot till he could get treatment. She did an expert job and use the right method of applying pressure. As I've said before, these young people are really great. Without her good judgement and knowledge, "Morty" would have lost a lot more blood if it wasn't for her training. Again "Dee Dee", my sincere and special thanks.

Along with the high winds and rain this past week, we lost power on Wolan street due to an high voltage wire breaking. This can be serious especially with chain link fencing around, wet ground, just all the elements to cause a tragedy. Fortunately we had people who took the situation in hand and had the problem corrected in a few hours. This should remind

each and everyone of us when this happens, stay put until the dangers are over or till someone is there to help. We never know what dangers lurk outside during high winds and rain. Cautions should be applied at all times.

Vandalism has once hit our elementary school this summer and beware, you are being watched as well as the school.

For those of you that are going on vacation, lock up your home and let your trusted neighbor know as well as our local peace officer. We all can be good neighbors by keeping an eye on each others property, if you see unusual activity at ones home, get a description of persons, cars and let the law enforcement agency know. In as much meanness that goes on around us, we can slow it down here by just watching and reporting any unwanted activity.

Again, the 4th of July weekend "Fun Day" at Merkel is coming along great, it will only lack "YOU". Without you it won't be a success. With all its activity, refreshment and gala, I'm sure you won't want to miss it. As mentioned, there will be more activity within 40 miles than we ever seen. Activity will start at 10:00 a.m. you do make it part of your July 4th weekend. Remember, this is a long weekend and remember the rules of safety. Whether it be while you are driving, walking, or whatever, be careful. We want you around. In all, come out to "Fun Day 80" at Merkel, we'll see you there.

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Writer says US-China relations hold off USSR

by Patrick J. Garrity
Mr. Garrity is a research associate with Public Research, Syndicated.
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On May 25, Chinese Vice Premier Geng Biao arrived in the United States for meetings with American defense officials. Geng Biao, who is also secretary general of the Chinese Communist Party's powerful Military Affairs Commission, urged the Carter Administration to lift its ban on arms sales to China, and make available advanced weapons systems and aircraft to Beijing.

This news item generally received scant attention in the Western media. However, as the United States faces the grave challenge of the Soviet Union in the 1980's, closer relations between America and Communist China offer an attractive geopolitical response to the Soviet global offensive. The proper decision on possible Sino-American military cooperation may well be vital to the future of the West; it is therefore crucial that this determination be made with full awareness of its meaning and consequences.

There are those who argue that US-PRC cooperation against Moscow is bad policy simply because it is immoral. Alexandr Solzhenitsyn is the foremost of these anti-China advocates. Solzhenitsyn, writing in the Spring 1980 issue of Foreign Affairs, contends that any alliance between democracy and communism is shortsighted, unwise, and mad. As an example, Solzhenitsyn criticizes the West—supposedly committed to the principle of universal liberty—for supporting Stalin against Hitler in the Second World War.

An analysis of this "pact with the devil" between 1941 and 1945, however, reveals that cooperation with Stalin was necessary for the defeat of Hitler—and the preservation of the possibility of universal liberty.

The alliance with Stalin was initiated by Winston Churchill, as great a foe of communism as is Solzhenitsyn. Churchill realized that modern tyranny appears in many guises: "The Nazi regime is indistinguishable from the worst features of Communism. . . . It excels all forms of human wickedness in the efficiency of its cruelty and ferocious aggression."

Had an alliance between Britain, France, and the USSR been consummated before the war, the great conflict might have been localized, if not prevented altogether. Churchill was aware that, in the summer of 1941, Nazi cruelty and aggression were the immediate threat to the free world, and that Britain alone could not stand against Hitler. When Germany turned against its former ally, the Soviet Union, Churchill did not hesitate. "Any man or state who fights against Nazism will have our aid. Any man or state who marches with Hitler is our foe." Or, as Churchill said in private, if Hitler had invaded Hell, at least he would have a favorable reference to the Devil in the House of Commons.

Solzhenitsyn, and those who criticized Churchill's action at the time, believed that the West should have opened an independent front against Hitler and crushed him by its own efforts. This was unrealistic, and Churchill knew it. In June 1941, Hitler had 250 mobilized divisions, 150 of which were deployed against the USSR. In the British Isles there were only 37 partially-equipped divisions, and just enough landing craft for one brigade. If the might of the German Wehrmacht and Luftwaffe had not been tied down on the Eastern front, what chance would Britain have had?

The enormity and ferocity of the German-Soviet war dwarfs the conflict in all other theaters. Hitler's

generals had estimated in June 1941 that the Soviet army had 200 divisions; by August, they had already identified 360 divisions. Despite nearly capturing Moscow in December 1941, the Germans suffered almost 1.2 million casualties in the first year of the war against USSR. In March 1942, of 162 Axis combat divisions in the East, only eight were ready for offensive operations.

The frightful carnage on the Russian front continued throughout the war, and finally wore down the German military to a point where a Western invasion of the continent was feasible. Even so, it was a very near thing for the British Commonwealth and the United States. Rommel's famed Afrika Korps, comprised of three German divisions (two armored and one motorized infantry) and eight Italian divisions, drove to within miles of the Suez Canal.

Rommel was eventually defeated at El Alamein by 10 British divisions under Montgomery in October 1942. A few months later, the Germans would lose 22 divisions at Stalingrad alone. If the West had not supported the Soviets, many of these German divisions might well have been available for a knockout blow against the British in Africa.

By June 1944, Hitler had just 56 divisions in the West to defend against the Allied invasion of France.

Of these, only 24 divisions would have been classified as fit for duty on the Eastern front. Because of a shortage of landing craft, only 150,000 Allied soldiers took part in the initial D-Day operations. Even though this was the largest amphibious operation in history, its success was dependent on deception and Hitler's preoccupation with the deteriorating situation in the East. The German nightmare of a two-front war was at last a reality, and the end of the war was finally in sight. The casualty figures tell their own grim story. In World War II the United States suffered 292,000 dead, while Britain lost 398,000 men. (The British Empire had 908,000 dead.) By contrast, the German military lost 2.85 million men, and the USSR admitted 7.5 million dead. Unofficial figures of Soviet war casualties, including civilians, are generally in the 20-30 range.

This is not to belittle the enormous contribution of Britain and the United States towards the defeat of Hitler—but it does indicate the staggering task facing the West if the democracies had been forced to fight alone. Once the USSR had been defeated, a German drive through the Middle East and India could have irked up with a Japanese thrust through Southeast Asia. Hitler would then have had the leisure to turn his full attention to an isolated Britain, to be conquered through invasion or a submarine blockade. The position of the United States in such an event would have been difficult, if not untenable.

Political liberty was saved from this doubtful fate through the statesmanship of men such as Churchill, who saw the necessity for an alliance with Stalin. Cooperation with a communist dictator was not sought for its own sake, but because there was no alternative.

Churchill, unlike so many others then and today, did not lose sight of the essential nature of

communism. He did not unsay any word that he had spoken about its tyranny. Churchill could distinguish between a prudent, necessary, and temporary commitment to a tyrant, as opposed to an acceptance of tyranny.

Stalin needed the West as much as the West needed Stalin during World War II, but many in the West mistakenly felt that "Uncle Joe" had purchased legitimacy with the blood of his subjects. He had not. Nor had Stalin, in freeing the peoples of Eastern Europe from Hitler's slavery, gained the right to enslave them himself. Liberty was not threatened by the wartime alliance with Stalin; it was—and is—threatened by the Free World's inability to see that alliance for what it actually was. Temporary cooperation with a Stalin to combat more immediate foes does not necessitate a Yalta, as long as the guiding principle of policy is human freedom and not expediency.

The advancement of that freedom ought to be the foundation of any decision about China. It will not be an easy choice, but as Churchill said about the Soviet alliance: "Statesmen are not called upon only to settle the easy questions. These often settle themselves. It is where the balance quivers, and the proportions are veiled in mist, that the opportunity for world-saving decisions presents itself. Having got ourselves into this awful plight . . . it was vital to grasp the larger hope."

Merkelite's husband jump school grad

FORT BENNING, Ga. (AHTNC) June 19—Pvt. David W. Wright, whose wife, Brenda lives in Merkel, Texas, recently received a Parachutist Badge upon completion of the three-week airborne course at the U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga.

During the first week of training, students undergo a rigorous physical training program

and receive instruction in the theory of parachuting. The second week they receive practical training by jumping from 34-foot and 250-foot towers. The final week includes five static-line parachute jumps.

His mother, Mrs. Katrina Smith, lives at 5358 Pueblo Drive, Abilene, and his father, A.V. Wright, lives here.



Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Palmer

Palmer anniversary

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Palmer request your presence at a reception honoring their parents of their Fiftieth Wedding Anni-

versary, Sunday, the twenty-ninth of June two until four at the Merkel Church of Christ Family Center, Merkel, Texas. No gifts please.

Bigbee on list

ABILENE—Randy Jo Bigbee of Merkel has been named to the Dean's List for the spring semester, according to Dr. Paul Jung-

meyer, McMurry Vice President for Academic affairs and Dean of the College.

Cisco JC

names three

Cisco Junior College spring semester Dean's List includes three students from Merkel. Students on the Dean's List have earned a 2.5 or better grade point average on a 3.0 system.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled for at least 12 semester hours and must have a grade point average of 3.5 or better for the semester. Mr. Bigbee is a graduate of Merkel High School. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Bigbee of Merkel.

Booth in UT

honor society

William David Booth of 902 N. 2nd has been named into Phi Beta Kappa, a leading national scholastic honorary society in the arts and sciences.

Booth, a student at The University of Texas was one of 117 students elected to the society.

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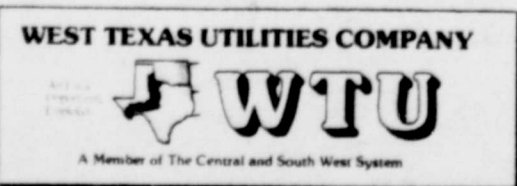
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Trent News

Thursday, June 26, 1980

Trent seniors planning trash haul, can-newspaper drive

The Trent Senior Class will have a trash haul Sat., June 28th. Anyone who needs their trash hauled call 9285705 or 862-3851.

Newspapers and aluminum cans are still being collected and they

will be picked up on Saturday also if you will call either of these numbers.

The class will be doing odd jobs throughout the summer as time permits, so if anyone needs work done contact any class member.

Girl's basketball camp planned

Plans are being made for a summer basketball clinic to see how many area Trent-Merkel Jr. high age girls are interested. All young girls who have graduated into the 5th, 6th, 7th, or 8th grades are eligible to attend. The clinic would be held the first week of August. Classes would be held each morning from 9:00 am till 11:30

am beginning on Monday and ending on Friday. The Camp will end with a scrimmage game on Friday night for friends and parents to see. Cost per student is \$15.00. Each girl will receive a free T-Shirt for workouts.

Granddaughter born

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Flores announce the birth of their first Grandbaby, Lora Lee Medina was born in

Waxahachie on June 9, she weighed 6 pounds. Lora Lee is the daughter of David and Dora Medina of Waxahachie, Texas.

Legal notice

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS:

TO: David C. Shelby and Edward G. Woodbridge, Jr., their unknown heirs at law, devisees, legal representatives, successors and assigns of said Defendants who are deceased, if they are deceased.

DEFENDANTS, Greetings:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court, Judge Don Lane, of Taylor County, at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10:00 o'clock A. M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of 42 days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 18th day of July, A.D. 1980, to Plaintiff's Petition, filed in said Court, on the 6 day of June, 1980, in this cause, numbered 36,696-A on the docket of said court and styled:

Matthew L. Marshall Plaintiff vs. David C. Shelby and Edward G. Woodbridge, Jr. Defendants

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit by owner of part of the oil, gas and mineral leasehold interest covering the hereafter described property for the appointment of a Receiver to give oil and gas leases covering the mineral interest of the Defendant whose whereabouts are unknown. The Defendants own an individual mineral interest in and to the following described property:

112 acres out of the M.P. King Survey No. 436 in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows:

BEGINNING at the NEC of the M.P. King Survey No. 436; THENCE S with the EBL of said Survey 447 vrs.; THENCE W parallel with the NBL of said Survey 382-1/2 vrs.; THENCE S parallel with the EBL of said Survey No. 436, 72 vrs.; THENCE W parallel with the NBL of said Survey No. 436, 887 vrs.; beginning at the NEC of the M.P. King Survey No. 436; THENCE S with the EBL of said Survey 447 vrs.; THENCE W parallel with the NBL of said Survey 382-1/2 vrs.; THENCE S parallel with the EBL of said Survey No. 436, 72 vrs.; THENCE W parallel with the NBL of said Survey No. 436, 887 vrs.; THENCE N parallel with the NBL of said Survey No. 436, 519 vrs.; Thence along the NBL said Survey No. 436, in an easterly direction to the place of beginning.

and is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within 90 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 mandate hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this the 9 day of June, 1980.

ATTEST: IRENE CRAWFORD Clerk 42nd District Court Taylor County, Tx BY: Judy Smith, Deputy



The Consumer Alert

by Mark White Attorney General

AUSTIN—Most Texans earn a living by working for wages. Under the state's Semi-Monthly Pay law, private employers must pay their employees at least twice a month. What can an employee do if he or she is not paid on the correct day?

The employee should first demand the past-due wages from the employer. Under Texas law, the employer is obligated to pay within six days. If the employer still refuses to hand over a paycheck which the worker has rightfully earned, the Texas Department of Labor and Standards may assess a fifty dollar fine for each willful refusal to pay. These penalties often encourage employers to settle outstanding claims. However, state officials may not collect past-due wages for the employee.

In order to collect the money still owed, the employee

should present a wage claim to the Department of Labor and Standards. The necessary form may be obtained from the Department. After completing the form, the complaining employee should have it notarized. Employees are asked for their dates of employment, the amount claimed by the employee as past due wages, the name and address of the employer, and a description of any dispute involved between the employer and the complaining employee.

After receiving the complaint, the Department immediately contacts the employer in order to hear the employer's side of the dispute. Most wage claims are resolved through settlement after this initial contact. If no agreement is reached, the Department may order a field investigation. This involves an examination of the employer's records, and statements from

the complaining employee's co-workers. Such cases are usually resolved in about two months. If the disagreement cannot be resolved through negotiation, through the Department, the case is then turned over to the Office of the Attorney General for legal action. The vast majority of wage claims are resolved

without a lawsuit.

The Department of Labor and Standards does not handle claims for past-due wages presented by contract workers. These claims usually go directly to small claims court.

Occasionally, an employer fails to pay his employees simply because he cannot. An

employee still has some protection under the law when his or her employer goes out of business. When the employer is financially unable to pay, the employee's best recourse is to submit a claim in the employer's bankruptcy proceedings. The employee thus becomes a creditor of the insolvent firm. The employee's

claim for back wages will be paid out of the remaining assets of the employer. The priority which will be given to the employee's claim is controlled by the rules of federal bankruptcy law. The Department of Labor and Standards will refer wage claims involving insolvent employers to bankruptcy court.

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