



THE REAL BANK

Is the spirit that animates the Institution
Financial resources, building, fixtures, equipment — all these things — are, after all, the mere tools with which the bank works.

A real understanding of the customer's need; an earnest desire to cooperate with him in every legitimate way; a realization of public responsibility — these constitute the BANK. Everything else is secondary.

The spirit that animates this bank is the ground upon which we invite your account.

THE FARMERS STATE BANK

T. J. TOOMBS President
JOHN SEARS Vice President
R. L. BLAND Vice President
R. O. ANDERSON Cashier
F. Y. GAITHER Asst. Cashier

Statement at Close of Business May 4, 1920

RESOURCES	
Loans	\$ 625,250.04
Banking House	7,850.00
Furniture and Fixtures	5,200.00
U. S. Liberty Bonds & W. S. S.	6,459.55
Interest Guaranty Fund	4,068.79
CASH & EXCHANGE	407,080.97
Total	\$1,055,909.35
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus Fund	50,000.00
Undivided Profits	21,303.08
DEPOSITS	934,606.27
Total	\$1,055,909.35

REV. MURRELL TO HOLD MEETING AT CHILDRRESS

Rev. W. M. Murrell, pastor of the Methodist church of Merkel left today for Childress, Texas, where he will assist the pastor of the Methodist church in that city in holding a revival meeting.

Pastor Murrell is an able and forcible minister, who will no doubt bring great pleasure and good to those who hear him in the Panhandle town.

His pulpit here will be filled Sunday at the eleven o'clock hour by Mr. L. R. Thompson, who doubtless has a great lay message for all those who will be present to hear him.

Fresh car of Peacemaker Flour at G. M. Sharp's. tf

NEW CONFECTIONARY

W. H. Reese & Son, late of Trent, have recently opened in the Beasley building next door west of the Gem Theatre, what will be known as the Gem Confectionary.

These gentlemen will have when they get it completed, one of the nicest places of business in the city, and will no doubt enjoy their share of the business in their line.

Mr. Reese states that he will soon move his family to Merkel and become permanently located with us. He already owned a nice five-room home in the south part of the city.

We have just received a nice line of genuine Cut Glass. Merkel Drug Company. tf

FANS

We have a few more Fans in stock and no doubt we will not be able to get any more. Better get yours.

Merkel Power Co.



Condensed Statement at Close of Business May 4, 1920

RESOURCES	
Loans—Time and demand	\$467,147.53
Loans—Cotton	12,214.88
Stock in Federal Res. Bank	1,950.00
United States Securities	19,774.04
Furniture and Fixtures	4,500.00
Five per cent Redemp. Fund	312.50
Cash on hand and in Banks	258,357.99
Total	\$764,256.94
LIABILITIES	
Capital	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus and Profits	32,272.62
Circulation	6,250.00
DEPOSITS	675,734.32
Total	\$764,256.94

Every dollar of deposits shown in this statement represents the earnings and accumulations of local people.



HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

(By Chester Hutcheson)

By some unknown cause or other we failed to have the pleasure of having any of the pastors or business men of the city last Monday morning. We are hoping that we will get to hear some more of these good talks before leaving high school.

The senior class is progressing splendidly. We are getting up a play which you have already heard of and believe me it is a real play.

The base ball boys had a real game on the home grounds last Saturday. Although they lost the game all of the boys did good work in the field, but they could not get anywhere when they got in town. But this is only one game out of many therefore don't get discouraged.

In the university of Hard Knocks there are no holidays no vacation periods at Christmas, Easter or in the summer time, yet it is recognized as one of the most popular and efficient schools for obtaining an education. Affiliated with this University is the "school of Experience." It is perhaps the most costly school for experience is a dear teacher. But college-bred men are the most brilliant graduates from the University of Hard Knocks. Because a college education is the best possible equipment for the great University of life.

There will be a greater percent of the present senior class to go to college than any other class graduating from the Merkel High School.

Julia: "Trigonometry is as easy as falling off a log."

Ruby: "Yes, but the trouble is I never can find the log."

The invitations have come if you get one be sure and buy the sender a graduation present.

The Seniors are having their pictures made. The girls are having theirs made first. They are saving the three boys until the last, the best always comes last.

Comb Honey at G. M. Sharp's.

Your Inspection -- Asked --

We are glad to get you posted, as our merchandise will stand the test of comparison with any that is on sale in any state of this nation.

See our men's all-wool pants at
\$7.90 \$9.60 \$11.50 \$14

Ladies dress blouses, all colors. Prices are \$1.00 to \$4.00 cheaper than have been. You will say so when you examine them

Our Silks are Less Priced than any you will find. Every day our customers tell us that we are 50c to \$1.00 yard cheaper than any they have seen.

Good yard-wide Brown Domestic 28c Bed-wide sheeting at 79 to 95c yard

Mens Overalls and Jumpers \$2.50 each. Same brand that the makers are asking us \$2.75 each at the factory

We will do you good

The Brown Dry Goods Co.

WAR CAME NEAR TO BEING FAMILY AFFAIR

Washington, May 11.—Smith and Johnsons and Browns and Williamses and Joneses and Millers, stand up and be counted! The Smiths made up fifteen regiments in the American army during the war, the Johnsons made eleven regiments, the Browns eight, and the Williams Joneses and Millers over seven regiments each.—Abilene Reporter.

Light Crust Flour at G. M. Sharp's. tf

The Farmers & Merchants National Bank is prepared to offer its customers a new service. Upon request of our customers who are offered stocks or bonds, we are prepared to ascertain the market or return value, and to secure such further information as will enable purchasers to classify such offerings as purely or partially speculative, or those that may be classed as investments.

Try a sack of Marechal Neal Flower. None better, Bob Martin Grocery Company. tf

H. P. Wilkins another splendid citizen residing a few miles northeast, was here recently and reports fine season out his way, and states that the farmers are preparing to plant their crops just as soon as the weather dries up so they can get in the fields.

Home dried fruit at G. M. Sharp's. tf

As an evidence of the fact that the rains restored confidence in the future prosperity of the country, is to be found in the fact that within 24 hours after the falling of the great season, a number of large improvements were under way. Great is the West.

Shorts and Brand at G. M. Sharp's.