

The Merkel Mail

All Hallow's Eve, 1985 ...Merkel, Texas

Our 97th Year

Longtime Merkel physician's services held

Dr. William Theophilus Sadler, 83, of Merkel, a longtime leading physician in Taylor County, died at 12:15 p.m. Monday at his home following a sudden illness. Services were held at 4 p.m. Tuesday at the First Baptist Church in Merkel with the Rev. Kenneth Jones, of Caps Baptist Church and the Rev. Wayne Keller, pastor of First

Baptist Church of Merkel, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery in Merkel, Directed by Starbuck Funeral Home of Merkel.

Born Feb. 11, 1902, in Mount Alba, he married Mary Cleo Booth March 11, 1929, in Merkel. He was salutatorian of Palestine High School in 1916.

He entered the University of Texas at Austin at age 14 after getting a special permit from the Governor of Texas to do so.

He graduated from the University of Texas Medical School in Galveston in 1925. He moved to Merkel in 1927 and had lived here ever since.

He was the first doctor in the

Taylor-Jones County area to receive the Gold-headed Cane award in 1961.

He was a past president of the Taylor Jones Chapter of the General Practitioners and also the Taylor Jones County Medical Society.

A past director of the Farmers and Merchants National Bank in

Merkel, he also was a life member of the American and New Mexico Hereford Association. He was proclaimed as the outstanding citizen by the Mayor of Merkel in 1960. He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife of Merkel, a daughter, Sandra Haynes of Abilene, a grandson, Dr.

Bill Haynes of Abilene, a grand daughter, Merinda Davis of Dallas, and three great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were David Gamble, S.G. Russell, Peck Eager, Alvin Wozencraft, Bill Largent and Ed Sandusky.

The family requests remembrances be made to a favorite charity.

Have a safe & happy Halloween



Remarkable man; how about 2 in a row

by Cloy A. Richards

Merkel lost a long-time physician and a truly remarkable man with the passing of Dr. William T. Sadler.

Dr. Sadler died Monday morning.

I didn't know Dr. Sadler, I met him, he knew my name, and would speak when I saw him. Being a newcomer of only eight years and having had Dr. Iran as our family's doctor since we moved here, I didn't know him.

I did learn some facts about him, things I never knew before, and by the reaction of a lot of long time Merkelites, I was sure he was something very special to a lot of people.

From researching for a series of articles I wrote during Merkel's 100th Anniversary, I became aware of Dr. Sadler and what kind of man he was.

This is a man who at age 14 was the salutatorian of his high school class. Later in that same year, he was admitted to the University of Texas by special permission from the governor of Texas. He suffered through two large personal tragedies at age 27. His father, a lawyer was killed in a hunting accident.

Also that same year, his brother died in a rooming house fire. He had just purchased a pharmacy in Palestine, and he and Dr. Sadler had planned on going into business together.

The Merkel Mail published a special edition Feb. 19, 1960, which is re-published in this week's edition on Page 2.

He was the only Merkelite to have been so honored by this paper in its 96 year plus history. We join the community in ex-

pressing our sympathy to his family and friends at the loss of this remarkable man.

No, there is not something wrong with your eyes. We printed like this in observance of All Hallow's Eve.

Just a couple of Trick or Treat reminders.

Make sure your children are supervised when they go out hunting for goodies tonight. Also, make sure they have some way of being seen in the dark by traffic.

Wasn't it great to see the Badgers win a district football game?

That win may have been just what the Badgers needed to finish the season achieving goals set and living up to prediction made before the first snap this year.

Badger coach Dick Lepard told me a long time ago, he would be pleased with a 5-5 season and a third place district finish.

The Badgers, with wins over Wylie and Clyde can do just that. Be serious, beat Wylie and Clyde back-to-back.

Stranger things have happened and the Badgers have a chance at pulling off two in a row.

Take that strait-jacket off of me, give me a chance to explain.

It did a world of good for Badger players and coaches to win last week. Sure, Comanche has had their problems this year, but that's an old tune in Badgerland. Not only are we fighting a recent tradition of being a District 6AAA mark in the win column, the Badgers have had more than their share of problems and all things equal, we end up with a win.

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Homecoming activities start Friday

Final plans have been made for Homecoming Activities this week. The parade this year will follow a new route.

The Homecoming parade is being combined with the Crazy Days parade this year and a good turnout is expected. The parade will start at 4 p.m., followed by a downtown pep rally, also at a new location.

Also new this year, a Former Student Band will march, led by former Band Director Glenn Reed and Bob Hammond as drum major.

The band will be holding a meeting at 7:30 p.m. tonight (Thursday) at the band hall to make plans. People wishing to play in the band are asked to make their own arrangements for

instruments. The Homecoming Association will be awarding cash prizes for float winners and the Chamber of Commerce will be awarding prizes for the most crazy dressed participants.

The kickoff for the Merkel-Wylie game is 7:30 p.m. At halftime, the Homecoming Queen will be named, as well as the Coming Home King and Queen.

A coffee and business meeting will be held for former students after the game at Heritage Hall.

On Saturday, a continental breakfast and visitation will start at 9 a.m. at Heritage Hall.

Among other activities, the Class of 1975 is planning a reunion at Heritage Hall at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

The Homecoming parade, which starts at 4 p.m. Friday will be taking a different route.

The parade will assemble in the customary place at the intersection of North 3rd and Runnels, across from the Assembly of God church. The Band and queen floats will meet south of the intersection and other floats will meet north of the intersection. Tractors and other vehicles will meet west of the intersection.

The parade will first go East to Kent Street and turn right. It will then go south on Kent Street to North 1st and turn left. The parade will then go east on North 1st to Edwards Street where it will turn left. It will then travel north on Edwards to North 2nd Street.

The queen float and the band will continue North and then right to the pep rally area. The pep rally this year will be held on the building site East of Starbuck's.

Other floats are asked to continue on Edwards Street and return to the start of the parade route.

People planning on seeing the parade from their cars should take note of these changes so they will be able to see the parade.

This year, Crazy Days parade is being held along with the Homecoming parade. Prizes will be awarded by the Merkel Chamber of Commerce to people who dress the part and the Merkel Homecoming Association will award prizes for floats in the parade.

Badgers take 18-12 victory over Comanche, host Wylie in homecoming

The Merkel Badgers won a district football game and they came from behind to do so.

The Badgers downed Comanche 18-12 here last Friday and will host the Wylie Bulldogs here Friday night in the annual Homecoming contest. Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m.

Badger head coach Dick Lepard told *The Mail* Monday "I don't think the win was a fluke. Comanche has the same size of school we have and we have been playing some schools with larger enrollments in the last two weeks. We are developing character and the things we need. We only have two games left this year, and we were slow to develop and come around. It's not all a bed of roses, we still have a ways to go."

Lepard complimented the play of Danny Santee, Doug Taylor, Justin Amerine, Chris Reyna and Shane Reagan on defense and liked the play of Keith Watson, Taylor, Lance Perry and Kenneth Jowers on offense.

Lepard added "We played together last Friday night and the offensive and defensive line came off the ball real well. We are trying to go 5-5 on the year and finish third in the district. We can play with Wylie and Clyde and we are really looking forward to the Wylie game."

About Wylie, Lepard said "We will have to be razor sharp for the Wylie game. Wylie has a good football team and likes to throw the football and we will have to work hard all week preparing to stop their attack. Wylie has run from 15 to 20 offensive sets this year and they like to throw."

He added "Our kids will be ready to play Wylie. They beat up on us pretty good last year but everyone wants to win the Homecoming game and Merkel will usually be ready to play Abilene Wylie."

The coach added, I was real proud of the team last week. They showed a lot of character by coming from behind 12-6 to tie the game and take the lead and I think we finally became aggressive.

Wholesale changes have been made at the varsity level this year, due to injuries and three players who left the team within the past 10 days. Lepard said some of the changes that have been made have not been too popular but said the coaches evaluate each player's performance each week and play people who deserve to play. He

said "That's the only fair way because the kids who are on the JV and Freshman teams work hard so they can be moved up to varsity, and it's the same way in life. If you don't do your job, someone who can is waiting to take it."

About his freshman quarterback, Lepard said "Kenneth conducted himself as a varsity player. He threw the ball well (4 of 8 and a touchdown) and he has accepted the challenge we gave him and handled it very well."

Running back Dean Franklin gained 114 yards rushing and

scored a touchdown.

In other action last week, the JV and Freshmen were idle and the 7th and 8th grade teams lost to Wylie.

This week, the B, 7th and 8th grade teams will host Wylie. The JV and Freshmen teams travel to Wylie. The Freshman game will start at 5:30 and the JV kickoff should be at 7 p.m.

Lepard said "The JV and men should be ready to play this week. They have had daily two hour workouts alone. Sure, we have pulled quite a few players off of those teams for the varsity, but

that's what they are all working for to be in the Badger Varsity."

He closed by saying, "Wylie will be trying to throw the football and we will be trying to control the ball. Our kids will be ready to play because it is Homecoming and they are playing Abilene Wylie. They get a lot of press each week, you can even read what color they paint their toe nails. We want some respect and and if we beat Abilene Wylie we will be on our way to gaining some respect. It should be a good ballgame."

Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m. with Homecoming activities at half time.

City buys garbage truck

The Merkel City Council approved a resolution to finance a used garbage truck and re-appointed three members to the Merkel Housing Authority at their regular meeting held Monday night at the Merkel Emergency Medical Service Building.

Council also heard a report on the cost of the city's insurance for fiscal year 1986.

Councilmen approved a financing plan on the purchase of a used garbage truck. The truck has a capacity of 20 cubic yards, four more than the truck currently being used. City manager J. A. Sadler told councilmen the new truck would save two to three trips per week to the city landfill. The truck was tested last week on the Friday commercial-business routes and men operating the truck were pleased with its performance.

Sadler told councilmen "We will finance the \$7,500 cost at the Farmers and Merchants National Bank. They offered us a better interest rate than we could have had from the Clifton company and besides, we will keep the money here."

The city will pay off the note in 12 months.

Sadler also reported to council new liability insurance was in force for city owned property and vehicles. The city will pay \$26,642 in premiums this year, up \$4,000 from last year.

Broken down, the city will spend \$1,662 for building insurance, \$8,814 for liability insurance and \$11,439 for fleet insurance for the 19 city vehicles. The city went

through local insurance agents for

In other action, council re-

appointed three members to the

Merkel Housing Authority's Board of Directors. Agreeing to serve are

Alf Walla, Charles (Peck) Eager and Ronnie Doan.



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Dr. SADLER NAMED OUTSTANDING CITIZEN

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Earl Hughes has designated the week of February 22 "Dr. William T. Sadler Week in Merkel."

The Mayor's Proclamation is as follows:

"Whereas, Dr. Wm. T. Sadler has been named Merkel's Outstanding Citizen by the Chamber of Commerce, and

Whereas, the citizens of Merkel heartily endorse this choice, and

Whereas, Dr. Sadler has contributed so much to the betterment of the community by giving generously of his time to youth organizations, athletic teams and civic projects, and

Whereas, the Sadler-Clinic Hospital is a decided asset to the City of Merkel.

Therefore, I, Earl Hughes, Mayor of the City of Merkel, do hereby proclaim the week beginning February 22, 1960, as "Dr. Wm. T. Sadler Week in Merkel" in recognition of a truly fine citizen."



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AS A TOKEN OF OUR ESTEEM AND COMMEMORATING 35 YEARS OF FAITHFUL, DEVOTED SERVICE, WE HONOR THE RECIPIENT OF THIS PLAQUE FOR HIS PUBLIC SPIRITED INTEREST IN AND INTERPRETATION OF ALL LOCAL PROBLEMS. FOR HIS VISION, STUDIED OPINION, INVALUABLE SUGGESTIONS AND WILLINGNESS TO HELP. FOR HIS GENEROUS FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF ALL WORTHY PROJECTS.

PARTICULARLY WOULD WE HONOR HIM FOR HIS UNSELFISH ASSISTANCE TO THE YOUTH OF OUR COMMUNITY, OUR HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC TEAMS, FFA AND 4-H CLUBS. HIS GUIDANCE IN THIS FIELD HAS BEEN CONSPICUOUSLY OUTSTANDING.

BY HIS NATURE HUMBLE AND UNASSUMING, HE HAS THRU THE MEDIUM OF HIS CHOSEN PROFESSION AND IN MANY OTHER WAYS DONE SO MANY THINGS FOR SO MANY PEOPLE, HE HAS EARNED AND RICHLY DESERVES THE ENDURING FRIENDSHIP, CONFIDENCE, ADMIRATION AND LOVE OF OUR FOLKS IN ALL WALKS OF LIFE.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, MERKEL, TEXAS

February 18, 1960

Dr. William T. Sadler, prominent physician, was named Merkel's outstanding citizen at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet tonight.

Booth Warren, bank president, presented the "Distinguished Citizen Award to Dr. Sadler for "35 years of faithful, devoted service."

Warren said he was not only presenting the award on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce but on behalf of "ten thousand

(more or less) residents of this area of West Texas."

He went on to say, "Dr. Sadler is in all respects and by any measure a truly great citizen. This plaque is a token of our esteem and appreciation but it is more than this—it commemorates thirty-five years of unselfish, devoted service to this community."

"Many of us have long since learned to look to him for analysis and interpretation of local problems and we would honor him for his invaluable suggestions and ever ready willingness to help."

"He has been generous with financial support of all worthwhile projects and has given of his time, when we knew that he did not have the time."

"We particularly honor him for his assistance to the youth of our community, for his interest in and loyal support of all athletic teams of Merkel High School, the FFA and 4-H Clubs. His guidance in this field has been particularly outstanding."

"Through the medium of his chosen profession and in other ways he has for so many years done so many things for so many people."

"This honor is richly deserved and long overdue."

Dr. Sadler operates his own 17-bed hospital, known as the Sadler-Clinic Hospital, and is almost as well-known as a rancher as he is a doctor. He holds a life membership in the American Hereford Association and the New Mexico State Hereford Association.

Dr. Sadler's interest in cattle and horses apparently started many years ago and since he has led a double life—doctoring when needed and the rest of the time being a cowboy.

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"Oh, sometimes," he said, "but we'd rather just have some kind of flannel shirt in the winter and something much lighter in the summer. This is my 'town rig.'"

The newspaper article went on to say, "Asked about a country doctor's practice, Dr. Sadler replied, "Oh, we handle the skin and its contents."

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On behalf of The University of Texas, I want to extend to you our heartfelt congratulations and very best wishes. Sincerely yours, Logan Wilson

Doctor - Rancher Rancher - Doctor?

The love of good cattle is one of Dr. W. T. Sadler's chief interests and he is well-known in ranching circles throughout Texas and New Mexico.

He owns a ranch in northeastern New Mexico and is in the cattle business in Ft. Davis, Texas with Rust Largent. He has also been in partnership in the cattle business with Roy Largent, well-known Hereford breeder. He has a life membership in the American Hereford Association and the New Mexico State Hereford Association.

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Albany Beats Badgers, 48-45

Albany's Lions pulled into second place in District 10-A, dropping Merkel from the spot with a 48-45 come-from-behind victory Friday night.

The winners moved their district record to 5-3 and brought the Badgers' mark to 4-3. Both trail Clyde in the race for the top position.

Don Mitchell's 14 points and Roy Hogan's 12 paved the way for Albany. Ronnie Reeger and Phil Seymour each hit 11 for the losers.

Albany lost the girls' game, 44-41, but captured the B team contest, 54-38.

Sue Modrall led Merkel's girls, with 16, and Karen Lenamon had 28 for Albany.

Johnny Agan canned 27 for Albany B, while the Merkel B cause was headed by Lucas' 9 points.

MERKEL: Reeger 4 3 11; Seymour 4 3 11; Dorton 2 0 4; Higgins 3 2 8; Bible 4 1 9; Moreno 1 0 2; Totals 18 9 45.
ALBANY: Durham 4 0 8; Hudson 2 2 6; Mitchell 7 0 14; Hogan 4 4 12; Taylor 3 2 8; Totals 20 8 48.

MERKEL 13 30 41 45
ALBANY 13 26 38 48

Look, Wayne, It's Empty!

Dr. W. T. Sadler has been much too busy to bother with trivial things such as getting to his wedding on time or returning lab materials.

When he received his M. D. degree shipment from Texas School of Medicine, he and Dr. Ramsey were prepared to celebrate. Imagine their consternation when no sheepskin was in the container—just a note from the dean saying some lab materials had not been turned in and their degrees were "held up." They say that two young medical students were up early the next morning attending to this trivial matter.

Another story that has told a bout the doctor had to do with his being late for his early morning wedding. Weary and haggard, they say, he greeted his bride-to-be with these words, "Don't marry me. I've just delivered the 13th child to a lady."

Range Reseeding Program Slated

A range reseeding program will be held on the David Gamble farm, 13 miles southwest of Merkel on FM 126, Tuesday, Feb. 23.

The program, which will get underway at 11 a.m., is being sponsored by the Middle Clear Fork Conservation District. Treanor Equipment Co., Standifer & Son Dezer Co. and Herman's Grass Seed Farms.

Methods of reseeding range land to native grasses to improve the quality will be demonstrated. Reseeding previously root plowed land will be featured on the program, according to George Sparkman, technician with the Merkel Soil Conservation office.

Coffee and doughnuts will be served by Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Feb. 24 Deadline Set For Talent Contest Entries

An evening of fun is in store for the community on Feb. 24 when the Merkel Senior 4-H Club will stage a talent and fashion fun festival in the high school auditorium.

Admission to the festival will be 15 and 25 cents. Entry fee per person in the talent contest is 10 cents. Proceeds will be used for a 4-H Club sign to be erected near Merkel on Interstate Highway 20.

Deadline for entries is Feb. 24 and may be made by contacting Dorothy Smith or Mrs. Ford Jr.

Prizes, donated by local neighboring merchants, will be given.

Sue McAninch, president of the club, will be moderator of the show.

Wire From Friend Brings Doctor To Merkel In 1927

Telegrams amounting to \$4.35 from his lifelong friend, Dr. Wayne V. Ramsey, Abilene radiologist and surgeon, are responsible for Dr. W. T. Sadler coming to Merkel.

The oil fields were booming at that time and Dr. Robert Grimes of Merkel needed help immediately. Dr. Ramsey sent the telegrams urging his good friend and former roommate in medical school, to come to West Texas which he did in 1927.

Born in Montalba, Texas on Feb. 11, 1902, Dr. Sadler was the second son to Mrs. Lula Childress Sadler. His father, William T. Sadler, a lawyer, was killed in a hunting accident in Midland at the age of 27, just six months before the birth of his second son and namesake. The other son, Childress, was two years old at the time.

Their mother taught school and later became county superintendent, always taking the two boys with her as there were no baby sitters in those days.

W. T. graduated from Palestine High School in 1916 as salutatorian of his class. He entered the University of Texas at 14. Because of his youth a special permit had to be granted by the Governor of Texas.

He chose the study of medicine and his brother studied pharmacy. They planned to work together but just before W. T. graduated, his brother who had bought a drug store in Palestine, lost his life in a fire in his rooming house. He was 27 at the time.

To help get his education, Dr. Sadler taught mathematics in Palestine High School for two years. He graduated from the Texas School of Medicine in 1925.

When the doctor came to Merkel, Noodle Dome was a big oil field and industrial work alone was enough to keep several doctors busy. In 1929 he married Mary Cleo Booth of Merkel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Booth. She had been an English teacher in Merkel High School for three years.

In 1933 the Sadler's daughter, Sandra Lu, now Mrs. Bill Haynes, was born.

In 1941 Sue Mayfield moved into her aunt and uncle's home because of the serious illness of her father. When he died, Sue, now Mrs. Oris Reynolds, continued to live with the Sadlers and to be reared as a second daughter.

The Sadlers have two grandchildren, William Comer Haynes, 5 and Mary Melinda Haynes, 2. Although they are not his grandchildren he feels that Mark Ed Reynolds, 7, and Becky Reynolds, 5, should be his own, his friends say.

LIBRARY SERVICE TO START

Opening ceremonies for the new Tri-County Bookmobile will be held in front of the post office at Kent St. in Merkel from 10 a.m. to 12 noon on March 18. The public is invited to attend the open house which will inaugurate service for this county.

"Halloween Festival", hosted by Peggy Valentine, was the main theme for the October 22nd meeting of Beta Sigma Phi, Chapter Xi Nu Chi. A delightful program presented by Barbara Gardner, concentrated on our silent actions and interactions of our relationship toward others. A characteristic portrayal of oneself was charted. The meeting was concluded with Halloween harvest refreshments including pumpkin ice cream.

Members present were Peggy Valentine, Minyon Seymore, Barbara Gardner, Nancy Johnson, Judy Elliott, Nancy Duncan, Anita Allen, Connie Harris, Donna Lang, Karen Riley, and Mary Hill.

Volleyball results

The Merkel girls volleyball teams played at Breckenridge Oct. 22 and found the Buckaroos a little rough to handle.

The Freshmen lost 4-15 and 0-15. Anissa Jones, Richa Hill, Glyn Ann Rutledge and Stacy Boyd were all 100 percent servers. Coach Rhonda Rainwater said the team played well on a new offensive pattern and said Jones and Jennifer Gaona played well as setters.

The JV team lost 6-15 and 3-15. Teresa Lucas, Angie Boggs, Debbie Keller and Mitzi Shelton were 100 percent servers and the team served at a 78 percent clip. Coach Rainwater said Michelle Dudley did a good job of setting the ball and Lucas and Shelly Brandon played well on offense.

The varsity lost in three games 2-15, 15-11 and 2-15. The team served at a 83 percent clip and 100 percent servers were Sherry Riney, Stacy Newberry, Michelle Woodard, Jana Petit and Diem Tran. The coach said the team played pretty good defense and said Petit and Amber Whisenhunt did a good job at the net.

7th grade football
The first season of action for the 7th grade Badgers is nearing an end. There are two more scheduled games for the boys. Counting the first game, that was a forfeit by Jim Ned, the record for the 7th grade is 2 wins, 1 tie and 3 losses. The tie was with Breckenridge where the boys played a very good ballgame and the score ended 14-14.

Coach Doug Handley, a first year coach for Merkel, is the coach of the 7th grade with the assistance of Ron Yancy.

The 1985 Mum Game for the Middle School will be Halloween night, Thursday, Oct. 31 at approximately 4:30 at Badger Stadium. The Middle School will be playing 3 games against Wylie. The Jr. High band and pep squad will also be on hand for the night. Please come out and support the Jr. Merkel Badgers.



MERKEL HIGH SCHOOL

§ The 1985 Homecoming Queen will be named at halftime Friday night. Honored this year are (left) Freshman Princess Pam candidates Kelly Beights, Laura Neff, Sophomore Princess Shelle Smith and Kelly Riney Doan, Junior Princess Angela Thomas and Homecoming Queen (Staff photo)

Local churches will conduct census Sunday

Sunday, Nov. 3rd, 6 churches will be teams of two persons will be canvassing Merkel and the knocking on your door between the surrounding rural area to find out hours of 1:30 and 4:00 p.m. It will persons church preference. There not take long to answer the questions the teams will be asking. The workers in the census will meet at First Baptist Church after morning worship for a covered dish lunch. Packets and instructions will be given at this meeting. The information gathered will be given the churches indicated on the survey card. We ask for your cooperation in helping us in this census. The participating churches are The Assembly of God, Calvary Baptist, First Baptist Church, First United Methodist, Grace Presbyterian, and Our Mother of Mercy Roman Catholic.

DON'T LET THE GOBLINS GET YOU!
Big Country Inn
 HALLOWEEN EVENING SPECIAL
 FREE WITCHES' BREW AND TREATS
 FOR ANYONE IN COSTUME
Chili or Stew \$1.50
 5-10 p.m.

The Dairy Queen

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For Texas Taste, DQ's the place for a Golden Chicken Fried, 100% Pure Beef Sandwich Served on a toasted bun with crisp lettuce and red, ripe tomatoes. So come on by...



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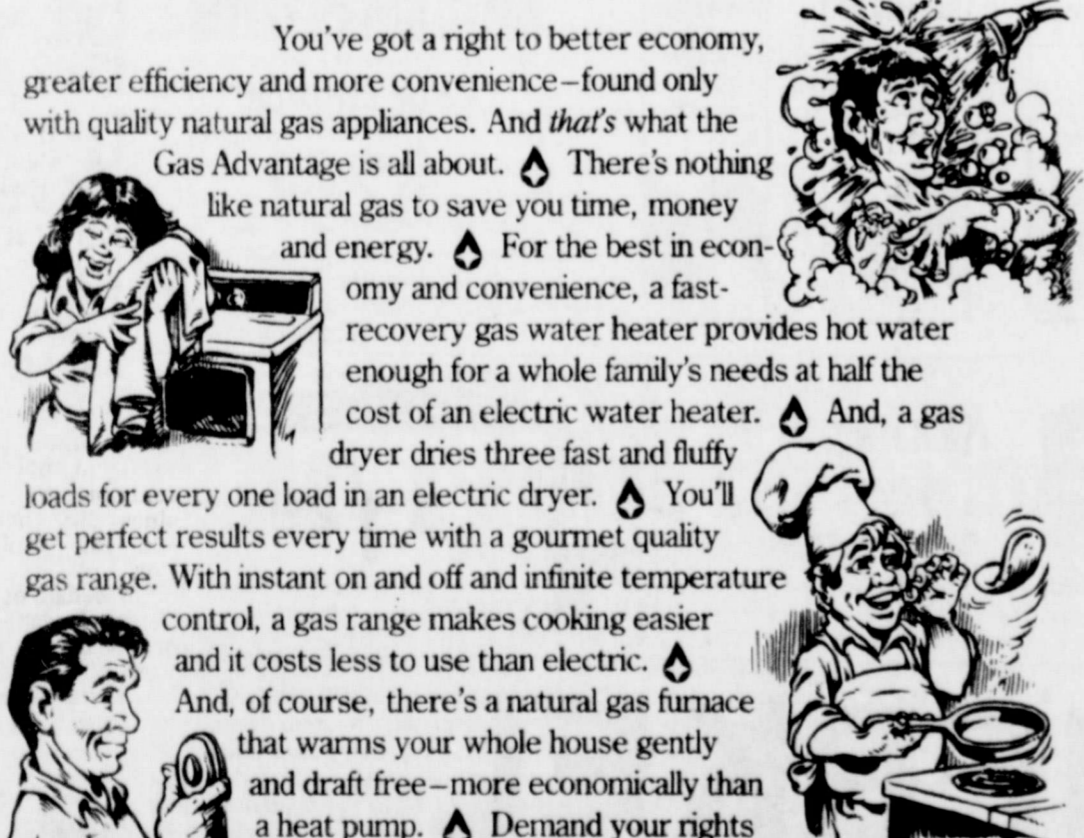
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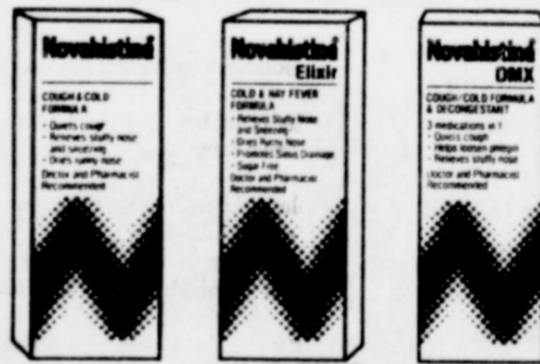
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TEXAS PACKING COMPANY

Wayne & Rita Rieger — Owners

Looking for the best place to buy meats for the holiday season? Remember the TEXAS PACKING COMPANY located at 1309 W. Broadway in Sweetwater, phone 235-1454. They're well known in this area for their fine meats and excellent custom cutting work.

Regardless of what you have to be cut and wrapped, the experts here at this meat packing company can handle the job in the most professional manner so that you get the most of each particular cut of meat, and cut the right way so that it will be more tender. They will completely wrap it for you and freeze it, all in the shortest time. TEXAS PACKING COMPANY features delicious smoked turkeys, and boneless peppered hams perfect for the holidays.

Hunters! Remember that TEXAS PACKING COMPANY also specializes in deer processing. Through their interest to select only the highest grade meat for packing purposes, this company is known for their delicious meats at realistic prices.

This fall let this firm cut your meats, and when looking for the best to buy, always select the fine meats from the TEXAS PACKING COMPANY. You'll be glad you did!

ALDRIDGE AUTO SALES ALDRIDGE AUTO SALES #2

Kenneth & Goldie Ann Aldridge — Owners

H. A. Travis — Co-Owner #2 Location

Ned Watts — Sales

ALDRIDGE AUTO SALES located at 1702 Butternut, phone 676-1931, and their #2 location at 14th and Butternut in Abilene, is your headquarters for used car values. They operate their lot with the customer in mind, and it shows!

Small cars, family units, trucks . . . you name it, and it's here! One of the area's finest selection of quality reconditioned cars is the main reason for the number of customers who do business here again and again.

Right now, the ALDRIDGE AUTO SALES and ALDRIDGE AUTO SALES #2 is trading higher than most anyone and, if you can't find just what you want on the lot, they'll be happy to pay cash for your present car. Just drive in and see how much your unit is really worth . . . you might be pleasantly surprised!

For the best deal in town, stop in at ALDRIDGE AUTO SALES and ALDRIDGE AUTO SALES #2!

MRS. BAIRD'S BAKERIES

MRS. BAIRD'S BAKERIES at 2701 Palm in Abilene wishes to take this opportunity to express their thanks to all those that have been instrumental in their growth over the years.

While it is true that they have become one of the leading producers of fine baked goods in the area, they realize that in order to have done this, they had to have the wholehearted support of the community for this to be possible.

Stop in at one of their convenient Thrift Stores: 2701 Palm, 2304 North 6th St., 2301 Ambler, or 735 Oak St. and pick up some of their delicious baked goods.

Or just look for MRS. BAIRD'S name in your local grocery store. Retailers enjoy stocking this quality line of baked goods, and smart homemakers know their family is getting the best when they pick up a loaf of this fine bread at their favorite store. If your grocer isn't carrying MRS. BAIRD'S products, tell him you only want the best for YOUR family!

Remember MRS. BAIRD'S name for the finest in baked goods!

McCRIGHT GARAGE & MACHINE

Bob Lawlis — Owner

With colder weather approaching, NOW is the time to make sure your car is in the best possible condition! Excellence in all phases of automobile repair is what's featured at the McCRIGHT GARAGE & MACHINE in Abilene at 2802 North 1st, phone 672-1721.

The automobile of the 80's is a complex and precise machine requiring a thorough knowledge and the proper tools to repair and adjust it properly. This is one repair shop which has both the know how and the equipment to get the job done right in the shortest possible time. From a ring job to valve grinding to a complete tune-up, this reliable garage will keep your car running perfectly at an absolute minimum cost.

McCRIGHT GARAGE & MACHINE now also features a complete automotive machine shop service! They can handle the toughest repairs with the precision required of this work.

People from throughout the area speak highly of the quality workmanship which goes into every job that the McCRIGHT GARAGE & MACHINE does, and, as we all know, a job well done is the best possible recommendation. This fall trust YOUR car to McCRIGHT GARAGE & MACHINE!

ALLMAND ENERGY PROPANE

James Allmand — Owner

Rural residents will be pleased to know that ALLMAND ENERGY PROPANE is the authorized distributor for L.P. gas in both bottled and bulk forms. This friendly concern specializes in personalized service and regular deliveries to all outlying areas. You won't be without the clean warmth of gas this winter with this reliable company on the job.

Located at 4825 South Treadaway in Abilene, phone 692-2413, this is one fuel company which realizes the importance of keeping the customer satisfied.

In keeping with this policy, ALLMAND ENERGY PROPANE features a convenient TANK LEASING SERVICE for their customers. They also have the experience required to convert your car or truck to economical L.P. gas.

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SWEETWATER UNION 76 AUTO TRUCK STOP

Oscar Pena — General Manager

When it comes to keeping the big rigs rollin' in the area, more and more experienced drivers rely on the SWEETWATER UNION 76 AUTO TRUCK STOP located at I-20 at Hopkins Road in Sweetwater, phone 235-8488.

Well known as being one of the best truck stops on the road, this full service station is ready to cater to the every need of the professional driver who depends on his truck for a living.

Their restaurant is recognized by truckers, travelers, and the local residents as being one of the very best restaurants anywhere! A real meal anytime of the day or night is what they serve here, and their reputation has spread far and wide.

Delicious Mexican food, mouth watering smoked bar-be-cue and a complete menu of other succulent dishes have made this one place that drivers stop at whether they're really hungry or not.

Their travel store is fully stocked, ranging from general merchandise to a selection of trucker needs. Truckers enjoy taking advantage of the "one stop convenience" of clean, complete facilities available here. Just one stop to fuel, service, freshen-up, rest up AND enjoy a great meal!

Make stopping in at the SWEETWATER UNION 76 AUTO TRUCK STOP a regular habit . . . you don't even have to pull up in a truck!

CHARLES L. BURNETT DIRT & PAVING CONTRACTOR

Charles Burnett — Owner & Operator

Considering hiring a contractor to do some paving work on your property? Stop a minute. Don't just call anybody in the phone book because you like the looks of their ad! In this area, many knowledgeable people are in the habit of calling CHARLES L. BURNETT DIRT & PAVING CONTRACTOR in Sweetwater at 1100 W. Broadway, phone 235-5321. This reliable firm has been paving streets, parking lots, and other applications for years and they have established a reputation for doing some of the best paving anywhere!

If you're a homeowner, you can benefit by talking to these professionals. They'll set you straight about the low cost involved in increasing your property with a paved driveway. Businessmen, too, can do themselves a favor by paving their parking lots and driveways! The customers will be grateful . . . and they'll show it!

Regardless of what kind of surface you want to pave . . . for whatever reason . . . this outstanding firm can do a better job in the shortest possible time! This fall, make sure YOU call CHARLES L. BURNETT DIRT & PAVING CONTRACTOR first!

SITTON ROOFING

Gary Sitton — Owner

It's ironic, but one of the most important items in the protection of your home is often the most neglected! SITTON ROOFING in Abilene at 880 Ross, phone 677-5416, is well known as one of the area's leading roofing contractors. Their years of experience and fine completions serve as their best references. When you call this company to "talk roofing" you can be assured that you've made a wide decision!

As specialists in ALL TYPES of roofing, this prominent firm can handle new roofing as well as repairs. Some of the services performed by this outstanding contractor includes: built-up roofs — gravel, wood shingles and shakes, and composition shingles.

Whenever you're in need of roofing of any type . . . whether it's new construction or re-roofing . . . call the professionals at SITTON ROOFING for a free estimate. You'll like their service and the results you get!

WAH JEWELRY MFG.

Bill Menley — Owner

Do you have people on your gift list for the holiday season that are hard to buy for? By shopping at WAH JEWELRY MFG. you'll never have to worry again about finding something special for that special person. This outstanding gift shop specializes in the unique and the beautiful and after one visit, your gift problems will be over.

Located at 3246 North 1st in Abilene, phone 672-9562, this fine shop specializes in beautiful custom designed jewelry.

From their large selection of loose stones and settings, you're sure to find that perfect gift. Let their designer help you in creating your own one-of-a-kind piece of jewelry. The skilled craftsmen at WAH JEWELRY MFG. will design and fashion your new piece of jewelry in their own shop using your gold and stones or theirs.

Look over their distinctive selection of sapphires, emeralds, rubies and, of course, beautiful diamonds. Their selection is one of the finest to choose from and they also feature a large supply of ring patterns. You're sure to find something that will be a joy to give AND to receive!

The friendly, courteous personnel at the WAH JEWELRY MFG. always endeavor to help you make your selection in the most accommodating manner.

Make WAH JEWELRY MFG. your first stop when looking for something special.

K-BOB'S STEAK HOUSES

Bobby & Todd Hooper & Eugene Richmond — Owners

It's well known that when the people of this area sit back to relax in comfortable surroundings, and enjoy the biggest mouth-watering steak dinner they can find, they head straight for the pleasant surroundings of K-BOB'S STEAK HOUSE. They feature 2 locations in Abilene at 1149 East North 10th, phone 677-1428, and 3142 South 27th, phone 698-4301.

This well known steak house is known in this area as the finest restaurant to obtain a delicious steak prepared exactly the way you want it, and served with all the trimmings.

When the owners here decided to open, they had one primary goal in mind, and that was to offer the people of this area the finest food, served among friendly people in a pleasant atmosphere, and always with the best service in town. The fact that they have achieved just that is evidenced by the ever returning number of people that have made K-BOB'S STEAK HOUSE their place to dine.

When you're hungry for the best steak around, stop in at K-BOB'S STEAK HOUSE!

CODY'S WESTERN WEAR

Stop in and visit with the folks at Cody's!

In this day and age of satellites, astronauts, and reusable space craft there is still a great need in every community for a well stocked western wear store. In Abilene, the place to see is CODY'S WESTERN WEAR, located at 4510 Buffalo Gap Road, phone 698-4147. Here you will find western fashions to meet every individual need.

This distinctive shop features nationally known brands of handsome western boots, plain and fancy. There are shirts, pants, jackets and, of course, the cowboy's favorite: blue jeans! You might not want to ride the rodeo, but if you wanted to . . . you would look the part!

For the holiday season, you'll find authentic western fashions for "top hands" of all ages! Your bank cards are welcome, and there are convenient lay-a-way plans available.

This fall, shop at "Everybody's Favorite Western Store" . . . CODY'S WESTERN WEAR!

HALL AIR CONDITIONING

Total service! That's what you get when HALL AIR CONDITIONING is on the job. This experienced firm specializes in both commercial and residential heating and air conditioning systems, heat pumps and solar systems, and can handle the entire project from start to finish!

Located at 145 Shelton in Abilene, phone 672-2541, this is one company that's capable of complete installations of your heating and cooling system. They're the area distributor for famous Carrier products, and they'll take care of every detail from initial planning and design to finished product. Call them if you're planning to build.

HALL AIR CONDITIONING also specializes in heat pumps and solar systems. Call them for more information. These skilled experts stand ready to assist you in every possible way.

With colder weather on the way, NOW is the time to make sure your heating system is in top notch running order. Call the pro's at HALL AIR CONDITIONING today!

SUTTON & SON SEPTIC TANK SERVICE

Roy Sutton — Owner

When it rains . . . it pours! Is that your problem? Expert septic tank cleaning service is available in this area from SUTTON & SON SEPTIC TANK SERVICE at 2225 Oakland in Abilene, phone 672-9220.

This respected firm specializes in the cleaning, repairing and installing of septic tank systems and their quality work has won them the admiration of homeowners throughout the area.

Commercial, residential and industrial sanitation problems are their full time job and they know their work! They're ready to go on a moments notice to correct any malfunction which may arise with your waste disposal system. They won't keep you waiting.

The SUTTON & SON SEPTIC TANK SERVICE stands ready to perform any type of maintenance on your septic tank system. They can repair or clean most any unit on the market, and they can do it faster. They can also clean clogged sewers, sinks, toilets, showers, laundry facilities, pipes and drains in commercial, residential, and industrial buildings. See these professionals for ALL of your septic tank problems . . . SUTTON & SON SEPTIC TANK SERVICE!

SWEETWATER ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE

SWEETWATER ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE, a subsidiary of Sweetwater Electric & Supply is well known as being one of the area's foremost authorities on all types of electric motors. They're located at 2311 E. Broadway in Sweetwater, phone 235-3456.

Specializing in the repairing and rebuilding of electric pump motors, welders, automation equipment and other electrical problems, this respected firm has won the admiration of leading business, oil field and industrial people throughout the area. They carry a large stock of parts for most all makes.

The SWEETWATER ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE also features a complete line of high quality motors for nearly any application. They have a good stock of controls, relays, and other needed electrical apparatus, too.

For ALL of your electric motor needs, make it a point to see SWEETWATER ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE!

BIG SUR WATERBEDS

Skip Adams — Manager

Tired of waking up with a morning backache? The therapeutic effects of the waterbed has been shown in nursing homes, hospitals, and at home for patients suffering from back pain and arthritic problems. Expectant mothers and infants also find a waterbed more comfortable.

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The BIG SUR WATERBEDS carries a full line of waterbeds in all sizes from singles to doubles to queen and king sizes. They also feature frames, both floor and elevated, heaters, bedspreads, blankets, and beautiful contemporary furniture. There's a world of sleeping comfort awaiting you at this distinctive shop!

For outstanding products, complete service AND a better way to sleep, stop in at BIG SUR WATERBEDS!

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Remodeling this fall? For exciting custom designs in ceramic and non-ceramic tile, many homeowners specify the KING TILE COMPANY as the tile contractor they prefer. And for good reason! This well known tile professional located at 133 Portland in Abilene, phone 673-3721, has many tasteful designs and finished projects to their credit.

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Do it right. Protect your investment and see the pros at ANDERS BODY SHOP!

WINDSHIELD SALES AND SERVICE

Windshields Sales and Service
Jerry D. Owen-Owner

If you have a broken windshield, don't take chances by checking with anyone listed in the phone book, see the professionals at Windshields Sales & Service. Their auto glass specialist, they are located for your convenience at

633 Oak in Abilene. You can phone them at 677-2268, and have their mobile unit speed on their way to replace your windshield.

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Regardless of what type of car or truck you have, this firm can replace the glass in it quickly and inexpensively. Boat, farm and industrial machinery glass can be

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superior quality auto glass, see or call this well known company that will be glad to give you a free estimate. They guarantee your satisfaction on all work and are specialists when it comes to handling insurance claims. Bring your car or truck in and let them install new glass while you wait,

or have their mobile unit come to you. Either way, you will get the best possible work done. They have wholesale prices available to big customers, so be sure to check with Windshields Sales & Service. This fine firm wishes everyone in the area a happy and prosperous holiday season.

Obituaries

Howard Laney

Howard Franklin Laney, 85, of Merkel, died Oct. 26 following a short illness.

Funeral services were held Oct. 28th at the First United Methodist Church here with Temple Lewis and John Wagoner, officiating. Burial followed at Rose Hill Cemetery here under the direction of the Starbuck Funeral Home.

He was the son of a pioneer settler of Taylor County, Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Laney. He moved to Merkel at an early age and was a 1919 graduate of Merkel High.

He married Clovis Hubby Oct 17, 1932 in Carlsbad, N.M. He and his brother Homer were ranchers. He was a member of the Tye First United Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Homer Laney and a sister Anibel Bickley.

He is survived by his wife; a daughter June Gregory of Merkel, a son-in-law Joe Gregory of Merkel; a grandson Todd Gregory of Concord, Calif., and a granddaughter Lisa Stanley of Lubbock and a sister Rose Davis of Merkel.

Pallbearers were Glenn Sandusky, Grant Sandusky, Elmo Moore, Buster Tarpley, Kent Satterwhite and Troy Gregory.

Ada Demere

Ada Belle Demere, 93, of Garland, died Oct. 20th after a short illness.

Born April 20, 1892 in Rains County, she had lived most of her life in Mulberry Canyon. She had moved to Garland five years ago.

She married Raymond Demae March 25th, 1917 in Sweetwater. He died Oct. 8, 1975.

Funeral services were held Oct. 23 at the Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel, officiated by Lynward Harrison. Burial followed at White Church Cemetery under the direction of the Starbuck Funeral Home.

She is survived by several nieces and nephews, and two sisters; Addie L. Demero and Jewell Miller, both of Loma Linda, Ca.

Dewey Hutchins

Dewey May (Blair) Hutchins of Odessa, died Oct. 25th in Odessa after a brief illness. She was 87.

Funeral services were held Oct. 27 at the First United Methodist Church with John Wagoner officiating. Burial followed at Rose Hill Cemetery here under the direction of Starbuck Funeral Home.

She moved to Merkel in 1907 and had lived in Odessa since 1965.

She married C. D. (Hutch) Hutchins in 1924 here. She was a housewife.

She is survived by a daughter Mary Jo Clark of Odessa, a sister Mrs. Jackson Parker of Odessa, a brother T. R. Blair of San Antonio, two grandchildren Linda Reese of Odessa and Vicki McMillan of Plano and five great-grandchildren.

Harvey Nichols

Harvey H. Nichols, 49, of Anson died Monday morning at his work on a production platform near Kenai, Alaska, after an apparent heart attack. Services were at 2:30 p.m. Thursday at Anson First Baptist Church with the Rev. Bob O'Gorman, pastor of the Nugent Baptist Church, officiating, assisted by The Rev. Jerry Paulding, pastor of the First Baptist Church.

Burial was in Fort Phanton Hill Cemetery, directed by Lawrence Funeral Home of Anson.

Born Jan. 7, 1936, in the Bangs community in Brown County, he married Sue Farrar July 14, 1972, at Palmer, Alaska.

Survivors include his wife of Anson; his mother, Mrs. Comella Nichols of Nugent; a son Billy Wayne Nichols of Kenai, Alaska; four daughters, Kimberlie Raye Nichols of Merkel, Gretta Joanne Nichols, Sharon Louise Nichols and Marlene Wolf, all of Anson; a stepson, Chris Mashburn of Stephenville; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Debbie Childers of Merkel and Mrs. Melissa Herden of Casper, Wyo.; two sisters, Mrs. Comella Williams and Mrs. Nancy Lem, both of Abilene; and six grandchildren.

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When you need oilfield or industrial electrical work . . . call the best . . . ALTMAN ELECTRIC in Abilene!

BOARD AND PALETTE

Leslie Paxton — Owner

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- * Pep Rally Following Parade (Downtown)
- 7:30PM * Football Game at Badger Stadium
- * Coffee and Business Meeting after the Game to held at Heritage Hall.

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Garage Sale: 3 velvet chairs, king size mattress set, curtains, drapes, bedspreads, some children's clothes, and more, take the first road west of Walls, go 7/8 of a mile, 6th brick house on the left.
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Garage Sale: barring more illness, there really will be a sale at 1820 S. 5th St. lots of clothes from infants to extra large, some household misc items, John Brady's house, Saturday beginning at 8:00.
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Classifieds

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Garage Sale: 108 Haynes, Friday from 9-3.
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Unfurnished house for lease, five large rooms, fenced yard, 816 Oak Street, \$245 per month. To rent, call collect 602-943-1408 between 8-10 p.m. One months rent plus deposit of \$150 required to move in.
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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: Jon R. Irwin, individually and d/b/a Custom Craft Homes, Defendant, Greeting: YOU (AND EACH OF YOU) ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the 42nd District Court of Taylor County at the Court House of said County in Abilene, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, on the 23rd day of October A.D. 1985, in this cause, numbered 16,863-B on the docket of said court, and styled, TAMARA KAY TERRELL GALLMAN Plaintiff, vs. JULINA TERRELL, KY JEFFERSON TERRELL, GARY THAN TERRELL, TERRELL LYNN GALLMAN, and THE UNBORN CHILDREN AND DESCENDENTS OF TAMARA KAY TERRELL GALLMAN Defendant. The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: TAMARA KAY TERRELL GALLMAN are Plaintiffs and JULINA TERRELL, KY JEFFERSON TERRELL GALLMAN are Defendants. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: This is a suit for collection of five (5) separate promissory notes given Plaintiff by Defendant. Plaintiff prays for judgment in the amount of \$67,473.86 plus past due interest, for reasonable attorney's fees and all costs of suit and for all other relief, both legal and equitable, general or special, to which this Plaintiff may show itself entitled. 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. Witness, Rilla Mahoney, Clerk of the 42nd District Court(s) of Taylor County, Texas. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 11th day of October A.D. 1985.

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: JULINA TERRELL KY JEFFERSON TERRELL, GARY THAN TERRELL, TERRELL LYNN GALLMAN AND THE UNBORN CHILDREN AND DESCENDENTS OF TAMARA KAY TERRELL GALLMAN, 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 9th day of December 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 Petition was filed in said court, on the 23rd day of October A.D. 1985, in this cause, numbered 16,863-B on the docket of said court, and styled, TAMARA KAY TERRELL GALLMAN Plaintiff, vs. JULINA TERRELL, KY JEFFERSON TERRELL, GARY THAN TERRELL, TERRELL LYNN GALLMAN, and THE UNBORN CHILDREN AND DESCENDENTS OF TAMARA KAY TERRELL GALLMAN Defendant. The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: TAMARA KAY TERRELL GALLMAN are Plaintiffs and JULINA TERRELL, KY JEFFERSON TERRELL GALLMAN are Defendants. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff's Original Petition for reformation of deed, Plaintiff's request that the court reform the deed so as to correctly describe the interest

transferred, and grant office in Abilene, Texas, such further relief as this the 23rd day of may be deemed just and October A.D. 1985. equitable.

Plaintiff's request that the Court reform a deed so as to correctly describe the interest transferred under the following described property:

FIRST TRACT: Being the South 100 acres, more or less, out of the Southwest Quarter of Section 51, Block 19, T&P Ry. Co. Lands, Abstract No. 373 and described more fully as first tract in that certain Mineral Deed from W.L. Meeks and wife, Ella Meeks to Elmer J. Terrell dated December 18th, 1946 and duly recorded in Volume 351, Page 589 of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, to which deed and the record thereof reference is hereby made for all purposes of description; and

SECOND TRACT: Being 40 acres, more or less, out of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 52, Block 19, T&P Ry. Co. lands, Abstract No. 1251 and being more fully described as the second tract in that certain Mineral Deed from W.L. Meeks and wife, Ella Meeks to Elmer J. Terrell dated December 18th, 1946 and duly recorded in Volume 351, Page 589 of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas, to which deed and the record thereof reference is hereby made for all purposes of description; and

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 11th day of October A.D. 1985. Rilla Mahoney, District Clerk, 42nd District Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Rilla Mahoney. 134-4tc-82

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: JULINA TERRELL KY JEFFERSON TERRELL, GARY THAN TERRELL, TERRELL LYNN GALLMAN AND THE UNBORN CHILDREN AND DESCENDENTS OF TAMARA KAY TERRELL GALLMAN, 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 9th day of December 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 Petition was filed in said court, on the 23rd day of October A.D. 1985, in this cause, numbered 16,863-B on the docket of said court, and styled, TAMARA KAY TERRELL GALLMAN Plaintiff, vs. JULINA TERRELL, KY JEFFERSON TERRELL, GARY THAN TERRELL, TERRELL LYNN GALLMAN, and THE UNBORN CHILDREN AND DESCENDENTS OF TAMARA KAY TERRELL GALLMAN Defendant. The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: TAMARA KAY TERRELL GALLMAN are Plaintiffs and JULINA TERRELL, KY JEFFERSON TERRELL GALLMAN are Defendants. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: This is a suit for collection of five (5) separate promissory notes given Plaintiff by Defendant. Plaintiff prays for judgment in the amount of \$67,473.86 plus past due interest, for reasonable attorney's fees and all costs of suit and for all other relief, both legal and equitable, general or special, to which this Plaintiff may show itself entitled. 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. Witness, Rilla Mahoney, Clerk of the 42nd District Court(s) of Taylor County, Texas. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 11th day of October A.D. 1985.

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Attest: Rilla Mahoney, District Clerk 104th Dist. Court, Taylor County, Texas. By Rita Moore Deputy. 136-4tc-152

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Merkel ISD is interested in selling some lots in the Bettis Heights Addition and plan to take bids on these lots until Thursday, November 14th, 3:00 P.M. Bids will be opened at the meeting of the board which will convene at 6:30 A.M. on Thursday, November 21st. Any person interested in the location of these lots should make contact at the Superintendent's Office. The Board reserves the right to refuse all bids should they feel it necessary to do so.
136-1tc-22

PUBLIC NOTICE

The 1985 Survey of Local Government Finance Municipalities And Townships Form RS-9B which includes the use of Revenue Sharing Funds which were received during Entitlement Period 16 (10-1-85 thru 9-30-85) and previous periods have been spent during fiscal year 1985 is now available for public examination. This report along with supporting documentation may be examined Monday thru Friday from 9:00 A.M. till 3:00 P.M. at the Tye Municipal Building, 205 North St. Tye, Texas. Jo Moore City Secretary City of Tye 136-1tc-26

PUBLIC NOTICE

Bids are being accepted for foundation and air-conditioning ONLY. Plans are located at Merkel ISD Administration Offices. Contact Mr. Hayden Reeves between 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, for a period of two weeks from October 28th thru November 11th.
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Badgers just may end season at 5-5

From Page 1

Add that confidence the players must now have in Freshman quarterback Kenneth Jowers, a line that played as good a game as they have this year last week, a heart as big as Dean Franklin's and we just might have what it takes to win the next two and achieve the goals and match the predictions.

And, sports fans, 1985 will be a year to remember as the one the Badgers turned things around. When you look at the teams Merkel has lost to this year, I don't think you'd find hardly any AAA coaches that would be willing to play them.

The Badgers lost to Bangs, who have won 5 straight games, Stamford, who has an awesome team and the best running back I have seen all year, to Breck, who has the best receiver you'll see all year and Graham, and they will be mean when they move up to AAAA next year.

I will admit the first two wins were like sky hooks for Kareem. The Badgers had no problems with Hawley or Jim Ned. And a loss to Class A Roscoe is not anything to be ashamed of, even though it could logically be argued we were robbed in that game.

No, it has not been a bad season.

And it could end up being a season that starts the ball rolling for bigger and better things in the future.

Regardless of whether we finish 3-7 or 5-5.

One thing is for sure. No team in the state could have a better record in the no-pass, no-play contest. We tie for first in that category as no varsity players were lost to academic suspension. That, in itself, says a lot about the kids that are playing football at Merkel High.

Ol' Dale stole about three paragraphs I could have written this week with his cartoon. I will simply add the Aggies won.

This is Homecoming weekend here and there are probably a few folks in town that haven't seen the place in a few years.

Well, a lot has changed. We have a new elementary school addition, new facilities at Badger Stadium, a new ag show barn and a new city park.

The ol' place just ain't what it used to be, as they say.

Welcome back former students. We hope you take good memories home of Merkel.



The students of the month at Merkel Elementary are (front row from left) Stephanie Young, Chris Crouse, Tabitha Garrett, Shawn West, Lanae Baker, Daniel Carter.

(Back row from left) Aimee Robertson, Ray Pace, Rosha Avalos, Robert Flores, Cody Tittle and Dee Dee Jackson. (Staff photo)

The Trent Gorillas traveled to Blackwell last Friday and came home with a 57-32 win.

Offensive stats for Trent included Bebo Beaver who ran 10 times for 190 yards and two touchdowns. He also completed 4 of 7 passes for 57 yards and a touchdown and caught two passes for 100 yards and two touchdowns.

Doc Carriker completed 6 of 9 passes for 71 yards and two touchdowns. Lewis Knapp completed 6 of 11 passes for 115 yards and a touchdown and ran 6 times for 25 yards.

Jason Massey ran 4 times for 16 yards and Chris Simpson caught five passes for 54 yards and a touchdown. Sam Jones had six catches for 86 yards and a touchdown.

touchdown.

Trent probably had its best defensive performance of the year as they held Blackwell to six points in the first half as Beaver had three interceptions, Jones 2 and Knapp one. Knapp and Beaver each returned an interception for a touchdown.

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Art group plans

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Art association members will have their work on display. The public is invited to attend.

New singles class at Tye FBC

A new singles group called New Beginnings will meet each Tuesday night at 7 p.m. at the Tye Baptist Church fellowship hall.

Refreshments and a nursery will be provided. The class is designed for single adults 18 years and older.

Trent seniors plan turkey meal

The Trent Senior Class will serve the Annual Trent Community Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, Nov. 7, at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. They will serve turkey and dressing, beans, fruit salad, cranberry sauce, rolls, pie and drink. Everyone is invited. Price of the meal is \$5.00.

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Riding club will elect officers

The regular monthly meeting of the Merkel Riding Club will be held November 6th at 7:30 p.m. at Taylor Electric.

Officers will be elected. There will be a discussion of the fund raising projects for the year and plan the Christmas party.

Longhorn bull stolen here

Four head of cattle were stolen here Oct. 21 at the W.D. Gamble place four miles West of Merkel.

Thieves cut a gate lock and another gate was lifted from its hinges so a chute could be used to steal the cattle.

Among the cattle stolen was a registered Longhorn bull from the C. A. Longhorn Cattle Company of

Bowie. The bull was a Christmas gift from the Gamble's daughter and her husband, Mr. & Mrs. Bob Leamon of Wichita Falls. The bull is marked with a circle A on the right hip.

Anyone with information concerning the crime are asked to contact the Taylor County Sheriff's Office.

2 left off elementary list

The following two students were left off last week's Merkel Elementary School's Honor Roll:

They are Kenlea Jones, A Honor Roll, First Grade; Rebecca Hobbs A-B Honor Roll, Second Grade.

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Rosa
Roger

(Nov. 5th)

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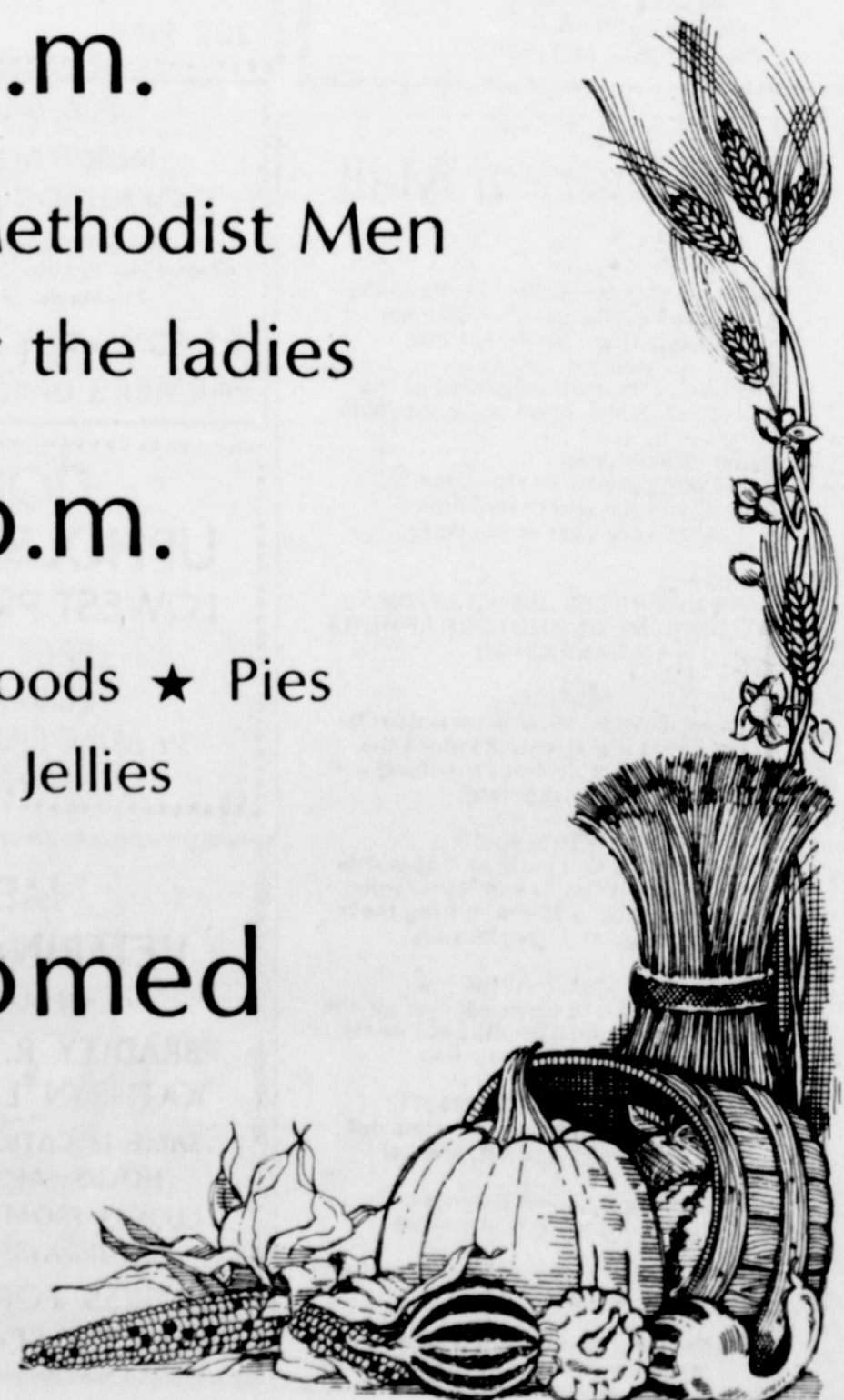
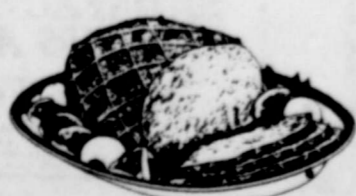
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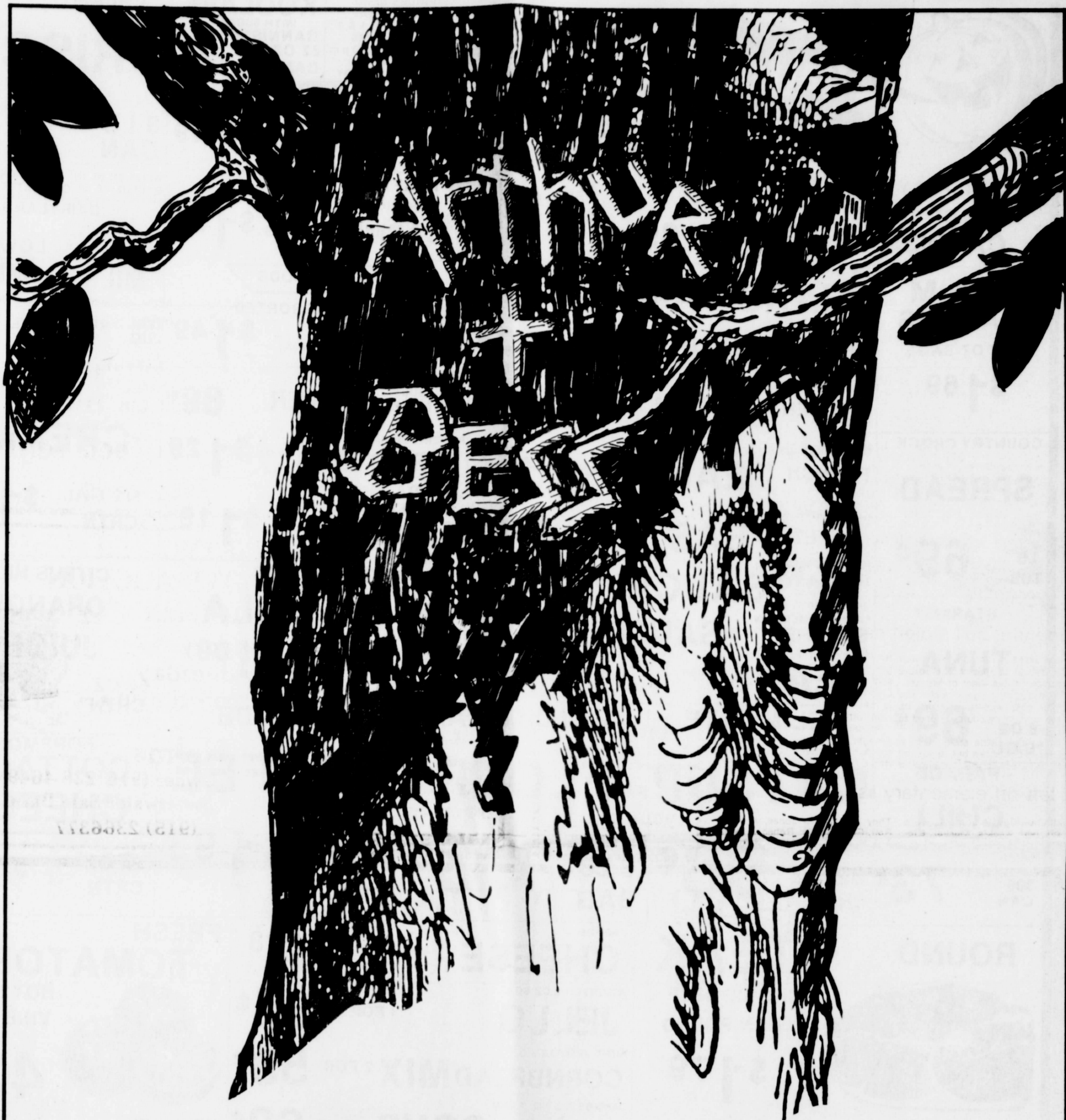
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DEL MONTE 303 SLICED FRENCH BEANS 2 FOR 89¢

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HUNTS ITALIAN 300 TOMATO SAUCE 2 FOR 49¢

FRANCO AMERICAN RANCH STYLE SPAGHETTI IN SAUCE 2 FOR 89¢

BEANS 300 CAN 2 FOR 73¢

FROZEN FOODS

HUNGRY JACK ASSORTED MICROWAVE POP CORN BOX \$1.49

SWANSON 11 OZ PKG SALISBURY STEAK DINNER 89¢

PEPERIDGE FARMS ASST. TURNOVERS 12 OZ EA \$1.29

OREIDA GOLDEN FRIES 15 OZ PKG \$1.19

ASSORTED 7-UP OR COCA COLA 2 LITER BOTTLE \$1.09

HOMO MILK GAL JUG \$1.93

LOW FAT MILK GAL JUG \$1.85

FOREMOST ICE CREAM 1/2 GAL CRTN \$1.69

CITRUS HILL ORANGE JUICE 64 OZ CRTN \$1.59

COUNTRY CROCK SPREAD LB TUB 69¢

STARKIST TUNA 6 OZ CAN 69¢

PARADE CHILI 300 CAN 73¢

DEL MONTE CATSUP 32 OZ JUG 98¢

GOLD MEDAL FLOUR 5 LB BAG 93¢

PARADE COFFEE 1 LB CAN \$1.93

FOREMOST COTTAGE CHEESE 24 OZ CRTN \$1.59

ROUND STEAK CHOICE BEEF LEAN POUND \$1.79

CHOICE BEEF RUMP ROAST LEAN POUND \$1.89

CHOICE BEEF BONELESS FAT FREE SIRLOIN TIP STEAK LEAN POUND \$2.39

CHOICE BEEF BONELESS PIKES PEAK ROAST LEAN POUND \$1.89

ARMOUR STAR BULK BREADED BEEF FINGERS LB \$1.89

LOUIS RICH GROUND TURKEY POUND \$1.29

GOOCH BRAND TRAY PACK BACON SLICED SLAB POUND \$1.49

GOOCH BRAND FRANKS BEEF OR REG 12 OZ PKG \$1.19

GOOCH BRAND SMOKED GERMAN SAUSAGE 12 OZ PKG \$1.29

PARADE CHEESE SINGLE SLICED 12 OZ \$1.23

ASSORTED 3 OZ BOX JELLO 3 FOR 95¢

AUNT JEMIMA 6 OZ CORNBREAD MIX 2 FOR 53¢

CAMPBELLS NO. 1 CAN TOMATO SOUP 2 FOR 63¢

FIRESIDE 12 COUNT SWEETIE PIES BOX 89¢

PARADE 7.4 OZ BOX MAC-CHEESE DINNER 4 FOR 99¢

PARADE HAMBER DILL CHIPS 32 OZ JAR 89¢

PARADE MUSTARD 16 OZ JAR 43¢

DETERGENT TIDE SCENTED OR UNSCENTED KING SIZE \$3.19

LIQUID IVORY KING SIZE \$1.49

FRESH TOMATOES HOT HOUSE VINE RIPE 43¢ LB

JONATHAN SMALL APPLES 3 LB BAG 99¢

CALIFORNIA ORANGES 4 LB BAG \$1.49

GOLDEN BANANAS LB 29¢

FRESH CUCUMBERS 2 FOR 39¢

WASHINGTON EXTRA FANCY LG. DELICIOUS APPLES LB 59¢

YELLOW RUSSET COLORADO ONIONS LB 15¢

SPUDS 10 LB BAG \$1.29

BULK 15 LB DOG FOOD BAG \$2.49

HEFTY PLATES 50 CT BAG \$1.49

VELVET JUMBO ROLL TOWELS 2 FOR 89¢

SHILOUETTES MAXIS ONE FREE WITH ONE 10 CT BOX \$1.69

DOUBLE GIFT BOND STAMPS EACH WEDNESDAY ON \$5 OR MORE IN TRADE

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