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LIGHTS FOR MERKEL

Council Votes Unanimously to Light Up Our Town.

'PHONE FRANCHISE DISCUSSED

Full Account of the Regular Meeting of Our Municipal Board Monday Night—Accounts Allowed.

The regular monthly meeting of our city council was held at the fire station Monday night. Those present were Mayor Stallings, Aldermen Adams, Hamilton and Williams, Secretary McClain, Treasurer Burroughs and City Marshall Hall.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and about three extra sessions at which were considered the carnival propositions and the franchise matter of the telephone company were read by Secretary McClain and approved by the council.

Contract for Street Lights.

The most important action of the council and one of the most valuable propositions for the real good of our town was the acceptance of the proposition of the Merkel Electric Company to furnish street lights for our town. According to the proposition submitted to the council a plan for the cooperation of the council, the business men and property owners and the Texas & Pacific Railway Company promises a modern and permanent light system for our main business streets and several of our residence streets and the right-of-way of the rail road company. The city has contracted to do their part and there is little uneasiness about the cooperation of the business men and railway company and Merkel's lights will be shining by the holidays.

Franchise Discussed

The application of the Southwestern Telegraph & Telephone Company for a franchise was under discussion by the council for a half hour. The company asked for a franchise for the use of our streets and alleys for a term of 25 years for a consideration of something over \$100.00 per year. The consideration and the term of years was seemingly satisfactory to the aldermen but Alderman Williams raised objection to the contract of the city embodied in the franchise as to the regulations of the city and the council as a body deferred action for further consideration. According to the terms of the franchise, as Alderman Williams outlined the matter of improvement in the system for Merkel was left entirely in the hands of the company and there was no regulation possible on the part of the city.

Other Matters.

The application of T. R. Morris for the rental of the street grader was refused.

Marshal Hall reported collections as follows: taxes, \$50.73; fines, \$4.00; rads, \$12.00; water rents, \$75.30; pound, \$0.50. His reports were approved.

J. H. Witcher reported collection of \$52.00.

Condition of Funds.

Treasurer Burroughs made the following report of the various funds of the city:

Sinking Fund	\$2761.05
General Fund	173.18
Street Fund	395.48
Special Water	431.30
Interest	15.85

Total on hand \$3776.86

Wants a License

O. F. Rodgers appeared before the council to ask for a privilege to sell fruits and vegetables to the residences of our town and stated that he did not wish to use the business streets for peddling and would pay a reasonable annual license for his privileges which would be under regulation by the city. He stated that the accommodation of being able to buy fresh

fruits and vegetables at their doors was appreciated by the housewives and otherwise presented his proposition favorably. The matter was referred to City Attorney Mims for information regarding an amendment to the ordinance prohibiting the practice at present.

Accounts Allowed.

The Mail has been complimented for our full reports of the council business and the publication of the accounts allowed and we wish to share this complimentary matter with Secretary McClain who furnishes us gratis the list of accounts allowed as follows:

W. N. Sall, salary	\$75.00
J. H. Witcher, salary	50.00
Merkel Electric Co.	6.80
J. B. Bell & Sons, hay	50.48
Cash Grocery, oil	.15
Fire Department, blankets for horses	5.70
Ben Pilcher, blacksmithing	5.50
Rusf & McCauley, stationery	.40
J. W. Wheeler, rent office	2.50
R. H. Dean, gravel	3.00
Merkel Lumber Co., lime and Cement	4.20
W. N. Hall, sundry amounts paid for street work, express, hay, etc.	50.80
S. P. Foster, batteries	1.80
H. M. Rose, gas and naphtha	45.56
Repairs for pump station	25.9¢
Manager W. E. Britain for the electric company spoke to the aldermen of his appreciation of their votes to city and citizens his best efforts for service and cooperation in every way possible for the good of the town.	

After and at adjournment the aldermen and all others present discussed many plans for the improvement of our town.

Goes to Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Merritt and family moved this week to Abilene where they will make their home for a while in the future. Mr. Merritt who has been foreman of our office for a number of years recently accepted a similar position in the job rooms of the Abilene Reporter and his family moved to our neighboring city to be with him. Ben T. Merritt is to remain with us and his position in the F. & M. Bank. Merkel regrets exceedingly to lose this good family and commend them to their new neighbors.

THE ONE NEED OF OUR NOW

There are many propositions for the progress and development of our town and country which command the attention and interest of our people—but in material matters there is one to which all others must take second place.

It is true that we have a good town and a good country, but we are way behind the times. If we maintain our prestige as a trading point, increase the values of our lands and keep pace with other precincts on each side we must build and maintain a complete system of good roads.

Now is the opportune time for the agitation and success of a good roads bond issue. There has been and is an ever increasing sentiment for good roads and our people as a majority appreciate the inefficiency of our present system of road making. In comparison it is a waste of time and our money for the only improvements worth while and worthy are those built for permanency. On our present system scattered and temporary patch work is all that is possible.

The Mail subscribes to the happy belief that most things are for the best and we rejoice now that we were defeated in the first trial of this case. There are better conditions now and a more cooperative sentiment which will get better results. We can now have the benefit of the experience of our neighbors, avoid their mistakes and profit by their success.

The money in our banks during the growing period of our next crop will be a great help to our country and timely but the real benefit and lasting joy is that of the use of good roads.

There is no better thing we could do and the success of the issue would be a foregone conclusion if our people will get together and work out a plan to guarantee a fair and square deal for everybody and to get their money's worth for every dollar expended.

The columns of the Mail are open for discussion and let's get busy before we have to waste our good energies and efforts on common politics.

Let's do something for ourselves, our towns and our country—let's vote and build good roads. AMEN!

Buenos Ayres Gives T. R. Great Reception

BUENOS AYRES, Argentina, Nov. 5.—Theodore Roosevelt was given a great military reception here today when he arrived from Montevideo.

Abilene Deal.

Dr. J. H. Warnick and associates this week sold the City Drug Store at Abilene to W. H. Dunning and associates of Eskota. Mr. Dunning was formerly of Merkel and has been manager of the Eskota Trading Company at Eskota several years. He is a progressive business man and will make a good business and citizen for our big sister city.



Wanted--Heavy work for male team. S. J. Roberts

FOR SALE—Oliver typewriter No. 5, in good condition. Price \$50.00. Jno. G. Jackson. 28-dh.

STENOGRAPHER—Letter writing and special work; charges reasonable. Fannie Moore, at Merkel Mail Office.

WANTED—100 cotton pickers. Apply to J. R. Porter, Loraine, Mitchell county, Texas. Paying from 65¢ to 85¢ per hundred. 4t.

WANTED—Farm and ranch hand. Sam Butman.

LOST—One yard gate Halloween night. Finder please return to Jno. W. Wheatley.

FOR SALE—One mule and one mare cheap for cash on good note. Thos. Johnson. 7-2t

FOR SALE OR TRADE—One livery barn and wagon yard combined, one residence, all in the town of Merkel, free from incumbrance. What have you to offer. Write or come to see me at Merkel, Texas. A. C. Boney. Spt-tf

FOUND—By Mr. Dyess and left at Merkel Mail office ladies blue coat. Owner may have same by paying for this notice. 6-

Another New Awning.

If there is any better news for this rag which tries to keep record of the growth and development of our little town and country which we appreciate more than the birth of a new baby it is the news of the disappearance of an old awning and the building of a new. Old awnings hurt our eyes and we are glad to report that there are but few of them left within the city limits of Merkel. G. H. Adams who owns some very desirable business property on Edwards street this week let the contract for this improvement and when this is completed and our new street lights installed Merkel will look like somebody is at home. Come to Merkel to trade if you do not enjoy living here.

Eight Per Cent Money.

If you are going to renew a loan on your land or make a new loan I ask that you give me a chance at your business. I have some of the best companies and can match any kind of contract offered you anywhere else. JNO. G. JACKSON.

Auto Highway.

There was a meeting last week of the auto highway enthusiasts at Dallas, which was attended by many people from our part of the country. This is the trans-continental highway planned and promised to come through Merkel and those in attendance have no uneasiness at the final success of the enterprise.

METEOR STRIKES NEAR TWO MEN OF BOSTON

BOSTON, Nov. 5.—A meter dropped into Craddock Park in Malden nearly striking two young men who say the visitor from space passed within two feet of them. Both were thrown down, overcome by fumes from the white-hot mass. The eye-brows of one were nearly signed off. The meteorite buried itself in the earth ten feet. In support of their statement the two point to the jagged mass of the hole in the park. Both complained of a violent attack of naseau. This it was thought was caused by inhaling the fumes of the flaming mass. Scientists of Tufts and Harvard colleges will dig up the meteorite today for examination.

Miss Elma Sheppard returned from the Dallas fair Tuesday morning she visited her brother J. Does Sheppard and wife.

LIVING COST ADVANCES
FIFTY-NINE PER CENT

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 5.—The cost of living in the Kansas City district increased 59 per cent in ten years while wages increased 26 per cent, according to a report today by George Trayer, agent of the Department of Labor.

END-YEAR SERVICES FOR METHODISTS

The services Sunday morning and evening will mark the closing and the last services for the conference year of the Methodists. Rev. R. A. Clements respectfully requests the attendance of his membership and all others with whom he has labored in this field. The service Sunday night will be the last which is assured for us by our pastor, for at the end of the conference year the church has no further claim on their pastor and likewise the pastor has no further control over his charge. During the charge of Rev. Clements has been the most successful in the history of the church, and the fact that it may be his last service will assure for him a large congregation.

Out of compliment to his brother pastor Rev. W. M. Gaddy has announced that there will be no service Sunday night at his church and he with his congregation will attend the closing service for the year with the Methodist.

There was never in the history of Merkel greater harmony and cooperation among the pastors and churches and the prayers of the Mail are that in event Bro. Clements is not returned to us someone of equal ability will take his place and continue his effective work and with this continued harmony and co-operation of our churches Merkel will make moral progress ahead in pace with her material progress.

DALLAS, Tex., Nov. 5.—Meade Barr, self-confessed murderer of Miss Florence Brown, was again brought to Dallas from the Waxahachie jail this afternoon.

The Grand Jury will make another examination. There was no demonstration here over the arrival of Barr.

16 BODIES RECOVERED

MELUN, France, Nov. 5.—Sixteen bodies had been taken today from the Marseilles Paris express, which was wrecked in a collision last night and several bodies, it is believed, are still in the wreckage.

BRYAN PLEASED WITH RESULTS

Declares That Yesterday's Elections Afforded The People First Opportunity to Express Themselves

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—Secretary Bryan declared today that yesterday's elections afforded the first opportunity the people had to express themselves and showed endorsement, but he said that he was pleased with the results.

"STAPEDA IRRESPONSIBLE"

MEXICO CITY, Mexico, Nov. 5.—Alienists today declared irresponsible Enurulqu Stapeda, a close relative of President Huerta, who, while governor of the Federal district last March, entered the El Belem prison with a police squad and caused the murder of Gabriel Hernandez, commandant of the rurals under Madero.

NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—Complete returns today from the municipal election yesterday, in which Tammany was crushed, showed that Mitchell's majority for mayor over McCall was 121,209 votes.

Democrats Win in Mass.

BOSTON, Mass., Nov. 5.—The completeness of the democratic victory in Massachusetts was not fully realized until today when the complete returns showed that Walsh was elected governor by fifty-seven thousand votes, carrying through the entire Democratic ticket with the possible exception of attorney general. This result is unique in the history of the state.

Felder N. J. Governor

TRENTON, N. J. Nov. 5.—Practically complete figures today show that Filder was elected governor by over twenty-two thousand majority.



The FARMERS STATE BANK

Do you see the picture opposite this? Well this is a common occurrence. The papers contain accounts almost daily of where people lose their money by hiding it in unsafe places. If you want to HIDE your money hide it behind our thick walls and strong locks where it will be SAFE. We refer those who have not banked with us to those who HAVE. Make OUR bank YOUR bank.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Miss. Sallie Orr returned home Sunday from Putman where she has been visiting for the past few months.

B. C. Gaither left Thursday morning for Tuscola to attend business matters.

Miss Pearl Hutchinson returned to her home at Arlington Thursday after spending the past week with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hutchinson.

R. L. Bland was stricken the first of this week with an acute and aggravated case of appendicitis, his condition necessitating his removal Tuesday night to the Alexander Sanitarium for an operation. Reports from the sanitarium are encouraging but their is much anxiety exhibited by his physician and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Leighty have returned from an extended visit and vacation at their old home in Meadville, Pa., and other states of the north and Mr. Leighty has resumed his duties as our agent.

Grimes has it. What? Everything in the drug line.

H. F. Groene visited towns north and east this week.

Beautiful Servicable Premiums given free with your purchase at Parten Dry Goods Company.

Dr. Geo. L. Miller has returned from a short business trip to the north.

Sam Butman was in town Saturday and bought flour, coffee, printed stationery and other supplies for the B-T outfit.

Dolly Varden, best yet. Burroughs.

Owen Ellis was in Abilene Tuesday looking after base ball matters.

The famous Dolly Varden Chocolates at Burroughs.

All interested in the Federal quarantine regulations for stock and desiring expert information are respectfully referred to Stockman John Collins. He recently bought a big lot of such information, paying cash in the deal.

C. D. Mims left Wednesday morning for Sweetwater to attend to business matters.

Our bankers, merchants and business men report collections much better than could be reasonably expected and there is very noticeable and increasing feeling of optimism.

Just received a fresh line of P. D., Blacklegoids Vaccine at Grimes Drug Store.

Call for Trade Coupons at Grimes Drug Store.

Mrs. C. M. Tandy of Abilene returned home Monday after a few days visit with friends and relatives in our city.

Bill Sheppard spent Tuesday in Abilene.

When words fail send Dolly Varden. Burroughs.

Arthur Browning left Tuesday afternoon for Amarilla.

Window glass all sizes at Grimes Drug Store.

Geo. Smith and Tom Cozart of Trent spent Tuesday in our city.

Car of cotton seed meal expected soon, wholesale and retail. G. M. Sharp.

For the nicest line of scarf pins, link buttons, emblem rings, signet rings and solid gold rings, gents fobs, coat chains. You will make a mistake when you fail to see our line. Rust & McCauley Drug Co.

A TERRIBLE FIRE

Made by burning G. R. Gazzaway's Coal. Grades to suit you kept in stock at a reasonable price. Phone Nos. 27 and 74.

I Give Merkel Trade Coupons.

G. R. GAZZAWAY

Plenty of corn and oats at G. M. Sharp.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Sharp left Saturday for Dallas to attend the fair.

We have and carry in stock the latest novity in silverware for collar buttons, pin trays, compartment boxes for men. Lady ask about them. Rust & McCauley Drug Co.

Roy Dozier of Colorado City passed through Tuesday morning enroute to Abilene.

Make some one happy Xmas with one of our solid gold Lovalleres or Pendants for the neck, or one of our Cameo neck brooches. We will both loose money if you fail to see our line, because our line is complete. Rust & McCauley Drug Co.

Bill Bogar of Trent was in our city Monday night.

If you haven't bought your winter hat, now is the time while you can get a Merkel Trade Coupon and a big discount on all goods from Miss Freemon.

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DENTIST

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DENTIST

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V. E. Muir,
Abilene Texas. 28-11.

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CONDITION

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

Merkel, Texas

Close of Business October 21, 1913.

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans	\$102,505.40	Capital Stock	\$25,000.00
U. S. Bonds and Premiums	7,450.00	Surplus and Profits	30,172.49
Furniture and Fixtures	3,000.00	Circulation	6,250.00
Real Estate	6,657.25	Borrowed Money	None
Five Percent Redemption Fund	312.50	Deposits	142,492.98
Cash and Exchange	83,990.32		
Total	\$203,915.47	Total	\$203,915.47

To the above statement we invite your close and careful attention. It is clean and well balanced. It is not top heavy in any respect. No Bills Payable, No Rediscounts, No Borrowed Money of any kind. The large line of deposits reflects the Confidence of the Public in this Institution. If you appreciate conservatism in business, if you like method and system in the handling of your financial affairs, we invite your account. To every person whose name is on our books we are thankful.

THOS. JOHNSON, Cashier.

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

J. T. Warren, President G. F. West, V.-President Henry James, V.-President
Thos. Johnson, Cashier Ben T. Merritt, Assistant Cashier
Ed S. Hughes C. P. Warren

Parten Dry Goods Co's.

Great November Clean-Up Sale

NOW IN FULL SWAY

Aside from our regular stock of unimpeachable Values and Styles that crowds every inch of available space in our store we have assembled thousands of seasonable wearables that we wish to close out and have marked them far below their market value, believing that the time to rid our stock of broked sizes is when the goods are in season and will naturally be more appreciated by our customers. Now is the time to buy.

These goods are all of this season's purchases and represent the very best sellers of the season but are merely broken sizes. They come from every department of our store and are bigger bargains than are usually offered.

Come early as the size and very article you want may be in this lot.

Our entire regular stock during this month will be a veritable bargain mecca for the late buyers having been replenished in all lines with the best things in demand for November at prices below the usual market value having taken advantage of offerings to close out in the eastern markets. Get our November prices and you'll have Xmas money plenty

Don't Fail to Get Your Trade Coupons. Ask for Them

Parten Dry Goods Co.

MERKEL'S CASH BARGAIN HOUSE

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. G. A. Collins and children left Thursday for Clyde to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clemor of that city.

School tablets, pencils, etc., at Grimes Drug Store.

Mrs. C. O. Byrans of Chico, Calif., returned home Wednesday night after an extended visit to her mother, Mrs. I. B. Hancock.

The highest market price paid for your eggs. W. P. Duckett.

Miss Martha Adkins of Compere is the guest of Miss Johnnie Warren of our city this week.

Picture Show Friday and Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Tarvin returned home Wednesday morning after an extended visit to Dallas and McKinney.

Eat Pure Food Bakery bread. Hugh Moore of Colorado City was here on business the first of the week.

My cut glass toilet sets are beautiful. Come in and see them. Rust & McCauley Drug Co.

Homer Jobe of Rule spent Sunday with home-folks.

My cut glass bowles and ice tea glasses are the latest designs. Ask about them. Rust & McCauley Drug Co.

R. E. Bowles made a business trip to Abilene Thursday.

Talley Holloway and George Ferrier were in Dallas last week attending the fair.

Picture Show Friday and Saturday nights.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Mershon returned home Monday morning from Dallas where they have been attending the fair.

See my cut glass, the prettiest line in the city. Rust & McCauley Drug Co.

City Marshal Hall has done some needed street work and the Council proposes to make a general street improvement campaign as soon as the necessary labor and arrangements can be secured.

T. J. Coggin and son shipped a train load of cattle from New Mexico where they are operating to Fort Worth market this week and stopped for a short stay at home.

G. F. Turner of route one was a pleasant caller to our office today (Thursday) and made a contribution to our subscription fund.

R. H. Collins rode over a lot of the Divide country this week, looking for stock. He found lots of mud, water and ducks.

Hiram Phillips was in from Dora recently and as usual agitating something good, good roads. We should have a pike next Summer for our divide friend to us in making their grain crop. They need the good roads and we need their business.

Cotton picking is almost out of style but turnips are very popular and a "hog-killing" time coming. Living high in the Merkel county.

C. P. Church of rule has recently bought 100 acres of land in the Noodle community, which he will make his home.

The Giants and the White Sox did not play at Abilene Tuesday on account of the rain, and our neighbors had to dig down in their own socks and pay for the guantree and damages. The rain was worth more than seven hundred games of base ball, but we sure were disappointed.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Fred Bigham who is feeding some cattle at Rule spent Sunday at home. He was compelled to make the return by rail suffering a broken axle on his care.

Picture Show Friday and Saturday nights.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Coats left Saturday for Dallas. Mrs. Coats will visit her sister at Arlington before returning home.

I can show you a very attractive line of Hair Receivers, Nappies, Vases and anything in the latest cut glass. Rust & McCauley Drug Co.

Window glass all sizes at Burroughs.

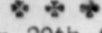
Miss Fanny Pearl Moore was visiting in Ft. Worth the latter part of last week.



MRS. W. H. DICKSON, EDITOR

Box Supper.

Friday night November 7th there will be given a Box supper at the Methodist Parsonage. Everybody come. Girls bring your boxes, boys bring your money.



Questions for 20th Century Club. ACT II. Scenes 6, 7, 8 and 9. Merchant of Venice.

What touch to the friendship of Antonio and Bassanio's does the end of Scene VI furnish?

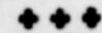
How does the Prince of Morocco choose and what type of mind is seen in him? What witness to his case is there in the inscription he finds?

Why is the scene of Shylock's passion reported by Salanio not enacted before the spectators?

The scene above mentioned taken together with Salanio's report of the parting of Bassanio and Antonio makes Scene VIII of what dramatic significance?

What was enjoined upon everyone who made a hazard of his fortunes with the caskets?

What type of mind is depicted in Prince of Arragon?



The Twentieth Century Club met with Mrs. W. Parten Saturday afternoon. The rain, sickness and other excuses prevented a number of the members from being present. During the business period the committee on arranging for the Library home reported that Mrs. Rust had kindly given the Library a free home in the Rust and McCauley Drug Store. The members are certainly grateful to Mrs. Rust and Mrs. Wheatley for their kindness. Mrs. T. J. Coggin, Miss Hall and Miss Hull were elected membership. The program was carried out after which the hostess served delicious refreshments to those present.

For Baraca Class.

Miss Evelyn Gaddy entertained with a spook and goblin party Friday evening in honor of her class of Baraca boys of the Baptist Church. Spooks on the porch met the guests and requested them to back in attempting this feat a broom was stepped over. On reaching the end of the long semi dark hall a witch confronted them with a sign "Learn your wraps and follow the ropes. A number of obstacles were encountered in climbing the dim lighted stairway. At the landing under the weird lights each took the witches vow "to enter into all the sports of the evening. Apples floated on tubs of water were captured with the teeth. Cranberries were fished for in pails of water, apples strung on strings were suspended from the ceiling. Fortunes were told by a witch who read the most pleasing things. Late in the evening old father Noah accompanied by a few friends and Gypsy fortune teller mingled with the crowd. Pumpkins were used in the decoration both in the dining room and parlor. Individual pumpkins pies and fruit punch were served to about twelve couples of young people.

League Program.

NOV. 9, 1913.

Subject: What can we do for our little brothers and sisters.

Leader: Miss Ola Pope.

Song.

Prayer.

Scripture References: The accusing Conscience, Gen. XLII, 22.

Miss Bernice Doan, Feed by Lambs, Jno. XXI, 15.

Miss Mamie McNeas—The child the Judge, XVIII. 5, 6, Miss Eunice Russell. The Supreme Treasure of the House; Gen XLIV, Miss Josie Smith.

Instrumental Music.

Prayer.

The Supreme Treasure of old age; Miss Eva Walters.

Duet: Misses May and Jackie Jenning.

General Discussion: How we may help.

Miscellaneous.

Song.

Benediction.

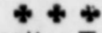
Mrs. G. F. West is at home from Dallas where she visited her brother Milton Wyman and J. L. Buckingham.

Woman's Missionary.

The regular monthly social meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society was held last Monday afternoon at the parsonage with Mrs. Clements hostess. An enjoyable program was given. The members gave character sketches of some of the women of the Bible. Each member invited a guest and carried lunch for two. These lunches were spread in tempting array on the dining room table. The hostess served tea and coffee as all gathered around the table. At the conclusion of this afternoon of pleasant memories the ladies showered Mrs. Clements with a number of dainty gifts. This was the last social meeting in which Mrs. Clements will be present.

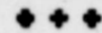


Wednesday evening Mrs. R. O. Anderson entertained with a six course dinner in honor of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Gamble who left Thursday for their home near Weatherford. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Gamble, Mrs. Fred Bigham, Miss Elma Sheppard, Little Miss Anderson and Master Jack Anderson, the host and hostess.



Lassiter-Teaf.

On Sunday afternoon a local car motored to Abilene Dan Cupid led the way and was not contented until he had safely led his party to the parsonage of the North Park Baptist church where Rev. J. C. Burkett read the beautiful marriage ceremony which united the lives of Miss Ova Teaff and Earl Lassiter. The witnesses were Miss May Lassiter and Forest Gaither. Mr. and Mrs. Lassiter are popular young people. They are receiving congratulations from a host of admiring friends who are wishing for the richest of heavens blessings to be showered on them. They will make their home here. The Mall joins their friends in congratulations.



With Miss Diltz.

Miss Grace Diltz entertained with a hallow-e'en party Friday evening in honor of the High School Seniors and a few invited guests. The reception rooms were prettily decorated with pot plants and ferns. Ghosts and spooks were invited but a few guests come in "evening gowns and dress suits. Hallow-e'en pranks featured in pleasure. A "real" Gypsy fortune teller in native dress told charming fortunes. Tales were read in nut shells and told by horse shoes. The veil of the future was lifted as each, one at a time, peeped into the mirror at the watching hour to see the face of the future companion. An impromptu music program was delightfully rendered. Nuts and fruits were served after which the crowd went serenading.

Society Personals.

Mrs. J. A. Arrin of Mexia is visiting the family of Jno. D. Gaither.

Mrs. H. C. Williams has returned from Marshall, Missouri where she spent the Summer and early Fall with her daughter Mrs. R. T. Pence. The many friends of Mrs. Pence are glad to know she is recovering from a serious illness.

Mrs. W. E. Britain is at home from Fort Worth where she has been visiting relatives.

Miss Sadie Collins and brother, Grady, came in Friday from an extended visit with relatives in Decatur, Ala. and Pulaski, Tenn. enroute home they visited in Dallas, Texas.

Miss Fanny Moore spent several days in Fort Worth visiting her aunt, Mrs. R. E. Kunze.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Largent and children are at home from Dallas where they visited their daughter, Mrs. Luther Swafford and other relatives.

Miss Sofia Howard who is teaching at McCauley visited home folks Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. W. R. Bigham left Monday evening for El Paso she was joined at Toyah by her daughter Mrs. Edd Young, they will visit Mr. Bigham for a week or more.

Mrs. H. West is at home from Dallas where she attended the fair visited her brother J. Doss Sheppard and wife. While there she was the guest of Mrs. L. A. Wall.

Miss Eva Gaddy spent Monday and Tuesday in Abilene.

Mrs. W. J. Largent is at home from Dallas where she visited Mrs. L. Swafford.

Mrs. J. S. Burkhead is here visiting her mother Mrs. Jno. Bell.

Seniors Enjoy a Hunt.

The seniors were given a quarter day holiday Wednesday afternoon to reward them for not being tardy. They met at Miss Carrol Risters and went for a hunt at the North side school. Their chaperones were Misses May Gunn and Zula Haffaker joined them. Rabbits and Birds and owls were killed. The crowd then went to Miss Grace Diltz and built a bon fire, prepared and cook their game, made bread and boiled coffee. They then took Mr. Black his supper with the compliments of the class.

\$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 One Hundred for any case 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. Adv

Cause of Insomnia.

The most common cause of insomnia is disorders of the stomach and constipation. Chamberlain's Tablets correct these disorders and enable you to sleep. For sale by all dealers. Adv.

Tonight.

Tonight, if you feel dull and stupid, or bilious and constipated, take a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets and you will feel all right tomorrow. For sale by all Dealers. Adv.

No Use Trying.

Come to think of it, the man doesn't exist who can blow out an electric light.

What Would You Do?

In case of a burn or scald what would you do to relieve the pain? Such injuries are liable to occur in any family and everyone should be prepared for them. Chamberlain's Salve applied on a soft cloth will relieve the pain almost instantly, and unless the injury is a very severe one, will cause the parts to heal without leaving a scar. For sale by all Dealers. Adv.

Sick Headache.

This distressing disease results from a disordered condition of the stomach, and can be cured by taking Chamberlain's Tablets. For sale by all Dealers.



GIVES MIDNIGHT ALARM

Farmer Stout was awakened from a sound sleep by the ringing of his telephone bell. The barn of his neighbor, three miles down the turnpike, had been broken into and a driving horse stolen.

The horse-thieves were headed toward the Stout farm. Calling his hands he armed his forces, lined them upon the turnpike, captured the thieves and held them until the arrival of the Sheriff.

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About Hard Water When You Can Get

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At

The Cash Grocery

It will soften the hardest water

10 Cent and 25 Cent Sizes

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HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

After Four Years of Discouraging Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.

I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair.

At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without its tiring me, and am doing all my work."

Catron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

If you are all run down from womanly troubles, don't give up in despair. Try Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has helped more than a million women, in its 50 years of continuous success, and should surely help you, too. Your druggist has sold Cardui for years. He knows what it will do. Ask him. He will recommend it. Begin taking Cardui today.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good.

Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. J-68

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If you need anything in our business give us a call.

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Produce Notice

I am still in the produce business. Paying cash for your Chickens, Turkeys, Ducks, Eggs and Butter, and will always pay you as much as the other fellow. Why not bring your produce to me and get the cash?

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\$3.00---PER CORD---\$3.00

This is good, dry and wooden wood and the price is for delivery to your home and measured.

Good Wood & Full Measure

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A GENERAL TONIC - TAKE GROVE'S

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic is Equally Valuable as a General Tonic because it Acts on the Liver, Drives Out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. For Grown People and Children.

You know what you are taking when you take Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic as the formula is printed on every label showing that it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It is as strong as the strongest bitter tonic and is in Tasteless Form. It has no equal for Malaria, Chills and Fever, Weakness, general debility and loss of appetite. Gives life and vigor to Nursing Mothers and Pale, Sickly Children. Removes Biliousness without purging. Relieves nervous depression and low spirits. Arouses the liver to action and purifies the blood. A True Tonic and Sure Appetizer. A Complete Strengthener. No family should be without it. Guaranteed by your Druggist. We mean it. 50c.

MATCH THIS AD

I am still here and have lots of Groceries and Feed to sell and have good prices on them. I will quote you just a few prices on my goods.

100 pounds Bouquet Flour.....	\$2.85
Meal.....	80c
25 pounds Eagle brand Sugar.....	\$1.30
10 pound bucket Cottolene.....	\$1.25
10 pound bucket White Cloud Lard.....	\$1.10
10 pound bucket Soda.....	55c
10 pound bucket Diamond "D" Syrup.....	50c
Best Corn in Town, per bushel.....	97 1-2c

I am looking for a car of Trico and am going to sell it at \$1.00 per 100 pounds. Don't forget to come around, for you will always find me with the goods and prices to suit the hard times. I give Trade Coupons with \$1 purchases

Walter Clark

There is no flour better than Seymours. Try it. G. M. Sharp.

Mrs. Rufus Adcock and little daughter, Berdell, left Friday morning for McCauley, where Mr. Adcock will teach school this winter.

Best Seymour brann at G. M. Sharp.

Just received a shipment of gloves. The Star Store.

Mrs. Henry West and sister, Elma Sheppard attended the Dallas fair Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. W. Highsmith and children left Saturday morning for Forney to make their future home.

Picture Show Friday and Saturday nights.

We want every good egg you can find on your premises. We pay the highest market price for same. Kent Street Grain & Grocery Co.

Mrs. Jno. Daniels returned home Thursday night from Colorado City where she has been visiting her parents, Judge and Mrs. Coe.

We pay the highest cash market price for your chickens and fryers. Kent Street Grain & Grocery Co.

Trade your old furniture to Mack for new Behrens-McMillen Furniture Co.

All sizes of drawing tablets at Burroughs' Drug Store.

When on your way to the post-office just step in the front door of Behren-McMillen Furniture Co., and pass on through to the north door, just to look at our new furniture. You are always welcome at our store.

Just received a nice line of stationary at Grimes Drug Store.

Jno. R. Daniel has a motorcycle mud bound in the vicinity of his ranch.

Mrs. S. S. Schiedler and children returned home Monday afternoon from Dallas where they have been attending the fair.

Trade Coupons on all collections at Burroughs.

Ed Teaff, Geo. Ferrier and others are planning a bear hunt in the Davis Mountains in the near future postponed on account of the illness of Bud Sears, who is to be one of the party. Poor old Bruin!

Wall paper, price 9 cents double roll up to best. Behrens-McMillen Furniture Co. 17-2t.

Mrs. Chas. Fryar and baby returned to their home at Abilene after spending a few days with Mrs. Fryar's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Rainbolt.

Mrs. R. E. Kunze left Thursday for her home at Ft. Worth after spending the past week with relatives.

New picture frames and molding at Behrens-McMillen Furniture Co. 17-2t.

W. O. W.

Merkel Camp No. 719 meets second and fourth Friday nights of each month.

W. L. Burns, C. C. S. Hamilton, Clerk.

Dead Letter List.

The following letters remain in the post office at Merkel, Texas, for the week ending Nov. 8, 1913:

Stoner, Mrs. Becca
Collins, Master Derrill
Hood, Mr. J. M.

If not called for will be sent to dead letter office Nov. 22, 1913.
H. W. Derstine, P. M.

Real Estate Announcement FOR MEN AND WOMEN ONLY

Who Have First-Class Properties to Sell at a Bargain for Cash or Trade at Real Value, or Who Have Money to Invest in Real Bargains or Good 8 and 10 Percent Vendor's Lien Notes; or Who Wish to BORROW MONEY ON LAND

WANTED—1,000 acres of first-class land, raw or improved but must be good land, desirably located for future development and must be a real bargain. I have a client who will buy such a tract and pay all cash. He has asked me to find it for him. Now you know I will be glad to make the deal for you and incidentally get the commission but it must be a good body of land and the price must be right. He is no fool or he would not have the money on hand now to pay for this much land. Please give full, fair and accurate detail definite description and submit your very best offer the first crack-out-of-the-box. He is a business man and will say "yes" if the right kind of proposition and otherwise "no."

BUYERS FOR LARGER AND SMALLER TRACTS

It is my honest conscientious belief that there is a buyer for every real bonafide bargain in good desirable farm, stock farm and ranch properties in this country—the only trouble is to get the bargain and then find the buyer. The only trouble about the real estate business is that good bargains and cash buyers are few and far between. BUT, if you have the bargain I will contract for the other end of the work. I think I am about the best bargain land man in this section. I like the game of hunting for men with money to invest when I have something to show them after I find them. The trouble with my business this week is I have the cart before the horse. I have a man with the money and I do not have a real genuine appetizing bargain in 1,000 acres on my list. I have sold in the past two years over \$400,000 worth of sure-enough bargains and I could now in half the time sell \$1,000,000 worth of the same kind of propositions. I knew at the beginning of my real estate career that men with money were not fools. They have sense or they would never have money. All of my clients are smarter than I am for they all have land or money but I know as much about values and bargains in this section as anybody except the man that made the land. I know a bargain when I see it and if you will show me I will do the rest or bust my advertising main spring.

MY PLAN AND MY CONTRACT

Its simple—simply bringing the owner, the bargain and the buyer together, that's all. My plan is to get the bargains first and then hunt the buyers and I am going on the biggest hunt this season ever pulled off in this section. I am going to scatter information about this country and my list of bargains all over the middle and east end of this state and then some. I will sign a contract to find a buyer for every sure-enough bargain in high-class desirable property. I can not sell junk and do not know how to juggle inflated values. Most buyers are larger than I am and as a matter of self-protection outside of my ambition to be fair and square I have to stay around in running distance of the truth of the matter. I advertise that I will make good on any proposition I guarantee. I have thus far made good and will make good so long as I am in the business. I want good bargains to make good on and my exclusive contract offers an opportunity for every property owner who is willing to give a good all-round deal for the right kind of a square deal from myself and my clients. If you have land to sell it will pay you to see me. I do not want this whole country but the best propositions for cash business. I believe specializing is the secret of success in any line of effort. I am going to conduct an extensive advertising campaign this season and I have good reliable connection in the east for good reliable bargain business in the west. Come to see me or write giving detail description of your proposition.

MY LOAN CONTRACT

In conclusion let me remind you that after continued efforts I have the agency at Merkel for some of the biggest and best loan companies in the world. I can make you a loan on your farm, stock farm or ranch for 5, 7 or 10 years at 8 per cent interest, nothing payable but interest, and I will guarantee to match any deal you can make anywhere, so you can do as good if not better by patronizing your home agency. My inspector will be out here next week and if you desire to borrow money see me right now. Do not forget any of this. Yours in realty,

JNO. G. JACKSON

EXCLUSIVE BARGAINS

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BETWEEN FT. WORTH & EL PASO

THE MOST UP-TO-DATE FURNITURE HOUSE

OUR MOTTO

All goods guaranteed satisfactory or they may be returned. (Watch our competitors in other towns imitate us on guarantee.) Yours For Business

OUR CAPACITY

Most Up-to-Date Furniture House between Ft. Worth and El Paso. What more can you ask when we give you Lowest Prices, Best Goods, Our Guarantee, Prompt Shipments? If you have doubts, bring in your order to us and convince yourself that you will be dealing with a firm that knows how to treat you right.

OUR PRICES

Guaranteed to be less than any competitor on same class of goods. Compare our prices on Wall Paper, Rugs, Mattresses, Bed and Davenport. (We will save you money on everything in store)

Behrens - McMillen Furniture Co.

OUR CORRESPONDENCE

Blair

Nov. 3—Rev. J. P. Sibley filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

The new school building is nearing completion and will soon be ready for the school to begin.

Prof. Clark, one of the teachers for next term of school was here last week and expressed himself as being well pleased with the building.

Roland Goens returned home last week from Noodle.

Mace Brown is visiting in San Angelo this week.

E. Barnes, R. J. and J. A. Meeks attended the Dallas fair last week.

S. F. Provine and family visited Marshall Provine Sunday. While there Miss Vera Provine, S. F. Provine's daughter, was taken suddenly sick and was not able to return home until Monday. She is reported better at this time.

S. E. Adcock made a business trip to Merkel Monday.

WANTED—A bad case of Rheumatism. If you have Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Headaches, we want you to just try Hunt's Lightning Oil. You will be convinced of the truth of the statement of one customer that "as a reliever of pain it is without equal." All Drug-gists sell it. Adv

What is Good for Headache.

One lady says after suffering dread-fully for about seven years, she tried Hunt's Lightning Oil which almost in-stantly relieved her, and has been en-tirely free from those dreadful head-aches since. Ask your Druggist. Adv

Salt Branch.

Nov. 5—The farmers in this vicinity are about through with their cotton.

We had another light shower last night which will help the small grain.

Miss Gertrude Higgins visited Laura Taylor Sunday.

Emory Petty and wife visited in the Warren community Sunday.

Billie Teaff has been real sick but is some better at this writing.

Quite a number met last Monday at the farm of S. W. Taylor's and picked cotton in interest of Bunker Orphans.

W. M. Hays and wife and W. B. Robertson and wife called on J. W. Teaff and family Sunday.

Grandma Hays visited Mrs. Barker Monday afternoon.

Our school starts Monday.

Declare War on Colds.

A crusade of education which aims "that common colds may become un-common within the next generation" has been begun by prominent New York physicians. Here is a list of the "don'ts" which the doctors say will prevent the annual visitation of the cold:

- "Don't sit in a draughty car."
- "Don't sleep in hot rooms."
- "Don't avoid the fresh air."
- "Don't stuff yourself at meal time. Over-eating reduces your resistance."
- To which we would add—when you take a cold get rid of it as quickly as possible. To accomplish that you will find Chamberlain's Cough Remedy most excellent. Sold by all Dealers.

Shiloh.

Nov. 5—Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Bryan spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Peek.

Mr. McCollon and Will McLaking of Essie were in Shiloh Sunday.

There was a Shiloh crowd in Merkel Monday trading.

Mrs. Jim Skidmore visited her mother, Mrs. Joe Douglas, at Kale Sunday.

Watt Sellers spent Sunday with Clyde Shouse.

Sunday School was well attended Sunday.

The Misses' Hails attended church at Trent Sunday.

There will be church at Shiloh Sun-day.

Cotton is almost out if it would only stop raining so the farmers could be-gin picking again.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sellers spent Sunday with Mr. F. E. Hail and fam-ily.

R. B. Bryon, Mr. Thomas and Rich-ard Shields took dinner at Mr. Hails Sunday.

DON'T TAKE THE WRONG MEDICINE

If Your Liver Gets Lazy You Need a Liver Tonic, Not Merely a Laxa-tive for the Bowels.

If an attack of constipation or bil-iousness hits you, there's no need to take a dose of calomel and spending at least a day getting over the effects of it. Rust & McCauley sell the liver tonic, Dodson's Liver Tone, that takes the place of calomel and starts a lazy liver without any bad after-effects.

Dodson's Liver Tone does all the good that calomel ever did, yet it is absolutely harmless to young people and old. It is a pleasant-tasting vege-table liquid that will relieve constipa-tion or sour stomach or other troubles that go along with lazy liver, without restriction of habit or diet. You don't leave off any of the things you regu-larly do when you take Dodson's Liver Tone.

Rust & McCauley sell Dodson's Liver Tone and give it a strong personal guarantee. They say, "A large bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone sells for 50c and we will hand any person back his 50 cents if he tries a bottle and doesn't say that it does all that calomel ever does and does it pleasantly. Get the genuine Dodson's Liver Tone and if you are not pleased with it we will give you money back with a smile."

A Painless Headache.

Is there such a thing as Painless Headache, Painless Neuralgia, Painless Rheumatism? Hunt's Lightning Oil will make the pain go away, and the suffering cease. That's why Hunt's Lightning Oil is so popular, and praised so much. Ask your druggist. Adv

Pain, Pain, Pain.

To those who suffer pain, let us say Hunt's Lightning Oil is truly wonder-ful in the way it destroys pain. So many praise it that you cannot doubt. You simply rub it on, and the pain goes away. Adv

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.

BROWN MURDERER IS NOW ON TRIAL

Dallas, Texas, Nov. 3.—"O, Lord Jesus I am too young to die, and my life has been filled with too much trouble," The last words uttered by Miss Florence Brown, ringing in his ears, caused Meade Barr to confess to her murder here last July. According to in-formation secured today.

"I often wake up and find my-self trying to wash her blood from my hands," Barr says in his confession.

A charge of murder "by aiding and abetting Meade Barr" has been filed against Mrs. Ellie Lake, a young widow, with whom Barr claims acquaintance. Information charging murder, was filed against Barr several days ago.

Barr's Confession

Barr's story as he has told it to the grand jury and to the offi-cers, is as follows.

On the morning of July 28th he entered the offices of Robin-son & Styron on Field street, just at the time when he and his alleged accomplice had figured that Florence Brown would be alone. He found her alone, and when she refused to open the safe, beat her into insibility with two revolvers. After she had fallen to the floor unconscious, he took his pocket knife and cut her throat.

Then he walked to the front of the offices with his hands on both pistols, expecting to have to kill someone in escaping. No one was near, so he walked calmly down Field street to Commerce, and down Commerce to the Oriental Hotel. There he took a South belt car to the entrance to Fair park, where he met the wo-man who he alleges planned the crime.

The two walked together to the T. and P. tracks where they parted, Barr proceeding down the track to where he caught a freight train to Texarkana. From there, he says he went to Little Rock, where he stayed a day, going on to St. Louis.

Says Woman Planned Crime.

Barr says the woman planned the whole crime, declaring the motive being to get \$1500 which she had learned in some myster-ious way was in the safe of the real estate office.

According to Barr's story, v-

which he tried to make the wo-man corroborate they planned to divide up the money when they met at Fair park and later to get married. Barr says he had one 38-calibre revolver and a 45 in his pockets when he entered the office. One of the guns was given him by the woman, he claims, but he failed to get her to admit this by his questions. She denied that she ever had but one gun, and says she disposed of this before she ever knew Barr.

Barr told the jury that the wo-man was personally acquainted with Miss Florence Brown, and she urged him to get the money and kill the girl if necessary to get it.

"Didn't you tell me to kill if necessary, and when I started killing not to stop?" Barr asked of the woman, pounding on the table.

She said "No," and turning to the jurors, said: "Do you think I could sit here and deny this whole thing if I were guilty, as he says I am?"

Grand Jury Holds Session.

Developments in the Brown murder case took an unexpect-edly dramatic turn late Saturday night when Mrs. Ellie M. Lake, residence Grand Avenue, was placed in the county jail follow-ing the filing of a complaint against her by Chief of Detective Henry Tanner. This complaint was not made public but it can be positively stated that it did not connect Mrs. Lake directly with the killing of Miss Florence Brown. Meade Barr, brought from Indiana, testified before the grand jury Saturday night. Fol-lowing his testimony, he was whisked from the court room by Sheriff Brandenburg, Chief of Police John W. Ryan and Chief of Detectives Tanner. He was placed in an automobile and the three officers and the man went whizzing over the viaduct os-tensibly bound for parts un-known. An hour and a half later Sheriff Brandenburg returned to the county jail with Barr. See-ing a reporter there he left with the prisoner and it is not defini-tely known whether he is in Dallas or not. Mrs. Lake pro-tests her absolute innocence of any connection with the crime. Trouble for her has followed fast. The funeral of her husband took place October 12. She went be-fore the grand jury clad in mourning and sobbed convulsi-vely as she told her story.

OUR CORRESPONDENCE

Noodle.

Nov. 3—We are just about to get through picking cotton, and some have begun to turn land for another year.

Mr. Lucious and Wesley Ely and George Cook from Noodle went to the Dallas fair. Wesley went on to Wood county to visit his brothers and the other two returned home.

Our school will not begin until the first of December as we only have a five months school.

C. A. Ely will teach at Warn again this year. His school began Monday. We wish him good success.

There has been quite a change made in Noodle for the last week, as a good many have moved out and exchanged places. Mr. Herring has moved his house to where Mr. Pollie lived and joined it to his.

Brother Young filled his regular appointment here Sunday morning and Brother Dupree preached Sunday night.

MERKEL PROOF.

Should Convince Every Merkel Reader.

The frank statement of a neighbor, telling the merits of a remedy. Bids you pause and believe. The same endorsement By some stranger far away Commands no belief at all. Here's a Merkel case. A Merkel citizen testifies. Read and be convinced. B. J. Rhodes, Merkel, Texas, says: "I used several boxes of Doan's Kid-ney Pills and was greatly benefited. I was in bad shape with my back for a long time and my kidneys and bladder were weak. Doan's Kidney Pills quickly cured me and now I seldom have to use a kidney remedy. When I do, it is always Doan's Kidney Pills." The above statement must carry con-viction to the mind of every reader. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—ask distinctly for Doan's Kidney Pills, the same that Mr. Rhodes had—the remedy backed by home testimony. 50c all stores. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. "When Your Back is Lame—Remem-ber the Name." Adv

A TEXAS WONDER.

The Texas Wonder cures kid-ney and bladder troubles, dis-solves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder trou-bles 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.

To Prevent Blood Poisoning
apply at once the wonderful old reliable DR. PORTER'S ANTI-SEPTIC HEALING OIL, a sur-gical dressing that relieves pain and heals at the same time. Not a liniment. 25c, 50c, \$1.00.