

The Merkel Mail

1981

Thursday, May 7 Merkel, Texas...Merkel's 100th Year

15 cents



The official start of the Little League and Girls Softball was marked by the annual parade

downtown Monday afternoon. Later, introduction and the season's first games were held. (Staff photo by Cloy A. Richards)

More news from 1943, 1941

We received some information from the years of 1943-41 we would like to pass along to people who have been following the weekly installments of Merkel's history.

Former Merkel head football coach Carroll Benson stopped in the other day to tell of the football success in Merkel during those years.

Benson served as head coach here 1942-45 and then from 1946 until 1962 and compiled an impressive record. His teams had a 158-70-2 record and nine district championships, two bi-district championships and a regional championship as well as a quarter-final championship. In 1944, Benson's Badgers won the regional championship in Class A football. There was no

further playoffs at that time in football. Benson's team defeated Littlefield 24-12 and ended the season with an 11-1 record. Billy Wayne Frazier, a running back, was the workhorse for the team that year.

In 1943, Merkel lost to Wink in the final three minutes, 12-7. The Badgers were 8-3 on the year and were led by runningbacks Billy Wayne Frazier and Melvin Dewson, as well as a 125 pound guard named Ike Turner.

In 1941, the Badgers lost to Brownfield 13-12 in the last minute of the game. Benson said team leaders that year were Buster Jack Melton, Raymond Smith and Lee Mac Reynolds.

Benson is retired and lives at 5th and Haynes, here.

Pursley 5th in regional track meet

Bart Pursley's 5th place finish in the regional track meet held in Lubbock last weekend accounted for the only three points the Badgers scored in that meet.

Pursley went 12'6" to place fifth. The Badgers mile relay team ran a 3:29 but failed to qualify for the finals because of a fifth place finish in their heat. Randy Martin ran a 39.9 in the Intermediate

Hurdles and a 15.4 time in the 110 meter high hurdles, but did not qualify for the finals in either event.

Sal Acosta also competed in two long distance races but did not place.

The meet ended the Badgers most successful track season in three years as the Badger cinderman won a team title, and placed second in one meet, on top of their second place finish in the district meet.

Girl Scouts earn Cookie badges, trips

Girl Scout salesgirls of S.U. No. 6, Merkel, earned 33 cookie patches for selling 4 cases, six Brownie-Dad Special Overnights (7 cases), and four 1/2 week camp fees (9 cases), during the 1981 cookie sales for West Texas Girl Scout Council. They are:

Brownie Troop No. 241 earned 4 patches: Angie Carson, Melissa Hollford, Jenni Jo Quance, and Lu Amy Sloan.

Junior Troop No. 244 earned 3 patches: Bena White, Kim Richards and Richa Hill. Earning 1/2 week camp fees: Kim and Richa.

Junior Troop No. 245 earned 5 patches: Crissy Nalley, Liz Taylor, Shayna Reynolds, Melissa Harris and Staci Ferguson. Earning 1/2 week camp fee: Staci.

Brownie Troop No. 179 earned 3 patches: Melissa Browning, Mandy Barnett and Amy Sparks. Brownie-Dad Special: Amy.

Brownie Troop No. 180 earned 4 patches: Lori

Best, Tanya Beasley, Melissa James and Teresa Ross. Brownie-Dad Special: Lori and Melissa.

Brownie Troop No. 107 earned 6 patches: Deanna Clay, Amber Buckley, Jayna Goldsmith, Betsy Jo Hellum, Cara Kelso and Tracie Thomas. Brownie-Dad Special: Deanna, Jayna and Betsy Jo.

Junior Troop No. 109 earned 8 patches: Ann Rutledge, Diem Tran, Michelle Barnett, Michelle Dudley, Maxie Lang, Melinda Baker, Pam Neff and Teresa Lucas. Earning 1/2 week camp fee: Teresa.

Brownie Troop No. 291 of Tye earned 6 patches: Becky Donaldson, Melissa Hubble, Jenee Kojas, Sherri Turner, Patricia Griffith, and Misty Johnson. Brownie-Dad Specials: Melissa and Jenee.

All Girl Scouts participating in the Cookie Sale received a Certificate of Recognition from the West Texas Girl Scout Council.

Merkel Views and happenings

by Cloy A. Richards

The city has adopted their new budget for the coming fiscal year. The budget calls for an increase in water-sewer-sanitation charges, and a tax increase of less than three per cent. Your tax will also be figured a little differently this time around because of the state mandated 100 percent tax evaluation figure.

Last year's city tax rate was \$1.50 per \$100 evaluation at 60 percent of the evaluation. That breaks down to 90 cents per \$100 evaluation at 100 percent of evaluation.

This year's rate is 92 cents per \$100 evaluation at 100 percent of evaluation.

It's not much of a tax increase, but along with water, sewer, sanitation increases, the city will have about \$43,000 more to work with this year than last.

A complete breakdown of the budget starts elsewhere on Page 1 this week.

My sister-in-law said for me to mention her in one of my future columns, but I told Missy that I would not do it.

Speaking of in-laws, my family and I had a chance to visit Lake Canyon last week and met some friendly folks and spent a few nights doing some fishing.

We are extending a public invitation to Leslie Masonheimer to take a few column inches of space to display her editorial writing skills.

Leslie placed second in regional competition and is heading for the state finals in Austin tomorrow.

Remember, all editorials start and end with a call for some form of action and you must state and restate the points you want to have understood.

In going through the old papers doing the weekly history reports, we are finding there is a definite Tennessee to Merkel connection. Many obituaries of family members who settled this area before 1890 moved to Texas from Tennessee. It also seems there is a strong Bell County, Texas connection here as well.

Those dadgum mosquitoes are everywhere, but that is the only bad side effect of our recent rains I can think of. I'm sure others may be able to think of more.

Food booths and personal sale booth reservations for Fun Day need to be made as soon as possible and you can do so by calling the Mail at 928-5712.

City adopts 81-82 budget calling for increased water-sewer-sanitation rates, slight tax increase

The Merkel city council raised the city tax to 92 cents per \$100 evaluation at 100 percent, adopted new water-sewer-sanitation rates, as well as accepted the new city budget Friday night.

The budget calls for the city to spend \$196,846 from June 1 until May 30 next year and allows a 14 percent "stepped" pay increase for city workers. The annual budget for the city last year was \$156,120 and the city spent \$153,750.

The new water-sewer sanitation rates will appear on the June bill and some major changes have been made in that billing.

WATER RATES

New water rates for residents inside the city limits will be a \$7 charge for service and \$1 per each 1000 gallons used. Outside the city limits, residents will pay \$14.00 for service and \$1 per each 1000 gallons used.

SEWER RATES

The new residential sewer rates are \$6.50 per month and commercial rates are \$6.50 per month or 30 cents for each 1,000 gallons treated. Rates for non-residents are \$13.00 per month based on each unit served and commercial rates are \$13.00 per unit or 30 cents per each 1,000 gallons treated.

SANITATION RATES

New rates for city residents for trash pick up are \$6.50 per month and \$13.00 per month for non-city residents.

Commercial rates have been changed according to volume and frequency of pick up. New rates are \$6.50 per month for one pick up per week of less than one cubic yard; \$20.00 per month for daily pick up of less than one cubic yard; \$25 per month for daily pick up of 1 to 2 cubic yards; \$30 for daily pick up of 2 to 3 cubic yards; \$35 per month for daily pick up of 3 to 4 cubic yards; \$40 per month for daily pick up of 4 to 5 cubic yards; \$45 per month for daily pick up of 5 to 6 cubic yards and \$7.50 per cubic yard for 6 or more cubic feet per pick up.

The new water-sewer-sanitation rates are budgeted to not only pay for the cost of providing service, but will also provide a surplus in that department of \$26,911 that will be added to the general revenue funds.

The budget, broken down by sections, calls for the following spending levels:

GENERAL EXECUTIVE FUND EXPENDITURES

The city will spend \$31,000 in 81-82 for the general executive fund. The only major change in that portion of the budget is an \$1,800 allowance for the city auditor.

GENERAL FUND INCOME

The city has budgeted \$83,000 collections from property taxes, \$48,000 from the state sales tax, \$200 from inspection fees, \$6,000 in miscellaneous income, \$9,735 as a transfer from the general executive fund and the \$26,911 transfer from the water-sewer-sanitation fund.

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

The budget calls for \$17,093 to be spent for the operation of the tax office and city hall, \$45,314 for the street department, \$32,950 for the fire department, \$74,674 for the police department, \$3,000 for the parks department, and \$13,815 for equipment purchases.

TAX OFFICE CITY HALL EXPENDITURES

There are no major changes in this budget from 1980-81 as the city budgeted \$23,365 last year and the 81-82 budget is \$27,093.

STREET DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES

The city increased the street department budget by \$7,100 with almost all of that increase being set aside for patching city streets. The city also set aside \$1,000 for the purchase of a truck for the street department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES

Although there is about a \$5,000 increase in spending in that department, there are no major changes in that budget from 80-81. The city has budgeted \$32,950 for the fire department.

POLICE DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES

Police protection costs went up \$21,000 from last year's budget and \$5,800 of that was for pay raises. There are also increases for liability insurance, health insurance and fleet insurance, as well as \$9,000 for the purchase of three used cars for patrol cars.

PARKS DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES

The city will spend \$2,500 for improvements at the city park. Last year, \$6,500 was budgeted and \$3,275.60 was spent.

Top news & events of 1939-38

by Cloy A. Richards,

We received a little information missing from the 1943-41 years from Merkel coach Carrol Benson last week and we are still asking for any information concerning activities here so we can fill in some of the gaps of the history here.

This week, we are taking a look at the top news and events of 1939-38.

We are also asking for family histories and any other information our readers would like to see included in our Centennial Edition, July 2 this year.

January-1939

The Merkel PTA met and heard a guest speaker discussing effects on children radio and movies have. The Noodle school presented a play and the cast included Donald Cade, Harlon Winter, Burton Foster, Leon Adkins, E.W.

WATER SEWER SANITATION INCOME

The major changes in the 81-82 budget are in the water-sewer-sanitation budget. The city expects \$200,000 in income from water sales, up 30 per cent over last year, and \$70,000 each from sewer and sanitation sales. The city had budgeted \$3,000 in miscellaneous income (retail sale of water) and made \$21,458 last year and had budgeted \$10,000 in miscellaneous sales for 81-82.

WATER SEWER SANITATION EXPENDITURES

The city spent 27 per cent over budget last year in water production costs and have raised that portion of the budget to \$138,000. The city also budgeted \$23,260 for the sanitation department last year and spent \$55,409. This year's budgets calls for spending \$78,691. Expenditures in that department went from \$230,110 in the 80-81 budget to \$363,800 this year.

WATER PRODUCTION EXPENDITURES

The city budgeted \$85,000 for water purchase costs last year and spent \$105,917.62. The city also increased the pumping charge budget by \$6,000.

WATER SEWER SANITATION OFFICE EXPENDITURES

There are no changes in the costs of that department as only \$905 more has been budgeted this year.

WATER DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES

The major changes in that budget call for a \$3,000 increase in building new lines, a \$4,000 increase for supplies and repairs, insurance and pay raises. The city will spend \$12,000 more for that department than it did last year.

SEWER DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES

There are virtually no changes in spending in that department this year as the city increased that budget about \$500.

SANITATION DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES

Last year's changes of operations at the sanitary landfill, some of them brought about by a suit filed by the State, reflect major spending increases in this department.

The city had budgeted \$23,260 for landfill and trash pick up operations and spent \$55,409.70. Almost \$30,000 in increase will go to salaries, as well as a \$5,000 increase in the vehicle repair budget. That budget calls for expenditures of \$78,691 this year.

In a cover letter written by City Manager J.A. Sadler, he told council: The budget, as presented, represents a very tight, but sound, fiscal overview of the city's expected income and expenditures. It will be noted there are marked increases in both the income side and also the expenditures. It will be noted there are marked increases in both the income side and also the expenditures and this is only a reflection of the inflationary situation that the economy is now experiencing.

Sadler also wrote, "On the good side, the City of Merkel is in the unique and enviable position of receiving a Community Development Block Grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$1,297,800 which will allow for 52 blocks of paving, a new city park, a community center, water tower renovation, water mains and fire hydrants, chlorinator station, housing rehabilitation, building demolition, lot clean ups, building codes and a master plan for the city for the next two years."

In other council actions, council gave final approval to a franchise change for Lone Star Gas. The change gives Lone Star ownership of gas lines to the meter.

Council also tabled a request from Quest Petroleum of Abilene for a 15 year contract on purchase of water after it has been treated at the water plant. Quest requested a 15 year, 12 cents per 1,000 gallons contract.

Council also approved a plan to introduce the police department to elementary aged school children. The program will cost \$325 and children will receive brochures and literature concerning basic safety, drugs, and traffic and pedestrian safety.

Council also discussed the motor grader situation, as the city has been told the present motor grader would cost more to put into good working order than it would be worth after repairs are made. The city is currently looking at a re-conditioned grader at a cost of \$48,500.

Herring, Venita Allen, Billi Jean Soosebee, Mary Jo Bicknell, Dorothy Barbee and Wane Tarpley. One of the earliest Tye settlers, J.J. Hinds was buried. Bank deposits here were down \$9,000 since the last quarter of 1938. Two huge steel watering tanks that were very prominent along the old T&P train station were removed. The tanks were used when Merkel was a watering stop for early steam locomotives.

February
Mrs. A.C. Boney, who moved here in 1905, was buried. The Farmers State Bank began paying off depositors as it announced it was closing.

March
J.D. Sandusky took top honors at the Merkel FFA Stock Show. Mrs. H.C. Floyd, a resident of

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News of 1939-38

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Merkel since 1890, was buried here. The city announced a Works Progress Administration grant of \$11,254 for street improvements here.

April
John Mansfield was elected Merkel Volunteer Fire Department Chief. S.M. Hunter was offering new Pontiacs for \$739. Merkel seniors went on a two day trip to Carlsbad Caverns.

May
Medford McCoy was valedictorian and Mary Jo Russell was salutatorian out of 68 students in Merkel High's Class of 1939. Texas railroad commissioner Jerry Sadler and former TCU All American quarterback Sammy Baugh led the parade here to kick off the rodeo season. Almost 1,000 people attended the White Church homecoming.

June
Mrs. Will Decker of Merkel, won the title of longest resident of White Flat as she moved to the area in 1885. Sunday movies lost by a 2-1 margin in a local election but were approved in a vote two years later, almost by the same margin. A committee raised \$200 for Merkel's first lighted softball field.

July
The Trent school was destroyed by fire after it was hit by lightning. The school carried \$30,000 in insurance and was valued at \$60,000. All Merkel students were required to pay at least \$1 per month to ride the school bus.

August
A.R. Toombs, a resident of the area since 1894, passed away. W.E. Hamner, a Trent resident since 1885, passed away. Johnny Cox was elected president of a group trying to obtain an electrical coop here.

September
A test showed indications of oil and gas three miles southwest of Trent. Merkel schools reported 670 enrolled. Loure Herring turned in the first bale of cotton. Twenty-one seniors of 69 graduates enrolled in college. That test well three miles southwest of Trent was tested between 450 and 500 barrels per day. J. Walter Hammond, of Tye, was named president of the Texas Agricultural Association.

October
Yates Brown resigned as city secretary and W.M. Elliott was appointed to take his place. The Merkel football field was lighted for the first time.

November
The Electric co-op association began initial mapping of power lines. The Taylor County Agricultural Association voted to plant less cotton in 1940. John Childress, a 43 year man with T&P and agent here, retired.

December
The city announced it was starting an \$18,000 project to gravel and asphalt city streets. H.C. Adams was named the new T&P railroad agent here. There was a white Christmas here as the area received 2.1 inches of snow.

January-1938
The 1937 ginning totals were announced at 15,680 bales. The Rev. A.A. Brian was named new pastor of the First Baptist Church here.

February
The city was extended the best fire insurance rating available. Former Merkel banker George Berry passed away.

March
The Raspberry house, one of Merkel's oldest located on Oak Street, was torn down.

April
A late snow storm April 5th caused damage to crops here. A beer sale election was set for the county on May 14.

May

Former Merkel High Star Jack Patterson of Rice, broke a 16 year record in the 440 hurdles at the Drake Relays. Work began on the Dora-Divide road under a WPA program. Trent and Goodman voters decided to consolidate their school districts.

June
The Mail reported on the Clyde tornado, which destroyed 100 homes and killed 14 people. Trent dedicated their new school facility that was remodeled at a cost of \$31,000.

July
The Noodle Creek field got it's deepest and best producer when the No. 1 Horton well was brought in at 700 barrels per day. The new triple combination pumper for the Merkel Fire Department was delivered. C.M. Largent Sr., who started one of the best known Hereford herds in the world in the Merkel area, passed away.

August
Jack Patterson, of Merkel, then an athlete at Rice, lowered the British record in the 440 hurdles in a meet in London. Bob Fowler was elected chief of the Merkel volunteer fire department. A.J. Pannell bought in the first bale of cotton.

September
Mrs. Mattie Baker, a pioneer woman of Merkel since 1885, passed away. Thirteen on 49 1938 seniors were enrolled in college. Merkel school enrollment was set at 650 students. A \$23,000 WPA road project near Noodle was announced.

October
The Noodle Creek field recorded another large find when the No. 1 L.L. Huddleston was brought in at 1,400 barrels per day.

November
Lonnie Mitchell of Merkel was found guilty of killing Merkel City Marshall Chester Hutcherson and sentenced to life in prison.

December
Former Merkel Church of Christ minister John M. Rice, passed away. A \$19,000 WPA project started here to gravel 170 blocks of streets. John Halbrook, railroad section foreman and Trent resident, died in Trent.

Starr news

A number of volunteer services have been provided to residents of the Nursing home during April. Patients enjoyed worship services on Sundays, visits, entertainment on the piano, and personal care such as nails polished, and beauty shop services. One volunteer donated many hours in repairing a hole in the ceiling in the room of Mrs. Sanders and Mrs. Nolan.

The home is now at full capacity with 45 residents and there are 11 persons on a waiting list. Brenda Quinn, administrator, states that the home hopes to get approval from the state to expand and take in more patients.

Mr. Adams is in the hospital recovering from surgery. He is doing well and will probably be released soon.

The home is still operating without a full staff and would welcome applications for employment from those seeking jobs in Merkel.

There are some "new additions" to the nursing home. New drapes have been added in every room. This was very exciting for the residents and has given the facility a new look.

A Baldwin piano has also been purchased by the Merkel Starr Volunteer Organization and donations are currently being accepted to pay for the piano. The piano fund is currently \$877 short of its goal. If the piano can be paid for soon we hope to begin efforts to purchase a television for the lobby. Piano donations may be given to Larry Gill, Brenda Quinn, David Bugg or Ray Elmore. Linnie Hatfield celebrated a birthday on April 18th.

Welch has horse in sale

Welch Ranches at Merkel, Texas will consign a top Quarter Horse to the 1981 Western Heritage Sale, the U.S.'s most prestigious sale and auction of art, cattle and horses.

Buster Welch, owner of the ranch, has selected a three-year-old mare, Pick a Peppy, as his consignment to the May 15-16 event at the famed Shamrock Hilton Hotel in Houston. Developed under a proven program of cutting horse preparation.

Lambda Beta holds meeting

Lambda Beta met in the home of Judy Elliot for a program on Sociology given by Chera Hohbertz.

Those present were Annette Clark, Judy Elliott, Belle Hammond, Michele Hammond, Gloria Henslee, Nancy Hogan, Chera Hohbertz, Minyon Seymore, Barbara Welch, Barbara Peterman, Debbie Liggan and Vicki Hays.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY To TOM WATSON ON HIS 80th BIRTHDAY, Thursday May 7th FROM YOUR WIFE, CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN & GREAT GRANDCHILDREN



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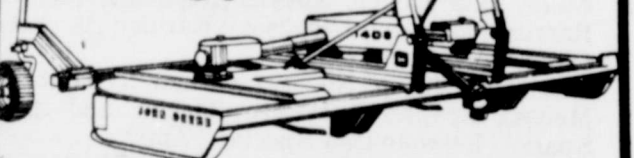
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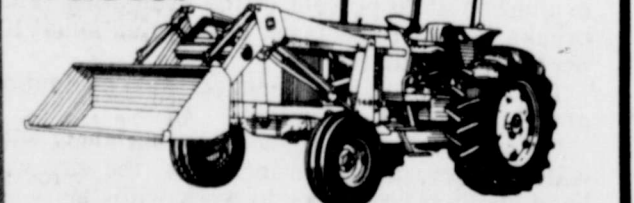
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Beddingfield heroics cited by Navy

Naval E-2 Billy Beddingfield, of Merkel, and a buddy, Petty Officer Greg Ball were recently honored for their heroism at an accident scene in Tacoma, Wash.

wreckage between the Rear Admiral W.A. Williams III, Ball and Beddingfield came upon a two car, head on accident and found both of the vehicles in flames and occupied. The two Navy men pulled eight young women out of the flaming

ages of 14-18. The two were honored by the Tacoma Police Department and by the Department of the Navy.



Billy is the son of Bill and Linda Beddingfield of Merkel and Mary Beddingfield of Amarillo.

According to a letter Naval Commander

Riding club playday set

The Merkel Riding Club has begun having play nights every Saturday night at 8 p.m. Family yearly dues are \$30. The Pot Luck Supper will be May 14, at 8 p.m. at the R.E.A. Bring your own table service.

NOTICE

REQUEST FOR BIDS Sealed bid proposals will be received by the First Baptist Church of Merkel, Texas until 11:00 a.m. May 15, 1981 for frame house and improvements to be moved from Church property located at 308 Locust Street.

Bid documents and related information may be obtained at the church office at 301 Locust in Merke.

The First Baptist Church of Merkel reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to award the bid considered most advantageous to the church.

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TO: All heirs at law of Mary Ruth Norwood Likins, Deceased, whether said heirs are known or unknown, including, but not limited to: Clinton McComb, J.R. McComb, Vernon McComb, Irene Pruitt Labounty, & Charles Hayden McElvany, if living, and if not living, the next living direct lineal descendant or descendants of each of said deceased persons, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition on or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of issuance of this citation, same being the 25th day of May A.D. 1981, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 3rd day of April A.D. 1981, in this cause, numbered 37,060 A on the docket of said court and styled Edward C. Wentzcek, Sr. Administrator & Administrator with will Annexed of the Estate of Mary Ruth Norwood Likins, deceased, Plaintiff, vs. Pauline P. Norwood, et al, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Declaratory Judgment action to construe the will of Mary Ruth Norwood Likins, deceased, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 9th day of April A.D. 1981.

Attest: Irene Crawford, Clerk, 42nd District Court Taylor County, Texas By Jo Ann Lackey Deputy 5-4tc

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Bernice Willingham Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition on or before ten o'clock A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this

citation, same being Monday the 15 day of June 1981 at or before ten o'clock A.M. before the Honorable County Court at Law of Taylor County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Abilene, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, on the 18 day of Dec. A.D. 1980, in this cause, numbered 12,377 on the docket of said court, and styled, The Citizens National Bank in Abilene Plaintiff, vs. Bernice Willingham Defendant.

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: See Above.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit on Promissory Installment Note 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 process shall promptly execute the same according to law and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 1 day of May A.D. 1981.

Attest: Janice Lyons, Clerk, County Court at Law Taylor County, Texas. By Marie Gill Deputy. 7-4tc

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Gene R. Averitt Defendant, Greeting:

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Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 1 day of May A.D. 1981.

Attest: Janice Lyons Clerk County Court at Law Taylor County, Texas. By Marie Gill Deputy. 7-4tc

PUBLIC NOTICE ORDINANCE NO. 2-81

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND CHANGING A FRANCHISE ORDINANCE ENACTED BY THE CITY OF MERKEL, TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS, ON APRIL 3, 1972 AND BEING PARTIALLY STYLED, "AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO LONE STAR GAS COMPANY, A CORPORATION, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, A FRANCHISE TO FURNISH AND SUPPLY GAS TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC IN THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS; AND PROVIDING FOR A MODIFICATION OF THE DEFINITION OF THE TERMS "SERVICE LINES" AND "YARD LINES" REFERENCED IN SECTION 4 THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE

SECTION 1. As of the effective date of this amendatory ordinance, and upon acceptance by Lone Star Gas Company of the provisions hereof, Section 4 of the aforesaid captioned franchise ordinance enacted on May 1, 1972, shall be stricken, cancelled and nullified and there shall be substituted in lieu thereof a new provision reading as follows:

"SECTION . . . In addition to the rates charged for gas supplied, Company may make and enforce reasonable charges, rules and regulations for service rendered in the conduct of its business including a charge for services rendered in the inauguration of natural gas service, and may require, before furnishing service, the execution of a contract therefor. Company shall have the right to contract with each customer with reference to the installation of, and payment for, any and all of the gas piping from the connection thereof with the Company's main in the streets or alleys to and throughout the consumer's premises. Company shall own, operate and maintain all service lines, which are defined as the supply lines extending from the Company's main to the customer's meter where gas is measured by Company. The consumer shall own, operate, and maintain all yard lines and house piping. Yard lines are defined as the underground supply lines extending from the point of connection with Company's customer meter to the point of connection with consumer's house piping."

SECTION 2. Enactment of this amendatory ordinance shall in no way ever be construed so as to diminish or impair any consumer's ownership interest in service lines (or portions thereof) installed prior to the effective date of this amendatory ordinance.

SECTION 3. The terms and provisions of this amendatory ordinance shall be deemed to be severable, and if the validity of any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this amendatory ordinance should be declared to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this amendatory ordinance.

SECTION 4. Except as heretofore and hereinabove changed and amended, the terms, provisions, conditions and requirements of the aforesaid franchise ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. This amendatory ordinance shall become effective as of May 1, 1981 if the Company files its written acceptance of the provisions of this ordinance within sixty (60) days after its final passage and approval by this City and upon acceptance, the provisions hereof shall be binding upon City and Company, their successors and assigns.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS THE 1 DAY OF May 1981.

Attest: [Signature] City Secretary [Signature] Mayor City of Merkel, Texas

Little League season underway

By Ronny Powell

Get out the balls and bats, it's time to play ball. Yes, the 81 Little League season is here. The coaches and teams, this year, are: T-Shirts: Eagles, coached by Billy Bob Toombs and Rex Bland, sponsored by Toombs Real Estate; Yankees, coached by Juan Biera and Danny West, sponsored by Merkel Drug; Tigers, coached by Leonard Neith, sponsored by Lambda Beta; Angels, coached by Frank Rodriguez and Hijinio Moreno, sponsored by Allen-Cypert Tax Service; Little League: Pipers, a new team, coached by Juan Biera, sponsored by Nucorp Pipe Supply; Greenbacks, also a new team, coached by Mike Carriker and Rocky Brian, sponsored by Home State Bank of Trent; Willies, coached by Bud Oler and Joe Glaze, sponsored by Taylor Electric; Killowatts, coached by Lee Yaddow and W.L. Massey, sponsored by W.T.U.; Supers, coached by Obie Coker and Teddy Hallford, sponsored by Carson's Super Market; Bankers, coached by Richard Hernandez and Tony Trevino Sr.; Braves, coached by Bill Riley and Leadon Baver, sponsored by Farmers Union Insurance; Vets, coached by Connie Mack Seymore and Ronnie Doan, sponsored by the V.F.W.

The president, this year again, is Jimmy Leverich. The vice president is Jack Ferguson. The P.A. and Scorekeepers are Ronny Powell,

Tri-City baseball

registration continues

The Tri-City Baseball Registration will be as follows: Senior Division, Boys ages 16, 17, 18, see John Vincent or Walter Harris at the Pony League, Monday thru Friday between 6:45 and 8:00. In Tye see Art

Herrea at Art's Barber Shop. Junior Division, boys ages 13, 14, 15; see Mrs. Beddingfield at Hick's Auto Supply for Merkel boys; Trent boys see Mrs. Boyd in Trent; Tye boys see Art Herrea at Art's Barber Shop.

Teddy Howk, Kevin Coker, and Randy Leverich. The concession stand workers are Jackie Owen, Rosie Biera, Debra Carey, and Cindy Sims. The umpires are from the Abilene Umpires Association. The Little League would like to thank Home State Bank of Trent for the nice, new scoreboard, we received. Thank You Again. "This should be one of the most exciting seasons in a long time" said Jimmy Leverich.

We invite you out to the ball park to see the games. They are good. T-shirts play on Saturdays 6:00 and 8:00. The Little League play at 6:00 and 8:00 Monday thru Friday, except Wednesday. Concessions are at the park. See you there.

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GARAGE SALE: Saturday and Sunday, 3 miles east of Merkel Corner FM 1235 and Wimberly Rd. Wards machine blonde cabinet fancy stitch, \$75.00 stereo speakers \$25.00 XXL men's winter coat, \$10.00. Twin mattress and box springs, \$10.00, spread, sheets, dishes, clothes, and misc.
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GARAGE SALE: vacuum cleaners, table lamp, shower curtains clothes, shoes, and lots more. 710 Avondale, 8:00 a.m. Saturday and Sunday.

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Smith, Howes engagement told

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith of Lubbock, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Teresa Rhea, to Randall Richard Howes, of Lubbock, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Howes, of Tye.

The wedding is set for May 22 at the Colonial Baptist Church in Lubbock.

The prospective bride was graduated from Coronado High School in Lubbock and is employed by United Supermarkets there.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1975 graduate of Merkel High and is a student at Texas Tech. He will be graduated May 17 with a BS degree in Mechanical Engineering. They will make their home in Artesia, N.M.

Edwards, 36, replaces Judge Neil Daniel of Abilene, who resigned. He is an attorney and attended Texas Tech University and University of South Carolina. The appointment is effective May 1, 1981.

Edwards named to 104th

Governor Bill Clements today named Billy John Edwards of Abilene to be Judge of the 104th Judicial District of Texas, Taylor County, until the next general election and until his successor Amn. John Tevebaugh

out of basic

Airman John L. Tevebaugh, son of retired Air Force Capt. and Mrs. Dennis G. Tevebaugh of 121 Runnels, Tye, Texas, has been assigned to Lowry Air Force Base, Colo., after completing Air Force basic training.

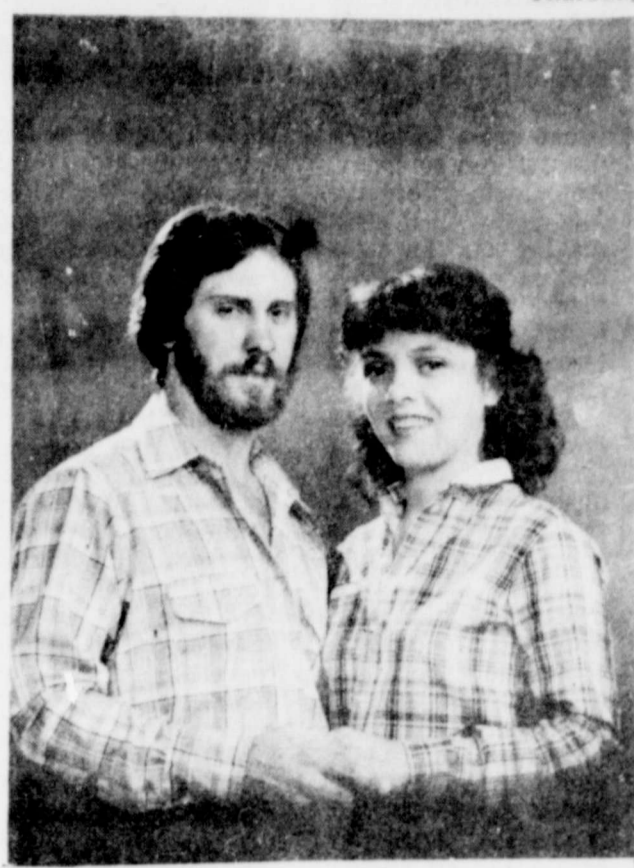
During the six weeks at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airman who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree in applied science through the Community College of the Air Force.

shall be duly elected and qualified.

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Tejanitos down Clyde 8-6 in season opener

The Merkel Tejanitos opened their season on a winning note by defeating the Clyde Bulldog Steelmine by a score of 8-6. Merkel collected a total of ten hits. Leonard (gasm) Byrd led the hitting attack with three hits on four trips to the plate. Doug

McFadden pitched 4 1/2 innings allowing two hits, five walks and striking out three. Tony Biera relieved Doug and allowed four hits, no walks and five strikeouts. Tony got credit for the win.

Merkel will play the Abilene Cardinals at Sears Park Sunday, May 10 at 2:00.

Cemetery donors

The Merkel cemetery donations are as follows: Lila Touchstone in memory of Jack Benningfield; Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Hicks in memory of Randy Bond; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hogan in memory of Randy Bond; H.F. and Vida Jeffrey; Albert and Adell Holt in memory of Rosa Denman; Mr. and Mrs. L.D. Bishop in memory of Rosa Denman; H.W. Hester Estate; Ben and Madge Stanfield; Mattie Billingsley; Ruth Cox; Opal Garner and Mary Derstine; Mrs. Carl Hughes; B.H. Riney Estate; Mr. and Mrs. Houston Tiner in memory of Randy Bond; Annie J. Harris in memory of Loved Ones; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson in memory of Randy Bond and Joe Duran; Naylor Eoff.

Tri-City tournament

The Tri-City Boys Baseball League will host an open men's softball tournament, May 15, 16, 17. Entry fee is \$70.00 and should contact Walter Harris

at the Big Country Inn. The tournament will be a double elimination and trophies will be given to the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th place winners.

MISD lunch menu

The Merkel School Menu is as follows:

Thursday May 7: Beef tacos, taco sauce, pinto beans, shredded lettuce and cheese, and apricot cobbler.

Friday May 8: Hamburgers, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion, tater tots with catsup, and fresh orange wedge.

Monday May 11: Pimento cheese sandwich, veg soup, slice bread, and raisins.

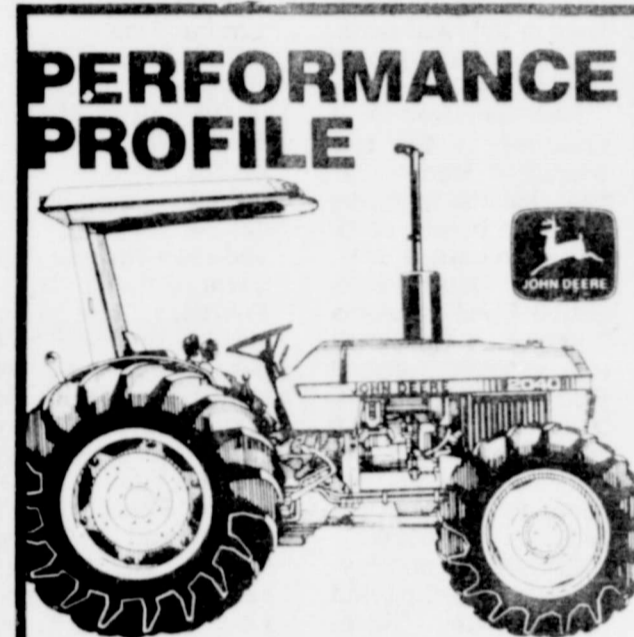
Tuesday May 12: Salisbury steak with

brown gravy, cream potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, and peaches.

Wednesday May 13: Tin Can casserole, potatoes, carrots, onion, veg salad, corn bread, and prune cake with lemon sauce.

Thursday May 14: corn chip pie, seasoned pinto beans, garden salad, and sliced pears sprinkled with jello.

Friday May 15: Hamburgers, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion, french fries with catsup, and cowboy cookies.



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Obituaries

Charles Tipton

Charles F. Tipton, 65, of Anson died at 11:53 a.m. Tuesday in Eldorado, Kan., after an apparent heart attack. Mr. Tipton and his wife were returning to Anson from St. Joseph, Mo., where they had been visiting relatives. Services were at 10 a.m. Friday at Lawrence Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Clarence Branch of First Baptist Church officiating. Burial with gravesite military rites was in Rose Hill Cemetery in Merkel.

Born Jan. 23, 1916, in Merkel, he moved with his family to Wichita Falls in 1917. He returned with his family to Merkel in 1930, where he completed high school. He married Lela Scogin Nov. 18, 1937, in Merkel and had worked as a butcher. He was the son of the late Frank and Buelah Tipton.

He entered the U.S. Army in 1941 and served in the Army and National Guard for 30 years in the West Pacific, Turkey and Korea. He was discharged as a sergeant major in 1969 and lived in Leavenworth, Kan., for three years before moving to Anson in 1973. He was a 32nd degree Mason.

Survivors include: his wife; three sons, Franklin of Kansas City, Mo., Randy of Anson, and Robert of Abilene; a daughter, Mrs. V.F. (Billie Nell) Anello of St. Joseph, Mo.; a sister, Mrs. Billie Creswell of Lawton, Okla.; five grandchildren and three great grandchildren. He was the nephew of

John Bryan

Services for John Bryan (Pete) Young, 77, of Anson, a long time Jones and Taylor County farmer, who died at 3:45 p.m. Friday, April 24th in Stamford Memorial Hospital, after suffering a heart attack at his home, Thursday, April 26, in Anson First United Methodist Church. The Rev. D.D. Stalder officiated. Burial was in Neinda Cemetery in the family plot west of Anson.

Born September 25, 1903 in Boyd's Chapel Community, west of Anson, he grew up and farmed there and at Stith until retiring in 1971. He married Ollie Raye Raines at Neinda in 1924. They had three children; Delores Mashburn of Tucson, Ariz., Deryl Young of the home, and Jo Ann Mashburn of Merkel; 12 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. She preceded him in death in July 1937.

He married Lottie Rainwater, September 24, 1938. They had 3 sons, Johnny of Hawley, George of Big Spring and J.D. Young of Thorndale; one daughter, Glenda Wiggins of Hawley; four sisters, Mrs. Miel Raney of Hamlin, Ruby Humphreys of Lubbock and Alta Jefferies and Bess Moore both of Ft. Worth; a brother, Dalton (Bill) Young of McCaulley; 11 grandchildren. Two grand daughters and a sister, Mrs. Diek Bartlett, of Merkel, preceded him in death.



Mr. and Mrs. Bill Peterson Peterson's celebrating 50th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Peterson will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, May 10 from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. with a reception at the Senior Citizen Building in Merkel.

Music will be by John Roys and the Ropers and is hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Don West, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Schuknecht, Mrs. Billie Milner, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Faulks.

MHS releases honor roll

The Merkel High School Honor Roll is as follows:

A Honor Roll: Maria Morino, Mary Farillo, Brenda Hohertz, Judy Jinkins, Melinda Riney, Diana Landeros, Debra Carey, Stacy Seymore, Christi Brady, Sheila Adair, Mary Bunselmeyer, Nina Morris, John Ybarra, Judy Castille, Kelly Knight. A-B Honor Roll: Mandi Dillon, Sirintorn Parsarn, Alan Glick, Margaret Wilde, Becky Middleton, Tammy Selman, Jimmy Davis, Angie Allen, Donna Miller, Denise Pack, Cindy Sims, Ray Walters, Karla Terral, Cynthia Archa, Pam Allbright, Christine Franklin, Loyce Baker, Rene Aiken, Norma Frazier, Connie Page, Bonnie Anderson, Joan Fariello, Wayne Horton, P. ada Kinder, Todd Davis, Mandi Guenther, Whendy Brockmeyer.

ORDINANCE
An ordinance fixing and establishing a budget for the city of Merkel, Texas, for the fiscal year beginning the 1st day of May, 1981, and ending the 30th day of April, 1982, making tax levy for the purpose of payment there of and fixing the time and terms of payment of city taxes.

Whereas, the city secretary of the city of Merkel, Texas in obedience to the laws of the State of Texas, submitted to the city council of said city a proposed budget covering the proposed income and expenditures of said city for the fiscal year ending the 1st day of May, 1981 and ending the 30th day of April, 1982.

Whereas, Notice of said proposed budget hearings on the 20th day of April, 1981 and the 21st day of April, 1981, was duly advertised in the local newspaper and duly posted in the City Hall.

Now therefore be it ordained by the city council of Merkel, Texas, that the following budget is hereby adopted as follows to wit: Income: General Executive Fund: Income 31,000.00, Operating 0.00, 31,000.00; General Fund: Income 173,864.00, Operating 23,000.00, 196,864.00; Water-Sewer-Sanitation: Income 353,800.00, Operating 10,000.00, 363,800.00; Bond Payment: Interesting and Sinking Fund: Revenue Income W-S Bond, 13,800.00-- 13,800.00.

Expenditures: General Executive Fund: Expenditures 31,000.00 To Operate 0.00, 31,000.00; General Fund: Expenditures 196,864.00, To Operating 0.00-- 196,864.00; Water-Sewer-Sanitation: Expenditures 363,800.00, To Operat-

ing 0.00-- 363,800.00; Bond Payment: Interest & Sinking Fund: Revenue Expenditures W-S Bond 13,800.00-- 13,800.00.
Be it further ordained by the city council of Merkel, Texas that the transfer of funds set out in the budget are in all things approved.
Be it further ordained by the city council of the city of Merkel, Texas that there is hereby levied against all real and personal property situated within the corporate limits of the city of Merkel, Texas, on the 1st day of January, 1981 an ad valorem tax for the current year of 1981 as follows to wit:
1. Ninety-two cents (.92) on the one hundred dollar valuation based on 100 percent of market value is hereby set aside, levied and appropriated to pay the expenses of the city known and referred to as the general fund.
Be it further ordained by the city council of the city of Merkel, Texas, that said taxes hereby levied shall become due on the 1st day of October, 1981 and shall become delinquent on the 1st day of February, 1982. Interest at the rate of 6 percent per annum shall be collected and after said date there shall be a penalty thereon, to wit: 1. During February 1982 1.5 percent; 2. During March 1982, 3.0 percent; 3. During April 1982, 4.5 percent; 4. During May 1982, 6.0 percent; 5. During June 1982, 7.5 percent; 6. During July 1982, 9.0 percent; on said taxes and cost provided by law in the collection of state and county taxes of the State of Texas.
It is provided that 1/2 of the 1981 taxes be paid prior to November, 1981, then the unpaid balance of such taxes may be paid any time prior to the 1st day of July, 1982 with out payment of interest, penalties and cost therein provided for.
In the event such unpaid balances of taxes for the year 1981, be not paid on or before the 30th day of June, 1982 then such unpaid balances of taxes shall bear interest from the 1st day of July, 1982 and a penalty of 9.0 percent shall be added, and cost, shall be subject to collection in the same manner for collection of state and county taxes of the state of Texas.
It shall be further ordained by the city council of the city of Merkel, Texas that any and all residential homestead owners may receive a 10 percent discount on the 1981 City Ad Valorem Tax Levy by request and payment of said taxes between October 1, 1981 and January 31, 1982.
Passed and approved the 1st day of May, 1981.
Kent Satterwhite, Mayor

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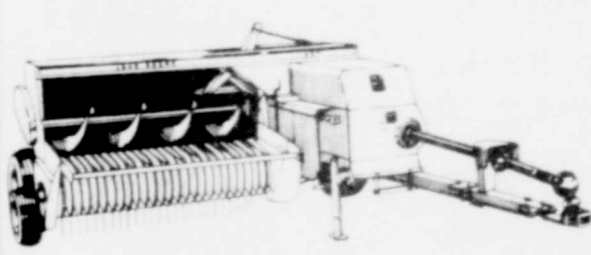
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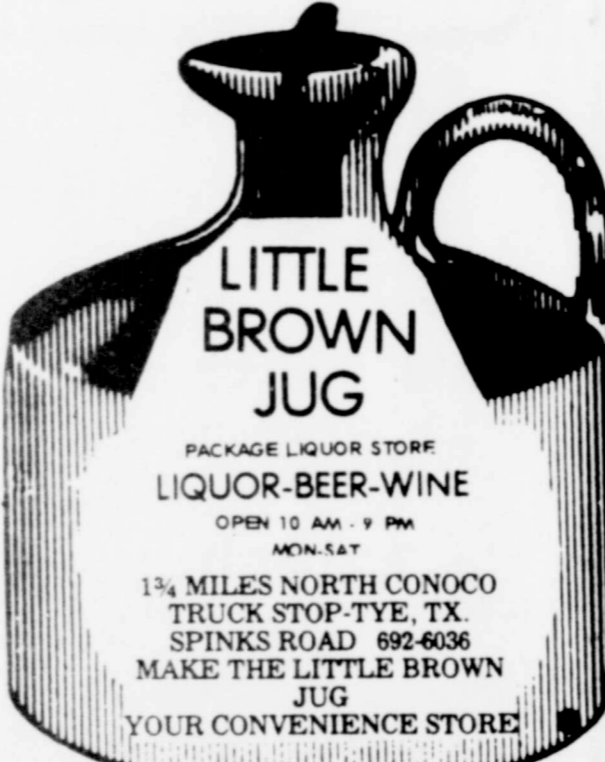
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GOOCH BOLOGNA LB \$1.39	POTATOES 10 LB \$2.09
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Trent News

The Class of 82 will be hauling trash Saturday, May 9, 1981. Contact any Trent Junior Class Member.

Five from Trent in all-region band

Class A All Region Band tryouts and concert were held on May 1st and 2nd in Roscoe. Approximately 140 students from eight class A schools participated. The schools represented were Trent, Knox City, Loraine, Roby, Throckmorton, Robert Lee, Aspermont and Roscoe.

The following students from Trent were selected for membership in the band: Joey McGlothlin, 3rd chair trombone; Simon De LaCruz 6th chair french horn; Benjamin Beaver 8th chair trombone; Adam DeLa Cruz 9th chair french

horn; and Chris Simpson 16th chair cornet. Simon and Chris were the only 6th graders to be selected for the band.

The concert was held at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday. The band had rehearsed for seven hours and received at standing ovation at the end of their concert.

The concert program is as follows: Star Spangled Banner; Semper Fidelis; Sousa; Gaslight Gaieties... Ployhar; Novena... Swearingen; Concerto for Madison Avenue. arr. Higgins; Battle Hymn of the Republic. arr. Maki.

Spring Thing set

The Trent Band Boosters will present their "Spring Thing" this Saturday at 7:30 in the gym. Admission will be \$1.00 for adults and 50 cents for students.

Homemade ice cream will be on sale at the concession stand. There will be skits, bands, and singing, something for every member of the family, so come enjoy.

Public notices

ORDINANCE
An ordinance of the City of Merkel, Texas, setting the minimum price and rate for water, sewer and sanitation inside and outside the city limits of Merkel, setting the cost of water and sewer taps, allowing the collection of a connect charge, setting an effective date and providing a severability clause.

Kent Satterwhite
Mayor
7-1tc

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: Johnnie D. Young, Defendant,
Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday the 15 day of June 1981, at or before ten o'clock A.M. before the Honorable County Court at Law of Taylor County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Abilene, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, on the 8 day of Oct. A.D. 1980, in this cause, numbered 12,254 on the docket of said court, and styled, The Citizens National Bank in Abilene Plaintiff, vs. Johnnie D. Young, Defendant.

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: See Above.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Suit on Promissory Installment Note 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 process shall promptly execute the same according to law and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given

Masonheimer at State

Leslie Masonheimer placed 2nd in the Regional UIL editorial writing and will be going to the state UIL meet in Austin Friday. Leslie is a senior at Trent High and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Masonheimer.

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Band sets talent show

The Trent Band Boosters are sponsoring their annual talent show May 9th at 7:30 p.m. at the high school gym.

Anyone interested in performing may contact Brenda Kraatz at work, 862-6125 or at home, 862-6272, or Janie McGlothlin at work, 862-6133 or 862-6339 at home by May 4th.

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