

BANDITS HOLD UP MERKEL CITIZEN

On Monday night of this week as he was returning from a business trip to Sylvester, S. K. Eckerd of city, who for some time has been connected with the Armstrong Tractor Company of Sweetwater was held up by two masked men at about four miles west of this city on the Trent road, and relieved him of the sum of about \$3.00. Mr. Eckerd came on into town and notified the officers here and at Abilene, and every effort possible will be made to apprehend the highwayman.

It seems the robbers in order to ascertain it would be best to undertake the job of holding up the occupants of the first car that came along, built up a light barcade in front of a small bridge, and when the obstacle in the road was reached, naturally Mr. Eckerd slowed his car down, and it was then that the highwayman walked out of the brush along by the side of the road and demanded of him to "stick 'em up", which he says he promptly did. To show that our friend Eckerd was no so badly excited as some of us might have been, will state that he had with him an old keep-sake relic in the form of an old 25 cent U. S. bill, which was taken along with his purse and money, and which he persuaded them to give back to him. After the little parley over the old relic, the masked men, very sternly told our fellow townsman to get in his "tin lizzie and beat it, and threatened him should he ever say any thing about their little hold-up game, saying further that if he would treat them fair they would treat him like-wise. Whereas, he replied that it didn't seem to him that they wanted to be fair, when they had already relieved him of his ready cash.

Since writing the above we are informed that Bill Weed, another of Merkel's citizen's was held up and relieved of the sum of \$1.30 just a short distance this side of Trent, on the same night, and near the same time. And it is also stated that Dr. Watkins' home was entered at Trent on that night some time about midnight, and about \$50 incash stolen.

COTTON COMING IN AT A LIVELY RATE

We are informed that to 11 o'clock Thursday morning there had been weighed at the local cotton yard 3,000 bales of the fleecy staple. This is about 3,000 bales behind the receipts received up to this time last year, but the crop is at least three weeks behind last years crop in opening, owing to late planting in the spring and the late summer rains.

Understanding the price paid this morning is about 20 and a half cents per pound, whereas at this time last year about 35 cents was being paid. We also understand seed is around \$25.00 per ton again.

But there is one thing we are proud of, and that is there is every indication that the Merkel buyers are paying the top of the market as it comes to them, and which is as good or better than other towns are doing in this section.

Public weigher Garrett, states that cotton is now coming in at the rate of about 250 bales a day.

PRESBYTERIAN SERVICES

Preaching at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School at 10 A. M. We welcome the public to all our services. Lend your influence in person to this most important work. C. C. Dooley.

ENJOYS FAMILY REUNION

T. H. Spears one of the splendid citizens residing on route five reports that he and his good wife had the pleasure last Sunday of having with them for family reunion and big dinner, all their children and grand children. There was present nine children and four grand children.

After the serving of the bountiful dinner, a photograph of all present was made, and a great time was enjoyed by every one.

Lost—A pair of double Lenz gold framed spectacles on last Saturday, in an alumnnum case. Finder return to Merkel Mail or W.E. Adams. 2tpd.

MERKEL MERCHANT MEET COMPETITION

We take great pleasure and earnestly request our readers to read carefully the advertisements in the Merkel Mail this week from the live progressive merchants of our city. And as for that, we urge you to read and carefully study them every week, notice carefully the prices, then come in and carefully examine the goods, and we believe you cheap in Merkel as elsewhere, and very likely a little cheaper.

Our merchants have been with us some of them many years and they all know to take no stand that will shake the confidence they have always enjoyed in the wide range of territory that goes to make up their extensive field of operation. They are clean honorable gentlemen, and are without question entitled to the trade of the people of this city and surrounding country.

B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM

Oct. 17—Leader—John McDonald.
It is the nature of sin to bring sorrow—Scott Johnson.
Piano Duett—Lillian Fraizer
Sin causes the innocent to suffer—J. M. Cobb.
Sin brings Eternal Sorrow and Suffering—Miss Rosa Jones.
Special song—Yates Brown.
How we are saved from the Sorrows and Suffering of Sin—C. B. Hawkins.
A talk on the Workers meeting at Ft. Worth—Miss Deal.

NORTH SIDE CHURCH

Eld. W. G. Cypert announces that he will preach at the North Side Christian Church next Sunday at eleven A. M. and at seven thirty P. M. He urges all to come early, and extends a cordial invitation to every one.

Brother Cypert has just returned from Cisco, where he closed a very successful meeting.

BAPTIST ANNOUNCEMENTS

All the regular services Sunday and through the week.
Sunday School 10 a.m. with classes for all.
Preaching by the pastor 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
B. Y. P. U.—5 p. m.
Junior Union at the annex 5 p. m.
Teacher training class Monday 7:30 p. m.
Ladies meeting Tuesday 2:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting and choir practice Wednesday 7:30 p. m.
In connection with the Sunday night service the local church will join with all the Baptist churches in Texas in a special prayer service for the success of the Two Million Round-Up Campaign in Texas.
A welcome awaits you in any of these services.
Ira L. Parrack, pastor.

ANOTHER LYCEUM WEDNESDAY NIGHT

The second number of Merkels Lyceum course comes to us next Wednesday evening, October 20th. The program will be again in the High School Auditorium, beginning promptly at eight o'clock. The single admission will be 50 cents for school children and 75 cents for adults. A larger number hold season tickets and thereby save much on the single admission charge. Season tickets will still be on sale at the entrance next Wednesday night. Season tickets to school children will now be 1.25, and adults \$2.00 for the remaining four numbers. There will also be a few reserved seat Season tickets on sale.

The number coming next Wednesday night is one of the best of the entire course. The "Angelus Trio", a company of three young ladies will entertain us with readings, violin, music, piano by the saxophone, and ensemble. The program will be so varied that there is sure to be a part that will especially please you, if you like good clean entertainment.

The company is composed of Miss Katherine Harper, violinist and reader; Miss Aline Harper, pianist and accompanist; Miss Ester Essig, soprano and saxophone player. Come to this number and see what kind of entertainment the Lyceum furnishes. Wednesday evening, October 20th, eight o'clock at the High School Auditorium.

THE JURY RETURNS 17 INDICTMENTS

Seventeen bills of indictment were returned by the grand jury of the district court for Taylor county Saturday morning at 11:30 o'clock. The grand jury had been in session since Monday morning. The following report was made:

Abilene, Tex., Oct. 9, 1920
To Hon. W. R. Ely, Judge of the 42nd Judicial District of Texas.
We, your Grand Jury empanelled for the October, 1920 term of District Court of Taylor county, beg to report as follows,
We have been in session six days and have examined 101 witnesses and as a result of our deliberations have found 17 bills of indictments, 15 of which are felonies and two of which are misdemeanors.

We have investigated all matters coming to our attention and have voted indictments where we believe the evidence warranted and voted on bills where we believed the evidence did not warrant it.

We have visited the jail and find the same as well kept as can be under the circumstances. The prisoners tell us they are well cared for, and they receive kind treatment at the hands of officers.

We wish to say a word about bad checks. If the merchants and bankers will be a little more careful in cashing checks for strangers, they will take considerable work off of the grand jury and save the county a great deal of money.

We thank the officers of the court, including all bailiffs for their efficient services. Having finished our labors as far as we can go at this time, we ask to be discharged.

A. B. Cox, Foreman of Grand Jury.
Attest: J. F. Handy, Secretary

Pastor Murrell of the Methodist church, accompanied by better three-fourths, spent the day Tuesday with friends at Clyde.

BURGLARS BLOW SAFE AT STITH

Some time during the night last Sunday night burglars entered the store of the Bradley Mercantile Company and blew open the iron safe securing about \$900 in checks. The yeggs made good job of it, as the safe was totally demolished, and building damaged slightly by the explosion. As best they could tell the burglars did not molest any thing else in the store as no goods was found to be missing.

No clue as to the guilty parties has as yet been found, the robbery took place some time during the night, possibly about one or two o'clock, as a gentleman living the closest to the store stated that about this time he heard a noise, like something falling, and got up and went out on the porch but heard no further noise and went back to bed.

Officers were notified the next morning as soon as the proprietors were aware of the robbery and they are at work on the matter.

J. L. Barker one of the splendid citizens residing on route four was here recently and made this office a pleasant and appreciated call. He says his crop is fine. He also has our thanks for two subscriptions to the Mail.
Raymond Price who has been at Electra for some time, came home recently ill from fever, but is improving nicely at this time.

FIX PLAN TO SELL LOW-GRADE COTTON

Abilene, Texas, Oct., 12.—A plan to dispose of thousands of bales of low-grade cotton now in the hands of the growers of West Texas was formulated by a special committee named for the purpose by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. The committee is composed of O. P. Harland of Hamlin, Clifford B. Jones of Spur, Henry James of Abilene and President N. P. Brelsford of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

The plan calls for concentration of cotton at compresses and shipment over seas. The sampling, compressing, shipment and sale of the cotton is to be handled by George Finberg & Co., cotton operators of Abilene, for a consideration of 5 per cent of the gross sale of the cotton.

The farmer who desires to join in the plan obtains an application blank through his local bank. This blank, together with two samples from each bale the grower desires to enter in the pool, will be sent by the bank to the Finberg Company, which will sample the bale and notify the farmer through the bank of the exact grade of his cotton. Then the grower forwards to the Farmers and Merchants National Bank of Abilene, designated as the clearing house for all money handled in these transactions the sum of \$25 for each bale of cotton he wishes to sell. The grower is notified to send his cotton to a compress to be designated by the Finberg Co. where it is prepared for shipment to Europe.

Sale in Europe will be in charge of the Finberg company, and if no immediate market can be found it will insure and warehouse at the grower's expense. It is planned to make the first shipment for 15,000 bales.

I sell three of the best cars in the west for the money, the Essix, Hudson Super six and the Oakland Sensible Six. H. D. Simpson.

MARRIED AT ABILENE

We are informed that Mr. W. R. Cox and Miss Evelyen Woolen both splendid young people of Merkel, quietly stole away from their host or friends and went down to Abilene on last Sunday morning where the Rev. J. W. Hunt, of St. Pauls Methodist church pronounced the words that made them man and wife.

Upon their return, much to their surprise, a splendid dinner was prepared for them at the home of the groom's parents, and which was enjoyed by a few close friends and relatives. We join a host of friends in extending best wishes to the happy couple.

TO BUILD FARMERS WAREHOUSE HERE

The matter of building a Farmers Cotton Warehouse for the Merkel country has been revived and a subscription list for stock subscription is being circulated.

The necessity for a ware house is too well known to need much explanation by the Mail, but we do rather earnestly urge every farmer, merchant and other citizens interested in the welfare of the cotton industry, to call at the banks and Gins where the subscription lists are open for subscribing, and discuss the proposition with the bankers and others in charge of the lists, and subscribe for every dollar possible. Let all get busy without delay and see the banks, and as soon as the matter is closed construction work can be started at once, say in a week.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday will be the last Sunday of the Conference year. A summary of the year's work will be given. Sunday School at 10 A. M. preaching at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. At the Evening hour the sermon will be to the young people. Everybody invited.
W. M. Murrell, Pastor.

CHURCH NOTICE, NOODLE

We will hold our last service at Noodle, Sunday morning as I leave Sunday evening for Conference.
Everybody cordially invited to this last service.
Come in time for Sunday School.
F. T. Johnson, Pastor.

NOTICE OF THANKS

The Ladies Aid and Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church wishes to thank all who contributed to the boxes for the Reynolds Orphan Home. In all more than six boxes of things have been given and to the value of around \$200 in all.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE SPOKE HERE THURSDAY

Hon John G. Culbertson, of Wichita Falls, candidate for Governor of Texas, spoke to a good sized audience in this city this (Thursday) afternoon.
Hon. Geo. H. Sparrenburg, of Austin, candidate for State Treasurer of Texas, on the Republican ticket, also spoke in the interest of his candidacy.

Mrs. J. D. Beasley, Mrs. Will Patterson and Mrs. Fred Latham underwent operations at the Alexander Sanitarium, in Abilene. All stood the operations nicely and the patients are expected to soon return to their respective homes.

Johnie Benneat and Ted Lamar of Thurber were here visiting Miss Ruth Boden last Sunday.

FOUR ARRESTED ON FORGERY CHARGE

As the result of an attempt to pass a check with the name of E. E. Patterson forged to same, a negro was arrested Tuesday, and placed in jail at Abilene.

But, the big game in this line was pulled off Tuesday evening when, three young men, one by the name of Highsmith, took it upon themselves to sign the name of J. H. Highsmith, who lives some fifteen miles north of Merkel, to a number of checks and which finally caused their arrest. It seems they first tried their luck to pass a check, on the L. & G. Store, where they purchased a few dollars worth of goods and receive about \$21.00 in cash. But in this case the proprietor became suspicious and went out and hunted up the boys, and demanded them return the goods and money for the check, which they did without a word. Next they went into the Farmers and Merchants National Bank and endeavored to cash a check for the sum of fifty dollars or more and here they were told that the party on whom the check was drawn did not have sufficient funds to cash same. Next they went to the Merkel Dry Goods Company where they bought a few items of goods and were given cash to the amount of \$21.70. The next place they succeeded in fleecing, was the Star Store, where goods and the sum of \$23.50 was given. At both the last named places the young man giving his name as Highsmith was known as such, and there was no question about the transaction, as he told them that the check was alright, that the other boys had been picking cotton for his father. But along later in the evening young Howard at the Merkel Dry Goods Company in some way found out that the checks were forgery, and proceeded to get busy, and soon found the Highsmith boy, and after considerable consultation with all concerned, he confessed that the matter was a frame-up, and that the other two had just gone to Sweetwater on a freight train. So a message was sent to the officers at that place and within a few minutes the other two were arrested as they alighted from the freight train. We are told they also confessed to taking part in the forgery.

The three were taken to Abilene and placed in jail we are informed, and most of the goods and money returned to the merchants.

LYCEUM NUMBER WAS A GOOD ONE

The first number of this years lyceum course was given at the High School Auditorium on last Saturday evening to a very appreciative audience. The audience was a good sized one, considering the fact that it was Saturday night when many of the merchants could not come.

Miss Clarrissa Harod, reader and impersonator, gave a good the first program. She is exceptionally pleasing in personality, a good Character impersonator, and reader of fine ability. She read a play entitled "Experience" and prefixed her program by reading "Out Where the West Begins."

The people who attended are well pleased with the excellent entertainment and the charming manners of the reader. They are expecting even greater things further on. The next number is the "Angelus Trio" which comes to us on Wednesday night, Oct. 20th.



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 R. O. ANDERSON Cashier
 F. Y. GAITHER Asst. Cashier

A VACATION COMEDY—DRAMA

"The Week-End," which is the week's headliner at the Gem Theatre, crowds into three days a very pretty romance which is exceedingly up-to-date, even to the bathing costume which the star, Margita Fisher had specially designed for this drama. And for a hot summer day, nothing could be more enjoyable than these out-of-door sea side scenes.

"The Week-End," has a spicy, dashing humor-filled plot and plenty of quick action. The thrills of love, jealousy, avarice, feminine curiosity and masculine eccentricities are interwoven into a pattern of the typical Cosmo Hamilton type—popular always to both the readers of his novels and the picture-viewers.

Milton Sills, who plays the leading man with Margarita Fisher, is the type that women find "irresistible"—a real man who makes love divinely. The little star of "The Week-End" gives him some baffling moments, but he has both patience and a sense of humor with which to gain his "End."

Berttram Grassby does the fortune hunter cleverly, Harvey Clark and Mary Lee Wise play the girl's parents and Mamye Kelso and Beverly Travers are widows of the sort that give a plot spice and keep things moving swiftly. "The Week-End" was produced under the direction of George L. Cox. It

ALAMO OIL

Those holding redemption certificates and want their money back, see me before Nov. 1st. Any day except Saturdays. Dr. Miller. It.....

Fond Mamma—Oh, papa, did you know that the church ladies were here this afternoon and asked Majorie to sing: "Where the River Shannon Flows?" Grouchy Dad—No, I didn't know it, but she has my consent. I'd rather she would sing it there than at home.

EPWORTH LEAGUE PROGRAM

Oct. 17, Subject—"The Christian Care of Body, Mind, and Spirit."
 Leader—Mae Biedleman.
 Songs.
 Prayers.
 Scripture—Acts 27, 33—35.
 Song.
 Prayer.
 Duet—Woods Brothers.
 The Religion of the Body—Lorena Dry.
 Keeping out the Cobwebs—Roy Tucker.
 Care for the Spirit—Hugh McRee.
 Song.
 Business.
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Better let us figure with you on that new car. Our prices are right. We protect you on any decline in price until May 1st 1921 Commercial Motor Co.

To remove billious impurities in the system and be made internally clean and healthy, you need the fine tonic and laxatives properties of Hebine. It acts quickly and thoroughly. Price, 60c. Sold by Sanders Drug Store Oct.

Our good friend Tom Henderson was in the city Tuesday bringing in his tenth bale. He reports a force sufficient to gather about a bale a day.

When your clothes need cleaning, pressing, repairing or altering, bring them to me. Mrs. C. L. Cash, Cash Tailoring Co., Phone 180. 10tf

Dr. G. W. Howard and wife of Dallas, were here this week, for a visit to the former's father, J. T. Howard, of the Farmers & Merchants National Bank.

If you are eating meat why not the best? Mc. & Mc's have it. 11f

It's an Automobile you want — see H. D. Simpson. tf.



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Against the many "Cheap Johns" lines that are being rushed at you with big sounding words and pretty pictures

Get Our Hot Prices

35c Standard Percale, 36-in., been selling at..... 45c
 35c Chevoit Shirting, reduced from 40 and 45c
 20c Cotton Checks, had been selling at 27½c
 55c Feather Ticking, few days ago was 65c
 35c Outings, heretofore sold at 40 and 45c
 25c Canton Flannel..... made from good cotton
 22½c Full yard wide brown domestic, was 30c

A Big Blanket at \$4.65

Hemmed sheets, big size \$2.35

Ribbed shirts & drawers \$1.12½

BEST LINE OF SHOES AT THE PRICE THAT YOU CAN FIND

See our work shoes at \$3.95 to \$6.40

Our \$12.50 Kangaroo shoes are \$16.50 values

Childrens School Dress

Quite a lot of Snap in Style and Quality

Get our prices on ladies, boys and mens Suits

Men, we have your Tie, Shirt, Sox and Belt

Good line trunks and bags

WE INVITE HONEST COMPARISON OF GOODS AND PRICES

Yours Giving Values and Service

THE BROWN DRY GOODS CO.

A wise buyer makes comparison of goods he is buying. "I thought I knew" does not help you

Send to the "ORDER HOUSE" and match these or any other goods we have and compare the goods and you will know

REGULAR DINNERS

In order that we may better serve our ever increasing patronage and anticipating the coming fall business, which is now just starting, we will serve each day,

Regular Dinners
with drinks

at only

50c

per meal

And remember that we are open both Day and Night, ready to serve you in anyway you like. We also invite you to inspect our place from the Front door to the Back.

METROPOLITAN CAFE

Hancock & Burns, Props.

NOODLE.

Health of the community very good.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Winter of Shiloh spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rossen.

The singing at J. A. Jaynes Sunday night was enjoyed by all present.

Miss Mona Hodge returned Saturday from Floydada where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. T. Beasley.

Henry and Price Rope of Sweetwater visited here Sunday. A. B. Ely and daughters, Grace and Nuella motored to Hamlin Sunday.

Rev. Johnson will preach his last sermon on this charge Sunday. Everybody is urged to attend.

D. L. Nicholson returned Monday from the plains.

Quite a large crowd was at the oil derrick Sunday.

Walter Farris and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Claton Meeks, Sunday.

A clear colorless liquid that will heal wounds, cuts, sores and galls is the latest and best production of medical science. Ask for Liquid Borozone, it is a marvel in flesh-healing remedies. Price, 30, 60c and \$1.20. Sold by Sanders Drug Store Oct.

LISTEN!

We would like to have your Eggs, Butter and Chickens. Be sure and get our prices before you sell. W. W. Wood, Staple and Fancy Groceries; Feed and Grain. Phone 230. tf

There's so much bad in the best of us,
And so much good in the worst of us,
It hardly behooves any of us
To speak ill of the rest of us.

In all malarial countries the popular remedy is Herbine. People find it a good medicine for purifying the system and warding off the disease. Price, 60c. Sold by Sanders Drug Store Oct.

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Program for Week, Beginning Friday Oct. 15

Friday Oct. 15 10-20c Saturday Oct. 16 10-20c

Mabel Normand

The Charming Comedienne
in "Upstairs"
It's a Goldwyn

Extra—News Weekly

Al Jennings

in "When Outlaws Meet"
HARRY MYERS
in a Western Feature
A Comedy and a Weekly

Monday Oct. 18 10-20c

TEXAS GUINAN Queen of the West

Also a Drama of the
Canadian Northwest
and
2-Reel Chaplin Comedy

Tuesday Oct. 19 10-20c

Pauline Frederick

in "The Loves of Letty"
Adopted from the play "Letty"
It's a Goldwyn
Extra—A Pathe Comedy

Wed. Oct. 20

"The Lost City"

The Greatest Serial Ever Produced

Made in the Jungles of Africa, with wild animals of all kinds, and Thrill after Thrill.
Don't Miss It

Extra—A 2-Reel Western and 2-Reel Comedy

Admission 10-20c

Thursday Oct. 21

Marguerite Fisher

IN
"The Week End"

By Cosmo Hamilton

A Spicy Comedy Drama in 6 Acts. It's a special Feature, not a Program Picture

Extra—A Christie Comedy

Admission 10-20-30c

Admission 10-20-30c

COMING—William Russell in "Slam Bang Jim"

PROCLAMATION

The better Schools Campaign has for its purpose the adoption of the proposed Constitutional Amendment to remove the present limit on local taxes for school purposes.

The adoption of this amendment is of the utmost importance to the public schools and the people of the state, the very life of the schools and the benefits of an enlightened citizenship depending upon its adoption.

Now, Therefore, in line with the policy pursued through the course of my administration, I, W. P. Hobby, Governor of Texas urge all loyal Texans to exert every possible effort in bringing about the adoption of the proposed amendment and in order to give greater publicity to this all important subject, I hereby designate the week of October 24th—30th as Better Schools Week in Texas.

Through the week of October 24th—30th, the people of the cities, towns and rural communities are urged to assemble in mass meetings for the discussion of the proposed amendment. Newspapers through the state are requested to give publicity to the purposes of the amendment and to advocate the cause of its adoption for the betterment of education in their daily and weekly editions.

Let all loyal and public spirited citizens respond to this call to the end that the constitutional shackles be stricken from public education and the schools of Texas.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and caused the Seal of the State to be hereon impressed at Austin, Texas, this 5th day of October, A.D. 1920.

W. P. Hobby,
Governor of the State of Texas.
By the Governor:
Edwin Spencer,
Acting Secretary of State.

Better see about that Coal Box and then phone 48 and Call for Clifford Rose tell him how many tons it will take to run you through the winter. Best time to BUY IS NOW. tf

Drinking water killed man a few days ago, but advocates of this "beverage" are going to offer a pitiable excuse just because the fellow swigged down a few drops of wood alcohol with it.

Every thing clean and sanitary at Mc and Me's Market. Buy from them and get the best. 1tf

FOR SALE

One seven-room house and six lots. One seven-room house and two lots. One Store building to rent. Call on W. P. Duckett at store or residence.

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Commercial Moar Co. will appreciate a share of your patronage if give us a trial. It.



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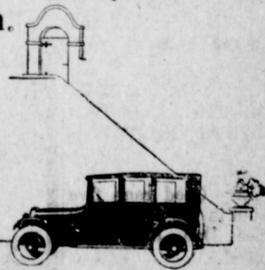
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F. O. B. Pontiac, Michigan. Additional for Wire Wheel Equipment, \$85

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The Merkel Mail

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TELEPHONE No. 61

Entered at the postoffice at Merkel Texas as second class mail matter.

More than 7,000 bales of cotton were burned at Cameron, Texas last Sunday night. And at Hamlin, Jones county, 1,000 were like wise destroyed. A poor way to bring the price of cotton up. Yes, a criminal way, and thoes perpetrating such acts should receive the maximum penalty of the law.

The terrible wave of robbing, burning and killing that is going over the country is becoming alarming, and every law abiding and right thinking man should aid in putting a stop to it.

The fact that there are so many worthless, lazy, idle men and boys who for more than a year have been laying around doing nothing but gambling and studying "get-rich" schemes, is at least in a measure, responsible for the great wave of robbing and murder which at this time is becoming so alarming through the country. It seems as if that it is high time men of ability should be placed in position of peace officers, and that the citizenship of the land should back them up and put a stop to the lawlessness. Put this idle, gambling, worthless, jazzing, speeding gang to work making an honest living and the crime wave will be for less.

CARD OF THANKS.

We take this method of extending our thanks and appreciation to our kind friends and the good people of Merkel, who were so kind in assisting us during our recent illness and the death of infant baby. We appreciated every courtesy and kind work, trust that God's richest blessing may rest on each of you. Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Wilson. 1tpd.

TAKE ALL YOUR COTTON CHECKS TO THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK.

FOR SALE—Good cane five cents per bind in the field. Any amount. See Dan Ridenbach, Route 3. 3tpd

Dr. Chas. F. Williams is in Dallas this week attending the State Fair, and looking after business matters.

J. M. Costephens and wife and daughter, Mrs. Bowie, of Stamford were over several days this week, the guests of the former's brother, J. E. Costephens and family.

TAKE ALL YOUR COTTON CHECKS TO THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK.

Rev. A. R. Tyson, pastor of the Baptist church at Albany, but who was recently elected as Missionary for Sweetwater Baptist Association, was here this week the guest of Rev. Parrack, pastor of the local Baptist church.

Wanted to buy young milk cow See S. F. Haynes. tf.

CLASSIFIED ADS

ROOMS FOR RENT—Furnished or unfurnished. Apply to Mrs W. Z. Price, just north of the Tabernacle. tf.

CORD WOOD—I have some good cord wood for sale. See R. L. Bland. 22t.

SAVE MONEY—Buy your flour and meal at A. L. Jobes and save money.

Laborers Wanted—A number of laborers wanted for work on the New Baptist Church, Merkel, Texas. See J. D. Harvey. 2tpd

ROOMS FOR RENT—Mrs. C. E. Conner. Apply at home. 2t.

WANTED—A few more milk and butter customers, can deliver. Mrs. J. Ben Campbell, Phone 246. 8t2c

WANTED—To buy or rent a comfortable home in Merkel. Might buy a small farm well improved and close in. Please give full and complete descriptions in first letter. S. G. Flemmings, Forney, Texas. 3tpd.

FOR SALE—120 acre farm. 80 in cultivation, 3 room house, cistern, well and windmill. On route near school. Want \$60 per acre. Can give terms on balance. This place is unleased- Write or see, Sam Grayson, Merkel Texas. 2tpd.

FOR SALE—Three cars—a Paige 5—passenger, Dodge Roadster and one Ford Roadster. See Davis Beasley. 1t.

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Make an appointment now for that sitting, and take advantage of our
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Let us tell you about it today

Special appointments made during week for Sundays
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PHONE 314 JNO. C. REINHARD, MGR.

FOR SALE: 1919 Model Ford Touring Car—First Class Condition. See W. P. Mahaffey. tf.

FOR SALE—One house and lot close in, at bargain. See Davis Beasley. 1t.

NEW HULLS—Car new hulls next few days. Plenty Hay and Meal.

T. J. R. Swafford. Phone 291.1t.

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FOR SALE—200 acres of land well improved, about half in cultivation. Located about 2 and one half mile from Trent. If interested see S. L. Reneau, Trent, Texas. 3t—pd.

The Mail \$1.50 year in advance

NEW HULLS—Car new hulls next few days. Plenty Hay and Meal.

T. J. R. Swafford. Phone 291. 1t.

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For Sale—Six room residence, with a lot and a half, one Block of business section. East and south front. See T. F. Harris, on Route 2, Merkel, Texas. 2tpd.

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If you need protection for your cars and trucks store them with Commercial Motor Co. The best protection is none too good. 1t.

The Mail \$1.50 year in advance

G. A. Guthrie spent the day last Sunday with his son Preston, who is attending Midland College. Mr Guthrie is well pleased with the progress of his son in that splendid school.

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A TEXAS WONDER

For kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, diabetes, weak and lame back, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder. Regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, by mail \$1.25. Small bottle is two month's treatment, and often perfects a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other states. Dr E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive, Street, St Louis Mo., Sold by druggists.

WITH COMMERCIAL MOTOR COMPANY

We are informed that Nat Anderson, who was formally with the Farmers State Bank, has purchased an interest in the Commercial Motor Company, one of the popular well known automobile concerns of this city, and from now on, will be actively connected with same. And which makes it one of the strong ones, and composed of C. P. Hendricks, M. E. Canon, Nat Anderson of this place, and S. A. Bacon, of Abilene. Mr. Anderson invites his friends to call on him in his new position.

The building formerly used for a Cafe in the Beasley block is being fitted in fine order, and will at once be occupied by the Liberty Hardware Company, which company is now located on Front Street, in the same building with Bradshaw & Sublett Groceries. The move is made that both the hardware and the grocery firm may have more floor room which is badly needed.

T. A. Bandy prominent citizen and financier of Eastland, spent a day or two here this week, looking into the oil situation. And after due investigation went away saying that he was highly pleased with the prospects. He stated also that he might make some investments in Merkel property.

IT PAYS TO READ

We have on hand one of the nicest and cleanest stock of groceries, in the town of Merkel, and you will make no mistake by looking over, and getting the prices. There has been a decline on several of the staple articles. WE HAVE IT. A few extra steps might save you several dollars. W. W. Wood. Phone 230 15tf

M. A. Adams of Sweetwater, was here a day or two this week on business, and incidently shaking hands with his many friends.

W. E. Petty reports the sale of the 147 acre farm known as the Petty Estate, to A. B. Collins, of Abilene.

Cecil W. Jobe and wife of Sweetwater were here the first of the week visiting friends and relatives.

M. E. Canon, of the Commercial Motor Company, was in Colorado first of the week on business for the Company.

Dan Ridenbach, residing on route three, was here first of the week, and stated his crops were very good. Said that he had fifty acres in cotton, and with no one but him self to gather it and take care of thousands of bundles of feed, he needed some cotton pickers and other laborers very badly

Our good friend J. S. Hughes was over recently from Blair, and stated that crops were fair with him.

Good Ford Truck for sale. See Ed at the Ice House. 1t.

CISCO VS MERKEL FRIDAY

We are informed that Cisco High School Foot Ball team will play the home boys in Merkel today, at four p. m.

COZY THEATRE

THE CREAM OF AMUSEMENTS

Special Matinee Saturday 2 to 5:30

Friday Oct. 15	Admission 10-20c	Monday Oct. 18	Admission 10-20c
Douglas Fairbanks	Larry Semon	Joe Ryan and Jean Paige	
in	in	in	
"The Good Bad Man"	"Dull Care"	Chapter Three of "Hidden Dangers"	
		Universal Western	Rainbow Comedy

Saturday Oct. 16 Admission 10-20-30c

Tom Mix in "The Speed Maniac"

A Fox Special, from the Saturday Evening Post story by J. K. Van Loan

Charlie Chaplin

in
"A Dogs Life"

Mutt & Jeff

in
"A Teasing Lie"

Tuesday Oct. 19	Admission 10-20c	Wednesday Oct. 20	Admission 10-20c
"The Law of The Yukon"	Lila Lee	Wm. Franey	
A Real Art Special	in	in	
From a story of the great out doors	"Rustling a Bride"	"Somebody Lied"	
Ambrose Comedy	Topics of The Day	Pathe Review	

Thursday Oct. 21	Admission 10-20	COMING	COMING	COMING
Mary Miles Minter	"Riders of The Dawn"	Shirly Mason		
in	A Hodkinson Special	in		
"Judy of Rogues Harbor"	produced by J. Parker Read, Jr.	"The Love Harvest"		
Bobby Vernon Comedy	Wm. S. Hart in "The Cold Deck"			

NEGRO BOY MAKES JUDGE'S SALARY

It was not so very long ago that we remember how big the salary of a district judge seemed to us. On a certain occasion one of the eminent men of the bench of this district was walking down the streets of Temple, and a fellow remarked: "He hasn't so much to do yet he draws over seven dollars a day of the people's money." Over seven dollars a day! That sounded mighty big didn't it? A fellow getting seven dollars a day ought to be somewhat of a colonel, was the ordinary belief.

The other day, however, we saw a regular burr-head of the charcoal variety. He didn't have sense enough to spell cat, with the whole alphabet to choose letters from, and he was only fourteen years old. But that nigger boy is kicking out more money every day picking cotton than a district judge drew as a salary just a few years ago.

Of course we are mighty glad to see god wages prevailing. When the working people get good money for their services times are never hard. At the same time some thing is wrong when a negro boy can get twice as good a salary as a school teacher who has spent years equipping himself for the education of our children.

We do not know where this unevenness of things is going to end. But end it must or the world will go backwards. What incentive is there for a fellow to go to school and struggle for a college education when a mule driver or a cotton picker is able to make twice as much money as the learned fellow with a profession can make. -Temple Mirror

We can fill your order promptly for either Hudson, Essex, Oakland, Ranger or Reo cars and trucks. Commercial Motor Co. It

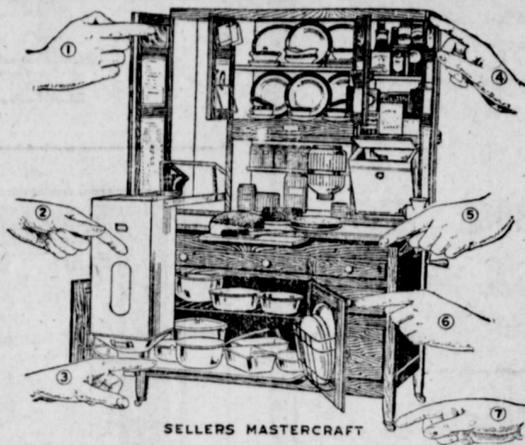
When in need of oils, gas, accessories ect., go to Commercial Motor Co. and get Quality and Service It.

THE BEST IN FURNITURE

It is the purpose of this store to handle the best lines that can be had and following this plan we are calling your attention this week to two articles in our store that we consider the best of their kind that can be had.

Sellers Cabinets

We consider the Sellers the very best Kitchen Cabinet on the market today without exception. The cost is a trifle more than other cabinets but we can easily show you where it is more than worth the difference. The first time you are down town come in and let us prove our statements.



SELLERS MASTERCRAFT

- No. 1—Oil Hand-rubbed Finish. Costs us \$9.750 extra, annually.
- No. 2—Automatic Lowering Flour Bin. Costs us \$22,000 extra, annually.
- No. 3—Automatic Base Shelf Extender. Costs us \$9,000 extra, annually.
- No. 4—Dovetail Construction. As used in all high grade furniture. Costs us \$7,500 extra, annually.
- No. 5—Dust-proof Base Top underneath the Porcelain Work Table. Costs us \$14,250 extra, annually.
- No. 6—Glass Knobs. Cost us \$2,250 extra, annually.
- No. 7—Ant-proof Casters. Cost us \$10,000 extra, annually.



The Sealy Sanitary Tuftless Mattress

Sealy Mattresses

of all Mattresses we know of no better mattress than the SEALY which is made in our own state and already ranks close to the top all over this country. We have just received permission from the factory to reduce our prices \$5.00 and will gladly pass this saving on to you.

Remember we are at your service and a trip to our store we think will convince you that your dollars go farther with us than elsewhere.

J. T. DARSEY & COMPANY

TO EL PASO FOR MRS. ROSE'S HEALTH

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Rose will regret to learn that they left Abilene Wednesday night of this week for El Paso, where Mrs. Rose will be placed in a Sanitarium for treatment. After examination by specialists, it was found that Mrs. Rose was possibly suffering from lung trouble, and the removal to the El Paso sanitarium was advised.

Mr. Rose had but recently moved to Abilene where he had purchased a beautiful home, where his children might have the benefits of the splendid schools of that city. The family has a host of friends with whom we join in the sincere hopes that Mrs. Rose may be able to soon overcome this dreaded malady and return to her family and friends.

L. R. Thompson returned Tuesday from Dallas, where he had been on business. While in the city Mr. Thompson attended the State Fair, and stated that in many ways he found it to be the finest fair he ever attended. He was especially pleased with the agricultural, live stock, poultry and fine arts exhibits. And says that he found the fine Hereford cattle on exhibit by our fellow citizen, C. M. Largent measuring up along side the best. Also did he find the Mexican Exhibit very interesting and much better than one would imagine could be sent out from that country which has been in a turmoil of war for so long.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jackson returned Wednesday morning from attending the State Fair at Dallas. They report an enjoyable trip and the fair very interesting and fine this year.

J. L. Ashford was down last Saturday from his splendid farm near Trent. He says that his crop is going to be better than was expected at the beginning of the season.



HARDWARE

A car of new Mitchell wagons just received and if you are in the market for a wagon, why not come and get a Mitchell. We have a large line of Cooking and Heating Stoves now on our floor; we would appreciate your coming and looking them over, and we believe you can find what you are looking for in our line. We also have in stock a full line of Windmills consisting of the following makes: Eclipse, Star and Leader.

We have a good line of Piping and Pipe Fixtures, Shelf Hardware, Harness, Guns and Ammunition. We have just added to our stock a line of Auto Casing and Tubes. Call and see them and get prices.

GROCERIES

Full line of Groceries always on hand--and prices are always in line. American Beauty Flour and Meal are the very best. See us for your needs in Groceries.

Free Delivery in the City.

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BUY PROPERTY NOW

Farm and city property values can hardly decline. There is promise of big crops this year. If you intend buying, let us show you now. Doubtless we can save you money.

Fire Insurance

Remember we write fire insurance on town and country property.

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WALTER JACKSON

WHY NOT BE TRUTHFUL?

The Republicans charge President Wilson with conducting the war on a partisan basis, distrusting Republican patriots and appointing his own partisans. Why not tell the truth?

General Pershing, Commander-in-Chief in France, was a Republican, as was General March, Chief of Staff; General Goethals, Assistant Chief, and General Crowder, Provost Marshal-General. Other Republicans given high place were Keppel, Scott and Stettinius, Assistant Secretaries of War; Admiral Sims, Commander of our overseas naval forces; Harry Garfield, Fuel Administrator; Herbert Hoover, Food Administrator; Charles M. Schwab, Frank Vanderlip, Henry P. Davidson, Julius Rosenwald and many other distinguished Republicans were placed on war boards.

Justice Hughes, ex-President Taft and Cornelius Bliss, ex-Republican National Treasurer, were all called into service. The war was not conducted on a partisan basis.

To get rid of worms in children give them White's Cream Vermifuge. The little sufferer improves at once and soon becomes healthy active and robust. Price, 35c. Sold by Sanders Drug Store. Oct.

There are two sides to every question—the one you are on and the wrong side.

We are here to stay, not only a temporary vocation. And we always strive to please you. Mrs. C. L. Cash, Cash Tailoring Company, Phone 180. 10tf.

THE PROFITEER FOUND

Who's the profiteer? Not I, said the producer; I hardly break even—I'll prove it to you sir.

Who's the profiteer? Not I says the jobber; My margins are small—I am not the robber.

Who's the profiteer? Not I, says the retailer; I scarce make expenses—Just staving off failure.

Who's the profiteer? We have probed every rumor; At last we have found him—He is the consumer.—Ex.

The Modern Way

In the old days women used to wear their fingers off on the scrubbing board.

"And now?"

"Now they're doing the same thing on the ouija board.—Ex

At the Beach

Grocer's Wife—Can't say I like the seaside. It's nothing but sand and water.

Milkman's Wife—If it wasn't for the sand and water, Mrs. Litewate, our husbands couldn't have afforded this holiday. Ex

Overheard.

"Dr. Blank is a regular human dynamo."

"He certainly is. When I came in contact with him I got highly charged myself.—Ex.

Roses Barber Shops. BEST BARBERS IN TOWN. We have added to our Bath Equipment and can now take better care of our customers in that line. Roses Shop. Your trade appreciated.tf

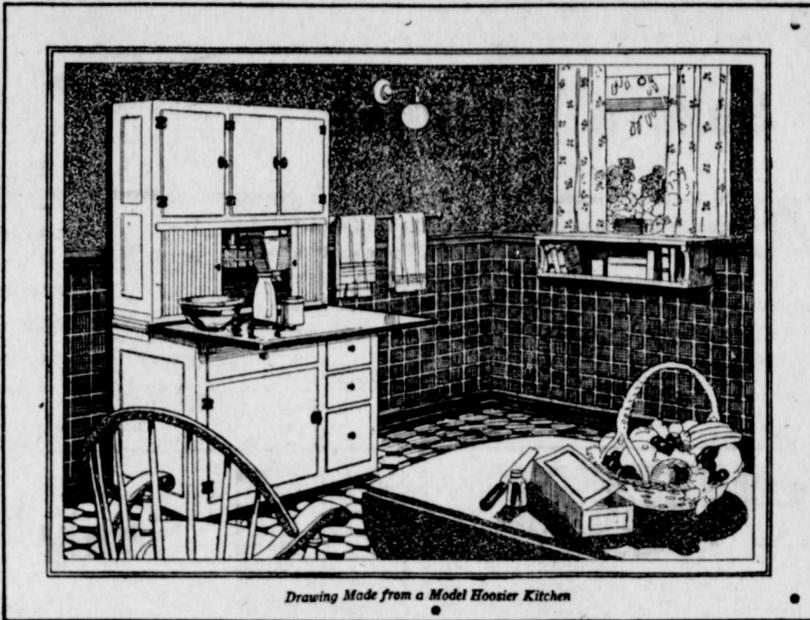
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We have just received a shipment of Hoosier Cabinets, and are making a reduction of \$7.50 on every model. The Hoosier Cabinet represents all the best that American house wives have learned about cutting out waste steps and unnecessary labor in the kitchen. We invite every housewife to our Hoosier department. Come. See the Hoosier, note the reduction in price, then decide.

Throughout our store you will find prices in hearty accord with the downward trend

Barrow Furniture Company

Every Model Reduced \$7.50

MAN RATHER THAN LAND

There is said to be more in the man than there is in the land. Likewise there is more in the man than there is in the crop. Some men make money on wheat others find it an unprofitable crop to grow. Cotton pays on some farms; it does not justify the labor it requires on other farms. Some farmers make money growing fruits, others vegetables, others hay.

There is, to be sure, much in the land when it comes to making a profit on the various crops. But is it not more in the management of the crop than the natural adaptability of the soil for a special crop?

Farmers who secure the largest crops from their farms do not always make the largest profits, although yield always bears a direct relation to profits. Sometimes large yields require very expensive tillage. On the contrary, a small yield may be obtained at a very little expenditure of capital and labor.

Men seem to have special aptitude for growing and marketing special crops. Often this is acquired by experience after diligent study and close observation. In one respect such farmers become specialists and may succeed unusually well. Success is possible because farmers like certain crops and take pride in growing and marketing them.—Farm & Ranch.

Ease the pain of a rheumatic attack by a rubbing application of Ballard's Snow Liniment. It relieves tenderness and strengthens the joints. Three sizes, 30, 60c and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by Sanders Drug Store Oct.

Some crops might not need fertilizing, but you'll notice that hair grows better on a man's chin than on his head

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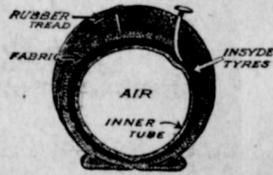
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FREE New Secretarial Course prepared by business men, guarantees position and saves three months' time; given NOW for price of Shorthand alone, making Bookkeeping FREE. Other special rates now. Ask for Offer 5. DRAGON'S BUSINESS COLLEGE, ABILENE, TEX.

How can we keep farm boys and girls on the farm? is a far cry from every direction. What reason can be offered the farmer boys and girls for remaining on the farm? It takes as much intelligence, ambition and energy to turn out farm products of the right quantity and quality as it does to turn out quantity and quality products from a perfectly equipped factory. Intelligence, ambition and energy being equal, the rewards are greatly in favor of manufacturing and other industries than farming under present conditions. Why shouldn't the farm boy or girl choose for themselves, weighing in their own balances and deciding accordingly?— Farm and Ranch.

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Your troubles, your worries and your cares
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By careful maneuvering we have managed some "Touchdown Prices" that are sure winners. It's a fine line-up and you can't lose. Come in early and take advantage of the assortment and extraordinary low prices.



GINGHAM DRESS SPECIAL

\$6.95 ladies gingham dresses \$5.95
5.95 ladies gingham dresses 4.95
4.95 ladies gingham dresses 3.95
3.95 misses gingham dresses 2.95
2.95 child's gingham dresses 1.95

MIDDY BLOUSE SPECIAL

\$2.50 middy blouse \$1.95
1.95 middy blouse 1.45

All smocks on sale

MILLINERY SPECIAL

Three hundred ready-to-wear hats to select from. We will feature fifty trimmed hats, values to \$10.00 for saturday only....\$5.95

A shipment of Beavers and velours for children received this week.

READY TO WEAR

A special discount on all garments not priced here. Nothing marked up for this sale.

One lot all wool serge dresses values to \$35.00 at \$19.95
All wool serge suits 25.00
All wool poplin suit 35.00
Ladies coats \$16.50 to .65.00
Missis' coats 10.00 to 16.50
Childrens coats 5.00 to 12.50

Furs priced special

BIG BLANKET SALE

One lot blankets 64x76 \$3.95
One lot plaid blankets 66x80 6.95
One lot plaid blankets 72x84 7.50

Note size on our blankets.

Big comfort bargains

Quilted cotton comfort \$3.95
\$6.00 Silkline quilted comforts 5.45
36 inch comfort linings the yard 35c
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EXTRA EXTRA

We are taking the lead in presenting to the buyers of this community some real bargains in high grade clothes for men and boys at extra special prices. We carry no off brands of clothing, therefore you can't make a mistake if you buy here. Let us show you.

EXTRA SPECIAL MENS CLOTHING

Hart Shaffner and Marx—enough said.

Values to \$75.00 your choice at \$59.00

Style Plus suits mean quality

\$60.00 Style Plus suits \$49.95
55.00 Style Plus suits 45.95
50.00 Style Plus suits 42.95
42.50 Style Plus suits 37.95

A few carried over suits at prices less than wholesale cost.

BIG SHOE BARGAINS

Our entire stock of shoes reduced to meet lower prices. We guarantee to save you money in this department. Prices too numerous to quote.

We show merchandise, you be the judge

EXTRA SPECIALS

One lot mens \$3.00 hats \$1.95
One lot of mens \$2.50 hats 95c
One lot boys \$2.00 hats 95c
One lot childrens 60c hose 45c
One lot 65c bath towels 45c

A big stock of underwear priced right Everything you buy from us means a saving to you.

STAPLES AT LESS THAN COST

Best grade unbleached cotton flannels... 29c
Best grade bleached cotton flannels.. 39c
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Good gingham, fast colors 39 and 29c
Good table damask at 95c
Better table damask at \$1.25

Remnant table loaded with bargains

EXTRA SPECIAL BOYS CLOTHING

\$17.50 boys suits \$15.45
16.50 boys suits 14.45
15.00 boys suits 12.50
14.50 boys suits 11.95
12.50 boys suits 10.45
10.00 boys suits 8.95

We sell Herculese all wool clothes for boys none better.

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Stop, Look and Listen

You remember last years crowds. Come in again and meet them here at the Economy's Anniversary Sale, where the talk of Taylor and Jones counties community will be for the next thirty days during our Anniversary Sale.

BACK TO OLD PRE-WAR PRICES

COTTON HALF PRICE OF LAST YEAR

SO IS OUR GOODS CUT TO HALF

WOOL NO MARKET AT ALL

OUR CLOTHING AT YOUR OWN PRICE

The Merkel Mail hasn't enough pages in its paper to mention the prices, but you all know when The Economy Store puts on a real sale you can come prepared to get your wants one hundred cents on the dollar.

STAPLES

Best grade outings, 50c values, yard. .33 1-3c
36-inch best grade domestic, no starch, regular 40c values special per yard. .29c
28-inch percales, light and dark colors, regular 50c values, special per yard. .33c
72-inch Half linen table demask regular \$2.00 values, special per yard \$1.40

Dress and Military Boots

Exceptional values are featured here during this sale.
\$16.50 Ladies shoes \$10.90
12.00 Ladies shoes 9.90
10.00 Ladies shoes 7.90
8.50 Ladies shoes 6.90
6.50 Ladies shoes 4.90

COATS

Here is a variety of stiles from which to choose. Some unusual values are featured in the newest modes developed of pile fabrics, velour, silvertones, tricotine and broadcloth. Prices rang from \$9.75 to \$90.00

EXTRA--LOOK HERE WHAT WE ARE GOING TO GIVE WAY SATURDAY AT 6 P.M.

To the lucky ticket holder a \$75.00 Suit. The tickets will be given with each sale of \$1.00 or more. Be sure and ask the clerks for your tickets

COAT SUITS

Women's new and distinctive fall suits representing great savings during this sale.

\$100.00 Suits \$69.90
85.00 Suits 59.90
75.00 Suits 49.90
60.00 Suits 39.75
All cheaper grade suits cut in proportion.

BOYS CLOTHING

The mostcomplete assortment of boys clothing ever assembled. Prices way below the present market.

\$22.50 Blue serge, special \$16.90
20.00 Fancy plaid, special 14.90
15.00 Fancy plaid, special 11.90
12.50 Fancy plaid, special 8.90
10.00 Fancy plaid, special 6.90

MENS SHOES

We have a high grade stock of mens shoes in all shapes and widths.

\$18.00 Shoes, Special \$13.90
16.50 Shoes, Special 12.90
15.00 Shoes, Special 10.90
12.50 Shoes, Special 8.90
10.00 Shoes, Special 7.90
8.50 Shoes, Special 6.90
One lot of work shoes, at \$3.90

EXTRAORDINARY

Extraordinary values in mens Suits and Overcoats.

\$75.00 Suits and Overcoats \$59.50
60.00 Suits, special 49.50
55.00 Suits, special 44.50
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MENS DRESS SHIRTS

\$12.50 Silk shirts, special \$7.95
8.50 Silk shirts, special 5.45
5.00 Mens madra shirts 4.45
2.50 Mens shirts 1.95
2.00 Shirts 1.45

HATS

A large assortment of mens hats on the large and small shapes in all colors.

\$16.50 Hats, special priced \$13.90
15.00 Hats, Specially Priced 12.90
12.50 Hats, specially priced 10.90
10.00 Hats, specially priced 7.90
That includes Stetsons

EXTRA SPECIAL

\$2.00 and \$2.50 Blue cambry work shirts, two pockets, special \$1.45

Every purchase you make at our store is guaranteed to give satisfaction or your money will be refunded. Fair Dealing and One Price to All is our motto

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