

The Merkel Mail

Thanksgiving Day, 1986 . . . Merkel, Texas

Our 98th Year



§ Mike Payne [38] tackles a Ft. Hancock back as Sam Jones [34] comes in to help. Trent was downed 60-25 in Monahans Saturday. [Photo by Rebecca Sharp]

MHS cagers start off 2-0

The Merkel High boys varsity basketball team was one game away from the UIL playoff last year and Coach Skip Townsend is looking for an exciting district race this year.

MHS will have five juniors starting and Townsend said this team is very well balanced. He said "We have a bunch of kids that can shoot and handle the basketball."

The boys are off to a 2-0 start as they have defeated Haskell and Ranger. Lynn Hays led the way in the first contest with 31 points and 11 rebounds. Ted Seymore hit 6 of 6 shots from the field on his way to a 13 point effort.

In the second game, Ramon Moreno led the way with 15 as Hays and Kenneth Jowers each added 12. Shayne Newberry also contributed 10.

On the varsity roster this year are Brit Pursley, Lance Jones, Douglass Taylor, Justin Amerine, Richard Eleby, Shayne Newberry, Lynn Hays, Kenneth Jowers, Ramon Moreno and Ted Seymore.

Townsend feels the district 5AAA race will be pretty well even. He said Clyde and Wylie would be tough and listed height as their advantage. "I'd say their in only one weak team in the

district and we should be in good games each time we play a district game." The boys don't start district play until Jan. 6th.

The boys will be in a couple of tournaments where they will face some tough competition. Townsend's team will participate in the

Girls coach likes '86-87 prospects

The Merkel girls varsity basketball team will have to replace All-Regional performer Kelly Beights this season and new coach Bobby Pierson hoped this strong corps of senior players will lead the way.

The lineup this year includes seniors Stacey Newberry, Michelle Woodard, Sheri Riney and Tracy Bicknell. Junior players include Carolyn Lally and Clara Hererra and sophomores Michelle Barnett, Teresa Lucas, Amber Whisenhunt, Michelle Dudley and Christi Wade.

Coach Pierson told *The Mail* last week "We have excellent senior leadership and we will have good

depth this season. We lost last year's leading scorer and if we can shoot well and get other's used to scoring, we will be all right."

The coach added he thought scoring would be balanced this season.

Coach Pierson said he thought the district should be a close race. He pointed to Wylie, Coahoma, Clyde and Merkel as having chances for the playoffs. The girls don't open district play until Dec. 16th.

The girls are entered in tournaments at Hardin-Simmons and the Early tournament at Brown-

wood.

A & M has a lot on the line as a win puts them in the Cotton Bowl as conference champs. A loss means a tie with Arkansas for the conference championship and an A & M trip to the Orange Bowl.

Okay, here it is, my first A & M prediction of the season.

Terry Metcalf will give the Aggies nightmares on the field but Murray and company will take a 27-20 win.

ESPN will carry the game live and if we can't find any seats in Memorial Stadium, television will have to do.

Our office will be closed Wednesday through Friday.

The gang and I will be spending Thanksgiving with Melanie's parents in San Antonio and Lake Canyon. Joy and I hope to catch a Thanksgiving catfish or two.

Merkel was till playing its basketball games elsewhere Monday because a replacement for a broken backboard has not arrived.

I be it's kind of strange at practice.

Sta. getting your floats, bicycles and other modes of transportation ready as the Christmas parade is not too far away.

The parade is planned Dec. 6th at 3:30 p.m.

This year, A & M and the Longhorns will do battle in Austin.

Fort Hancock ends Trent's season in Monahans Saturday

The Trent Gorillas were over run by the Ft. Hancock Mustangs last Saturday in a six man bi-district battle at Monahans, by the score of 60-25.

The high octane, speed type offense of Ft. Hancock proved to be too much for the Gorillas, as the Mustangs passed for 344 yards in the air and six touchdowns, and ran for three more. Trent scored first on a long pass from Lewis Knapp to Lee Hunt, but managed only 6 more points before half time on a pass from Knapp to Chris Simpson, while the Mustangs had 26 on the board at intermission. The Gorillas scored twice more with Chris Simpson making a 22 yard run and Mike Payne passing to Billy Fee, but

that was the end of the scoring for Trent, while Ft. Hancock added 34 more points during the 3rd and 4th quarters.

Coach John Grimland, although disappointed with the loss, said that he was proud of the accomplishments of the team and that he was extremely pleased with the hustle and desire attitude of the Gorilla squad this year.

Trent was not picked to be a competitive threat to any team this year, but the hard hitting young squad proved some oddsmakers wrong by moving out of their zone, winning it, and making their way to Bi-District before being beaten.

One of the Gorillas' greatest

accomplishments, this year, although losing the game, was to play the Jayton Jaybirds tougher than any other team had played them in 38 straight games, including two state championships by the Jaybirds. Congratulations Gorillas on a fine year.

The Gorillas and their coaches wish to thank the parents and other supporters who were generous enough to contribute to the chartering of the Greyhound buses taken to the game in Monahans, as well as the continued support of the community and school body for their spirit this season. A special THANK YOU, to the Merkel Mail for the fine coverage and reporting of the Gorilla games.

MISD board hears pay plan, changes local policies

The Merkel school board heard a presentation on a new insurance and income protection plan and approved new wording in the Middle Schol handbook for drug abuse at their regular meeting last Thursday night at the high school annex.

Board members also made changes on their discipline management plan.

Board members began the meeting by paying bills totaling \$137,652.

The board then heard a presentation from T. W. Anderson concerning a plan that would pay

insurance and other bills for MISD employees with pre-tax money. Anderson told the board 12 of the state's 14 education service centers are already participating in the plan. Anderson asked for, and received, permission to make presentations to MISD employees concerning the plan.

Anderson told board members the plan would save MISD employees tax money because certain income that normally would be taxable, would be deducted from gross pay instead of net pay.

In other action, board members approved new wording in the

middle school's student handbook concerning procedures in dealing with students caught abusing drugs.

Damron told board members he wanted the plan because of possible needs in the future. He said he was not experiencing any trouble with middle school students concerning drugs.

Board members also made state mandated changes in the local discipline management plan. They also raised the mandatory retirement age to 70, in line with a new federal policy.



§ Trent back Chris Simpson looks for a receiver in Saturday's 60-25 loss in Monahans to Ft. Hancock.

Trent won the Zone Championship this season

Photo by Rebecca Sharp

Basketball, fair, parade . . . more

by Cloy A. Richards

We snuck in to your mail box a day early this week so readers could have their paper before the holiday.

The Chamber of Commerce's annual Christmas Fair came off well this weekend at the Methodist Church gym.

There weren't any spots available when the show started Saturday. The event was also sold out last year at Heritage Hall.

The Chamber owes a debt of gratitude to local beta Sigma Phi clubs for their manning the concession stands for the Chamber's Christmas Lights savings account. Mamie Steck headed up the volunteer effort.

I finally spoke with both basketball coaches last week and boys coach Skip Townsend and girls coach Bobby Pierson both like their team's district chances this season.

Townsend said the other district teams will be looking at his lineup for the next two years as he send five juniors on the floor each night to start. The girls will have to replace last year's leading scorer Kelly Beights. Beights was named to all-region, 3rd team last year by the Texas Association of Basketball coaches.

Xi Nu Eta will be holding a local

Valentine's Ball in February.

We will have more details on that as they become available. The event will be semi-formal and should go over well with local high school and middle school students.

The local football season is over as Trent bowed out of the playoffs Saturday.

Trent had their best season since 1980 as they won the zone championship before falling in bi-district play.

Congratulations to coach John Grimland and his fighting Gorillas.

Also, thanks to Rebecca Sharp for providing us coverage and photographs of Trent's successful season.

Thanksgiving . . .

It's always carried a double meaning around the Richards' household because of the holiday, and a football game.

It's not fair to call A&M-Texas a football game because of the rich tradition of rivalry A&M & Texas share.

I'll never forget a weekend a few years ago when we took Suzy Rister to College Station for the big game. Even though Suzy is not your basic sports fan, she was taken by the mass of people and the pageantry that surrounds the contest.

This year, A & M and the Longhorns will do battle in Austin.

Count your blessings . . .



DALE HAMMOND 11-86

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Obituaries

Bruce Deen

Bruce Edward Deen, 50, died Nov. 12 at Humana Hospital in Abilene. Funeral services were held Nov. 14 at the Starbuck Chapel with Joe Roberts officiating. Burial followed at Rose Hill Cemetery here under the direction of the Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born April 24, 1936 in Jones County, he was an oil field worker. He was a veteran of the Korean Conflict.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Deen of Abilene, a brother, Charles Deen of Abilene, a sister Mrs. Jack (Sue) McDeall of Abilene and several nieces and nephews.

Luther Dennis

Luther Dennis, 75, of Trent, died Nov. 18th at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Graveside funeral services were

held at White Church Cemetery with Bobby Wheat officiating. Burial was under the direction of the Starbuck Funeral Home.

Born March 10, 1911 in Rio Frio, he was a rancher in the Mulberry Canyon area until 17 years ago, when he moved to Trent.

He married Linda Pahmeyer in 1946 in Big Spring.

He is survived by his wife of Trent; two sons, Raymon Dennis of Garden City and Sam Dennis of Odessa, a daughter Goldie Brewer of Alverado and three grandchildren. Pallbearers were Freddie Veto, Bryan Jessup, Phil Seymour, Jerry Merritt, Truman Harrison and Terry Barnes.

Fred Barnes

Fred Barnes, 77 of Merkel, died at his home November 10th. Funeral services were held Nov. 12th at the Starbuck Chapel with Wayne Keller, officiating. Burial followed at Rose Hill Cemetery here under the direction of the

Starbuck Funeral Home.

A native of Taylor County, he was a retired rancher. He had married Audi Pomroy March 13, 1936 here.

He is survived by his wife Audie of Merkel; two sons, Bonny Bobby

Wayne Barnes of Dallas and Jerry Wayne Barnes of Odessa, a daughter Delores Veteto of Odessa, a sister Goldie Brewer of Alverado and three grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Freddie Veto, Bryan Jessup, Phil Seymour, Jerry Merritt, Truman Harrison and Terry Barnes.

R. Leveridge Jr.

R. J. Leveridge Jr., 29, of Indianapolis, died Nov. 13th in that city.

Funeral services were held at North Methodist Church and he was entombed in Crown Hill Mausoleum in Indianapolis.

R. J. was born in Abilene. He attended the University of Washington where he was a member of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity. He was an Eagle Scout and a member of the Mercer Island United Methodist Church in Seattle.

He was sales manager for Schmid, Inc., a wholesale gift supplier. He had held that post for nine years and had lived in Indianapolis for the past eight years.

He is survived by his parents, Ronald O and Patricia A. Palmer Leveridge; a brother, Rod Leveridge; a sister, Melanie Leveridge, all of Mercer Island, Wa.

his grandparents Nolan and Ann, and Zettie Bozeman of Dallas and Palmer of Merkel and Amanda the late Ocie S. Leveridge.

Local Preceptor Eta Omega group meets

Preceptor Eta Omega, Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, met on Tuesday, November 18, at the REA Building, with Jane Carson as hostess.

Guest Speaker, Susan Oberly, assistant director of Rape Crisis presented the program and a film. Kathy Leverich, presided at the business meeting. Mamie Steck, Silver Circle Recipient, was presented with a pin, certificate and Life Member Guard.

Bettye Conley's letter of request for a leave of absence was accepted with regrets. Betty Lu Satterwhite was appointed program chairman to replace Betty Conley.

Refreshments were served to guests and following members: Jane Carson, Liz Eager, Blanche Hewitt, Kathy Leverich, Val Patterson, Opal Garner, Betty Lu Satterwhite, Mamie Steck, Ruth Tipton and Connie Ybarra.



§ Trent back Chris Simpson picks up yards in Trent's playoff game Saturday. Trent ended their sea-

son with a 60-25 loss. Photo by Rebecca Sharp

THE STATE OF TEXAS -TO: M. E. BISHOP, An Individual, Address Unknown, Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday the 22nd day of December, 1986, at or before ten o'clock A.M. before the Honorable 42nd 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 28th day of

July, A.D. 1986, in this cause, numbered 39,981-A on the docket of said court and styled ODDILEE REDDIN, AN INDIVIDUAL Plaintiff vs. M. E. BISHOP, AN INDIVIDUAL Defendant.

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: ODDILEE REDDIN, An Individual are Plaintiffs and M. E. BISHOP, An Individual, are Defendants.

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

On the 15th day of July, 1986, the Plaintiff, was and still is, the owner in fee simple of the following described premises situated in the County of Taylor and the State of Texas: Lot 7,

Block 6, Original Town of Merkel, Taylor County, Texas:

After the 15th day of July, 1986, the Defendant, M.E. Bishop, unlawfully entered upon and disposeses her of such premises and withholds her the possession thereof. Said property being described as Lot 7, Block 6, Original Town of Merkel, Taylor County, Texas.

Plaintiff prays that the Defendant be cited to appear and answer this petition and that the Plaintiff have judgement against the Defendant for the title and possession of the above described premises, for her damages and costs of suit, and such other and further relief to

which the Plaintiff may be entitled either at law or equity.

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 3rd day of November, A.D. 1986.

Attest: Rilla Mahoney District Clerk, Taylor County, Texas 42nd District Court by Rita Moore, Deputy (Seal)

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THE 1986 TRENT GORILLAS WITH THE ZONE CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY

Alternatives listed in preparing for new tax laws

With the 1986 tax reform bill now signed into law, individuals need to start doing some serious thinking and planning regarding tax strategies before the year draws to a close.

"Since many provisions of the new tax bill become effective on Jan. 1, 1987, individuals need to become familiar with the tax consequences of the legislation and consider certain actions before Dec. 31," points out Dr. Wayne Hayenga, an economist and attorney with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

"Individuals need to take advantage of the new tax code and to capitalize on existing as well as future tax breaks," says Hayenga. He recommends visiting a broker or accountant as soon as possible to look at tax strategies.

According to Hayenga, certain steps should be taken in conjunction with the new tax situation:

-Defer income: Since tax rates will be dropping to either 15 or 28 percent, try to defer as much income as possible until next year so you will be taxed at lower rates. But don't defer income if you plan to use income averaging since this is the last year that

method will be available.

-Establish a 401(k): This is a salary reduction plan to which you can contribute up to \$30,000 during 1986. That amount drops to only \$7,000 a year starting in 1987.

-Review your portfolio: Sell stocks now to take advantage of the favorable long-term capital gains rate, particularly if you feel they won't move up much in price.

-Seek high dividend investments: Select securities that offer high dividends since dividends and capital gains will be taxed the same under the new law. Many investors believe there will be more corporate pressure to increase dividends because long-

term appreciation will become less important than immediate income.

-Stay clear of investments with immediately reportable income: Think about investments that should offer a sizeable payoff next year—U.S. Treasuries, Savings Bonds and annuities. Again, income next year will be taxed at a lower rate.

-Increase deductions for this year: Increasing your deductions in 1986 will offer a greater tax benefit. The cost of items still deductible in 1987 will increase from a tax-savings standpoint. Currently a \$1 deduction at the maximum tax rate of 50 percent provides a 50-cent tax savings. That same deduction will provide only a 28-cent savings in the future. However, be cautious about prepaying on your home mortgage. Once paid, the money can't be borrowed back for other uses.

-Buy big-ticket items now: Buy items such as cars and boats before Jan. 1 when the sales tax deduction disappears. Also, pay for investment advice and tax preparations before the end of the year so that those costs can still be deducted from your 1986 taxable income.

-Take a close look at tax shelters: Tax shelters, set up to generate big losses in their early years, have been hard hit by tax reform. Under the old law, these losses could be used to offset income from salary, stocks and

bonds. Beginning in 1987, tax shelters will be considered passive investments and any losses they generate can be applied only to offset losses from other passive investments. Look for reliable shelters that make economic sense and dispose of investments that do not generate passive income.

-Consider municipal bonds: Municipal bonds and bond funds offer tax exempt earnings and good yields; they are one of the few legitimate tax shelters left.

-Take another look at children's accounts: When transferring assets to children, select those that will mature either when the child is more than 14 years of age or

when the money is needed for college or some other specific reasons.

-Don't toss out the IRA: Keep your IRA, even if it doesn't qualify for the tax deduction. An IRA is still a tax-free investment; furthermore, a penalty must be paid on early withdrawals.

-Remember the alternative minimum tax: This tax is computed in high income returns when the initial computation indicates there is no tax liability. If this tax exceeds the regular tax, then it may pay to delay deductions until next year since the alternative minimum tax rate will increase from 20 percent in 1986 to 28 percent next year.

4 Stenholm bills approved

Four bills introduced by Congressman Charles W. Stenholm during the 99th Congress have become law.

During the two-year session, which ended Oct. 18th, Congressman Stenholm authored seven bills. The 17th District Representative was successful in incorporating four of his bills into comprehensive pieces of legislation, which were later signed into law by President Ronald Reagan.

Two of Stenholm's bills became part of the 1985 farm bill, which takes effect Dec. 24, 1986. H.R. 1912 was Congressman Stenholm's bill to establish a fair farm and crop acreage base and program yields system. The Bases and Yields bill will provide for more efficient, flexible programs for farmers. H.R. 1591, the Clear Title bill, provides more protection for purchasers of agricultural products.

The Stamford Democrat was responsible for a bill that allows small businesses to participate in Superfund clean-up projects. H.R. 3211, added by the full House, will encourage the use of new technologies, many of which are developed and administered by small businesses. The measure was a

part of the larger Superfund program which was signed into law by the White House on Oct. 16th.

A modernized processed meat inspection system is the result of Congressman Stenholm's fourth successful bill, H.R. 4683. This legislation authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to determine the manner and frequency of inspections of meat products. This Stenholm bill will result in an estimated \$68 million in savings over the next five years.

"I am gratified to see the adoption and implementation of

these measures," Congressman Stenholm said. "These legislative initiatives will not only benefit the agriculture and small business community, but will also prove beneficial to all Americans."

By introducing a bill, a congressman is the chief sponsor of the legislation, enlisting co-sponsors for support. Along with the seven bills he introduced, Stenholm, who is very selective of the legislation he signs onto, was co-sponsor of about 300 of the more than 7,500 bills introduced by other Members. Of those he co-sponsored, more than one-fourth were approved.

Dunagin leads 7th grade girls

The 7th grade girls basketball team played Wylie Monday night. They were defeated 28-21. Leading the scoring for the Badgers was Becca Dunagin with 11 points. Other scorers were Son Hui Chon 4 points, Coty Vaughn 2 points, Dayna Doan 2 points, and Becky Donaldson 2 points.

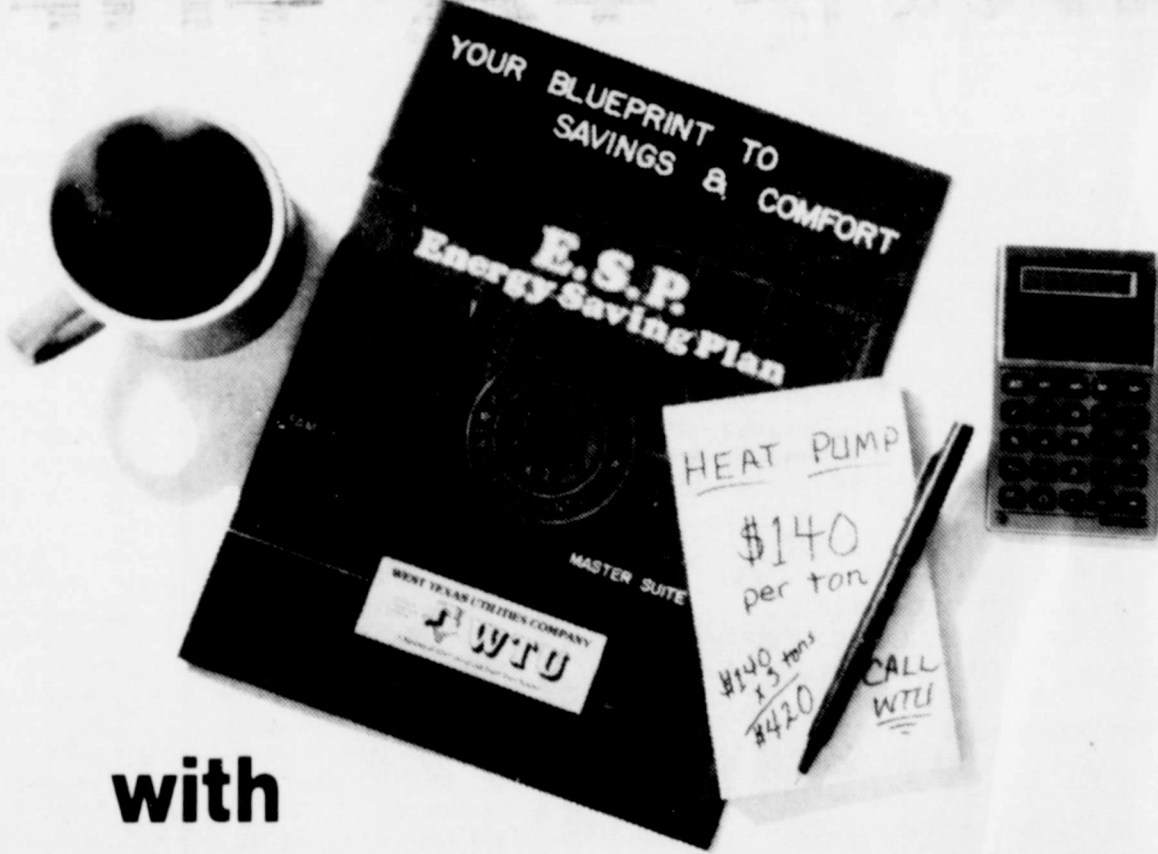
Leading rebounder for the Badgers was Becca Dunagin with 9.

Coty Vaughn led the team in steals and recoveries with 6.

Other contributors to the game were Kriste A. Smith, Lori Thompson, Hope Ward, Jennifer Hobbs, Michelle Ingram, Mandy Barnett, Christy Minze, Eilyn Rutledge, and Julie Harding.

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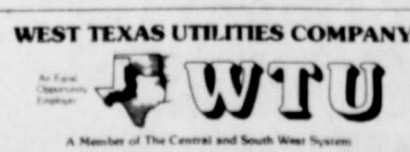
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Travis Bank & Trust in a certain cause in said Court, No. 355,479 and styled Travis Bank & Trust vs Penroc Energy, Virgil Robbins and placed in my hands for service, I John W. Middleton, as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the 6th day of November 1986, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: Lot 34, Section Three of Country Club Estates, being 11.95 acres out of lot nineteen, Grims County School Land, League 148, Tayloc County, Texas and levied upon as the property of Virgil Robbins and that on the first Tuesday in January, 1987, the same being the 6th day of said month at the Court House door, of Taylor County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. by virtue of said levy and said Writ of Execution I will sell said above described Real Estate at public venue, for each to the highest bidder, as the property of said Virgil Robbins. The sale will be held at 10:00 a.m. And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in The Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Taylor County. Witness my hand, this the 6th day of November, 1986. John W. Middleton Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas by Eddie Swanson, Deputy 191-80-3tc

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Property tax levy in state almost \$9 billion

Local property tax levies in Texas totaled \$8.9 billion for 1985, according to the State Property Tax Board's (SPTB) annual report for the 1985 tax year.

"Overall, property taxes grew at a slower rate in 1985 than the year before," said Ron Patterson, SPTB's executive director. "However," he added, "our figures show that homeowners were paying an increasingly larger share of property taxes while business owners were paying less."

The statewide property tax levy for 1985 was 10.7 percent higher than in 1984, when the total levy was \$8.1 billion. By comparison, 1984 property taxes were 12.1 percent higher than in 1983.

The report shows that the largest increases in property taxes occurred in school districts and cities, whose levies each increased by close to 12 percent from 1984 to 1985. County property taxes grew the least, by 6.1 percent, while special district taxes increased by 9.5 percent.

"The property tax remains the most important source of tax revenue for local governments in

Texas," said Patterson. "It is the only source of taxes for school districts."

School districts accounted for almost \$4.7 billion, or 52 percent, of all property taxes levied in 1985. Cities and towns levied another \$1.8 billion in property taxes while counties levied \$1.4 billion. Special districts such as water, utility, hospital, junior college, and navigation districts levied the remaining \$1 billion.

"Property taxes amounted to \$493.35 for each Texas resident in the 1985 fiscal year, compared to \$450.47 the year before," said Patterson. "After our staff adjusted these figures to 1970 dollars to account for inflation," he added, "the per capita tax levy was \$178.08 in 1985, an increase of \$10 from 1984 and \$49 from 1970."

Local property taxes made up 41 percent of all state and local taxes during the 1985 fiscal year, and have remained at this level since 1983.

Patterson pointed out that the report's figures represent total property taxes levied and not the amount of taxes actually collected. Taxing units rarely collect

every dollar of their tax levy, although some of the shortfall may be made up through collection of delinquent taxes from previous years.

SPTB's annual report uses data reported by school districts to estimate how the 1985 property tax burden was distributed among the various kinds of property in the school tax base.

"These numbers illustrate shifts in the property tax burden that have been going on since at least 1981," said Patterson. "Urban real estate, and single-family residential property in particular, took on a progressively greater share of property taxes in this period. On the other hand, business properties such as inventories, equipment, industrial machinery, utility companies and oil and gas reserves generated a smaller share of taxes than before."

For example, owners of single-family residential property paid 31.6 percent of school taxes in 1985. By comparison, their share was 30.5 percent in 1984 and 54 percent in 1981.

As a whole, residential and commercial real estate generated close to 64 percent of school taxes in 1985, compared to 62 percent in 1984 and 54 percent in 1981.

Business properties of all kinds, including real estate, accounted for 50.2 percent of the school tax levy in 1985. These properties produced 51.6 percent of the total levy in 1984 and 56 percent in 1981.

Patterson sees several factors at work in this shift of the tax burden. "The growth in our state's population stimulated economic growth and demand for residential property, which in turn drove up real estate values. Keep in mind that the 1985 tax levy was based on property values as of January 1, 1985."

"In addition," he observed, "studies done by our agency show that residential real estate was typically undervalued on the tax rolls of earlier years. Recently, however, appraisal districts have done a better job of appraising these properties and their taxes are likely to be based on values that are closer to true market value."

Properties such as utility companies, industries and oil and gas reserves, on the other hand, have historically been taxed at close to their full market value, according to Patterson. "The shift of property taxes away from these properties represents a more equitable distribution of the tax burden. In other words," he explained, "there has been a shift in tax burden because of more accurate appraisals of property that used to be undertaxed, combined with a decline in the value of property that used to be overtaxed."

In the case of oil and gas, Patterson said several other factors helped reduce its share of the tax levy, which was 15.3 percent in 1981 but only 11.3 percent in 1985. "Both the prices

for oil and gas and the size of the existing reserves have steadily declined in this five-year period," he pointed out. These figures don't reflect the more drastic drops in oil and gas prices that began in

early 1986. Rural acreage, including farm and ranch lands, generated 6.2 percent of school taxes in 1985. Its share of the tax levy hasn't changed much since 1981.

Some county farmland may be eligible for ASCS program

A list of highly erodible and potentially highly erodible soils was released this week by the USDA Soil Conservation Service as mandated by the Food Security Act of 1985.

The list revealed that about 18 percent of the land in Taylor County is highly erodible and about 17 percent is potentially highly erodible.

The conservation compliance provisions of the Act denies most USDA farm program benefits to farmers who farm highly erodible

Xi Nu Eta meets

Some members of Xi Nu Eta met in the home of Marilyn Tittle on November 19 to decorate the money tree to be raffled off at the Christmas Fair on November 22 and 23.

Members present were Marilyn Tittle, Sherry Vinson, Danna Dunagin and Cathy Pack.

The money tree was won by Monah Sue Cannon. We would like to express our thanks to everyone who bought chances on the tree.

TISD menu

The Trent School menu is as follows:

Monday December 1: Breakfast: cereal, juice, milk, Lunch: Salisbury steaks, gravy, cream style corn, applesauce, cookies, rolls, tea or milk.

Tuesday December 2: Breakfast: oatmeal, juice, milk, Lunch: bar-b-q beef patties, mashed potatoes, english peas, chocolate cake, rolls, tea or milk.

Wednesday December 3: Breakfast: biscuits, sausage, juice, milk, Lunch: fish wedges, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, lemon pudding, rolls, tea or milk.

Thursday December 4: Breakfast: donuts, juice, milk, Lunch: grilled cheese sandwich, stew, salad, cherry cookies, tea or milk.

Friday December 5: Breakfast: cinnamon rolls, juice, milk, Lunch: Hamburgers, with all the trimmings, french fries, brownies, tea or milk.

Garden club holds meeting

Leota Patterson and Inez Detrick co-hosted the Merkel Garden Club meeting held last Tuesday at the Patterson home.

Club president Becky Rogers presided over the business meeting at which time a report of the Texas State Garden Club Convention was given by delegates Alice King and Leota Sherrill. A report of the District 8 meeting, held earlier this month in Stamford, was also given.

Plans for a float in the upcoming local Christmas parade were discussed.

The group then participated in a program of holiday floral arrangements and door decorations. Refreshments were served to Billie Hartley, Bessie Perry, Muri Thompson, Leota Sherrill, Mary Russom, Becky Rogers, Olga Peachey, Alice King, Peggy Black, Inez Detrick, Leota Patterson and honorary member and former Merkelite Ada Clark of Pine Bluff, Ark.

Their next meeting will be a noon Christmas luncheon and gift exchange at the home of Olga Peachey on Dec. 18th.

land unless the land is being farmed in accordance with a conservation plan approved by the local conservation district.

The Act allows a grace period for those who are not using a conservation plan. They have until January 1, 1990 to develop and begin actively applying a plan. They have until January 1, 1995 to have the plan fully in effect.

The provisions will have no effect on farmers who are using up-to-date conservation plans. If you are farming highly erodible land with a conservation plan, check with your local Soil Conservation Service office to find out if it meets conservation compliance provisions.

Onsite field visits will be needed on land classified as potentially highly erodible to determine if it is highly erodible. Actual steepness of slope and length of slope will affect final determinations. If the land is not highly erodible, a conservation plan will not be required to continue receiving farm program benefits.

Highly erodible soils in Taylor County are Cobb, Cosh, Demona, Hamby, Kavett, Mereta, Owens, Quannah, Speck, Stamford, Tarrant, Valera and Vernon.

Potentially highly erodible soils are Pitzer, Shep and Weymouth.

Each county in the Abilene Area has a list of erodible soils for that county. This list is available in the Soil Conservation Service Office in each county.

"We are ready to help anyone in complying with the 1985 Farm Bill," Ken Cash, district conservationist for the Soil Conservation Service at Abilene said. "We will assist farmers determine if they are farming highly erodible land and if they are we will assist them in preparing a conservation plan to comply with the law."

Farmers with highly erodible land may want to consider placing it in the conservation reserve, Cash said.

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Ever since waking up on his 35th birthday in a cold sweat, Larry has been checking the obits in the morning newspaper.

People kid Larry about this. "Find yourself in there this morning," they'll say at the coffee shop where Larry goes to drink herbal tea behind his newspaper. Coffee is supposed to be bad for you, and he worries his health is already more serious than even the medical profession is willing to admit.

He hasn't found himself in the obituaries yet, but that doesn't mean he's letting down his guard. One never can tell when the Big Hand will tap him on his arthritic shoulder.

Larry likes to get out his pocket calculator and solemnly total up the ages on the death page.

"Dying age for today in these parts is 59," he'll say, interrupting a recap of Sunday's Dallas Cowboys game.

Thanks to his best friend, Howard, the numbers seldom go unchallenged.

"Did you include car wrecks and suicides again?" Howard will ask. "Car wrecks don't have anything to do with natural physical health, and neither do suicides. Take those out and I'll bet the natural dying age for today is closer to 75, maybe 80."

Larry does more figuring and grudgingly concedes the area's 72.5 non-wreck-non-suicide obit average for the day is close to the national mark of 73.0.

Somebody asks Larry about the smokers. "How many of those that totaled up to 72.5 do you figure were smokers?"

Nobody knows. You don't put that kind of information in obits. "Mr. Heater had been a three-pack-a-day Marlboro man for 28 years," according to family sources.

The group talks Larry into a flat 10 percent "ballpark" figure for smokers who made the obit page. Before it's over they have him admitting the real average dying age for the day is closer to 90.

It works both ways, though. Larry remembers to point out that 80 percent of this group smokes, and that only he has had the courage to give up coffee. Then too, not one person at the table is a runner.

"Factor that in, and you guys will be lucky to make it past lunch," he smiles. Somebody interrupts long enough to quote Abe Lemons, the basketball coach. "Abe said the only thing runners have over non-runners is that they look better in their coffins."

That leads to a round of Abe-isms. "He also told one of his players who had scored one point in a game, 'Congratulations, you just scored one more point than a dead man.'"

The quote reminds Larry of death again and he makes a motion for everyone at the table to commit themselves, "with a show of hands right now," to a running program.

Larry raises his hand as a sign of leadership. Since it's the only one in the air, the waitress sees it and asks him if he needs more herbs.

It wouldn't matter if the rest of this crowd decided to run. Larry has started several running programs - none lasting more than a week.

Running takes energy, and you can't worry properly if you're too tired to concentrate.

Some people say Larry will worry himself into an early grave, but I'm not so sure. Some people begin early and gradually develop a talent for it. A professional worrier can do his thing with as little stress as a veteran brain surgeon.

I'm more concerned with the amateurs, those people who suddenly discover worry and, with no well-developed misery skills, wind up buying a cheap farm.

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Shugart-Burrows will wed here

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Burrows announce the impending marriage of their daughter, Robin, to Brad Shugart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Shugart. The wedding is planned for December 6th at 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Merkel. All friends and family are invited.

MISD lunch menu

The following is the MISD school lunch menu:

Nov. 26 Hamburgers with french fries and all the trimmings and orange wedges.

School out Nov. 27 & 28 for Thanksgiving Holiday.

Dec. 1: Fish nuggets with tartar sauce, blackeyed peas with lettuce and tomato wedges, corn bread and cherry cobbler.

Dec. 2: Pizza with beef and cheese, buttered corn, lettuce wedges with choice of dressing and sliced pears.

December 3: Burritos with cheese sticks, frozen mixed vegetables and blueberry squares.

Dec. 4: Beef stew with potatoes, carrots and onions, vegetable salad with choice of dressing, corn bread and chilled sliced peaches.

Dec. 5th: Hot dogs with chili, pinto beans and french fries, coney buns and fresh orange wedges.

Sr. Citizens postpone activities

The Senior Citizens at 122 Edwards will not meet Nov. 27th. Their regular singing has been postponed until 7 p.m. Dec 4th.

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Fund for state school begins

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The project starts November 25th and will continue thru December 18th. As part of Project Love, J.C. Penny will sponsor a Christmas Tree, which will have pictures and wish list of the various residents of the school.

J.C. Penny, on December 2nd,

will give a 3-dollar gift certificate for every gift brought into the store.

Project Love is being organized by the volunteer council, which is a non profit group of organizations and individuals dedicated to the well being of clients of Abilene State School.

Last year, the council raised over \$30,000 in Christmas gifts for the residents of Abilene State School, this year expectations are for even more, according to Sue

Black, coordinator of the project. "These are special people who need love just like everyone else, and Project Love is our way of showing these people we care."

All gifts donated to project love should be new and unwrapped.

There are many drop points for Project Love, all five Wes-T-Go locations, KWIK Lube and Convenience store locations, Interfirst Downtown, Interfirst South, Rock 108 at 1740 North First, J.C. Penny and all three local TV stations.

Taxpayers over 65 can defer taxes

Texans aged 65 or older can postpone paying delinquent property taxes on their homesteads by taking advantage of a tax option called over-65 deferral. The elderly homeowner simply signs a deferral affidavit at the local appraisal district office.

This special form of tax relief can also halt a lawsuit already filed to collect delinquent property taxes on an older Texan's homestead, according to Ron Patterson executive director of the State Property Tax Board. To stop a delinquent tax suit, Patterson explained, the over-65 homeowner files the deferral affidavit with the court in which the suit is pending.

"This law means that, if the proper affidavit is on file, an older homeowner can't lose a homestead because of delinquent taxes," Patterson said.

Once a homeowner files an over-65 tax deferral affidavit with the appraisal district, no taxing unit can initiate or pursue a suit for delinquent taxes on the homestead as long as that person owns it and lives there.

Patterson stressed, though, that tax deferral for the elderly only postpones paying delinquent taxes on the homestead; it does not cancel them. "During the deferral

period, taxes and delinquent penalties and interest continue to add up," he said. "When the elderly taxpayer no longer owns or lives in the home, those accrued amounts become due. Taxing units can then sue to collect all the deferred tax, penalty and interest."

Forms for filing a tax deferral affidavit are available from the chief appraiser of the county in which the over-65 taxpayer lives. "The homeowner should fill out the form and have the signature witnessed by a notary public," Patterson said.

Seat belt law saves 200 lives

The first year under the mandatory safety belt law brought Texas through a very busy tourist season with 10 percent fewer fatalities in the seating positions covered by the law.

"We have good reason to be thankful this November," said George Gustafson, president of the Texas Safety Association and spokesperson for the Texas Coalition for Safety Belts. He reminded motorists to buckle up during the four-day Thanksgiving weekend as they head for dinner with family and friends.

Preliminary figures for September 1, 1985 through August 31, 1986, just released by the Department of Public Safety, show 2,006 drivers and front-seat passengers killed on Texas highways, as compared to 2,234 during the 12

months before the law went into effect. Incapacitating injuries were down about 3 percent from 16,454 to 15,919. Non-incapacitating injuries dropped by more than 15 percent.

"The law has made a difference. These figures prove it," said Gustafson.

Texans are buckling up at unprecedented rates. On September 30, Texas Safety Association and the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation completed a three-year Traffic Safety Awareness Project focusing on state employees. The final report, released this week, put safety belt usage at 81 percent in Austin's capitol area complex. A separate study of 14 cities, done by the Texas Transportation Institute in the first six months of

1986, showed usage rates ranging from 57 percent to 77 percent.

In 1984, only 10 percent to 15 percent of the state's motorists used safety belts, Gustafson noted.

The anniversary of the belt law came at the end of the summer of 1986, when low fuel prices and special Sesquicentennial events led state residents and visitors to hit the road in record numbers. By the end of July, according to SDHPT estimates, 88 billion vehicle miles had been logged on Texas highways, a 6 percent increase over the previous high recorded in 1985.

"With more vehicles traveling greater distances, the risk was unusually high," said Gustafson. "Our citizens rose to the challenge obeyed the law and reduced fatalities by more than 200."

Xi Nu Chi will hold December bake sale

Xi Nu Chi, Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, met at 7:30 p.m. on November 11 in the home of Vicki Rodriguez. Sandra Wurst was presented a yellow silk rose following the transfer ritual, having transferred from an Albany chapter of Beta Sigma Phi.

Committee reports were then

given and it was decided that the chapter would hold a bake sale in December with the proceeds going to a needy family.

Tuesday evening, November 18, members will be going to the House of Hunan Restaurant in Abilene for a Ladies Night Out.

Hostess Vicki Rodriguez served refreshments to members Anita

Allen, Donna Bryan, Nancy Duncan, Judy Elliot, Mary Hill, Nancy Johnson, Minyon Seymore, and Sandra Wurst.

Vicki Rodriguez gave a very interesting program on ceramics, showing different pieces she and her family had painted. Members were then given paint, brushes, and little reindeer to paint.

Hellums has 14 to lead 8th grade girls

The 8th grade girls basketball team was defeated by Wylie 27-23. The leading scorer was Betsy Hellums with 14 points. Also scoring was Melanie Tankersley with 3, Tammie Pierson, Jayma Goldsmith and Cristi Moore with 2 points each.

Leading the rebounding was Jayma Goldsmith with 6, followed by Brandy Fenton with 4. Angie Leverich led in steals and records. Promroy honored on 94th birthday

The Dorcus Class met Saturday November 22 for a surprise party for Irene Promroy. She was 94 years old. She was really surprised and said it was the first birthday party she had had. She enjoyed it very much.

Those present were: Laura Mae Pinkley, Sarah Bryd, Marie Briggs, Goldie Malone, Minnie Coats, Marie Reeves, Cleo Reece, Billie Hartley, Lorene Beard, Irene Promroy, Edith Fox, Edna Finch, Ollie Deatherage, and visitors, Edna Teaff, Marquarite Watson, Hazel Pargann.

WWI auxillary meets

The Ladies Auxillary of World War I met November 18 in the home of Jewell Criswell for a Thanksgiving Dinner. All enjoyed the dinner. Old business was discussed. Billie Hartley read the minutes of the last meeting. New business was planning our Christmas Dinner with each bringing a gift to exchange. Dinner will be Dec. 16.

Present were: Trula Cox, Maggie Renfro, Mrs. Cox, Parlea Gibson, Mrs. Lucy Beaunoux, Jewell Criswell, Lorene Beard, Mabel McRee, Billie Hartley.

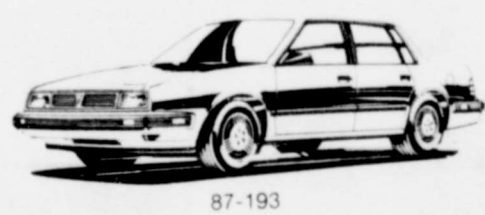
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Other girls who contributed to the team were Phuong Thao Tran, Tonya Moreno, Ava Bohannan,

Jamie Beasley, Melissa Cuellar,

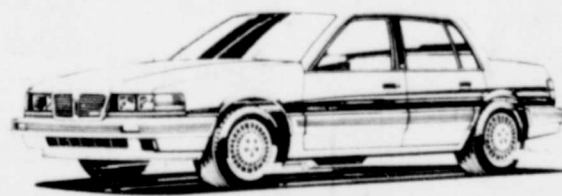
April Griffith and Lori Stockard. Their next game will be in Sweetwater, November 24 at 5:00.

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