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COUNTY COURT'S WORK FOR WEEK

Abilene, April 26.—The following cases were disposed of in county court last week. This is Judge E. M. Overshiner's first week as judge of the court and a good number of cases were disposed of.

State of Texas vs. R F Isom, unlawfully carrying pistol. Plea of guilty. Fine of \$100.00.

State of Texas vs. J M Smith, aggravated assault and battery. Plea of guilty. Fine of \$25.00.

State of Texas vs. J P South, pursuing occupation without paying occupation tax. Trial before court. Judgment of guilty. Fine of \$150.00. Defendant gave notice of appeal.

State of Texas vs. Willie Bean, aggravated assault. Plea of guilty. Fine of \$25.00 and five days in jail.

J W Carter, Jr., vs. R D Bumpass. Judgment for plaintiff and costs.

J A Morrow vs. Texas & Pacific Ry. Co., damages. Trial before jury. Verdict and judgment for defendant.

Bond & Huddleston vs. G C & S F Ry. Co., damages. Dismissed at defendant's cost. (2 cases.)

S W Peanut Co. vs. Wichita Valley Ry. Co. Judgment for plaintiff and costs.

F & M Bank of Abilene vs. G E Ramsey et al, debt. Judgment for plaintiff by default.

T R Rhodes vs. J W Woods et al, rents, etc. Judgment by default against J W Woods for \$402.00, and that plaintiff take nothing as to defendant Anchor Hardware Co.

W O Kemper vs J A Bowman, debt and attachment. Dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

Allie Bowen vs. D Harvey, debt. Judgment for plaintiff by default.

C W Dudley vs. T W Northington et al., debt. Judgment for plaintiff by default.

F & M Bank of Abilene vs. W G Pylant et al. Judgment by default against defendant Pylant and on confession against Gage & Barnett with judgment over against Pylant.

W A McBride vs. S A Bartley. Dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

F & M Bank of Merkel vs. A J Young et al. Dismissed as to defendant R C Young, judgment by default against J E McDonald, A J Young and W C Ayers as prayed for.

First State Bank & Trust Co. vs. J N Boydston, debt. Judgment for plaintiff by default.

Kirk D Holland vs. Buick Automobile Co., commission. Plea of privilege sustained and cause ordered transferred to Dallas county.

H A Erwin vs. Western Union Telegraph Co., damages. Trial before jury, verdict and judgment for plaintiff for \$450 damages.

F & M Bank vs. G F Stribling et al, judgment for plaintiff by default, with judgment over in favor of Kirby vs. Stribling and Cogdell.

John Vance vs. Texas & Pacific Ry. Co., damages. Trial

LOCATION OF OUR COURT HOUSE

The location of our new court house to be erected as the result of the recent bond issue of \$150,000 is to be decided in an election to be held Saturday, May 10. The proposition as submitted is to decide whether the court house shall be erected and the county seat remain at Abilene or the court house be erected and the county seat made at Buffalo Gap or some other point.

The issue is of more intense interest of course to Abilene and Buffalo Gap but affects every citizen of Taylor county and every citizen should express himself at the polls on the day of election. The court house is to be the property of all of Taylor county and the location of such a magnificent structure to be inhabited by our officers and frequented by our citizens is a question of special interest to every citizen.

The Mail has read volumes on each side and have decided and will vote just like all others, mainly from a standpoint of selfish interest, for our county seat to remain at Abilene. We do not condemn but commend the ambition and effort of Buffalo Gap and the citizens in the south end of the county and know that they will cheerfully accord us the privileges they are given in the premises.

The interests of Merkel and our immediate territory are best served by the location of the county seat at Abilene; in fact the interests of Merkel and Abilene, both located in the northern part of the county are mutual and identical with the possible exception of the friendly rivalry as to retail trade and this is a small matter in comparison with the other business, wholesale, financial and political interests. In our humble opinion the removal of the county seat to Buffalo Gap would be as serious a blow, if not more so, to the interests of our little town than our larger sister city. This is nothing but an agricultural trading point and it takes the level best of our business men and citizenship to maintain our position as a town with the present political map, complexion and conditions and the Merkel citizen who looks into the future a few years sees a very possible if not probable changed condition, even without our approval and assistance. The talk of a new railroad connection for Merkel is all campaign dope and dangerous at that. We do not want any more railroads and have no mutual interests with any Santa Fe towns or town development.

It is with pleasure that we reflect and know that the interests and conveniences of the majority of our citizens, as well as our own are best served by the present location of the court house and our county seat and for this reason the most casual observer and onlooker has no fear that the result will be otherwise.

MODERN FRONT FOR BURROUGHS STORE

The improvement and making-over-modernly of Merkel continues with increasing interest. The contract was let this week for the building of a new front for the Burroughs' drug store building, owned by the proprietor. The front will be of plate glass and metal with recess and make this one of the most attractive business houses in our town.

H. C. Burroughs has been in the drug business in the same house for eleven years and this new improvement suggests his success and ambition to keep pace with the progress and improvement of our town and country.

Come to the Plain Price Nickel Store and see the nice enameled ware plates, cups and saucers and glassware just as cheap as you can find anywhere. Everything cheap during Trade Week and you get Merkel Trade Coupons with every 50c cash purchase.

before jury. Verdict and judgment for defendant.

Estate of Mrs. N E Dennis, decd. Will admitted to probate and E W Dennis appointed Ind. Executor.

Estate of H J McBee, decd. Will admitted to probate and W J Landers appointed executor.

Estate of Willie Louis Bailey et al, minors. Order of sale of real estate granted and guardian of person allowed \$20.00 per month for maintenance of wards.

Returns From Chicago.

Dr. M. Armstrong who has been in Chicago for over a month taking a post graduate course in medicine returned home Sunday afternoon.

While Dr. Armstrong was well pleased with his trip the pleasure of it was somewhat marred during the last two weeks on account of his having an attack of rheumatism that kept him from seeing the city as he had hoped, though he was able to continue with his studies.

I. O. O. F. Give Supper.

The local I. O. O. F. Lodge tendered the members and their close friends with a well appointed supper Monday evening.

The entertainment was purely a social affair and brought together the members and their families for the first time in their new hall in the Thornton building. The evening of entertainment was sandwiched throughout with courses of cake and cream, served in abundance to all the members and visitors.



FOR SALE—White Wyandottes. My birds have proven their quality by winning where ever shown, at Abilene they made a clean sweep; winning \$35 worth of prizes with 6 birds. Will sell you eggs from these birds at \$2.00 per setting of 15. H. M. Rose. tf

WANTED—Man with family to do farm work. Write or phone Sam Butman, Nubia, Texas. 11t3

FOR SALE—20x40 store house. Will sell cheap. H. M. Warren.

FOR SALE—Good pair of horse mules, 5 years old, 15½ hands high, for cash or good note. Mrs. Oscar Rohde. Apply at Farmers State Bank, Merkel, Texas. tf

BUSINESS HOUSES TO CLOSE AT 6:30

The following business firms have agreed to close their respective business houses at 6:30 each evening except Saturday until September 1st, and ask that all Merkel patrons take notice of the change. The new closing hour started the first of this month.

Crown Hardware Co.
West Texas Hardware Co.
Anchor Hardware Co.
Star Store.
J. P. Sharp.
C. L. Edwards & Co.
J. T. Dennis.
W. D. Woodroof & Co.
Hogue-Hamilton Co.
Merkel D. G. & Gro. Co.
Parten Dry Goods Co.
W. L. Harkrider.
Burton-Lingo Lbr. Co.
Merkel Lbr. Co.
J. L. Banner & Son.
W. H. Roach.
Cash Grocery.
Whitley, Son & Co.
G. F. West & Son.
Hrmblet & Rogers.
Kent Street Gro. Co.
G. M. Sharp's Feed Store.
Behrens-McMillen Fur. Co.
Turner's Tin Shop.
Martin's Tin Shop.
Plain Price Store.
Thomas & Dorsey.
Jno. B. Bell & Son.
Cash's Tailor Shop.
Renfro's Tailor Shop.
City Barber Shop.
Jones' Barber Shop.
Brown's Barber Shop.
Martin's Barber Shop.
S. S. Scheidler, Jeweler.

WILL SPEAK HERE SATURDAY AT 3 P.M.

The Mail is in receipt of a letter from T. B. Holliday of Buffalo Gap in which he asks that we announce the pro and con discussion that is to take place here Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock between himself and Hon. J. M. Wagstaff of Abilene.

This occasion promises to be one of the liveliest yet from the fact that the question of moving the county seat from Abilene to Buffalo Gap is the topic of the day in Taylor county and is the one to be discussed here Saturday. Mr. Holliday is the champion of the cause for Buffalo Gap and is interesting the people all over the county with his side of the question, while Representative Wagstaff is well posted on the Abilene side of the matter and will speak for the county seat to stay at Abilene.

This is a matter of importance and you should hear these men on whether we move the county seat to Buffalo Gap or leave it as it is. Right and justice being on one of the two sides it is up to Taylor county voters to decide which at the present is the greater right.

Ohio Man Here on Visit.

J. N. Billingsley and nephew, E. L. Gooch, of Hamilton, Ohio, are here this week visiting Mr. Billingsley's sister Mrs. E. J. Rhodes.

Some twenty-three years ago Mr. Billingsley was a citizen of this country but at the early stage of the game did not see the bright prospects of our country and left his companion, B. J. Rhodes, who came here with him and returned to his old home. He sees many changes in our town since his last visit here a few years ago, but Castle Peak has suffered no change whatever.

The part that Castle Peak plays in the matter is somewhat noteworthy, when Mr. Billingsley was first here Rev. Blair a Baptist minister and our present townsman Rev. A. A. Baker were holding a meeting in the parts near Castle Peak and announced that on a certain Sunday the preaching would be transferred to the top of Castle Peak and the young people who wished to have their young lives joined by the holy bonds of matrimony could have it done that day on top of the noted Taylor county peak without charge for either the marriage ceremony or the marriage license, when the time came Mr. Billingsley and his lady walked forth to be married, it was a complete surprise to the two Reverends in charge of the work but they carried out their part of the agreement. Mr. Billingsley and his nephew will be here for a few days only before returning to their home.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Alex Harris of Stanton was here this week looking after business matters.

G. E. Comegys, Mayor Potter, E. D. Coats and M. A. Marton were in Abilene Tuesday on business.

H. F. Groene returned Wednesday from San Angelo where he went to do some photography work.

Mrs. Oscar Rhode who was here last week visiting her son W. H. Kendrick, returned to her home in Houston Saturday night.

Rev. A. A. Baker will go to Abilene Sunday to assist in the installation of Dr. Harrison as pastor of the Center Presbyterian church.

The Plain Price Store gives Merkel Trade Coupons with each 50c cash purchase. Call and see what we have and get what you want.

Miss Bama Richburg who has been teaching in the Butman school during the past winter was here visiting the last of the week the guest of Mrs. J. W. Wheatley.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Bowles of Oklahoma who have been here visiting the former's brother R. E. Bowles and family, returned to their home by way of Sweetwater Monday morning.

The Plain Price Store has tangle-foot and fly poison. Get after the flies and don't let them get after you. Come and get tangle-foot and poison and keep them out.

Dr. L. C. Beeson who has been at Noodle for some time passed through here Wednesday in his auto enroute to Weatherford where he will take the train for Tiogo in east Texas to take charge of a sanitarium.

Mrs. Lester Ellis, Misses Fannie Burroughs and Genevieve Rust were Merkel guests to a reception at the home of Mrs. Ellis' parents Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Tandy of Abilene Wednesday evening.

Frank L. Turner, tinner and plumber phone No. 249. Ready to do your work, prices reasonable. Don't forget to phone me your wants.

Not Fit For Ladies

Public sentiment should be against it, and we believe it is, there can be no reason why ladies should have to suffer with headaches and neuralgia, especially when Hunt's Lightning Oil gives such prompt relief. It is simply a question of getting the ladies to try it. All druggists sell Hunt's Lightning Oil in 25c and 50c bottles.

Church Directory

METHODIST CHURCH—Preaching each Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.; Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.; Junior League at 3 p. m.; Senior League at 6:45 p. m.; Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening at 7:45; Womens Missionary Society each Monday at 4 p. m. R. A. Clements, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Sunday school at 9:45, E. P. McMillen, superintendent. Excepting the first Sunday in each month there will be preaching morning and evening at the usual hours. On the first Sunday evening in each month there will be song service. Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening with International Sunday school lesson as a subject. The public cordially invited. Geo. Hamilton, Pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST—Preaching each 4th Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Sunday school each Sunday at 10 o'clock. Regular church services at 3 p. m. each Sunday. W. G. Cypert.

T. & P. TIME TABLE.

EAST BOUND	
Train No. 8, leaves Merkel	7:27 a.m.
Train No. 4 " "	10:50 a.m.
Train No. 6 " "	11:28 p.m.
WEST BOUND	
Train No. 7, leaves Merkel	4:32 p.m.
Train No. 3 " "	5:32 p.m.
Train No. 5 " "	6:12 a.m.

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Dead Letter List.

The following letters remain in the post office at Merkel, Texas, for the week ending May 3, 1913.

Cozart, W C
 Garrett, Sam (2)
 King, Jim
 If not called for will be sent to dead letter office May 17, 1913.
 H. W. Derstine, P.M.

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Epworth League Program.

The Sympathy of Jesus.
 Leader, Bertha Harris.
 Piano voluntary—Dorothy Lee Potter.
 Hymn.
 Lord's prayer.
 Vocal solo—Mrs. McMaster.
 Reading, Ps. 24.
 Hymn.
 Prayer.
 Scripture lesson, Mark 6:30-46.
 Prayer.
 The nature of true sympathy—John Moore.
 Instances of Christ's sympathy—all.
 Prayer.
 What Christ's sympathy means to me.
 Prayer.
 Epworth Visitor.
 Miscellaneous.

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ELKS' MINSTREL IN ABILENE MONDAY

The outrages and scandals perpetrated upon a pious and peaceable population are always beyond the imagination of the most fertile brain and the black-faced minstrel to be courted housed at Abilene Monday night will not be forgotten soon by those who pay and play for it.

In serious and sober life the fun and frivolity of those whose names are tangle-footed with the affair is worth an occasional visit to our big sister city and to see them on the stage in one bunch is worth the eggposure, eggasparation and eggspense. They are each and all, severally, collectively and dramatically champions in their class (no other) and will handle the minstrel pluralogue and kill an audience with the same ease and grace the most skilled matadoric athlete antagonizes and "throws" even to death the masculinest bovinian.

The time is Monday night and prices and special places of endurance and observation made known by Eggshoused Rooster Kristchun or any of the Elkses.

Returns From Meeting.

Rev. R. A. Clements returned Monday morning from Cisco where he has been holding a meeting for the last two weeks.

Rev. Clements reports the audiences exceedingly good and the spirit of attention and interest equal to the crowds, he also reports that section of the country in much better condition since the rain last week.

Money to Lend.

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Civic Compliment.

Dr. M. Armstrong upon his return from the chilly north warmed up in complimenting our civic improvement during his absence, especially the attractive and substantial hitch racks. This was before he noticed the loss of four or five good iron awning posts from his premises and made the surprise more pleasing—glad that he could by the confidence of his friends contribute his part to the good work even in his absence. Thanks, doctor.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Crouch of Oklahoma City came in Tuesday to visit the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Coggin. Mr. Crouch only spent one day here, going on to Douglas, Ariz., where he expects to go into business. Mrs. Crouch will be here for some time visiting friends and relatives.

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Sends Cake to California.

Mrs. A. A. Baker and daughters Mesdames J. L. Baker and J. B. Warnick baked a large cake this week and sent it to Hugh Baker of Campbell, Cal., as a birthday present to Hugh from his parents Rev. and Mrs. A. A. Baker. The cake weighed ten pounds and required the whites of thirty eggs in baking, it was sent by parcel post.

Trent School Commencement.

The Mail is in receipt of an invitation to attend the first annual commencement exercise at Trent to be held there next Monday evening.

Rev. R. A. Clements pastor of the Methodist church here has been elected to preach the baccalaureate sermon. The exercises will be held in the Methodist church at 8:30 p. m.

Mrs. E. M. Hawkins of Dallas came in Wednesday to visit her niece Mrs. Dr. Armstrong. Mrs. Hawkins spent the winter in Phoenix, Ariz., with her son A. S. Hawkins. She is now on her return to Dallas.

W. A. Scott returned Monday morning from Paris where he attended the State Senate of Prætorians that met there April 24th and 25th. Mr. Scott reports a most enjoyable time and a royal entertainment at the hands of the Paris citizens. While away he also visited in Hugo and Durant, Okla.

Frank L. Turner, tinner and plumber, phone No. 249, am ready to do your work. Prices reasonable and dont forget to phone your wants.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Adcock of Caps are here this week visiting the families of R. J. and O. J. Adcock. Mr. and Mrs. Adcock will perhaps return here to spend the summer as the Caps school which Mr. Adcock has been in charge of is closed.

You will get your moneys worth in dependable dry goods when you trade with Hogue-Hamilton Company.

Mrs. T. E. Paylor of Big Springs is here visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Paylor.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

C. R. Hutcheson of Trent is reported very sick at his home.

Rev. George L. Hamilton preached at Blackwell Sunday.

Groene's Studio opens at 8 o'clock a. m., and closes at 5.30 p. m.

Tully B. Lucas and Forest Gaither were visitors in Dallas Sunday.

For your hardware and shelf goods, hides and feed go to Jno. B. Bell & Sons.

Miss Lou Sears of Whitewright is here visiting her brother Jno. Sears and family.

5000 fat hens wanted at the Kent Street Grain & Grocery Company.

Ottis Barnett left Saturday night for Comanche to visit relatives for a few days.

Ladies, see our new goods in this week's arrivals. Hogue-Hamilton Company.

Mrs. Oscar Rhode and son W. H. Kendrick were visiting in Roby the latter part of last week.

Don't forget that Whitley, Son & Company are giving Merkel Trade Coupons for next trade week. Get them now.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Ellis were in Abilene Sunday visiting the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Tandy.

See us for a new suit, prices ten to twenty dollars, extra values. Hogue-Hamilton Company.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Woodroof left Sunday for their home in Waxahachie after a short visit here with relatives.

We want your chickens and will pay the highest market price for same. Kent Street Grain & Grocery Company.

Mrs. M. A. DeFee of Texarkana who has been here visiting her daughter Mrs. G. H. Adams returned to her home Monday.

Frank L. Turner, tinner and plumber phone No. 249. Ready to do your work, prices reasonable. Dont forget to phone me your wants.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Dillard of Tuscola were here Saturday visiting the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Gaither.

We have some surprising values in mens blue serge suits. Just arrived this week. Hogue-Hamilton Company.

Miss Ida Durett and Mr. Everett Scott of Weatherford were here Saturday and Sunday visiting Miss Venona Hamblet.

CHICKENS WANTED

I will pay 20 cents per pound for broilers and 15 cents per pound for fryers. All other farm poultry remains about the same in price. Bring me your chickens, turkeys, ducks and eggs. Also want your beeswax and tin-foil. Trade coupons with every \$1 worth purchased

W. P. DUCKETT Produce Dealer with Merkel Dry Goods & Grocery Company

SOCIETY

MRS. W. H. DICKSON, EDITOR

Letter From Mrs. Sterling P. Miller.

San Antonio, Tex., April 27, '13.
Dear Sister—Am going to try, the best I can to tell you about the Fiesta San Jacinto and Battle of Flowers. Words can only give you an idea of how pretty everything was. Friday, the Battle of Flowers pageant followed by the floral battle on Alamo Plaza, was great. There were ten floats of girls all in white evening dresses, on another float the girls wore pink dresses with pink hats, girls dressed in yellow were on another float. The elderly lady in charge of the Alamo wore a handsome robe of black, her carriage was covered with lavender flowers and her driver was a gentleman of color.

Just 'oodles of pretty things but I cannot tell you about all of them. Every thing was illuminated so prettily. The postoffice building was outlined in green, the court house in red, the Menger hotel in blue and red, the Alamo in green with the U. S. and Texas flags, formed by the colored lights. Lots and lots of pretty signs. The chimes are ringing in the Cathedral not far from here. Will go over soon.
Annie T.

Patterson-Tittle.

Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the home of J. H. Campbell was the scene of a quite home wedding, when Mr. Homer Patterson was married to Miss Lola Tittle.

Many friends and acquaintances were present to witness the solemn ceremony performed by Rev. Gaddy of the Baptist church. Miss Tittle the daughter of Mrs. J. H. Campbell is a beautiful young lady and has a host of friends in Merkel and Merkel country, while the groom is a well known young farmer of our country and enjoys host of acquaintances who wish he and Mrs. Patterson a most happy married life.

M. E. Baraca Business Meeting.

The teacher of the M. E. Baraca Class called an extra session Saturday evening. After the scripture lesson and prayer, the Baraca booklet was considered and discussed very thoroughly. The class then voted to publish a Baraca Sunday school journal and committees were appointed and instructed to proceed with the work.

The members are requested to be present at the business meeting, Friday night, May 2. Press Reporter.

XXth Century Club Program.

May 3, Mrs. G. F. West hostess. Roll call, England battles and date of same.

The rise of the drama in England—Mrs. W. H. Dickson.

Brief review of the year's work—Mrs. W. A. Scott.

Criticism of plays studied—The Club.

Messrs Hamblet & Rogers entertained their friends Friday afternoon from 3 to 6. This was a red letter day in the calendar of social events. While the National Biscuit Co., man, demonstrated his fancy line of goods. Messrs Hamblet and Rogers assisted by their wives and a few friends spread a banquet feast of good things in honor of the crowd. Coffee, hot biscuits, lovely home-made cakes, peanut sandwiches, butter, olives, catsup, fancy jelly, canned cherries and grape juice was included in the menu. Mesdames H. C. Williams, W. R. Walker, W. M. Scarborough, G. A. Rister, Misses Elma Sheppard and Venona Hamblet assisted in the serving.

On last Friday evening Mrs. J. W. Daniel delightfully entertained the bridge whist club at her home on Locust street. The players were Miss Genevieve Rust, Mrs. E. M. Rust, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wheatley, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. R. Daniel, Freeman Rogers. The host and hostess, with Mrs. W. H. Dickson substituting. The hostess served a delicious ice course to her guests.

Miss Venona Hamblet served a five-course noontime luncheon, in honor of Miss Ida Durrett and W. E. Scott of Weatherford, Sunday. All the appointments were in keeping with the season of the year. Covers were laid for Messrs W. E. Scott, Jack Provine and Freeman Rogers, Misses Ida Durrett, Virginia Hamblet and the hostess.

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Woman's Home Missionary Society Met.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the M. E. church met at the home of Mrs. W. F. Hamblet Monday afternoon. The President Mrs. J. L. Harris presided over the business session. The lesson study was conducted by Mrs. B. H. Wheeler, afterwards the society held its social hour, this being the meeting set a part for social features. The hostess assisted by Misses Mattie Paylor and Venona Hamblet served a salad course consisting of metropolitan salad with whipped cream dotted with cherries, saltine crackers and grape juice to Mesdames Adams, Allday, Ayers, Armstrong, Burroughs, Browning, Brown, Cross, Edwards, Harris, Jennings, King, Lamar, Moore, Potter, Scarborough, Shaffer, Paylor, Touchstone, Wheeler, Williams, Hamblet and Miss Josie King.

Health a Factor in Success

The largest factor contributing to a man's success is undoubtedly health. It has been observed that a man is seldom sick when his bowels are regular—he is never well when they are constipated. For constipation you will find nothing quite so good as Chamberlain's Tablets. They not only move the bowels but improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion. They are sold by all dealers.

OUR CORRESPONDENCE

Mulberry News.

April 28—Rev. Stegal filled his regular appointment here Sunday afternoon while Rev. Lawrence preached that night.

Uncle Bob Britton visited his son Willie at Delk Sunday.

Ed Kelsoe and family of the Stith community visited Mr. and Mrs. C. T. McCormick Sunday.

Misses Mollie Childers, Reneau Rainer, Zelma Rogers and Clyde Chaney are on the sick list this week.

Miss Eula Culp is visiting her uncle Charley McCormick and family of Mt. Pleasant this week.

John Childers and Robert Britton caught a large wolf last Thursday.

Curren Daniel is sick with the measles this week.

Ad Wimberly and family of Stith spent Sunday with Mr. McCormick and family.

Mrs. Ada Culp and daughter Miss Ethel visited the Misses Peterson Monday.

Mr. Anderson of Abilene was in this community Sunday on his motorcycle.

Calloway Chaney's children have been sick during the late.

John Collins bought a heifer from D. F. Rogers Monday.

Miss Ida Peterson was shopping in Merkel Saturday.

Butman News.

April 28—Mrs. Alvin Gregg returned Thursday from McCauley where she has been for a few days visiting relatives and friends.

Quite a number of boys and girls of this community attended a church social at Dora Saturday night. They report a fine time, a good program and plenty of good things to eat.

Roma Whetsel and sisters Beulah and Monnie of View visited at Mr. Perkins Saturday and Sunday.

Misses Mildred and Hallie Cook and Lottie and Margorie Butman visited Mrs. Allen Cook Saturday and Sunday.

The Sunday schools at this place are progressing nicely with large attendance.

Several young people of Nubia attended church here Sunday.

Rev. Purcer filled his regular appointment here Sunday afternoon.

Inkum Items.

April 28—Our people were much rejoiced by the good rain Tuesday night.

Commissioner J. L. Banner made a business trip to this section of the country last Thursday.

Mrs. Fuqua and children visited relatives at Tye during the first of the week.

Hands were called out on the Merkel-Inkum road last week, and the work done was very good and the thoroughfare put in much better shape.

There was an entertainment at the Hall Friday night. All present report a good time.

Miss Lowery of Abilene is teaching music in our neighborhood at this writing.

J. J. Self of Shep was in this section of the country Sunday.

V. T. Tye of the White Church neighborhood was transacting business in this section of the country last week.

Messrs Lamb and Evans of Abilene were in these parts last week. Rev. Lamb preached at Elm Grove Sunday.

G. W. Wilson made a business trip Shep Monday.

John Hallmark and family of Guion visited the formers parents near here the first of the week.

W. O. Perry was transacting business in Merkel the first of the week.

G. W. Wilson and son Frank were trading in Abilene Thursday.

J. E. Hallmark and family of Nubia visited J. N. Hallmark Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Steen visited relatives at Caps Sunday.

J. C. McWilliams made a business trip to Shep Friday.

What a Baptist Preacher Did

This is to certify that I have used one box of Hunt's Cure for a skin trouble, and same cured me after using about \$8 worth of other ointments and salves. Nothing like Hunt's Cure for skin troubles.—Rev. H. T. Sizemore, Hemphill, Texas.

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Notice of Trustee Election.

Notice is hereby given that there will be an election on Saturday, the 3rd day of May, 1913 in the Merkel Independent School District, at the City Hall in compliance with an order of the school board of said district and the polls of said district shall be open at 8 a. m. and shall not close before 6 p. m. the same day for the purpose of electing 4 trustees for said Merkel Independent School District.

R. E. Counts is hereby appointed to hold said election.

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article described in our new illustrated catalogue of presents. As a special offer, good during March and April only, we will give you this catalog absolutely FREE. Simply send us your name and address.

Coupons from DUKE'S MIXTURE may be assorted with Tags from HORSE SHOE, J. T. TINSLEY'S NATURAL LEAF, GRANGER TWIST and coupons from FOUR ROSES (10c tin double coupon), PICK PLUG CUT, PIEDMONT CIGARETTES, CLIX CIGARETTES, and other tags and coupons issued by us.

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Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic Combines both in Tasteless form. The Quinine drives out Malaria and the Iron builds up the System. For Adults and Children.

You know what you are taking when you take GROVE'S TASTELESS chill TONIC, recognized for 30 years throughout the South as the standard Malaria, Chill and Fever Remedy and General Strengthening Tonic. It is as strong as the strongest bitter tonic, but you do not taste the bitter because the ingredients do not dissolve in the mouth but do dissolve readily in the acids of the stomach. Guaranteed by your Druggist. We mean it. 50c.

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30,000 VOICES!
And Many are the Voices of Merkel People.

Thirty thousand voices—what a grand chorus! And that's the number of American men and women who are publicly praising Doan's Kidney Pills for relief from backache, kidney and bladder ills. They say it to friends. They tell it in the home papers. Merkel people are in this chorus. Here's a Merkel case.

Mrs. J. W. West, Merkel, Texas, says: "An attack of La Grippe several years ago left my kidneys disordered, causing severe pains in my back. As Doan's Kidney Pills had been used with good results in my family, I used one box and it reached the seat of the trouble, completely curing me. I have had no return of the trouble."

If your back aches—if your kidneys bother you, don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—ask distinctly for Doan's Kidney Pills, the same that Mrs. West had—the remedy backed by home testimony. 50c all stores. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

Noodle Man Dead.

Word was received here Monday morning from Noodle of the death of Thomas Jones who has been suffering for some time with tuberculosis. The news was received here with somewhat of a surprise as Mr. Jones was here last fall for some time taking treatment under one of the local physicians and his condition seemed to be improving during his stay here.

Funeral services were held in Rose Hill cemetery here Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. Young of Tye conducting the services. The many friends of the deceased parents Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jones of Noodle extend the deepest sympathy during their bereavement.

Biliousness and Constipation

For years I was troubled with biliousness and constipation, which made life miserable for me. My appetite failed me. I lost my usual force and vitality. Pepsin preparations and cathartics only made matters worse. I do not know where I should have been today had I not tried Chamberlain's Tablets. The tablets relieve the ill feeling at once, strengthen the digestive functions, purify the stomach, liver and blood, helping the system to do its work naturally.—Mrs. Rosa Potts, Birmingham, Ala. These tablets are for sale by all dealers.

Infant Dies.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Wasson of Noodle died Monday afternoon from a severe attack of pneumonia. Funeral services were held here Tuesday afternoon in Rose Hill cemetery Rev. Young of Tye conducting the services.

\$100 Reward, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer \$100 for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Nothing Else to Do.

"What are the wild waves saying, mother?" "I do not know, my child." "But why do they dance all day long?" "Well, my child, they cannot play bridge."—Kansas City Journal.

For Weakness and Loss of Appetite The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELESS chill TONIC, drives out Malaria and builds up the system. A true tonic and sure Appetizer. For adults and children. 50c.

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It is a Guaranteed Harmless Vegetable Remedy That Regulates the Liver Without Stopping Your Work or Play.

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This guarantee that a trustworthy druggist is glad to give on Dodson's Liver Tone is as safe and reliable as the medicine, and that is saying a lot.—Adv.

Finger Prints in Banks.

German banks, according to newspaper dispatches, have begun to introduce the finger print as a mark of identification on checks. The method is already in use in the United States.

For a burn or scald apply Chamberlain's Salve. It will allay the pain almost instantly and quickly heal the injured parts. For sale by all dealers.

Labeling Foods.

Many otherwise good housekeepers are very indifferent about labeling. They trust to their memory as to what is in each jar or package, and sometimes with disastrous results. All stores should be plainly labeled.

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if you are not saving for yourself.

Be sure and ask for them with every cents worth of your purchase.

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It's no trick to get the suit that'll make you look your best and will give service if you know the secret. Say "SHIELD BRAND" to us—that's the password. We'll give you "the clothes you want to buy at the price you want to pay."

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The Meathen in His Blindness. An Indian went hunting one day for deer. After tramping through the woods for some hours he came across a herd and managed to kill one. He shouldered it and started for market, which was some five miles away. Now of course, the longer he walked the heavier the deer got, and by the time he reached the deer market he was about all in. He hung the deer on the scales and stood looking at it with wonder. Finally he said to the man: "Ugh! Let him hang a while."

To Cure a Cold in One Day Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine. It stops the Cough and Headache and works off the Cold. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 25c.

Lemons as Toilet Article.

Nearly every woman uses a lemon in her toilet preparations. For removing stains or freckles or bleaching a neck made yellow by high collars there is nothing better. Only a very little lemon is needed at one time. To keep a lemon from drying up and becoming useless place it under an ordinary glass tumbler on the toilet stand and it will not wither and dry out.

Street Rules in Paris.

It is a misdemeanor to throw a piece of waste paper upon a Paris street. If a policeman sees you drop a piece of paper he walks up to you, pats you on the shoulder, begs your pardon for addressing you, tells you you have violated the law and asks you to pick up what you have thrown down.

Cures Old Sores, Other Remedies Won't Cure The worst cases, no matter of how long standing, are cured by the wonderful, old reliable Dr. Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil. It relieves Pain and Heals at the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00.

Still Unexplored.

All the opportunities for adventure are not over, though the north and south poles have both been conquered. In Africa there are 20,000,000 square miles of land as yet unexplored. In Liberia a tract of 20,000 square miles which is un-nown.

Verona's Municipal Pigeons.

The municipality of Verona has expended 50 llras (two pounds) in acquiring grain for the pigeons of the city. Having thus become state supported, they are immune from the molestations of wanton destroyers, who will now be punishable by law.



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New white Felt Hat.....	75c	New wash and silk Ties, 25c to.....	50c
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We want you to see our window showing men's goods and you will readily see that we are in a position to please your wants in toggery. Complete and new stock straw and felt hats.

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OUR CORRESPONDENCE

Salt Branch News.

April 29—Sunday school was well attended Sunday.

We are very sorry to report that Grandma Barker is still very low.

Nez Sargent and wife returned to their home in Oklahoma Sunday after a few days visit with relatives and friends here.

Ellis Petty and wife are the proud parents of a fine boy, who made his arrival last Thursday.

J. W. Teaff and family were the guests of R. D. Allen and family Sunday.

Grandma Hays left Sunday for O'Brien to visit her granddaughter Mrs. Lillie Link.

Mrs. Mittie Dunlap of Comache is here visiting her sister Mrs. S. W. Taylor for a few days.

W. M. Hays and family were visiting S. W. Taylor and family Sunday.

Misses Lyda Beavers and Gertrude Higgins were the guests of Willie and Mollie Hardy Sunday.

Oscar Mobley and family were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Petty Sunday.

Misses Lulu and Annie Higgins and Lyda Beavers called on Miss Cora Hays Sunday afternoon.

S. W. Taylor and daughter were Merkel visitors Monday afternoon.

Messrs and Mesdames J. P. Petty, W. B. Robertson and W. B. Beavers were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Petty Sunday afternoon.

Singing every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, everybody come and bring some one with you.

Rheumatism Quickly Cured

"My sister's husband had an attack of rheumatism in his arm," writes a well-known resident of Newton, Iowa. "I gave him a bottle of Chamberlain's Liniment which he applied to his arm and on the next morning the rheumatism was gone." For chronic muscular rheumatism you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Liniment. Sold by all dealers.



Car New Buggies Arrived

We have received a car of John Deere Vehicles, consisting of Traps, Top Buggies, Surreys, Hacks, in fact a complete line of vehicles, both in the steel and rubber tires. All vehicles guaranteed and prices invariably as low as good vehicles can be bought.

We also have a complete line of Shelf Hardware, Queensware, Graniteware, Glassware, Stoves and Harness.

Call and see us.

Crown Hardware Co.

OUR CORRESPONDENCE

Trent Items.

April 28—Our farmers are all well up with their planting and have their general farm work well in hand together with the good season we now have.

Our school here is one of the best in the country, and with Prof. Sikes in charge we feel that we will at the ending of this term have one of the most successful years we have ever had here in this line.

The new Company Gin will soon be completed and will be an up to date, well equipped plant and well able to handle the business that comes here this fall.

Several of the Trent people went to White Flat Friday night to attend the school entertainment and all report a very enjoyable time.

About fifty jack rabbits were killed near here Friday. Mr. McMurry was captain of the gunmen.

Trent is affected with what you might call the marble fever, I think the germs have scattered here from some adjoining place and from all indications it is going to spread very fast. There seems no way of stopping it here unless we quarantine some of the best men we have in town and some who are regular visitors from the country.

Albert Moore and family of Abilene J. C. and B. C. Moore of Merkel were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. James Bright here Sunday afternoon.

Prof. Johnson's school closed at Neil Friday afternoon.

Mr. Scott, our new merchant, seems to be well pleased with his location.

The health of this section of the country seems to be at its best, and of the late every one seems to be wearing a broad smile.

Calomel is Bap

But Simmons' Liver Purifier is delightfully pleasant and its action is thorough. Constipation yields, biliousness goes. A trial convinces. [In yellow Tin Boxes Only.] Tried once used always.

Comper Items.

April 28—We had a fine rain last week and the creeks and branches are all running.

Rev. Walker of Stith filled his regular appointment at this place Sunday at eleven o'clock, and at 3:30 in the evening Rev. Gaddy of Merkel preached

an able sermon to a very large audience.

Mrs. Walter Spurgin who has been very sick for the past few days is no better at this writing. Mrs. Palmer is also very sick and her case is bordering on fever.

The neighborhood farmers in this

section are planting Walter Spurgin's crop for him today, as sickness in his family forces him to be at home.

Most of the farmers of this section of the country are planting their feed and cotton crops over and some are having trouble in getting a stand.

Ed Kelso is very sick and has had a close escape from pneumonia.