

## EPWORTH LEAGUE CONF'NCE SUCCESS

The annual meeting last week of the Northwest Texas Epworth League Conference, in this city, was well attended there being near two hundred delegates present, and according to those who have previously attended such meetings, the interest and programs rendered upon this occasion exceed anything held for several years heretofore.

Last Saturday night was designated as "Stunt Night," which seemed to be a contest put on between the several conference district delegates as to which district could render the best and most laughable program. In this the Plainview district took the prize.

In the fight for the next convention Clarendon won, and it may be assured all Epworth Leaguers now, that Clarendon will entertain them in most fitting style.

On behalf of the local Epworth League and the members of the Methodist church, thanks is extended citizens and members of other churches who so generously assisted in taking care of the large number of delegates.

### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Our church social last Thursday night was enjoyed by all present. Last Sunday we had a fine attendance at both the Sunday services, and the Sunday School was full of interest. We were glad to welcome five new members at the eleven o'clock hour. To those who have no church home we extend you a cordial invitation to attend the Presbyterian church.

Sunday June 26th we hope to have our whole membership present. There is a well organized class for every one. Sunday School 10 a.m. Preaching service 11 a.m. subject "Reaping the Whirlwind." Evening service 8:15 something new a song-alogue service. Come and hear it. Fred S. Rogers.

## NEW CLERK AT THE POST OFFICE

On account of the fact that on July 1, the Merkel Post Office advances from third class to that of second class, a new clerk is to be added to the working force on that date. Mr. Clyde Deavers will take that position on the date mentioned, and is now assisting in the office to get his hand in before the time comes when he is to actually begin work.

Mr. Deavers is a school teacher by profession, is thoroughly competent to render excellent service in this position, and will no doubt add to the already very efficient service now given the patrons of this office, under Postmaster King.

Let me learn day by day the value and high doctrinality of suffering. Let me suffer; not more than I am able to bear, for that drives a man mad; but still to suffer some, and never to sink up to my eyes in comfort and grow dead in virtues and respectability.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

Mrs. A. N. Hanson and children of Oklahoma City, arrived first of the week for an extended visit with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Houghton.

### A MOST RESPECTED CITIZEN PASSES AWAY

Some few weeks ago Ex-mayor J. J. Stallings and wife left Merkel for a visit with friends and relatives at Fort Worth and in Cook County; thinking the trip might be helpful to the former's health, which for the past year had been failing fast, but shocking indeed to our citizens, was the news which came over the wire to this city last Sunday evening that this good man and fellow citizen was dead.

On Wednesday of last week Mr. and Mrs. Stallings returned to Fort Worth from their visit to Cook county, and intended to leave there Thursday night for a return to their home here, but alas, on Thursday morning this, one of Merkel's best and most substantial citizens became suddenly ill, growing weaker until the end, which came at about five p.m. Sunday afternoon. The remains were shipped to this city Monday for interment, arriving on the five o'clock train. The funeral took place immediately afterward at Rose Hill Cemetery, conducted by Rev. W. O. Dallas, pastor of the first Christian Church at Abilene, and the local Masonic Lodge, in both of which deceased was a member; standing in the highest esteem.

Mr. Stallings was born in Bedford county, Tennessee, in 1855; making his age about 65 years and six months at the time of his taking away. He came to Texas when a young man and was married to Miss Sarah Elizabeth Parrish in 1881, at Honey Grove, Texas, and to this happy union there were born three children; two boys and a girl, one having passed away when quite young. Mr. and Mrs. Stallings came to Taylor county in 1890, and having since that date resided in and around Merkel. Deceased was a man of strong convictions; standing always on the side of what he thought was right of every question, yet he did so in a manner so just and fair as to demand and receive the respect and friendship of all with whom he came in contact. He was honored twice with being elected mayor of our city and once appointed to fill a vacancy in that position, serving in all about five and a half years. In this position he was always faithful and honest in the performance of the many duties incumbent upon same. He was a member of the Christian church and so let his light shine as a true christian. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge of this city; having held one of the principal offices in that organization for many years, and to which we are informed he was elected for another year during his recent absence from our city.

He was generous in his nature, and for many years had not let a Christmas holiday pass without sending a handsome financial donation to his church orphan's home. In fact, in the death of J. J. Stallings, a loving wife loses an affectionate and true husband, a daughter and son a kind and loving father, and the people of Merkel an honorable and upright, christian gentleman.

One of the largest concourses of friends were in attendance at the funeral on last Monday afternoon that possibly ever attended a funeral here, and beautiful indeed, were the many large and costly floral offerings by citizens and friends.

Both the son and daughter, Mr. E. P. Stallings, Assistant Cashier of South Texas Commercial National Bank, of Houston, and Mrs. A. C. McGee, of Fort Worth, were with their father when the end came, and with their mother were here for the funeral.

We join the family's host of friends in extending sympathy.

## WOULD HANG MEN WHO TRAP GIRLS

That the first duty of county officials of Texas was protection of the motherhood of the state by removing temptations from the paths of young girls and hanging "brutes that lead them astray," was the message delivered by County Judge Hugh L. Small of Tarrant County to members of the County Judges and Commissioners Association during the opening session Wednesday morning of the annual meeting at Fort Worth.

Girls who sidestep from the narrow path should have the same opportunity of "coming back" as boys, and it is the great est folly of all times to deny them this opportunity, Judge Small declared.

### FARM BUREAU MEETING

We are pleased to announce that on next Saturday, June 25, there will be a meeting of the local Farm Bureau at the Tabernacle, at three p.m.

All farmers are especially urged to be present and every body cordially invited to be present.

Sam Turner, one of the well fixed farmers of the Mt. Pleasant community, was here yesterday, bringing with him a nice lot of big fine roasting ears from his farm. They are the first we have seen this year and were greatly appreciated.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS ENTERTAIN

On Thursday evening, June the 16th, the young Business Men's Class of the First Baptist church was entertained by the Fidelis, T. E. L., and Alathean classes. The basement of the handsome new church was beautifully decorated for the occasion, the color scheme being carried out very effectively in the class colors of the three hostess classes at the tables where the refreshments were served, while overhead the young Men's class colors, green and gold, were employed in the decorations. A profusion of the tables and added greatly to the beauty of the reception.

A program consisting of a duet by Mrs. Meador and Mr. Yates Brown, reading by Miss Lucy Tracy and a duet by Miss Christene Collins and Mrs. Howard was rendered, after which the guests made merry in an informal way. Excitement ran high during the unique contest of the four "families", and the judges very impartially mentioned each one in the decision. After two hours of conversation and entertainment features delicious refreshments consisting of punch and sandwiches were served, following which Bro. Parrack, teacher of the Young Business Men's class expressed the thanks and appreciation of the class for the gracious hospitality displayed in their behalf by the three hostess classes.

### PRESBYTERIAN AUXILIARY

The Presbyterian ladies met at the church Monday the 20th. and had a very interesting lesson on Foreign Missions. The topics were on the Philippines, read by Mrs. R. L. Bland and Mrs. Dr. Johnson.

On Monday the 27th the Society will meet at the church and will have home missions.

## BIG INDEPENDENCE DAY AT ABILENE

Abilene, June 22.—Probably the largest aggregation of fast racing cars and professional drivers ever entered for a race meet in this state will be seen in action on July 4th. at the Independence Day contest to be run on the newly constructed speedway at the West Texas Fair Grounds. The heavy entry list is due to the fact the Abilene meet will be the only strictly A.A.A. contest staged in the state on this date and virtually all licensed drivers in this section have been attracted by the \$2,500 prize pot hung up for the events.

Among those who have already entered their cars are: "Red" Shafer of Fort Worth, considered the peer of any dirt track driver in this country who will pilot a gigantic eight cylinder Dusenberg; George Melaun of Dallas at the wheel of a fleet-footed Ford special; J. P. Stewart of Dallas in a sixteen valve Gillette special; Bill King of Cleburne in a big Mercer; A. W. Fields of San Angelo and Kirby Horton of Cleburne, both with fast Ford Specials. Two local drivers have entered Essex mounts. They are Jimmy Reeder, a veteran dirt-track pilot and E. M. Hilley.

The newly constructed track, with an oiled surface will be very fast for the meet and some real speed contests are assured the thousands who are expected to attend.

## PRESBYTERIANS ENJOY SOCIAL

Following out the church's program of increased activity, the social committee of Grace Presbyterian church, of which Dr. S. W. Johnson is chairman, gave its first social affair on Thursday night, 16th. The feature of the evening was a supper consisting of fried chicken, salad cake and cream, tendered to the members and friends of the church on the lawn.

During the course of the supper a splendid program was rendered. Mr. Chas. H. Jones in his usual genial manner presided as toastmaster of the evening. His toast to "our pastor from the east" was responded to by pastor, Rev. Fred S. Rogers. Mr. Jones then called for talks from members of the church on the blessing, the aim and the opportunity of the church. These were responded to by Mrs. S. W. Johnson, Jas. H. West, R. L. Bland and Mrs. G. F. West. Mrs. Fred S. Rogers and Miss Marjorie Bland gave readings, and H. C. West toasted the ladies.

The table for the evening was very beautifully decorated, and fairly groaned under its load of "eats." Thanks are due the women—though the men had their share, in preparing the lawn and the grounds of the church—for the successful carrying out of the evening. There were present on this occasion, it is estimated, one hundred and fifteen men, women and children. This is but one evidence of this growing church's activity, and is but the beginning of its social program.

Mrs. J. F. Tipton and children of Wichita Falls, were down first of the week for a visit with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. West. The children remained for a more extended visit while Mrs. Tipton returned to her home at Wichita Falls.

### A LOVELY CHARACTER DEPARTS FROM THIS LIFE

At about two-thirty Wednesday morning June 22nd, 1921, when all was still and quiet, when most people were resting in their deepest slumber, the death angel entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hutcheson and took from them the soul of their eldest daughter, Vivian, and transplanted this most precious jewel in that home not made with hands, but where sweet ever lasting peace and happiness reigns forever. Her's was indeed a brave, hard fight against the fetters of disease which had for the past sixty days bound her frail body, but at last human strength failed and life's golden bowl was broken, and this one of Merkel's fairest flowers of young womanhood is no more among us.

She was born and reared to sweet womanhood in this community, and when called from earth to the home prepared for the faithful, she was 19 years, five months and 22 days old. At the age of 14 she consecrated her young life to the cause of her Master, becoming a member of the Methodist church and to which cause she remained a shining and guiding light to those around her. And in her every day life she was companionable, affable, helpful and ever strong in character, having all the graces needed in the make up of the most lovely and fairest of young womanhood of the land. Hence we who knew her well, realize that in her passing this community has sustained a loss which is irreparable and that shall be keenly felt, and while we shall know her no more in the flesh it will be sweet to think of her, and to hope that through past contact with her pure and undefiled life we may have been taught the value and worth of such a pure and beautiful life and have been inspired to emulate such wholesome virtues.

The funeral services were conducted at the Methodist church by her pastor, Rev. W. M. Murrell assisted by young Elmer D. Landreth, her friend and associate, Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, attended by a concourse of friends and loved ones which filled this edifice to more than seating capacity. Impressive indeed was the message of condolence delivered by the pastor. And the floral offerings were many and grand, signifying the love and high esteem in which the donors held the deceased. The burial was at the Rose Hill Cemetery amid one of the largest gatherings of people ever assembled there to do honor to a departed friend and loved one. For the loved ones who mourn we have the tenderest sympathy and our prayer is that, by the rich promises of the gospel of a crucified but risen Lord they may be comforted.

### ANOTHER NICE RAIN

This part of the country was visited Monday night by another bountiful rainfall, which will be of added benefit to the growing crops as well as to those planted and yet to come up. Taking the matter as a whole, we expect there is at present one of the best prospects this country has seen at this time of the year for an all round crop. Corn is especially fine at this time, as is also feed, and cotton that was planted early, is indeed fine. And the late cotton may also prove a winner in the end.

Adversity is the trial of principle. Without it a man hardly knows whether he is honest or not.—Fielding.

Miss Lula Sharp returned first of the week from a visit with friends at Odessa.

## MAN IS KILLED BY FAST TRAIN

A. L. Hartzog, farmer, 34, who was killed instantly at 1:05 Thursday afternoon by a special train on the Sante Fe near Herton, will be buried in Sweetwater Cemetery Sunday, according to incomplete funeral arrangements announced by J. I. Payne, undertaker, who has the body in charge.

The train, an engine and passenger coach running extra to Sweetwater to take a trainload of Chinese coolies enroute from the West Coast to Cuba under bond, was running between 50 and 60 miles per hour, trainmen say. Mr. Hartzog, who was up the night before with his sick daughter, apparently was asleep or in a deep study and did not see the approaching train until it was within a few feet of him.

The automobile driven by Mr. Hartzog was completely demolished, pieces of it being hurled more than 200 yards from the crossing. The man's body was thrown 105 feet away, falling face up on a switch track. Although he was crushed the skin was not broken except in his right leg.

Mr. Hartzog had been to Sweetwater after some medicine for his little girl. His wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniels of Farwell, N. M., who had been visiting the Hartzog family, left this city yesterday for New Mexico and efforts are being made to locate them enroute in a car. His father resides with him.

Mr. Hartzog was well thought of in his community. He was superintendent of the Sunday School at White Flat, a member of the Methodist church, and owned a nice farm.—Sweetwater Reporter.

I. E. Beggs of Snyder, who was here last week as a delegate to the Epworth League Convention, was the guest of his Uncle T. J. Toombes and family while here.

## NEW BRIDGE IS FOR MULBERRY

W. H. Frazier, our splendid County Commissioner, informs us that the contract has been let for the erection of a new steele bridge across Mulberry near the Geo. Richey place south of Merkel. The bridge will be 80 feet long, and the contract calls for the completion of same by July 15. Commissioner Frazier in order to help keep down the expense will haul out all the material and do the wood work connected with putting up the bridge.

### BAPTIST WOMENS MIS- SIONARY MEETING

Tuesday beginning at 4 p.m. Subject "Christian Education." Leader, Mrs. Warren. Song 257.

Prayer. Bible lesson, by the leader. Solo, Mrs. Howard. "Seed Corn" Mrs. Booth. "Planting with care" Mrs. Swafford.

"Some Results" Mrs. Sam Owen "The Sower" Mrs. Judd Shepard. Reading by Miss Lucy Tracy. "Sowing in the Home field" Mrs. Miller.

"The Good Seed are the Children of the Kingdom" Miss Oia Sharp. "In the Morning sow thy seed" Mrs. McQuerry. Song and closing.



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 W. L. DILTZ, Jr. .... Assistant Cashier

Some people's ignorance deceive them into believing they are of much more importance than the whole community really knows them to be.—Merkel Mail.

It is true that you find a few of these in every place, and it takes this class as well as all the rest to make up a city. You have heard it said that it takes all kinds of people to make up a world, and this is true of a city also. But C. & C. wishes there was some way to get rid of these "important" people; they ought to get out and start a town of their own where they would be "appreciated" and honored as is their due. C. & C. is in favor of segregating all these know-it-all "birds" and then the rest who don't happen to think they know it all or even a part of it, could have at least some slight comfort and rest.—Clip and Comment in Abilene Reporter.

### CARD OF THANKS

We take this method of expressing our sincere thanks and appreciation to our neighbors, friends, members of the Masonic Lodge and all, who so kindly assisted in laying to rest our beloved husband and father. Especially we thank those for the many and beautiful floral offerings by the good people of Merkel. May God's everlasting and richest blessings be accorded each and all of you, is our prayer. Mrs. Lizzie Stallings, E. P. Stallings, Houston, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. McGee, Fort Worth, Texas.

### METHODIST CHURCH

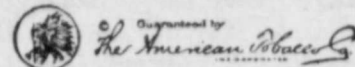
Do you go to Sunday School? If not try it next Sunday morning at 10 o'clock and see how much better you will feel. Preaching at 11 a.m. by the pastor. At the evening hour our children's day program. Come and enjoy this program, and encourage the children. W. M. Murrell, pastor.



**Cigarette**

To seal in the delicious Burley tobacco flavor.

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According to newspaper reports, the mayor of Cisco after due investigation, called a meeting of the mothers and fathers of that town together for the purpose of seeing if something could not be done toward improving the moral conduct of the young boys and girls in that town. The call was to mothers and fathers who had boys and girls from sixteen years down. Just think of it, here in Texas, West Texas at that. The right place to begin to correct the great wave of immorality over this country is in the homes. Proper home training and living by the parents of this country will do more to lessen this growing evil than all the Ku-Klux Klans in the land. But so long as young girls are allowed the freedom of unlimited association without proper training, and so long as older men and women go the immoral route just so long will this condition exist more or less.

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### BAPTIST ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School 10 a.m. with places for all. The Bible is given us as a guide to faith and practice but how will it guide us if we do not know its teachings? No other movement in modern times has contributed as much to Bible study as the Sunday School. Therefore the Sunday School deserves the help and support of truth. You can find a place in Sunday School where you will be in a class with those of your own age and in congenial surroundings you can study Scriptures that will help you in the battle of life. Beginning the First Sunday in July we are going to have six months study of the life and works of the apostle Paul. He is one of greatest heroes in the Bible or in all literature. You will get pleasure and help out of this study and you will do well to begin with the beginning.

Come and find your place in your class and be ready to start with the others the first Sunday in July. The new books will be handed out Sunday be sure to come and get yours.

Preaching by the pastor at 11 a.m. and 8:30 p.m.

Morning Theme "Four Hundred Thousand Texas Baptists in a soul Winning Campaign."

Evening theme "Am I my brothers keeper?"

B. Y. P. U. at five p.m.  
 Training class Monday at 8:15 p.m. Ladies meeting Tuesday 4 p.m. Sun Beams at the same hour.

Prayer-meeting Wednesday at 8:30 p.m.

Come and find a welcome at any or all these services. Ira L. Parrack, pastor.

The greater our love, the greater the surface we expose to majestic sorrow; wherefore none the less does the sage never cease his endeavors to enlarge this beautiful surface.—Maeterlinck.

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### RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved that we, the Epworth League Conference of the Methodist church of the Northwest Texas Conference, do extend to the Merkel Garage our sincere thanks for the many courtesies shown us during our session of the Epworth League Conference.

That we extend to the people of Merkel our gratitude for their kindness and gracious hospitality in opening their homes to us and lending us the use of their cars.

That we extend to the Merkel Mail our sincere thanks for the excellent publicity given us.

That we extend our thanks to the girls of the Merkel League, who entertained us on our opening night and served the delightful lunch Friday.

That we extend to Mr. Joe Reidenbach, president of the Senior Chapter at Merkel, and his Leaguers our gratitude for the innumerable things they have done to make us feel at home and never forget our short stay in Merkel.

Be it further resolved that this resolution be incorporated in the minutes of this League Conference and a copy be furnished the local paper for publication. Llewellyn Deason, Chairman

J. Hallie Marquis,  
 Elmer D. Landreth  
 Committee on Resolutions.

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# COZY THEATRE

Friday	June 24	Saturday	June 25
Wm. S. Hart	Capitol Comedians	Wm. Russell	Snub Pollard
in	in	in	in
"The Gun Fighter"	"Hearts & Ham"	"The Cheater Reformed"	"Daisy Days"

**Coming**  
 Wm. Farnum in "The Settlers"  
 Wm. Russell in "Quick Action"

Weedier did you say weadier. The eradication weed seems to be the most prominent feature of the day and as they are so numerous it only takes a short time to fill your game sack.

Several from this community attended the all-day service at Blair, Sunday. A report is that a large crowd was present with a very enjoyable time.

Miss Ila Mae Anderson who has been at Abilene undergoing an operation is now able to be home, improving nicely.

Mr. Geo. Crow Sr. recorded another Coyote chase with the success of three scalps. He and his friends who were with him enjoyed the races.

Mrs. H. E. Spears has been visiting her mother, Mrs. J. P. Richie this week. It is understood that she returns Tuesday.

Prayer meeting has wended off to some where, owing to the like of attendance caused by cloudy and rainy weather, so it is requested that we be on time Wednesday night, June 29th. Mr. Doil Blair is to conduct the meeting so let's show our appreciation for God's work by attending.

Where would you think a fellow was going if you were to meet him in the road with a sack of meal and two boxes of shot gun shells? I do not think it permissible to say, though I would not think he was going fishing.

The B.Y.P.U. is a whole place for every body and is holding a place for all. I will come next Sunday if you can's stay away from on.

Buggies tied in conspicuous places in front of some houses cause some people to think all the girls and boys are not married yet.

The clerk of Nubia store is applying her spare time in whole saleing weeds and at the rate of last week's bulking she will soon extinguish the present stock on hand.

If you are a close observer and appreciate good work in cleaning and pressing let me have your next suit. Ligon the laundryman, phone 218.

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**T. & P. TIME TABLE**

Time Table of the Texas and Pacific trains taking effect on June 5th.

**West Bound**  
 No. 1 (Sunshine) . . . . . 9:36 p.m.  
 No. 5 . . . . . 4:13 a.m.  
 No. 23 . . . . . 5:00 p.m.

**East Bound**  
 No. 2 (Sunshine) . . . . . 8:36 a.m.  
 No. 4 . . . . . 9:30 a.m.  
 No. 16 . . . . . 11:50 p.m.

If thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small.—Solomon.

**"I AM THE FARMER"**

"I am the provider for all man kind. Upon me every human being constantly depends.

A world itself, is builded up on my toil, my products, my honesty.

Because of my industry, America my country leads the world. Her prosperity is maintained by me; her great commerce is the work of my good hand; her "balance of trade" springs from the furrows of my farm.

My reaper brings food for today; my plow holds promise for tomorrow.

In war I am absolute; in peace I am indispensable—my country's surest defense and constant reliance.

I am the very soul of America, the hope of the race, the balance wheel of civilization.

When I prosper, men are happy; when I fail, the whole world suffers.

I live with nature, walk in the green fields under the golden sunlight out in the great alone where brain and brawn and toil supply mankind's primary need.

And I try to do my humble part to carry out the great plan of God.

Even the birds are my companions, they greet me with a symphony at the new day's dawn and chum with me until the evening prayer is said.

If it were not for me the treasures of the earth would remain securely locked; the granaries would be useless frames; man himself would be doomed to speedy extinction or decay.

Through me is produced the energy that maintains the spark of life.

I rise with the early dawn and retire when the 'chores' of the world are done.

I am your friend.  
 "I am the farmer."  
 —Stuart Star.

W. H. Laney was up first of the week from Ivan, where he is conducting a meat market.

Accordion, Knife and Box pleating. Ligon the laundryman phone 218.

Endurance is the crowning quality.—Lowell.

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When our hopes break, let our patience hold.— Thomas Fuller.

**TODAY**

The years that are behind you like the blossoms of a faded summer, are dead and gone. The years yet to come are full of nothing but uncertainty. You and I may never look over the golden slope of tomorrow's sun rise. Even tonight's stars may come out to find that we have journeyed into the shadows of that mystical woodland from which no traveler has ever returned.

Only today is ours; today with its opportunities to gladden or sadden hearts, to sow flowers that will sweeten the pathway of others or sting and wound them as they pass along.

"What are you going to do about it?" This is the question that comes face to face with every person who gives a moment's thought. Will you smile when you meet your friends and neighbors upon the street and offer them an encouraging word and a hearty hand shake, or will you grunt and frown and withhold that kindness of love, which today may be dew and sunshine to a struggling plant, but tomorrow may be of no use?

All around you are duties to perform things for the hands to do. Just over the way an old man, sick and lonely, waits for the eventide. The companion of his better years has "crossed the bar," his children are scattered far and wide. Maybe he wants a cup of water, a bright face to look into with his fading eyes, a voice to cheer him as with slow, unsteady step he wanders down the sunset slope. Go see him now; do not put it off. Tomorrow—oh, remember, tomorrow may never come for one or the other of you.

Today is ours to do the work that needs to be done. If we neglect to cheer and help those who walk our way through the present hours, in a little while we may come to a fork in the road—to a parting in the way—and be separated forever.

Get out of the damp and boggy bottom where foul air of indifference threatens to poison your life, quit scrambling through the thorny briars of grouch. Stand up now—today—on the heaven-kissed hill-tops, in the fragrant breezes of earth's common kindred, under the bending blue of human Brotherhood—A Clipping.

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### RURAL SCHOOL NOTES

The chief interest being shown in our schools just at this date is due to the energy being expended and the enthusiasm being manifested on the part of some of our leaders in our rural communities to put through elections for increased taxes to maintain our schools creditably, whether we have State Aid or not for another year. Last week seven page letters were sent to the trustees of every district of the county relative to a good many matters of importance, but particularly as concerns one essential of our schools—REASONABLE FUNDS FOR THEIR MAINTENANCE. Too, the budget for each school for another year was compared with the resources of the school, with conditions of finances as they are now and each was shown what increased tax seems necessary. All were also furnished petition asking for the elections in order that the trouble of having to come to the office for them might be saved. The response to these appeals, in addition to what many districts have already done, is very gratifying indeed.

Next Saturday, June 25th, elections will be held at Tye and Neill. After these elections no other will be held until the final date set for the elections of the county for this year JULY 16th. This one date has been decided upon in order to save time for the Commissioner's Court and also the inconvenience of counting votes every few weeks. Particular attention, however, is called to this date JULY 16th. We do not want any of our schools to wait until too late to have their notices posted for the three weeks required before July 16th, and then ask for an election. Our Assessor, Mrs. Vance, has obliged us by extending the date for elections beyond that set by assessors of some adjoining counties. In behalf of our schools, we wish to express appreciation of this consideration shown.

Since our last article the following elections have been ordered: Union Ridge District No. 36, \$1800 bond and \$1.00 tax; Iberis District No. 38, \$1.00 tax; Elm Grove District No. 8, \$1.00 Bradshaw District No. 24, \$5,000 bond and \$1.00 tax; Mulberry District No. 40, \$1.00. These petitions all record "at a rate not to exceed \$1.00," which means that next year, or hereafter, should State Aid be continued or some other condition arise to relieve the situation, the district may have levied what part of this tax-between fifty cents and one dollar—it may find necessary for the maintenance of the school. Surely this sort of a proposition should seem reasonable enough to everyone. Union Ridge will be able to convert its crowded two-teacher school into a three-teacher school. This is a fine move, and we shall do our best to get the bonds through THIS YEAR. Bradshaw has some splendid plans for the improvement of its building and for increasing the number of teachers in the school. Many of the citizens of this district could hardly wait for the petition to reach them to sign them. This fine spirit should be much felt in the establishment here of a very strong school. The good movements at Iberis and Mulberry are much appreciated; the election at the latter should have been today, June 18th, but, through some misunderstanding as regards the posting of notices Judge Hill has set the new date. The petition from Elm Grove is interesting in that it has only seven signers, but since these seven represent a "majority" of the district, the election has been ordered. The fact that the school of this district is about eight miles from any other schools of adjoining districts makes consolidation at present, at least, impossible. There are only twelve children enrolled in this district, but the parents of these children, a majority of whom are property owners in the district, want their children to have the best possible.

Saturday, June 11th, elections were held and carried with much credit in each case at Ovalo, Valley Creek, and Oak Lawn for a dollar tax, Oak Lawn also voting an \$1800 bond. At the same time Shep voted a seventy-five cent tax, which, in view of the fact that this district is not bonded now, will furnish about the same fund for maintenance as that of the other districts mentioned. The bond voted for Oak Lawn will mean that this district will have next year three teachers for their school; this year there were two teachers in the school, and two years ago only one. "Some Growth."

There are hundreds of applicants for positions in the Taylor County schools, and a great many of these, fully half, are thoroughly efficient, it seems. It is not usual for us to have eight or nine applicants in person per day, with a like number through mail. It is much hoped that all of the information available in the office of the County Superintendent as regards teachers will be got into the hands of the trustees within a very few days now, to the end that they may be ready to arrange, if possible, for personal conferences with the applicants in whom they may be interested. We are hoping to be able to maintain the standard set to place only teachers with first grade, permanent primary, or permanent certificates. With certificate laws as they are now, any capable, ambitious teacher can and will gladly meet these requirements, and I hope and believe that all of us will work together here in Taylor County to insist that our teachers do meet them. We shall appreciate having information from trustees when they fill vacancies in their schools in order that other applicants may not waste time and energy trying to get in touch with the situation. (One contract that has just been approved to the particular satisfaction of all concerned is that of Mr. T. P. Parmer, who taught several months in the county this year and who has accepted the principalship of the Buffalo Gap School. Under the direction of Mr. Parmer, we predict a

good school here. The old lodge building at Hamby was blown down several days ago and the Order has been so good as to donate the lumber to the school to be used in the construction of a teacherage. This is certainly a fine beginning, and the district thinks it sees its way clearly to erect a building that will be a credit not only to that district, but to the whole of Taylor County. It is hoped that this is a beginning of a good work in this line for the country. Two weeks ago we indicated in our article that we would be out of town for the week following. Since it was our intention to leave in a car, it has been impossible for us to get away until now, and we expect to be out of town after Tuesday for about a week. This personal reference

is made here merely in order that trustees may be saved the inconvenience of coming into town to see us only to find us away. However, Miss Ruth Sims will be in the office, and it is urged that all tax and bond petitions to be submitted be brought here at an early date and she will see that the notices needed are furnished the sheriff. On this trip to Fort Worth and Dallas, the Superintendent will be accompanied by her sister, Mrs. P. W. Mitchell and her children, and Miss Lena Tilker. Ada D. Pearce, County Superintendent.

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Before supper was announced, the guests spent a pleasant social hour, the children played on the lawn, and every body had a good time.

Mr. C. H. Jones was toastmaster for the evening, and filled his place with the ease of an "old timer". Quite a number of guests responded with toasts and readings. The social committee under the leadership of Dr. Johnson, who is chairman, is to be comended on arranging, and planning such an enjoyable event. As the time came for leaving all left with a feeling of good cheer; and with the hope of soon having the opportunity of another social. One present.

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Mr. and Mrs. Burl Wheeler of Abilene spent last Sunday in Merkel visiting home folks.

Mrs. H. L. Johnson of Wharton, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Houston.

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5. The open Bible and American Young people Mary Cleo Booth.
6. Why send Missionaries to Rome Myrtle McDonald.
7. Jesus First, not the Virgin Mary—Ruth Jones.
8. Priests cannot Forgive sin by Roy Tucker.
9. Reverence for the Pope Maud Hardy.
10. Worship of pictures and images—Belle McDonald.
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12. Rome —Willie Beaddle.
13. Italians becoming artists—Bro. Parrack.
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All members are especially interested as officers are to be elected and other important business to be attended to.

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#### OLD, BUT STILL VALID

A Western newspaper offered a picture for the best answer to the conundrum: "Why is a news paper like a woman?" The prize was won by a woman in Oklahoma, who sent the following answer: "Because every man should have one of his own, and not run after his neighbor's."

#### OUR SINCERE THANKS

We take this method of extending to our many loyal friends our deepest and most profound thanks for the many and generous courtesies extended us and our loved one, during the latter's long illness and death. We especially thank you for the beautiful flowers you were so kind to place in her room, as well as those at the funeral and grave.

May the Lord bless and reward each of you for each and every kindness showed our loved one. Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hutcheson and children.

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#### HEBRON NEWS

This community was visited again last night by a nice shower, and Oh! how the weeds do grow, but we love to see them grow for then we know the sand won't cover us up and too we realize what a great country West Texas is. Old Hebron is still alive for there was a large crowd at Sunday School last Sunday.

Mr. Reagan and daughter of Noodle attended Sunday School at Hebron Sunday.

Jack Vannell and family visited W. M. Carey and family Sunday afternoon.

Little Carey is suffering from a very painful rusty nail wound. Mr. and Mrs. Will Dunn's baby has been on the sick list this week, but is better at this writing.

The young folks enjoyed an Ice cream Supper Saturday night at the home of Will Dunn.

Carroll Worthan has decided to rest from making war on weeds, while he nurses a sty on his eye.

Carl Carey killed a rattle snake Saturday while chopping cotton.

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