

# The Merkel Mail

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Our 98th Year



Three contestants in Merkel's Livestock Show Saturday found something interesting about Linda Munden's rabbit. The local stock show was held during Saturday's "seasonal" weather. Many local FFA and 4H students will have entries in the county show in Abilene this weekend. Staff photo

## Local stock shows come off well despite cold

The following are the results from the Merkel Stock Show held here (with perfect stock show weather) Saturday. The Taylor County Show is this weekend at the County Fairgrounds.

**Sheep Division: Fine Wool (Lightweight):** 1. Cole Manahan, 2. Gary Tilly, 3. David Dutton, 4. Glyn Ann Rutledge, 5. Glyn Ann Rutledge, 6. Eilyn Rutledge. Hvy. Wt.: 1. Ricky Riley, 2. Roy Manahan, 3. Cole Manahan, 4. Billy Ray Riley, 5. Ricky Riley; Breed Champion Ricky Riley; Reserve Roy Manahan, Lamb Showmanship Roy Hurd Manahan.

**Crossbreeds: Lt. Wt.:** 1. Roy Manahan, 2. Amy Wellborn, 3. Bridgett Vaughn, 4. Coty Vaughn, 5. Kamica Sorrells; Breed Champion Crossbred Roy Manahan, Reserve Champion Crossbred Amy Wellborn.

**Medium Wool: Lt. Wt.:** 1. Mitzi Shelton, 2. Brad Niell, 3. Dave Dutton, 4. Mitzi Shelton, 5. Mitzi Shelton; Md. Wt.: 1. Roy Manahan, 2. Cassie Townsend, 3. Cassie Townsend, 4. Ginger Niell, 5. Ava Bowman, 6. Ava Bowman; Hvy. Wt.: 1. Amy Wellborn, 2. Angie Welborn, 3. Mike Blue, 4. Melissa Harris, 5. Gary Tilly, 6. Millie Sorrells. Breed Champion Medium Wool Amy Wellborn Hvy. Wt., Reserve Champion Medium Wool Angie Welborn Hvy. Wt.

**Southdown: Lt. Wt.:** 1. Kris Harris, 2. Melissa Harris, 3. Kris Harris, 4. Bridgett Vaughn, 5. Coty Vaughn, Breed Champion Southdown Kris Harris, Reserve Champion Southdown Melissa Harris, Grand Champion Lamb Amy Welborn, Med. Wool; Reserve Champion Lamb Angie Welborn, Med. Wool.

**Breeding Ewes:** 1. Lillian Leach, 2. Julie Lanford, 3. Lillian Leach, 4. Jeanette Lanford; Rams: 1. Lillian Leach, 2. Julie Lanford; Goats: 1. James Johnson, 2. James Johnson, 3. James Johnson.

**Rabbit Division: Bucks:** 1. Kenneth Massey, 2. Casey Ellison, 3. Casey Ellison, 4. Casey Ellison, 5. Casey Ellison, 6. Casey Ellison, 7. Casey Ellison, 8. Casey Ellison; Does: 1. Michelle Todd, 2. Judy Williams, 3. Billy Williams, 4. Judy Williams, 5. Jeremy Judge, 6. Amy Gilmore; Bucks: 1. Jeremy Judge, 2. Amy Gilmore, 3. Jay Williams, 4. Vaughn, 5. Billy Williams, 6. Amy Gilmore, 7. Karly Mashburn; Grand Champion Breeding Doe Michelle Todd, Reserve Champion Breeding Doe Judy Williams, Karly Mashburn, Grand Champion Rabbit Michelle Todd, Reserve Champion Rabbit Jeremy Judge.

**Cattle Division:** 1. Russ Holloway; Grand Champion Steer Russ Holloway, Steer Showmanship Russ Holloway.

**Breeding Cattle Heifers (Class One):** 1. Debbie Pack 2. Kerry Munden 3. Keith Munden 4. Kerry Munden.

**Class Two: Debbie Pack**  
Class 3: 1. Debbie Pack 2. Bennett Massey 3. Angie Welborn  
Class 4: 1. Debbie Pack 2. Kerry Munden 3. Keith Munden 4. Keith Munden

**Grand Champion Heifer Debbie Pack, Reserve Champion Heifer Debbie Pack Breeding Cattle Showmanship Debbie Pack.**

**Swine Division Chesterwhite (Lightweight):** 1. Destry Pack, 2. Chris Harris 3. Lee Cain 4. Brandon Bishop 5. Connie McMillan 6. Carl Lawrence.

**Medium Weight:** 1. Mathew Davis 2. Daniel West 3. Lee White 4. Billy Ray Riley

**Heavy weight:** 1. Russell Morgan 2. Carolyn Lally 3. David Thomas 4. Connie McMillan 5. Destry Pack 6. Brad Cochran 7. Phillip Seymour 8. Cody Sutterfield. Breed champion Mathew Davis Reserve Breed Champion Reserve Breed Champion Russell Morgan.

**Berkshire Class 1 Cassie Townsend.**  
Durocs: Lt. Wt.: 1. Criswell Whisenhunt, 2. Robyn Dudley, 3. Lynn Hays, 4. Melissa Harris, 5. Kris Harris; Hvy. Wt.: 1. Lynn Hays, 2. Criswell Whisenhunt, 3. Tanner Boyd, 4. John Paul Dudley, 5. Lynn Hays, 6. Scott Easley; Breed Champion Lynn Hays, Reserve Criswell Whisenhunt.

**Hampshires: Lt. Wt.:** 1. Mitzi Shelton, 2. Ricky Riley, 3. Ricky Riley, 4. Billy Ray Riley; Md. Wt.: 1. Billy Ray Riley, 2. Cole Manahan, 3. Criswell Whisenhunt, 4. Jimmy Collier, 5. James Talent; Hvy. Wt.: 1. Brandy Gray, 2. Lynn Hays, 3. Amber Whisenhunt, 4. Amber Whisenhunt, 5. Cole Manahan; Breed Champion Hamp Billy Ray Riley, Reserve Champion Hamp Cole Manahan.

**Spotted Poland China: Lt. Wt.:** 1. Gary Tilly, 2. Lisa Harding, 3. Lisa Harding; Hvy. Wt.: 1. Billy Hair, 2. Mitzi Shelton, 3. Brandon Boyd, 4. Billy Hair; Breed Champion Spotted Poland China Billy Hair, Reserve Champion Spotted Poland China Mitzi Shelton.

**Yorkshire: Lt. Wt.:** 1. Billy Ray Riley Grand, 2. Phillip Seymour Reserve, 3. Russell Morgan, 4. Doug Bauer.

**Crossbred: Lt. Wt.:** 1. Cassie Townsend, 2. Scott Easley, 3. John Paul Dudley, 4. Lee Cain, 5. Keith Wilson, 6. Tommy White, 7. Randy Dudley; Middle Wt.: 1. Neil Newman, 2. Amber Whisenhunt, 3. Cassie Townsend, 4. Robyn Dudley, 5. Brandy Gray, 6. Steven Ross, 7. Richard Bryan, 8. Keith Wilson, 9. Levi Cunningham; Hvy. Wt.: 1. Jeremy Judge, 2. Richard Bryan, 3. Cassie Townsend, 4. Richard Bryan, 5. David Thomas, 6. Cne' Seymour, 7. Shawn Leamon, 8. Lee White; Breed Champion Jeremy Judge, Reserve Breed Champion Richard Bryan; Overall Grand Champion Market

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## MISD trustees set Saturday meeting in Abilene

The MISD board of trustees will meet in Abilene at the Royal Inn at noon Saturday for a meeting that was postponed this week. The board had originally planned to meet Tuesday morning but made the change Monday. People interested in running for the board's three positions that expire this year must file before March 4th. Terms that expire this year belong to Jack Ferguson, Earl Laird and Ray Pack. In other school related news, an April 13th hearing has been set by the Texas Education Agency to review MISD's dismissal of Bob Mace. Mace was fired by the district last fall because of a DWI conviction. Mace has appealed his dismissal to the agency for reconsideration.

## Boys blast Sonora 100-47

The Badger's varsity basketball teams won a game and lost a game here Friday against Sonora. The boys had no trouble as they streaked to a 100-47 win while the girls lost a 40-37 decision. In the boys game, the Badgers had five players in double figures. Lynn Hays led the way with 23, Kenneth Jowers had 21, Ramon Moreno had 17, Brit Pursley had 15 and Ted Seymore scored 13. The Badgers shot 47 percent from the field and hit the century mark for the first time this season. In the JV game, the Badgers took a 50-30 win as Monty Griffin led the way with 15 while Maury Oller had 14. The girls, led by Stacey Newberry 18 points, lost their third district game against two wins. The girls are 9-11 on the year. In the JV contest, the Badgers were defeated 51-16 as Melinda Baker led with 10. The Freshmen

## Mulberry Canyon fire department organized, meeting set Monday

The community of Mulberry Canyon held an organizational meeting, Monday night for a Volunteer Fire Department. There was an election of officers held. Don Russom was elected chief along with Don Wilson and Don McKenzie as 1st and 2nd chiefs respectively. Donna Russom was elected secretary. The department discussed the types of equipment needed and ways and means of obtaining this equipment. There will be another business meeting held on Monday night the 26th at 7:30 at the Mulberry Canyon Community Center. Everyone is urged to attend. The department would also like to thank Chief Adcock and Robert Harris for their time and assistance with questions on setting up the department.

## Blair water supply sets annual meeting here

The annual meeting of the Blair Water Supply Corporation will be held Feb. 2nd at 7 p.m. at Taylor Electric Co-Op here. Members are asked to attend this meeting important to them. A new by-law will be proposed and an election will be held for directors. Terms expiring are held by Frank Brnovak, Lanny Perry and Richard Scott. In addition to the business meeting, a drawing will be held for door prizes and refreshments will be served.

## Cold, only 1 wreck wreck, board ...

by Cloy A. Richards

and the tv.

A Fireman's Ball to benefit the Buffalo Gap Fire Department will be held next Saturday (Jan. 31st) at the Old Buffalo Gap Steakhouse. Admission will be \$5 per person and will start at 8 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by Levi Hackett, who is led by Mark Hicks. A guest appearance will be put in by Stan Hicks and the Hawk Callers.

I haven't heard Stan sing but if he does that as well as he can hit a driver on the golf course, it should be something to see.

Of all the hours I put in at the Merkel Country Club, he's the only person I ever saw who hit a ball as far as he can.

The newly formed Mulberry Canyon Volunteer Fire Department got off to a good start at their organizational meeting last week. So well, they have set another meeting Monday night at 7:30 at the Community Center.

People interested in running for MISD's board of trustees, have until March 4th to file for a spot on the ballot. Three positions are up for re-election. Those positions are currently held by Jack Ferguson, Earl Laird and Ray Pack.

If you thought taxable evaluations took a nosedive for Taylor County, MISD and TISD last year, wait a couple of months when final evaluations are released. Last year, oil's price for tax purposes was around \$27 a barrel and this year it will be close to \$18. That will present some interesting challenges for people on school boards, and other taxing entities in this state this year. To say the least.

There was a lot of confusion Sunday night and Monday morning about MISD's decision to not run buses because of slick roads. For your future reference, this is the way it works. MISD officials will advise the three Abilene tv stations in time for the 10 o'clock news that school buses will not run. If buses do not run, attendance at school is not required for any student. If buses do run, attendance is required. The advise is, watch the ten p.m. news (of your choice) and act accordingly.



Criswell Whisenhunt won the showmanship honors in the swine division at Merkel's Stock Show Saturday. Staff photo



Roy Herd Manahan received the showmanship award in the Sheep division at Saturday's Merkel Livestock Show. FFA sweetheart Amber Whisenhunt presented the award to Roy. Staff photo



# Results from Merkel-Trent livestock shows

Hog Lynn Hayes, Overall Reserve Grand Champion Hog Criswell Whisenhunt; Market Swine Showmanship Criswell Whisenhunt.

Breeding Gilts: Lt. Wt.: 1. Owen Tevebaugh, 2. Cody Sutterfield, 3. Gary Tilly, 4. Richard Seymore, 5. Lynn Harris; Med. Wt.: 1. Russell Morgan, 2. Lynn Hays, 3. John Paul Dudley, 4. Steven Ross; Champion Gilt, Owen Tevebaugh, Reserve Champion Gilt, Russell Morgan.

## Trent show

Despite freezing weather, the Annual Trent Fat Livestock Show was held this past Saturday, the 17th, with over 30 students participating in the event. It was a well run, but lengthy show with the day ending around 5:30. The students at Trent and the Vocational Ag Teacher, Mr. Mike Ray,

would like to extend their appreciation and gratitude to all those individuals and business's that contributed their support financially and otherwise to make this years show a success. Total contributions were tabulated at over \$4,400, with over 170 contributors extending their help and encouragement from Merkel, Trent and Sweetwater. A list of the contributors is on display in the Home State Bank building in Trent.

The students are now beginning to prepare for the Abilene-Taylor County Show which will begin this Friday.

The results of the Trent Stock Show are as follows:

Steers: Lt. Wt.: Scott O'Kelly 1st, Scott O'Kelly 2nd; Hvy. Wt.: Brit Sipe 1st, Brit Sipe 2nd; Scott

O'Kelly Grand Champion, Brit Sipe Reserve Grand Champion. Heifers: Dock Carriker 1st and Grand Champion, Mike Payne 2nd and Reserve Grand Champion.

Sheep: Quincy Neill 1st and Grand Champion, Jesse Neill 2nd and Reserve Grand Champion, Quincy Neill 3rd, Jesse Neill 4th.

Broiler Rabbit: Class 1: William Self 1st, Teri Brazelton 2nd, William Self 3rd; Class 2: Teri Brazelton 1st, Billy Clark 2nd; Class 3: Mike Wallis 1st, Mike Wallis 2nd; Grand Champion Mike Wallis, Reserve Grand Champion Teri Brazelton.

Broiler Chickens: Class 1: Lewis Knapp 1st, Chris Simpson 2nd, Billy Clark 3rd, Chris Simpson 4th, Robert Childress 5th;

Class 2: Jaime Ray 1st, Mindy Ray 2nd, Billy Clark 3rd, Lewis Knapp 4th; Class 3: Jason McDaniels 1st, Paul McDaniels 2nd; Grand Champion Jason McDaniels, Reserve Grand Champion Paul McDaniels.

Swine: Lt. Wt. Duroc: 1st Sara Griffith, 2nd Mindy Ray, 3rd Lee Hunt, 4th Tye Hunt; Med. Wt. Duroc: 1st Crystal Hunt, 2nd William Self, 3rd Brian Massey, 4th Jason Massey; Hvy. Wt. Duroc: 1st Jason Massey, 2nd Mike Payne, 3rd Brandon Bland, 4th Ginger Massey; Champion Duroc Jason Massey, Reserve Champion Duroc Sara Griffith.

Hampshire: Lt. Wt.: 1st Jaime Ray, 2nd Chad Sipe, 3rd Mindy Ray, 4th Jason Massey, 5th Lee Hunt; Hvy. Wt.: 1st Lewis Knapp, 2nd Brian Massey, 3rd Chad Sipe, 4th Brandon Bland, 5th Dock Carriker; Champion Hamp Lewis Knapp, Reserve Champion Hamp Jaime Ray.

Yorkshire: Lt. Wt.: 1st Billy Clark, 2nd Chris Jones, 3rd Larime Gorbitt; Hvy. Wt.: 1st Brandon Bland, 2nd D.J. Bland, 3rd Sam Jones; Champion York Brandon Bland, Reserve Champion York Billy Clark.

Chester Whites: 1st Mark Payne Champion Chester White Mark Payne.

Crossbreeds: Class 1: 1st Billy Clark, 2nd Julie Clay, 3rd John Evans, 4th Willie Brazelton, 5th B.J. Poindexter; Class 2: 1st Billy Clark, 2nd Willie Brazelton, 3rd Chris Simpson, 4th, Billy Clark, 5th Chris Simpson; Class 3: 1st Dock Carriker, 2nd Patricia Clark 3rd Lewis Knapp, 4th D.J. Bland, 5th Jaime Masonheimer; Class 4: 1st Lee Hunt, 2nd Jason Massey, 3rd Ginger Massey, 4th Brian Massey, 5th Brian Massey, 6th Ginger Massey; Champion Crossbreed Lee Hunt, Reserve Champion Crossbreed Jason Massey.

Other awards are Grand Champion Lewis Knapp, a sophomore, Reserve Grand Champion Lee Hunt a freshman, Showmanship Awards are Rabbits Mike Wallis,

Poultry Billy Clark, Swine Willie Brazelton, Sheep Quincy Neill, Cattle Scott O'Kelly with Runners up Jason Massey and Jaime Ray.

## Garden group elects officers

The Merkel Garden Club held its January meeting last Thursday at the Senior Citizens Center here. In attendance were Olga Peachy, Leota Sherrell, Georgia Allday, Jewel Criswell, Leota Patterson, Wynette Barkley, Inez Detrick, Shirley McBride, Becky Rogers, Muri Thompson, Mary Russom and Alice King.

Becky Rogers presided over the

business meeting, at which time officers for the upcoming biennial term were elected. They are: Muri Thompson, president; Leota Sherrell, 1st vice president; Leota Patterson, 2nd vice president; Alice King, 3rd vice president; Peggy Black, 4th vice president; Shirley McBride, secretary-treasurer and Olga Peachy, reporter.

A discussion regarding propos-

ed amendments to the clubs' by-laws was opened and these proposals will be voted on at the March meeting.

Plans for a tea commemorating the clubs' 40th anniversary were made and will take place Feb. 19th at the home of Becky Rogers, 302 Oak Street, here.

Refreshments were served by cohostesses Mary Russom and Alice King.

## Plans made for Valentine's Ball

Plans are being finalized for the Valentine Ball, sponsored by Xi Nu Eta, for February 7, 1967, in the Merkel Methodist Gym.

A professional photographer will be available for pictures. Three different packages will be available.

The dress code is semi-formal or dressy dresses, for the guys a

coat and tie is required.

Tickets are on sale from Marilyn Tittle at 928-5722, Danna Dunagin at 928-5253, Sherry Vinson at 928-5854, or Cathy Pack at 928-4959. Tickets will also be available at the door.

A table will also be set up for voting on a Valentine Queen and King from High School, and a

Valentine Princess and Prince from Middle School. Votes will be 25 cents a piece. The winners will be awarded a prize.

There will be music played non stop except for when the winners of the King and Queen, Prince and Princess are announced. The music will be the latest rock and roll tunes and George Strait.

## Fortnightly group meets here

Leota Patterson and Mildred Hamm were hostesses for the January 13 meeting of the Fortnightly Study Club in Mrs. Patterson's home.

Alice King presided for the business meeting. She announced Evelyn Sliger winner of the HAIKU poetry contest. Report on volunteers was made. The club voted to conduct a work shop on Reporting at Pleasantville, Wed., Feb. 21 at 2 p.m. Edna Hill gave the Federation Counselor's Report using the theme of some of the various state presidents of the G.F.W.C. Ruby Hammond introduced the program; The Collect For Club Women, led by Anna Belle Shouse, and a Greek-Odyssey given by Joyce Jay.

The Greek mainland is quite modern but the islands are not so. In some cases no cars are allowed. You arrive by boat and while there you walk, although a few horse drawn wagons are used by farmers. The homes are often all painted alike and there are few if any, streets. Donkeys are used to reach some villages on steep cliffs. The economy is based on fishing and tourist trade.

The Greeks are most noted for their form of government, art, literature, drama and architecture. The Greek believed in individual excellency. All are worthwhile and equal to each other, with a responsibility to governments, each man expected to vote. The 7th Century Greece was different in that Greek law was aimed to improve the lot of humanity rather some monarch or God. Greek law was based on popular consent and could be changed only by vote of the people. The local government was most powerful, but the Greeks were quick to unite in bottle against a foreign enemy. This was in contrast to the Persian and Babylonian Empires. Consisting of different peoples held together by a powerful despotic ruler.

Beauty and order to the Greek were the same. Greek art showed men in full strength with lithe and muscular bodies and women in rippling drapery of the finest clothes. Greek leaders gave their works of art to their cities. Greeks are known for the most perfect architecture of all time an example is the Parthenon which Mrs. Jay described in detail.

## Stith group elects officers

The Women of the Stith-Extension had their first meeting of the year, January 14. The meeting started with the installing of new officers. They are: Jennifer Mitchell-President, Genoa Shaw-Vice President, Vada Hudson-Treasurer, Sue Rister, Council delegate.

The Stith Club meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month from 2-4. New Members and visitors are welcomed. You can call 928-4044 or 928-5307 for information.

Another building is the horse shoe shaped theater at Epidarides which is the most acoustically perfect theater in the world. Some Greek dramas are still being presented there today, to huge crowds of natives and tourist. This very interesting program was enjoyed by Grace Lee Brown, Mary Collins, Bess Dixon, Anna Lou

Ferguson, Mildred Hamm, Ruby Hammond, Lucy Haynes, Edna Hill, Madelon Horton, Joyce Jay, Alice King, Aileen Knight, Ruth Lassiter, Evelyn Martin, Leota Patterson, Becky Rogers, Alwyne Sandusky, Ida Seymore, Anna Belle Shouse, Evelyn Sliger, Clara B. Walla, Maurine White, and Lucile Wilson.

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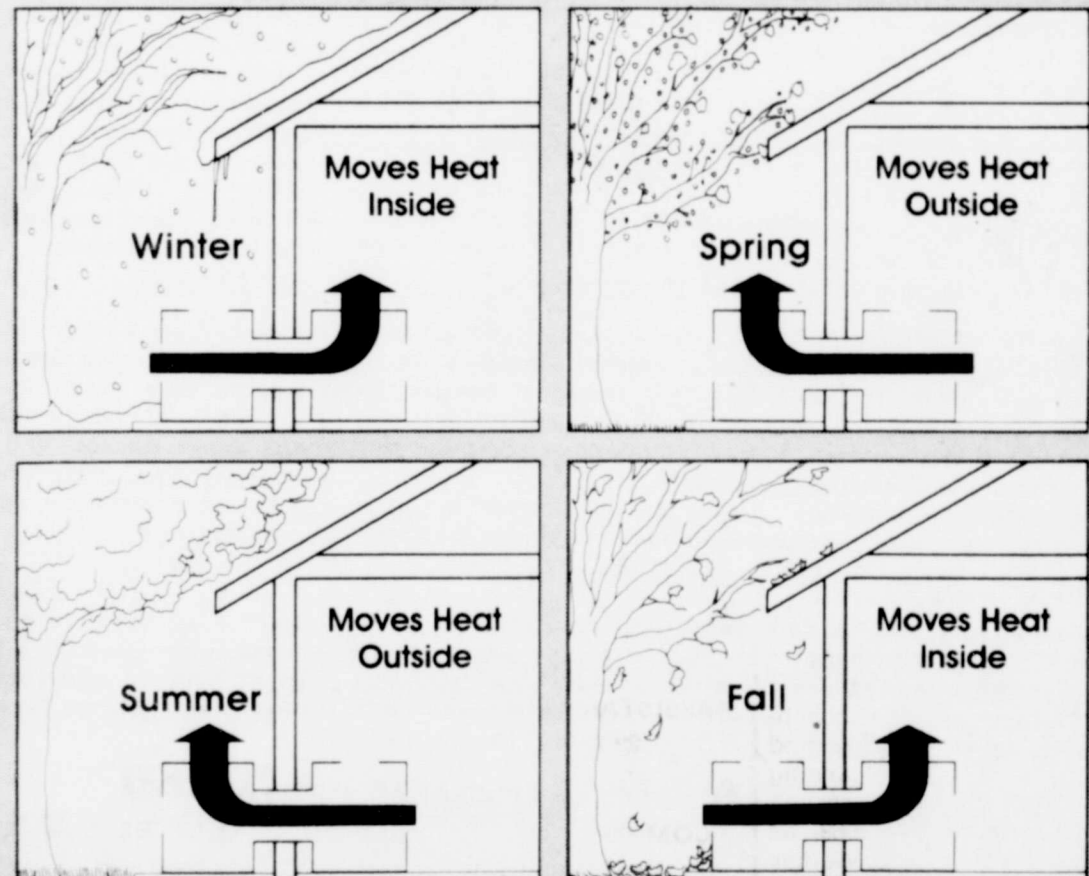
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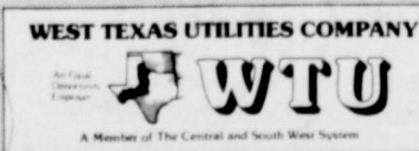


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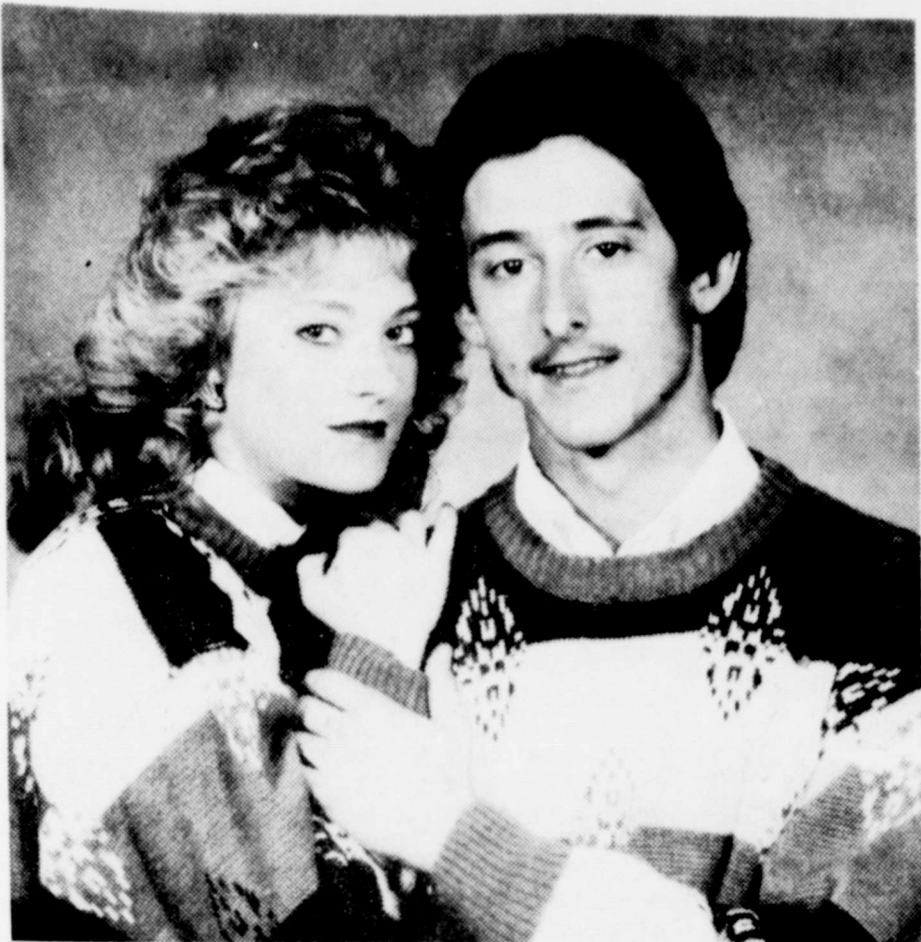
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# Dawkins-Davis announce wedding plans



Mr. & Mrs. Joe Dawkins are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kelli Renee, to Robert Lynn Davis of Megargel. Kelli is a 1986 graduate of Seymour High and attended Cisco Junior College where she was a member of the V angler Belle Drill and Dance team. Lynn is a 1983 graduate of

Megargel High and attended Midwestern State University. He is currently employed with Handy Andy Plumbing of Megargel. The wedding is planned for Feb 21 at 7 p.m. at the First Assembly of God Church in Seymore. Kelli is the daughter of the late Tommy Hogan and the granddaughter of Tom Hogan of Merkel and the late Doris Hogan.

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## Obituaries Vance McLean

Vance McLean, 82, former Merkel area resident, died Monday at a Waco hospital.

Services were held at 2 p.m. January 14 at Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel in Merkel with the Rev. John Wagoner officiating.

He was born in Mulberry Canyon. He was a Methodist and a veteran of World War II, serving in the medical corps in North Africa and Italy.

Survivors include four sons, Wayne McLean of Waco, Garth McLean of Abilene, Robert McLean of Birmingham, Ala. and Ken McLean of Houston; a sister, Clebia Toombs of Snyder; a brother, Blanton McLean of El Paso; five grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Dewel McLean and a sister Garrie Latimer and an infant daughter.

## Martin Cook

Funeral services were held in Fort Worth, January 7 for Martin Cook, former Noodle resident. Martin had retired and he and his wife made their home in Grandbury.

He is survived by his wife, Patsy, of Rt. 2, Grandbury, a son Don of Grandbury, a daughter, Evelyn Tarbell of Katy and five grandchildren.

## Dr. Jimmy Walker

Dr. Jimmy Walker of El Paso, died suddenly at the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) last week.

Dr. Walker was born in the Blair Community and had lived in the Merkel area. He was the son of Irl and Annie Walker of Merkel and was a 1948 graduate of Merkel High.

He was a star football player at UTEP on an athletic scholarship. He was voted the team's most valuable player. He had married Mary Toll of Pecos.

After receiving his master's degree he entered the U. S. Army serving with the occupation forces in Germany following World War II. He returned to Texas and accepted a coaching position at Mason. He then joined the coaching staff at UTEP. He later served as Dean of Men and after earning host Doctorate's degree, he served as Dean of Students. In 1969, he was honored with "Jimmy Walker day at UTEP. At the time of his death, he was an associate professor of psychology.

He is survived by his wife, three sons; Mike of San Antonio, Lyle of Arlington and Mark of Houston; three daughters, Cheryl Doty and Lori Walker of Houston and Lynn Luna of San Antonio and seven grandchildren.

He is also survived by his mother.

## MISD L Lunch menu

The Merkel School menu is as follows:

Monday January 26: chicken fried steak with cream gravy, seasoned green beans, buttered cream potatoes, hot rolls, peaches with whip topping.

Tuesday January 27: Mexican fiesta, rice, pinto beans, lettuce and tomato, pineapple chunks.

Wednesday January 28: fish nuggets, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, corn meal twists, applesauce cake.

Thursday January 29: pizza, mixed vegetables, lettuce wedge, sliced pears.

Friday January 30: hamburgers with all the trimmings, french fries, fresh orange wedge.

## TISD lunch menu

The Trent School Menu is as follows:

Monday January 26: Breakfast: dry cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: spaghetti, meat sauce, english peas, carrots, salad, oatmeal cookies, rolls, tea or milk.

Tuesday January 27: Breakfast: biscuits, sausage, jelly, juice, milk. Lunch: chili, red beans, fried okra, yellow cake, corn bread, tea or milk.

Wednesday January 28: Breakfast: donuts, juice, milk. Lunch: fried chicken, cream potatoes, gravy, green beans, banana pudding, rolls, tea or milk.

Thursday January 29: Breakfast: cinnamon rolls, juice, milk.

Lunch: pizza, corn, salad, peanut butter cup, tea or milk.

Friday January 30: Breakfast: oatmeal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: chili dogs, french fries, applesauce, cho. chip cookies, tea or milk.

## McIntyre graduates

A1C Robert J. MacIntyre, whose mother and stepfather are Mr. & Mrs. Robert L. Foy of Rt 3 Merkel, has graduated from the U. S. Air Force financial services course at Sheppard AFB, Texas. He is a 1985 graduate of Merkel High.

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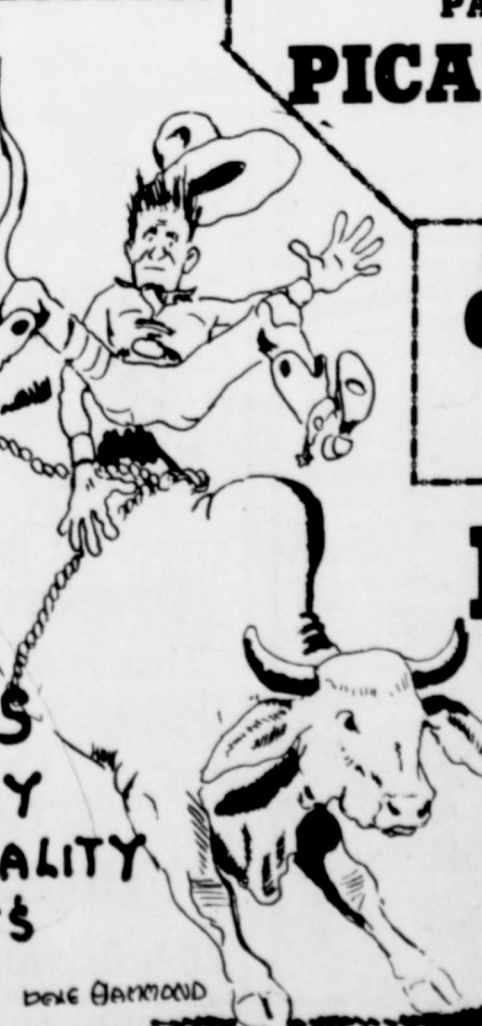
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**FINDING OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION**

It is the Finding of the City of Merkel that all activities proposed in its 1986 Community Development Contract are listed as categorically excluded in 24 CFR 58.35 and consist solely of: -Rehabilitation of housing units that will not increase density more than 20 percent, change use characteristics, or involve work worth 75 percent or more of the replacement cost of any unit after rehabilitation (24 CFR 58.35 (e)(1)).

The project judged categorically excluded is (Contract No. S706099) -Rehabilitation of a approximately 26 owner occupied single family dwelling structures at an average rehabilitation cost of \$6,440 each. Kent Satterwhite Mayor

04-32-1tcg

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**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**  
 THE STATE OF TEXAS  
 TO: MICHAEL JAMES ROBERTS, UNKNOWN ADDRESS, Respondent;  
 GREETINGS: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable 326th DISTRICT COURT, TAYLOR County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County in ABILENE, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of CHRISTIAN HOMES OF ABILENE, INC., Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 9th day of JANUARY, 1987, against MICHAEL JAMES ROBERTS, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 561-CX on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Interest of AN UNBORN CHILD", the nature of which suit is a request that the Court determine what parent-child relationships exist between the child and any other persons, that an Attorney ad Litem be appointed by the Court to represent the interest of those persons cited by publication, and that all such parent-child relationships be terminated. Said child is Unborn.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship.

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

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at ABILENE, Texas, this the 13th day of JANUARY, 1987.

Rilla Mahoney, District Clerk  
 326th District Court,  
 Taylor County, Texas.  
 By Rita Moore, Deputy.

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS**  
 January 22, 1987  
 City of Merkel  
 107 Lamar  
 Merkel, Texas 79636  
 915-928-4911

**TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS, AND PERSONS:**  
 On or about 1-30-87, the above named Municipality will request the Texas Department of Community Affairs to release Federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended (42 USC part 5301 et seq.), for the following project:

Community Development Program  
 Contract No. S706099  
 Housing Rehabilitation  
 Merkel, Taylor County, Texas  
 \$179,443 (TDCA);  
 \$7,000 (Local)

An Environmental Review Record respecting the within project has been made by the above named Municipality, which documents the environmental review of the project. The Environmental Review Record is on file at the above address and is available for public examination and copying upon request.

The City of Merkel will undertake the project described above with Texas Community Development Program funds from the Texas Department of Community Affairs (TDCA), under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended. The City of Merkel is certifying that the City of Merkel and Kent Satterwhite, in his official capacity as Mayor, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the

Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decisions making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, the City of Merkel may use the Texas Community Development Program funds, and TDCA will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and related provisions of law cited at 24 CFR part 58. TDCA will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following bases: (a) That the certification was not in fact executed by the chief executive officer or other officer of the Contractor approved by TDCA, or (b) that the Contractor's environmental review record for the project indicates omission of a required decision, finding, or step applicable to the project in the environmental review process. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR part 58), and may be addressed to:

Texas Department of Community Affairs  
 Community Development and Housing Division  
 P.O. Box 13166,  
 Capitol Station  
 Austin, Texas 78711

Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by TDCA. No objection received after 2-17-87 will be considered by TDCA.

Kent Satterwhite,  
 Mayor  
 City of Merkel  
 107 Lamar  
 Merkel, Texas 79636  
 04-132-1100

**NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF MARY MARGARET CRUME, DECEASED**

NOTICE is hereby given that Original Letters of Testamentary for the Estate of Mary Margaret Crume, Deceased, were issued on January 12, 1987, in Docket No. 17,393, pending in the County Court of Taylor County, Texas, to: Samuel Elvis Crume

The residence of the Independent Executor is in Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, said address being: Estate of Mary Margaret Crume, c/o Samuel E. Crume, Independent Executor, 2925 Ivanhoe, Abilene, Texas, 79605.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED this 14th day of January, 1987.  
 Respectfully submitted,  
 WHITTEN, HAAG, HACKER, HAGIN & CUTBIRTH  
 P.O. Box 208  
 Abilene, Texas 79604  
 (915) 672-7824

By: Cynthia A. Rucker  
 State Bar No. 17363800  
 Attorney for the Estate of Mary Margaret Crume, Deceased  
 04-49-1100

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**  
 THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: UNKNOWN FATHER, ADDRESS UNKNOWN, Respondent;  
 GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County in Abilene, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of DAVID

LEE FORNEY and wife CYNTHIA LEE FORNEY, Petitioners, filed in said Court on the 21st day of November, 1986, against UNKNOWN FATHER, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 539-CX on the docket of said Court, and entitled "In The Interest of CHERYL ANNE FORNEY, a Child", the nature of which suit is a request to be adopted by Petitioners, and adoption of such child is sought. Petitioners request that the name of the child, CHERYL ANNE FORNEY, remain unchanged. Petitioners request the Court to order the sealing of the file and the minutes of the court. Petitioners pray that the Court enter its decree in accordance with the allegations of this petition. Said child was born the 3rd day of March, 1972, in Altoona, Pennsylvania.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgement or decree in the child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.

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

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

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Abilene, Texas, this the 12th day of January, 1987.

Rilla Mahoney, District Clerk, 326th District Court, Taylor County, Texas by Rita Moore Deputy (Seal)  
 04-11c-94

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
 THE STATE OF TEXAS  
 County of Taylor

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain Writ of Execution issued out of the Honorable County Court of Taylor County, of the 4th day of November 1986, by Writ of Execution of said County Court for the sum of Two Thousand Nine Hundred twenty three and 25/100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a Judgement, in favor of H. E. COKE & THOMAS COKE in a certain cause in said Court, No. 15,653 and styled H. E. COKE & THOMAS COKE vs CALUMET CORPORATION, placed in my hands for service, I, John W. Middleton as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the 11th day of December, 1986, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: All undivided interest down hole as well as personal property: Arrington Lease, Section 61 Lunatic Asylum Survey - 5 miles S.E. of Potosi, G. A. Crain "A" Lease Sec: 9S, P. "R.R." Survey Block 7-4 miles south of Potosi; and levied upon as the property of CALUMET CORPORATION and that on the first Tuesday in February 1987, the same being the 3rd 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 vendue, for each, to the highest bidder, as the property of said CALUMET CORPORATION. Sale will be held at 10 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

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 11th day of December, 1986.

John W. Middleton, Sheriff Taylor County, Texas  
 By Eddie W. Swanson, Deputy.  
 02-3tc

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**  
 -TO: TOMMY CRAIG MCGOWEN, 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 16th day of February, 1987, at or before ten o'clock A.M. before the Honorable 350th District Court of Taylor County, Texas at the Courthouse of said County in Abilene, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, on the 29th day of August, A. D. 1986, in this cause, numbered 1451-D on the docket of said court, and styled, Linda Riley Plaintiff, vs. TOMMY CRAIG MCGOWEN, Defendant.

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: LINDA RILEY is Plaintiff and TOMMY CRAIG MCGOWEN is Defendant.

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

Plaintiff prays that Defendant be cited to appear and answer herein, and that upon final hearing she have and recover from the Defendant an amount in excess of the minimum jurisdictional limits of this Court, for costs of suit, and for such other and further relief, at law or in equity, that the Court may deem proper, 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 30th day of December, A. D. 1986.  
 Attest: Rilla Mahoney, District Clerk, 350th District Court, Taylor County, Texas by Rita Moore, Deputy (Seal)  
 197-4tc

**TO ALL PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN CERTAIN SEIZED MATERIAL:**  
 GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED in accordance with Article 6687-1 of the Texas Civil Statutes that the Texas Department of Public Safety seized certain property at locations in Taylor County, Texas and this property is being held at Rhoades Automotive at 4210 Sayles, Abilene, Taylor County, Texas. The following property was seized: A 1984 Chevrolet Pickup on May 29, 1986, 1985 Chevrolet Pickup on August 11, 1986, 1981 Chevrolet Pickup on August 12, 1986, 1986 GMC Pickup on August 12, 1986, 1981 Chevrolet Pickup on August 15, 1986, and a 1979 Chevrolet Pickup on November 21, 1986. The original Vehicle Identification Number is unknown on each of these vehicles.

APPLICATION FOR RETURN of said vehicle may be made to the 350th District Court by the owner or any lienholder not later than twenty (20) days after

this notice is issued. On the payment of towing and storage costs, the vehicle may be reclaimed pursuant to such application to the Court. A failure of the owner or any lienholder to reclaim this vehicle is a waiver of all right, title and interest in the vehicle or part.

Jorge A. Solis  
 Criminal District Attorney  
 596-58-4tc

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**  
 THE STATE OF TEXAS  
 -TO: EDWARD H. KLEIN and ISABEL KLEIN, Defendants in the hereinafter styled and numbered cause:

You are commanded to appear and answer the Plaintiff's petition at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation that day being February 16th, 1987, in the 42nd District Court of Taylor County, Texas, to be held at the County Courthouse in the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas. This case is No. 40,183-A, styled STEVE MCMANAWAY, TRUSTEE v EDWARD H. KLEIN and ISABEL KLEIN, in which STEVE MAMANAWAY is Plaintiff, and EDWARD H. KLEIN and ISABEL KLEIN are Defendants, and the Petition was filed on December 29, 1986. The nature of the suit is as follows:

Suit for claim by Plaintiff for title and possession of Lot 9, Block 2, Henry James Replat of Lots 7 through 16, Block 1, and a Sub-division of Block 2 and 3, WESTWAY PARK ADDITION to the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, by reason or peaceful, uninterrupted use and occupancy by adverse possession thereof by Plaintiff by virtue of Articles 16.025, 16.026 and 16.027, Civil Practice and Remedies of Vernon's Annotated Code of Texas, being the ten (10) and twenty-five (25) year statutes of limitation, barring all claims therein by Defendants.

If this citation is not served within ninety (90) days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

SINGED AND SEALED on this 29 day of December, 1986.

Rilla Mahoney  
 John W. Middleton

District Clerk  
 Taylor County, Texas  
 by JoAnn Lackey  
 Deputy  
 Issued on this 27 Day  
 of December, 1986.  
 Rilla Mahoney  
 District Clerk  
 Taylor County, Texas  
 by JoAnn Lackey  
 Deputy (Seal)  
 197-83-4tc

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
 THE STATE OF TEXAS  
 County of Taylor

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain Writ of Execution issued out of the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County, of the 11th day of December, 1986, by Writ of Execution of said 104th District Court of Taylor County for the sum of Four Thousand Hundred Two Dollars and 95/100 Dollars, and costs of suit, under a Judgement, in favor of J. W. TEAGUE in a certain cause in said Court, No. 10,204-B and styled J. W. TEAGUE vs JACK McQUEEN, placed in my hands for service, I John W. Middleton as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did on the 11th day of December 1986, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: 23.06 acres located North of Lake Abilene reference # A0304-0002-00 12100-W800 S100N125.9 Gilchrist L Baverman Survey, 83 4 AC TR: and levied upon as the property of Jack McQueen and that on the first Tuesday in February, 1987, the same being the 3rd 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 vendue, for each, to the highest bidder, as the property of said JACK McQUEEN. Sale will be held at 10 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 12th day of January 1987.

John W. Middleton

Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas by Eddie Swanson, Sr. Deputy (Seal)  
 03-79-3tc

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain WRIT OF EXECUTION issued out of the Honorable COUNTY COURT AT LAW Court of Taylor County, of the 1st day of December 1986, by WRIT OF EXECUTION of said Taylor County Court At Law for the sum of TWO THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS and costs of suit, under a JUDGEMENT, in favor of OIL PATCH POLLUTION SERVICE in a certain cause in said Court, No. 15,625 and styled OIL PATCH POLLUTION SERVICE vs. DALE COX OPERATING, placed in my hands for service, I, JOHN W. MIDDLETON as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the 9th day of January, 1987, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: ALL UNDIVIDED INTEREST OF DALE COX OPERATING LOT 1 GRIMMER COUNTY SCHOOL LAND # 147, LOCATED 2 1/2 MILES SOUTHEAST OF MERKEL, TEXAS, TEXAS RAILROAD COMMISSION # 19058, PHILYAW & LAIL ENGINEERING COMPANY 5 MILES EAST OF SHEP, TEXAS SECTION 144 BLOCK 64, H & TC SURVEY, SALE WILL BE HELD AT 10:00 A.M. and levied upon as the property of DALE COX OPERATING and that on the first Tuesday in FEBRUARY 1987, the same being the 3rd 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 vendue, for each, to the highest bidder, as the property of said HARLEY REEVES.

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 12 day of January, 1987.

John W. Middleton  
 Sheriff Taylor County, Texas  
 By Eddie W. Swanson Sr. Deputy.  
 03-3tc  
 03-3tc-75

TAYLOR County.  
 Witness my hand, this 9 day of January 1987.  
 John W. Middleton  
 Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas  
 By Eddie W. Swanson Sr., Deputy.  
 03-3tc-92

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**  
 THE STATE OF TEXAS  
 County of Taylor

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain Writ of Execution issued out of the Honorable 70th District Court of Ector County, of the 6th day of January, 1987, by Writ of Execution of said 70th District Court of Ector County, for the sum of Seventy Thousand Five Hundred Eighty One & 44/100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a Judgement, in favor of FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF LOUISVILLE vs. HARLEY REEVES, placed in my hands for service, I, JOHN W. MIDDLETON as Sheriff of TAYLOR County, Texas, did, on the 7th day of January 1987, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: All Undivided Working Interest Section 140, Block 64 H & T Railroad Co. Survey Taylor County Texas; and levied upon as the property of HARLEY REEVES and that on the first Tuesday in February 1987, the same being the 3rd 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 vendue, for each, to the highest bidder, as the property of said HARLEY REEVES.

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