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NATURAL GAS MAY BE MERKEL'S NEXT LOOKED FOR IMPROVEMENT

Two Companies are Being Corresponded With as Prospects for Piping Gas Into Our Town—One Has Filed Franchise With The Merkel City Council.

Merkel may within the next few months have natural gas brought to her door. This is a presumption however, but is very probable of becoming a reality and is looked forward to as one of the greatest improvements the town could secure at present.

Mayor Stallings has had in his possession some time a copy of an ordinance submitted by the Great Western Petroleum Co. of Tulsa, Oklahoma in which the company asks for a permit to distribute and sell natural or manufacture gas in the city for a period of 21 years. The price to the city being 35 cents per thousand feet and 50 cents to the individual consumer with 10 per cent discount on all bills paid before the 10th of the month.

The company proposes that within six months from the passage of the ordinance permitting them to distribute gas in town to begin the construction of the gas system and if they should fail within six months to comply with their contract the ordinance would be forfeited and the franchise declared null and void.

In addition to this proposition City Secretary F. J. Ferrier is in receipt of a letter from A. V. Wainwright, superintendent of the Abilene Gas Company stating that he has been informed of the move on foot for the Oklahoma Company to supply Merkel with gas. He also stated in his letter that he hoped to come to Merkel within a short time and take up the matter with the City Council in regard to extending the Abilene line to Merkel to meet the demands of this place.

Mayor Stallings is highly elated over the prospects for gas in Merkel and is looking forward to the acceptance of the Oklahoma franchise if the Abilene proposition does not meet the approval of the City Council.

Some Cotton Picker

W. M. Clark of Blair reports that Perry Demere a farm hand engaged at cotton picking on the Clark farm made a record of 805 pounds of cotton one day last week. At the same time a brother of Mr Demere picked over 500 pounds in the same field.

This record stands so far as we know as the highest made in the Merkel country to date. If there are others we would be glad to get them, more especially any records that go over 900 pounds in one days time as it is rumored that some pickers are going to try for the 900 mark or better.

Presbyterian Announcements

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Make an effort to come.

Preaching service at 11 a. m. Subject of message "The larger work of the church," from Isa. 54:2 Would be glad to give this message to every pupil of the Sunday School. Services also at 7:30 p. m. Everybody is invited to attend these services. E. P. McMillen, Supt. Hupert E. Bullock, Pastor

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

School Supplies at, Mrs. E. M. Rust's.

58 COTTON HANDS HERE IN ONE DAY

Messrs J. W. Mayfield and R. J. Meeks both of the Blair community came in from Fort Worth Tuesday morning bringing with them 43 cotton pickers. Part of the force brought in was sent to other cotton fields in their neighborhood while they reserved enough to handle their own crops.

The first west bound passenger train Tuesday morning brought in 15 other white people wanting work in our country. Their desire was quickly abated by farmers who offered them places.

These fifty eight cotton pickers together with a shipment of negroes brought in Saturday and Sunday by J. P. Frederickson and J. M. Williamson increases the population of Merkel country within the last week to over 100 farm hands. These figures represent a small part of the number of outside people picking the Merkel country cotton.

Card of Thanks

We take this opportunity to express to the good people of Merkel who so kindly assisted in the nursing of our husband and father through the long months of illness which resulted in his death on the 2nd of October, our deep appreciation and sense of gratitude. For these services we shall ever hold you in kind remembrance and we extend to you our best wishes.

Mrs. J. E. Warren
and children.

Liquor Ruling Made

Austin, Texas, Oct. 14—The Court of Criminal Appeals rules that intoxicants may be delivered to dry territory of Texas when shown that it is not used in violation of the laws.

The House also today passed the gin and oil mills divorcement by a vote of 55 to 39.

To Preach Here Sunday

Eld. W. G. Cypert will preach at the north side Christian Church next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock and again at 7.30 in the evening. The public is cordially invited to be present at one if not both these services.

Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Hendricks of Stith left Tuesday night for Campbell, Texas where they will attend the annual conference of the Free Methodist church. They will be away about ten days.

Linoleum remnants for stove rugs at 35c per square yard—see "Mack"

Misses Elva and Ruby Payne visited their brother in Abilene Sunday.

Linoleum remnants for stove rugs at 35c per square yard—Behrens-McMillen Fur. Co.

Mrs. Scott King of Abilene was a social caller here Tuesday night.

Olga Burkett of Abilene visited her sister Miss Burkett, Monday.

MISSISSIPPI HERDS BEST HEREFORDS

W. J. Davis & Co. of Jackson, Miss., extensive breeders of Hereford cattle captures the large end of the money and prizes in their class at Fort Worth this week.

In practically every class where the Mississippi herd was first the Largest heard gave them a run for their money and took second. Texas Lad winning first for the Merkel herd of herefords in the steer class. According to the Star Telegram of Thursday, Baby Doll grand champion cow of the Dallas, Shreveport and Hot Springs shows has never been defeated in any eight shows in which she has been exhibited.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Blair of Nubia visited here Tuesday.

COTTON EXPORTS 1,000,000 SHORT

Washington, Oct. 14—The Census Bureau report today shows that on account of the war in Europe, cotton exports from the United States fell of more than a million bales the first two months of this season as compared with the same period last year.

At the same time the imports of foreign cotton increased, foreign cotton having no other market.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Smith of Stanton came in Saturday to visit the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Johnson. Mrs. Johnson being dangerously ill, her daughter remained at her bedside. Mr. Smith was compelled to return to his home Monday evening.

ESTIMATE OF 20,000 BALES COTTON IS VERY CONSERVATIVE

Indications of Above Figures Based on the Average Weekly Sales Being Made Here at Present. Probabilities are Estimated are too Small

The above estimate of the Merkel cotton crop was given to the Merkel Mail under date of August 7th, two months ago.

The figures were conservatively made at that time, and while the late cotton suffered to a small degree from boll worms, the present conditions seem to indicate that our estimate should remain. For the average of the past two weeks, to continue through December the total at that time would be over 15,000 bales in the Merkel yards, yet there remains the cotton stored

by the farmers at their homes to be accounted for. At present it is estimated that the Merkel country has near a thousand bales of cotton ginned that is stored by farmers in places other than local yards. Taking into consideration the above, Merkel should not receive less than 20,000 bales when the season is closed. On the buy a bale price it would mean an excess of a million dollar crop for our country to say nothing of the immense crop of feed stuff our farmers are blessed with.

1.40 INCHES RAIN MONDAY MORNING

The rainfall over the Merkel country Monday morning amounted to 1.40 inches, during the past two months.

Cotton picking was temporarily by the rainfall but the Merkel country farmers and their hands found time to get the much needed rest after having begun the harvest of the largest feed crop our country has ever produced and probably the largest cotton crop in the history of any town in west Texas. The rain will benefit some of the very late feed and will greatly improve grass conditions.

Monday was Merkel day in Abilene at District court. Among those going from here were: Messrs Chas West, Judd Sheppard, C. E. Conner, C. T. Mer-shon, T. L. Grimes, Chas. Orr, W. A. Scott, Dr. M. Armstrong, A. C. Rose and J. B. Boden.

Eastman Kodaks. If you have one you can get films and all supplies at Mrs. E. M. Rust's Drug Store.

Mrs. N. E. Sandlin and daughter Miss Lila visited the former's daughter Mrs Oscar Cypert at Tabor.

Shower Sink, closet or lavatory of all kinds. Phone 265. Henry Rose.

Mrs. W. Rountree of Noodle bed here Wednesday.

NEGRO LYNCHED AT ANGLETON

Angleton, Texas Oct. 14—Jim Durfee, the negro who was convicted of the brutal murder of Mrs. J. M. Seitz of Post City in 1913, was taken from the jail here today and lynched to a tree outside of the city.

The jailors were overpowered and bound.

Trade on Cotton at 10 Cents.

Wanted: To trade fifty Singer Sewing Machines for cotton at 10c per pound.

Is your wife in need of a light running, high grade sewing machine here is an opportunity to supply her need and at the same time realize a live and let live price for your cotton—E. D. Coats, the Singer Sewing Machine Man, Merkel Texas.

Change of Business Notice.

Having purchased the entire stock of groceries of O. F. Rogers on Front street. I desire to request a continuance of the patrons of the place and a visit from my friends.

I will continue the business of dealing in poultry, eggs and butter. The best market price paid for your goods. R. L. Porter.

To Automobile Owners.

Pennsylvania Oil Cup Casings and inner tubes now on sale here. See H. A. Rose.

SATURDAY A BANNER DAY IN MERKEL BUSINESS CONDITIONS IMPROVE

Every Business in the Town Enjoyed Good Sales Far in Excess of Any Day During Past Year. Town Filled Citizens of the Country Making Fall Purchases

DISTRICT COURT ADJOURNED WED.

In less than an hour after argument had been completed and the case given them for deliberation, the jury in the case of the State of Texas against Purna Cutbirth, charged by indictment with purgery growing out of a slander case tried in county court last spring, returned a verdict finding the defendant guilty as stated in the indictment, and assessing his punishment at two years in the penitentiary.

The following other business has been accomplished since the last report of the Court proceedings:

In the case of F. E. Haynes vs. R. N. Crow et al., suit on notes with foreclosure of lein: judgement was entered for plaintiff.

The case of the State of the State of Texas vs Eldridge Jones charged with selling intoxicating liquors in prohibition territory, which was docketed for this week was transferred Tuesday to Eastland county District Court for the January term.

In the case of J. B. Knox vs. J. W. Daniel et al. suit to cancel deed: judgement was rendered plaintiff.

Judgement for the plaintiff was entered on the minutes of the court in case of Vol Martin et al., vs. Will Young: suit on notes and foreclosure on lein.

Agreed judgement was held in the case of Mrs. M. F. Conger and Mrs. C. R. Finley et al.

Working For Automobile

To my many friends who use Statesman and Ambassador brands of coffee, I will appreciate their continued patronage of these popular coffees from the firm of Hamblett and Rogers of this place.

For the sale of every pound of coffee of these two brands thru the above firm, I am entitled to one coupon, from the Great Western Coffee Co., of El Paso and the young lady of this country who receives the greatest number of these coupons during the months of October and November will be awarded a high grade automobile by the El Paso firm. Your assistance will add greatly to my present bright prospects for winning this prize.

Resptly,
Lyska Pitzer.

Fire Boys Hold Meeting

The Merkel Fire Fighters were in regular session Monday night.

The election of Robert Hicks as Secretary was unanimous. The only other business coming before the body was the consideration of improving their sleeping quarters with some heating apparatus and a bath.

Linoleum remnants for stove rugs at 35c per square yard—Behrens-McMillen, Fur. Co.

H. L. Frost and G. E. Comegys were in Abilene attending court Thursday.

Figure with me on a bath tub. Henry Rose.

Saturday of last week according to figures received from many of the Merkel business houses was one of the busiest days the town has seen in many a moon.

Many Merkel country citizens were here Saturday for their first time since the cotton season opened. Their work heretofore being given to caring for their crop while the weather conditions were the best. The crowds that thronged the streets during a part of the day were here enroute to Abilene to attend the closing of the West Texas Fair. It was also a kind of cotton pickers day in town. Many of the people who are in the country assisting in cotton picking took Saturday off, making purchases of future needs.

In all, business seemed very little depressed even with the low price of cotton and long drawn out war conditions. Much of the fleecy staple, was disposed of during the past week. The price Saturday ranging from 6.25 to 6.50. Sales for the day amounted to approximately 250 bales.

Obituary

On the 2nd inst., Jno. B. Warren one of the early citizens of the Merkel country died, after a long illness at his home in this city. Services were held on the following day by the pastor at the residence and interment given the body at the Rose Hill cemetery.

Mr. Warren was born on the 15th of March, 1835 in Bedford county Tenn. Came to Texas and settled in 1854 and moved to the Merkel country in 1905. He became a member of the Presbyterian church in 1857 in which he lived a consistent christian life and to which he ever remained a loyal and faithful servant.

He was married to Miss Margaret Ann Miller Sept. 15, 1861 To this union were born nine children, seven of whom are living, two having died in infancy. The children left to mourn his death are: T. A. Warren and Mary E. Campbell both of Waco, Texas; E. A. Warren of Galveston, Willie B. Warren, Misses Johnnie Warren, Irene Warren, and Harvey M. Warren all of Merkel. All were present at the funeral. Mr. Warren also leaves one sister Mrs. F. R. Erving and four brothers R. P. Warren, A. C. Warren, W. H. Warren and H. L. Warren. Furthermore he leaves many friends to mourn his loss, the fact of which was evidenced by the large procession who came to pay the last tribute of respect.

Though brother Warren has been in feeble health for many years he lived to a ripe old age, having reached his 79th year. And during this long life he was a good citizen, a loving companion, a noble father and a consistent Christian man. Hubert E. Bullock, Pastor

Ernest Whittaker is reported is reported very sick with typhoid fever at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Whittaker.

E. Comegy motor on Sunday.

The Farmers State Bank

SAFETY FIRST

In placing your Bank account you want the most convenient place, where you get the most courteous treatment, but the first consideration is SAFETY. This is the only Guaranty Fund Bank in Merkel and we offer you the Guaranty of deposits afforded, with courteous treatment and accuracy in handling your business.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Jno. Ensminger is at home from Colorado City.

Miss Jossie Burk of Big Springs is visiting Mrs. Mary Nelson.

Mrs. Mary Nelson visited friends in Abilene and attended the West Texas Fair last week.

Linoleum remnants for stove rugs at 35c per square yard—Lee "Meek."

Mrs. Ellen Hogan of Nubia visited her sister Miss Ona Stanley Saturday.

Miss Zella Stanley of Nubia visited her sister Miss Ono Stanley Saturday.

Jaxon self filling Fountain Pens \$1.00 at Mrs. E. M. Rust's Mrs. O. R. Byrd of Noodle visited here Tuesday.

Misses Claire and Bessie Hilton of Tye were visitors in the city Saturday.

Mrs. Lake Renfro is at home from Putman where she visited her sister Mrs. W. M. Isenhower

Linoleum remnants for stove rugs at 35c per square yard—Behrens-McMillen Fur. Co.

A. C. Browning of Dallas has been here this week visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Browning.

Miss Effie Norris of Eastland is here this week visiting her grandparents, Mrs. Norris and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Tucker.

Miss Flossie Cybert has returned home from Nugent where she visited her cousin Miss Alva Owens.

What Would You Do?

There are many times when one man questions another's actions and motives. Men act differently under different circumstances. The question is, what would you do right now if you had a severe cold? Could you do better than to take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy? It is highly recommended by people who have used it for years and know its value. Mrs. O. E. Sargent, Peru, Ind., says, "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is worth its weight in gold and I take pleasure in recommending it." For sale by all dealers. adv

Every man, woman and child who happens to read this should remember the Dallas Semi-Weekly News and The Merkel Mail are only \$1.50 for the two for a year. You will subscribe sometime, Why not now?

Stop coughing! you rack the lungs and worry the body. Ballard's Horehound Syrup checks irritation, heals the lungs and restores comfortable breathing. Price 25c, 50c and \$1 per bottle. Sold by Burroughs adv

Miss Mattie T. Mann who has been visiting Mrs. Alice Templeton her aunt for the past week returned to her home in Clyde Sunday.

WANTED—Man with small family to do farm and ranch work. Good wages to right man. C. M. Largent.

Miss Clara Moore spent Saturday and Saturday night with friends in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Pilcher were visitors in Abilene Saturday night and Sunday.

Linoleum remnants for stove rugs at 35c per square yard—Behrens-McMillen Fur. Co.

Miss Lyska Pitzer has returned to her home in Sweetwater after visiting friends here.

J. T. WARREN, President

THOS. JOHNSON, Cashier

No. 7481



United States Depository for Postal Savings

Member Bank in Federal Reserve System

Capital and Surplus \$50,000.00

This Bank has been in successful operation for ten years under one management. We are a member of the new Federal Reserve System, and also of the National Currency Association of Fort Worth, which gives us ample outlet for good paper and a sufficient supply of currency at all times. These connections, with large capital and a strong Directorate, enables us to amply care for all good business. We invite accounts.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

J. T. Warren

Henry James

Ben T. Merritt

G. F. West

Ed. S. Hughes

Thos. Johnson

C. P. Warren

Neuralgia of the face, shoulders, hands or feet requires a powerful remedy that will penetrate the flesh. Ballard's Snow Liniment possesses that power. Rubbed in where the pain is felt is all that is necessary to relieve suffering and restore normal conditions. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by H C Burroughs adv

R T. Greer of Lovelace came in Tuesday in response to a message telling him of the serious illness of his sister Mrs. G. W. Johnson of this place.

H. C. Reed, one of Merkel's oldest citizens reports having killed a large rattlesnake last week as the reptile crawled from under the house and took to the tall weeds near by.

When the chest feels on fire and the throat burns, you have indigestion, and you need Herbine to get rid of the disagreeable feeling. It drives our badly digested food, strengthens the stomach and purifies the bowels. Price 50c Sold by H C Burroughs adv

Mrs. W. A. Holt and children of Trent visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Thomas Tuesday.

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

Mrs. Claude Bigham visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Allyn of Eskota the past week.

Mrs. Samuel Butman and daughter Lottie visited in the city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Dennis visited friends in Abilene the past week.

Miss Beulah Burkett spent the week-end with her parents in Abilene.

Miss Garroutte from her rural home "Evilo" is the guest of Mrs. Tate and other friends this week.

CLASSIFIED ADS

WANTED—To trade piano for cotton. E. D. Coats.

FOR SALE—Two young mules well broke. Will take young mare as part payment. S. D. Russell. 1144p.

WANTED.—Housekeeper and cook for small family. Apply at W.D. Wood-roof Store for further information.

WANTED:—Three families to pick 150 acres of cotton. Houses, wood, water and grass free. S.H. L. Swafford, Rt. 1.

A Magic Washing Stick

"The Magic Washing Stick is just fine. It did just what you said it would do and the clothes were so nice and white with all that hard rubbing left off," writes Mrs. Sarah Goodale, Preston, Texas. The Magic Stick is not a soap nor a washing powder. Sold by grocers and druggists, three 10c sticks for 25c, or by mail from A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas. adv

On spot cash groceries our prices equal any to be found in Merkel. Try us. Hamblet & Rogers.

Try a sack of our cake flour. \$3.00 per 100. Hamblet & Rogers.

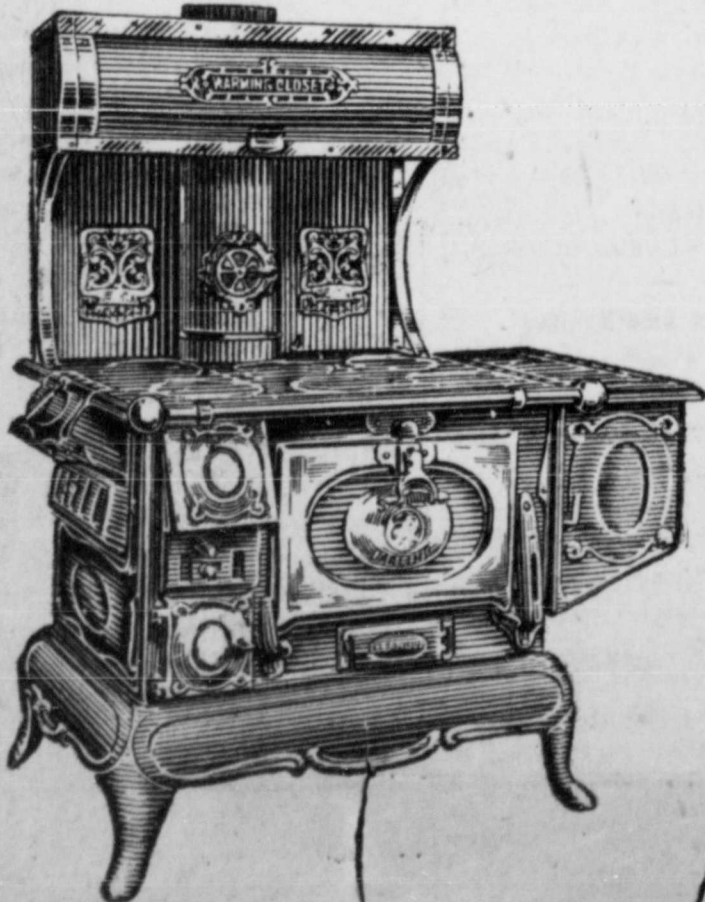
How is your time? If it is not right you had better get one of new alarm clocks. Any price from \$1.00 to \$3.50, at Mrs. E. M. Rust.

Mrs. J. W. Moore and daughter Mamie were visitors in Clyde Sunday.

Gasoline and auto oils my specialty. Phone 265.

TIME FOR WINTER BUYING

Our line of cooking Stoves, The Darling, in a full and complete stock is the best cooking stove to be found in any market. INVESTIGATE. No better time to buy a Cooking Stove than now.



THE COLD SNAP REMINDS US

That the time for Heaters is here and we have a full and complete assortment of wood and Coal heaters in various sizes and prices to suit all.



WE have just received a full car of new buggies—do not fail to see us when in the market for a new buggy; also a car of implements from the John Deere Factories. In this car of goods are many things that are now needed in the way of seeders plows etc. We feel that the closeness of times brought about by low prices of our money crop, and we are going to sell goods as low as they possibly can be sold. We appreciate the trade of all and will give you the best of goods at satisfactory prices. Our stock was never more complete than now. Give us a call when in need of any thing in the way of Hardware.

CROWN HARDWARE COMPANY

SPECIAL

FOR

Friday, Saturday and Monday

Boys all wool suits \$6.00 grade special	\$4.95
Boys all wool suits \$5.00 grade special	\$4.25
Boys all wool suits \$4.00 grade special	\$3.50
Boys all wool suits \$3.50 grade special	\$3.15

Best grade calico	4c
10c bleached domestic	8 1-2c
10c brown domestic	8 1-2c
\$25.00 ladies suits special	\$21.50
\$22.50 ladies suits special	\$19.95
\$20.00 ladies suits special	\$18.50
\$15.00 ladies suits special	\$10.00

Mens \$2.50 shoes special	\$2.25
Mens 3.00 shoes special	2.50
Mens 4.00 Atlantic special	3.50
Mens 4.50 Atlantic special	4.00
\$25.00 Hart Schaffner Marx suits	\$21.00
22.50 Hart Schaffner Marx suits	19.75
20.00 Hart Schaffner Marx suits	17.50

\$250 Mens odd pants	\$1.95
3.00 Mens odd pants	2.50
3.50 Mens odd pants	2.95
5.00 Mens odd pants	4.25

SPECIAL DISCOUNTS ON LADIES HATS

W. D. Woodroof & Co.

PAINS---All Sorts of---PANES

Our Place The Place To Place Your Order for

WINDOW PANES, WINDOW GLASSES

and Putty to do the work with

Make your home secure against the cold. Do not shiver from the north winds.

We will take pains to supply your wants carefully

At the lowest possible cost.

T. L. GRIMES, DRUGGIST

THE NYAL STORE

Skin Disease Cured

Your druggist guarantees to return your money if Hunt's Cure fails to cure skin disease—Itch, Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm and other forms of skin trouble. Also fine for piles, old sores. Costs nothing if it fails to cure. Give it a trial.

Mrs. French was in Houston visiting her son when death overcame her. Burial will probably be given the body at Beaumont, the home of the deceased lady.

The Magic Washing Stick

"The Magic Washing Stick is the finest thing in the world. Cleans the clothes without rubbing—makes the whitest clothes I ever saw. I can not do without it any more. All you say is true, it does all you say it will. I would give it for nothing I have ever used. Hope every lady will try it," writes Mrs. W. F. Gammill, Ashdown, Ark. This peculiar article is sold by grocers and druggists, three 10c sticks for 25c, or by mail from A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas. adv

New and 2nd hand furniture. Behrens-McMillan Furniture Co.

More Than Enough is Too Much

To maintain health, a mature man or woman needs just enough food to repair the waste and supply energy and body heat. The habitual consumption of more food than is necessary for these purposes is the prime cause of stomach troubles, rheumatism and disorders of the kidneys. If troubled with indigestion, revise your diet, let reason and not appetite control and take a few doses of Chamberlain's Tablets and you will soon be all right again. For sale by all dealers. adv

Just received a lot of Columbus Batteries, Mrs.—E. M. Rust

Merkel Warehouse Open

W. A. Scott manager of the Merkeel Cotton Warehouse announces in this weeks issue of the Mail as being ready to furnish storage for cotton.

The warehouse is situated opposite the Hellums Wagon Yard.

Lost or Strayed

A brown pading horse, 14 1-2 hands high, branded "JF" on left jaw and shoulder and "X" on left thigh. Reward for return or information—Jno. G. Jackson, telephone 780, Abilene. 2t

Advertised Letters.

These can be redeemed upon payment of one cent.

Bigbee, Rude
Brown, Mrs. Annie
Martin, J. W.

These will be sent to the dead letter office October 24th.

H. C. Williams, P. M.
Merkel, Texas.

For Chapped Skin

Chapped skin, whether on the hands or face, may be cured in one night by applying Chamberlain's Salve. It is also unequalled for sore nipples, burns and scalds. For sale by all dealers. adv



"HAVE I A CLEAN SHIRT?"

can always be answered satisfactorily if we do your laundering. You won't have to depend on the caprice of the "wash lady" or wait for good drying weather for clean linen if you send it to us. You'll be as sure of a spotless shirt as the day comes round. Send us your linen and you'll be independent of washerwomen and weather.

SWEETWATER STEAM LAUNDRY
M. B. BELL, Agent, Merkel.



"Bell"

Connection Solves Farm Problems

Said a prosperous and up-to-date farmer: "We like to joke the women-folks about using the telephone, but I guess we men use it as much as they do. We find the Long Distance Bell connection feature of our service a wonderful convenience."

Have you a telephone connected to the Bell System?

Ask our nearest Manager for information, or write

The Southwestern
Telegraph & Telephone Co.



LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Hot chocolate, hot coffee and home made doughnuts served at all times at the Flite

J. W. Owen of Nugent was here Tuesday and Wednesday visiting his sister Mrs. W. G. Cypert.

Hot chocolate, hot coffee and home made doughnuts served at all times at the Elite.

J. L. Price and C. L. Hallman of the river county left for Ft. Worth Wednesday. From there they expect to go to Waco for a short trip.

Package Lost—By mistake I either placed a package in the wrong buggy or dropped it on the streets of Merkel Saturday. It was from the Hogue-Hamilton stock. Finder return to R. A. Sadler.

Mrs. Jno. R. Daniel left Wednesday morning for Dallas to accompany Mrs. J. W. Daniel home who has been in a sanitarium there for the past few weeks.

Hot chocolate, hot coffee and home made doughnuts served at all times at the Elite.

Mrs. W. E. Britain returned home Wednesday afternoon from Fort Worth where she has been visiting the bedside of her mother Mrs. Haley of Matador who has been very low in a Fort Worth sanitarium for sometime. We are glad to report her condition much improved.

When your food does not digest well and you feel "blue," tired and discouraged, you should use a little Herbine at bedtime. It opens the bowels, purifies the system and restores a fine feeling of health and energy. Price fifty cents. Sold by Burroughs adv

Receives Death Message.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyce and daughter Loraine left Thursday for Houston in response to a telegram from Mrs. Boyce's brother telling her of the sudden death of her mother by heart failure.

HELP THE KIDNEYS

Merkel Readers are Learning The Way.

It's the little kidney ills—The lame, weak or aching back—The unnoticed urinary disorders—That may lead to dropsy and Bright's disease.

When the kidneys are weak, Help them with Doan's Kidney Pills, A remedy especially for weak kidneys.

Doan's have been used in kidney troubles for 50 years.

Endorsed by 30,000 people—endorsed at home.

Proof in a Merkel citizen's statement.

E. W. Dennis, N. Main St., Merkel, Texas, says: "We have used Doan's Kidney Pills off and on for some time. They have proven to be good for kidney troubles."

Mr. Dennis is only one of many Merkel people who have gratefully endorsed Doan's Kidney Pills. If your back aches—if your kidneys bother you, don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—ask distinctly for Doan's Kidney Pills, the same that Mr. Dennis recommends—the remedy backed by home testimony. 50c at all stores. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. "When Your Back is Lame—Remember the Name."

I hereby invite you to hear the subject for the Methodist Pulpit next Sunday, 11 a. m. The Threefold manifestation of God: 7:15 Humanity's Extremes Man's Primitive State and Prepared condition.

Ed. R. Wallace, Pastor.

Ladies Aid: Franco American Hygienic Toilet Goods, the best in the world, try them. Phone orders to Mrs. A. L. Jobe, Merkel 9t2

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 contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

Stops Pain Right Now

Hunt's Lightning Oil gives almost instant relief in cases of rheumatism, neuralgia, headache, etc., and acts as a healing oil on cuts and bruises. Every home should keep a bottle handy. Get it at any reputable drug store in 25c and 50c bottles. adv

Wormy children are unhappy, puny and sickly. They can't be otherwise while worms eat away their strength and vitality. A few doses of White's Cream Vermifuge performs a marvelous transformation. Cheerfulness, strength and the rosy bloom of health speedily returns. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by H. C. Burroughs adv

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.

IT IS EASIER TO SAVE THE HAIR YOU HAVE Than to Grow New

The tendency to put off until tomorrow what we should do today accounts for most of the bald heads we see in the front row. Newbro's Herpicide stops falling hair and prevents baldness. The dandruff is destroyed by its use and a condition of health maintained in the hair and scalp. Nearly everyone has hair troubles of some description which Herpicide will correct. Don't wait until it is too late. It is conceded to be the standard hair remedy and is recommended and applied by all the best hair dressers and barbers. Newbro's Herpicide in 50c and \$1.00 sizes is guaranteed to do all that is claimed. If you are not satisfied your money will be refunded.

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25 cents per bale for the first month. 15 cents per bale per month for additional time. Storage for year better rates will be made.

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TELEPHONE No. 61

WHO CAN DIG IT OUT?

Farmers today are put to their wits end to know how to keep the young men in the country. No one seems to be able to solve the problem, and yet it must be solved or a few more years will see the farms almost completely depopulated AND THE NATION IS DEPENDENT UPON THE FARMS.

Young men are leaving the farms today because the life is too dull for them.

They are intelligent, ambitious, full of life and spirits and crave a more active career.

They rush to the cities in belief that fortune awaits them there. But ninety-nine out of every hundred become simple cogs in the great commercial wheel making barely enough to keep body and soul together, and NEVER SAVING A DOLLAR.

There is a remedy somewhere—some means certainly exists for keeping the young men on the farms, where the nation needs them.

Who can dig it out?

LET 'EM FIGHT

A few days ago—Oct. 4 to be exact—millions of Americans sent up earnest prayers for peace. And the fight was resumed with redoubled fury.

And this inclines us to the belief that the best thing for America to do is to sit tight and let 'em fight it out.

European nations are like a bunch of bull dogs turned loose in a pen. They will fight until one or the other is chewed up and soundly licked, and outsiders who attempt to interfere are likely to get bitten.

America has done her duty.

Let 'em fight.

Sometimes we regret having always lived a model life. When a fellow sows wild oats for eight or ten years and then decides to curtail the acreage, everybody says that he deserves credit for straightening up. But in the case of those who have trod the straight and narrow path ever since we were old enough to walk, there is no one to say that we deserve credit and frequently it is difficult for us to secure the little credit that we need for the actual necessities of life.—Claud Callan, in the Star-Telegram.

Say, who told you that you were an angel?

England has reduced the marriage fee in order to induce the young men to quit tormenting the girls and the girls' parents by putting the wedding off from time to time. This slight saving at the beginning of matrimony might have some effect on young men and old bachelors, but it would be no inducement to a grass widower.—Claude Callan, in The Star Telegram.

Life for this great "Crack" artist must be a regular Sherman situation. He kicks more than all other Texas newspapermen put together.

There is a lot of gas going to waste in and around town and it looks now like we are going to get some you can burn. Heretofore it has been an element of distribution not susceptible to fire or flames.

A dollar spent with the home merchant is worth two in a mail order man's pocket.

The Merkel Fire Department is contemplating putting in a modern bath appliance at the Fire Station. Personally we are in favor of it for we belong to the department and think it could be used to an advantage at times. At least we will try it once if the water is warm.

A man by the name of Rye is running for governor of Tennessee on the Democratic ticket. The Commercial appeal states he has trained his heavy seige guns on the Republican camps and you can read the results in Antwerp.

There is a tremendous relief in the statement of a woman writer "that the American government need not worry about an army—that every American girl over 15 years of age is practiced in the use of powder, and a call to arms is all she wants."

Warsaw seems about the easiest word used in the fighting zone. Its companion is Przemysl. You should worry. The first is pronounced War-sha-wa, and the latter Pra-mis-le-a.

There does not seem to be any hot air about that natural gas proposition for Merkel. Good crops and that spewing substance—well they sound good any way.

Round, plump figures will be the vogue for women this winter. Those who haven't them can "build up."

Meanwhile graft remains strongly entrenched throughout the great cities of the country with no relieving army in sight.

Our office devil makes the positive statement that a widow can talk to a grown man, while a girl just simply primps and giggles.

With the elephant, the donkey, and the bull moose rampaging around, the innocent bystander runs a great risk of being stepped on.

Farmers are constantly crying for more help and millions of men are idle in the cities. Something wrong somewhere.

Time for your heavy—?? Well you had better dig 'em out and get into them while the weather is good.

Our prediction: Peace will positively come. It will occur on or about the time they quit fighting.

We may be given a chance to dump some of our cotton in that St Louis pool yet.

Common sense is a good thing but not all of us know a good thing when we see it.

The trouble with some of the unemployed is that they object to being employed.

When a man works he produces. When he loaf he reduces. Swat the loafer.

Yep! You bet! Peace is in sight in Mexico—when the lost dog is hung.

When there is nothing to say, what is the use of saying it?

When money comes easy it often doesn't tarry long.

An idle horse is a poor investment. Ditto man.

Call it an "international slaughter house."

WANTED
 Clean Cotton Rags
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Buy Coal Now

Many wise people buy their coal in the summer and fall, when prices are down, thus effecting a considerable economy in their coal bill. The money thus saved can be placed to good advantage elsewhere in the home, or added to the savings account.

I can fill your bin at an early date to better advantage than later and suggest that you at least talk it over with me before winter is here and the rush is on.

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Any time any of my cattle get anything wrong with them I give them a few doses of Bee Dee STOCK MEDICINE. They soon get well.
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GRANDMA USED SAGE TEA TO DARKEN HAIR

She made up a mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur to bring back color, gloss, thickness.

Common garden sage brewed into a heavy tea with sulphur and alcohol added, will turn gray, streaked and faded hair beautifully dark and luxuriant, remove every bit of dandruff, stop scalp itching and falling hair. Just a few applications will prove a revelation if your hair is fading, gray or dry, scraggly and thin. Mixing the Sage Tea and Sulphur recipe at home, though, is troublesome. An easier way is to get the ready-to-use tonic, costing about 50 cents a large bottle at drug stores, known as "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy," thus avoiding a lot of fuss.

While wispy, gray, faded hair is not sinful, we all desire to retain our youthful appearance and attractiveness. By darkening your hair with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur, no one can tell, because it does it so naturally, so evenly. You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning all gray hairs have disappeared, and, after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, glossy, soft and luxuriant.

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Over 350 people succumb to consumption every day in the United States.

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The best physicians point out that during changing seasons the blood should be made rich and pure and active by taking Scott's Emulsion after meals. The cod liver oil in Scott's Emulsion warms the body by enriching the blood; it peculiarly strengthens the lungs and throat, while it rebuilds the resistive forces of the body to avoid colds and prevent consumption.

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Toned Up Whole System

"Chamberlain's Tablets have done more for me than I ever dared hope for," writes Mrs. Esther Mae Baker, Spencerport, N.Y. "I used several bottles of these tablets, a few months ago. They not only cured me of bilious attacks, but toned up my whole system."

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TURNER'S SANITARY GROCERY, - Merkel's Model Store



MRS. W. H. DICKSON, EDITOR

The social event of last week was the Baraca-Philathea meeting at the home of Dr. and Mrs. O. F. McMaster Friday evening. Class colors in pennants and streamers were much in evidence. The whole house was suitably decorated for the occasion. A number of fines were collected on account of the violation of rules which were to govern the costumes worn by the guests. Dainty refreshments were served.

The Twentieth Century Club will meet at 3:30 P. M. in library room of the Rust and McCauley Drug Store for the program Saturday afternoon. Important business let all members be present.

Jno. D. Gaither is spending this week in Dallas and Fort Worth looking after business matters.

Injured by Motorcycle.

Tally Holloway is getting about this week on crutches as result of a fall from his motorcycle Saturday evening while returning from the Fair at Abilene. The accident happened when the machine skidded in a deep rut near Tye, catching the riders foot and bending the pedal bar around his ankle.

Why Not Publish It?

When you want a fact to become generally known, the right way is to publish it. Mrs. Joseph Kallans, Peru, Ind., was troubled with belching, sour stomach and frequent headaches. She writes, "I feel it my duty to tell others what Chamberlain's Tablets have done for me. They have helped my digestion and regulated my bowels. Since using them I have been entirely well." For sale by all dealers. adv

D. O. Huddleston, Wesley Edwards, John Collins and Clarence Eoff were among the visitors to the Fat Stock Show at Ft. Worth Wednesday.

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

EAT LESS AND TAKE SALTS FOR KIDNEYS

Take a glass of Salts before breakfast if your Back hurts or Bladder bothers you.

The American men and women must guard constantly against Kidney trouble, because we eat too much and all our food is rich. Our blood is filled with uric acid which the kidneys strive to filter out, they weaken from overwork, become sluggish; the eliminative tissues clog and the result is kidney trouble, bladder weakness and a general decline in health. When your kidneys feel like lumps of lead; your back hurts or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment or you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night; if you suffer with sick headache or dizzy, nervous spells, acid stomach, or you have rheumatism when the weather is bad, 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 salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate clogged kidneys; to neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer is a source of irritation, thus ending bladder disorders. Jad Salts is inexpensive; cannot injure, makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water beverage, and belongs in every home, because nobody can make a mistake by having a good kidney flushing any time.

Notice to the Tax Payers of Taylor Co.

I will be at the following places on dates given below for the purposes of collecting State and County taxes for the year 1914:

- Buffalo Gap Friday, October the 16th, 1914.
- Tuscola Saturday, October 17th, 1914.
- Shep Thursday, October 22nd, 1914.
- Bradshaw Friday, Oct. 23rd, 1914.
- Ovalo Saturday, October 24th, 1914.
- Trent Tuesday, October 27th, 1914.
- Nubia Wednesday, Oct. 28th, 1914.
- Merkel Thursday, October 29th, 1914.
- Merkel Friday, October 30th, 1914.
- Merkel Saturday, October 31st, 1914.

Very respectfully,
D. T. HARKRIDER,
Tax Collector Taylor Co., 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

HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

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

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.

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.

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."

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.

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. 1-40



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In other words, come here and order your Clothes made to measure

It may not be easy for you to take the view of a store that we take of ours. It's not a very common idea either among stores or among the public that a business should be definitely conducted with the idea of serving rather than selling.

But we've discovered that serving is the best and safest way to sell; that men buy because they want to buy rather than because we want them to buy

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Do you realize that Thanksgiving is not far off, and it's a wise man who orders his holiday Clothes early, so come around one of these cold brisk days and leave your measure for your new Thanksgiving Suit.

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We have enjoyed a splendid share of your business thru the year and if we do no more than pay expenses from now until the first of the year we will consider we have done our customers a favor in selling them goods for the winter at prices cheaper than they could expect to buy them from any neighboring town. Our house is full to over running with NEW, SEASONABLE, UP-TO-DATE goods and a glimpse at our prices will convince you that they are the lowest to be had

100 pounds very best Light Crust Flour.....	\$3.00	5 gallons Coal Oil.....	40c	Large bucket Mrs. Tucker, Swifts Jewel and White Cloud Lard Compound.....	\$1.00
1 sack Pearl Meal.....	75c	5 pounds Arbuckle Coffee.....	1.00	Large bucket Flake White Compound.....	1.00
25 pound sack Eagle Brand Sugar.....	1.90	7 pounds bulk Coffee.....	1.00	12 cans good Corn.....	90c
Best smoked Bacon.....	18c	Best Peaberry Coffee, per pound.....	22c	12 cans 2-lb Tomatoes.....	90c
Best salt pork Bacon.....	17c	1 gallon Red Heart Sorghum.....	40c	25 pounds choice Dried Peaches.....	2.00

A visit to our store will convince you of the fact that we have many bargains in store for you too numerous to mention here

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FARM AND RANCH is devoted to the interests of the home and farm builder, and is designed to meet every need and requirement. It meets these needs adequately through its mediums of correspondence with other farmers and its "Questions and Answers Column," where many of his most perplexing problems are solved. It opens his eyes to new and improved methods in carrying out his work, and proves to be an indispensable helper and right-hand man.

OUR paper is for the entire family. We strive, at all times, to be a help in the upbuilding of this community, and use our influence for the benefit of its people. We give you all the local news, and as much of the state and foreign news as the space will permit. A newspaper is indispensable to your family. This paper will keep you posted on all that is happening in this community, and will tell you of the doings of those friends and neighbors in whom you are most interested.

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Your Conscience Should Not *if You Neglect this Opportunity*

OUR CORRESPONDENCE

Blair.

Elder Price Bankhead filled his appointment here Sunday at eleven also preaching in the evening after Sunday School. He announced that he would be here regularly the 2nd Sunday in each month.

The singing class met Sunday night at the school house and had an interesting song service. Prof. Stephens of Abilene was with them and assisted in the singing.

The good rain came Monday morning and some are getting ready to sow wheat and reduce the cotton crop for 1915. The good crop we are now gathering is giving employment to thousands of people that need it, in fact, keeping the wheels of commerce moving. Yes cotton is king and every laborer that touches is get-lucrative price for their labor but the producer he is badly left, why not produce less cotton and more hog and hominy.

S. E. Adcock returned home from the east Saturday with some cotton pickers to gather his crop.

Mrs. M. Mayfield visited her sister Mrs. L. Patterson of Jones county Saturday who was reported to be very sick.

R. J. Meeks and J. W. Mayfield went east Sunday night in search of cotton pickers.

A young man picked 800 lbs. one day this past week.

Rev. Young will preach at the Blair school house next Sunday evening.

Shiloh.

Rev. Horn filled his appointment Saturday night.

Rev. W. A. Scott of Trent preached for us Sunday.

Miss Albertine Winters came in from Abilene Saturday with her parents.

Several young people from Noodle attended services here Sunday and were guests of Misses Lettie and Beulah Jones.

Mrs. Martin of Big Springs came in Friday afternoon to visit her daughter Mrs. W. Grayson.

Mr. and Mrs. McCright spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Eoff of Noodle.

Misses Willie and Mollie Hardy of the Noodle community attended Services at Shiloh Sunday night.

The big rain Sunday delayed cotton picking for a day or so.

Mr. and Mrs. Lige Howel of near Trent attended services here Sunday and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Boyd.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Winter of Trent spent Sunday in this community.

Mrs. Beavers gave her daughter Nina a little birthday dinner Sunday in honor of her thirteenth birthday. Those present at the noon hour were Misses Thelma McCright, Alice Brown, Della Green, Zella Scott, Effie and Vernie Grayson. Messrs. Effard, Willie and Harvell Brown, Eugene Care, Parlan McCright and Wright Boyd. In the afternoon Misses Winters and Maude Green. Houston and Joe Tyner came in and they all report an enjoyable time.

The many friends of Hervell Jones are glad to have him in their midst after an absence of about two months.

Nubia reported sometime ago of having a champion cotton chopper. We believe we can report the champion cotton picker for the girls of this community. One day last week Miss Lyda Beavers picked 368 lbs. and her sister Nina, who is just thirteen, picked 274 lbs.

It Always Does The Work

"I like Chamberlain's Cough Remedy better than any other," writes R. E. Roberts, Homer City, Pa. "I have taken it off and on for years and it has never failed to give the desired results. For sale by all dealers." adv

Salt Branch.

Rev. Y. F. Young filled his regular appointment here Saturday his sister, Miss Blanche Walker lectured Sunday evening.

James Wood was visiting S. W. Taylor the past week.

Several from this community attended the Fair at Abilene Friday. All report a nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Hester were visiting in Abilene Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sargent of Warren were the guests of Will Hays Sunday.

There was to be a cotton picking at Mr. Lewis, Tuesday but the rain Sunday night was a hindrance so we suppose it will be in near future.

Mr. Dunlop and family spent Saturday night with S. W. Taylor and went from there to Lorraine where they will make their home for another year.

Compere.

Had a fine rain Sunday night which will postpone cotton picking for several days but will help small grain.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Foster visited their son Earl at Noodle Sunday.

Our Sunday School is progressing nicely.

Several from this place attended the Fair at Abilene Saturday night.

Pierce Horton has returned home from Colorado after several weeks of prospecting and reports crops fine.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Spurgin entertained the singing class Sunday night with large attendance.

Ed Breeze made a business trip to Merkel Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Moore visited relatives at Noodle Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Beasley entertained a number of their friends Saturday night.

Mrs. Sep Horton of Blair visited her uncle H. C. Doane Tuesday.

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