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MERKEL, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JULY 28, 1916

CULBERSON AND COLQUITT FOR SENATORIAL RUNOFF

Governor Ferguson Re-Elected By

Approximately 63,000 Votes.

JUDGE BLANTON WINS OVER CONGRESSMAN SMITH

SUBMISSION LEADING ON FINAL COUNT OVER STATE FARMERS TO THREE DAYS

S. A. Minear, county demonstration agent at Abilene has is-/sued a call to farmers throughout Taylor county for a three-days' short course, during which time ten men and women specialists from A. & M. College will be present in Abilene to assist in the work.

The meeting will be held at the Central West Texas Fair grounds and problems concerning every member of the family on the farm will be brought up and discussed in a way that will be of value to those who hear the discussions and advice. Agent Minear would especially like to have an excellent representation from here, as less interest is and has been shown from this end of the county than from most any other section. This meeting will be worth while and the Mail suggests that every farmer who can either make plans to go, or take ures and where the people have the matter up with Mr. Minear moved out to more fortunate by correspondence and in that places. Portions of the plains way obtain first hand information of what might be expected.

With cotton suffering some, feed stuff damaged to an extent and range shortened, the needing rain so much as the country further west does, is needing a good drenching at

this very writing. Merkel country crops are far ahead of the condition further west, where fields and fields might be termed complete failcountry seen recently will make no crop whatever, homes have been left vacant, implements stand in the fields while the ownners or tenants have moved away to find work.

SCHOOLS FILLED PASSES THE DENTAL BOARD OF EXAMS.

The following are the elected teachers for the Merkel schools for the ensuing year, and according to reports. all have accepted.

POSITIONS IN THE

High School Dept. - H. M. Mrs. J. F. Shaffer, who has been Morris re-elected superintendent; attending a dental college in At-Miss Nellie Bly Lankford re-electlanta, Ga., for the past two years ed: Roy B. Mefford, of Stephen-

RAIN VERY **Blanton** is **Elected--Leads** Smith And Grisham

B. F. LOONEY IS THE NEXT ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

immediate section while not Scattered and Slow Returns From Over The State Have Cut The Submission Lead Down But it Should and Will Yet Carry By a Very Small Majority

In the United States senatorial race, ex-Gov. O. B. Colquitt was leading the field and his selection as one of those to be in the run-off was assured. Senator Culberson and Dr. S. P. Brooks were close seconds and the race between these two candidates was in doubt as their vote was very close.

In the Governor's race Governor James E. Ferguson was an easy winner, getting more than 50,000 votes over his nearest opponent, C. H. Morris.

B. F. Looney is the next attorney general of Texas having decisively defeated John W. Woods of Rotan and Chas. T. Rowland.

For Chief Justice of the Supreme Court Hon. Nelson Phillips is an easy winner over Chas. H. Jenkins, and for Associate Justice J. E. Yantis apparently has defeated R. W. Hall.

For Associate Justice of the Court of Criminal Appeals W. C. Morrow apparently has got a sufficient lead over A. J. Harper to make his election assured.

For Congressman-at-Large Daniel E. Garrett is leading with Jeff McLemore second, J. H. Davis third and Hugh Nugent Fitzgerald fourth.

Following is the count on yesterday: For Submission

COMMERCIAL LEAG MEETING ON MONDAY

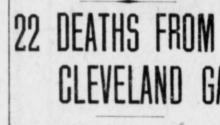
Monday evening the Commerhead blown off and a shotgun by cial League is called to meet for his side. Mrs. Daniels' body was further consideration of some at the back of the house, with vital matters and this notice the same sort of a wound in her

should serve as timely warning head. that social and other affairs On a table in the dining room should not keep any member was found a check on a local away at 8:15 p. m. on the above bank, signed by Daniels and day. made payable to "cash," which

During the heated days that was marked "To pay our funeral have passed before the primary expenses."

election it was almost impossible to get the attention of anybody today but funeral arrangements of men on any subject except have not been made. politics, (the writer included) but these things should be fortragedy has been found so far. gotten and the people should get together in the interest of the ELECTION RET

town and country. Come to the Commercial League meeting on Monday night for sure.



en the Merkel people here Satur-Cleveland, Ohio, July 25.day night. Messrs. St. John and Twenty-two men are dead and Parmelly stayed at the Abilene half a dozen others are dying as end of a leased wire telephone the result of an explosion of gas and gave the returns out just as

AT MINERAL WELLS Mineral Wells, Texas, July 24. -Half an hour after John W. Daniels, a prosperous farmer living seven miles south of Mineral Wells, had sent his two young sons to the home of his brother with a message that he wanted to see him again before he died, the dead bodies of Daniels and his wife were found at their

DOUBLE TRAGEDY

8 PAGES

home. Daniels' body was lying in the front yard with the top of his

The bodies were brought here

No explanation for the double

Through the good will of the

Abilene Reporter and work of

W. T. (Tom) St. John and Roy

Parmelly, the returns were giv-

HOW WE

ville; R. A. Burgess, principal. Mr. Burgess was connected with and has been doing special work that time.

White, re-elected; Amanda Brad- friends will be very glad to learn ley, of Alabama; Lola and Glenn of his success. Lassetter, of Abilene.

ers, of Stephenville; Alice Burns, pied by Dr. W. B. Foster. of Albany; and Hattie Mae Smith of Waxahachie.

STR. Des

received the following letter a few days ago telling him of his the Merkel schools in 1914-15, proficiency in having passed the State Examining Board. With in the University of Texas since this most excellent start Dr. Shaffer has made in his chosen Intermediate Dept. - Misses profession he is worthy of much Mae Bell, of Sweetwater; Mae commendation and his numerous

Ollie Shaffer, son of Mr. and

Within a few days Dr. Shaffer Primary Dept.-Misses Jessie will open an office for active Sutphen, of this city; Agnes practice in the Adkisson building Powell, of Leonard; Ruth Rog- at rear of the offices now occu-

Merkel, Texas. Dear Doctor: BOYCE WILL GO NOT INTO 2ND PRIMARY

We take great pleasure in notifying you that you passed the

J. A. Boyce, second man in the profession of this State. conthe race for county treasurer fidently hoping that your service which Fitts led, will not oppose to her citizens and your profesthe second race.

mary on county candidates You may begin practice at

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 Texas State Board of Dental wagon they were driving was struck by a H. & T. C. northbound passenger train. One of the mules was killed, the harness stripped from the other, and the wagon was demolished.

injuries.

Dr. O. J. Shåffer,

recent examination given by the Texas State Board of Dental Examiners. The Board welcomes you into

Mr. Fitts in the second primary. sional conduct may be such that Mr. Boyce published a card of in future years we may point to thanks in Tuesday's Abilene Re- your record with pride. Ever porter to the people for their strive to attain the highest possupport and stated that on ac- sible degree of efficiency in your count of sickness in his family chosen calling, and may your and not being able to make an professional and business life be active canvass he would not enter | such as to reflect credit upon the profession which now bids you

This will bring the second pri- welcome into its ranks.

down to probably only three your pleasure. Your certificate races that of Tax Assessor, Dis- will be sent to you in a few days. trict Clerk and Superintendent. 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,

Examiners.

C. M. McCauley, Sec.

Gets Arm Broken

The boys were thrown from formerly of Merkel, sustained a the day following, of which Rev. In addition, readings will be givthe wagon and sustained minor broken arm from a Ford kick Garvin publishes notice in anoth- en and all readers are asked to for a violation of the measure is ed his footing and fell, breaking Saturday. He is resting well.

Against Submission	153,351
United States Senator	
O. B. Colquitt	84,481
C. A. Culberson	75,978
S. P. Brooks	69,930
Thomas Campbell	47,952
R. L. Henry	27,871
Chief Justice Supreme Court	· · ·
Nelson Phillips	151,078
Chas. H. Jenkins	95,577
Associate Justice Supreme Court	
J. E. Yantis	129,928
R. W. Hall	119,336
For Governor	
James E. Ferguson	201,964
C. H. Morris	138,986
H. C. Marshall	17,517
Attorney General	
B. F. Looney	123,149
John W. Woods	191,996
Chas. T. Rowland	30,997
Associate Justice Court Criminal Appeals	
W. C. Morrow	135,582
A. J. Harper	114,240
Congressman-At-Large	
Daniel E. Garrett	74,350
Jeff McLemore	72,574
J. H. Davis	48,168
Hugh Nugent Fitzgerald	47,317
CONGRESSMAN IGTH DISTRICT-INCOMPLETE	
Thomas L. Blanton	.17.350
W. R. Smith.	



water will preach from the Meth- of Mrs. J. G. Hale will give a against him. odist pulpit Sunday morning and night.

of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sears, Quarterly Conference to be held 'er part of this paper.

Rev. J. T. Griswold, D. D., On the night of August 5th. play at the school auditorium entitled "Breezy Point."

> The entire proceeds of the play take notice of this.

in a waterworks tunnel five miles from shore underneath lake Erie late last night.

All of the ten bodies so far recovered are members of the first and second rescue parties. Eleven workmen originally entombed are still buried. Rescuers believe that the tunnel caved in after the explosion and the remaining victims are buried under tons of mud and may not be reached for days:

The dead include workmen who were trapped in the tunnel when gas exploded and members of two rescue parties who tried to save the men first trapped. Of the dead eleven were in the force trap by the explosion. None of these escaped. The first rescue party comprised eleven men. Six of these lost their lives and five escaped.

The first rescue party accomplished nothing. The second saved one of the relief expedi- of Sweetwater, formerly of this tion. No one as yet reached of place, will meet Childress of Abthe original eleven caught in the ilene, in a goat-roping contest workings. Of the eight recuers for the supremacy of western who got out alive two Texas. Each man will rope and died later. The others may die, tie ten goats and in addition Two men were also overcome by there will be a free-for-all roping. fumes who did not go into the tunnel.

Thanks Merkel Voters

When seen in Abilene Monday, Tax Assessor W. T. (Tom) St. John asked that the Merkel peo- contest will be given the entire ple be thanked from the bottom of his heart for the 106 votes given him in Saturday's election,

and further asked that he be remembered to his many friends Presiding Elder from Sweet- the music class under instruction here, whether they voted for or

The Star Spangled Banner

Baltimore, July 24.-The police Rev. Griswold is widely known will be used to help pay for the today distributed copies of an orhere and should arouse addition- piano now being used by the dinance, requiring musicians and Abilene-The 15-year-old son al interest in connection with the school. The cast will consist of other persons to stand while female characters throughout playing or singing the Star walking over a railroad trestle and will be a three-act comedy. Spangled Banner. The penalty here last night, Hunt Scott missa fine not to exceed \$100.

fast as they were flashed on a canvas and Merkel people read the returns from the election board simultaneously with the Abilene people, who read it by single offices flashed on a canvas. For this assistance we are indebited to the Abilene Reporter and to Messrs. St. John and Parmelly and to the Southwestern Telephone Company for the courtesies in giving quick service at all times on calls, other than over the leased wire to Abilene. This wire was working at all times from about 8 o'clock until after midnight.

GUAT HUPING HERE AUGUST THE 14TH

On August 14th, Robert Kelly Friends of Kelly from Maryneal who believe in his ability have made up a purse of \$250

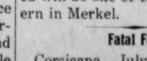
and friends of Childress we understand have made up a like amount and the winner of the amount.

Building New Home

W. L. Harkrider is having a new and modern bungalow erected on lots one half block south of the M. E. church. The new building is rapidly near ing completion and when finished will be one of the most mod-

Fatal Fall

Corsicana, July 25. - While his neck, dying instantly.





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COURTESY AND FAIR TREATMENT PREVAILS

LET US HAVE YOUR BUSINESS

THE **Farmers State** BANK

To this Chidleigh declared that he was should be maintained. n the same lonely condition.

was Del Smith

'Mrs. Turnlee and daughter." This nale and paid her fare. confounded the investigator, but he would not give it up that the daughter a ten dollar gold piece.

"Merci, mademois- Thank you. However, Chidleigh found associa- miss."

tion with Miss Turnlee more and more The French phraise she had used for pleasant every day. He took her and tip had thrown him off his guard, but her mother out in his car every day he caught himself before he had that the mother would go, and when spoken the last syilable. she declined his invitation he took the daughter.

One day when they were driving alone together they left the car and was again abroad. She had scarcely sat on a dune overlooking the ocean. reached London, when she received an Chidleigh felt that they were drawn invitation to a ball. During the evennearer together from the fact that they ing. or. rather, shortly before daylight were far from any one else and the in the morning, a gentleman was expanse of sky and water above and brought up to her by a friend for an

before them were so vast. "You remind me." he said to her, "of Scarborough, now with the addition girl I knew when I was a youngster. of a title which had come to him was twenty-two; she was eighteen. through a remote branch of his fam-

was drawn to her, but at that age fly. there are so many girls for the boys and so many boys for the girls that claimed. one is not inclined to choose and pick.

I would provide against my she replied. then. present solitary condition."

"I, too, have such a memory. I knew a young man whom I considered the pink of perfection. I wished he would make love to me, but he didn't. to the gentleman's watch chain. It You men have a great advantage over is women in that respect."

"Do you remember his name?"

"Do you remember the girl's name?" "Yes. "Let us make an exchange."

"Very well; she was Adele Smith." "He was Amos Chedleigh." Amos turned and looked at her fix-

edly. "How is it that you are Miss Turn-

"I'm not; I'm Miss Smith. My mother married a second time."

"Do you know that I am Amos Ched. leigh?

"Of course I do. I recognized you when I saw you come up the hotel steps the day of your arrival." "Do you regret being a spinster?"

"Of course I do. Every spinster "Let's make up for lost time. Will

you marry me?"

"I will." Given a man of forty-two and a woman of thirty-eight sitting on a from their hotel, her husband drove up iune overlooking the ocean in the in a runabout, she got in, and they wilight, a crescent moon overhead. started for the park. The bride said ust betrothed, and despite their mid- she enjoyed both rides. The groom

she kept him out for two hours, going Notwithstanding the replies to his not only all over Central park, but upeading questions Chidleigh could not per New York to the limits of Manhatdivest himself of the feeling that the tan Island. Then she directed him to lady was Adele Smith. Going to the drive her to her hotel. When they hotel register he hunted up the name, reached it he opened the door as bebut not finding a recent arrival of fore, from his seat behind the wheel. Smiths he asked the clerk for informs. When Miss Bainbridge stood on the tion, and he showed him the name, sidewalk she took out her portemon-"Pour boire," she said, handing him

Nevertheless

Miss Bainbridge turned and without looking back went into the hotel.

Four years passed. Miss Bainbridge introduction. He was the Hon. Ralph

"Why, Miss Bainbridge!" he ex

"We meet again after many years. wish now I could be the age I was I feel flattered that you remember me.'

> "Indeed, I do. Have we not danced together in this very room?" The lady did not seem to hear. Her

eves were fixed upon a charm attached was an eagle, an American ten dollar rold piece. He saw the direction of her glance and, looking down, perceived what had attracted her atten-

tion. "Will you dance?" he said. He put his arm about her, she laid a hand on his shoulder, and they sailed away as they had done six or seven years before. They did not speak, but doubtless both were thinkingthinking about that auto ride they took in Central park, New York. When they had finished the dance they began to talk about their meeting in London when Miss Bainbridge was a bud and he was the Hon. Ralph Scarborough. A number of episodes of that time were brought up and changes noted, but never a word of the time when he was running a taxi in New York.

Six months later they were married in Philadelphia. On their wedding trip they visited New York. The morning after their arrival the bride emerged dle age we may conjecture the rest of said the first was misery, the second was heaven.

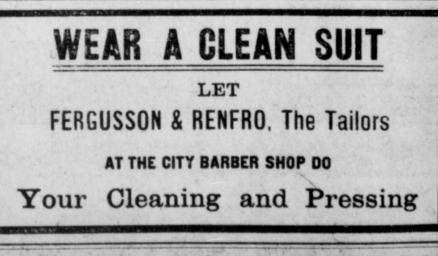
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By ETHEL HOLMES

Baby Love

That love which springs up between two young persons of opposite sex is like the child that comes to them after marriage. It has its babyhood, its childhood and its youth. As a baby is a delicate little thing, liable to be snuffed out by the slightest adverse happening, so is the beginning of love. Young love has its measles, its whooping cough and its colle

Charlie Edmonds was twenty-one and Rosa Lee eighteen when they became engaged. There was a cyclone of ecstasy for twenty-four hours, then a revulsion. Charlie wondered if he hadn't done something dreadful. He wanted to go right off and put himself back where he was before; but, being a man of honor and not seeing how he coeld honorably do so, he hesttated. Besides, he shrank from going back on the wild enthusiasm of the initial transports and confessing that he was so unstable. The truth is he was staggered by the responsibilities he had assumed.

Forty-eight hours' absence from his love was quite enough to cause him to forget the responsibilities and to long for another kiss. It was 5 o'clock in the afternoon when this new phase came over him, and he resolved to go to see her after dinner. That would be 8 o'clock. How would he get through those intervening three hours? At half past 7 he could stand it no

longer and started for her home. Fortunately it required fifteen minutes to get there. He saw a figure at the front window and on entering the drawing room saw the girl sitting in the gloaming. He advanced to embrace her. She waved him back.

"I suppose it is all a mistake." she såid

"All a mistake!" His heart sanl within him.

"Yes. It is impossible that you can love me and remain away from me all these long days.'

"All these long days! Why, we have been engaged only since the night be fore last.

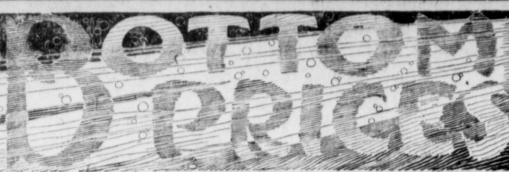
"I sat here in this window waiting for you till 9 o'clock, then went to bed grain. Gaither and Dupree. and cried all night.'

"Poor, dear little girl." he said, windher face-or, rather, her lips-against B. Owen.

"The first spasm of baby love had passed and was succeeded by six hours of rapture

the drawing room door at 2:15, and they last kiss was at 2:30 in the vestibule.





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LOCAL NEWS

Chas. Hutcheson of Trent was nere on business Tuesday.

Miss Mae Green is the guest of Miss Dollie Newman of Stamford.

Wanted-Cotton Seed at Highest 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 21t2

Mrs. W. J. Sheppard and little sons left Saturday night for Duncan, Okla. where they will visit the family of Ed. Leeman.

Wanted-Cotton Seed at Highest market price. Gaither and Dupree.

Miss Emma Mae Mashburn is in Midland the guest of relatives.

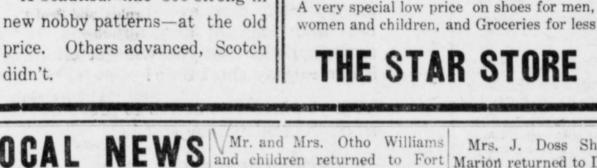
Oils and gas that satisfies. The Texas Co. Brand.

Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Jones with their entire family left in their Buick Tuesday of this week for a drive across the Plains. They will visit at various points en route.

Always a good fresh stock of bread and cakes on hand. Phone us your order. Prompt delivery. Phone 118. Merkel 21t1 Bakery.

Mrs. D. L. Wilson of Dallas is visiting her husband here who is connected with the Merkel Drug Co.

Who wants to xchange good business income property in Merkel for a well improved farm close in. No junk wanted.



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A beautiful line 300 strong in

Wanted-Cotton seed, hay and

Mrs. J. D. Hamm of De Leon ing his arms about her and snuggling is visiting in the home of Rev. L.

Mrs. H. E. Bullock and little daughters have returned from He started to go at 2 a. m., got to an extended stay at Jermyn.

Mrs. W. B. Alsobrook of Cis-Baby love didn't have a spasm or co is the guest of her mother, solything else for another two days. Mrs. S. B. Alsobrook, and friends

Mr. and Mrs. Otho Williams Mrs. H. C. Williams.

and children returned to Fort Marion returned to Dallas Satur-Worth Monday night after spend- day after visiting with Merkel ing the past month with Mr. and friends and relatives for several weeks.

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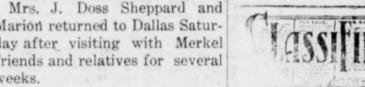


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FOR SALE-Five-room house on South Rose Street. Good terms. Robert Hicks. 23tf.

BARGAIN-Nice east front home, two large lots, corner, well located, orchard. Will sell cheap. Might take good Ford. Box 454 Merkel. 21t2

to engaged life quite rapidly. A man here this week.

moves from one position to another; a/ wofhan, in certain respects, is apt to remain where she finds herself. Baby daughter of Fort Worth are vislove had all the children's ills, but with every one Charlie gained by experience and came to consider them a matter of course. Three months after his engagement he called on his fiance one evening to find symptoms that shortly before would have been alarming.

"It's perfectly evident," said Rosa. this cannot go on any longer."

"What can't go on any longer?"

"Why, your indifference to me when we are in other company."

"What have I done now?"

"Do you think that your treatment of me at Mrs. Randall's garden party wa such as I have a right to expect?"

"What did I do?"

"You know very well what you did. When I asked you to get me an ice, instead of doing so at once you continued your conversation with Mrs. Fitz Gerald, paying no attention to me whatever.

"Mrs. Fitz Gerald was telling me an incident that happened to her. I could not break away from her in the middle of her story, could I?"

"You didn't wish to break away from her. You were listening with rapt attention.' "Surely you're not"-

"Jealous? Oh, dear, no. I wouldn't like that. She's twenty-eight if she's a day?

For the first time since his engagement woman's unreasonableness began to rub the wrong way. His brow lowered.

"You say that things can't go on any longer in this way. Do you mean that our engagement must be broken?"

"Unless I can be assured that you woman who chooses to throw a spell over you.

"I thought you said you were jealous of Mrs. Fitz Gerald."

"I'm not. Mrs. Fitz Gerald is not the only designing woman there is in the world.'

"What do you wish me to do?" This was a poser. Rosa, not having had her say and was ready to make it up. She stood looking down at the door, and as there was no antagonism in her expression Charlle went to her

and took her in his arms. Charlie hoped that the end of these paroxysms would come with marriage. They did not end with the wedding day nor with the honeymoon. Not till a real baby came was there a perceptible change. Then Charlie sudden ly discovered that his wife had found placed him.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyson and little iting Mrs. Rust.

Filling station for oil and gas at Merkel Guarage belongs to W. E. Britain. Come, see me.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Church withdrawing from him as he advanced are enjoying a few days vacato give the usual lovers' salute. "that tion in Winters where they are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Davis.

> Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Sublett returned Tuesday afternoon from a cross-country trip to Mexico, Harness and Saddles-Shoe Repairing having been away several weeks on their vacation.

J. D. Jones of near Dora was in town Wednesday and seemed satisfied with life, only that the excessive hot weather and ab sence of breeze was forcing him to muster up additional means of supplying stock water.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Stribbling have returned from Gatesville where they spent the past month, think of being jealous of an old woman having been called there by the fatal illness of the latter's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Stevens and family of Trent returned Wednesday from a two weeks visit with the former's father of Lone Oak. Messrs. Bink Jones are not to be caught by any married a cousin and F. F. Steven a brother to our home man returned with Mr. and Mrs Stevens for a visit in the Merkel and Trent country.

Constable Laney who has been suffering with a bad case of any reply to make, was silent. She had measles for the past two or three weeks was able to be on the street the first of week.

Justice of the Peace N. D. Cobb laughed good naturedly about the easiness with which a cruise up Salt Creek could be taken. Others have taken passage on the same boat and now another love which took the edge of it is all over but the shouting the first. A genuine rival had dis and the ones who were elected will have to do that.

Every Wednesday Afternoon Attend the Cozy every Wednesday Afternoon on Free Tickets Texas pony horse. He is strong side, Arlington Station, Cal. 14t4 **Issued by the Leading Merchants**

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Dupree.

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I am prepared to give scientific Turkish and Russian baths, salt rubs, alcohol rubs, etc. These together with massage treatment is the greatest of all treatments. Mr. Business man are you all run down? A few such baths and massages will be worth more to you than a vacation. Dr. J. T. Pue, Phone 49.

As Good as Lost.

"You're sure you can spare this fiver, are you, Shadbolt?" "Dinguss, if I had not been perfectly sure that I can get along without it 1 never would have lent it to you."-Chicago Tribune.

More Like It. "My ancestors were among the first settlers in this country," said the pompous one. 'You mean among the first sutlers,

don't you?" replied the meek one .-Yonkers Statesman.

An Efficiency Idea.

Tailor-How many pockets in your trousers?

Customer-Only one, please. My wife s a busy woman, and I want to save her time when she goes through them. -Buffalo Courier.

A Foolish Notion. "The critics say the last act of our play falls flat," remarked the manager. "Hum," said the "angel," "can't you out in a few of those 'props' I hear you theatrical people talking so much about?"-Birmingham Age-Herald.

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FOR SALE.-A small West Write me, T. B. Story, River-Mrs. E. M. Rust and Miss Genevieve returned Monday from Eldorado and other points.

Glen Wilson of Mart was here Wednesday visiting his uncle W. Wanted-Cotton Seed at High- Parten. Mr. Wilson was returnest market price. Gaither and ing to his home after a vacatinn in Colorado.

> Plenty of good feed, maize, chops and bran. Good Boquet Flour at \$3.30. Clark & Walker. 21t2

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Boney Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Boney left Wednesday morning in the former's car Mineral Wells to visit relatives.

Turkish baths and massages makes rheumatism migrate. Alcohol rubs are free. Dr. J. T. Pue. Phone 49

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Skillen of Falls county are here visiting the family of Jno. Wheeler.

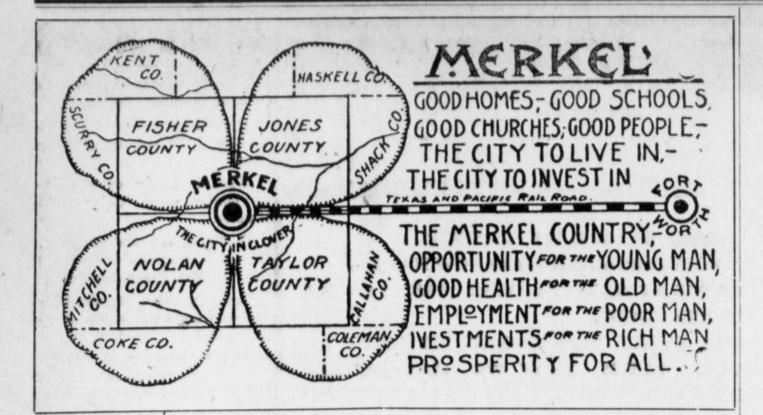
Just arrived, a beautiful line of mid-summer felts and dress hats. Be sure and call and see us. Woodroof Bros.

Ed Massey of Trent was here bright and early Monday morning looking after returns from various county and state offices and seemed jubilant over how most of the races went. He said he lost some few votes but didnt lose them all.

Oils and gas that satisfies. The Texas Co. Brand.

Mrs. W. E. Gentry returned to her home at Abilene Tuesday. having visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Dodd.

Riley Horton who has been in in the coast county near Corpus 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 state he came through to be very No. 5 5:55 a.m. spotted.



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IS MERKEL APPRECIATIVE OF THE FITTS YOTE?

for office from Merkel who has received a better out with some other solution. 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 the election returns, and much dissatisfaction has against his worthy opponents, should feel deeply indebted to our sister city for their compliment.

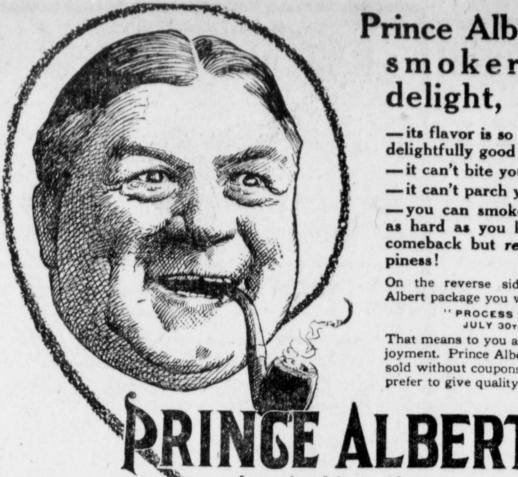
Tucker and N. D. Cobb received a very flattering the present election laws could be greatly improvvote at the hands of Abilene voters. With these ed by forcing every election judge to give comfacts of Abilene's feelings toward Merkel in re- plete returns from his box within a certain numgard to candidates who announce from this place, ber of hours after the polls close. the reports that a majority of Abilene people There is no good reason why any box polling as have "got it in for Merkel" is absolutely unfound- high as 400 votes or even 450 votes, with six comed and any Merkel man who attempts to criticise petent men as judges and clerks, should not have our capital city in this respect is certainly an in- the votes entirely counted when the polls close, grate. That supposed hatchet should now ever and any box of larger size could be regulated unbe buried between the two towns and at all time der the same method by granting a proportionate in the future co-operation should be the watch- time after the polls close for a completion of their word between Taylor county voters and a vote count, with a hour allowed for making out the always cast for the good of the county in general. returns in proper shape, the possibility of fraudthank Abilene for their consideration of votes greatly decreased. given our candidates on last Saturday and in addition begs to say that the wishes of Abilene tempting to say that fraud is practiced in all should be highly respected by the appreciative boxes where the returns come in late, but out in voters of this town and country. We submit this to our readers that we are ab- complete, and little could be learned of the exact solutely correct and ask the fair indulgence of vote polled at the various boxes throughout that opinion by all parties regardless of their past dif- county. In this slow way it would be extremely ferences.

laws have cut down the number of convicts sent to Walla Walla, and Superintendent Bowen is short handed on his road work in Pine Canon. He doesn't know what to do about it unless the THE MERKEL MAIL PRINTING COMPANY. INCORPORATED State of Waseington votes wet the next chance it has. Warden Talcott of the North Dakota penitentiary has not enough convicts left to run the 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 other 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. North Dakota and Washington. - Colliers Weekly.

The Mail has been a long time in figuring out Patrons of the Mail who do not receive their paper why Taylor county could not have a convict gang to work on our county roads like many counties fact that cuts Taylor Co. out of a rock pile brigade Well if is necssary for us to have a lot of wet territory around us in order to have a rock pile gang we had rather continue to drive over the roads No man in Taylor county has ever announced we have and let the good road problem be worked

ABOUT ELECTION RETURNS

Out in El Paso there is something wrong about been expressed over the censored reports of the returns coming from boxes in that place. The In addition to the Fitts race both Capt. J. T. Mail believes that the purity of the ballot under



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after how much of a stranger you are in the eck of the woods you drop into. For, Prince Albert is right there — at the first place you pass that sells tobacco! The toppy red bag sells for a nickel and the tidy red tin for a dime; then there's the hand-TOBACCO IS PREPARED OR SMOKERS UNDERTHE PROCESS DISCOVERED IN MAKING EXPERIMENTS TO cco in suc bang-up trim all-the-timel PRODUCE THE MOST DE LIGHTFUL AND WHOLE-SOME TOBACCO FOR CIG-ARETLE ANDRIAS SHOKERS OCESS PATENTE JULY 307 1907 SAL SALUDATO L'ago I WINSTON SALEN. MC. U.S.A DOES NOT BITE THE FONGUE

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BOOZE AND CONVICT LABOR

The county jail was the subject of an editorial printed on this page some weeks ago, when we the returns from the Merkel box in Saturday's noted that the Denver Highway Department now election. 427 votes were polled here, the second has to pay real money for the rocks it is using in largest box in Taylor county, and when the polls road making, simply because there is not enough closed every vote had been counted. Why can't to serve on the rock pile. All that has happened the same condition govern voting places throughsince Colorado, went dry, and it seems to us that out the state? In this way, any election judge, if the rock pile industry has been ruined, it is all or set of judges and clerks, could not know how the fault of the drys. But Denver isn't the only the returns of other boxes were being made eithsufferer. Down in Wilkes county, Georgia, they | er in the county or in the district, and, as a rehave been having trouble finding enough convicts sult, if any of them were inclined to fraudulent to work on the roads and tried to borrow some work, they would have no information as to just from Richmond county. According to the Augus- how great an extent their crookedness should be, ta "Chronicle" however, Richmond was short and the Terrell Election Law would become much herself: "Prohibition, it seems, had begun to get more effective. An extreme penalty for failure in its work in Richmond as well as in Wilkes." to compile quick returns would serve as a double The Savannah Morning News comments on the caution. 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 boozers enough being sentenced to jail terms In Fulton county some fifty or sixty deputy wardens an other office holders seem to be doomed or have already lost their jobs, and there are to be only 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 for chaining his nine-year-old daughter like a by these new fangled prohibiting measures. The dog to his back porch. The father said he had a Seattle "Post-Intelligencer" repores that the dry right to punish her.

The Mail takes this opportunity to publicly ulent work being practiced in any box would be

The Mail does not wish to be understood as at-El Paso, even on Tuesday, the returns were not

easy for some very crooked work to be done and no better way could be had to guard against this than to force quick returns.

As an illustration of the Mail's position we cite

LET THE PEOPLE RULE

A New Jersey woman is suing her husband for divorce because he deserted her forty years ago.

A man was fined \$500 in Kansas City, Mo., recently for beating his 102 year old mother.

A New Jersey woman recently committed suicide for fear her two-year-old son might contract tuberculosis from her.

The Detroit Federation of Labor is protesting against Billy Sunday's meetings on the ground that he preaches in tabernacles not built by union labor.

A man was arrested in New Jersey recently



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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 million dollar wage increase.

The railroads are in the public serviceyour service. This army of employes is in the public service-your service.

You pay for rail transportation 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 of all) as shown by the pay rolls-

	Pas	enger	Fre	eight	Y	ard
Engineers .	Rang- \$1747 3094	\$2195	Range \$1537 3076	Average \$2071	Rang- \$1056 2445	Average \$1378
Conductors	1543 2789	1878	1454 2933	1935	1151 2045	1355
Firemen .	1053 2078	1317	751 2059	1181	418 1552	973
Brakemen .	854 1719	967	874 1961	1135	862 1821	1107

TO MILK CONSUMERS

The State of Texas, |

County of Taylor. | Whereas, it was currently reported that Lovce Mashburn, son of H. M. Mashburn, had been afflicted with typhoid fever, and these reports coming to me, I, as City Health Officer for the City of Merkel, Texas, took the proper and necessary steps to test the 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 having received the report of said State Health Department after the same had made thorough investigation and chemical analysis as in such cases necessary to determine whether or not this boy had been affected with typhoid fever, I hereby certify that said State Health Department reports that said Loyce Mashburn did not have, and was not affected with said disease.

W. V. Cranford, M. D. City Health Officer City of Merkel, Texas.

Kills Wife, Shoots Self

Mineral Wells, July 24.-John W. Daniels shot and killed his wife and then killed himself here 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 going to try to kill him, and upon returning with their uncle. they found the mother in the yard at one end of the house and the father at the other with a shotgun by his side. Each had been shot in the face and the greater part of their heads had been blown away.

SaturdayAugust12

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Quarterly Conference Notice

presiding Elder will preach at

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day morning and night. A cor-

dial invitation is extended to all.

The business session of the

Quartly Conference will be held

Announcement will be made

Sunday as to the hour of holding

Conference. Let all official mem-

ber be present if possible. W. P.

Card of Thanks

To the Voters of Merkel and Mer-

I wish to thank you for the

splendid vote given me last Sat-

urday in the primary election.

No man can appreciate it more

Trouble

Austin Fitts.

kel and Merkel Country:

than I do. Respt. yours,

Garvin, Pastor.

Rev. J. T. Griswold D. D. the

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

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

THE OLD STYLE SEWING MACHINE 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

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

			- 1	Passonger	Freight	Yard
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 tribunal speaking for you.

The railroads have proposed the settlement of this controversy either under the existing national arbitration law, or by reference to the Interstate Commerce Commission. 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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If you suffer stdden, darting pains-If you are weak, lame and tired.

Suspect your kidneys.

Watch for natures signal.

The first sign may be headache dizziness. Scanty, painful, or too frequent uri-

nation Nervousness or a constant, dead tired

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Ladies Free Rest Room

Ladies dont fail to take advan- chased my wife one box of Chambertage of the Rest Room when in lain's Tablets, which did her so much Merkel. It is free to you to use good that she continued to use them and at any time you are in Merkel. Side entrance to Behrens-McMil- uel Boyer, Falsom, Iowa. This medlen Furniture Co. icine is for sale by all dealers.

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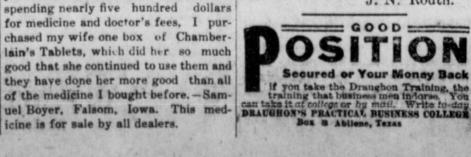
J. N. ROUTH STILL IN RACE

I sincerely wish to thank the Reading for missions. people of Merkel and surrounding country for the loyal way in pers-H. L. Owen. which they have stood by me in my efforts to get the district Willie Swann. clerk's office.

either Monday afternoon or night The county executive committee some time ago voted that be read-Lewis Swann. there should be a second primary in all races where a majority of ing-Florence Holmes.

the votes were not cast for one man. Except for this ruling of Teaff. 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

Help For Those Who Have Stomach August 26. And I earnestly solicit the active support of all After doctoring for about twelve friends and voters in my behalf. years for a bad stomach trouble, and J. N. Routh.



B. Y. P. U. Program Leader-Winnie Warren. Subject, Missionary meeeting-

Our State Denominational Pa-

Our Missionary Magazines-

Solo-Lula Sharp Other missionary literature to

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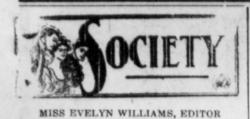
Advertised Letters.

Anderson, Beth Blackwell, Ervell Douglass, Mary J. M. D. G. Co. Wright, Bob West, W. T. Dias. Ignacio These letters will be sent to the dead letter office August 9 1916. H. C. Williams, P. M. Merkel, Texas.

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A beautiful woman always has good digestion. If your digestion is faulty. Chamberlain's Tablets will do you good. For sale by all dealers.

Wanted-Cotton seed, hay and grain. Gaither and Dupree.



Sunday evening Miss Eunice Russell assisted by her mother served an early supper to a few of her intimate friends. A very enjoyable time was spent as is always true when visiting in that home. The supper was most heartily enjoyed by Misses Charlie Bell Thomas, Josie Smith Messrs. George Smith and Leslie Brady,

The few pupils who are taking special work this week under direction 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 night with a slumber party. A picnic luncheon was spread on the lawn in the early evening and then when the gamut of girlish pleasures was run a few remaining hours were spent in slumber. The girl friends with Mrs. Merritt for the night were Misses Ola and Lula Sharp, Nell Tracy Olive and Selena Teaff. Callie Lou Owen. ;



Mrs. J. A. Hartley was opened to the Senior class of '15 and '16. Shortly after their arrival they 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 French dish which showed the class col-



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Week-End Party

Miss Minnie Ferguson and her sister, Mrs. I. D. Simpson of Trent, entertained a number of old class mates of Abilene Christain College last week end at the home of their parents, Mr and Mrs. T. G. Ferguson. The guests were Misses Lena Darby, of Lubbock. Ula and Pearl Elliott and Bessie Smith of Abilene, Sunday the home of Mr. and Verley Kellow of Trent. Messrs. C. Elliott of Abilene, I. D. Simp-

> County Judge E. M. Overshiner Tuesday afternoon united in marriage in the courthouse T. L. Carloss of Wellington and Miss Louise Bell of Merkel. Mr. Carloss is in dry goods business at Wellington and the bride is a

of Trent. E. Moore of Blair.

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 particusummer season, perhaps more larly charming, being low of heel than at any other time, it is the broad of toe, and most comfortlittle thing of dress which count able as well as chic. There are in the wardrobe. The sheer lin- rubber soled and heeled canvas gerie frock gathers much of its shoes, high and low, for golf and charm from the bright girdle, the similar sports; substantial looktouch of color at the throat, the ing shoes for walking, mountain well-fitting pump, or boot, dainty climbing and the more strenous stockings and gloves and the of out-door purposes. For those wide brimmed becoming hat com- who favor the flat-heeled shoe. pletes it. Without these finish- there are a number of modish ing touches, the frock itself low shoes, on the oxford type, might fall short of expectations. which may be worn with the tail-

Summer Footwear

Although the high laced boot was chic and becoming with the

ored suit or dress for street and

business. The jabot frill of chiffon, picot-

short tailored skirt and is still a edged Georgette, or organdy is favorite in white canvas, buck- an eggective acessory with the skin and the soft gray and tan tailored suit; it is worn oftenleathers, 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 The jabot blouse is one of the

popular mrdels of the season.

These are very attractive sets of Quaker collars and the various other models with cuffs to match, in lawn, organdy, crepe Georgette and net: many of them in the soft pastel tones so much favored this summer. These are worn with frocks of dark linen or serge and with tailored suit. now and then one sees a becoming high stock with sport blouse or street frock, but the open throat is the rule although both high and low collars are modish In order to be smart a high collar must fiit perfectly and be well adjusted.



After Four Years of Discouraging | 1 had gotten so weak 1 could not stand, and I gave up in despair. Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave

Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.

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

Catron, Ky .- In an interesting letter tiring me, and am doing all my work." If you are all run down from womanly from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock troubles, don't give up in despair. Try writes as follows : "I suffered for four Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has helped years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little more than a million women, in its 50 while, and could not walk anywhere at years of continuous success, and should all. At times, I would have severe pains surely help you, too. Your druggist has sold Cardui for years. He knows what

in my left side. ment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After

The doctor was called in, and his treat- it will do. Ask him. He will recommend it. Begin taking Cardui today. Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladia

that, nothing seemed to do me any good.





The afternoon was most ors. delightfully spent in horse-back riding, boat-rowing, kodaking and in in eating cream, fruits and watermelons. In remembrance of their school days their voices blended in the Senior class song. Late in the afternoon they departed expressing their thanks for the joyful time they had spent. Those who were members of this pleasant party were Misses Minnie Coats, Wilma Garrett. Osee Teaff, Messrs. Frank Armstrong, Roy Coats and Joe Hartley, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Hartley, the host and hostess.

Social Meeting

Garvin, paper; Mrs. Williams, ledo, O., contains no mercury and is taof grape juice and angel food cake were served and a social tle. time enjoyed. Those present Take Hall's Family Pills for constiwere Mesdames Garvin, Will- pation. iams, Dupree, Rogers, Brown, Shelton, Ackard, Beard, Morris, Beene, Burroughs, Cobb, Con-Armstrong.

HAVE YOU BEEN SICK?

that robs ambition, destroys appetite, work right. and makes work a burden.

To restore that strength and stamina that is so essential, nothing has ever equaled or compared with Scott's Emulsion, bccause its strength - sustaining nourish-ment invicorates the blood to distribute energy throughout the body while its tonic value sharpens the appetite and restores

health in a natural, permanent way. If you are run down, tired, nervous, overworked or lack strength, get Scott's Emulsion to-day. It is free from alcohol. Scott & Bowne, Hoomfield, N. J.

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bell of Merkel. They will make their home at Wellington.-Abilene Reporter.

This marriage comes as a surprise to the Merkel friends of the bride, where her family have

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 Womans Missionary So- the whole system when entering it afternoon at 4 o'clock. A volun- to the good you can possibly derive teer program was rendered. from them. Halls Catarrn Cure, man-Those taking part were Mrs. ufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., To- for the higher one for street

ken internally, acting directly upon the paper; Mrs. E. C. Conner, paper: blood and mucous surfaces of the syspiano duet by Mary and Ethel tem. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be Williams; reading by Myrtle Du- sure you get the genuine.' It is taken pree; song by Elizabeth Williams. internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, After the program refreshments by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

Sold by druggists. Price 75c per bot-

Card of Thanks

To the people of the Merkel ner, Grimes, Church, and Law- country. I wish to thank each rence. Misses Myrtle Dupree, and every one of you for the Ethel and Elizabeth Williams, help I received here Saturday. Juanita Beene, Lola and Frank Words are insufficient to express my appreciation and I want to say that if I am elected August 26 it will be my motto to put my countrys interest above any Then you realize the utter weakness man's interest and to ever do my Roy Parmelly.

Benefited by Chamberlain's Liniment

"Last winter I used Chamberlain's Liniment for rheumatism pains, stiffness and soreness of the knees, and can conscientiously say that I never used anything that did me so much good."-Edward Craft, Elba, N. Y. For sale by all dealers.

Satin Afternoon Dress

been prominent resident for or less exaggerated tongue, acmany years. Mr. and Mrs. Car- cording to personal fancy, is a general favorite. These are eqully modish in the dull calf or bright patent leather. Another favorite in low shoes is the perfectly 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 ciety of the Methodist Church through the mucous surfaces. Such ar. high heel is generally favored were entertained at the home of ticles should never be used except on for street wear, the French heel Mrs. M. Armstrong on Monday as the damage they will do is ten fold for evening, and there is a com-fortable and good looking low heel for those who do not care





Street Dress With Cape

ARTHUR J. JONES CARRIES RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

If you will examine the election | were to try to elect your city sureturns of last Saturday you will perintendent? Would you think find that I am the choice of the it fair? Now the law gives you a voters of the rural school district vote on the county superintendof Taylor county. You will also ent, but when you know the 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 them elect 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 when you consider that I came primary and am going to fight to 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 didates and that the county su- am not going to fight alone, perintendent serves the rural for they are going to help me and schools and not the independent I promise you right now this is districts: also that the going to be one of the warmest independent districts do not races ever pulled off in Taylor pay any of the salary of county.

in the second primary August not discuss school problems. But 26.

To the voters of Abilene, Merkel and Trent, let me say this: here publicly challenge Mr. county superintendent regardless and if he does not go with me I of the choice of the people he serves, when you do not pay any of his salary and he has nothing to do with your schools? What would you say if we, of the rural districts,

the superintendent, therefore In the speaking tour made by 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

there are several things I wish to discuss before the voters. So I Is it fair for you to elect the Smith to meet me on the stump shall go alone. You will hear from me again soon.

> Yours to win, ARTHUR J. JONES

(Political Adv.)

Motor Trouble is often due to inferior oil and gas. Use us fix that old suit? We are bet-The Texas Co., oil and gas and ter prepared and our tailoring W. E. Britain, agent.

Say man, why don't you let service is the best. Ferguson & 21t2 Renfro.

avoid such worries.

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MEETING CLOSED THURSDAY NIGHT Christian for years.

Thursday night of this week the last night of the meeting unone of the most successful meet- that the sun's extreme fervidity ings held by the Church of Christ has rendered nearly all the lard at this place.

Up to and including the ser- brittle and dry that I greatly revices of Wednesday night there semble a crackling. I have had been twenty eight additions sweated enough in the last ten to the church, thirteen by bap- days or two weeks to float the tism and 15 restored to member- battleship Texas. ship by confession of sins. Elder D. L. Boyd has returned home Milholland explained that all from the plains where he has meetings conducted on the eve of been engaged in making a crop. an election as this one had been Mr. Boyd appeared glad to be often met with detracted politi- back among his friends again. cal thought but in this one he He tells us that rain is badly found an excellent attendance needed out there. throughout even to the day ser- Eld. Norman, of Winters, is vices which showed better co-op- conducting the Christian meeterative church work. From here ing now being held at Cross he will ge to Bartlett to conduct Roads. Large crowds are presa meeting, opening the first ser- ent to hear him preach his splen-

William L. Barker Dead

Thursday afternoon at a late There were five delegates from hour William L. Barker died at Nubia who attended the Farmers his home on Salt Branch, having Institute at Austin last week. suffered from an incurable afflic- They were: Wylie Burchell, Ertion brought on by over-exertion nest Boyd, Will Toombs, Bennie and excessive heat over a year and Grover Lewis. Believe me, ago.

family could not improve his trip but space interdicts. conducting the services.

NUBIA

Has the weather been hot

out of me, and has left me so

vices there Saturday or Sunday. did sermons. All are cordially

requested to come out and swell his audience.

we all had a high-pop-alorium

During the many past months good time climbing over the tall it seemed at times that this good and massive capitol and all of us man was some better, and a feeling that we had an interest chance for his recovery. All the in the ownership of the vast pile. tender care of his wife and his I could write a chapter about the

health or lengthen his time, and Cotton continues to hold up he departed this life, leaving fairly well, considering the long sorrowed loved ones and many dry spell. It has very good sized friends to deeply mourn his de- stalks and there are not so many mise. The funeral was held in weevils as some think there are. Rose Hill cemetery Friday morn- The condition or the weather is ing at 11 o'clock, Rev. Hudson causing most of the bolls and squares to fall off-and not the

Surviving the deceased is a weevils. Young feed is suffering wife and children and a father's greatly, but most of the early family of loved ones. Mr. Bar. feed made good. Some are al-grain. Gaither and Dupree.

ker, at the time of his death, ready heading their feed. had reached the age of 34 years The election was pulled off at and three months and had been a Nubia Saturday with very much quietness and absence of argument. Not all of the writer's candidates were elected; but, to be a generous democrat, he bows to the popular will.

W. I. Cogburn and family of der the direction of Elder Mil- enough for you all? I take it for Jones county were visiting holland of Madill, Okla., marked granted that it has. I'll confess friends and relatives in the Canyon last Sunday.



Health of our community is very good at this writing.

The young people enjoyed a singing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Goode Friday night. The delegates who attended the Farmers' Institute at Austin the past week all report an enjoyable trip.

Mrs. J. C. Paul of Matador is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Barbee.

Dr. and Mrs. Williams of Merkel attended services at this place Monday morning.

D. C. Herring and family. Grandma Horn and Guy Huber returned Monday from the plains where they have been gone for several days.

B. N. Wheeler, Arminta and Paul, returned last Friday from Vernon where they have been visiting their daughter and sister. Mrs. Joe Hayhurst.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Walker of Kale attended services at the Christian church Sunday.

Miss Ora Bryson went to the Grogan Wells at Sweetwater last Thursday to be treated for appendicitis. We hope she will soon recover and return home. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cook of Stith spent Sunday with the former's parents here.

The Christian meeting is now in progress at this place and will close Sunday. Everybody is invited to attend the services.

Wanted-Cotton seed, hay and

MEN'S SUMMER UNDERWEAR

\$1.00 Union Suits90c	1
1.00 one lot Union Suits 80c	;
50c Balbriggan Shirt and	
drawers40c	

MEN'S SILK SHIRTS

\$5.00	Silk	Shirts	3.95
3.50	Silk	Shirts	2.65
2.50	Silk	Shirts	\$1.85

MEN'S WHITE OXFORDS

 \$3.50	White	Button	0x	\$2.8
3.00	White	Button	0x	\$2.2
2.50	White	Button	0x	\$ 1.8
2.00	White	Button	0x	\$ 1.60
1.50	White	Button	0x	\$1.20

MEN AND BOYS CAPS

	\$1.00 Caps only85c
	50c Caps only40c
•	50c one lot men & boys caps25c

LADIES' WHITE PUMPS

HOT SHOT PRICES

\$3.50 White Buck Pumps__\$2.75 2.50 White Canvas Pumps \$1.75

\$2.00	White	covered	heel	\$1.65
1.50				\$1.20



To Some Lady

of the family who buys the most goods from me between now and December 2nd. I am going to give absolutely Free one of the finest

SILK DRESS

Patterns ever brought to Merkel. 81/4 yards, cost \$7.50 per yard. To see it is to admire and desire it. Everybody, and especially the ladies, are invited to call and see this silk. I am receiving a nice line of new goods this week. Prices will be Right.

With a view of closing out my entire stock of CLOTHING, HATS and SHOES I am making extremely Low Prices on them

Furniture Varnish I keep on hand a supply of the fine EURERA Furniture Dressing, for making old furniture look bright and new. Also Gold Bronze for iron beds. When you need varnish call on me.

Tomb Stones Nice line of Tomb Stones and Monument Designs. Also samples of Granite aud Marble can be seen at my store any day. Don't buy until you get my prices

Don't forget the place -- Coats building, next door to the Merkel Garage, South Front Street



SHILOH

Rev. Grover Tyner preached at Amity Sunday. He was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Seago.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Winters and Trent.

Tom Green are visiting relatives it. on the plains this week.

Thursday with Miss Nina Bea- Tax Collector. vers.

Miss Florence Cade of Abilene s here visiting homefolk.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilner Grayson are visiting relatives near Big Springs this week.

ment at Mr. Tabors Thursday night. All report an enjoyable time.

friends in Trent.

Messrs. Harvel Jones and For sale by all dealers. Clyde Shouse left Monday night for Wichita Falls.

W. B. Beavers and daughter Nina spent Saturday, Sunday ple of Salt Branch and adjoining and Monday with friends at Salt communities who have tenderly joyable time.

were Anson visitors Monday.

Diarrhoea Quickly Cured

"About two years ago I had a severe attack of diarrhoea which lasted for over a week." writes W. C. Jones, Buford, N. D. "I become so week that I could not stand upright. A druggist recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. The first dose relieved me and within two by all dealers.

sing my profound thanks to the Merkel people also all, who are readers of the Merkel Mail Is Suffering Writing Lines who supported me for Tax Collector and also thank others who

would have supported me but daughters spent Tuesday with for personal relationship and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Phillips of friendships for my opponent. I have tried to give you good Mr. and Mrs. Joe Winters and service and ran on my own mer-

With best wishes to all who

Miss Zella Scott of Abilene lost their vote on me. I am spent Wednesday night and sincerely yours, W. F. Dillard,

Traveling Man's Experience.

"In the summer of 1888 I had a very severe attact of cholera morbus. Two Physicians worked over me from four a. m. to 6 p. m. without giving me any drouble peculiar to women. Doctors don't seem to help them. It's pitiful. relief and then told me they did not ex-Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Grayson pect me to live; that I had best tele-Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diar- of life rhoea Remedy, and take no substitute. I took a double dose according to the money back if Stella-Vitae doesn't ben-

writes H. W. Ireland, Louisville, Ky. Tenn.

Card of Thanks

We desire to thank the good peo Branch and attended the meet- administered to the afflictions ney and Bladder troubles, dising which is in progress at that of our husband and son during solves gravel, cures diabetes, weak place. They report a most en- the continued illness that caused and lame backs, rheumatism and his untimely end. It is our pray- all irregularities of the kidneys Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. McCright ers that each and all of you be and bladder in both men and

assistance. Respectfully,

Mrs. William Barker J. L. Barker

Peace

cident to certain skin diseases, in al- St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists most instantly allayed by applying days I was as well as ever." For sale Chamberlain's Salve. Price 25 cents. For sale by all dealers.



In your Face?



her face. Secret suffering and sickness is writing those lines every day plainer and plainer.

They don't know what to do. Their backs ache, their bodies ache; poor ap-

But there is a way out. A distinguished Southern physician have returned home from Waco. graph for my family. Instead of doing There was a musical entertain-ment at Mr. Tabors Thursday and told him to buy me a bottle of

All dealers sell it and so certain are Several from here are attend-ing the Christian meeting at Noodle. Misses Alice Brown and Mary Barclay spent Saturday with friends in Trent

For sale by T. L. Grimes Druggist

A TEXAS WONDER.

The Texas Wonder cures Kidblessed for your kindness 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 Twenty-Five Cents is the Price of and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for Texas testimoni-The terrible itching and smarting, in- als. Dr. E.W. Hall, 2926 Olive St.,

