# FARMERS TO HAVE SUBMISSION LEADING ON FINAL COUNT OVER STATE THREE DAYS MEET <br> CULBERSON AND COLQUITT FOR SENATORIAL RUNOFF JUDGE BLANTON WINS OVER CONGRESSMAN SMITH 


The following are the elected
teachers for the Merkel schools
for the ensuing year, and accord for the ensuing year, and accord-
ing to reports. all have accepted. High School Dept. - H. .
Morris re-elected superintendent
Miss Nellie Bly Lankford re-elect Miss Noy B. Mefford, of Stephen
edille; R. A. Burgess, principal Mr. Burgess was connected with
the Merkel schools in 1914-15 and has been doing special work in the Univ
that time.
Intermediate Dept. - Misses
Mae Bell, of Sweetwater: Mae White, re-elected; Amanda Br
ley, of Alabama; Lola and Lassetter, of Abilene. Primary Dept.-Misse
Sutphen, of this city Powell, of Leonard; Ruth Rog of Albany; and Hattie Mae Smith of Waxahachie
BMCE WILL GONOT

J. A. Boyce, second man in
the race for county treasurer
which Fitts led, will not oppose
Mr. Fitts in the second primary.
Mr. Boyce published a card of
thanks in Tuesday's Abilene Re-
porter to the people for their
support and stated that on ac-
count of sickness in his family
and not being able to make an
active canvass he would not enter
the second race.
This will bring the second pri-
mary on county candidates
down to probably only three
races that of Tax Assessor, Dis-
trict Clerk and Superintendent.
Boys Have Narrow Escape
McKiney, July 25 . Two young
sons of B. F. Strickland, farmer,
had a narrow escape from death
near here this morning when the
wagon they were driving was
struck by a H. \& T. C. north-
bound passenger train. One of
the mules was killed, the harness
stripped from the other, and the
wagon was demolished.
The boys were thrown from
the wagon and sustained minor
injuries.

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Governor Ferguson Re-Elected By Approximately 63,000 Votes. Blanton is Elected--Leads Smith And Grisham
B. F. LONEY IS THE NEXT ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS With cotton suffering some,
feed stuff damaged to an exfeed stuff damaged to an ex-
tent and range shortened, the immediate section while not needing rain so much as the
country further west does, is
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Merkel country crops are far ahead of the condition further west, where fields and fields might be termed complete failures and where the people have moved out to more fortunate
places. Portions of the plains places. Portions of the plains
country seen recently will make no crop whatever, homes have
been left vacant, implements been left vacant, implements
stand in the fields while the own.
ners or tenants have moved
phassestite denial BuAR OF ExMMS.
 Mrs. J. F. Shaffer. who has been
attending a dental college in At received the following letter proficiency in having passed the this most excellent start Dr profession he is worthy of much
commendation and his numerol friends will be very glad to learn
 will open an office for active
practice in the Adkisson building pied by Dr. W. B. Foster. Dr. O. J. Shàffer,
Merkel, Texas.
Dear Doctor: We take great pleasure in no-
tifying you that you passed the
recent examination given by the
Texas State Board of Dental Ex-
aminers.
the profession of this State. con
fidently hoping that your service fidentiy hoping that your service
to her citizens and your profes-
sional conduct may be such that sional conduct may be such that
in future years we may point to
your record with pride. Ever your record with priae. Ever
strive to attain the highest pos-
sible degree of efficiency in your chosen calling, and may your professional and business life be
such as to reflect credit upon the profession which now bids welcome into its ranks
You may begin practice at
your pleasure. Your certificate will be sent to you in a few days.
Do not fail to have it recorded in the County Clerk's office within
thirty days as provided by law.
With very best wishes for your
future success, we are,
Sincerely yours,
Texas State Board of Dental
liets Arm Brokena Abilene-The 15 -year-old son
of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sears, formeriy of Merkel, sustained formerly of Merkel, sustained
broken arm from a Ford kiek
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REASONS
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GUARANTY FUND BANK
No. 2

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No. 4
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LET US HAVE YOUR BUSINESS
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## Farmers State

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## Scotch Woolen Mills

A beautifu! line 300 strong in ew nobby patterns-at the old price. Others advanced, Scotch


COME IN; THE WATER'S FINE.
ECONOMICAL SHOPPERS NOW HAVE A CHANCE AT "MONYY-SAVING" PRICES ON OUR SUMMER GOODS.

IN EVERY DEPARTMENT WE HAVS RXDUCED PRICRS THAT WI MAY QUICKLY CLIAAR OUR COUNTERS AMD PREPARE FOR THI FALL SEASON.

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WE ARI NOW MAKING PRICES RIGHT DOWN TO ROCK BOTTOM.

NEEDLES, SHUTTLES AND BOBBINS
in a tube, 10 c per tube. Shuttles $\$ 1$ each,
A very special low price on shoes for men,
THE STAR STORE

## SPORT SHIRTS

In new nobby styles; buy them wear them, look cool, feel cool, in these sport shirts. Neat designs, a good quality at pleasant prices.

LOCAL NEWS


## LOCAL NEWS

Chas. Hutcheson of Trent was here on business Tuesday. Miss Mae Green is the guest of Miss Dollie Newman of Stamford.
Wanted-Cotton Seed at High est market price. Gaither and Dupree.
G. W. Johnson and daughter. Miss Ona, are in Farwell visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson.
Try a Turkish or Russian bath for your aches and pains. Alcohol rubs free. Dr. J. T. Pue.
Mrs. M. Wiman and children returned to their home in Dallas after:visiting relatives here.
If you are interested in a good cornet or clarionet call and see me. I have one each for sale
Henry M. Rose
21 t2 Mrs. W. J. Sheppard and little sons left Saturday night for visit the family of Ed. Leeman. Wanted-Cotton Seed at High Wanted-Cotton Seed at High-
est market price. Gaither and est mark
Dupree.
Miss Emma Mae Mashburn is in Midland the guest of rela-

Oils and gas that satisfies. The Texas Co. Brand.
Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Jones with heir entire family left in thei Buick Tuesday of this week for will visit at various points

Always a good fresh stock of bread and cakes on hand. delivery. Phone 118. Merkel Mrs. D. L. Wilson of Dallas is Mising her husband here wh Drug Co. Whange goo Merkel for a well improved farm close in. No junk wanted. ide, Arlington Station, Cal. 14t Mrs. E. M. Rust and Miss rom Eldorado returned Monday蜑Glen Wilson of Mart was her Wednesday visiting his uncle W Parten. Mr. Wilson was return-
ing to his home after a vacatinn

Plenty of good feed, maize, Flour at $\$ 3.30$. Clark \& Walker Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Boney Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Boney left Wednesday morning in the for Turkish baths and massages makes rheumatism migrate. AlPue. Phone 49
Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Skillen of the family of Jno. Whe visitin

Just arrived, a beautiful line of mid-summer felts and dress hats. Be sure and call and see

Ed Massey of Trent was here bright and early Monday morning looking after returns from nd seemu and state offices most of the races went. He said lost some few votes but didnt them

Oils and gas that satisfies. The Texas Co. Brand.
Mrs. W. E. Gentry returned to her home at Abilene Tuesday and Mrs. B. J, Dodd.
Riley Horton who has been in Christi during the past two months or more returned home Tuesday to visit his parents at
Noodle. Riley reported that the crops over the portion of the
tate he came through to be very spotted.


The MERKEL MAIL the mertiel mail printing cempany. incorporated Homer L. enstexwoaa, Edllor and Manager SUBSCRIPTION, \$I.OO PER YEAR, IN ADVANCE



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is merkel appreciative of the fitts tote?
No man in Taylor county has ever announced
for office from Merkel who has received a better for office from Merkel who has received a better complimentary vote in Abilene than did Austin Fitts in the race for County Treasurer. With Mr. Fitts getting 287 votes in Abilene the people of Merkel who supported this worthy gentleman against his worthy opponents, should feel deeply indebted to our sister city for their compliment. In addition to the Fitts race both Capt. J. fucker and N. D. Co A bilene voters, With these vote at the hands of Abilene voters. With these gard to candidates who announce from this place, the reports that a majority of Abilene people the reports that a majority of Abilene people
have "got it in for Merkel" is absolutely unfounded and any Merkel man who attempts to criticise our capital city in this respect is certainly an ingrate. That supposed hatchet should now ever be buried between the two towns and at all time in the future co-operation should be the watchword between Taylor county voters and a vote
The Mail takes this opportunity to publicly thank Abilene for their consideration of votes given our candidates on last Saturday and in addition begs to say that the wishes of Abilene should be highly respected by the appreciative voters of this to
We submit th
Weluty pinion by all parties regardess of thalgence ferences.

## beoze and convict lubor

The county jail was the subject of an editoria printed on this page some weeks ago, when we
noted that the Denver Highway Department now has to pay real money for the rocks it is using in road making, simply because there is not enough to serve on the rock pile. All that has happened since Colorado, went dry, and it seems to us that if the rock pile industry has been ruined, it is all the fault of the drys. But Denver isn't the only
sufferer. Down in Wilkes county, Georgia, they sufferer. Down in Wilkes county, Georgia, they have been having trouble finding enough convicts
to work on the roads and tried to borrow some to work on the roads and tried to borrow some
from Richmond county. According to the Augusfrom Richmond county. According to the Augusta "Chronicle" however, Rechmond was short in its work in Richmond as well as in Wilkes." The Savannah Morning News comments on the same shortage in Chatham county, where prisoners in the county convict camps averaged about 100 less than the previous month. The Atlanta "Georgian" reports still another county - Fultonthat is having trouble because there are not that is having trouble because there are not Fulton county some fifty or sixty deputy wardens an other office holders seem to be doomed or have five convict camps instead of eight. This situanaturally alarms the Augusta "Chronicle." What on earth are the counties of Georgia going to do about it-with prohibition depriving them of their convicts in this manner? The situation is becomng serious. Indeed it is and not only in Georgia. In other states the convict labor market is upset
by these new fangled prohibiting ineasures. The by these new fangled prohibiting ineasures. The
aws have cut down the number of convicts sent
to Walla Walla, and Superintendent Bowen is
He doesn't know what to do about it une Canon State of Waseington votes wet the next chance
it has. Warden Talcott of the North Dakota pen tentiory arden Talcott of the North Dakota pen prison twine works- He blames it all on the North Dakota liquor laws. Pretty soon several thousand ambulance chauffeurs, hospital internes,
policemen, prison keepers, and a whole lot of oth er presumably good people, to say nothing of the barkeeper himself would be losing their jobs simply becouse of these liquor laws that are just playing the Old Nick in these states of Georgia. Weekly.
The Mail has been a long time in figuring out why Taylor county could not have a convict gang to work on our county roads like many counties do in wet territories. Now we are apprised of the act that cuts Taylor Co. out of a rock pile brigade ritory around us in order to have a rock pile gang we had rather continue to drive over the roads we have and let the good road problem be worked out with some other solution.
aboet election returns
Out in El Paso there is something wrong about the election returns, and much dissatisfaction has een expressed over the censored reports of the returns coming from boxes in that place. The the present election laws could be breatly improv ed by forcing every election judge to give com plete returns from his box within a certain num ber of hours after the polls close
There is no good reason why any box polling as high as 400 votes or even 450 votes, with six competent men as judges and clerks, should not have and any box of larger size could be regulated under the same method by granting a proportionate time after the polls close for a completion of their returns in a hour allowed for making out the ulent work being practiced in any box would be reatly decreased.
mempting does not wish to be understood as at boxes where the returns come in late, but out in El Paso, even on Tuesday, the returns were not complete, and little could be learned of the exact vote polled at the various boxes throughout that county. In this slow way it would be extremely no better way could be had to guard against thi than to force quick returns. Merkel box in Saturday's election. 427 votes were polled here, the second largest box in Taylor county, and when the polls closed every vote had been counted. Why can't the same condition govern voting places through out the state? In this way, any election judge, or set of judges and clerks, could not know how the returns of other boxes were being made eith $r$ in the county or in the district, and, as a re , if any of them were inclined to fraudulent ow, great an extent their information as to just and the Tant ore effective An become much compile quik An extrowe penalty for failure caution.

## let the people rule

A New Jersey woman is suing her husband for vorce because he deserted her forty years ago A man was fined $\$ 500$ in Kansas City, Mo A for beating his 102 year old mother A New Jersey woman recently committed sui cide for fear her two-year-old son might contract
tuberculosis from her.
The Detroit Federation of Labor is protesting gainst Billy Sunday's meetings on the ground that he preaches in tabernacles not built by union abor.
A man was arrested in New Jersey recently or chaining his nine-year-old daughter like dog to his back porch. The father said he had a
right to punish her.


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# RAILROAD WAGES 

Shall they be determined by Industrial Warfare or Federal Inquiry?
To the American Public:
Do you believe in arbitration or industrial warfare?

The train employes on all the railroads are voting whether they will give their leaders authority to tie up the commerce of the
country to enforce their demands for a 100 milhon dollar wage increase.

The railroads are in the public serviceyour service. This army of employes is in the public service-your service. 3 billion dollars a year, and 44 cents out of every dollar from you goes to the employes.

On all the Western railroads in 1915 , seventy-five per cent of the
train employes earned these wages (lowest, highest and average train employes earned these wage

| Engineers. | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Rosse } \\ \$ 1747 \\ 3094 \end{array}$ | A-6as* | $\begin{gathered} \text { Naser. } \\ \$ 1537 \\ 3076 \end{gathered}$ | Averse | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Raser } \\ \$ 1056 \\ 2445 \end{array}$ | Arease |
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| Cendectors | $\begin{aligned} & 1543 \\ & 2789 \end{aligned}$ | 1878 | $\begin{aligned} & 1454 \\ & 2933 \end{aligned}$ | 1935 | $\begin{aligned} & 1151 \\ & 2045 \end{aligned}$ | 1355 |
| Firemen | $\begin{aligned} & 1053 \\ & 2078 \end{aligned}$ | 1317 | $\begin{array}{r} 751 \\ 2059 \end{array}$ | 1181 | $\begin{array}{r} 418 \\ 1552 \end{array}$ | 973 |
| Brakemen. | $\begin{array}{r} 854 \\ 1719 \end{array}$ | 967 | $\begin{array}{r} 874 \\ 1961 \end{array}$ | 1135 | $\begin{array}{r} 862 \\ 1821 \end{array}$ | 1107 |

The average yearly wage payments to all Western train em
ployes (including those who worked only part of the year) ai ployes including those who worked only part of the year)
shown by the 1915 payrolls were-

| Engineers . . . . . . $\$ 2038$ | $\$ 1737$ | $\$ 1218$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Conductors . . . . . | 1772 | 1624 | 1292 |
| Firemen . . . . . . | 1218 | 973 | 832 |
| Brakemen. . . . . . | 921 | 1000 | 1026 |

A 100 million dollar wage increase for men in freight and yard service (less than one-fifth of all employes) is equal to a 5 per cent advance in all freight rates.

The managers of the railroads, as trustees for the public, have no right to place this burden on the cost of transportation to you without a clear mandate from a public tri bunal speaking for you

The railroads have proposed the settlement of this controversy either under the existing national arbitration law, or by refer ence to the Interstate Commerce Commis sion. This offer has been refused by the employes representatives

Shall a nation-wide strike or an investigation under the Government determine this issue?

| National Conference Committee of the Railways |  |
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| ELISHA L. E, Chairman. |  |
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[^0]TO MLLK CONSUMERS
 Mashburn, had been afflicte with typhoid fever, and these re
ports coming to me, I, as Cit Health Officer for the City of
Merkel, Texas, took the Merkel, Texas, took the prope
and necessary steps to test th truth of said report by putting
the matter before the State Health Department at Austin Texas, so that there might be no doubt of the matter, and havin received the report of said Stat
Health Department after th same had made thorough invest gation and chemical analysis a in such cases necessary to deter mine whether or not this boy had been affected with typhoid fever I hereby certify that said Stat Health Department reports that said Loyce Mashburn did not have, and was not affected wit
said disease. W. V. Cranford, M. D.
City Health Officer City of Mer City Health
kills Wife, Shoots Self
Mineral Wells, July 24.-Joh wife and then killed himself her about 9:30 o'clock this morning, the weapon used being a shotgun.
Just before the shooting the father told his two small boys, the only persons on the place, to go to their uncle's and tell him to come over, that a man was go ing to try to kill him, and upon
returning with their uncle, they returning with their uncle, they found the mother in the yard at ther at the the house and the fa ther at the other with a shotgun in the face and the geeter of their heads the greater par away
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feeling.
Avert the serious kidney diseases, Doan's Kidney Pills.
A remedy especially for sick kidneys.
Endorsed in Merkel Endoresed in Merkel by your friend
and neighbors. Main St., Merkel, says: "My kidney annoyed me, sometimes being congest
ed. The kidney secretions were scanty and painful in passage and at times m back ached quite a little. Doan's Ki
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Price 50c, at all dealers. Don,t ply ask for a
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Ladies free Rest Room Ladies dont fail to take advan
tage of the Rest Room Merkel. It is free to you to at any time you are in Merke len Furniture Co.

## SaturdayAugust 12

 BIG DAY

On that day, in the afternoon, we will hold the biggest demonstration that this town has ever seen.

Ever so often, there is brought in this world a revolutionizing invention The spinning wheel, the battle axe, the hand written parchment, all gave wa to an article which did the work EASIE and BETTER

## THE OLD STYLE SEWING MACHINE <br> MUST GO

An expert from The FREE Sewing Machine Co. has promised to be here, and he is going to tell the women of Merkel the story of

## TheFREE Smainic

that epoch-making invention that is shaking the sewing machine world to its very foundations. The FREE will supplant the old style sewing machine as surely as the rifle has rerlaced the battle axe.

## Anchor Mercantile Co.

| Quarterly Conterence Notice Rev. J. T. Griswold D. D. the presiding Elder will preach at the Methodist church next Sunday morning and night.* A cordial invitation is extended to all. The business session of the Quartly Conference will be held either Monday afternoon or night Announcement will be made Sunday as to the hour of holding Conference. Let all official member be present if possible. W. P. Garvin, Pastor. <br> Card of Thanks <br> To the Voters of Merkel and Merkel and Merkel Country: <br> I wish to thank you for the splendid vote given me last Saturday in the primary election. No man can appreciate it more than I do. Respt. yours, <br> Austin Fitts. <br> Help For Those Who Have Stomach Trouble <br> After doctoring for about twelve years for a bad stomach trouble, and spending nearly five hundred dollars for medicine and doctor's fees, I purchased my wife one box of Chamberlsin's Tablets, which did her so much good that she continued to use them and they have done her more good than all of the medicine I bought before.-Samuel Boyer, Faisom, lowa. This medicine is for sale by all dealers. | J. N. ROUTH STILL IN RACE <br> I sincerely wish to thank the people of Merkel and surrounding country for the loyal way in which they have stood by me in my efforts to get the district clerk's office. <br> The county executive committee some time ago voted that there should be a second primary in all races where a majority of the votes were not cast for one man. Except for this ruling of the committee all second men would be ready to concede the election to the highest man, but since this is the case, I feel that all candidates have made the race expecting that there would be a second run. Hence I have no apology to make for announcing that I am still in the run until August 26. And I earnestly solicit the active support of all friends and voters in my behalf. J. N. Routh. $\qquad$ <br> DOSITION <br> Secured or Your Manay Back If yon toto tho Draugbon Tratitng, tho <br>  | B. Y. P. U. Program <br> Leader-Winnie Warren. <br> Subject, Missionary meeetingReading for missions. <br> Our State Denominational Pa-pers-H. L. Owen. <br> Our Missionary MagazinesWillie Swann. <br> Solo-Lula Sharp <br> Other missionary literature to be read-Lewis Swann. <br> Missionary Leaflets worth read-ing-Florence Holmes. <br> Mission Study Class-Nim Teaff. <br> Advertised 1 etters. <br> Anderson, Beth <br> Blackwell, Ervell <br> Douglass, Mary <br> J. M. D. G. Co. <br> Wright, Bob <br> West, W. T. <br> Dias, Ignacio <br> These letters will be sent to the dead letter office August 91916. <br> H. C. Williams, P. M. <br> Merkel, Texas. <br> Beauty More Than Skin Deep. <br> A beautiful woman always has good digestion. If your digestion is faulty, Chamberlain's Tablets will do you good. For sale by all dealers. <br> Wanted-Cetton seed, hay and grain. Gaither and Dupree. |
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Sunday evening Miss Eunice served an early supper to enjoyable time was spent as i always true when visiting most heartily enjoyed by Misse Charlie Bell Thomas, Josie Smith Messrs. Ge
lie Brady,
The few pupils who are taking
special work this week under di-
rection of Mr. Morris enjoyed a
dinner Tuesday at the school
house. The table was was placed
in the spacious halls and as this
was only "a bunch of school
kids"' once more ice fights were
indulged in. Those who were
members of this busy party
were; Misses Wilma and Beulah
Garrett, Josie Smith. Messrs.
Frank Armstrong, Joe Hartley,
Stanley King.
Mrs. H. T. Merritt entertained
a few young ladies Tuesday a few young ladies Tuesday picnic luncheon was spread on picnic luncheon was spread on
the lawn in the early evening and then when the gamut o remaining hours were spent in slumber. The girl friends with Misses Ola and Lula Sharp, Nel Tracy Olive and
Callie Lou Owen.

Mrs.
to the
Sho wortly after their arrival the were invited to the dining room
which was beautifully decorated with their colors. Here the most
tempting and delicious dinner awaited them. One of the most enjoyable dishes was the Frenc
dish which showed the class co ors. The afternoon was most
delightfully spent in horse-bac riding, boat-rowing, kodaking and in in eating cream, fruit and watermelons. brance of their school days thei voices blended in the Senior class
song. Late in the afternoon they departed expressing their thank spent. Those who were member of this pleasant party were Misses Minnie Coats, Wilma Gar Armstrong, Roy Coats and Joe Hartley, Mr. and Hartley, the

"BELL" Connection Brightens Farm Life

$\qquad$ Sitss Minnie Ferguson and he Trent, entertained a number on
old class mates of Abilene old class mates of Abilene
Christain College last week end at the home of their parents. Mr
and Mrs. T. G. Ferguson. M .
 and Bessie Smith of Abilene,
Verley Kellow of Trent. Messrs. C. Elliott of Abilene, I. D. Simp
of Trent, E. Moore of Blair.

County Judge E. M. Over-
hiner Tuesday afternoon united in marriage in the courthouse T Miss Louise Bell of Merkel. Mr Carloss is in dry goods busines
at Wellington and the bride is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bell of Merkel. They will make
their home at Wellington. - AbiThis marriage comes as a sur-
prise to the Merkel friends of the bride, where her family hav been prominent resident for
many years. Mr. and Mrs. Car loss have already gone to Wellington and the best wishes of
many interested friends in Merk el follow them to their new home

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury
as mercury will surely destroy the
sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering
through the mucous surfaces. Such ar ticles should never be used except on
preseriptions from reputable physician
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blood and mucous surfaces of the sys.
 internally and made in Toledo, Ohio
by F. J. Cheney \& Co. Testimonials
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## Card of Thanks

To the people of the Merkel country. I wish thank each help I received here Saturday. Words are insufficient to express my appreciation and I want to my appreciation and if I am elected August 26 it will be my motto to put my countrys interest above any
man's interest and to ever do my work right. Roy Parmelly Benefited by Chamberlain's Linimen "Last winter I used Chamberlain",
Liniment for rheumatism pains, stiff Liniment for rheumatism pains, stifr-
ness and sorness of the knees, and can
conscientiously say that I never used anything that did me anything that
Edward Craft,

IMPORTANCE OF LITTLE THINGS OF DRESS

Shoes, Gloves, Neckwear, Parasols And Hats, All Have Their Parts
To Play. Short Skirts Demand Smart Footwear

NewlYork, July 26. - In the wear. Sport shoes are particu summer season, perhaps more larly charming, being low of heel than at any other time, it is the broad of toe, and most comfort-
little thing of dress which count able as well as chic. There are in the wardrobe. The sheer lin- rubber soled and heeled canvas
intle gerie frock gathers much of its shoes, high and low, for golf and charm from the bright girdle, the similar sports; substantial look-well-fitting pump, or boot, dainty $\begin{aligned} & \text { climbing and the more strenous }\end{aligned}$ ockings and gloves and the of out-door purposes. For those wide brimmed becoming hat com- who favor the flat-heeled shoe pletes it. Whes, the frock itself low shoes, on the oxford type
ing touches, might fall short of expectations. which may be worn with the tail Summer Footwear
Although the high laced boot as chic and becoming with the The jabot frill of chiffon, picothort tailored skirt and is still a edged Georgette, or organdy is
avorite in white canvas, buck- an eggective acessory with the kin and the soft gray and tan tailored suit; it is worn fte leathers, the low shoe is much in times with the coat and then demand. The old-time Colonial again it is the part of the blouse pump with huge buckle and more $\begin{aligned} & \text { The jabot blouse is one of th } \\ & \text { popular mrdels of the season }\end{aligned}$


Satin Afternoen Dress
less exaggerated tongue, ac cording to personal fancy, is eqully modish in the dull calf or bright patent leather. Another favorite in low shoes is the per
fectly plain pump of calf or pat ent leather. This is made with a rather long vamp, finished with a bow of leather, a small buckle or no ornament at all. There is
variety in heels also; the medium high heel is generally favored for street wear, the French heel
for evening, and there is a comfortable and good looking low for the higher one for street


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Up in Despair. Husband

Came to Rescue.
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Catron, $\mathrm{K}_{\mathrm{y}}, \mathrm{ln}$ an interesting letter tiring me, walk two miles without its
mis place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock If you are all run down from womanly writes as follows: "I suffered for four troubles, don't give up in despair. Try years, with womanly troubles, and during Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has helped

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| :--- | :--- | :--- | The doctor was called in, and his treat- it will do. Ask him. He will recomerit relieved me for a while, but I was mend it. Begin taking Cardui today.




ARTHUR J. JONES CARRIES RURAL SEMOOL DISTRICT

## returns of last Saturday

find that I am saturday you will perintendent? Would you think of Taylor county. You will apormand notice that J. S. Smith beat me choice of the people the County
538 votes in the city of Abilene. Superintendent serves is it not This gives him the lead in the fair that you help the
run off August 26 and at a glance man of their choice. might seem an advantage, but I am going to be in the second into Abilene with a lead of near the finish for the people I serve -
100 votes over the other two can- the country people. However I 100 votes over the other county su- am not going to fight alone, perintends and not the independent I promise you right now this is districts; also that the going to be one of the warmest pay any of the salary of county. should let the rural people have the candidates before the July their choice, you will see that primary we were not allowed but justice demands that I be elected five minutes speech and we could
in the second primary August not discuss school problems. But To the voters of Abilene, Mer- there are several things I wish t kel and Trent, let me say this: discuss before the voters. So Is it fair forintendent regardless smith to meet me on the stump of the choice of the shall go alone. You will hear people he serves, when you shall go alone. You
and hot pay any of his salary
your schools? What would you
ARTHUR J. JONES

Motor Trouble is often due to inferior oil and gas. Use us fix that old suit? We are betThe Texas Co., oil and gas and ler prepared and our tailoring avold such worries.
W. E. Britain, agent. $\begin{aligned} & \text { service } \\ & \text { Renfro. }\end{aligned}$


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