

# THE MERKEL MAIL

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## RIVERSIDE, CAL., HOME OF THIEVES

One of the most carefully planned holdup for millions in money and valuables is the tale of high handed thugs and thieves who entered the home of H. C. Harrington of Riverside, a multi-millionaire who was struck down by the robbers. The library is torn up and the aged millionaire carried away in an auto by the gang, but not before he has a chance to leave a note, which reads: "Am attacked by thieves am losing consciousness, look for man with wood." There the message ended. It was found by Harrington's daughter Helen a few moments later, she being awakened by the thieves when they departed in an auto under high speed.

All the story of the above "A Fight for Millions" is one of the most interesting 4 reel features the Royal Airdome has been able to book for this place.

Synopsis of the picture continued, brings into the scene, one John Sorenti, a new apparently wealthy man of Riverside. Sorenti proposes to help Helen find her father and asks that if he is successful that he may then claim her hand in marriage. This enrages Helen for she is already engaged to Darwin Russell and she tells Sorenti of the engagement; the fact Sorenti knew but he denies knowledge of it and as he is about to leave Russell enters the Harrington home. Sorenti soon returns to get his cigar case he intentionally left on the table and finds Helen sobbing in Russell's arms. Again Sorenti expresses his sympathy for Helen and leaves the house in company with Russell. The two go to Sorenti's home upon the latter's invitation and as Russell departs he is caught, bound and drugged and placed in the room with Harrington. When Russell is found on the streets in an unconscious condition, valuables belonging to Harrington are found in his pockets and he is arrested charged with the robbery of Harrington and with his disappearance. Helen not believing in Russell's guilt employs the eminent detective Daniel Delaney to investigate the case. Delaney gets into the case and immediately comes in contact with Sorenti, who tries to drug the detective. After a number of fights the gang is captured and Sorenti's identity is discovered. And it is then the old story of "All's well that ends well."

The full four reel picture at the Royal Airdome tonight. (Friday) Prices 5 & 10 cents. (Adv.)

### Here From Miami.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Boney of Miami and Miss Carrie Boney of Bay City came in Tuesday evening from Mineral Wells to visit the families of their uncle A. C. Boney.

The visiting Mr. Boney is cashier of the Bank of Miami at Miami, Texas.

C. Gaither was in Abilene today on business.

## BALL RALLY JULY 2ND. AT DALLAS

Dallas, Texas,  
June 20, 1914.

Judge C. D. Mims,  
Merkel, Texas.  
Dear Sir:

We are going to have a great rally at Dallas on July 2. We expect to have Colonel Ball and a number of others to deliver addresses on that day. An invitation is being extended to every Democrat who is opposed to saloon and its corruption of politics to be present and participate with us. Cheap rates on all railroads have already been secured. We want every Ball Club in every part of the State to send a delegation. Select as many delegates as you care to come: but by all means bring a crowd. And if you can induce those who are not members of Ball Club to come, do so. It is important that we make it the greatest day in the history of our State. Have your local papers advertise it thoroughly; have your preachers make an announcement of the meeting from their pulpits. Co-operate with all our forces and see that every community in your part of the county is represented on this day. It will mean much for us.

Hoping to have an immediate and favorable reply, I am,

Yours for success,

A. W. Walker,  
Manager.

Preparations for the Ball Rally are being made in Dallas and exceedingly large crowds are expected to meet there to further the candidacy of the Houston Prohibition Candidate for Governor. It has not been announced yet just who will represent Merkel at the gathering but it is expected that our town will not miss the opportunity of taking part in so great an event.

## NEW POSTMASTER HANDS OUT MAIL

The long looked for, the inevitable, a Democratic postmaster is what the Merkel people are now serving under. Monday morning the new postmaster H. C. Williams, took absolute and full charge of Uncle Sam's business house at this place and the outgoing postmaster W. H. Derstine was seen out in the lobby of the office waiting for his mail just like any other man.

### New Freight Cashier.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ferrier are the happy parents of an eight pound boy born Tuesday morning of this week. The father who is cashier for the Texas & Pacific Co., at this place was non-committal when seen Wednesday morning further than to say that his family was getting along nicely and he expected to have the youngster out meeting the public before long.

Mrs. Ferrier and her son are reported doing nicely and Grandpa Ferrier is parading the town like a small boy with a new horn.

## CLIPPINGS OF DAILIES STATE AND OUT OF STATE NEWS

The confession of Pietro Rebacci preceding his execution in New York revealed that a murdered syndicate had been organized in that city. It is said that Rebacci was the employed assassin of the syndicate.

Two men, Sam Woods and Thomas Israe were were drowned near Eagle Lake, Sunday when they drove into a washed out place in the Colorado river. The place was sixteen feet deep.

Henry Thomas of Fort Worth made the fifth unsuccessful attempt Monday to end his life. Two of the attempts were made either in or near saloons of Fort Worth and in each instant he tried to drink Carbolic acid. His life was saved in each case by the quick action of bystanders one of whom had performed similar service for Thomas in Oklahoma several years ago.

Emerson Dietrich of New York was killed in Chicago the first of week when he entered a cage with a mother lion and four full grown lion cubs. His companion fled when he saw the lions attacking Deitaich in regular man-eating fashion.

Reports of high grass on ranches near San Angelo come in the form of a menace to the wool growers of that country. The grass is so high that the lambs get lost from the ewes and the herders in many instances are unable to find them.

The airboat built by Rodman Wanamaker to be used in an attempt to cross the Atlantic ocean was pronounced a success by the engineer Curtis who has been in charge of the work. The boat behaved perfectly in trial flights at Hammondsport, N. Y. the first of the week.

Mary Turner the 16 year old Topeka, Kan., girl has come to light in Dallas. In her story she claimed to have been kidnapped by two men in a park at Topeka and from that time she lost consciousness until she awoke on a Rock Island passenger train as it was nearing Fort Worth, Texas. The men seem to have deserted their victim in Dallas from fear of being caught.

## FIRST GRAIN OF SEASON THRASHED

The first grain of the season was thrashed at the Joe Higgins farm north of Merkel Monday, when J. M. Dunn started his new Case separator to work.

J. D. Gaither, L. D. Gaither and G. E. Comegys went out in the latter's car and brought back a sample of the wheat which tested 50 1/4 pounds to the bushel. The grain was making an average of 8 to 10 bushels per acre.

## CONGRESSMAN W. R. SMITH TO SPEAK HERE

Congressman W. R. Smith of Colorado, Texas will speak here in interest of his candidacy Tuesday June 30th, at 8.30 p. m.

Before coming here Mr. Smith is scheduled to speak at Trent at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of the same day and will come here from Trent. From here he goes to Anson, Stamford, Haskell and other towns in that section of the state. Mr. Smith is a very fluent speaker, and his address here promises to be an interesting one from the fact that the present grace for congress has warmed up considerably within the last few weeks.

### Leaves For Panama.

Mrs. J. W. Daniel and daughter Mrs. S. P. Miller left for Colon, Panama Tuesday night going via Dallas and New Orleans where they will take a steamer for their destination.

Mrs. Daniel will spend one or two months in the tropical country before returning but her daughter will remain there with her husband who is employed in the government service of inspecting engineer of dredge boats in the Panama Canal. In all, the trip from Merkel to Panama will take ten days, eight of which will be spent on board a ship at sea. It was the intentions of Mrs. Daniel and daughter Mrs. Miller to go by way of Havana, Cuba but the report of a Plague in that country caused them to change their course at the moment of departure from here. They will sail from New Orleans tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Will Brown was in Abilene Thursday looking after business matters.

## SANDEFER TO SPEAK HERE JULY 4TH

Pres. J. D. Sandefer of Simmons College will speak in Merkel Saturday July 4th in interest of Thos. Ball for Governor.

An open challenge is given out by Mr. Sandefer as well as is given out by many other speakers of the present campaign to meet with any speaker of the opposing side in the question governing the present campaign issues. Mr. Sandefer is one of the best speakers in west Texas and is always an interesting talker. He is one of the strongest champions for the prohibition cause in the state and is too well known to the Merkel people to need any introduction.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Paramore of King county are here visiting the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Leighty. The visitors will be in town for several days after which they will visit friends and relatives in Abilene.

Miss Cora Pannell of Eskota was in the city Wednesday shopping and visiting friends.

## SHOOTING IN ABILENE WEDNESDAY

The press room of the Abilene Printing Company, publishers of the Abilene Reporter, was entered by an unknown party at two o'clock, this Wednesday, morning. How the entrance to the office was effected is not known.

O. E. Howe, foreman of the press room, who has been sleeping in the press room for the past four nights, made the following statement:

"We closed down the press, which had been running on a circular job for Judge Thomas L. Blanton, candidate for Congress, about twelve o'clock last night and together with O. D. Smith, an employe who had also been working, we saw that all the doors in the office, in both buildings, were locked.

"About two o'clock this morning I was awakened by a rattling noise and saw a man in a kneeling position over a stack of the Blanton circulars not over ten feet away. I reached for my gun and when I did so the party heard the noise, and uttered an oath, running for the front door which was about six or eight feet from him. At this time the east door of the double doors was standing about half way open. The burglar ran against the west door in escaping which was fastened, and seemed to fall out between the two doors with such force that it shattered the glass in both doors. I shot one time while the party was getting out of the doors, the bullet passing through the west door facing, and followed and fired two shots as the man turned into the alley. None of the bullets took effect. A copy of the circular was dropped by the intruder right at the door. Whether other copies were secured is not known.

All efforts to secure information concerning who the burglar was have failed up to this time.

O. T. Scheonmaker, engineer for the T. Sides Confectionary Company who had come to work at one a. m., to do some overhauling on the engine, heard the shots fired and a man running or some commotion at the back door of Sides store. Immediately after the shots were fired an ice cream packer was knocked over and Mr. Scheonmaker heard noises which attracted him to the back entrance. However when he reached there no one was in sight.—Wednesday's Abilene Reporter.

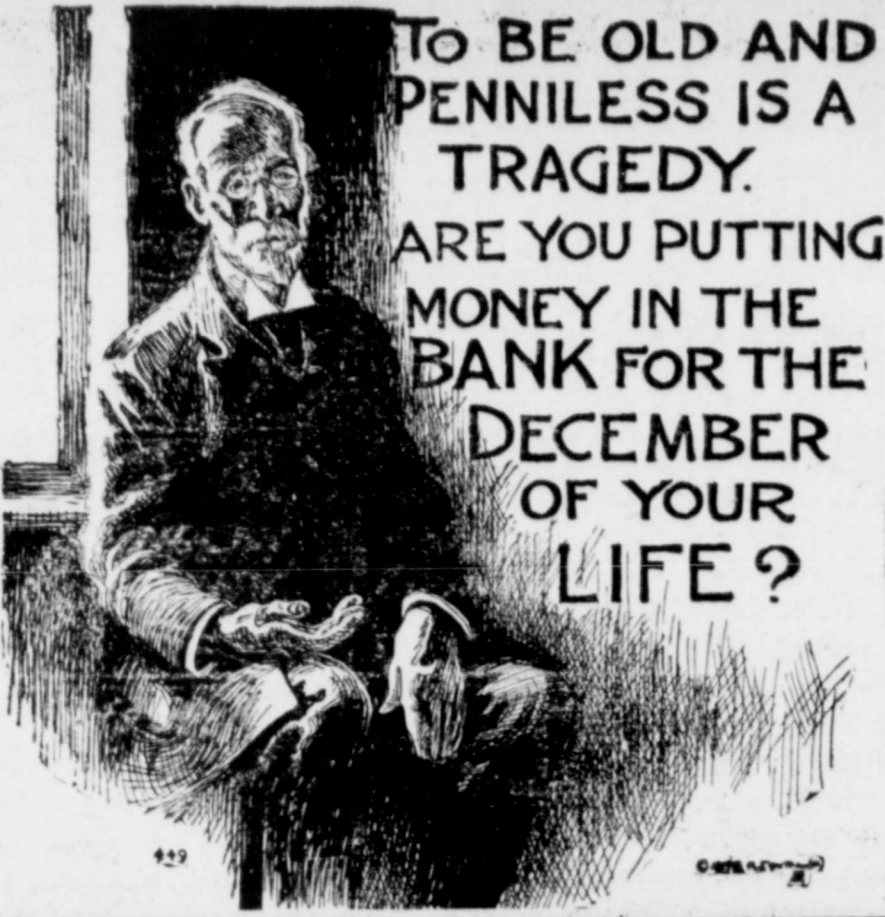
### Children's Day Program.

Will be rendered at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening at 8:45. This program has been gotten up with a three fold purpose in view. For the benefit it will be to the children, for the entertainment of the audience and for the inspiration it will give to all.

You are cordially invited to attend this service, also Sunday School at 10 a. m. and preaching service at 11 a. m.

E. P. McMillen, Supt.  
Hubert E. Bullock, Pastor.





There is nothing more pitiful than the sight of OLD AGE entirely dependent on the assistance and charity of others. Yet, many go along, day after day, week after week, letting money slip through their fingers that should be piling up in the bank to keep them comfortable and independent when their EARNING POWER is GONE. Why don't YOU start a bank account NOW.

Make OUR bank YOUR bank.

## THE FARMERS STATE BANK

MERKEL, TEXAS

### STREET LIGHTS TO BE INSTALLED

The long talked of street light-system for Merkel seems to have materialized and within a short time the business section of our town will be illuminated in a truly bright way.

The 15 sectional iron posts for the business section arrived last week and preparations are made this week to have to work of installing them started. Mgr. W. E. Britain of the Merkel Electric Co., states that the system should be in operation within a short time.

The improvement to Merkel's civic attractiveness was brought about largely through the efforts of Jno. G. Jackson who championed the subscription list and secured private donations to cover the expense of 15 light at \$15.00 each. The property owners and business men of Merkel contributed, to paying for the light posts and the City will pay for the light service.

#### Lecture Continued.

Owing to many requests that the lecture of Sunday night by Rev. Ed R. Wallace of the Methodist church be continued, Rev. Wallace has decided to again talk on the subject to coming Sunday night.

Curios and costumes of the Holy Land will be the subject for the next lecture will supplement in many ways the very descriptive talk of last Sunday night.

### SIX SUITS FILED IN DISTRICT COURT

The following suits have been filed with District Clerk J. Fuller during the past few days:

L. E. Arnold vs. F. M. Wagon suit for delivery of notes and checks.

In the matter of Jaunata Garcia et al: habeas corpus.

Mrs. T. C. Burch et al vs. C. A. Mashel; trespass to try title and for alleged damages.

H. N. Hickman, trustee, vs. J. O. and Seth Hamilton; suit to try title and for alleged damages.

Henry James vs. D. H. Jefferson; foreclosure of vendor's lien. Henry James vs. Addison Eby; suit for alleged debt.

Mrs. Austin Boyd is in Abilene visiting her parents.

#### Obituary.

Mr. Walter H. Dickson died June 21st at 11:15 p. m. at his home in Merkel, Texas. He was born in Ripley Chautauqua Co., N. Y. April 8th, 1852; was educated in the Common and High Schools of Ripley. He was a son of Dwight and Harriett Jeannette (Webster) Dickson. He came to Cleburne, Texas about 1879 and was with his uncle, Cal. C. Dickson, in the Hardware business. Three years later he with his brother, C. A. Dickson, purchased a ranch in Merkel territory and for a number of years were engaged in ranching. They then associated themselves with their uncle in the Hardware business in Cleburne.

The deceased was married to Miss Nannie Margaret Miller Aug. 3rd 1893, the Rev. J. W. Lowber of the Christian church officiating. After five years residence in Cleburne they moved to Merkel where Mr. Dickson was engaged in business until his health failed him. After more than a year's illness death came and relieved his suffering. Brother Dickson professed faith in Christ and was a member of the Presbyterian church U. S. A. of Merkel, membership in which his wife had joined him. Their pastor, Rev. Hubert E. Bullock, assisted by Rev. W. M. Gaddy, pastor Merkel Baptist church, conducted the funeral services at the home June 23rd at 10 a. m. The friends expressed their respect by a most beautiful floral offering, the business men closed for the hour and a host of friends attended the services. Interment was made in the Rose Hill Cemetery.

Brother Dickson passed away quietly and peacefully no symptoms of alarm until the very last. His wife and brother were with him when the call came. But death brought relief from long continued suffering and ended the long suspense of family and friends. The Merkel people share with the relatives their sorrow, and extend our sympathy and condolence; but Christ alone can give real comfort. We recommend him to you. A friend.

#### STANDING OF CONTESTANTS

Names of Contestants and their Standing in Merkel Mail Voting Contest up to Thursday June 4th.

Miss Mae Grayson	8300 votes
Miss Gertrude Plyant	1200 votes
Miss Ida Taylor	1400 votes
Miss Haile Moore	1100 votes
Miss Bettie Peterson	1200 votes
Miss Effie Duke	1000 votes
Miss Lula Cogburn	1100 votes

### OPENS NEW MEAT MARKET FOR TRADE

Messrs Black and Turner, proprietors of the Sanitary Grocery have this week opened a fresh meat market in connection with their grocery establishment.

Connected with them will be H. B. Wheeler, formerly of this place but of Abilene for the past few months where he has been employed by the Ainsworth market as their meat cutter.

#### Obituary.

On June 18, the death angel came into our midst and claimed our beloved friend and neighbor Mrs. C. N. Holland, age 81. Mrs. Holland was seriously ill for several weeks but bore her suffering with sweet resignation. Her influence as a christian mother and an humble follower of her savior will shine on though she is here no more. Mrs. Holland has been a devoted member of the Christian church since early in life and has been a blessing to those about her. She is survived by seven children, three daughters and four sons who were living in different parts of the state.

At the time of her death she was surrounded by two daughters and two sons, Mrs. M. M. George Mrs. M. M. Right, T. L. Holland of Shep and G. F. Holland of this place. These children together with several close friends witnessed the closing scenes of her life. A few hours before she passed away she expressed herself as being so happy, willing and ready to meet her reward. In behalf of her relatives we wish to speak of the great devotion of Mrs. George, who remained at her mother's bedside until the last not heeding her own physical suffering which weeks of anxious care had placed upon her. Interment was given the body at Pleasant Valley Cemetery near Midlothian.

A friend.

G. M. Sharp has plenty of seed of all kinds. Golden Rod at G. M. Sharp.

Miss Pearl Baccus.....1700 votes  
Miss Gertrude Stanley.....1000 votes

The three prizes these young ladies have been entered as contestants for are now on display at the ELITE CONFECTIONARY. If you are interested call and see the three machines, the \$75.00 Grafonola and the \$50.00 and \$25.00 Graphophones. Read the Mail and help your friends win a prize

J. T. WARREN, Pres. THOS. JOHNSON, Cashier



CAPITAL & SURPLUS \$50 000

### A PROSPEROUS CAREER

For 10 years this bank has had a steady, conservative and profitable growth, enjoying to the fullest extent the confidence good will of the community.

Its resources and facilities are at the command of Farmers, Stockmen and Business Men who are seeking the best there is in

### BANKING SERVICE

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J. T. Warren, G. F. West, C. P. Warren  
Henry James, Ed S. Hughes Ben T. Merritt  
Thos. Johnson



### TO THE HOUSEWIFE

Desiring the Best, the Whitest and the Purest Flour that can be had, we recommend

### BOUQUET

\$2 75 Per Hundred Pounds

Walter Clark  
Merkel, Texas



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Our Rates

For District Offices	\$7.50
For County Offices	7.50
For Precinct Offices	5.00
For City Offices	2.50
Subscription Price per year	1.00

ALWAYS CASH IN ADVANCE

For Congressman-at-Large  
R. B. Humphrey  
(Of Throckmorton County)

For Representative from Taylor County  
J. M. Wagstaff

For District Attorney:  
N. N. Rosenquest of Stephens County.

### TAYLOR COUNTY CANDIDATES

For County Judge:  
E. M. Overshiner  
J. M. Moffett.

For Sheriff:  
Geo. M. Cauthen  
W. F. (Frank) Whaley  
T. T. Spann  
J. T. Dodson

For District Clerk:  
J. Fuller (re-election)  
J. N. Routh

For County Clerk:  
A. H. Balch  
Miss Fannie Tippet  
J. D. Hilton

For Tax Collector:  
D. T. Harkrider (re-election)  
W. F. Dillard

For County Treasurer:  
G. B. (Blue) Tittle (re-election)

For Commissioner Precinct No. 2.  
T. R. Lassiter  
E. D. Coats  
J. L. Banner

For County Superintendent:  
J. S. Smith.

For Weigher  
P. C. Jones  
J. M. Garrett  
C. C. Bankhead  
R. H. Dean  
Jim M. Toombs

### JONES COUNTY CANDIDATES

For Sheriff:  
Jet Milsap  
J. A. Sanders.

For County Judge:  
T. J. Barrett

## EVERY SUNDAY EXCURSION RATES

—Via—



BETWEEN ALL LOCAL STATIONS  
ONE FARE PLUS TEN CENTS  
ROUND TRIP

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Asst. Gen. Pass. Agt. Gen. Pass. agt  
Dallas, Texas

W. O. W.

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

W. M. Elliott, C. C.  
S. Hamilton, Clerk

## Real Estate

Exclusive Bargains in Mer-  
kel country and West Texas

### MONEY TO LOAN

On Farm and Ranch Lands in  
Taylor, Jones, Nolan and Fisher  
Counties.

**Jno. G. Jackson, Merkel**

## SAGE TEA PUTS LIFE AND COLOR IN HAIR

Don't stay gray! Sage Tea and Sulphur darkens hair so naturally that nobody can tell.

You can turn gray, faded hair beautifully dark and lustrous almost overnight if you'll get a 50 cent bottle of "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy" at any drug store. Millions of bottles of this old, famous Sage Tea Recipe are sold annually, says a well-known druggist here, because it darkens the hair so naturally and evenly that no one can tell it has been applied.

Those whose hair is turning gray, becoming faded, dry, scraggly and thin have a surprise awaiting them, because after one or two applications the gray hair vanishes and your locks become luxuriantly dark and beautiful—all dandruff goes, scalp itching and falling hair stops.

This is the age of youth. Gray-haired, unattractive folks aren't wanted around, so get busy with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur to-night and you'll be delighted with your dark, handsome hair and your youthful appearance within a few days.

### Walter H. Dickson Dead.

Walter H. Dickson age 62 of this city died at his home on Oak street Monday night at 11:15 of tuberculosis. Those with him at his death were his wife, a brother C. A. Dickson of Cleburne and several close friends.

The deceased has resided in Merkel for the past 16 years but has lived in the state for the past 35 years. Coming to Texas from the state of New York where he was born and reared. His old home being in Chautauque county. Immediately on coming to Texas he engaged in the Hardware business with his brother at Cleburne but soon came farther west, investing in a ranch in the upper Canyon country where the Arthur Sears ranch is now located. In 1898 he engaged in the Hardware business in Merkel and continued in same until he sold his business to the Merkel Hardware Co. a corporation. Soon after retiring from the hardware business his health failed him and his business career was cut short; during the past year he has not been able to leave his home, being confined to his bed almost continually, gradual loss of strength and growing weaker until the end came after months of suffering.

The deceased is survived by his wife, two brothers and one sister, the latter being Messrs C. A. Dickson of Cleburne who was with his brother at his death, W. W. Dickson of Philadelphia and Mrs. A. H. Candlish of New York who is now in Europe on a tour of that country. He was married in Fort Worth, August 3, 1893 to Miss Nannie M. Miller of Lewis county, Mo.

He was reared in a Presbyterian home and affiliated himself with that religious order during his residence in this place.

Burial services were held at family residence Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock Rev. Hubert E. Bullock assisted by Rev. W. M. Gaddy conducting the services. Burial was given the body immediately afterwards in Rose Hill Cemetery.

The deceased was well known in Merkel and throughout the the Merkel county and has many friends who regret very much to learn of his death.

Miss Madalyn Adkisson left Monday afternoon for Colorado City to visit Miss Gladys McSpadden.

Mrs. Doss Sheppard of Dallas came in Sunday to visit her husband's family Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Sheppard.

## LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Annie Collins left Friday night for Oran where she will visit Miss Nettie Day. She will also visit friends in Weatherford and Mineral Wells while away.

Sacks loaned and the highest prices paid for your grain. J. D. Gaither.

Miss Agness Hall left for Abilene Monday to spend several days with friends on a camping and fishing trip.

Sacks loaned and the highest prices paid for your grain. J. D. Gaither.

Miss Lizzie Calvert, Gail McCarty, Effie Hudson, Ona Johnson and Ezma Alday were in Sweetwater Sunday visiting the former's brother W. C. Calvert and family.

Martin will press your suit for 50c.

I have made arrangement to loan the farmers sacks to handle their grain with. J. D. Gaither.

Dean Boring, formerly of this place but lately of east Texas came in last week to be with his parents Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Boring. The visiting Mr. Boring has been in very bad health for sometime.

Misses Eva Calvert and Bessie Cathey were in Sweetwater the latter part of last week and the first of this week visiting the former's brother W. C. Calvert and family.

Wear a Palmbeach suit and keep cool. The Star Store.

Messrs Oscar Pate and John Morgan were in Sweetwater Sunday afternoon on a purely social mission.

See me and tell me how many sacks you will need for your grain at thrashing time. J. D. Gaither.

ABSORBO cleans windows, silverware, cut glass, jewelry, nickle and tinware. Absolutely good. The Rexall Store. Mrs. E. M. Rust, Proprietor.

E. A. Newman of Corsicana, formerly of this place came in the first of the week and has been shaking hands with old time friends during the past few days. Mr. Newman is now representing the Mason Mfg. Co., of Cleveland, Ohio. He will be in this section of the country for some time.

See H. M. Rose for milk coolers, steel tanks, guttering and well casing.

Bob Godwin of Trent was in the city Monday on business.

Supply yourself with grain sacks from J. D. Gaither and get the top price for your grain.

See H. M. Rose for milk coolers, steel tanks, guttering and well casing.

Misses Eugene and Carrol Rister were in Abilene Monday shopping and visiting friends.

I have made arrangement to loan the farmers sacks to handle their grain with. J. D. Gaither.

Miss Leila Sandlin of Abilene came in Monday afternoon to visit her mother Mrs. N. E. Sandlin.

Why send your hats off to be cleaned when Martin will do it for less.

## FEEL GOOD--LAUGH-- BE HAPPY AND WELL

Take Some Dodson's Liver Tonic To-night and See How Much Better You Will Feel Tomorrow.

Thousands of former sufferers from constipation, biliousness, sick headache and stomach ill are now brighter, healthier, happier through taking Dodson's Liver Tonic. The medicine which was made to use instead of calomel. They have learned to smile again.

Dodson's fine remedy is so different from calomel. You feel good after taking Dodson's. There are no depressing after-effects, such as with calomel and other strong and violent purgatives. You do not change your habits or diet when taking Dodson's Liver Tonic. There is no pain nor gripe, no change in your regular habits. Liver Tonic promptly clears the dulled brain and clogged system in an easy, natural way, assisting Nature in the struggle against constipation and biliousness. Dodson's also stimulates you and builds you up and strengthens you at the same time.

A reliable, pleasant-tasting vegetable liquid, Dodson's Liver Tonic is guaranteed without condition by T. L. Grimes who will cheerfully refund purchase price (50c.) instantly without question in event of any dissatisfaction with the remedy or its results.

### Building Values.

There is great activity among the boys and girls feeding calves and pigs under the instruction of our agricultural demonstrator, Mr. W. C. Calvert. It is reported to this office that a boy on Bitter Creek, put an increase of 32 pounds on a 30 pound pig in 27 days. A Roscoe boy's pig made a gain of 40 pounds in 35 days, while a little boy at Decker made a gain in the weight of his pig of 20 pounds in 22 days, the pig weighing 31 pounds at the beginning of the feeding period. Mr. Calvert contemplates the organization of a hog raisers' association this fall. As a foundation for this organization he is advocating the starting of hog pastures. A large number of our farmers are enthusiastically co-operating in this movement, while Nolan County Bankers, the business men and the chamber of Commerce of this city stand ready to lend assistance and encouragement. There are 1168 farms in Nolan county. Suppose, after supplying the home with meat and lard, each farmer would feed for the market one pig, at a market value of \$16.00, would create values more profitable than twice the amount in cotton values.—Sweetwater Reporter.

## HOW "TIZ" HELPS SORE, TIRED FEET

Good-bye sore feet, burning feet, swollen feet, sweaty feet, smelling feet, tired feet.

Good-bye corns, callouses, bunions and raw spots. No more shoe tightness, no more limping with pain or drawing up your face in agony. "TIZ" is magical, acts right off. "TIZ" draws out all the poisonous exudations which puff up the feet. Use "TIZ" and forget your foot misery. Ah! how comfortable your feet feel. Get a 25 cent box of "TIZ" now at any druggist or department store. Don't suffer. Have good feet, glad feet, feet that never swell, never hurt, never get tired. A year's foot comfort guaranteed or money refunded.

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. R. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 25c.

## LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Misses Ella Perry and Opal Walters of Wichita Falls are the guests of their cousins Misses Gladys and Lucile Walters.

All perfumes, the regular \$1.00 and \$1.50 values sell at half price. The Rexall Store. Mrs. E. M. Rust, Proprietor.

Miss Eufie Howard of Roscoe spent Saturday and Sunday with her aunt Mrs. Jno. Moff.

See those Palm Beach suits at the Star Store.

Miss Willie Clark enroute from Colorado to her home at Abilene is the guest of Miss Sadie Collins for a few days this week.

Miss Annie Moore of Abilene is visiting her sister Mrs. Jno. Banner.

Miss Velma Clark, a telephone operator of Stephenville is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Clark.

Mrs. J. W. Moore left Monday morning for Odessa to attend the funeral of the baby child of her sister Mrs. J. A. Hunter.

### See N. D. Cobb for Tombstones and Monuments.

Miss Rebecca Dorliksa Acree of Martin, Tennessee, came in Tuesday morning to spend the summer with her brother H. E. Farmer of Nubia. This is Miss Acree's first visit to the western part of Texas.

Supply yourself with grain sacks from J. D. Gaither, and get the top price for your grain.

J. Hill of the Golan community was in the city Tuesday morning visiting old friends and on a business.

See R. E. Hall, before selling your butter, produce and hides. Rear J. T. Dennis' store.

Mrs. G. H. Johnson of Roscoe came in the first of the week to visit her parents Mr. and Mrs. Costephens for a month. She was accompanied by her daughter Miss Eva Mae and by her sister Miss Jewell Costephens who has been her guest in Roscoe for some time.

See me and tell me how many sacks you will need for your grain at thrashing time. J. D. Gaither.

Mrs. J. J. O'Mally is in Eastland this week visiting friends and relatives.

### Farm & Ranch and Hollands Magizene free until December 1, 1914 with every subscription to the Merkel Mail.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Lilly of the Castle Peak country are in Abilene this week visiting relatives.

Remember I am in rear of J. T. Dennis' store and still paying highest cash price for butter, eggs, poultry and hides.

Mrs. H. M. Rose went to Abilene Wednesday to visit friends for a few days.

See H. M. Rose for milk coolers, steel tanks, guttering and well casing.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Ellis were in Abilene Sunday visiting their son Lester Ellis formerly of this place.

Miss Alice Mae Boyce of Abilene was here the first of the week visiting Miss Elma Sheppard.



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 GOOD HOMES—GOOD SCHOOLS,  
 GOOD CHURCHES; GOOD PEOPLE—  
 THE CITY TO LIVE IN—  
 THE CITY TO INVEST IN

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 GOOD HEALTH FOR THE OLD MAN,  
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 INVESTMENTS FOR THE RICH MAN,  
 PROSPERITY FOR ALL.

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TELEPHONE No. 81

If you have visitors, or if you know any item which would be of interest to readers of the Mail, the editor would appreciate a note or a telephone message to that effect. Or, if an occurrence of unusual interest transpires a reporter will be promptly sent to get the full particulars.

### THE ROUND-UP SLOWS-UP.

The editor of the Cisco Round-up a newspaper published at Cisco, in Eastland county of this state is coming out with an edition of his paper to further the candidacy of his candidate for Governor of Texas and goes as far as refrain from taking any political advertising from Ferguson or any of his kind, but will have the columns of his sheet open to other candidates, state, district and county. In other words the Editor of this special issue of the Cisco Round-up proposes to publish a large number of copies of it, 5000 or there about, and to send at least one to every tax payer in Eastland county.

To us it seems that the editor of the Round-up is as inconsistent as a man could well be and at the same time be fooling himself, for surely he is fooling no one else. There is an old saying about the man who is all the time fooling himself. Now as for how consistent the editor of the Round-up is, he is going to help one crowd and no more. To us there seems a host of suffering humanity that needs the help of every able bodied man and for any one person to refuse to offer his services when they are available it places him in a peculiar position. One thing we do know of the Editor of the Round-up is that he is not very strong for helping his own fraternity, not his own fraternity but the men who in these past have made it possible for him to continue to exist in Cisco. He openly stated some time ago that he very seldom helped a tramp-printer when one came into his shop looking for work for the reason that in doing so and extending help to such men it served to lower the dignity of their profession.

Now just what we want to know is what profession the Editor of the Round-up would be lowering when he gave a tramp-printer enough work to help the poor fellow buy a square meal or get a bed. Not in the short time of about three years have we seen fit to lower the dignity of the printers profession by refusing to help a printer when they applied to us as such, whether we deemed them worthy or not. This question did not enter our mind for in making a wholesale refusal we no doubt would turn many a good man out who in reality was worthy of our help. To us it seems the management of the Round-up is lowering the dignity of his profession when he says, Mr. So-and-So cannot buy space in his paper at any price, he is also lowering himself from a dignified standpoint in our estimation when he openly says he seldom helps a tramp-printer because it lowers the dignity of the profession.

We always have helped the tramp-printers who applied to us as such, and the columns of our paper are always open to Col. Thos. Ball, Mr. James E. Ferguson and any others in whom there is the least semblance of deserving qualities. On an open and shut-skin-game where the evidences was

conclusive we would then tell the applicant that we were full up on advertising but we wouldn't turn the hungry printer away from our door. Our policy is give him a good feed and he will always come back and help you out.

For the special assistance of Mr. Fisk of the Round-up, we refer him to that verse in the Bible, Hebrew 13-2. "Be not forgetful of strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares."

### TO A ROSE A FANTASY OF JUNE.

In wondrous depths of rose,  
 Soft as a nestling's wing.  
 In a glowing chalice, sun kissed,  
 And dewy tendrils where fairies sing.

Long ago in the garden of life,  
 An angle gave to a floating cloudlet of nectar,  
 A dainty cup.  
 And the infinite artisan  
 Wove it into a matchless blossom,  
 Flora's rose tinted cup.  
 S. C. J.

Claud Callan of the Star Telegram has an uneasy conscience as he demonstrated in Monday's paper when he said. Even when a great majority of us reach the next world there will doubtless be some fool asking: "Is it hot enough for you?"

This last week has demonstrated some real mid-summer weather.

Swatting a few flies may keep some of your family from a long protracted sick spell. Every fly you see was hatched within 200 yards of you and no doubt is making your room a wiping place for his feet.

Monday was the longest day in the year. We didn't notice it much from the fact that we spent three hours of the time at an auction sale, another hour at dinner, didn't get up until 8 o'clock, went to a show in the evening; discussed politics for awhile during the day, met some old time friends and chatted with them, wrote an article on how big the weeds were growing in this country and the rest of the time was spent in work. Really the day didn't seem so long.

O what is so rare as a day in June. Another one like the Merkel country has been having of the late.

William Travis Jerome say the average person can resist everything but temptation. Well what other things can a person resist, and who wants to anyway when she is good looking.

According to the Memphis Commercial Appeal a dog they know of went to a cemetery and tried to scratch up the remains of his master and in passing comment on the incident they classed it as pure devotion and with sincere proof.

Somebody of the Commercial Appeal thinks they are acquainted with some of the gubernatorial candidates this year and gives out the following passing comment. These prohibition times are bringing out some very unprohibitional gubernatorial names—Brewer of Mississippi, Rye of Tennessee and Ball, presumably of the "high variety, of Texas."

## THE MAIL CONTEST

IS NOW OPEN

HELP YOUR FRIEND WIN A PRIZE

# PARTEN'S

## GREAT STOCK REDUCING SALE

Continues to Offer to the Public the GREATEST BARGAINS OF THE SEASON.  
 Special new features characterize the daily success we are enjoying. We are the people who brought the prices of dry goods in Merkel Down to the Minimum Notch and are keeping them down, maintaining prices that others attempt to meet only spasmodically. We are the people who furnish the cash trading public a place to realize the full benefit of its hard earned dollars; and almost without exception its appreciation is substantially demonstrated by its almost exclusive patronage.

BUY AT PARTEN'S AND DO YOURSELF A LASTING AND DESERVED FAVOR

# Free—Big Art Square—Free

Great Big Beautiful, 9 feet by 12 feet, ART SQUARE FREE  
 Saturday June 27th and every other Saturday thereafter until further notice.

You may get the ART SQUARE. It will pay you more perhaps than the amount of your purchase.

TRADE AT

PARTEN'S

AND GET MORE THAN THE WORTH OF YOUR MONEY



# THE UNLOOKED FOR SENSATION

A Genuine Quick Action Sale with a Reason and a Purpose Woodroof & Co's. \$20,000 Stock of Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Hats, Ladies' Ready-to-Wear and Millinery has been thrown upon the Market and Sold for what it will bring quickly.

THIS MIGHTY QUICK ACTION SALE IS STILL IN FULL BLAST

**Mighty Quick Action Specials for Sat. June 27, Read them, come**

75 pairs misses and children sumps and oxfords \$1.50 to \$2.00 quick action price... **98c**  
 Mens black and tan 25c hose quick action price... **15c**  
 50c cotton bats, 3 lb. rolls quick action price... **35c**  
 \$1.50 fancy parasols quick action price... **\$1.19**  
 10c talcum powder quick action price... **5c**  
 Ladies 50c waists, quick action price... **15c**  
 12 1-2c dress ginghams, best grades, quick action price, per yard... **8c**  
 100 pairs ladies pumps and oxfords, \$3.50 to \$4.00 grade, quick action price... **98**  
 10c bleached domestic 36 in. wide free from starch for quick action per yard... **7 1-2c**  
 25c talcum powder for quick action... **12c**  
 10c stickery braids 6-yd. bunches for quick action, the bunch... **6c**  
 \$2.50 silk messaline petticoats for quick action... **\$1.69**  
 12 1-2c white lawn beautiful quality, for quick action, the yard... **8c**

25c piques, white and colors; for quick action the yard... **12 1-2c**  
 5c brass pins for quick action... **3c**  
 5c safety pins for quick action... **2c**  
 5c hair pins for quick action... **2 1-2c**  
 Ladies 5c handkerchiefs for quick action... **2 1-2c**  
 Ladies \$1.25 crepe gowns for quick action... **79c**  
 25c huck towels for quick action, the pair... **18c**  
 \$5.00 John B. Stetson Hats for quick action... **\$3.65**  
 Ladies 10c bleached and taped vests for quick action... **6c**  
 Mens 35c undershirts for quick action... **19c**  
 Mens 50c undershirts for quick action... **38c**  
 Mens \$1.00 dress shirts one lot for quick action... **85c**  
 One lot mens felt hats \$2.50 to \$3 for quick action... **\$1.85**  
 50c elastic seam drawers for quick action... **39c**

Mens 25c suspenders for quick action... **15c**  
 Mens 5c handkerchiefs for quick action... **2 1-2c**  
 Mens blue work shirts for quick action... **45c**  
 One lot mens 50c caps for quick action... **39c**  
 Mens 25c and 35c ties for quick action... **19c**  
 Mens \$1.50 dress shirts for quick action... **\$1.19**  
 \$1.50 Hansen gloves for quick action... **1 25**  
 5c to 7 1-2c val. laces for quick action... **3c**  
 \$1 overalls solid colors for quick action... **85c**  
 Mens \$1 jumpers, pin stripes and solid colors for quick action... **85c**  
 6c cotton checkers for quick action, the yard... **4c**  
 10c pearl buttons for quick action... **3c**  
 Wire hair pins for quick action, 5 bundles for... **5c**  
 \$1 Hansen gloves for quick action... **85c**  
 25c tissue ginghams for quick action, the yard... **19c**

**Ladies Hats up to \$5.00 Quick Action Price \$1.95, up to \$7.50 Quick Action Price \$2.50**

Like a flash of lightning without a moments warning this Mighty Quick Action Sale comes as a great surprise to all. Don't forget the date. Come, enjoy yourselves. Make yourselves at home with us. Take your time **LOOK THROUGH OUR MAMMOTH STOCK OF GREAT BARGAINS.**

## W. D. WOODROOF AND COMPANY

THE QUALITY STORE :—: MERKEL, TEXAS

### OUR CORRESPONDENCE

#### Compere.

We had a fine rain Monday evening. Candidates are as thick as weeds around Compere this week. All look with a broad smile but alas the sad day is coming.

Rev. Wells a missionary from Jones county was in our midst the last week. He is going to help Rev. Walker in his meeting which is to begin the 3rd Sunday in August.

Mrs. Myrtle Foster visited relatives at Noodle the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis Beasley's baby is reported real sick at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Palmer gave the young people a singing Sunday night.

Master Lewis Miligan of Dallas is visiting Henry Young.

Rev. Tucker filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Demery and little daughter spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Moore.

There is more Catarah in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constant failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarah to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarah Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo Ohio, is the only Constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 ten drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio.

Sold by druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for Constipation.

#### Nubia.

Rev. Davis filled his regular appointment Sunday.

Nubia is coming alive we have organized a Sunday School. Roy Cogburn was appointed Supt. Mrs. Elen Hogan, Secretary and Miss Dewey Blair, Treasurer. A contribution of \$1.25 was contributed to get the first supply of literature which will be distributed Sunday. Everybody come each Sunday at 2:30 in the afternoon.

Sam Butman escorted Rev. Davis from Nubia to Blair in their car.

Roy Coats was in Nubia Sunday. Chas. Bankhead preached at Cross Roads Sunday.

Mr. Editor: Will you please correct the mistake in last weeks issue? Miss Lula Cogburn chopped four acres and quit before sundown but not all four acres in the afternoon as was stated in the paper.

Mr. Bartes of Mt. Pleasant was in Nubia Sunday.

Miss Gertrude Stanley is attending school at Abilene.

Lewis Butman has returned home from Abilene where he attended Simmons College.

Weeds are not only taking the day but night and fields too. In another sense of the word they are taking the people to (kill them).

#### Sore Nipples.

Any mother who has had experience with this distressing ailment will be pleased to know that a cure may be effected by applying Chamberlain's Salve as soon as the child is done nursing. Wipe it off with a soft cloth before allowing the babe to nurse. Many trained nurses use this salve with best results. For sale by All dealers

#### Shiloh.

There was small attendance at Sunday School Sunday.

Uncle Terrell Winters was sick a few days last week but we were glad to see him able to be at prayer services Sunday night. When Uncle Terrel is absent from Sunday school or prayer services we miss him and inquire about his absence.

Mrs. Wright of Noodle is spending the week with her parents Mr. and Mrs. McCright.

Buck Wheeler spent Sunday in the Noodle community.

Mrs. J. H. Grayson and little daughter Hemie were visitors in Trent Friday.

A few of the young people of this community attended services at Noodle Sunday afternoon.

Charley Seago and Miss Mae Grayson surprised their many friends Sunday afternoon by driving to Noodle and getting married. We wish them a long and happy life.

Farmers in this community are still busy cutting grain and baling hay. One reaper was busy Sunday.

Crops look very promising at present and so do weeds but with an other week of fair weather we believe farmers will have their crops in fair shape.

Yes Miss Nubia we think it nice indeed for our Editor to allow us space in his paper for us to air our views on subjects of interest to us and especially a subject of so much interest as the one referred to last week. Miss Nubia you say nothing like having the saloons put off the face of the earth will ever succeed. Give the woman the ballot and it will succeed. We believe if the mothers, daughters and sweethearts of all the men in these United States could have the entire ballot in their control there would never be another drink of intoxicating liquor sold. Neither would there ever be an advocate of intoxicating liquors ever elected as Governor of this fair land of ours.

#### Get Rid of Your Rheumatism.

Now is the time to get rid of your rheumatism. You can do it if you apply Chamberlain's Liniment. W. A. Lockhard, Homer City, N. Y., writes, "Last spring I suffered from rheumatism with terrible pains in my arms and shoulders. I got a bottle of Chamberlain's Liniment and the first application relieved me. By using one bottle of it I was entirely cured." For sale by all dealers.

#### Salt Branch.

Everything is looking fine in this part of the country. People are about through harvesting grain.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Taylor of Lorane are visiting relatives here this week.

Joe Stone of near De Leon is in this community on business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Robertson were visiting relatives near Mt. Pleasant Sunday.

Sunday School and singing was well attended Sunday. There were several present from other communities.

Neel Sargent and family were visiting relatives in this community Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Petty, Misses Lula and Annie Higgins took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Houston Robertson Sunday.

S. W. Taylor was called to the bedside of his sister, who is very low at Quannah.

Teething babies always have a hard time of it when this process occurs in hot weather. They not only have to contend with painful gums but the stomach is disordered, bowels loose and the body uncomfortable. The best help you can give the little sufferer is McGEE'S BABY ELIXIR. It corrects sonr stomach, cools and quiets the bowels and helps digestion. Price 25c and 50c per bottle. Sold by H. C. Burroughs.

#### Noodle.

Farmers are busy with their grain which is very good.

Mrs. Walter Witt has been on the sick list but is reported better at this writing.

Mr. A. M. McCright made a business trip to Anson Wednesday.

Mrs. Hall of Anson is visiting her daughter Mrs. Seago.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sosebee attended the singing at Sinclair Sunday.

Grandma Rainey died Thursday at the age of 86 years, five months and fourteen days. Her remains were laid to rest in the Shiloh cemetery.

Harvell Jones attended church here Sunday.

#### Only One Entirely Satisfactory.

"I have tried various Colic and diarrhoea remedies, but the only one that has given me entire satisfaction and cured me when I was afflicted is Chamberlain's Tone, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I recommend it to my friends at all times." writes S. N. Galloway, Stewart, S. C. For sale by all dealers.

### OUR CORRESPONDENCE

#### Trent.

Mr. McClothin recieved a message that his daughter had been killed by her husband near Dallas. He and his daughter Mrs. G. C. Johnson left immediately for that place.

Mr. Bee Dingle and children are visiting the former's parents in Weatherford for a few weeks.

Luther Watson and sister from Sweetwater spent Saturday and Sunday here with relatives.

Misses Lizzie and May McCrackin of Abilene were here visiting their brother and uncle Jno. McCrackin and E. L. Massey.

Mr and Mrs. Hill Smith are visiting relatives in Fort Worth.

Miss Nora Cameron from Dallas is visiting the family of B. B. Bishop.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Howell and two children left Monday to visit relatives in Callahan and Fannin counties. They left here on Mr. Howell's motorcycle.

J. Cal Hammer is at his place of business again after several days of illness.

Mrs. W. A. Holt's father and mother Mr. and Mrs. Thomas of Merkel spent Sunday with her.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Leamon entertained the Juniors Saturday night. Refreshments were served to Misses Edie Duke, Maude Skillen, Mae Southworth, Ida Smith, Eula Johnson and Floy Leamon, Messrs Clyde Southworth, Winslow Beckham, John McCracken, Roysie Dowdy and Fred Pribble.

#### Blair.

Farmers are making good use of the fair weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Meeks were visitors in the home of J. H. Campbell Sunday.

Mart Powell and mother of Buffalo Gap are here to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Adcock.

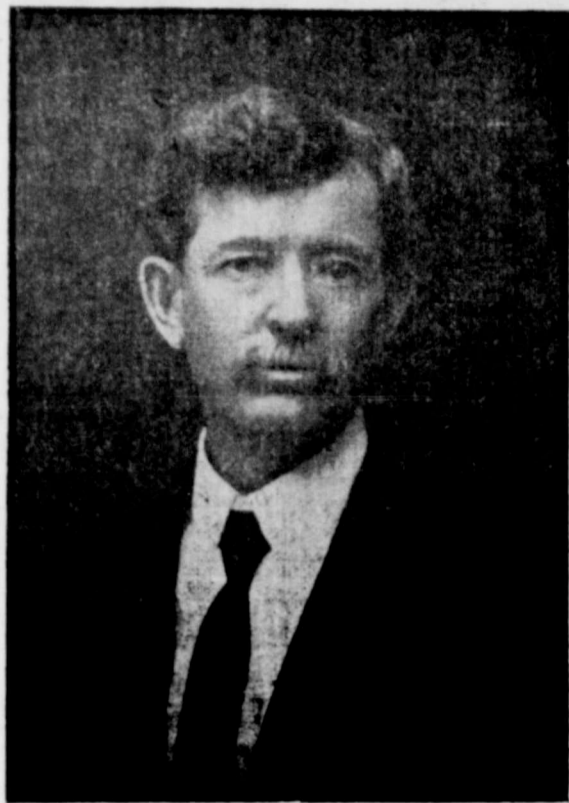
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Demery visited W. N. Moore and family of Compere Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Provine of Merkel attended church services here Sunday and visited S. F. Provine and family.

Rev. H. E. Bullock will preach next Sunday evening at the school house.



# MERKEL'S NEW POSTMASTER



The new postmaster for Merkel took his oath of office the first of the week and since that time the patrons have been receiving their mail under the direction of a life long Democrat and one of Merkel's most highly honored of men, that of H. C. Williams.

In a conversation with Mr. Williams he gave out a statement as to his position toward the public and wants the patrons of the office to feel and know that the service given under his administration will be the best possible. He asks the public to feel free in bringing before him matters pertaining to their convenience toward the postoffice department and as far as is in his ability under the directions of postal regulation he will accede to the public demands. The office hours will be the same as here-to-fore, 8 a. m. to 6 p. m.

The assistant postmaster is Miss Eva Williams, daughter of the postmaster who is assisted in her work by Miss Annie Smith general delivery clerk.



The Philathia class of the Baptist church and their teachers met in their Semi-monthly meeting at the home of Miss Eva Brady. All enjoyed themselves very much ice cream and cake was served to Mesdames W. A. Scott, W. L. Largent, Earl Lassiter. Misses Sadie and Annie Collins, Eva Gaddy, Gene and Carroll Rister, Lula Sharp, Winnie Warren, Florence Holmes, Dollie, Doye and Mary Teaff. Visitors to the P. B. C. club were Mesdames J. T. Warren, J. N. Teaff, Misses Ruby Teaff and Louise Scott.

Miss Gladys Bell entertained Thursday afternoon in honor of Miss Madalyn Adkisson of Beaumont, Ella Louise Perry and Opal Walters of Wichita Falls. Lemonade and cake were served to Misses Gladys Walters, Mamie Moore, Gladys Coggins, Eleanor Daniel, Virginia Swafford the host and hostesses. Music and conversation was the gaiety of the afternoon.

### Causes Futher Talk.

Because so many people are telling their experience with Hunt's Lightning Oil for Head Aches that others are lead to give it a trial and are convinced immediately of its merits as a pain killer. Are you yet to be convinced? Ask your druggist.

Miss Gladys Walters entertained Friday with a midday lunch in honor of her cousins Misses Opal Walters and Ella Louise Perry of Wichita Falls. Those present were Misses Gladys Coggin, Gladys and Lucile Belle, Madalyn Adkisson, Mamie Moore, Virginia Swafford, the host and hostesses. All report an excellent dinner and a good time.

### NO DIFFERENCE

The Proof is Here The Same As Everywhere.

For those who seek relief from kidney backache, weak kidneys, bladder ills, Doan's Kidney Pills offer hope of relief and the proof is here in Merkel the same as everywhere. Merkel people have used Doan's and Merkel people recommend Doan's, the kidney remedy used in America for fifty years. Why suffer? Why run the risk of dangerous kidney ills—fatal Bright's disease. Here's Merkel's proof. Investigate it.

Mrs. H. D. Wilson, Merkel Texas says: "Different ones of my family have used Doan's Kidney Pills with good results. One of us had snffered from kidney trouble for a long time and finally he used Doan's Kidney Pills great praises and recommend them to anyone suffering from kidney trouble."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kindey remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Wilson recommends. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. West left Sunday for Glenrose in answer to a message stating that Mrs. West's sister Mrs. G. J. English was very low.

White Leghorn flour \$2.24 per hundred, G. M. Sharp.

A full shipment of kodaks and kodak supplies arrived at our store this week. If you are interested, come in and see us. The Rexall Drug Store, Mrs. E. M. Rust, proprietor.

Mrs. C. I. Gilliland of Fort Worth returned to her home Thursday after and extended visit with her parents Judge and Mrs. C. D. Mims.

Mrs. R. E. Campbell of Paducah returned to her home Wednesday after a visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sears.

### Stomach Trouble.

Many remarkable cures of stomach troubles have been effected by Chamberlain's Tablets. One man who had spent over two thousand dollars for medicine and treatment was cured by a few boxes of these tablets. Price, 25 cents. For sale by all dealers.

"Oh Skin-nay!  
Come on Over.  
It's Welch's The National  
Drink Week at our  
Store. Everyone's  
drinking Welch's this  
Week. See our Big  
Window Trim."



## The National Drink for the National Birthday

Have you seen the big color ads in the Ladies' Home Journal, Saturday Evening Post, Woman's Home Companion and American Magazine telling about Welch's The National Drink Week?

This week is Welch Week in our town. You can tell it at this store by our window trim.

Come to us for Welch's. Serve it at the porch party, at luncheon and to all your friends and guests. It's the popular beverage for every occasion.

Call or Telephone your Welch Week orders

### ELITE CONFECTIONERY

WELCH WEEK HEADQUARTERS

### Real Estate Transfers.

W. C. Sears to L. L. Huddleston N. 1/2 of Lot 7 League 124 Grimes Co. School Land \$1250.00.  
J. C. Crenshaw to Mrs. Kate A. Ritter 300 acres out of T. & P. Ry. Co., Survey 21 Block 18 \$6000.00.  
James P. Wood et Ux to Z. Z. West 5 acres out of Jackson Sur. No. 10 \$125.00.  
J. P. Wood et Ux to Thelma Wood Sub. 3. of Brewer pre-emption Surveys \$1000.00.  
S. P. Wood et Ux to Vyron Wood Sub. 2 Brewer Pre-emp. Sur. \$1000.00.  
J. P. Wood et Ux to Sallie West Sub. 5. Pre-emp. Sur. \$12000.00.  
John S. French to W. P. Duckett Lots 3, 4, 5 & 6 Blk 22 College Addition, to Merkel \$1100.00.  
Z. V. Moore et Ux to W. P. Duckett Lots 1, 2, 3 & 4 Blk 6 Grimetts Addition to Merkel \$100.00.  
T. J. Loflin et Ux to W. P. Duckett Lots 5 & 6 Grimetts addition to Merkel \$500.00.  
W. F. Rutherford et Ux to Spratlen

et Ux Lots 11 & 12 Blk. F. of Sub. of Lot 1 Blk. 200 of Abilene \$1680.00

S. J. Hallmark et Ux to J. M. Reynolds two lots off of the West end of Lots 18 19 & 20 Blk 1 Heyck Sub. of Lot 1 Blk 25 Harris Addition to Abilene \$600.00.

F. A. Sanders et Ux to Matt Atwood Lots 14 & 15 Blk 20-Merkel \$4000.00.

### Marriage Lidenses.

J. I. Sanders to Miss Hattie King. Plumer Tyler (col.) to Vester Davis (col.).  
F. F. Wood to Miss Rosie Rhodes.  
C. M. Robinson to Miss Eddie Price.

### Don't Use Calomel.

Those who know always use Simmons Liver Purifier, because it is just as thorough, but does not gripe or sicken nor cause injury. In yellow tin boxes only Price 25c. Tried once used always.  
**For Weakness and Loss of Appetite**  
The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S TASTELESS chill TONIC, drives out Malaria and builds up the system. A true tonic & sure Appetizer. For adults and children. 50c.

## You Need a Tonic

There are times in every woman's life when she needs a tonic to help her over the hard places. When that time comes, to you, you know what tonic to take—Cardui, the woman's tonic. Cardui is composed of purely vegetable ingredients, which act gently, yet surely, on the weakened womanly organs, and helps build them back to strength and health. It has benefited thousands and thousands of weak, ailing women in its past half century of wonderful success, and it will do the same for you.

You can't make a mistake in taking

# GARDUI

## The Woman's Tonic

Miss Amelia Wilson, R. F. D. No. 4, Alma, Ark., says: "I think Cardui is the greatest medicine on earth, for women. Before I began to take Cardui, I was so weak and nervous, and had such awful dizzy spells and a poor appetite. Now I feel as well and as strong as I ever did, and can eat most anything." Begin taking Cardui today. Sold by all dealers.

Has Helped Thousands.

## THE MERKEL GARAGE

Repair work promptly done and Satisfaction Guaranteed.

### TEXAS COMPANY'S OILS AND GAS.

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

S. P. FOSTER : PROPRIETOR

## MERKEL COLLECTING AGENCY

ADJUSTMENTS MADE ANYWHERE

Our system of making collection or adjustment of your past due notes and accounts is best for you and customer, endorsed by banks and business men. Affiliated with Retail Merchants' Association and banks of Texas. All business strictly confidential, and on a commission basis.

IRA ARMSTRONG, MANAGER  
OFFICE AT FARMERS STATE BANK



### WOMEN'S WAISTS

Require extra care and skill in laundering. They are so delicate that they must be handled with the greatest skill. We launder such garments so perfectly that the most particular women can find nothing to criticize. And for men's shirts, etc., we render the same perfect service.

## SWEETWATER LAUNDRY CO.

Phone No. 4 M. B. BELL, Agent Merkel

## WHENEVER YOU NEED 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 Strengthenner. No family should be without it. Guaranteed by your Druggist. We mean it. 50c.

A regular morning operation of the bowels puts you in fine shape for the days work. If you miss it you feel uncomfortable and cannot put vim into your movements. For all bowel irregularities HERBINE is the remedy. It tem in fine, vigorous condition. Price 50c. Sold by H. C. Burrougs.

### For an Impaired Appetite.

To improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion try a few doses of Chamberlain's Tablets. Mrs. J. H. Seitz, of Detroit, Mich., says: "They restored my appetite when impaired, relieved me of a bloated feeling and caused a pleasant and satisfactory movement of the bowels. For sale by all dealers.





# THREE - IN - ONE

## BREAD, GROCERIES AND FRESH MEATS

Our Meat Market is now open and we are ready to deliver to any part of the city all market products and Fresh Bread. Phone us your orders for Groceries, Fresh Bread and Meat. 3 in 1 all at one call-Phone 80

SERVICE AND SATISFACTION OUR MOTTO

"THERE'S A REASON"

## THE SANTARY GROCERY

ON

EARTH

### Skin Diseases Cured.

Hunt's Cure is the name of the remedy which is absolutely guaranteed to cure all forms of skin diseases or the purchase price promptly refunded. Wonderful results are obtained by its use, curing cases that did not yield to other treatment. Ask your druggist A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas.



### The Telephone "S. O. S." Saved the Farm

"One day last fall my wife and I started for a drive, leaving the house deserted. A short while after we'd passed Jones' place, Mrs. Jones saw smoke coming from our roof.

"She ran to the telephone—got Mrs. Reed who operates the switchboard located in her home. Mrs. Reed called all the nearby people on the line (two long rings—the emergency signal,) and they put the fire out with little damage."

A Telephone on the Farm connected with the Bell System is a protection and safeguard in all emergencies.

Southwestern Tel. & Tel. Co.  
4-2-14

### Special Business Notice.

What do you think I am still in the Grocery business and if you don't think that I have the goods and the price just come and see.

I will buy your wheat and oats. Be sure and give me a chance at them. When you get ready to sell I will furnish you sacks to bring your wheat and oats in. Come and see me, your business will be appreciated and if my prices are not right you need not buy.

Walter Clark.

### Free Drinking Cup.

With every \$1.00 purchase made at the Rexall Drug Store Saturday we will give free to the purchaser one aluminum drinking cup.

Mrs. E. M. Rust, Proprietor.

### Needed.

More pleasure, leisure and inspiration you will get it at the "Children's Day" program to be rendered at the Presbyterian church Sunday at the hour for evening worship.

### Still Killing.

It still keeps on killing pain, does Hunt's Lightning Oil. For years it has been used with wonderful success for rheumatism, neuralgia, cuts, burns and other hurts. All druggists sell it in 25c and 50c bottles.

## Who Does Your Laundry?

Why not send it to Abilene? The most up-to-date cleaning process in use of any laundry in the west.

ANY TIME YOU HAVE LAUNDRY PHONE 48 AND MR. THOMAS

Our agent will call for it promptly, or leave it at The Pure Food Bakery Building on Front Street.

Merkel, Texas

## THE ABILENE STEAM LAUNDRY

If you have the itch, dont scratch. It does not cure the trouble and makes the skin bleed. Apply BALLARDS SNOW LINIMENT. Rub it in gently on the affected parts. It relieves itching instantly and a few applications removes the cause thus performing a permanent cure. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by H. C. Burroughs.

### Dr. Hefner Returns To Sweetwater.

Dr. A. Hefner, the well known Masseuse, has returned to Sweetwater and re-opened his sanitarium. He is now in position to treat all who come. He has successfully treated many persons who were pronounced incurable by the medical. Drs. rates reasonable.

Testimonials and references given upon request.

Hefner Sanitarium.  
Sweetwater, Texas.

### Purchases New Fountain.

H. C. Burroughs Sr., owner of the Burroughs Drug Store returned from Dallas and other points Thursday morning where he went to look after some property in that section of the state.

While in Dallas Mr. Burroughs purchased a new Liquid Carbonic Fountain, one of the newest and latest that has been manufactured by that company and the new addition to the establishment is expected to arrive the first of next week for installment.

### W. O. W. And I. O. O. F. Picnic.

A combination basket picnic given by the Woodmen of the World and the Oddfellow lodges of Stith will be held in that community Friday July 10th.

### Help Wanted.

We want you to help us sing at the Children's Day Program at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening at 8:45 p. m.

### Indigestion and Constipation.

"About five years ago I began taking Chamberlain's Tablets after suffering from indigestion and constipation for years without finding anything to relieve me. Chamberlain's Tablets helped me at once and by using them for several weeks I was cured of the complaint," writes Mrs. Mary E. McMullen Phelps, N. Y. For sale by all dealers.

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A bilious, half sick feeling, loss of energy, and constipated bowels can be relieved with surprising promptness by using HERBINE. The first dose brings improvement, a few doses puts the system in fine, vigorous conditions. Price 50c. Sold by H. C. Burroughs.

### A TEXAS WONDER.

The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities 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.

### Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our sincere gratitude to each and every one of our friends for their many acts of kindness in the time of our great bereavement and during the long illness of our dear husband and brother. We desire also to express our appreciation for the tribute of the business men in closing their places of business during the funeral hours.

Mrs. W. H. Dickson.  
C. A. Dickson.

### Oats For Sale.

At my farm 7 miles east of Merkel, 3 1/2 cents per bushel.  
Walter Hammond.

### Mares And Colts For Sale.

I have five good gentle mares and colts for sale. Will take cash or good notes. Austin Boyd at Burton Lingo Co. office.

### Oats 3 Cents per Bundle.

I have a quantity of oats for sale at three cents per bundle. Write me, Route 1 Merkel or come to see me if you are interested. J. A. Woodard.

### Money to Loan.

My company wants to place \$15,000 to \$25,000 in the Merkel country in choice farm loans during the thirty days. I have the best loan contract for our section and when necessary can make and complete a loan within ten days. If you are going to need a loan any time this year give me your application now and the money will be ready when you want it. Jno. G. Jackson.

## CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE.—Good wood cook stove  
A. L. Jobe. 5t2

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

LOST. One 34x3 1/2 auto tire and rim between Trent and east of Merkel at some point, finder please notify T. V. Woodroof, Sweetwater, Texas.

LOST. An open face 15 jewel Elgin watch with leather fob. A liberal reward will be given for the return of same to me. Jim Brown at G. F. West's Store.

### Wanted.

Every to attend "Children's Day" service at the Presbyterian church Sunday 8:45 p. m.

### Miss Wheeler Dies.

Miss Ina Wheeler, daughter of Judge and Mrs. W. W. Wheeler, died at the family residence this afternoon (Thursday) at 3:50. All during the day her condition was such that death was momentarily expected.

No information has reached us yet as to when the funeral will take place but it is presumed that the services will be held tomorrow afternoon.

Children that are affected by worms are pale and sickly and liable to contract some fatal disease. WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE expels worms promptly and puts the child on the road to health. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by H. C. Burroughs.

Renew your Merkel Mail, get Hollands and Farm & Ranch free until December 1914 and a vote for your favorite in the Merkel Mail Grafonola Contest.

## SALTS IF BACKACHE AND KIDNEYS HURT

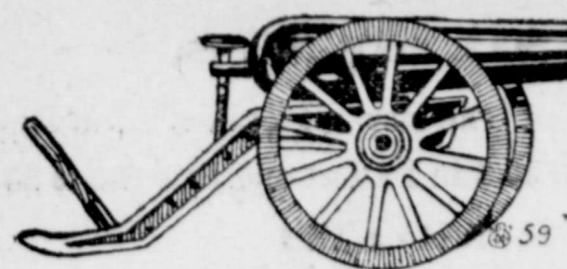
Drink lots of water and stop eating meat for a while if your Bladder troubles you.

When you wake up with backache and dull misery in the kidney region it generally means you have been eating too much meat, says a well-known authority. Meat forms uric acid which overworks the kidneys in their effort to filter it from the blood and they become sort of paralyzed and laggard. When your kidneys get sluggish and clog you must relieve them, like you relieve your bowels; removing all the body's urinous waste, else you have backache, sick headaches, dizzy spells; your stomach sour, tongue is coated, and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine is cloudy, full of sediment, channels often get sore, water scalds and you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night.

Either consult a good, reliable physician at once or get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to clean and stimulate sluggish kidneys, also to neutralize acids in the urine so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is a life saver for regular meat eaters. It is inexpensive, causes no injury and makes a delightful, effective lithia-water drink.





# PRICES SHOT TO PIECES

SATURDAY, JUNE 27TH TO JULY 11TH

For the next 15 days we are reducing our prices on everything in the way of dress goods, silks, laces, embroideries, ladies' skirts, shirt waists, ladies' and childrens patent leather, vici-kid, gunmetal and white canvas oxfords, mens & boys clothing.

## OUR SURE SHOT LOW CUT PRICE 15 DAYS SPECIAL SALE

We are anxious of making a clean up of everything in the way of spring and summer goods, thereby carrying nothing into next season, always being able to give our customers clean, new, up-to-date merchandise. We have enjoyed a splendid share of your spring and summer business and are thereby content to give you the benefit of our profits for the next 15 days. No Hot Air, No Hard Luck Story, No Fake Sale, but an actual clean up of all spring and summer, seasonable goods. The warm months are now approaching and by taking advantage of our prices for the coming summer months, we will assist you in cutting down the cost of High Living. An inspection of the below prices will convince you that we are offering the best merchandise for the money that has ever been offered by any concern and our only aim is to make a clean sweep while the time is ripe. Come, investigate.

### LADIES DRESS GOODS AND WAISTS

15 DAYS SPOT CASH PRICES



\$1 grade 36 in. Messaline per yd 79c  
 \$1 grade 36 in. Taffetas per yd 79c  
 \$1 grade 36 in. All Wool Crepes 79c  
 \$1 grade 36 in. crepe dechine 79c  
 75c grade Waist Silks in colors 54c  
 50c grade Wash Silks in colors 37c  
 25c grade Carnation Silks per yd 17c  
 50c grade Crepes (silk) per yd 37c  
 25c grade Figured & Plain Crepes 17c

20c grade Figured & Plain Crepes 14c  
 15c grade Figured & Plain Crepes 11c  
 11½ grade Figured & Plain Crepes 8c

#### Batistes and Lawns

50c grade white lawns & batistes 39c  
 35c grade white lawns & batistes 24c  
 25c grade white lawns & batistes 17c  
 20c grade white lawns & batistes 14c  
 15c grade white lawns & batistes 11c



### MEN'S CLOTHING

15 Days Spot Cash Prices

\$20.00 Merrimac Serge Suits ..... \$12.50  
 15.00 Merrimac Serge and Worsted Suits... \$10.50  
 12.50 Merrimac Serge and Worsted Suits... \$8.50



### LADIES' AND CHILDRENS OXF'DS

15 Days Spot Cash Prices

\$4 pat. lea. & gunmetal pumps \$3.00  
 \$3.50 pat. lea. & gunm'l pumps 2.85  
 \$3 pat. lea. & white canvas.... 2.25  
 \$2.50 pat. lea. & gunmetal pmps 1.90  
 \$2 pat. lea. & gunmetal pumps 1.50  
 \$1.50 pat. lea. & gunmetal pumps 1.20  
 \$1.35 and \$1.25 pat. lea. pumps 95c



Our prices in the Hardware and Grocery line are always the lowest and we are glad at any time to give you the lowest price attainable on your bill.

WE CAN FOR A SHORT TIME ONLY SELL YOU 100 LB. GRANULATED SUGAR FOR ONLY \$4.60

It would be advisable to take advantage of the above prices as we will be compelled to charge you more in the near future

# Anchor Mercantile Co.

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