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| Loans | \$239,511.28 |
| Banking House | 9,500.00 |
| Other Real Estate | 2,500.00 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 3,950.00 |
| Interest in Guaranty Fund | 2,053.14 |
| Cash and Exchange | 87,531.62 |
| Other Resources | 1,399.10 |
| Total | \$346,445.14 |

LIABILITIES

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|---------------------------|--------------|
| Capital Stock | \$ 35,000.00 |
| Surplus and Profits | 18,534.56 |
| Deposits | 258,253.73 |
| Rediscounts | 34,656.85 |
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The above statement is correct

R. O. ANDERSON, Cashier

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MASONS CALLED TO MEET ON SATURDAY OVER 1,250 BALES WEIGHED AT TRENT

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Statement of Ownership, Management, Circulation, Etc.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 28th day of Sept., 1916.

[Seal] N. D. Cobb,
Notary Public, Taylor Co.
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With a good road from Fort Worth to El Paso, the people of this town would see travel diverted through our midst that is now going the northern route of Texas and to that part of the state the expenditures of these travelers are being made. Why should we remain silent and watch other Texas sections profit when we should in reality be in the lead. Everybody work for a good road.

Lax-Fos, A Mild, Effective Laxative & Liver Tonic Does Not Grip nor Disturb the Stomach. In addition to other properties, Lax-Fos contains Cascara in acceptable form, a stimulating Laxative and Tonic. Lax-Fos acts effectively and does not gripe nor disturb stomach. At the same time, it aids digestion, arouses the liver and secretions and restores the healthy functions. 50c.



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I took two of Chamberlain's Tablets last night, and I feel fifty percent better than I have for weeks, says J. J. Firestone of Allegan, Mich. They are certainly a fine article for biliousness. For sale by all dealers.

A TEXAS WONDER.

The Texas Wonder cures Kidney and Bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs; rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for Texas testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists

Statement of The

Farmers & Merchants
NATIONAL BANK

OF MERKEL, TEXAS

At Close of Business Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1916

RESOURCES

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| Loans | \$205,603.00 |
| U. S. Bonds—par | 10,250.00 |
| Stock in Federal Bank | 1,500.00 |
| Five Per Cent Redemption Fund | 312.50 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 3,600.00 |
| Real Estate | 5,900.00 |
| Cash and Sight Exchange | 152,027.04 |
| Total | \$379,192.54 |

LIABILITIES

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|----------------------------|--------------|
| Capital Stock | \$ 25,000.00 |
| Surplus and Profits | 40,327.18 |
| Circulation | 6,250.00 |
| Bills Payable | None |
| Rediscounts | None |
| Other Borrowed Money | None |
| DEPOSITS | 307,615.36 |
| Total | \$379,192.54 |

OLD - STRONG
RELIABLE

We appreciate your business and are anxious to render good Banking service to our friends and patrons at all times

THOS. JOHNSON, Cashier

LOCAL NEWS

James Parker Sharp Jr., of this city has returned. When interviewed Tuesday afternoon, he refused to divulge his late whereabouts, but regardless we stick out our hand and say welcome back to the cotton producing town in Texas.

Health Club baking powder for sale at E. L. Rogers is guaranteed.

Mrs. B. W. Freeman and son Bertie have returned to their home in Huntingdon, Tenn., after a three-weeks visit in Merkel with relatives and friends.

Must have the money out of these shoes and hats. A. L. Jobe.

Miss Kinnebrew of Eastland who spent last week in Merkel visiting the Misses Sears, returned to her home Saturday in company with Miss Eula and Clyde Sears. Miss Kinnebrew expects to return shortly and begin a class in art and voice.

Mrs. J. N. Hankins and children of Birmingham, Ala., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Warren and others in Merkel this week.

The only vegetable refrigerator in town is at E. L. Rogers.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sears at their home in Abilene Monday, Sept. 25th.

We are giving 23 cents per dozen for eggs. Anchor Mercantile Co.

The W. M. S. of the Methodist church are endeavoring to get a car of paper. They ask any who will contribute papers, to phone Mrs. C. E. Conner, No. 243. Magazines especially wanted.

Our prices are right every day in the week. Circulars unnecessary. E. L. Rogers.

Cole's Hot Blast Heaters make a big reduction in your coal bill—see their advertisement and guarantee.

The B. Y. P. U. program will be the same as for last Sunday on account of not having a meeting last Sunday. All young people of Merkel are cordially invited to attend.

If you want good ginning go to Brownings new gin.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Owen have moved to Sweetwater where Mr. Owen has accepted a position with the Wells Fargo Express Company.

Our line of groceries is now complete. See E. L. Rogers.

Mrs. L. J. Owen is in Fredericksburg visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Yarborough.

If you want good planting seed go to Brownings new gin.

Mrs. Virgil Touchstone returned to her home at Childress Tuesday night. Mr. and Mrs. Touchstone will move at once to Chillicothe, where the former has purchased an interest in a drug business.

If you want to buy a good home in Merkel at a bargain see W. H. Young. 29tf

"Mother" Garyn of Post is here with her son Rev. W. P. Garvin and family.

Three 2-bit cans Health Club baking powder for 4-bits at E. L. Rogers.

W. D. Butler was a rush visitor to the Mail Office office Saturday. The cause of the commotion was his negligence however and his wife had sent him to town with specific instructions to be sure and subscribe for the Mail. Mr. Butler's subscription had expired a few days prior.

To have your clothes cleaned and pressed by the Star Store Tailoring Co., is a positive guarantee of the best service in Merkel.

If you have not tried Brownings new gin, do so now.



WE WANT YOUR TRADE

COME IN; "WE WILL SHOW YOU"—FIRST: THE BEST LINE OF MERCHANDISE CARRIED IN THIS CITY. NEXT, "WE WILL SHOW YOU" THAT BY COMPARISON, QUALITY WITH QUALITY AND PRICE WITH PRICE, IT WILL PAY YOU TO DEAL WITH US.

SHODDY STUFF IS EXPENSIVE AT ANY PRICE. WE CAN SELL YOU ONLY FIRST CLASS GOODS. WE WISH YOUR CONTINUED PATRONAGE. WE KNOW WE CAN GAIN THIS ONLY BY ASKING YOU MODERATE PRICES FOR WHAT WE SELL. MAKING MONEY IS ONE OF OUR AIMS, BUT WE FEEL THAT WE CAN MAKE MORE MONEY BY SELLING OUR PATRONS GOOD GOODS AT FAIR PRICES THAN IN ANY OTHER WAY. COME IN AND "WE WILL SHOW YOU WE WANT YOUR TRADE."

Does the Saving of a Ten Dollar Bill Mean Anything To You

If so be sure and see the real \$25 suits we are making to measure for

\$15

Men and boys Hats
New and Nobby
See Them

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|--------------------------------|--------|
| 100 pounds Marechal Neil Flour | \$3.90 |
| 3-pound can steel-cut coffee | 90c |
| 3 pkgs puffed wheat or rice | 25c |
| 3 cans pie peaches | 25c |
| 3 cans Kraut | 25c |
| 3 cans Corn | 25c |
| 3 cans Peas | 25c |

Our stock of dress goods is full and complete. Do your shopping at our store and enjoy the feast of good things—HIGH in style and quality, but LOW in price.

THE STAR STORE

Compare These Suits With Those Other Tailors ask \$25.00 For

We guarantee that you cannot duplicate them at this price—

\$15

FLORSHEIM SHOES
for men

Guarantees Style and Quality

Fired Upon at Night

Some unknown person, or persons, fired two or three shots into the upper part of the home of Ab Spraberry, about six miles northeast of Anson, last Sunday night after nine o'clock. When the shots were fired Mr. Spraberry

ran into the yard and fired shots in the direction from which the gun reports came. He saw no one. Immediately following the shooting Sheriff Register was called to the scene. In an investigation which followed fresh tracks of a man were

found in a cotton field near the house, showing that some one had left the field in a long run.

One night, some two weeks ago, Mr. Spraberry stepped into his back yard and was fired upon twice, and, while the bullets missed him, they came uncomfortably close.

Mr. Spraberry and the officers are without a clue and can assign no motive for these dastardly acts. A determined effort will be made to apprehend the guilty person, or persons.—Roby Banner.



SOLD!

To the Man with the Black Mustache

RECORD PRICE
BROUGHT BY A RANGE ETERNAL
IN AUCTION

Recently a man named Hays—in an Ohio town—held a public sale of his household effects. Among the articles offered, was a *Range Eternal* which he had purchased in 1914. After spirited bidding, the *Range Eternal* was sold to Mr. Albert Ferguson of Grove City, O., for only 50c less than Hays originally paid for it. But that is not all. Later on, four of those who bid for Hays' *Range Eternal*, bought new ones from the local dealer. All of which simply goes to prove that the *Range Eternal* is "legal tender" and has an established reputation for SERVICE.

Let Us Show You the RANGE ETERNAL
Everlastingly Good.

We have the same kind of range that Mr. Hays sold at such a record breaking price. Come in and see it. Let us explain, one by one, the 32 points of Eternal Excellence which make the service of the *Range Eternal* so delightful—and so economical. Don't buy any range until you really understand the *Range Eternal*.

G. F. WEST CO.

A PAY SCHOOL HAS STARTED AT TRENT

Starting Sept. 18, Supt. Greene of the Trent schools opened a subscription school at that place and a number have taken advantage of the early opening to allow their children a full term.

The public school will likely open within the next few weeks, or just as soon as the rural community completes a major portion of cotton picking, the children will not then be needed for the hurried gathering of the crop.

Are You Looking Old?

Old age comes quick enough without inviting it. Some look old at forty. That is because they neglect the liver and bowels. Keep your bowels regular and your liver healthy and you will not only feel younger but look younger. When troubled with constipation or biliousness take Chamberlain's Tablets. They are intended especially for these ailments and are excellent. Easy to take and most agreeable in effect. Obtainable everywhere.

Triplets Born Monday

Three babies, two girls and one boy, was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Erwin, living across the railroad southeast of Anson, at an early hour last Monday morning. One of the triplets, a girl, died a few hours after birth but the other two and the mother is reported to be getting along splendidly by the attending physician, Dr. W. J. McCreight.

Mrs. Erwin, who weighs about 130 pounds, is 34 year old and the mother of 10 children, one set of twins. The father is 32 years of age.

So far as can be learned this is the first set of triplets ever born in Anson.—Western Enterprise.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation is taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Special Edition

The Second Annual Pre-Fair edition of the Midland Reporter appeared in 44 pages, magazine form, and was artistically made up throughout.

Throughout the forty odd pages half-tone productions gave prominence to Midland and the possibilities of the Midland country. The readers of the Reporter should feel proud of a paper awake to the times, as the Reporter is.

Best Treatment for a Burn

If for no other reason, Chamberlain's Salve should be kept in every household on account of its great value in the treatment of burns. It allays the pain almost instantly, and unless the injury is a severe one, heals the parts without leaving a scar. This salve is also unequalled for chapped hands, sore nipples and diseases of the skin. Price, 25 cents. For sale by all dealers.

Ladies Free Rest Room

Ladies don't fail to take advantage of the Rest Room when in Merkel. It is free to you to use at any time you are in Merkel. Side entrance to Behrens-McMillen Furniture Co.

Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

Phone W. E. Lowe at the Busy Bee for a service car.

The MERKEL MAIL

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TELEPHONE No. 61

WHEN HUGHES WAS AS DUMB AS A DEAD OYSTER

Of course Mr. Hughes is for arbitration. So are we. So was President Wilson. During Mr. Roosevelt's administration no compulsory arbitration law was passed, and no such law was passed during Mr. Taft's administration. No such law was passed during Mr. Wilson's administration.

In 1902 the owners of the coal mines and the coal roads of the east refused for six months to arbitrate a strike that the miners had inaugurated. Finally after considerable cajoling Roosevelt did appoint a commission.

The railroads were strong for arbitration in August and in that they were right. Another great strike is sweeping over the biggest city in the United States. Mr. Shonts is the representative of the employers. Mr. Shonts has the whip hand in view of the approach of the presidential election. Mr. Shonts refuses to arbitrate.

A great wrong was done when one set of men were permitted to threaten to tie up the commerce of the United States and refuse arbitration. But there was no law compelling them to accept arbitration. They were within their legal rights.

Wilson prevented a strike. Wilson prevented a paralysis of the business of this country. Wilson made it possible for the wheels of commerce to keep going. If Wilson had not acted and the strike had gone on for one week, he would have been denounced by the same Hughes that is now talking about the Adamson law as inept, as vacillating and lacking courage. Hughes would have charged that he could have prevented the strike, but did not have courage so to do.

It is amazing that so many apparently sensible people do not grasp the whole problem that confronted the president. Those who are loudest in their denunciation are supposed to be the most intelligent. Universal democracy has made tremendous progress during the Wilson administration. Those who held unfair advantage have lost ground. They are making a tremendous struggle to have privilege again come into its own.

And, by the way, when the struggle was on, when the brotherhood leaders were in Washington before the passage of the Adamson bill, did Hughes make any helpful suggestion? Not Hughes; he was as dumb as a dead oyster.—Commercial Appeal.

NEW DEVICES ELECTRICAL

The electric "drop-a-coin" fan is ready to take its place in the station or waiting room beside the weighing and gum machines.

A new type of instantaneous water heater operated from any electric lamp socket may be used to make a supply of hot water flow from any faucet.

Inventors have discovered that electricity applied to soil moistened with salt water will destroy potato bugs and other insect pests without injuring growing crops.

Ever forget to turn out the cellar light? An

automatic electric door switch turns on the light when the door is opened and snaps it off when the door is closed, and never forgets.

Highly inflammable motion picture film has caused many destructive theatre fires. A new electrical device will automatically seal up the film boxes on a projector and cut off the burning film, thus preventing the spread of the flames.

Dust may be used instead of gasoline in the automobile carburetors of the future. Electricity is used to ignite the explosive charge in an experimental "dust engine" recently constructed in government laboratories in Washington.

An electric filing clerk which may be attached to any lamp socket and which will pick out certain classes of information from a catalogue of 30,000 cards is an indispensable servant of the Naval Consulting Board's committee on industrial preparedness.

Engineers of the General Electric Company who have figured in the construction of the largest electric transformers in the world, have recently perfected one of the smallest ever built. It may be concealed in the palm of the hand, and when screwed into any lamp socket will light a miniature Mazda lamp all night every night for 20 cents a month.

TOWN TO LOSE SHIPWRECKED ELECTRIC PLANT

As a result of the war, Ocus, Guatemala, will lose its novel electric lighting plant. Nine years ago a liner went ashore near the town and, when it was decided not to refloat the ship, the chief engineer went among the townspeople and arranged to furnish them with electric lights. The wiring and equipment inside the vessel were taken out and used to distribute electricity about the town. Then wires were strung over the side of the vessel, the plant inside the boat which was uninjured, it was started and Ocus experienced the thrill of its life.

The natives of the town are saddened just now, however, over the prospects of losing their faithful engineer and their shipwrecked lighting plant. The owners of the vessel have no vested right in the ship and since the war has raised the value of vessels they believe it would be profitable to dig a canal beneath the ship and refloat it.

HIGH PRICED SEED

One day last week cotton seed sold for \$50 per ton in Abilene. That "listens" fine to the fellow who has cotton seed to sell, but it works a hardship upon the ultimate consumer who does not produce cotton seed, but is forced to use the finished product.—Bonham Favorite.

That's nothing Mister for west Texas. A few days ago they sold for \$52.50 in Merkel.

VOLUNTEER EFFICIENCY

The demonstration of the fire fighting as done by the Merkel firemen in a fight against flames at the Estes home Wednesday clearly demonstrates for about the 100th time recently that our local fire department is 100 per cent efficient.

Expressions from various sides as to the impossible task the boys had in keeping the flames from destroying the house were heard but nevertheless they held the flames to the room of origin and stopped the fire with the least possible damage. Merkel people are often appreciative of the work of the department as was shown by the recent false alarm coming from the Browning gin. When Mr. Browning ascertained that the boys were given a run for nothing, he donated the department a nice-sized check for their trouble.

ROAD CONNECTING FORT WORTH WITH EL PASO

"To Pass Through Merkel"

The movement to have a highway connecting Fort Worth with El Paso, and thereby cause more than 200 autoist daily to go to California by the Southern route was crystallized into a definite, co-operative working plan at a meeting to be held in Midland on September 26. The plan, which was proposed by Judge Adrian Pool at the recent meeting of the Texas Good Roads association in San Antonio, received the approval of the eight hundred delegates.

Judge Pool says he realized there was an enormous tourist business from coast to coast passing through Dallas and Fort Worth, and that El Paso was getting little or none of the traffic. He went to Dallas and Fort Worth to find out, and found all of the traffic was being detoured at Fort Worth by way of Wichita Falls and Amarillo.

200 Cars Pass Daily

"I went to Wichita Falls to watch the tourist traffic pass," Judge Pool said yesterday. "It was estimated that more than

200 cars a day passed over this road to the Pacific coast and to Colorado points. I talked to many of these people and asked them why they traveled this road instead of coming direct to El Paso, where we had a connection with all Colorado points, and all California points, over the best automobile roads in the country. The universal reply was they understood this was true, and they much preferred going through El Paso, but they could not get from Fort Worth to El Paso without a flying machine.

Mineral Wells Enthusiastic

"I decided that I would see what could be done to make connections from Fort Worth to El Paso, in order to bring this immense amount of traffic through El Paso. I first stopped off at Mineral Wells, having decided at the San Antonio convention that the Mineral Wells delegation was a bunch of live wires. I arrived there at 12 o'clock. Two hours later one hundred business men were at the Chamber of Commerce to discuss the proposition, they being as much interested in the matter as myself. At all of the larger towns between Mineral Wells and El Paso, the proposition to build a road from Fort Worth to El Paso, following the Texas & Pacific railroad, was en-

thusiastically received. Many of the towns closed their business houses and went to the court house for an hour to discuss the proposition.

What Road Would Mean

"I have never seen so much enthusiasm over any proposition as there is in the towns from here to Fort Worth over the proposition of making this automobile connection from Fort Worth to El Paso. It will mean, at least, 200 cars per day through these towns into El Paso. A great many of these cars will stop in some of the towns along the route and spend a few dollars. It probably means at least a couple of hundred dollars per day to any town between here and Fort Worth. The business men in these towns realize the value of this traffic to them, and are determined to get the connection built. It will be no trouble to follow the Texas & Pacific all the way from El Paso to Fort Worth with the exception of Ward and Ector counties.

"It may be necessary to detour from Midland by way of Grand Falls to Pecos, on account of the sand in Ward and Ector counties. These counties are abundantly able financially to build roads through their counties, and it depends entirely on



Prince Albert gives smokers such delight, because

- its flavor is so different and so delightfully good;
- it can't bite your tongue;
- it can't parch your throat;
- you can smoke it as long and as hard as you like without any comeback but real tobacco happiness!

On the reverse side of every Prince Albert package you will read:

"PROCESS PATENTED JULY 30th, 1907"

That means to you a lot of tobacco enjoyment. Prince Albert has always been sold without coupons or premiums. We prefer to give quality!

PRINCE ALBERT

the national joy smoke

in goodness and in pipe satisfaction is all we or its enthusiastic friends ever claimed for it!

It answers every smoke desire you or any other man ever had! It is so cool and fragrant and appealing to your smoke appetite that you will get chummy with it in a mighty short time!

Will you invest 5c or 10c to prove out our say-so on the national joy smoke?

R. J. REYNOLDS TOBACCO CO., Winston-Salem, N. C.

YOU'LL find a cheery howdy-do on top no matter how much of a stranger you are in the neck of the woods you drop into. For, Prince Albert is right there—at the first place you pass that sells tobacco! The tippy red bag sells for a nickel and the tippy red tin for a dime; then there's the handsome pound and half-pound tin humidor and the pound crystal-glass humidor with sponge-moistener top that keeps the tobacco in such bang-up trim all-the-time!



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This is the reverse side of the Prince Albert tippy red tin. Read this "Patented Process" message-to-you and realize what it means in making Prince Albert so much to your liking.

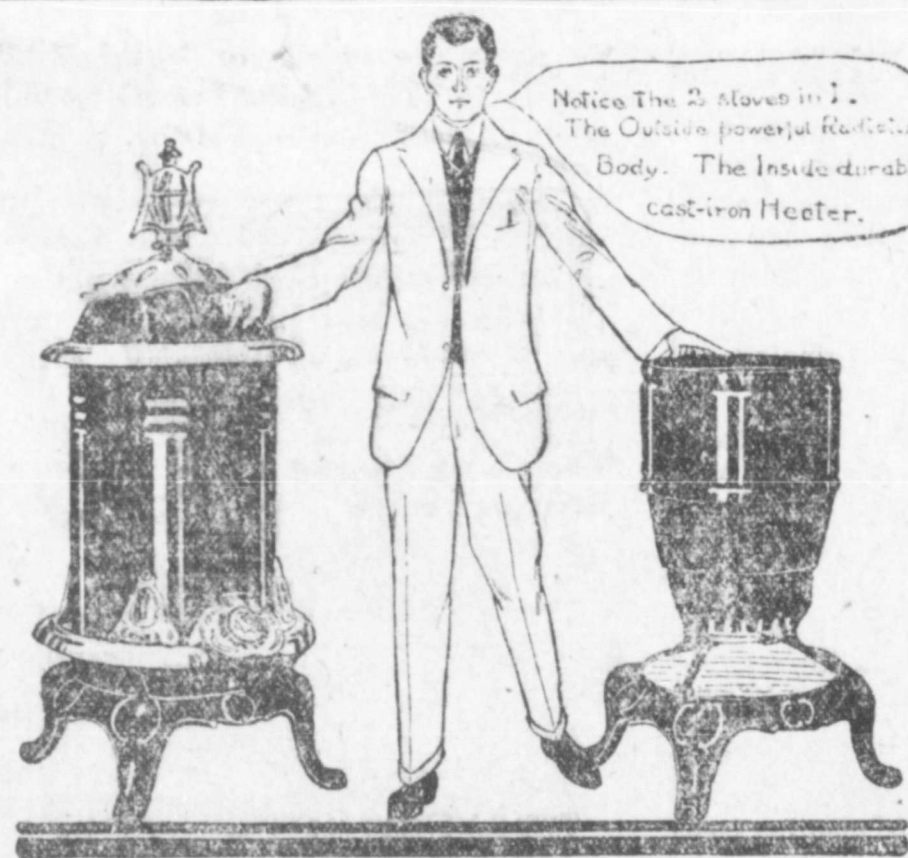
on whether or not they see it this way, as to whether they get this road.

200 Miles of Good Road

"It would be much better to bring the road straight through

these counties, but if they do not fix their roads it will not interfere in any way in the road from Fort Worth to El Paso, as we have already made arrangement to detour from Mid-

land by way of Grand Falls to Pecos, if we find it necessary to do so. We already have an excellent road from Pecos to El Paso of about 200 miles. Many of the counties along this road



Two Stoves for the Price of One

We offer you only reliable goods made by reliable manufacturers. Honest prices and honest values is our motto. If there is one place where quality counts it is here.

Cole's Original Hot Blast

is a double stove—a heavy durable heating stove slipped inside of the powerful radiating body which radiates all the heat. This remarkable construction makes an absolutely air-tight stay-tight heater which holds fire from Saturday night until Monday morning. This guaranteed stay-tight construction in connection with our Hot Blast fuel saving draft makes our guaranteed great fuel economy possible.

The Many Feet of Leaking Joints

made temporarily tight with stove putty explains why imitation hot blast heaters and stoves with other fuel saving devices are not guaranteed to remain air-tight always, as is Cole's Hot Blast.

Cole's Hot Blast burns any fuel—soft coal, hard coal, or wood. It is a powerful radiator of heat. It gives a sizzling hot base. It gives a guaranteed fuel economy. You can't afford to be without this remarkable heater. Come in and see it today.

"Cole's Hot Blast makes your cool pile last." To avoid imitations look for Cole's.

G. F. WEST COMPANY
 Merkel, Texas





Quality First

A \$56,000,000 "RUN" ON A CHALMERS CAR

"Run"—is the word. It's like a run on a bank. Only it's a run on a car—a Chalmers car. It seems endless. The people want more.

And so more must be built for them—20,000 more.

You remember a while ago that six hundred men took one look at this new car and bought \$22,000,000 worth in forty very brief minutes. They were the Chalmers Dealers.

Now they insist that more of the same kind be built—more of the 3400 r. p. m. Chalmers.

So the Chalmers executives have put through a factory work order for 20,000 more of them.

They built and delivered, in six months, 18,000. That was all they intended to build for an entire year. That completed their part of the \$22,000,000 affair.

We got them to build another 10,000. We thought that would be enough to last through the fall. But no, the 10,000 were quickly taken up during the summer months.

So they are going to build 20,000 more. That means, all told, 48,000 cars—or \$56,000,000 worth of these remarkable 3400 r. p. m. Chalmers.

So you see why I use the word "run." The people who know good cars—like Emerson's wise saying about the man who makes a better mouse trap, etc., will find a beaten path to his door, even though he live in the woods—they create this ever-increasing desire to own a Chalmers.

They have sought quality—not price. We seldom have people ask us the price of this car. When we tell

them \$1090 Detroit, they are very much taken back. We get little of the "price" trade. Most of those who come to us have passed that era in car buying.

They want quality. And they know pretty well where to look for it. They look for it in the sound of the engine, in the action of the clutch, in the action of the steering apparatus, in the sound of the differential.

They examine the radiator, try the brakes, observe the kind of glass in the windshield, note the kind of material in the top, and then poke around into the corners of the body.

That much done, they get into the car and try her out. For they are smart enough to know that the biggest result of quality is performance.

That's what usually brings us the sale. For performance is the car's middle name. She's got amazing acceleration—so lively and full of spunk.

And then she climbs hills so quickly and hugs the road so well at a rapid clip.

And, best of all, she handles so easily. She's as obedient as any creature man ever made.

Once you try her you, too, will understand the "run" on her. It's a thing difficult to explain, but three editions of a car in a year's time is something to ponder over.

We have it direct by telegraph that Chalmers will continue to make these 3400 r. p. m.'s next season. There's no time limit set. As soon as these last 20,000 are built and out of the way there will probably be more.

So you're dead safe in getting a model of a car that has in no way reached its peak of popularity.

FULWILER ELECTRIC COMPANY, Ira Armstrong, Local Demonstrator

have already built fine roads. Mineral Wells has an excellent system of roads. Taylor county, Mitchell county and Reeves county have excellent road systems. Most of the roads through many other counties are in good condition.

"In El Paso county, alone, will by the first day of November have 140 miles of this road completed. El Paso Times.

For Sale

17 room house (my home place) 3 lots, well, windmill, elevated tank, cistern, fruit trees, good out buildings; near school building. Part cash, balance terms. G. W. Johnson, 221f Merkel, Texas.

Miss Leila Hill, piano and violin teacher solicits your patronage. Pupil of McDonald and Schrimmer. Seven years experience. Studio at residence of Rev. H. E. Bullock. Phone 285 and 182. 1518-170

Injured by Infuriated Animal

While out in a pasture near Anson last Friday, J. T. West was quite seriously injured by a maddened Jersey male attacking him. The animal had been dehorned, and to this fact Mr. West likely owes his life. After knocking Mr. West down, the animal sprang upon him, crushing in several ribs. However, the victim rescued himself from further injury by grabbing a chain that was fastened in the male's nose, and jerking on it with all his might, thus causing the animal to subside in his attacks. Physicians were called out and administered to the injured man, and at last reports Mr. West was resting very well and will likely be out within due course of time. —Western Enterprise.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days

Your druggist will refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of Itching, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. The first application gives Ease and Rest. 50c.

FARMERS

It has come to our ears, that some cotton farmers are a bit skeptical on Electrical power being too strong, and in operating the various gins in Merkel that it pulls the gins too fast, and by so doing, don't give the proper turn out.

That is all BULL. Anyone telling you so, don't know what they are talking about. Electric Power is the most flexible power there is.

The Electric gins have many advantages over any other motive power in favor of the cotton producer.

We would be glad to go into details and explain why the many advantages can be had in your favor, with the Electric power, to any skeptical cotton producer. Respectfully

MERKEL POWER CO.

Per W. A. McSPADDEN, Mgr.

Mr. Johnson Says

"This morning I was in Bill's store when a stranger came in and asked him to cash a check for \$1, but he refused—said that he did not know the man.

"A few minutes later another stranger came in and offered to send him a farm paper and give him a fountain pen for nothing, if he would pay the postage on the paper, which this agent said would be \$1. Bill bit!

"Why wasn't it just as safe to cash a check as it was to buy promises? If I'd been Bill I would have told that fellow to see the sheriff, a deputy or the constable and get a note from him saying that his credentials were O. K., and I would have phoned some officer to look this fellow up and see if he was all right, even if I had wanted to buy from him.

"But I know half a dozen people in this county who buy goods from Bill, and take subscriptions

for first class farm papers and magazines, and who can always be found in case the paper doesn't show up, and it beats me why Bill should give his money to somebody he never saw before and will never see again, instead of giving it to home folks who spend their money here."

How to Give Good Advice

The best way to give good advice is to set a good example. When others see how quickly you get over your cold by taking Chamberlain's Cough Remedy they are likely to follow your example. This remedy has been in use for many years and enjoys an excellent reputation. Obtainable everywhere.

Ulysses McNeese left Thursday morning for Dallas where he will be in school through the winter.

The Strong Withstand the Heat of Summer Better Than the Weak

Old people who are feeble, and younger people who are weak, will be strengthened and enabled to go through the depressing heat of summer by taking regularly Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It purifies and enriches the blood and builds up the whole system. 50c.

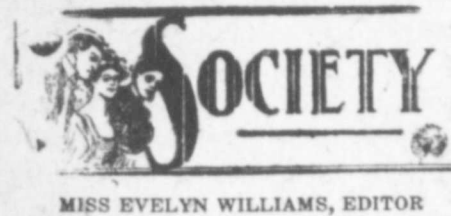
BARGAINS IN OUR STAPLE DEPARTMENT

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| 20 yards Good Grade Calico only..... | \$1.00 |
| 30 yards good grade cotton checks only..... | 1.00 |
| 16 2/3 yards good grade 36-inch brown domestic only..... | 1.00 |
| 12 yds good grade 36-in. Sea Island brown domestic..... | 1.00 |
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| Best grade heavy canton flannel per yard only..... | 10c |
| Full line of everything in blankets from 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2 and on up to the better wool blankets from \$3.50 to..... | \$8.50 |

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The Anchor Mercantile Company



Married

On Sunday afternoon at the residence of A. H. Baker, Cleo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Barnes, of Merkel, Route Three, and R. E. Davis of the same community were married.

It has been this venerable gentleman's pleasure to start many young couples down life's path together. May these two have few sorrows and many joys in the well-beaten path that they chosen to take.

Wedded

Tally Holloway and Miss Mae Green were married at the residence of Justice N. D. Cobb Monday evening at 8:30 with this gentleman's family as the only witnesses. That these two were lovers and were planning their wedding had been known to their friends but that it should have occurred on this particular date was a surprise to all and did not become known until the following day.

These two are both residents of Merkel and will continue to reside here where Mr. Holloway is connected with the Star Store Clothing Department.

Their many friends join with the Mail in wishing them happiness and prosperity in their married life.

Little Miss Annis Lou Russell celebrated her eighth birthday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Russell Saturday afternoon from three to five. Eighteen little friends were invited to spend these hours with Annie Lou and the time was spent in playing games of different kinds. The little folks present were Grace and Gerald Cook, Bonnie Wayne Sanders, Elizabeth Harkrider, Elizabeth Gaither, Jewell Russell, Nina Parten, Amy Bradshaw, Doris, Christine and Selma Lee Russell, Lena Bond, Alta Boden, Lucile Gui-

WHY YOU ARE NERVOUS

The nervous system is the alarm system of the human body. In perfect health we hardly realize that we have a network of nerves, but when health is ebbing, when strength is declining, the same nervous system gives the alarm in headaches, tiredness, dreamful sleep, irritability and unless corrected, leads straight to a breakdown. To correct nervousness, Scott's Emulsion is exactly what you should take; its rich nutriment gets into the blood and rich blood feeds the tiny nerve-cells while the whole system responds to its refreshing tonic force. It is free from alcohol.



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"Any time you want real goodies use Calumet Baking Powder! My mother uses it—she's tried all others—she's learned her lesson—now she sticks to Calumet."
"Unequaled for making tender, wholesome, light bakings. Wonderful leavening and raising qualities—uniform results. Mother says Calumet is the most economical to buy—most economical to use. Try it at once."
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tar, Hazel Lee Rainbolt, Francis and Helen Powell, Elba Cox and the little hostess. Refreshments of ice cream and cake with lemonade were served.

Social Meeting

The Missionary Ladies of the Methodist church had a social meeting Monday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Chas. Beard on Bettis Heights. The program, as printed in last week's paper, was carried out in full, some especially interesting and helpful articles being given. In the ten-minute discussion its interest was added to by the talk from Miss Dota Garrouthe, a vis-

itor. Fourteen members beside others were present. At the close of the program the hostess served refreshments of ice cream with cake.

Dowdy-Cathcart

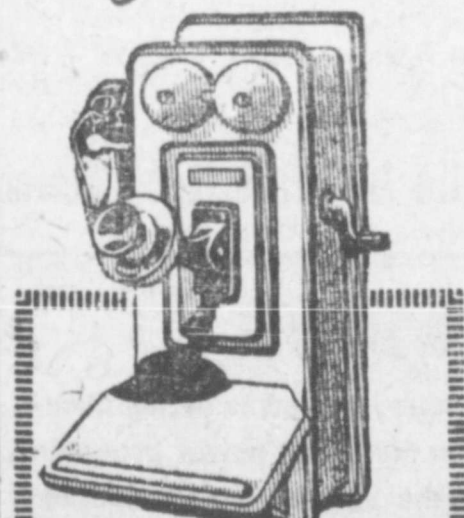
Miss Ruby Dowdy and J. H. Cathcart of Abilene surprised their friends and relatives very much when they were married Monday afternoon at the Baptist parsonage at this place. So quietly were their plans made that no one outside the immediate family knew of them until after the ceremony was performed. On Tuesday morning Mr. and Mrs. Cathcart left for Mingus and other points where they will visit relatives of the groom.

As these two go from us they have the best wishes of their Merkel friends.

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This is a medicine that every family should be provided with. Colic and diarrhoea often come on suddenly and often come on suddenly and it is of the greatest importance that they be treated promptly. Consider the suffering that must be endured until a physician arrives or medicine can be obtained. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy has a reputation second to none for the quick relief which it affords. Obtainable everywhere.

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FOR SALE.—Good gentle buggy mare, and good buggy. Miss Amanda Curtis. 154-50

For Sale—Good 60 acre farm 45 in cultivation. In one mile of good school. See me on Route 2. G. W. Brady.

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FOR SALE.—300 acres land 9 miles south of Merkel. Dem Rust. 84f

FOR SALE.—Five room house on South Rose Street. Good terms. Robert Hills. 23tf.

For Rent—4 room house in the south part of town. S. F. Haynes. 22tf

For Rent—Good 4 room house. Apply at Mail office. 22tf

For Rent—Good 6 room house, sleeping porch, cistern, well, windmill, tank-house, waterworks, plenty room, barn, and garden plot—\$12.00 per month to desirable parties only. Homer L. East-erwood.

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Advertised Letters.

Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Lander, Jones, Luther. Johnson, Mrs. Bessie. Montgomery, Mrs. W. A. Norton, Mrs. Bernice. Williams, Mrs. M. D. Akin, Perry.

These letters will be sent to the dead letter office Oct. 4th, 1916. H. C. Williams, P. M. Merkel, Texas

Appreciates help

To the fire boys and all others who endangered themselves and helped at the fire that threatened to destroy our home, we wish to extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation. Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Estes.

Buy the celebrated Conklin gloves at A. L. Jobe's.

Wanted—A few boarders. Location close in. Mrs. C. C. Bankhead. 29t1pd

FOR SALE—Young Jersey cow with young calf. G. F. Turner, Merkel, Rt 1, Box 20. 29t2pd

COW WANTED—An extra good milk cow. You must take a fine Jersey nearly dry as part pay. Dr. Geo. L. Miller.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Good little farm in Wood county, 1 1/2 miles of Mineola. Well improved, good well, ever-lasting spring in pasture. G. W. Ely. 29t3

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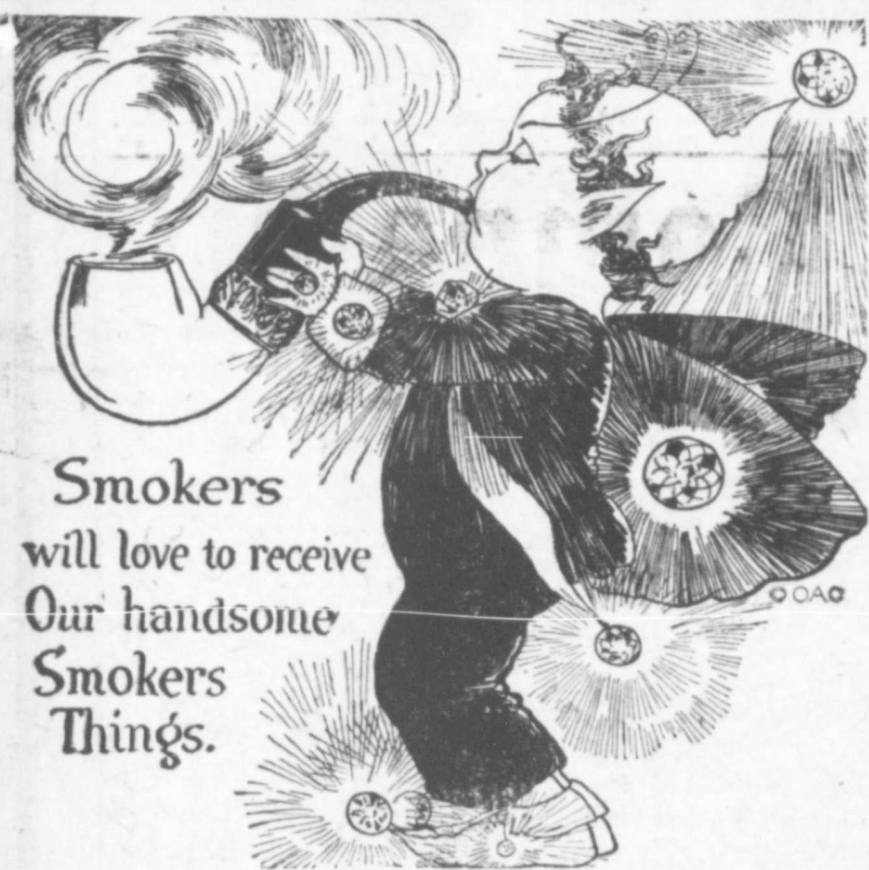
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NOODLE

Health of our community is good at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson, and sister Ruth of Avoca were guests of home folks at this place Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. W. L. Barbee came home Saturday morning from the Grogan Well at Sweetwater, to spend a few days with home folks, but returned to Sweetwater Tuesday morning.

Eld. Silman of Merkel preached at the Christian Church Sunday afternoon.

Miss Selma Hendrix left last week for Abilene to enter school for this term.

Miss Ora Bryson returned to school at Merkel Monday morning.

Mrs. John Hill and son, Emmit returned to their home at Hamilton last Wednesday, after a pleasant visit with relatives at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bryson spent Sunday in Sylvester.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Walker of Kale attended services at this place Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Jess Tabor and sisters, Misses Birdie, Gertrude and Fannie and Miss Banna Winter of Shiloh attended services at the Christian Church Saturday afternoon.

Constipation the father of Many Ills

Of the numerous ills that affect humanity a large share start with constipation. Keep your bowels regular and the ill may be avoided. When a laxative is needed take Chamberlain's Tablets. They not only move the bowels but improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion. Obtainable everywhere.

SHILOH

Grover Tyner preached at Shiloh Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Cade of Merkel spent Sunday with relatives in this community.

Uncle Terrell Winters was an Abilene visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jennings Winters returned last week from a visit to Lamesa.

Mrs. Hunsucker of Ellis county is here on a visit to her daughter Mrs. Robert Conder.

Mrs. Will Bond, and Mrs. Roberts spent one afternoon last week with Mrs. Brown.

Grover Tyner left Monday morning for Abilene where he will enter Simmons College.

There was an entertainment at Marian Winters Friday night.

Mrs. Beavers and daughter Miss Lyda, called on Mrs. Maynard and daughter, Miss Eula, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Jones and daughter Miss Myrtice spent Sunday with friends in Noodle.

The farmers of this community are rushing to get their cotton out before the fall rains set in, and especially Uncle Terrell Winters, who got in such a hurry one morning last week he aroused his women folks up to get him an early breakfast. His women went ahead and cooked breakfast

JUDGE FOR YOURSELF

Which is better—Try an Experiment or Profit by a Merkel Citizen's Experience.

Something new is an experiment. Must be proved to be as represented. The statement of a manufacture is not convicting proof of merit.

But the endorsement of friends is. Now supposing you had a bad back, A lame, weak, or aching one, Would you experiment on it? You will read of many so-called cures. Endorsed by strangers from faraway places.

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T. J. King, Kent Street, Merkel, says: "I didn't know that my kidneys were causing my back to ache until a neighbor told me to use Doan's Kidney Pills, saying that my kidneys were the cause of the complaint. My back ached nearly all the time and even when lying down, it bothered me. I used Doan's Kidney Pills and the discomfort left. Two boxes cured me."

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feeling all the time like they had not had much sleep that night, and getting so sleepy they decided to see what time it was, and it was twenty minutes till twelve o'clock; so you see the joke is on Uncle Terrell. He was working to get two breakfasts that morning.

Fairs, fairs, fairs!

Water, water everywhere and not a drop to drink. Fairs, fairs everywhere and not a one have we been able to attend yet, but there are two scheduled for the near future that we will attend if we have to lock up this shop and miss an issue.

The Central West Texas Fair at Abilene will be in progress within a few days and just after it is over the State Fair at Dallas will be in full sway and both of these attractions are certainly inviting. We propose to take in the Abilene Fair and will do our best to have the time of our life, after which we will go to Dallas to see if they have as good a fair as Taylor county can produce.

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disappear, the sting and smart and itching sensations that torture the victims of these troubles vanish when you use

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in the form of a salve, easy to apply, you run no risk, for if

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AT ALL DRUG STORES

A. B. Richards Medicine Co. SHERMAN, TEXAS

When in town come to see me, and spend a dollar. A. L. Jobe.

Dr. and Mrs. O. J. Shaffer left Tuesday morning for Atlanta, Ga., where the former will spend his last year in Dental College. This year will be spent by Dr. Shaffer in specializing in his profession.

Get my prices and you will buy my goods. A. L. Jobe.

Ralph Bigham has returned to San Antonio where he enters Peacock Military Academy for his second year. The Mail will go with him there as it does to every Merkel boy or girl who is away at school.

Three 2-bit cans Health Club baking powder for 4-bits at E. L. Rogers.

See the newest invention made for weighing cotton seed at Browning's new gin.

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We have several head of good horses, mules and mares for sale or trade and persons in need of any such stock can do well to see us. McDonald & Warren.

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Rally Day

The Presbyterian Sunday School has designated Sunday, Oct. 1, as Rally Day and are expecting an unusual attendance. On that day the graded lessons will be introduced in the balance of the grades, and will be used henceforth in all grades from the beginners to the senior department.

With our class rooms and improved facilities, our new graded literature and helps, just gotten out this year, we expect to strengthen our organization and increase our efficiency for Bible study. The study will be more systematic, and hence, more profitable and interesting.

If you are a member of the Presbyterian church or Sunday school we trust you will not fail to be present next Sunday—Rally Day. If you are not a member of our Sunday School, you are very cordially invited to be present Sunday and become a member of our school.

E. P. McMillen, Supt.

Hubert E. Bullock, Pastor.

Dragging Roads

After the light shower of Monday morning Commissioner Lassiter started road drags to work on the newly graded roads east of town, and no money was ever better invested in work than were the few dollars necessary to drag the Merkel and Tye road. Instead of it being a series of bumps and ditches, a little dragging made same smooth and now we say if a little dragging will do so much good, let's have lots of road dragging all the time.

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Am prepared to make quick loans on good farm and ranch property at eight percent. C. E. Whittaker. 29t5pd.



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3 Sticks 25c

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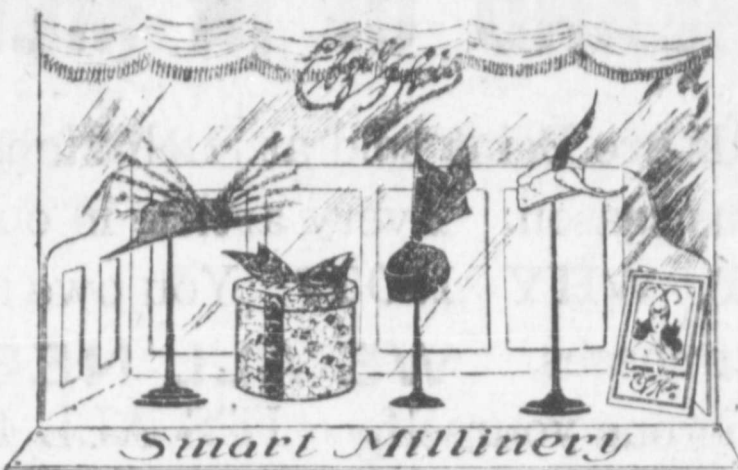
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DIAMONDS JEWELRY CUT GLASS

LOCAL NEWS

For first class cleaning, pressing and alterations, visit the Star Store Tailoring Company.

Mrs. Fred Blair of Waco is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vol Martin.

We are giving 23 cents per dozen for eggs. Anchor Mercantile Co.

Mrs. Maud Marshal of Snyder returned to her home Monday afternoon, having visited the family of Rev. W. P. Garvin.

For first-class cleaning, pressing and alterations, visit the Star Store Tailoring Co. 22t2

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Eads, with their son and two daughters, who have been visiting the family of J. S. Burns, left Monday night for Dallas, from there they will go to their home in West Virginia. Mrs. Eads is a sister of Mrs. Barnes.

Notice

To my friends and patrons: I have secured the services of an expert cleaner, presser and alteration man. When in need of work this kind I will appreciate you giving us a trial. The Star Store Tailoring Co. Mrs. C. L. Cash, Prop. 22t2

Farm for Sale

Good sandy land farm, near Shiloh, 180 acres, 104 in cultivation, well, cistern, tank, 4-room house. A bargain for cash. On market only 30 days. J. H. Grayson. 22t2pd

For Sale.

Some good seed wheat clear of Johnson Grass at \$1.50. 13 miles south of Merkel. J. S. Touchstone. 22t2pd

Notice

No camping, hunting or fishing allowed on the Winship place, in Jones County. 22t2

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Burroughs and children returned last week from visiting in Fort Worth and other places nearby. Upon their return they brought the news of the death of Mrs. Rudmose Sr., who with her son H. L. was at one time a resident of Merkel. This aged lady's death occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Morgan, on Washington Ave., Fort Worth, where she had been bedridden, a sufferer of cancer for several months. The remains were shipped to Baird where they were buried Thursday, Sept. 14. Accompanying them were her children, Mr. and Mrs. Paylor, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Rudmose all of Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. Jones of Moran.

Plenty good Johnson grass hay at my barn. See me at Star Store Saturday or phone Mr. Ash for delivery. T. J. R. Swafford. 29t2pd

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