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TEACHERS DEPART FOR THEIR HOMES

Many of the teachers of the Merkel schools who finished their work last week have departed for their respective homes.

Miss Orra Long left Monday night for her home at Mason where she will spend the summer. Miss Mae White of Clifton is in Big Springs visiting friends and will soon return home. Miss Saunders left for her home in Sweetwater Tuesday evening accompanied by Miss Roe who goes to her home at Colorado. Miss Saunders has been elected to teach in the Sweetwater schools during the next term. Miss Roe will teach this summer at a ranch school near her home. Misses Schmid and Murphy will return to their homes in Abilene the latter part of the week. Miss Garrett will remain until the end of the week after which she will go to San Angelo to visit her brother H.S. Garrett former superintendent of the schools at this place, and will go from there to Boulder, Colo., to attend the State University. Miss Mae Valentine is also contemplating a course in the same institution this summer.

The other teachers who live here have not announced their intentions for the summer.

Ferrier-O'Briant Wedding.

Wednesday evening at 9 o'clock the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. O'Briant on Elm street was the scene of a quiet home wedding. The contracting parties were Mr. Ross Ferrier, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ferrier and Miss Annie Lou O'Briant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. O'Briant. Rev. R. A. Clements, pastor of the Methodist church officiating.

Owing to the report of the wedding getting into the office too late for a complete publication, additional account will be given next week.

Attending Shriners Meet.

G. E. Comegys left Sunday night for Dallas to attend the National meeting of Shriners, held in that city during this week.

This gathering is perhaps the largest in its nature that the state of Texas has ever had the honor of getting within her borders and the host of visitors is so large that the State Fair grounds have been filled with Army tents for the visiting Shriners.

New Bakery Stand.

The Pure Food Bakery under the management of H. M. Warren & Co., have moved into their new quarters on north Front street. In connection with the bakery establishment the laundry baskets of Mr. Warren will be kept and he asks that you phone 48 when in need of any kind of baker's sweets or want your laundry work looked after.

The new establishment is open for the closest inspection and is prepared to furnish the public with all sort of cakes, pies, bread and bakers sweets. Phone 48.

Second hand furniture at Behrens-McMillen Furniture Co.

MERKEL'S SECOND TRADE WEEK

Merkel's second monthly Trade Week, May 19th. to 24th. promises to be another marked success in the business history of our little town. The idea and purpose of this enterprise is to extend the trade territory of our town and thus increase the volume of business. In this effort every store in town will be filled with goods marked at special prices to win your patronage. It matters not where you are trading now you owe it to yourself and family to give our merchants an opportunity to figure on your bill and if so we believe they will sell you the goods and that you will sooner or later become a regular friend and customer.

There is a common-sense way of reasoning and figuring everything and just a little of this will convince you that we have the best trading point in this section of the state. Our merchants have less expense than their competitors in larger cities and yet with this small expense in a small town they have a larger volume of business. The more goods they sell, the smaller profit they can take on each bill. The most of them are able to buy for cash and discount their bills and if they need any help our banks are able and willing to give them the financial assistance. Our merchants are able to furnish you on fall time or our banks will loan you the money and let you take advantage of the special offerings for cash.

It is the ambition of our merchants, banks and business people to pay you the highest prices for your cotton and produce and save you every dollar they can on the goods they sell you. They realize and know that your success and prosperity is necessary for their success and prosperity. We should work and pull together.

Merkel is and hopes to be naught but just a first-class agricultural trading point and while this ambition is not for a city of smokestacks it is for the best and most substantial town. A town, made and supported by the trade of a big territory like this is a good and safe enterprise.

In this effort you can help our town and our country by giving us your influence and speaking a good word for our banks, business people and enterprises. If your neighbor is not trading at Merkel tell him what you know about us and get him to give us a chance at his business.

Trade at Merkel and help us sustain the best trading point and cotton market in this section of the state.

ABILENE RETAINS SEAT OF COUNTY

Abilene retained the county seat of Taylor county in Saturday's election by a vote of 1869 to 900, the small end of the vote going to Buffalo Gap, the county seat of Taylor county up to the year 1883 when it was moved to Abilene by an election.

As soon as the election was over and the location settled, the commissioners met at Abilene and accepted plans and specifications for the new county home. The architectural drawings of George Burnett of Waco were accepted Tuesday, however there will be some changes in the plans offered by him before the work is commenced properly. Bids for the tearing down of the old court house were taken up the first of the week and the matter of getting the ground cleared was dispatched as soon as possible.

The material to be used in the new court house will be concrete and brick.

Notice Patrons.

Will be absent from home and office after the 17th inst., till about the 10th of June on a visit to my mother. Any one wishing my services during this time will please "hold their grips" till I get back, and I will be glad to serve them. After I have seen my mother and again received her personal blessing will, I'm sure, be able to better serve my clients. Respectfully, C. D. Mims.

For Sale or Trade.

One good wagon and team to trade for Merkel property. Also have Gorman property to sell. See me at once. O. G. Ash, Merkel.

Services Sunday.

The North Park B. Y. P. U. of Abilene will render a program at Baptist here Sunday afternoon, from 2 o'clock to 3. Every body is cordially invited out to this special occasion.

Something Good to Eat.

The Philathea class of the Baptist church will give a dinner on Thursday, May 22. Plenty of good things to eat for 25c. Everybody is invited to come, the proceeds to go for a good cause.

Dee Nobles came in this week from the Pacific coast country to visit his sister Mrs. W. D. Hutcheson and to be with his mother Mrs. J. E. Nobles while she is here visiting. After a short visit here he will leave for Chattanooga, Tenn. to attend the U.C.V. reunion.

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.

G. J. Jones left Wednesday morning for Eastland to renew his work with the International Harvester Company.

Mrs. Laura Baulch left for Fort Worth Tuesday to visit relatives for a short time.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE—Yale Motorcycle, comparatively new. Cheap for cash. See Bill Kendrick.

WANTED.—A farm hand or share worker. S. H. L. Swafford, Merkel, Route 1 Box 102

THERE IS NO CIDER IN CITY OF ABILENE

Abilene, May 14.—The sale of cider in Abilene has been tabooed. Acting on instructions received from the department of State at Austin, County Attorney H. Rob Keeble served notice on all local dispensers of the alleged non-intoxicating juices of the apple, apricot, and other fruits, Tuesday, that they must desist, and according to all reports they have "desisted." There were something like a half a dozen places in Abilene where cider was sold.

In his charge to the recent grand jury District Judge Blanton called the attention of the body to reports that cider was being sold in Abilene which possessed drunk-producing properties, and requested an investigation. The grand jury investigated. A sample of the cider being sold here was procured and sent to Austin for analysis. County Attorney Keeble was informed Tuesday that the cider could not stand the test required by the state law, and its sale should be prohibited. Mr. Keeble acted accordingly.

Notice of School Census of Merkel.

All children, who will be seven and not over seventeen by the first of September, must be enrolled in order to get the benefit of the free school. Parents should see me at once. 16t3 R. L. Krigbaum, Supt.

Big rug, art square and kitchen cabinet sale now on at Behrens-McMillen Furniture Co.

Miss Eula Sears was the guest of friends in Abilene Tuesday.

SCHOOLS CLOSE A SUCCESSFUL TERM

The closing exercises of the Merkel public schools this week are making one of the most successful years in the history of our town.

On Sunday the services at the Methodist church was very largely attended. On Tuesday night the music class of Miss Eva Williams' gave a most interesting program at the opera house, the sextette by Misses Potter, West, Saffle, McDonald, Jennings and Jennings was in a class by itself for a success with the hearers.

On Wednesday evening the members of the senior class gave the play entitled "The Perils of a Great City," an undertaking that required much time and expense to the class. And as a reward they were accorded one of the best houses a local talent play has ever had here. It was regarded by practically every show goer as the best home talent production ever witnessed here.

The last and closing of the school term takes place this evening, (Thursday) at the opera house.

Prices Being Lowered.

The circulated report that came out Monday of an advanced rise in prices of goods at the Merkel Dry Goods & Grocery Co., was all a mistake, to be straight with the manager Mr. J. D. Gaither the prices of goods have been lowered exceedingly for trade week, and we suspect the cause of it all is brought on by the double good luck of Monday when his wife presented him with a set of twins, one a boy and the other a girl, one a brunette, the other a blond. The mother and the children are reported to be getting along nicely and the father is all smiles.

New Show House Open.

H. F. Groene, manager of the Opera house has this week moved his picture show into new quarters at the rear of the Groene Studio.

Benefiting by past experience Mr. Groene has made the new air dome very convenient and comfortable in every respect. A stage has been built so as to arrange for vaudeville performances that come to our town. The first show in the new house will be held Friday night of this week.

Return From Europe.

Dr. J. A. Adkisson and wife returned to Merkel Thursday evening last week, after having been gone for something like two months. Their travels taking them into many interesting places in England, France, Germany and other foreign countries.

Plenty to Eat Saturday.

The ladies of the Cemetery Association announce a public dinner for Saturday, May 24th. and request your presence. A good cause. All you can eat for a quarter.

Mack has some bargains in second hand furniture, see him before you buy.

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W. I. Cogburn of the Nubia country was in town Monday on his way to Abilene to transact business.

Are you going to buy a buggy? If so see the John Deere line at the Crown Hardware Company.

Mrs. Ervin Jennings of Abilene was here last week visiting the family of Mrs. J. W. Jennings.

Paying cash for your groceries at Hamblet & Rogers insures you getting some of our free silverware.

Mrs. M. E. Orr left for Putnam Tuesday morning where she will visit her son W. H. Orr for some time.

Giggle Alley, that's where you laugh, laugh, laugh at the Carnival next week.

W. P. Duckett, Jr., of Snyder was here last week attending the home-coming given at his home here in honor of his parents fortieth wedding anniversary.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Harkrider and Mr. and Mrs. E. P. McMullen were out Tuesday catching all sorts of members of the finny tribe. They made the trip in Mr. Harkriders' car.

Get out with the fireboys and make Trade Week the best in the history of Merkel.

Dr. J. O. Crenshaw and W. E. Flood both of Fort Worth were here Tuesday morning looking over some real estate belonging to Dr. Crenshaw. It is the intentions of Mr. Flood who is connected with one of the leading business firms of Fort Worth to purchase some real estate property in this section. We are

not informed as to whether the visiting men closed a trade or not.

Mrs. Caroline Haney of Bell county stopped off here Monday while on her way from Roscoe. While here Mrs. Haney is the guest of her sister Mrs. John Eoff.

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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.

In Memory.

Alton is dwelling on the hill-tops of glory. How well I remember singing that pretty song, "Gather on the Hill-tops of Glory," and he only a baby, three years old, would sing it with me. How sweet it sounded to me, and how it pleased his fond mother's heart.

The last two years of Alton's life were spent at the home of his grandfather, W. W. Wheeler. He was loved and petted by every member of the family, but that did spoil his sweet, modest disposition. His favorite in the home seemed to be "aunt Ina," for she helped him with his lessons and attended to most of his little wants. Alton was a regular attendant at Sunday school and was loved by all his little friends. His sudden death was a sorrow to all who knew him, but I know that his little life, fading so soon here, will shed fragrance round all his loved ones. I would say to the sorrowing father and mother.

He loosed his grasp of your trembling hand
 And glided swift to the unknown land;
 That land unseen is a garden fair,
 And by and by, you shall meet him there—

Would you call him back where the wind blows chill,
 He, who may gather its sweets at will?

Nay, wait for him to whisper low,
 And when he beckons,—then you go.
 —Aunt Carrie.

Resolutions of Respect.

Noodle, Texas, April 28, 1913.
 Whereas, our Heavenly Father has called from our lodge, Lone Mesquite, Camp No. 1983, one of our esteemed Sovereign, T. M. Jones. Therefore, be it resolved that our lodge extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy in this their sad hour of affliction. And be it further resolved that our lodge send a copy of these resolutions to the sorrowing family and a copy to the Merkel Mail for publication.
 Committee,
 W. K. Horn,
 Charlie Ely.

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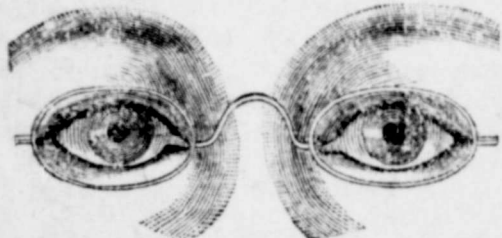
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Miss Eula Sears was in Abilene Monday visiting friends.

Let Wheatley roll your pills. Rust & McCauley Drug Co.

Mrs. Pheobe Greene is in Abilene visiting her sister Mrs. Shelton.

We will make special low prices in all departments during trade week. Hogue-Hamilton Co.

J. S. Swann and Dr. J. H. Warnick were in Abilene Saturday on business.

We have a complete line of Eastman kodaks. Rust & McCauley Drug Company.

Jno. Edwards of Midland was here last week visiting his brother Wesley Edwards and wife.

If it isn't an Eastman it isn't a kodak. Rust & McCauley Drug Company.

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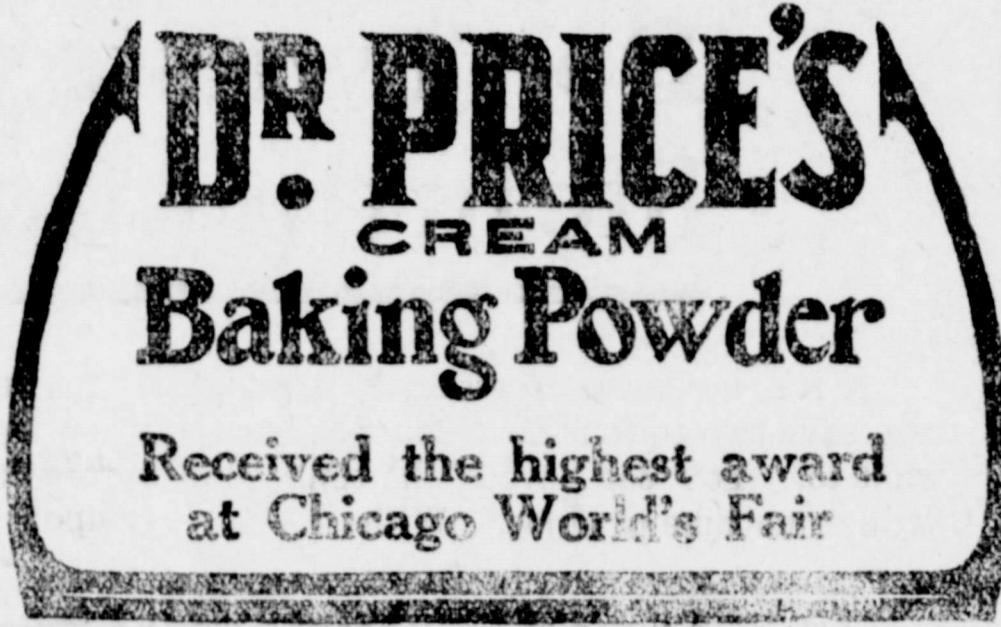
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Card of Thanks.

We greatly thank our friends and neighbors for the many useful and valuable presents presented us on our fortieth wedding anniversary as tokens of their friendship. We regret very much that there were several of our friends omitted when the invitations were being sent out. Thanking each one for their attendance upon this occasion we are your friends,
Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Duckett.

Money! Money!

Plenty of 8 per cent money on 5 and 10 years time with the option of paying or not. Get in your application in time.
V. E. Muir, Abilene, Texas.

Money to Lend.

Plenty of money to lend on farm and ranch land. Will inspect your land in 2 days notice.
Russell & Young,
Abilene, Texas.

Closing Notice.

The leading business houses of Merkel will close at 6:30 each day except Saturdays until September 1st.—Adv.

Cure for Stomach Disorders

Disorders of the stomach may be avoided by the use of Chamberlain's Tablets. Many very remarkable cures have been effected by these tablets. Sold by all dealers.

Mrs. E. Hall left for Abilene Monday morning to visit her parents Mr. and Mrs. Walker and to meet her sister Miss Rose B. Walker who has been in China during the past 8-years in missionary work. This meeting was the first time Mrs. Hall had seen her sister since her departure and the home-coming no doubt was a very joyous affair.

For cash. We will give the best three dollar hat in our house with every mans suit sold for \$10 or more during trade week only. Hogue Hamilton Company.

Always be on hand for the big free attractions. The 90-foot High Dive and the Leap of the Death Gap on a bicycle, the gap is 22½ feet wide. See it all at the Carnival next week. Free each evening at 7:30.

I'm the only tailor in town that gives Merkel Trade Coupons with work done or on suits ordered
See L. Cash.

Harry Mercer who has been away for some time returned here the first of the week for a short stay.

Just arrived swell line of ladies collars, belts, bags and bar pins. Hogue Hamilton Company.

Call on Madam Wonder, next week, she will tell you the past, future and present.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Oak barrels at Grimes Store.

Frank wants your soda trade. Rust & McCauley Drug Co.

See the mystery world, something new and novel and up-to-date.

Make our fountain your headquarters. Our drinks are pure and sanitary. The Elite.

Misses Lillian Hall, Clark and Cox of Sweetwater were here Sunday visiting Mrs. E. M. Rust.

Prepare for the June weddings by getting Hamblet & Rogers free silverware.

Mrs. Lester Ellis was in Abilene the first of the week visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Tandy.

Kyanize your furniture and floors. Get it at Rust & McCauley's, its the best varnish in the world.

Miss Leola Norris came in from Dallas Monday to visit her parents Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Smith.

The kodak tells the vacation story. Rust & McCauley Drug Company.

During the stay of the Southern Amusement Co., in Merkel you should not fail to visit the 10 in one show.

The John Deere buggies are in a class by themselves at the Crown Hardware Company.

Parker Sharp returned home Tuesday from Dallas to spend a few days with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Sharp.

Don't miss seeing the big minstrel show with the Southern Amusement Company the best on the road.

Its good for weddings and birthdays; the silverware at Hamblet & Rogers. See it.

Election Judge J. J. Stallings was in Abilene Monday making the official returns of this voting box for Saturday's election.

We will give back more change during Trade Week than anybody else in town. Ask us how. The Cash Grocery.

Chiquita, the smallest, most perfect little lady in the world is now with the Southern Amusement Co. Do not fail to attend one of her public receptions at the Carnival next week.

Mrs. E. M. Graham of Abilene was here the first of the week visiting her daughter Miss Louise Schmid who has been connected with the schools here.

Frank Tipton wants to see you at Rust & McCauley's fountain.

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

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Mack wants to exchange you new furniture for your old.

L. H. King and E. P. McMillen were in Abilene Wednesday on business.

Try Alta Vista ice cream it's better, Trade Tickets with each 25c purchase at Burroughs.

Mrs. Graham of Abilene was a week end visitor to see her daughter Miss Louise Schmid.

Miss Olga Sheppard left Tuesday morning for Dallas to visit friends and relatives.

Be sure to see the old and the new kitchen on display in the windows at Behrens-McMillen Furniture Co.

Mrs. Johnson of Roscoe came in Tuesday morning to visit her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Costephens.

We want your drug wants, Trade Tickets with each 50c purchase at Burroughs Store.

Miss Laura Winters of Hodges in here this week visiting her sisters Mrs. H. L. Propst and Jno. Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Nix who have been here visiting the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sheppard, left for their home at Sweetwater Tuesday afternoon.

\$5.00 in gold, free, free, free at the Elite Confectionery, Saturday, May 24th at 8:30 p. m.

We are the only firm in Merkel that handles northern meal and flour, White Crust flour and German Mill flour, every sack guaranteed to give satisfaction. We've got the goods and want your trade. Hamblet & Rogers.

Mrs. Harry Harris of Abilene and sister Miss Jaunita Harris came in Tuesday to visit the family of J. D. Gaither. Miss Harris will go from here to Fort Stockton to spend the summer with her mother while her sister will return to her home at Abilene.

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"I lost a customer last week by refusing to sell a ring of liverwurst to a woman who was buying it for her dog," said one man in the trade. "She was a good customer, but when she decided that she guessed that ring of wurst would do because she only wanted it for the dog, I said: 'Madam, human beings might feel honored to eat that wurst; it is not for dogs,' and I put it back in the case.

"Meat balls composed of the very best beef, veal, eggs, and cracker crumbs are likewise insulted. They will do for the cat. If women must buy these delicacies for their pets, let them, but let them refrain from insulting the storekeeper by telling him so."

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TEXAS

TAXED BY PHYSICAL WEIGHT

Novel Scheme of French Town Authorities That Met With Bitter Opposition From the Women.

A small French town in the Pyrenees district has struck a novel way to increase revenue from taxation. The ordinary channels not bringing enough to carry out certain projected improvements, the municipal council decided to place a tax on the physical weight of the citizens, arranging the following scheme: Below 135lb., no tax; from 135lb. to 200lb., 12s. annually is demanded; from 200lb. to 270lb., 13s.; for all weights above this figure the tax increases at the rate of 24s. for each 20lb.

Trouble came when the local authorities tried to collect the tribute. Most of the fat people formed a committee to appeal to the prefect, who represents the federal authority in the district. Thus a stay was gained. But it appears probable that the town could put into execution the new law if it should fight the case in the courts. Most of the opposition came from the women, who held meetings and torchlight processions to signify their opposition to the measure, which struck them harder than their husbands.

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. Prayermeeting 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.

BAPTIST CHURCH—Preaching each Sunday 11 A. M. and 8.15 P. M. Sunday school 9.45 A. M. Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening. Rev. W. M. Gaddy, pastor.

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.

UNDER OBLIGATION TO NONE

Columbia Has Many Students Who Owe Their Education to Their Own Efforts.

One man in three meets at least a part of his expenses by his own earnings at Columbia. Beside the obvious occupations, like tutoring, stenography, newspaper, library, gymnasium, religious and social work of various kinds, there is a man who makes his living dressing windows; another who practices osteopathy, another man who divides his time between college work and the management of a theatrical star; a teacher in the Ferrer school, a taxidermist, an expert in color photography, a vaudeville performer, a hospital orderly, a Pullman porter, a printer, technical assistants from three of the great city laboratories, a professional baseball player and a tree doctor.

One of the most popular undergraduates started life as a newsboy. Last winter a sophomore of eighteen was tempted away from the college by the offer of a \$2,000 position in a publishing house, where he had worked before coming to Columbia. One student spends his summers upon a Central American plantation; another adds not only to his own income but to the reputation of the university by contributions to the most dignified of American reviews.—Columbia Monthly.

CALOMEL IS UNSAFE

Local Druggist Who Sells Dodson's Liver-Tone Guarantees It to Take the Place of Calomel.

If your liver is not working just right, you do not need to take a chance on getting knocked all out by a dose of calomel. Go to Rust & McCauley Drug Store who sells Dodson's Liver Tone, and pay 50 cents for a large bottle. You will get a harmless vegetable remedy that will start your liver without violence, and if it does not give complete satisfaction the druggist will refund your money with a smile.

If you buy a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone for yourself or your children, you have insured your family relief from attacks of constipation, biliousness, lazy liver and headache. It is as beneficial and safe for children as for adults. A bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone is something every man or woman should keep in the house. Your money is safe because you can return the bottle if it fails to satisfy.—Adv.

Dead Letter List.

The following letters remain in the post office at Merkel, Texas, for the week ending May 17, 1913.

Barkley, F. B.
Johns, Harvel
Ballesteros, Hilonis
Furrez, Romelo
Montes, Nulgue

If not called for will be sent to dead letter office May 31, 1913.

H. W. Derstine, P. M.

Eyes Sunken With Pain

Three years ago I had a very bad spell of neuralgia which caused my eyes to become sunken and bloodshot with pain. Hunt's Lightning Oil was recommended and after using, the pain left and has not returned, says A. M. Coffey, 316 Van Buren St., Litchfield, Ill. This wonderful medicine is sold by all druggists everywhere.

How Hot Is Lava?

To ascertain the temperature of lava as it is emitted from a volcano has baffled many scientists. The Roman academy has just published the results of the investigations made by Giovanni Platania during the eruption of Etna last year.

The eruption began September 10 and the scientist was unable to approach the mountain for ten days, when one crater was still in action. He camped as near as he could to this crater, close to a stream of lava flowing about a yard a second.

Using the new "telescope pyrometer," he got temperatures for the surface of the lava flow of all the way from 1,040 to 1,420 degrees.

A second series of observations, taken at a distance of a dozen feet, gave figures as high as 1,500 degrees. The estimates are that the incandescent lava, as it comes directly from the crater, has a temperature not less than 2,200 degrees.

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.

Tantalum Pens.

Pens for writing purposes are being manufactured today in Germany by a process which is exciting some curiosity. The trouble found with steel pens is that they oxidize easily and the ink sticks to them. This fault is not to be found with gold pens; but, on the other hand, these are too flexible to be entirely satisfactory. Moreover, in order to form a point suitable for writing purposes, the material of that part of the pen has to be mixed with some hard metal like iridium and this operation is both complicated and expensive. This new pen is of tantalum and comes to the manufacturer in the form of a black powder. The pen that is made from this has the tenacity of steel and the flexibility of gold.—Harper's Weekly.

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.

Japan's National Drink.

Sake is the national alcoholic drink of Japan. It is brewed from rice, and, according to the latest available figures the annual production is about 210,000,000 gallons. Beer is becoming popular, however, and there are several large breweries, the total annual output being over 7,000,000 gallons.

FIREMENS STREET CARNIVAL COMING

Beginning next Monday the Southern Amusement Company traveling in 12 large railroad cars will visit Merkel for a solid week, coming here under the direction of the Merkel Volunteer Fire Department.

This is the same Amusement Company that visited our town last year, but the shows are new throughout, nothing old or unsightly. It is bigger and better than it was last year. Everything new and up-to-date, and bringing two great free attractions. One free attraction, the "High Dive," a man climbs to the top of a ladder 90 feet above the ground and jumps head first into a small life net stretched only a few feet above the ground. The other great free attraction is "The Leap the Gap on a Bicycle," a bicycle rider leaps a gap of 22½ feet and retaining his balance, while going through the air.

This big street Carnival is being brought here to furnish amusement to the Merkel visitors during Trade and Carnival Week and you should not fail to be here during the time.

Brought Here for Burial.

Howard, the four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Canon of Detroit, Texas was brought here for burial Wednesday evening of last week. The little fellow was the victim of a violent attack of pneumonia at the parents home near the above mentioned town.

For a number of years Mr. and Mrs. Cannon lived in the Merkel country, being residents of Stith and enjoyed the acquaintance and friendship of all the good people of their community. The burial services were held in Rose Hill cemetery at this place Wednesday evening at 5 o'clock, Rev. Y. F. Walker of the Baptist church of Stith conducted the services.

Error in Print.

In issue of the Mail of May 2 there appeared an article in which we erred in giving the names correctly. In taking the notes of the Castle Peak marriage as were given our reporter the name of J. N. Billingsley was confused with the name of Dr. J. W. Martin. Dr. Martin who now lives at Dora and Miss Donnie E. Kindred were married on top of Castle Peak and Mr. Billingsley was present at the wedding but was not a contracting party.

Horn School Closes.

The Horn school south of Merkel closed last Friday week. The teacher Miss Bessie McClatchy of Campbell, Texas leaving for her home Monday of this week.

The past school year at the Horn school according to Miss McClatchy on her leaving here, was one of the most successful the school has ever had.

Ten per cent discount on all men's, ladies' and children's slippers arriving trade week, Hogue-Hamilton Company.

WITH OUR COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

Salt Branch News.

May 6—There was no preaching Sunday on account of the bad weather.

The farmers are rejoicing over the fine weather and crop conditions they now have.

Mr. Leerstang and wife spent Saturday and Sunday with W. M. Hays and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Cartha Lyles, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Robertson were the guests of J. P. Petty and family Sunday.

Misses Alma Hays and Lyda Beavers were visiting the Misses Thornton Thursday afternoon.

S. W. Taylor and family visited at Ellis Petty's Monday.

Sam Rister and family of near Tye were here visiting the family of J. W. Teaff Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Higgins were in Merkel Saturday.

Misses Cora and Alma Hays were visiting Miss Lyda Beavers Sunday.

W. B. Robertson and W. M. Hays spent a few hours with W. B. Beavers Sunday.

Grandma Barker is still very low at this writing, we are sorry to report.

Austin and Houston Robertson and Burley Taylor spent Saturday in Merkel.

Mrs. Ruth Canon of Stith spent a few days last week with Mrs. Ellis Petty.

Several men of this community are working the road here this week.

Mrs. Lyles of Stith and Mrs. Belvia Barker of Warren spent Monday with Grandma Barker.

Several men from this section were waterbound in Merkel Saturday and had some trouble getting home.

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.

Butman News.

May 5—The Canyon country is in excellent condition and the prospects for a good crop has never been better. The four inch rain which fell here Saturday and Saturday night supplied an excellent season. The grass is getting good the pastures and stock are doing fine.

Mr. Stöncipher has rented a farm from Mr. Butman.

Several of the young people of this community attended the debate at Nubia Friday night.

The writer doesn't think there is any danger from the disease generally known as the marble fever which has infested the city of Trent and which was carried there from a neighboring railroad town. The recent rain has killed all the germs, but in case of an attack we recommend the following: A mixture of wire grass, rag weeds and cuckleburrs saturated in a cotton patch and taken on a cultivator. This will cure any case known to the farming fraternity.

J. A. Neighbours made a business trip to Merkel Saturday.

Rev. Jeff Preachard filled his regular appointment here Saturday and Sunday. Missionary Lindley preached here Sunday night.

Most Prompt and Effectual Cure for Bad Colds

When you have a bad cold you want a remedy that will not only give relief, but effect a prompt and permanent cure, a remedy that is pleasant to take, a remedy that contains nothing injurious, Chamberlain's Cough Remedy meets all these requirements. It acts on nature's plan, relieves the lungs, aids expectoration, opens the secretions and restores the system to a healthy condition. This remedy has a world-wide sale and use, and can always be depended upon. Sold by all dealers.

Compere Items.

May 13—Compere and the surrounding country is blessed with a good season once more.

Our Sunday school is progressing nicely. There was an entertainment at the church Sunday night for the children, and every one attending pronounced it very good.

Elder Ferguson preached here Sunday evening. Several of the Merkelites were here.

Miss Emma Mae Mashburn of Merkel and little nephew Master Louis were here Sunday visiting Grandma Mashburn.

Miss Johnie Warren and sister Miss Irene of Merkel were at preaching here Sunday.

Miss Ruth Moore has returned home from Blair where she has been in school, we all welcome her home.

Miss Clairce Moore is visiting her sister Mrs. Addison at Blair.

The farmers of this section have had a hard time getting a stand of cotton. Also much trouble is experienced in getting more seed for replanting.

Mrs. Mattie Spurgin is recovering very slowly at this writing. Her sister Mrs. Murith of Venus is here to see her, her brother Mr. Mitchell of the same place who has been here has returned.

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.

Mulberry News.

May 13—Rev. Rister preached here Sunday afternoon.

The crowd at Sunday school last Sabbath was very small on account of sickness in this community.

John Daniel's children are improving from their attack of measles.

Mrs. Martin visited her daughter Mrs. Leona Horton Monday.

The farmers are all busy planting and replanting their cotton.

Miss Annie Rogers visited Miss Addie Britton Monday.

The Misses McMurray of Trent are visiting Mrs. Ollie Rogers this week.

John Burns folks are reported better at this writing.

Little Gladys Watts is very sick this week.

Several of the young people attended the childrens services at Stith Sunday.

Mrs. Ada Culp of Trent spent Monday with Mrs. Lula Britton.

Willie Britton and wife of Delk visited the formers parents here Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. Pallis Sibley will preach here Saturday night.

Mrs. Billie Moore visited Mrs. John Daniels Monday.

Rev. Walker will preach here Sunday evening.

Calomel is Bad

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.

Route Three Items.

May 13—The farmers are busy plowing and planting their crops.

Rev. King will fill his regular appointment Saturday night at Castle Peak.

The Sunday school was well attended last Sunday.

A large crowd of our young people attended preaching at Merkel Sunday night.

Miss Frankie Campbell has returned home after spending a week with her sister Mrs. Lola Patterson of Compere. The cream supper at Mrs. Baccus' Saturday night was well attended by a large crowd, all report a nice time.

Walter Boden and wife spent Sunday with A. H. Barnes and family.

Trent Items.

May 12—The election is over and the Gap didn't win.

Crops in this section are looking some better.

During the late some of the additions to Trent in business is a new gin and a photograph gallery. Trent is also sporting a lawyer so you can see we are making some headway as far as the town growing.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bright were in Abilene Sunday visiting the family of Albert Moore. They were accompanied to Abilene by Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Moore of Merkel.

C. E. Johnson and family left Saturday for their new home at Headley.

H. H. Jones killed a very large rattle-snake on the Otho Smith farm last week.

J. L. Banner our commissioner has been working the road leading north from Trent. We wish to thank him very much for this work as it was badly needed.

We note some improvement is being made on the southside. Mr. Hamner is cleaning off his lots south of the railroad and we hope other property owners will do likewise.

We are treating the Baptist church to a new coat of canvas and paper, Mr. Gist of Merkel is doing the job.

\$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.

Mulberry News.

May 6—There were several men from this section of the country who were water bound and had to stay over night in Merkel Saturday.

Most of the farmers in this section have a good stand of cotton but some will have to plant over.

John Burns and children are down with the measles but are doing very well.

Rev. Popham who has been very sick is some better now.

Several men in this section gathered at Rev. Popham's last Saturday and planted his cotton.

Miss Ollie Rogers is visiting relatives in Trent this week.

Mrs. Bob Britton and daughter Lula spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. McCormick.

Remear Rainer is real sick at this writing.

Mrs. Ada Culp and daughter Ethel visited the formers sister Mrs. Kelsoe of the Stith community last week.

The name of the motorcycle rider who was in this section of the country last week from Abilene was Mr. Andrews instead of Mr. Anderson.

Everett Harrison is reported very sick this week.

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.

SHOT WITH AIRGUN BOY LOOSES SIGHT

Friday afternoon of last week, Vestal, the 11-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Hicks suffered the misfortune of losing the sight of his right eye.

As the boy walked into the home of O. F. Rogers, a neighbor, he placed the stock of his airgun on the floor holding it upright by the barrel. He did not notice the two-year old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Rogers as it played near but the child became interested in the gun and reached for it catching ahold of the trigger. As the baby caught the trigger the Hicks boy looked down just as the gun fired the small shot striking him in the right eye, penetrating the eyeball sufficiently to destroy the sight of that eye.

This is the second accident of its nature that has happened to Merkel boys during the last few months.

Judge Charles Soward Dead.

Judge Charles Soward, age 75 died of cancer at the home of his daughter Mrs. G. L. Hamilton of this city Sunday evening at 2:30.

Judge Soward had been making his home with his daughter here for about a year, and much of the time was confined to his room very much during the time of his residence in our city as his health was very bad.

Before coming here Judge Soward was a resident of Decatur for a number of years, having been elected to the Texas legislature from Wise county. He is survived by two daughters Mrs. G. L. Hamilton of this place and Mrs. I. R. Dean of Canada. The body was shipped from here Monday morning to Weatherford for interment. Mrs. Hamilton and her husband Rev. Hamilton accompanying the remains to its last resting place.

Mrs. J. L. McLean Dead.

(Omitted from last week.)

Mrs. J. L. McLean, age 44, wife of J. L. McLean of the Blair community died of congestion of the lungs at her home Thursday evening of last week. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Walker of Nubia, pioneer residents of the Canyon country.

The sudden passing away of so esteemed a lady was a great shock to her many friends, her close relatives and especially to her aged father. For many years Mrs. McLean had been a staunch christian and was an ever loving wife and a good mother, her death was a sad blow to the home. Burial and funeral services were held in the White Church cemetery Friday evening at 4 o'clock, Rev. T. H. Davis conducting the services.

The Difference.

We have a fresh and complete line of groceries and will give more change back than any other house during Trade Week.

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During Trade and Carnival week we are going to place a discount on special articles in our store of which we feel satisfied will convince every one that sees the merchandise we offer that this is a great saving on every purchase made. The people who care for real classy footwear will readily see that it is not necessary to leave our store to fit their feet. The styles, leathers and lasts in our large stock makes it possible for us to please your taste with comfort to your feet. We have the new things in pumps, 2-straps and buttons for the ladies and all the best styles for the children, made up in solid leather---shoes that mean there is "extra wear in every pair. Send your child to this store to buy shoes and you will never hear that child complain about the shoes hurting his feet. We will not sell a child a shoe that hurts his feet, and if we can't fit the foot as it should be we lose the sale. : : : Try us out on this and see the result. Our men's and boys' shoes are new stock to the last pair. Every man's or boy's shoe in this house is less than 4 months old---no old stock, no old leathers, no old styles, everything is new. **YOU CAN BUY ONLY THE BEST HERE** and the reductions we are making stand well up with that of the prices offered on shelf-worn goods offered elsewhere. Every member of the family has an opportunity to save some **HARD CASH** on shoes, **WILL YOU DO IT? OTHERS ARE.** Don't wait too late, come early, get the benefit of the complete assortment of sizes. Now is your grand opportunity.



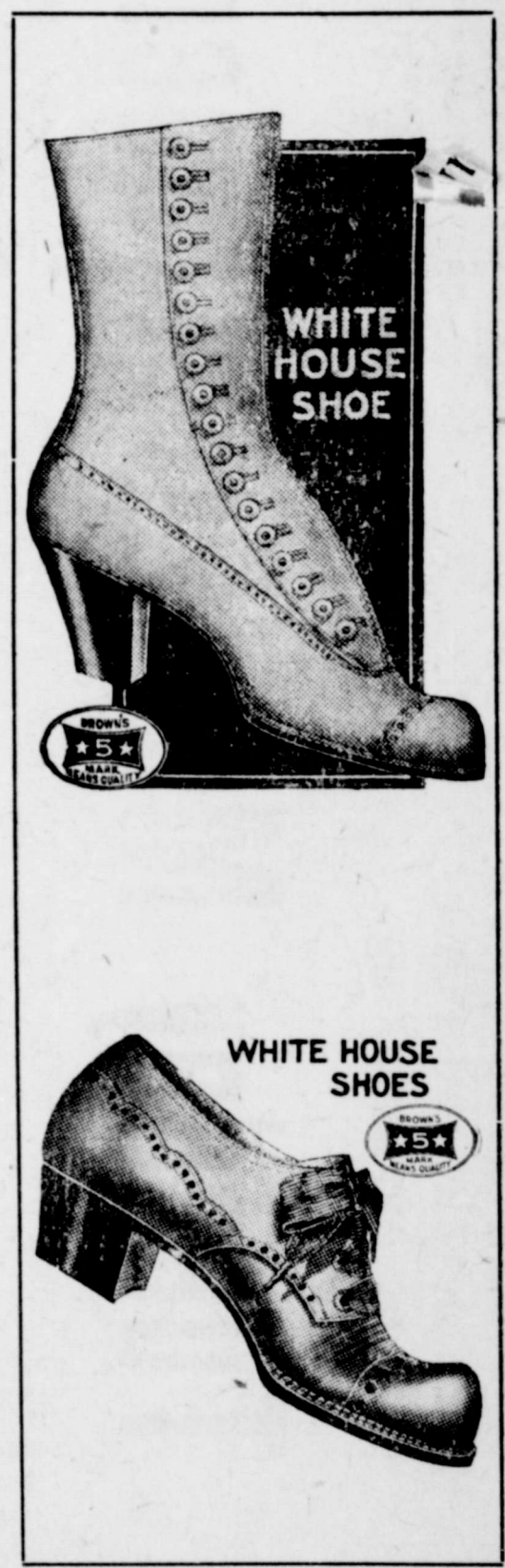
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SUITS AND ODD PANTS EXTRAS—We are going to offer through Trade Week 25 percent off on all suits in the house. We have many pretty patterns in new Spring Suits and at this reduction you can save some money. Just come to our store and let us put a suit on you and make the price and you will see that we are offering first-class suits at a very moderate price.

20 Percent Off Odd Pants

We have a large stock of odd pants and can give you most any size that you may want. All good full made, pretty patterns and very durable.

We have one special lot of odd pants worth from \$2.00 to \$3.00, as an extra for Trade Week, your choice.....\$1.00

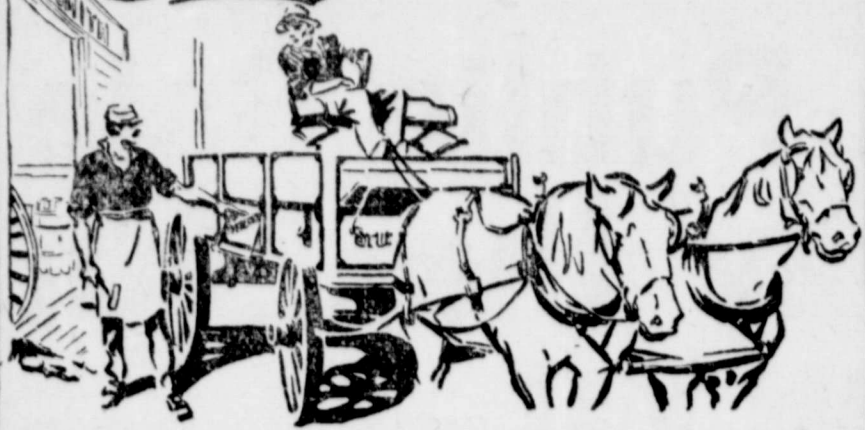
Many bargains will be offered in all our departments and those coming here for Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Millinery and Groceries will leave our store with more goods at less money than they can realize until they have made their purchase. Don't pass up this store if you want to lengthen the buying ability of that **HARD EARNED DOLLAR.** Extras only last during Trade Week. Come as early as you can and reap the

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 Ask about it.

Vegetables at Whitley, Son & Company.

Mrs. R. A. Ensminger was in Abilene visiting.

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

Mrs. Jim Dennis is reported to be very sick at her home on Oak street.

Come to the Airdome Friday and Saturday nights.

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

Mrs. W. H. Roach is reported to be very low at her home in south Merkel.

Two Trade Tickets with each \$1.00 purchase at Burroughs.

Seymour's best flour, best in town or your money back. Whitley, Son & Co.

Dr. McMaster left for Temple Tuesday night to attend the State Convention of Dentists.

There is nothing nicer for a graduation present than a kodak. Rust & McCauley Drug Co.

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.

W. A. Hellums is in San Angelo this week visiting his aged father who is very low.

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

If you want Bill Kendrick or fresh groceries phone 252. Whitley, Son & Co.

C. L. Barker, president of the Southern National Bank returned Thursday from a business trip to Dallas.

Drink at the Elite during Trade Week and at all other times. \$5.00 free.

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.

Mrs. Roy Morgan and sister Miss Faucett of Abilene were here Wednesday to attend the Ferrier-O'Briant wedding.

Bill the solicitor will call at your door every morning for your grocery wants. Treat him good by giving him a nice order. Whitley, Son & Company.

Notice Farmers.

Am ready to bale hay for the public. Using a new machine. 30Jnpd W. L. Dodds, Merkel.

A TEXAS WONDER.

The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularity of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for Texas testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.

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 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.

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Reception Complimentary to R. L. Krigbaum.

Superintendent R. L. Krigbaum was honored with a reception by the high school teachers and students on Friday evening, May 9th., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Sears.

The occasion was one of delight and complete success. The beautiful lawn presented an inviting aspect with its carpet of grass and its decorations of gay Japanese lanterns. The rooms were ornamented with cut flowers. Music and conversation were enjoyed within doors while the lawn was gay with the laughter of those taking part in games. The trustees and their wives, also the grade teachers were invited and their presence added to the pleasures of the evening.

When the hour for departure drew near the students gathered on the lawn and gave a number of yells for the superintendent, the teachers and the trustees, also for the host and hostess. Mr. Black, Misses Hawkins, Smith and Jinkens then spoke briefly concerning their love and appreciation for Mr. Krigbaum. The Superintendent responded in very appropriate words.

Mr. Krigbaum has been among us for two years and has shown himself a christian gentleman in every respect. He has been tireless and patient in his efforts to raise the standard of our school and has been very successful in his work. The tribute paid him by the pupils and teachers was thoroughly merited. Refreshments were served. —A guest.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Duckett Entertained.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Duckett celebrated their fortieth wedding anniversary Thursday afternoon from 4 to 8 o'clock. About fifty guests were present among whom were their children Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Smith of Fort Worth, J. A. and Ernest Duckett of Dallas, Walter Duckett of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Young, Steve and Dorothy Duckett of here.

Long stemmed roses filled vases and

jardinieres in the living room and decorated the dining table. Supper was served to the guests. Miss Jessie O'Briant charmed everyone by singing "Silver Threads Among the Gold." Photographs were taken of the family, father, mother, seven children and seven grandchildren, in the afternoon. Many beautiful and useful presents were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Duckett. Mr. Duckett presented his wife with a beautiful ruby ring.

From 8 to 11 o'clock Miss Dorothy and Steve Duckett entertained in honor of their visiting brothers Walter and Ernest. The lawn was beautifully lighted by a net work of gas lights. Musical selections and songs were rendered by Misses Bessie Touchstone, Hollis Cypert and Ethel Jenkins. The Merkel Orchestra composed of Messrs. Scheidler, Williams and Rose furnished delightful music. Ice cream and cake was served to about fifty guests.

Master Jack Anderson Honored.

Mrs. R. O. Anderson entertained Tuesday afternoon, May 6, from 4 to 7 with a party in honor of her little son Jack's seventh birthday.

During the afternoon many games were played such as ball, nine pins, catch and marbles. A merry chase for a ground-squirrel was an added pleasure that had not been arranged. Beautiful roses were used in decorating the library and living room and dining room. At six o'clock Master Jack conducted his little friends into the dining room, the birthday cake, with its seven candles occupied the middle of the table.

An ice cream lily and a block of angel food cake was placed for each little guest, then came the lighting of the candles and the cutting of the birthday cake. Once more in the yard the guests found an abundance of candy and fruit. Jack received a number of pretty gifts. His little guests were Masters Thurmond Coggin, Dexter Eoff, John Cauthen, George Groene, H. C. Reid, Eugene Potter, Ed Scott, Dick and Gordon Mims, Vestal Hicks, Lewis Jennings, Jno. D. Gaither, Jr., Faye and Hubert Gist, little Misses Mary Comegys and Flora Frances Anderson. His other invited friends were Misses Elma and Olga Sheppard, Jessie O'Briant Mesdames G. E. and Claud Comegys, W. T. Potter and W. H. Dickson. All left wishing Jack a number of happy birthdays.

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Baraca Business Meeting.

The M. E. Baraca class met in business session Saturday evening, May 10 at the home of Mrs. J. W. Jennings. A large and enthusiastic band of Sunday school boys was present. A lively and a very thorough discussion of the "Baracan" followed, everyone being well pleased with results. The "Baracan" promises to be an entire success. Later, the regular routine of business was transacted and the class adjourned by repeating the Lord's prayer in concert.—Press Reporter.

H. C. Burroughs, Jr., honored the class of "13" with a perfectly appointed nine o'clock breakfast Tuesday at his home on Orange street. Five courses were served. Covers were laid for Misses Isla McDonald, Murtice Saffle and Pauline Johnson, Messrs. Troy Eiland, Simpson Christopher, Ira

Shaffer, Emmett Grimes and the host. Miss Stella Schmid of Abilene and Mrs. Lester Eliis assisted Miss France Burroughs in serving. Songs and kodaking were pleasant diversions for the social hour which followed.

Many friends of Miss Inice Moon will be pleased to know that she will be in the graduating classes of music and literature at the Britton Training school in Cisco.

Hawkins-Vinson Wedding.

Miss Evelyn Vinson and Rev. John W. Hawkins were united in marriage Wednesday evening, May 7, at 7 o'clock at Polytechnic Methodist church, Rev. J. F. Mussett officiating.

Mr. Hawkins, a graduate in the 1912 class of Polytechnic college, is pastor of the Methodist church at Lillian. His bride, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Vinson of Burleson, is a popular

young lady of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins will spend two weeks in Merkel and Sweetwater. They will then be at home in Lillian, Texas.—Fort Worth Record.

Mr. Hawkins is well known here and has many friends and relatives in this country, his parents living in the Dora community where he and Mrs. Hawkins are spending a part of their honeymoon.

Mother's Day Program.

Methodist church, Sunday evening, May 18th.

Invocation—J. L. Harris.
Song, Blessed be the Tie that Binds.
The wise mother, Prov. 41, 25-31—Frank Smith.

Prevailing mother love—Rev. R. A. Clements.

Mother the teacher—Eva Williams.
Quartette.
Glory of motherhood—W. T. Potter.
Honor due motherhood—T. A. Johnson.

Duet, Tell Mother I'll be There—Mrs. T. A. Johnson and Mrs. O. F. McMaster.

Benediction.
Everyone is expected to wear a white flower.

Epworth League Program, May 18.

Leader, Ezma Allday.
Piano voluntary—Dorothy Lee Potter.

Subject, The Greater Work Ahead.
Prayer chain.
Hymn, 415.
Scripture lesson, John 5:20, John 14:12.

Prayer, leader.
Reading, Hymn 410—Pauline Johnson.

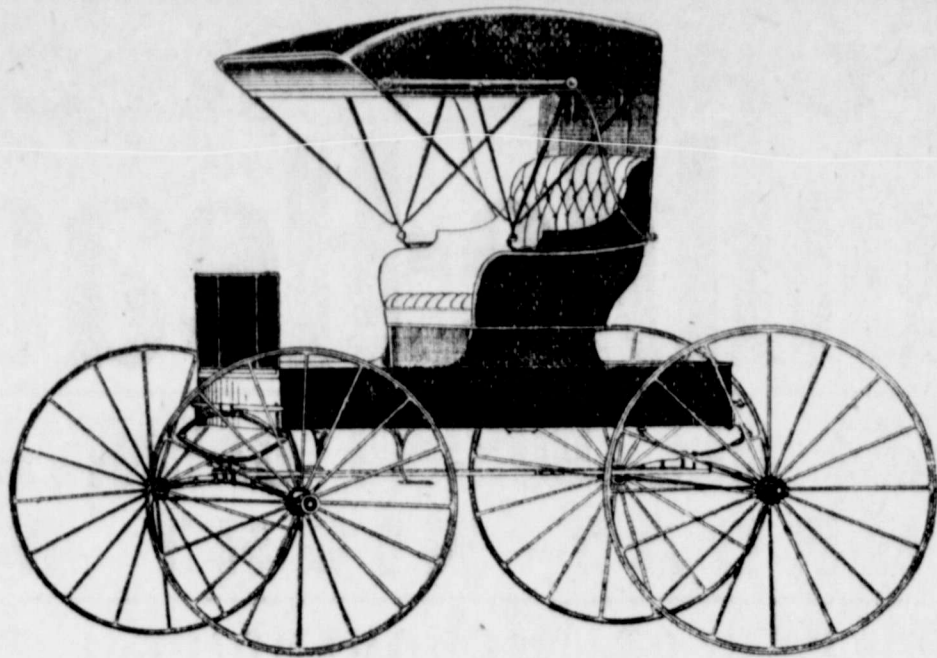
Song, 317.
Prayer.
Jesus Works, Luke 4:18, 19—Mrs. T. A. Johnson.

Man's Works, Heb. 11:32-40—Mrs. Clements.

Song, 697.
The central thought—John Moore.
Reflections—Ira Shaffer.
Song, 402.
Epworth Visitor.
Announcements. Benediction.

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H. R. Hicks returned last week from Menard where he has been for some time looking after business affairs.

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

Mrs. J. E. Nobles and daughters Misses Tina and Eda of Ft. Worth are here this week visiting the family of W. D. Hutcheson.

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

Mrs. W. L. Sherford of Cottonwood who has been here visiting her aunt Mrs. W. M. O'Briant returned to her home Monday morning.

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

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Walker of Gadsdon, Ala., came in Saturday to visit the latter's sister Mrs. Watt Blair of the Nubia community. Mr. Walker after reaching here has decided to locate in the west and not return to his native state.

Come to the Airdome Friday and Saturday nights.

CITY ORDINANCE.

An ordinance prohibiting the peddling, vending and displaying of goods, wares, merchandise and products, and the giving of exhibitions or shows upon the streets and alleys of the City of Merkel, Texas.

Be it ordained by the city council of the City of Merkel:

Section 1. It shall hereafter be unlawful for any person to use the streets or alleys embraced within the limits of the City of Merkel for the purpose of vending or displaying goods, wares, merchandise, produce or other articles, for the giving of any theatre, show or exhibition or for the peddling of goods, wares, merchandise, produce or other articles, provided, however, this section shall not apply to any person who himself offers for sale products raised or grown upon property owned or rented by him or under his control.

Section 2. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding two hundred dollars.

Section 3. That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 4. The fact that there is now no ordinance regulating the indiscriminate huckstering of goods, wares and merchandise on the streets of the City of Merkel creates an imperative public necessity requiring that all ordinances be read at three separate meetings be suspended, and it is suspended that this ordinance be and become in full force and effect from and after its passage. W. T. Potter, Mayor.

Attest— Mayor,
R. A. McClain, Sec. 9t2

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 New flowered voile, worth 35c now only **25c**
 New flowered crepe at, per yard **25c**
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