

The Merkel Mail

Thursday, May 2, 1985...Merkel, Texas

Our 97th Year

Sunday tornado destroys farm equipment, barely misses city



This is about all that is left of a barn on the Gary Smith place Southeast of Merkel after a tornado hit Sunday evening. The twister missed the Smith home by less than 25 yards and had members of the Merkel Police and Fire Departments busy Sunday evening. Staff photo

A tornado narrowly missed Merkel Sunday evening as it touched down about a mile Southeast of Merkel on the Gary Smith residence.

The twister tore up a barn, animal pens and damaged various items near the home. It also tore down Taylor Electric power lines and displaced oil batteries.

That same storm left a South Taylor County woman dead. She was the victim of a twister that touched down in Shep.

Merkel Police alarmed people in the city limits to take cover, the Merkel Fire Department's warning sirens were sounded and

spotters from Taylor County Sheriff's Office and The Merkel Fire Department were posted around the outskirts of the city to watch the clouds.

No residential property was damaged but a couple of barns and pens were demolished.

Merkel Police Chief Ray Pack told *The Mail* Sunday night I saw it approaching and it looked like it was going to hit my house, it was jumping from East to West and the funnel was snow white."

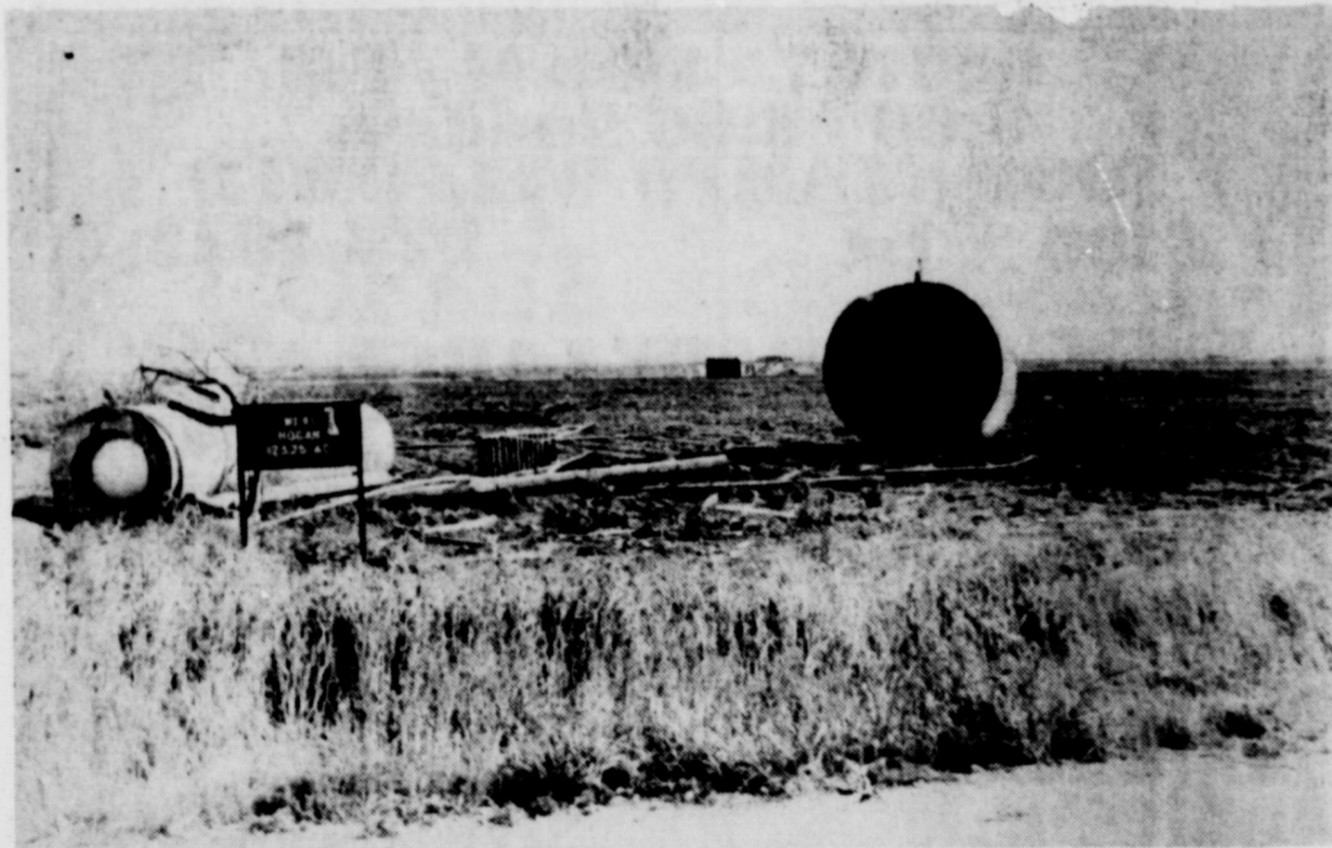
Gary Smith said Monday the funnel was white when it approached his home and added "When I saw the funnel, I went

into the shelter."

A family in the south Jones County community of Truby had their home demolished about 15 minutes after the system moved through here.

Editor's Note: The City sirens will be sounded in a long, continuous blast, when either the National Weather Service or the local volunteer spotters report a funnel cloud near here. The sirens will continue to sound until the danger is past.

Electrical service continued through the storm in most parts of town, although there was a short blackout when a breaker tripped at a WTU substation.



On field collection equipment area Sunday night. There was no patch or two of wheat, and damaged other farm-related equipment. Staff photo



Three Merkel High students have recently qualified for the Presidential Academic Fitness Award. They are [from left] Bill Adams, Shelly Sherrill and John Starbuck. Starbuck qualified for the Extraordinary Effort Academic Fitness award.

Band concert is Thursday

The Merkel ISD Bands will present their spring concert at 8:00 p.m. Thursday evening, May 2, in the high school auditorium. There is no admission charge and all the bands of the school district will be featured.

Beginning the concert will be the 6th grade beginner band, directed by Cherry Curry and Bill Woods. They will present a program showing how they have learned to play their instruments by playing lines from their method book and ending with March for the Young and the first movement of Little Scotch Suite.

The 7th Grade Band will perform Mr. Quarterback March, Salute to Mozart, Snowbird and King's Men March. This band is directed by Bill Woods. The beginner band and the 7th grade band will perform at the Snyder Band Festival on May 11th.

The 8th Grade Band, under the leadership of Cherry Curry, will play Ringmaster March, Dixieland Detour, A Thousand Hills Overture, and the Theme from Newhart. The 8th grade band received a concert and sightreading sweepstakes award this spring at the Cisco Band Festival at the Cisco Junior College.

The High School Band, directed by Bill Woods, will play Die Wacht Am Rhein March, Salvation Is Created-Awake and the Second American Folk Rhapsody. These numbers were the contest selections of the band at the UIL competition at Cooper High School, where the band received a 1st division award in concert and sightreading to win the spring sweepstakes in Class AAA in Region II. The band will then play Washington Post March by John Philip Sousa. This number will be directed by Glen Reed, former MHS band director. Mr. Reed started teaching in Merkel in 1952 and served as band director here for more than 20 years. The band

will end their performance with "Willie Nelson in Concert", a medley of tunes made famous by the country western singing star.

The MHS band will leave for

Amarillo on May 3rd to participate in the Greater Southwest Music Festival. 55 bands will be participating in the festival. They will return on May 5th.

MISD sets K registration

Pre-registration for children who will enter Kindergarten for the 1985-86 school year at Merkel Elementary will be May 2, 1985 from 9:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. in the Elementary school office. It is requested that no one come in to

register before 9:30 due to business that must be taken care of early.

To attend Kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old on or before September 1, 1985. The enrollees must bring a birth certificate and proof of required immunizations.

Plenty to do this time of year and one is "cover-up"

By Cloy A. Richards

There was a full house at the All-Sports Banquet Saturday night and there was also a full house at the Mulberry Canyon 4H Supper. I am told by Dale Hammond.

Dale was at the Mulberry Canyon fete and he said there was a large crowd there to hear Mary Russom speak on the Nubia area and Mrs. A. D. (Aunt Mable) Scott on the Mulberry Canyon area.

Dale said he was impressed with the speakers.

I was in and out of the All-Sports Banquet at Heritage Hall Saturday night and there wasn't a chair to be had at that event.

With the end of school almost here, there will be a rash of activities.

I didn't see the tornado Sunday

night, although it couldn't have been too far from our house South of Merkel of FM 1235.

I tried my best, but after I saw a lot of low clouds, and then heard a tremendous wind, I took cover.

I did see what the twister did at Gary Smith's residence South of town, it made a mess out of everything it hit, just missing their home by a few feet.

That same cloud (or one real close by) also touched down near Truby and Anson. Why the same cloud, a Merkel mail box (not one of ours, a post office box) was found near Anson.

While we are on that, the Merkel Police and Fire Departments did a heck of a job warning people.

The sirens were going (one blast after another mean take cover), the Police were going down streets

telling people to take cover and people were warned over tv.

We were very, very lucky that we didn't have anymore damage than we did.

A word to the wise, if you don't have a storm shelter, find one you can get into or make a plan at your house on how you will take cover. The main thing is to cover your head and not be in a room with a lot of ceiling space.

In the time we have been here, that's the closest we have been and it was close enough for me.

Merkel and Trent school will be registering new kindergarten students in the next week.

If you have a child that is old enough to start school next year, contact the school offices.





These are the regional track qualifiers from Merkel High and their coaches. Front row, from left: Coach Jennings, Carolyn Lilly (high jump), Kelly Beights high jump and 400. Back row from left: James Wright-800, Matt Cain - high jump and the 110 hurdles, Britt Pursley - pole vault and coach Lang. The regional meet is this weekend in Odessa. Staff photo

Badgers 2nd in track

The Track team scored 102 1/2 points to place second behind Breckenridge at the District track meet held in Breckenridge. The Badgers will be sending 3 boys to regional in 4 events this year. They are Matt Cain in the high jump and 110 high hurdles, James Wright in the 800 and Britt Pursley in the pole vault. The results of the District meet are: Wayne Johnson 5th in 3200 run, 400 relay of Jon Bright, Britt Pursley, Ramon

Moreno and Matt Cain 4th, Matt Cain 110 high hurdles 2nd, High jump 2nd, long jump 4th and 300 meter hurdles 3rd, Britt Pursley 110 high hurdles 3rd, 200 8th, high jump 5th, pole vault 2nd, Shane Newberry 110 high hurdles 5th, 1600 run 5th, James Wright 800 1st, 400 run 7th, Dean Franklin 800 run 7th, 300 int. hurdles 5th, Steven Farthing 800 run 5th, 1600 run 6th, Justin Amerine pole vault 5th, Jon Bright pole vault 5th, Ramon Moreno 100 dash 5th, 200 dash 7th, long jump 3rd and high jump 5th, Milo Harris 400 run 4th, 200 run 8th, mile relay of Milo Harris, Steve Farthing, Dean Franklin and James Wright 4th, Spencer Scott shot 3rd. Also representing the team was Jerry Davis, Keith Watson, Dusty Farmer and Tim Baber. The regional qualifiers will compete in Odessa May 3rd and 4th.

Gin sets annual meeting May 3rd

The Farmer's Co-Op Gin Society No. 1 annual meeting will be held Friday, May 3rd at Heritage Hall at 7:30 p.m. A meal will be served and three directors will be elected. You are cordially invited to attend.

Art group plans May 5th show

The Merkel Art Association is sponsoring an arts and crafts show Sunday May 5th from 2 until 5 p.m. at Heritage Hall. The show is open to the public and anyone having arts and craft items are encouraged to display them at the show. There will be no charge for showing and no admission. Crafts must be set up Saturday from 1-5 p.m. No craft for display will be accepted Sunday. Merkel Art Association members have been asked to be at Heritage Hall Saturday at 9 a.m. to help set up for the show.

Butman has visitors

Recent visitors to Camp Butman included 40 Honor Society Students from Mann Junior High in Abilene, 41 from the Sacred Heart Church in San Angelo, 16 from Southern Hills Baptist in San Angelo, 15 junior high students from the Southern Hills Church of Christ in Abilene. Also, Eagle Scouts from Troop 272 of the Aldergate UMC in Abilene did some repair work on The Cross.

Riding Club sets Play Days

The Merkel Riding Club held their first Play Day last Saturday night. They will be holding a regular Play Day each Saturday night at 7 p.m. Monthly meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month with a Pot Luck Supper. New members are welcomed.

Garden club meets

Merkel Garden Club met April 25 for lunch at the Royal Inn in Abilene. After lunch the group went for a tour of the flower gardens and home of Margarete Tessier and the flower garden of Alma Elrod. We next visited and toured Beach Nursery, which all enjoyed very much. We were served refreshments at the home of Wynette Barkley. Afterwards made a tour of Southgate Nursery and Garden World. A good time was had by all. Present for the luncheon were: Olga Peachley, Muri Thompson, Leota Sherrill, Inez Detrick, Shirley McBride, Peggy Black, Mary Russom, Alice King, Lenora Wilburn, Linnie Fisher, Jewel Criswell, Wynette Barkley, Georgia Allday and guest, Margarete Tessier.

Teen ball deadline Saturday

Boys who are interested in playing summer baseball can pick up a registration form at the Merkel High School or from Belle Hammond or Connie Mack, Seymour. Also, boys can register at the baseball park (Hook Park) Saturday morning at 10 a.m. This is the final day for registration.

Trent sets K registration

Trent School will hold pre-registration for Kindergarten May 7th from 10 until 3. Please bring your child's birth certificate and immunization record to pre-register at the school office.

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by **Jim Mattox**
Attorney General

DISTRESS SALES CAN BE DISTRESSING

A wise consumer shops carefully and watches advertising for bargains on items that are needed or desired. However, some advertising may be misleading.

In particular there is a form of advertising called "Distress Sale" advertising. All of us have seen advertising which tells of some natural disaster, unfortunate event, or unforeseen development which necessitates a quick sale at reduced prices.

SALE SCAMS

One example of this type of advertising is a "Fire" sale. In the event of a fire, businesses sometimes are forced to liquidate inventory rapidly because of damage to the inventory or a lack of storage space. Many times the price has been greatly reduced to speed this process, and consumers can get a real bargain. However, there have been instances of businesses advertising a "Fire" sale when there has been no fire and the prices of the goods have not been lowered significantly. Consumers who have not familiarized themselves with general market prices of these goods in the local marketplace may be induced to buy something they may not otherwise have purchased because they thought they were getting a bargain.

Another similar type of advertising is the "Going Out of Business" sale. Here again, due to business failure, a company may be forced to sell its inventory at a greatly reduced price in order to move the goods quickly. Some businesses in the past have advertised a "Going Out of Business" sale when they never intended to cease doing business and did not significantly reduce prices.

A "Grand Opening" sale, though not the product of unfortunate circumstances, also means savings to many consumers. Stores, new to an area in order to build a clientele, will offer bargains. However, in some cases these sales have been extended to the point that it has become obvious that the prices are actually the prices normally charged for the particular items and the consumer realizes no real savings.

Other types of distress sales which have been legitimately used but also abused by some businessmen are "Flood" sales, "Hurricane" sales, "Tornado" sales, "Hail Damage" sales. All these terms lead the consumer to believe that, due to some event beyond the control of the businessman, prices have been reduced dramatically to facilitate the liquidation of inventory,

daily newspaper. Finally, if it is a "Going Out of Business" sale, check with your City or County Tax Assessor and Collector to make sure that the business has made the filings required by law before this form of advertisement can be used.

FOR MORE HELP

If you need more help or information on this or other consumer problems, contact your nearest Attorney General Consumer Protection Office (in Austin, Dallas, El Paso, Houston, Lubbock, McAllen, and San Antonio). The Attorney General's Office is the people's law firm. We're here to help you.



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Handy Food Store

Ticks carry a number of diseases, control is available

One of the problems of spring and summer are ticks. Ticks are a blood-sucking parasite of animals but they will also feed on humans. Ticks vary in size, shape and coloration. Some ticks feed on only one host while others feed on two or three different hosts during their life. Some types of ticks lay their eggs all at once and the number can be from several hundred to several thousand eggs. Other types of ticks lay several different batches of eggs. Ticks

can live for quite sometime under proper conditions, possibly up to a year's time. Besides the annoyance of their presence and the irritation of their bite, ticks are important in the cause or spread of many diseases. Anemia can result from a large tick burden and if the anemia becomes severe, it can be life-threatening. The bite of some ticks can cause "tick paralysis". A newly recognized disease of dogs called Ehrlichiosis is spread by ticks. Rocky Mt. Spotted Fever is

transmitted by ticks. The dreaded Texas Cattle Fever was transmitted by ticks. There are other diseases which involve ticks in their transmission. There are many preparations available to control this parasite. Insecticide dips, sprays, dusts, shampoos, pour ons, etc., are on the market. Read and follow all label instructions. In addition to treating the animals, the environment should be treated. Repeat treatments are usually needed.

Burnett-Spinn plans told

Mr. & Mrs. Dwain Burnett of Merkel are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kelle Rae to Craig Spinn of Austin. Her fiancé is a graduate of Austin's Lanier High, also attended Cisco Junior College and is also attending Angelo State. He is the son of Mr. James E. Spinn of Austin and Mrs. Merlene F. Spinn, also of Austin. The couple is planning a July 27th wedding in the home of Mr. & Mrs. United Way of Tom Burnett here.

Kelle is a graduate of Merkel High, attended Cisco Junior College and is now a student at Angelo State University. She is employed by the United Way of Tom Burnett here.

Trent class look for 41 grad

Trent High members are looking for the address of a former ex-classmate. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Allene Johnson a 1941 Trent High Grad., is asked to call 862-6101 or write Betty Yandell 5805 Wynona Ave., Austin, Texas 78756.

Gorilla Basketball Camp
May 27th Through May 31st
10:00 a.m. - Noon
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Free T-Shirt, Awards & Prizes
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Trent School 862-6125
Deadline May 8th No refunds after May 8th
Clip form & Mail to: Trent ISD-Coach Shugart or Coach Grimland, Gorilla Basketball Camp Box 105- Trent, Texas 79661.

Borrego's services held here

Henry Hilbert Borrego, 21, of Merkel died at 9:45 p.m. Thursday at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene after a lengthy illness. Services were at 2 p.m. Sunday at Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church with the Rev. Frank Zimmerman, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery, directed by Starbuck Funeral Home. Born Sept. 29, 1963, in Merkel, he attended Merkel schools and was a member of Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church. Survivors include his parents,

Mr. and Mrs. Pablo Borrego; three brothers, Martin, Casey and Pablo; four sisters, Mary, Janie, Rosalinda and Tanya, all of Merkel; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Pablo Borrego of Laredo; and his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Esquiel De La Cruz of Merkel.

Bicknell services held here Monday

Mabel E. Bicknell, 76, of Odessa, formerly of Merkel and Noodle died at 3:20 p.m. Saturday at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa after a lengthy illness. Services were held at 2 p.m. Monday at Starbuck Funeral Home, directed by Wilson Funeral Home of Odessa. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born July 18, 1908, in Dora, she married Teddy Bicknell. He died Nov. 28, 1979. She was a member of First United Methodist Church in Odessa.

Survivors include a daughter, Mattie Hough of Odessa; a son, Tommy of Austin; a brother, T.C. Jinkens of Sylvester; two sisters, Jewell Steele of Sweetwater and Leona Sloan of Merkel; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Xi Nu Eta meets

Xi Nu Eta held their monthly meeting April 9 in the home of Carol Portie, Abilene.

Officers for the new year will be President Dee McCollum, Vice President Carol Portie, Treasurer Kathy Dacy, Recording Secretary Cathy Pack, Corresponding Secretary Carol Norman and City Council Representative Carol Portie.

Plans were made to take our mothers to

Steak and Ale for lunch for Mothers Day on May 5.

The program was on Home Interior with guest speaker, Darlene Goff, Home Interior Consultant.

Members present were Marilyn Tittle, Dee McCollum, Carol Portie, Jana Nelson, Kathy Dacy, Carol Norman, and Cathy Pack.

The next meeting will be May 7 in the home of Jana Nelson, Abilene.

Hinson-Kellogg plans told

Melissa Hinson, daughter of Charles Hinson of Comanche and Darlene Nell of Merkel will marry Tim Kellogg, son of Mr & Mrs. James

Clay of Merkel May 3rd at 7 p.m.

The wedding will take place at a friend's home at 1524 Heath here.

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6 PACK
COCA COLA
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3 FOR \$1.00

Parade Milk
HOMO \$1.89
LOW FAT \$1.79

SAVE 49%
MAZOLA
24 OZ \$1.49

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10 LB BAG \$1.49

VALUES TO \$10.00
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SAVE 70%
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OIL PAINT SET \$4.98

KOTEX
Mini Pads
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Pudding 39¢

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CAKE MIX
69¢

PUREX
42 OZ \$1.49

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DUNCAN HINES
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Muffin Mix
\$1.49

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PARADE \$1.09
12 OZ

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BISCUITS
6 FOR \$1.00

PARADE
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12 OZ 69¢

BEEF BRISKET 98¢

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2-18tp

FOR SALE: Beautiful pecan dining room suit and hutch, 928-4596.
111-11c

CASH for cars, pickups, trucks, trailers, almost anything of value. Also scrap iron. Call, in Abilene, 537-9625.
106-4tp

For Sale: 1976 Pinto, like new Ref. washer and dryer, see at 602 Cherry, 928-4968.
111-11p

For Sale: Couch and Chair, excellent condition, and recliner, call 928-4388.
111-11p

Storm cellars. Concrete and metal shelters 537-9692 928-5291.
111-10tp

Misc

Germania Insurance Company, for your insurance needs. Locally represented by Donna Carter, 928-5348.
33-TFC

Horse shoeing & trimming. Call Dan Burnett 236-6258.
108-12tp

KID'S KORNER DAY CARE CENTER 2nd & Oak. Open Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Call 928-4381.
66-11c

Airlines now hiring. Reservationists stewardesses and ground crew positions available. Call 1-619-569-0241 for details. 24 hours.
109-3tp

Does someone you love have a drinking problem? Is it affecting your life? If so, **ANNON FAMILY** groups can help. A Merkel group meets weekly in the mornings. Call 928-4844 or 928-5067.
49-TFC

Needed immediately. Nurses aid 2 pm - 2 p.m. shift. Needed May 1st: full time housekeeper, day shift. Apply in person at Starr Nursing Home Merkel.
109-TFC

GRANNY'S PLAYHOUSE
-Licensed Child care. Open 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. at 207 Orange 928-4904.
106-5tp

Home & Building Maintenance & Repair Service. Reasonable rates. Lawns mowed, homes repaired and small construction projects. Clean ups and hauling, cement work. Call 928-4986.
111-11p

Evaporative Cooler Special. Install new pads, clean, lubricate, check for leaks a proper operation. \$15.75. Call 928-4986.
111-11p

Learning begins at home. Do you have preschool children? Save on \$199 on this family learning program til May 5th. Contact Barbara Graham 928-5744, 1106 N. 5th.
111-11p

Small engine and bicycle repair service, pickup delivery available. 915-928-4827, 1-9 p.m.
Buffalo Energy.
111-4tp

Experienced sitter, I will baby sit your child in my home. Meals and snack furnished. Any hours considered, call after 6:30 or any time on weekends, 928-4479 or 928-5820.
111-11p

For rent
Shannonside Apartments. 1,2 & 3 bedroom apartments, all electric, central heat & cooling. For more information, call 928-5038.
89-TFC

2 bedroom mobil home, 1 1/2 bath, washer, dryer, couple, one child, no bills paid, 7 miles N.E. Merkel, 692-8666 after 5:00 928-5677.
101-TFC

1, 2 or 3 bedroom mobile home for rent in Merkel 928-4977.
27-TFC

Mobil home for lease with option to buy: 2 bedroom, 1 bath, completely furnished, one bedroom has a king sized bed, before 5 call 928-4034.
107-TFC

For rent: 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment at the Cherry Street Apartments. Call 928-4336 from 9-5.
110-5tc

For Rent: 2 bedroom house- stove, refrigerator, washer-dryer, ceiling fans, fenced yard. 209 Taylor 928-5194.
104-TFC

FOR RENT: 2 bdrm., stove, refrigerator, washer, dryer, storage bldg., fenced yard, close to school, 405 Manchester, 928-5194, \$250 month, \$150 deposit.
106-TFC

For rent: 2 bedroom brick home, central heat & refrigerated air, ceiling fans, stove-refrigerator-washer-dryer, big yard \$375 per month \$150 deposit. Call 928-5194.
110-TFC

Taylor Street Apartments. Fresh & Clean good location. 2 bedrooms, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, all electric. Upstairs \$225, downstairs \$275 \$150 deposit. Working man's lease pay 1/2 1st of month 1/2 on 15th. 928-5194.
108-TFC

Real Estate

For Sale: 2400 square foot brick home with 2 acres PLUS carport, covered patio with cement storm cellar under patio, 35 gallon per minute irrigation well with 12 sprinkler system. City water, over 30 fruit & nut trees, joins Merkel City Limits, plus up to 25 additional acres. Must see to appreciate Call 928-5613, Cyrus Pee, Agent.
110-TFC

House Priced to Sell: Living room, dining room, 2 bedrooms, patio & garage. Asbestos siding, 50 foot lot, house in good condition, close to town. Cyrus Pee, Agent, Merkel 928-5613.
102-TFC

Country Style, 2 yr. old 2400 sq. ft., 4 bdrm., 2 bath, dining rm., L.R. fireplace, 4 ton, heat pump, c-a and electric, city water, 36 x 22 red metal barn with corral and fenced 1/2 acre, 3 car carport, trees, all on 1.59 ac. 1/2 mi. S. Trent, FM 1085, call 915-862-6386 for appointment.
101-TFC

Lease with option to buy. 1 year old brick home on 1 acre FM 1235, Central heat and air, 2 bedrooms, double garage, all build-ins, \$475 per month. Appraised at \$53,000 Hooker Realtors 677-9145.
111-TFC

House for Sale: 2002 sq. ft., central heat and air, city water, 4 acres, barn, fences, Paul Hudman Estate 915-773-3528.
111-4tc

For Lease: 980 acres grazing land with 3 bedroom home 17 miles SW of Merkel 692-2222, 695-2341.
111-2tc

Garage Sales

Garage Sale: Friday May 3, and Saturday 4th, 9 a.m. til 6 p.m. 928-5473, clothes, shoes, wood burning fireplace, spare gas tank for SWB truck, mag wheels, in take manifold and carb. for 454, Harley and much more, go North on FM 126, it's just a 1/4 of a mile before Merkel Country Club.
111-11p

Garage Sale: twin bedsteads, book case headboard, playpen, mixer, new and used clothing, misc. items, old Gilene Building, Kent St. Tuesday May 7, 1:00 - 5:30 p.m.
Back Yard sale: A little bit of everything at 1004 S 6th Friday May 3rd.
111-11p

Garage Sale: Friday & Saturday at 209 Runnels. Ladies Levi's & Western Clothes, sewing machine, air conditioner & misc.
111-11p

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111-11p

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Card of Thanks

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our friends for their kindness and love shown to us during our time of sorrow. We deeply appreciated the flowers, cards, food, remembrances, and most of all your prayers. We are extremely grateful to Brother Wayne Keller and all of the members of the First Baptist Church for allowing us to use their church for the service. From our heart, we thank you.
Patty, Pat, Dee, Mike Warren, Zoe W. Warren, Jerry T. Warren.
111-11nc

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James Richardson

PUBLIC NOTICE
The City of Merkel, Texas will hold two Public Hearings on the City's 1985-86 Budget and the 1985-86 General Revenue Sharing Budget.
Said Public Hearings to be held at 7:00 p.m. April 22, 1985 and May 6, 1985 in the E.M.S. Ambulance Building, 100 Block, Lamar Street, Merkel, Texas.
Any and all interested persons are invited to attend.
Kent Satterwhite Mayor
109-3tc-19

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO J. A. CORBIN, Address Unknown Defendant, Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer at or before ten o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday the 13th day of May 1985, at or before ten o'clock A. M. before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Abilene, Texas.
Said Plaintiff's 1st Amended Petition was filed in said Court on the 2nd day of December A. D. 1983, in this cause, numbered 15,396-B on the docket of said court and styled, MYERS KIM BERGMAN Plaintiff vs J. A. CORBIN, Individually and Raven Exploration Company, Inc. jointly and severally, Defendants.
The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: MYERS KIM BERGMAN are Plaintiffs and J. A. CORBIN, Individually and Raven Exploration Company, Inc., jointly and severally are Defendants.
A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff and Defendant Corbin entered into an Operating Agreement on October 1, 1981 which Plaintiff has since learned that Defendant Corbin misrepresented and committed a fraud against Plaintiff. As a result of the fraud Plaintiff seeks \$7,837.50, for a 6.25 percent working interest in specified wells. Plaintiff seeks exemplary damages in the sum of One Million and no/ 100 Dollars (1,000,000) because of intentional, willful and waton conduct of Defendant. Plaintiff seeks all other relief, legal or equitable, general or specific to which Plaintiff may show himself justly entitled, 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 26th day of March, A. D. 1985.
Attest: RILLA MAHONEY, Clerk, 104th District Court, Taylor County, Texas By JoAnn Lackey, Deputy.
110-4tc-102

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS -TO: Larry Abbe, Defendant, Greeting:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable County Court at Law 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 10 day of June A.D. 1985, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 21 day of July A.D. 1983, in this cause, numbered 13,895 on the docket of said court and styled Elliott-Hamil Funeral Homes, Inc., Plaintiff, vs. Larry Abbe, Defendant.
A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit on Account, 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 24 day of April A.D. 1985.
Janice Lyons Clerk, County Court at Law Taylor County, Texas by Marie Gill, Deputy.
111-11c-60

PUBLIC NOTICE
The annual report of the Dodge Jones Foundation is available for inspection at its principal office during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days after publication of this notice.
The address of the Foundation is 400 Pine, Abilene, Texas, 79604. The principal manager of the Foundation is Joseph E. Canon.
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§ Connie Mac Seymore speaks to a quiet here Saturday night. The recognize students that participate full house at the All-Sports Ban- banquet is held each year to in sports at Merkel High.

Interest rates changing ag

High interest rates and narrowing profit margins for farmers are causing new and irreversible changes in agriculture.

"The sudden surge in interest rates a few years ago and persistent high real rates since then have triggered some dramatic changes in agriculture," points out Dr. Carl Anderson, economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

High interest rates not only increase the cost of doing business, but they also contribute to a strong dollar, discourage farm exports, encourage imports and stimulate incentives for foreign producers to step up production, Anderson notes. It all adds up to fewer crop exports and low U.S. farm prices. This accelerates changes in the structure of American Agriculture.

"Currently, farm operators with little debt have a strong advantage over those making large interest payments," notes the economist. "Rental agreements are turning away from cash rent, and traditional crop share arrangements are being renegotiated based on equitable resource contributions of both operators and landlords. Use of credit capital in agriculture is declining because of low returns to farm investments."

Anderson points out that the current farm economic situation discourages new entries into farming. Furthermore, new machinery purchases drop and there is more maintenance and repair work, more custom operations and more joint ownership of large machines. Marginal cropland shifts to forage and grazing programs which, over time, will lead to excess beef production and thereby lower cattle prices.

"Other changes with the current state of the farm economy include a squeeze on irrigated farming and a drop in land prices, especially irrigated farmland," the economist points out. "Farmers are discouraged from owning farmland, and off-farm income becomes vitally important and often necessary. Farm consolidations increase and commercial operations turn more sophisticated in business management, financing, production and marketing decisions."

As interest rates begin to climb and farm margins start narrowing, storage costs go up and marketing becomes disorderly, Anderson adds. Increased produc-

Fortnightly group watches show

The G.F.W.C. Merkel Fortnightly Study Club met April 23 with Ida Seymore and Alice King as hostess and co-hostess. Mrs. Ornel Hill presided over a short business session and interesting facts about the recent trip to Austin were given. Mrs. Lucy Haynes introduced the program on Education. Mrs. Jeanette Pursley and Mrs. Ida Seymore presented their second and fourth grade pupils in a program "Spring Follies" using songs and poems created in their art class.

Members present were Grace Lee Brown, Pam Carson, Mary Collins, Bess Dixon, Linnie Fisher, Mildred Hamm, Lucy Haynes, Edna Hill, Madelon Horton, Nina Bell Hughes, Alice King, Ailien Knight, Jeanette Pursley, Kathryn Rister, Alwyne Sandusky, Ida Seymore, Anna Bell Shouse, Clara Walla, Maurine White, Joyce Jay, Parilee Gibson, Ruth Lassiter, Evelyn Slinger and Evelyn Martin.

tion and marketing costs are absorbed by the farmer in the short-run, but eventually farmers become serious about building better markets so that higher costs can be passed on to consumers. Thus, marketing becomes an essential ingredient in shifting price risk, and production and marketing processes become more integrated. Group marketing systems are encouraged as being more efficient.

"Producers that can make necessary adjustments to survive prolonged periods of low income

will be a business-minded group that have or can hire a considerable amount of financial, production and marketing expertise," notes Anderson. "Eventually, remaining producers will recognize the benefit of developing a committed marketing program that can adjust production to markets commodity by commodity."

"And, if the runaway federal budget deficit is brought under control and the over-valued dollar adjusts downward, export markets could expand, imports retreat and prosperity could return to agriculture," Anderson says.



§ Regional qualifiers for the Trent Gorilla track team are Doug Ferguson (left) and Bebo Beaver (right). Ferguson qualified in the 880 white Beaver qualified in the 100, 220 and the long jump. Kim Orr (center) was 3rd place in district golf. Staff photo]

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Seymores are Man-Sweetheart of year

On March 26 each member of Xi Nu Chi brought a foreign dish for a program on foreign meals by the program committee. Following the meal, officers were elected. They are: President Mary Hill, Vice Pres. Judy Elliott, Recording Secretary Vonne Dena Tumlinson, Corres. Sec. Connie Harris, Treasurer Diane Parker, Extension Officer Barbara Gardner and City Council Rep. Anita Allen.

In March, members of Xi Nu Chi were present for the Abilene Spring Rituals at the Petroleum Club. There Vicki Rodriguez, Peggy Valentine and Vonne Dena Tumlinson received rituals for the Exemplar degree.

Anita Allen was hostess at her home on April 9 with Mary Hill presenting the program on Lives of Purpose.

April 23, at the home of Nancy Johnson, was the scene of a salad supper, following the lovely pledge rituals ceremony for Nancy Duncan and Donna Lang. Karen Riley was reinstated, after a leave of absence, as Beta Sigma Phi and Nancy Johnson received the Exemplar ritual.

Those present were Peggy Valentine, Nancy Johnson, Anita Allen, Mary Hill, Connie Harris, Minyon Seymore, Vicki Rodriguez, Barbara Gardner, Diane Parker, Karen Riley, Donna Lang and Nancy Duncan, Blanche Hewitt, Mamie Steck and Vonne Dena Tumlinson.

Minyon Seymore was elected the Xi Nu Chi Woman of the Year. She was presented with 20 other Women of the year at the Founders Day Dance at the Civic Center in Abilene on April 27. Minyon was escorted by her husband, Phil, who was chosen as Man of the Year for Xi Nu Chi.



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AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A PERMIT TO BIG COUNTRY CABLEVISION, INC., FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING, AMPLIFYING, AND DISTRIBUTING TELEVISION SIGNALS AND TELEVISION TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE CITY OF TRENT, TEXAS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TRENT, TEXAS

Section 1. That there is hereby granted to Big Country Cablevision, Inc. its successors and assigns, hereinafter called the Grantee, the right, privilege and franchise to construct, maintain and operate in the present and future, in the streets, roads, alleys and public places of the City of Trent, a television and signal distribution system consisting of a tower, or towers, poles and cables with all necessary or desirable appurtenances including underground conduit for the purpose of supplying television signals to said city.

Section 2. That said Grantee, its agents and employees, may enter in and upon said streets, alleys and public places at any time for the purpose of making excavations, installing, removing, repairing and maintaining such poles, wires, cables and all other structures necessary or convenient in supplying such television signal service. Any and all excavations shall be repaired and obstructions removed as quickly as it is reasonably possible under the circumstances.

Section 3. For and in consideration of the right, privileges and franchise herein granted the Grantee, its successors and assigns, shall pay to the City of Trent, Texas during the term of this franchise a sum of 2 percent of the Grantee's gross receipts derived from monthly service charges to customers within the cooperate limits of the City of Trent, Texas. Payment of such sum in accordance with the foregoing shall be made on a quarterly basis. The above payments shall be in lieu of any tax or other imposition, assessment or charges, except ad valorem taxes.

Section 4. This franchise shall be in force and effect for a period of twenty-five years from acceptance and shall thereupon terminate and all licenses and privileges shall cease unless more than six (6) months before expiration date and not more than one (1) year prior to said expiration date, the Grantee shall tender to the said City of Trent, notice of its intention to renew this franchise, in which event the same shall be renewed for a term of five (5) years, and in like manner this franchise may be renewed for successive terms of five (5) years hereafter.

Section 5. That the Grantee shall within thirty (30) days from the passage and approval of this ordinance, file with the city secretary of the City of Trent, a written acceptance of this ordinance and at the same time pay to the said city secretary a sum of money sufficient to cover the cost of publication of this ordinance.

Section 6. The Grantee shall furnish public liability insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000.00 in a solvent surety company authorized to do business in the State of Texas, to be approved by the city secretary, to indemnify and save the City harmless from damages or injury to persons or property, and loss and expense caused by the negligence or default of the Grantee.

Section 7. Grantee shall set its rates to its customers in the City of Trent. Subscribers will be notified thirty (30)

days prior to any subsequent increases in monthly service rates.

Section 8. Grantee agrees to render service to all subscribers within economically feasible distance of its main system, and further agrees to maintain an adequate level of signal at subscriber's television receiving set. Provided, however that service can be discontinued for cause, namely either failure to make payment for service, or for tampering with Grantee's System.

Section 9. This ordinance and the terms and conditions thereof are specifically made subject to the applicable

rules and regulation of the Federal Communications Commission.

Section 10. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby amended accordingly.

Passed and approved at this the 23 day of April 1985.

Randy Hunt
Mayor
Attest: Shannon Payne
City Secretary
Accepted and Agreed:
Big Country Cablevision Inc.
W.A. "Bill" Green
Vice President
111-2tc-194

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF MARVIN L. GRIMES, JR., DECEASED

GRIMES, JR., DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Independent Administration with Will Annexed upon the Estate of Marvin L. Grimes, Jr., deceased, were issued to me, Robert Madison Grimes, the undersigned as Independent Administrator with the Will Annexed, on the 22nd day of April, 1985, in the above entitled and numbered proceeding, which is still pending, and that I now hold such Letters. All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in the County Court of Taylor County, Texas, are here-

by required to present the same to me at Post Office Box 638, Buffalo Gap, Texas 79508, before suit upon same are barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law. My residence and my Post Office address are each in the County of Taylor and State of Texas.

Dated this 22nd day of April, 1985.
Robert Madison Grimes
Independent Administrator with the Will Annexed of the Estate of Marvin L. Grimes, Jr.
111-1tc-50

Study Club meets

The Eighty One Study Club held its 15th meeting in the home of Ann Talent and was called to order by President Betty Stautzenberger. Attending members were Lorene Beard, Vernie Bryan, Evorie Dillard, Paula Forehand, Grace Holt, Goldia Malone, Cleo Reese, Betty Stautzenberger, Doris Summers, Ann Talent, and Catherine Winn. Hostesses Ann Talent

and Lorene Beard served refreshments during the meeting while Doris Summers gave a very interesting report on a trip to Iceland, "Land of the Midnight Sun." The next meeting will be a tea and member-

ship drive to be held at the community room of the Trent Bank from 4:00-6:00 p.m. on May 13, 1985. All members will be hostesses and are asked to be at the bank community room at 3:30 p.m.

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The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny, the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.



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The Merkel Mail

Thursday, May 2, 1985...Merkel, Texas

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Sunday tornado destroys farm equipment, barely misses city



This is about all that is left of a barn on the Gary Smith place Southeast of Merkel after a tornado hit Sunday evening. The twister missed the Smith home by less than 25 yards and had members of the Merkel Police and Fire Departments busy Sunday evening. Staff photo

A tornado narrowly missed Merkel Sunday evening as it touched down about a mile Southeast of Merkel on the Gary Smith residence.

The twister tore up a barn, animal pens and damaged various items near the home. It also tore down Taylor Electric power lines and displaced oil batteries.

That same storm left a South Taylor County woman dead. She was the victim of a twister that touched down in Shep.

Merkel Police alarmed people in the city limits to take cover, the Merkel Fire Department's warning sirens were sounded and

spotters from Taylor County Sheriff's Office and The Merkel Fire Department were posted around the outskirts of the city to watch the clouds.

No residential property was damaged but a couple of barns and pens were demolished.

Merkel Police Chief Ray Pack told The Mail Sunday night I saw it approaching and it looked like it was going to hit my house, it was jumping from East to West and the funnel was snow white."

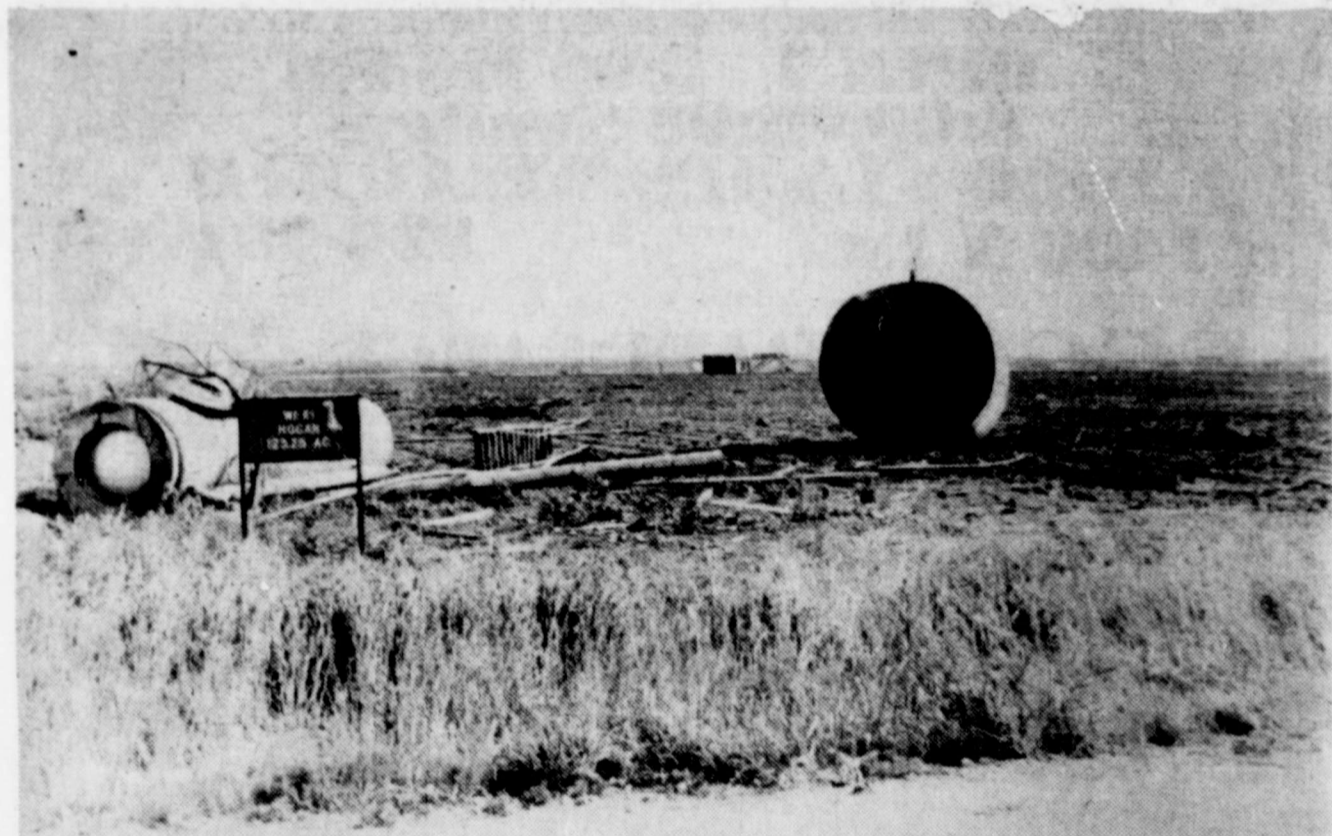
Gary Smith said Monday the funnel was white when it approached his home and added "When I saw the funnel, I went

into the shelter."

A family in the south Jones County community of Truby had their home demolished about 15 minutes after the system moved through here.

Editor's Note: The City sirens will be sounded in a long, continuous blast, when either the National Weather Service or the local volunteer spotters report a funnel cloud near here. The sirens will continue to sound until the danger is past.

Electrical service continued through the storm in most parts of town, although there was a short blackout when a breaker tripped at a WTU substation.



Oil field collection equipment area Sunday night. There was no sign scattered Monday morning residential property damaged, and after a tornado came through the the storm did manage to tear up a patch or two of wheat, and damaged other farm-related equipment. Staff photo



Three Merkel High students have recently qualified for the Presidential Academic Fitness Award. They are [from left] Bill Adams, Shelly Sherrill and John Starbuck. Starbuck qualified for the Extraordinary Effort Academic Fitness award.

Band concert is Thursday

The Merkel ISD Bands will present their spring concert at 8:00 p.m. Thursday evening, May 2, in the high school auditorium. There is no admission charge and all the bands of the school district will be featured.

Beginning the concert will be the 6th grade beginner band, directed by Cherry Curry and Bill Woods. They will present a program showing how they have learned to play their instruments by playing lines from their method book and ending with March for the Young and the first movement of Little Scotch Suite.

The 7th Grade Band will perform Mr. Quarterback March, Salute to Mozart, Snowbird and King's Men March. This band is directed by Bill Woods. The beginner band and the 7th grade band will perform at the Snyder Band Festival on May 11th.

The 8th Grade Band, under the leadership of Cherry Curry, will play Ringmaster March, Dixieland Detour, A Thousand Hills Overture, and the Theme from Newhart. The 8th grade band received a concert and sightreading sweepstakes award this spring at the Cisco Band Festival at the Cisco Junior College.

The High School Band, directed by Bill Woods, will play Die Wacht Am Rhein March, Salvation Is Created-Awake and the Second American Folk Rhapsody. These numbers were the contest selections of the band at the UIL competition at Cooper High School, where the band received a 1st division award in concert and sightreading to win the spring sweepstakes in Class AAA in Region II. The band will then play Washington Post March by John Philip Sousa. This number will be directed by Glen Reed, former MHS band director. Mr. Reed started teaching in Merkel in 1962 and served as band director here for more than 20 years. The band

will end their performance with "Willie Nelson in Concert", a medley of tunes made famous by the country western singing star.

The MHS band will leave for

Amarillo on May 3rd to participate in the Greater Southwest Music Festival. 55 bands will be participating in the festival. They will return on May 5th.

MISD sets K registration

Pre-registration for children who will enter Kindergarten for the 1985-86 school year at Merkel Elementary will be May 2, 1985 from 9:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. in the Elementary school office. It is requested that no one come in to

register before 9:30 due to business that must be taken care of early.

To attend Kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old on or before September 1, 1985. The enrollees must bring a birth certificate and proof of required immunizations.



Plenty to do this time of year and one is "cover-up"

By Cloy A. Richards

There was a full house at the All-Sports Banquet Saturday night and there was also a full house at the Mulberry Canyon 4H Supper. I am told by Dale Hammond.

Dale was at the Mulberry Canyon fete and he said there was a large crowd there to here Mary Russom speak on the Nubla area and Mrs. A. D. (Aunt Mable) Scott on the Mulberry Canyon area.

Dale said he was impressed with the speakers.

I was in and out of the All-Sports Banquet at Heritage Hall Saturday night and there wasn't a chair to be had at that event.

With the end of school almost here, there will be a rash of activities.

I didn't see the tornado Sunday

night, although it couldn't have been too far from our house South of Merkel of FM 1235.

I tried my best, but after I saw a lot of low clouds, and then heard a tremendous wind, I took cover.

I did see what the twister did at Gary Smith's residence South of town, it made a mess out of everything it hit, just missing their home by a few feet.

That same cloud (or one real close by) also touched down near Truby and Anson. Why the same cloud, a Merkel mail box (not one of ours, a post office box) was found near Anson.

While we are on that, the Merkel Police and Fire Departments did a heck of a job warning people.

The sirens were going (one blast after another mean take cover), the Police were going down streets

telling people to take cover and people were warned over tv.

We were very, very lucky that we didn't have anymore damage than we did.

A word to the wise, if you don't have a storm shelter, find one you can get into or make a plan at your house on how you will take cover. The main thing is to cover your head and not be in a room with a lot of ceiling space.

In the time we have been here, that's the closest we have been and it was close enough for me.

Merkel and Trent school will be registering new kindergarten students in the next week.

If you have a child that is old enough to start school next year, contact the school offices.



These are the regional track qualifiers from Merkel High and their coaches. Front row from left: Coach Jennings, Carolyn Lally [high jump] Kelly Beights high jump and 400. [Back row from left] James Wright-800, Matt Cain - high jump and the 110 hurdles, Brit Pursley - pole vault and coach Lang. The regional meet is this weekend in Odessa. Staff photo

Badgers 2nd in track

The Track team scored 102½ points to place second behind Breckenridge at the District track meet held in Breckenridge. The Badgers will be sending 3 boys to regional in 4 events this year. They are Matt Cain in the high jump and 110 high hurdles, James Wright in the 800 and Britt Pursley in the pole vault. The results of the District meet are: Wayne Johnson 5th in 3200 run; 400 relay of Jon Bright, Britt Pursley, Ramon

Moreno and Matt Cain 4th; Matt Cain 110 high hurdles 2nd; High jump 2nd, long jump 4th and 300 inter. hurdles 3rd; Britt Pursley 110 high hurdles 3rd, 200 6th, high jump 6th, pole vault 2nd; Shane Newberry 110 high hurdles 5th, 1600 run 5th; James Wright 800 1st, 400 run 7th; Dean Franklin 800 run 7th, 300 int. hurdles 5th; Steven Farthing 800 run 5th, 1600 run 6th; Justin Amerine pole vault

6th; Jon Bright pole vault 5th; Ramon Moreno 100 dash 5th, 200 dash 7th, long jump 3rd and high jump 5th; Milo Harris 400 run 4th, 200 run 8th; mile relay of Milo Harris, Steve Farthing, Dean Franklin and James Wright 4th; Spencer Scott shot 3rd; Also representing the team was Jerry Davis, Keith Watson, Dusty Farmer and Tim Baber. The regional qualifiers will compete in Odessa May 3rd and 4th.

Gin sets annual meeting May 3rd

The Farmer's Co-Op Gin Society No. 1 annual meeting will be held Friday, May 3rd at Heritage Hall at 7:30 p.m.

A meal will be served and three directors will be elected.

You are cordially invited to attend.

Art group plans May 5th show

The Merkel Art Association is sponsoring an arts and craft show Sunday May 5th from 2 until 5 p.m. at Heritage Hall.

charge for showing and no admission. Crafts must be set up Saturday from 1-5 p.m. No craft for display will be accepted Sunday.

The show is open to the public and anyone having arts and craft items are encouraged to display them at the show. There will be no

Merkel Art Association members have been asked to be at Heritage Hall Saturday at 9 a.m. to help set up for the show.

Butman has visitors

Recent visitors to Camp Butman included 40 Honor Society Students from Mann Junior High in Abilene; 41 from the Sacred Heart Church in San Angelo; 16 from Southern Hills Baptist in San Angelo;

15 junior high students from the Southern Hills Church of Christ in Abilene.

Also, Eagle Scouts from Troop 272 of the Aldergate UMC in Abilene did some repair work on The Cross.

Riding Club sets Play Days

The Merkel Riding Club held their first Play Day last Saturday night.

Monthly meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month with a Pot Luck Supper. New members are welcomed.

Garden club meets

Merkel Garden Club met April 25, for lunch at the Royal Inn in Abilene. After lunch the group went for a tour of the flower gardens and home of Margarete Tessier and the flower garden of Alma Elrod. We next visited and toured Baach Nursery, which all enjoyed very much. We were served refreshments at the home of Wynette Barkley. After-

wards made a tour of Southgate Nursery and Garden World. A good time was had by all.

Present for the luncheon were: Olga Peachey Muri Thompson, Leota Sherrell, Inez Detrick, Shirley McBride, Peggy Black, Mary Russom, Alice King, Lenora Wilburn, Linnie Fisher, Jewel Criswell, Wynette Barkley, Georgia Allday and guest, Margarete Tessier.

Teen ball deadline Saturday

Boys who are interested in playing summer baseball can pick up a registration form at the Merkel High School or from Belle Hammond or

Connie Mack Seymore. Also, boys can register at the baseball park (Hook Park) Saturday morning at 10 a.m. This is the final day for registration.

Trent sets K registration

Trent School will hold pre-registration for Kindergarten May 7th from 10 until 3. Please bring

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CONSUMER ALERT

by
Jim Mattox
Attorney General

DISTRESS SALES CAN BE DISTRESSING

A wise consumer shops carefully and watches advertising for bargains on items that are needed or desired. However, some advertising may be misleading.

In particular there is a form of advertising called "Distress Sale" advertising. All of us have seen advertising which tells of some natural disaster, unfortunate event, or unforeseen development which necessitates a quick sale at reduced prices.

SALE SCAMS

One example of this type of advertising is a "Fire" sale. In the event of a fire, businesses sometimes are forced to liquidate inventory rapidly because of damage to the inventory or a lack of storage space. Many times the price has been greatly reduced to speed this process, and consumers can get a real bargain. However, there have been instances of businesses advertising a "Fire" sale when there has been no fire and the prices of the goods have not been lowered significantly. Consumers who have not familiarized themselves with general market prices of these goods in the local marketplace may be induced to buy something they may not otherwise have purchased because they thought they were getting a bargain.

Another similar type of advertising is the "Going Out of Business" sale. Here again, due to business failure, a company may be forced to sell its inventory at a greatly reduced price in order to move the goods quickly. Some businesses in the past have advertised a "Going Out of Business" sale when they never intended to cease doing business and did not significantly reduce prices.

A "Grand Opening" sale, though not the product of unfortunate circumstances, also means savings to many consumers. Stores, new to an area in order to build a clientele, will offer bargains. However, in some cases these sales have been extended to the point that it becomes obvious that the prices are actually the prices normally charged for the particular items and the consumer realizes no real savings.

Other types of distress sales which have been legitimately used but also abused by some businessmen are "Flood" sales, "Hurricane" sales, "Tornado" sales, "Hail Damage" sales. All these terms lead the consumer to believe that, due to some event beyond the control of the businessman, prices have been reduced dramatically to facilitate the liquidation of inventory,

thus providing the consumer with a genuine bargain.

SMART SHOPPING

The best way to protect yourself from the businesses which may use these terms falsely is to be familiar with the prevailing prices of the brand names being offered in your area. Additionally, become informed about the actual occurrence of the event which caused the distressed situation through the media and by reading the

daily newspaper. Finally, if it is a "Going Out of Business" sale, check with your City or County Tax Assessor and Collector to make sure that the business has made the filings required by law before this form of advertisement can be used.

FOR MORE HELP

If you need more help or information on this or other consumer problems, contact your nearest Attorney General Consumer Protection Office (in Austin, Dallas, El Paso, Houston, Lubbock, McAllen, and San Antonio). The Attorney General's Office is the people's law firm. We're here to help you.



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Trent sees look for 41 grad

Trent High members are looking for the address of a former ex-graduate. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Allene Johnson a 1941 Trent High Grad., is asked to call 862-6101 or write Betty Yandell 5805 Wynona Ave., Austin, Texas 78756.

Burnett-Spinn plans told

Mr. & Mrs. Dwan Burnett of Merkel are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kelle Kae to Craig Spinn of Austin. Her fiance is a graduate of Austin's Lanier High, also attended Cisco Junior College and is also attending Angelo State. He is the son of Mr. James E. Spinn of Austin and Mrs. Merlene F. Spinn, also of Austin. The couple is planning a July 27th wedding in the home of Mr. & Mrs. Burnett here.

Kelle is a graduate of Merkel High, attended Cisco Junior College and is now a student at Angelo State University. She is employed by the United Way of Tom Green County.

Ticks carry a number of diseases, control is available

One of the problems of spring and summer are ticks. Ticks are a blood-sucking parasite of animals but they will also feed on humans. Ticks vary in size, shape and coloration. Some ticks feed on only one host while others feed on two or three different hosts during their life. Some types of ticks lay their eggs all at once and the number can be from several hundred to several thousand eggs. Other types of ticks lay several different batches of eggs. Ticks can live for quite sometime under proper conditions, possibly up to a year's time. Besides the annoyance of their presence and the irritation of their bite, ticks are important in the cause or spread of many diseases. Anemia can result from a large tick burden and if the anemia becomes severe, it can be life-threatening. The bite of some ticks can cause "tick paralysis". A newly recognized disease of dogs called Ehrlichiosis is spread by ticks. Rocky Mt. Spotted Fever is transmitted by ticks. The dreaded Texas Cattle Fever was transmitted by ticks. There are other diseases which involve ticks in their transmission. There are many preparations available to control this parasite. Insecticide dips, sprays, dusts, shampoos, pour ons, etc., are on the market. Read and follow all label instructions. In addition to treating the animals, the environment should be treated. Repeat treatments are usually needed.

Borrego's services held here

Henry Hilbert Borrego, 21, of Merkel died at 9:45 p.m. Thursday at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene after a lengthy illness. Services were at 2 p.m. Sunday at Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church with the Rev. Frank Zimmerman, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery, directed by Starbuck Funeral Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Pablo Borrego; three brothers, Martin, Casey and Pablo; four sisters, Mary, Janie, Rosalinda and Tanya, all of Merkel; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Pablo Borrego of Laredo; and his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Esquirol De La Cruz of Merkel.

Bicknell services held here Monday

Mabel E. Bicknell, 76, of Odessa, formerly of Merkel and Noodle died at 3:20 p.m. Saturday at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa after a lengthy illness. Services were held at 2 p.m. Monday at Starbuck Funeral Home, directed by Wilson Funeral Home of Odessa. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Born July 18, 1908, in Dora, she married Teddy Bicknell. He died Nov. 28, 1979. She was a member of First United Methodist Church in Odessa. Survivors include a daughter, Mattie Hough of Odessa; a son, Tommy of Austin; a brother, T.C. Jinkens of Sylvester; two sisters, Jewell Steele of Sweetwater and Leona Sloan of Merkel; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Xi Nu Eta meets

Xi Nu Eta held their monthly meeting April 9 in the home of Carol Portie, Abilene. The program was on Home Interior with guest speaker, Darlene Goff, Home Interior Consultant. Members present were Marilyn Tittle, Dee McCollum, Carol Portie, Recording Secretary Cathy Pack, Corresponding Secretary Carol Norman and City Council Representative Carol Portie. Plans were made to take our mothers to Steak and Ale for lunch for Mothers Day on May 5. The program was on Home Interior with guest speaker, Darlene Goff, Home Interior Consultant. Members present were Marilyn Tittle, Dee McCollum, Carol Portie, Jana Nelson, Kathy Dacy, Carol Norman, and Cathy Pack. The next meeting will be May 7 in the home of Jana Nelson, Abilene.

Hinson-Kellogg plans told

Melissa Hinson, daughter of Charles Hinson of Comanche and Darlene Nail of Merkel will marry Tim Kellogg, son of Mr & Mrs. James Clay of Merkel May 3rd at 7 p.m. The wedding will take place at a friend's home at 1524 Heath here.

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I would like to express my appreciation to all the people who bought tickets and donated to B.B.Q. dinner in my honor. Your generosity will help alot towards my trip. And a special thanks to those who worked so hard on it. **Sammy, Betty and Shelley**, **Pat Owen, Lisa Harris, Jackie Caulder, Dee Laurene Moore, Joe McDuff, Tommy Diltz, Misty Vaughn, Kathy, David & Dayna Doan, Beverly Johnson and Mike Lambert.**
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equitable, general or specific to which Plaintiff may show himself justly entitled, 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 26th day of March, A. D. 1985.
Attest: **RILLA MAHONEY**, Clerk, 104th District Court, Taylor County, Texas By **JoAnn Lackey**, Deputy.
110-4tc-102

PUBLIC NOTICE
The City of Merkel, Texas will hold two Public Hearings on the City's 1985-86 Budget and the 1985-86 General Revenue Sharing Budget.
Said Public Hearings to be held at 7:00 p.m. April 22, 1985 and May 6, 1985 in the E.M.S. Ambulance Building, 100 Block, Lamar Street, Merkel, Texas.
Any and all interested persons are invited to attend.
Kent Satterwhite
Mayor
109-3tc-19

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO **J. A. CORBIN**, Address Unknown Defendant, Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday the 13th day of May 1985, at or before ten o'clock A. M. before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Abilene, Texas.
Said Plaintiff's 1st Amended Petition was filed in said Court on the 2nd day of December A. D. 1983, in this cause, numbered 15,396-B on the docket of said court and styled, **MYERS KIM BERGMAN Plaintiff vs J. A. CORBIN, Individually and Raven Exploration Company, Inc. jointly and severally, Defendant's.**
The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: **MYERS KIM BERGMAN** are Plaintiffs and **J. A. CORBIN, Individually and Raven Exploration Company, Inc.,** Jointly and Severally are Defendants.
A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff entered into an Operating Agreement on October 1, 1981 which Plaintiff has since learned that Defendant Corbin misrepresented and committed a fraud against Plaintiff. As a result of the fraud Plaintiff seeks \$7,837.50, for a 6.25 percent working interest in specified wells. Plaintiff seeks exemplary damages in the sum of One Million and no/ 100 Dollars (1,000,000) because of intentional, willful and waton conduct of Defendant. Plaintiff seeks all other relief, legal or

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THE STATE OF TEXAS +TO: **Larry Abbe**, Defendant, Greeting:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable County Court at Law 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 10 day of June A.D. 1985, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 21 day of July A.D. 1983, in this cause, numbered 13,895 on the docket of said court and styled **Elliott-Hamil Funeral Homes, Inc., Plaintiff, vs. Larry Abbe, Defendant.**
A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit on Account, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.
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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 24 day of April A.D. 1985.
Janice Lyons Clerk, County Court at Law Taylor County, Texas by **Marie Gill**, Deputy.
111-1tc-60

Card of Thanks
We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our friends for their kindness and love shown to us during our time of sorrow. We deeply appreciated the flowers, cards, food, remembrances, and most of all your prayers. We are extremely grateful to **Brother Wayne Keller** and all of the members of the First Baptist Church for allowing us to use their church for the service. From our heart, we thank you.
Patty, Pat, Dee, Mike Warren, Zoe W. Warren, Jerry T. Warren.
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The kindness and sympathy of neighbors and friends in our recent sorrow will always remain with us as a precious memory. Our sincere thanks and gratitude for all those comforting acts.
A special thanks to all those who provided gifts of food.
The family of **Henry Borrego**

PUBLIC NOTICE
The annual report of the Dodge Jones Foundation is available for inspection at its principal office during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 180 days after publication of this notice.
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Garage Sale: twin beds, book case head board, playpen, mixer, new and used clothing, misc. items, old Gilene Building, Kent St. Tuesday May 7, 1:00 - 5:30 p.m.
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AGRICULTURE



§ Connie Mac Seymore speaks to a quiet here Saturday night. The full house at the All-Sports Banquet is held each year to recognize students that participate in sports at Merkel High.

Interest rates changing ag

High interest rates and narrowing profit margins for farmers are causing new and irreversible changes in agriculture.

"The sudden surge in interest rates a few years ago and persistent high real rates since then have triggered some dramatic changes in agriculture," points out Dr. Carl Anderson, economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

High interest rates not only increase the cost of doing business, but they also contribute to a strong dollar, discourage farm exports, encourage imports and stimulate incentives for foreign producers to step up production, Anderson notes. It all adds up to fewer crop exports and low U.S. farm prices. This accelerates changes in the structure of American Agriculture.

"Currently, farm operators with little debt have a strong advantage over those making large interest payments," notes the economist. "Rental agreements are turning away from cash rent, and traditional crop share arrangements are being renegotiated based on equitable resource contributions of both operators and landlords. Use of credit capital in agriculture is declining because of low returns to farm investments."

Anderson points out that the current farm economic situation discourages new entries into farming. Furthermore, new machinery purchases drop and there is more maintenance and repair work, more custom operations and more joint ownership of large machines. Marginal cropland shifts to forage and grazing programs which, over time, will lead to excess beef production and thereby lower cattle prices.

"Other changes with the current state of the farm economy include a squeeze on irrigated farming and a drop in land prices, especially irrigated farmland," the economist points out. "Farmers are discouraged from owning farmland, and off-farm income becomes vitally important and often necessary. Farm consolidations increase and commercial operations turn more sophisticated in business management, financing, production and marketing decisions."

As interest rates begin to climb and farm margins start narrowing, storage costs go up and marketing becomes disorderly, Anderson adds. Increased produc-

Fortnightly group watches show

The G.F.W.C. Merkel Fortnightly Study Club met April 23 with Ida Seymore and Alice King as hostess and co-hostess. Mrs. Ornel Hill presided over a short business session and interesting facts about the recent trip to Austin were given. Mrs. Lucy Haynes introduced the program on Education. Mrs. Jeanette Pursley and Mrs. Ida Seymore presented their second and fourth grade pupils in a program "Spring Follies" using songs and poems created in their art class.

Members present were Grace Lee Brown, Pam Carson, Mary Collins, Bess Dixon, Linnie Fisher, Mildred Hamm, Lucy Haynes, Edna Hill, Madelon Horton, Nina Bell Hughes, Alice King, Aillien Knight, Jeanette Pursley, Kathryn Rister, Alwyne Sandusky, Ida Seymore, Anna Bell Shouse, Clara Walla, Maurine White, Joyce Jay, Parilee Gibson, Ruth Lassiter, Evelyn Slinger and Evelyn Martin.

tion and marketing costs are absorbed by the farmer in the short-run, but eventually farmers become serious about building better markets so that higher costs can be passed on to consumers. Thus, marketing becomes an essential ingredient in shifting price risk, and production and marketing processes become more integrated. Group marketing systems are encouraged as being more efficient.

"Producers that can make necessary adjustments to survive prolonged periods of low income will be a business-minded group that have or can hire a considerable amount of financial, production and marketing expertise," notes Anderson. "Eventually, remaining producers will recognize the benefit of developing a committed marketing program that can adjust production to markets commodity by commodity."

"And, if the runaway federal budget deficit is brought under control and the over-valued dollar adjusts downward, export markets could expand, imports retreat and prosperity could return to agriculture," Anderson says.



§ Regional qualifiers for the Trent Gorilla track team are Doug Ferguson [left] and Bebo Beaver [right]. Ferguson qualified in the 100, 220 and the long jump. Kim Orr [center] was 3rd place in district golf. Staff photo]

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Seymores are Man-Sweetheart of year

On March 26 each member of Xi Nu Chi brought a foreign dish for a program on foreign meals by the program committee. Following the meal, officers were elected. They are: President Mary Hill, Vice Pres. Judy Elliott, Recording Secretary Vonne Dena Tumlinson, Corres. Sec. Connie Harris, Treasurer Diane Parker, Extension Officer Barbara Gardner and City Council Rep. Anita Allen.

In March, members of Xi Nu Chi were present for the Abilene Spring Rituals at the Petroleum Club. There Vicki Rodriguez, Peggy Valentine and Vonne Dena Tumlinson received rituals for the Exemplar degree.

Anita Allen was hostess at her home on April 9 with Mary Hill presenting the program on Lives of Purpose.

April 23, at the home of Nancy Johnson, was the scene of a salad supper, following the lovely pledge rituals ceremony for Nancy Duncan and Donna Lang. Karen Riley was reinstated, after a leave of absence, as Beta Sigma Phi and Nancy Johnson received the Exemplar ritual.

Those present were Peggy Valentine, Nancy Johnson, Anita Allen, Mary Hill, Connie Harris, Minyon Seymore, Vicki Rodriguez, Barbara Gardner, Diane Parker, Karen Riley, Donna Lang and Nancy Duncan, Blanche Hewitt, Mamie Steck and Vonne Dena Tumlinson.

Minyon Seymore was elected the Xi Nu Chi Woman of the Year. She was presented with 20 other Women of the year at the Founders Day Dance at the Civic Center in Abilene on April 27. Minyon was escorted by her husband, Phil, who was chosen as Man of the Year for Xi Nu Chi.

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AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A PERMIT TO BIG COUNTRY CABLEVISION, INC., FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING, AMPLIFYING, AND DISTRIBUTING TELEVISION SIGNALS AND TELEVISION TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE CITY OF TRENT, TEXAS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TRENT, TEXAS

Section 1. That there is hereby granted to Big Country Cablevision, Inc. its successors and assigns, hereinafter called the Grantee, the right, privilege and franchise to construct, maintain and operate in the present and future, in the streets, roads, alleys and public places of the City of Trent, a television and signal distribution system consisting of a tower, or towers, poles and cables with all necessary or desirable appurtenances including underground conduit for the purpose of supplying television signals to said city.

Section 2. That said Grantee, its agents and employees, may enter in and upon said streets, alleys and public places at any time for the purpose of making excavations, installing, removing, repairing and maintaining such poles, wires, cables and all other structures necessary or convenient in supplying such television signal service. Any and all excavations shall be repaired and obstructions removed as quickly as it is reasonably possible under the circumstances.

Section 3. For and in consideration of the right, privileges and franchise herein granted the Grantee, its successors and assigns, shall pay to the City of Trent, Texas during the term of this franchise a sum of 2 percent of the Grantee's gross receipts derived from monthly service charges to customers within the cooperate limits of the City of Trent, Texas. Payment of such sum in accordance with the foregoing shall be made on a quarterly basis. The above payments shall be in lieu of any tax or other imposition, assessment or charges, except ad valorem taxes.

Section 4. This franchise shall be in force and effect for a period of twenty-five years from acceptance and shall thereupon terminate and all licenses and privileges shall cease unless more than six (6) months before expiration date and not more than one (1) year prior to said expiration date, the Grantee shall tender to the said City of Trent, notice of its intention to renew this franchise, in which event the same shall be renewed for a term of five (5) years, and in like manner this franchise may be renewed for successive terms of five (5) years hereafter.

Section 5. That the Grantee shall within thirty (30) days from the passage and approval of this ordinance, file with the city secretary of the City of Trent, a written acceptance of this ordinance and at the same time pay to the said city secretary a sum of money sufficient to cover the cost of publication of this ordinance.

Section 6. The Grantee shall furnish public liability insurance in an amount not less than \$500,000.00 in a solvent surety company authorized to do business in the State of Texas, to be approved by the city secretary, to indemnify and save the City harmless from damages or injury to persons or property, and loss and expense caused by the negligence or default of the Grantee.

Section 7. Grantee shall set its rates to its customers in the City of Trent. Subscribers will be notified thirty (30)

days prior to any subsequent increases in monthly service rates.

Section 8. Grantee agrees to render service to all subscribers within economically feasible distance of its main system, and further agrees to maintain an adequate level of signal at subscriber's television receiving set. Provided, however that service can be discontinued for cause, namely either failure to make payment for service, or for tampering with Grantee's system.

Section 9. This ordinance and the terms and conditions thereof are specifically made subject to the applicable

rules and regulation of the Federal Communications Commission.

Section 10. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby amended accordingly.

Passed and approved at this the 23 day of April 1985.

Randy Hunt Mayor

Attest: Shannon Payne City Secretary

Accepted and Agreed:

Big Country Cablevision Inc.

W.A. "Bill" Green Vice President

111-2tc-194

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF MARVIN L.

GRIMES, JR., DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Independent Administration with Will Annexed upon the Estate of Marvin L. Grimes, Jr., deceased, were issued to me, Robert Madison Grimes, the undersigned, as Independent Administrator with the Will Annexed, on the 22nd day of April, 1985, in the above entitled and numbered proceeding, which is still pending, and that I now hold such Letters.

All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in the County Court of Taylor County, Texas, are hereby required to present the same to me at Post Office Box 638, Buffalo Gap, Texas 79508, before suit upon same are barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law.

My residence and my Post Office address are each in the County of Taylor and State of Texas.

Dated this 22nd day of April, 1985.

Robert Madison Grimes Independent Administrator with the Will Annexed of the Estate of Marvin L. Grimes, Jr.

111-1tc-50

Study Club meets

The Eighty One Study Club held its 15th meeting in the home of Ann Talent and was called to order by President Betty Stautzenberger.

Attending members were Lorene Beaird, Vernie Bryan, Evorie Dillard, Paula Forehand, Grace Holt, Goldia Malone, Cleo Reese, Betty Stautzenberger, Doris Summers, Ann Talent, and Catherine Wmn. Hostesses Ann Talent

and Lorene Beaird served refreshments during the meeting while Doris Summers gave a very interesting report on a trip to Iceland, "Land of the Midnight Sun."

The next meeting will be a tea and membership drive to be held at the community room of the Trent Bank from 4:00-6:00 p.m. on May 13, 1985.

All members will be hostesses and are asked to be at the bank community room at 3:30 p.m.

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"So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."



The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, man from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny, the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.



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