

THE MERKEL

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MERKEL, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JULY 15, 1921

CLUB JOYS BARBECUE

and Mrs. Tom Largent in the Thursday Club and husbands and the Younger Their beautiful home last evening.

of the most delightful event of the season occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Largent three and one half north of Merkel, last Friday evening when sixty guests including the Thursday Club and husbands and the younger folks of the town were heartily and bountifully entertained.

Mr. Largent had barbecued a fat calf and thereby became a prodigal host to sixty even more prodigal guests, each an connoisseur of good eats and fine hospitality.

The long table sumptuously loaded to invite and satisfy hunger was placed on the beautiful and brilliantly lighted lawn, around which sixty happy people made happier by toast and story and bountiful hospitality lightened the table's load as they did their own cares.

After the feast the men lounged on the lawn in groups and bursts of laughter evidenced their increasing enjoyment.

The ladies repaired to the house and were entertained by music both instrumental and vocal which was shared and enjoyed by the men on the lawn.

At eleven-thirty o'clock the guests departed feeling that they had spent a most enjoyable evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Largent were assisted in the entertainment of their guests by Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Largent and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Joe Largent.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 o'clock. See that your clock is correct before retiring Saturday night. It's a great thing to be on time. Preaching at 11 a.m. No service at the church at night. Every body go to the Tabernacle and hear Bro. Parrack. All other services through the week as usual. W. M. Murrell, pastor.

Mrs. Morgan of Dallas, after an extended visit with her mother, other relatives and many friends, left last week for her home. On return she was accompanied by Miss Julia Martin who will spend some time with the former in Dallas.

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of
First State Bank, Trent, Texas
at the close of business on the 30th day of June 1921, published in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper printed and published at Merkel, state of Texas, on the 15th day of July, 1921.

RESOURCES	
Loans and dis. personal or collateral	\$ 98,715.48
Loans, real estate	1,709.27
Overdrafts	1,652.14
Bonds and S. o'ks	6,450.00
Real Estate (banking house)	7,000.00
Furniture and fixtures	2,128.00
Due from other banks and bankers and cash on hand	27,953.66
Interest in Dep. Cty. Fund	1,512.23
Assessment Dep. Cty. Fund	1,361.81
Other Resources	210.00
Total	\$148,713.58
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 30,000.00
Surplus Fund	5,710.00
Undivided profits, net	136.56
Individual Deposits Sub. to Check	109,941.15
Time certificates of Deposit	1,325.00
Demand Certificates of Deposits	1,200.00
Cashier's Checks	1,200.00
Total	\$148,713.58

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The time is drawing near for the Revival meeting under the Leadership of Evangelist Erwin Mr. Fraser will be the Choir leader. These two men have been instrumental in leading many to a higher conception of life. All our services from now until the meeting begins will be a preparation for these services. May we count on you to help us?

Sunday July 17 all our regular services. Evening service at the Tabernacle. Fred S. Rogers.

STATE ELECTION ON SATURDAY JULY 23RD

On Saturday July 23rd., there will be held throughout this state an election to determine whether or not there shall be five amendments to the State Constitution. And which are in part as follows:

One is for the abolishing of the Board of Prison Commissioners.

Another is for the Raising of the salaries of the Governor and other state officers.

Another is to grant aid to Confederate soldiers and their widows, who have been residents of this state since 1910.

And there is one proposed to change the mileage and per diem of the legislators of the state.

In our opinion one of the greatest mistakes the people of Texas have been making in politics is, that it has been too long a custom to vote against making any changes in the state constitution.

As in these proposed changes, we can not see why any sane man could not believe that the Governor of Texas is paid too small a salary, likewise some of the other officers and the state legislature. But it has been the habit of the people of this state to just vote against making any changes in the constitution, just as though there had been no changes in this state and the world conditions since the organization of same. Don't forget to vote, and vote for the good of our state.

CHICKEN DINNER SAT. JULY 23RD.

A good old fashioned chicken dinner will be served by the Young Peoples Missionary Society at the Woodrum Hotel on Saturday, July 23rd.

There will be tables arranged in the Woodrum dining room and lobby, so don't hesitate about not knowing just where you can find everything of heart's desire, in the way of eats, for only 50 cents. There is no doubt but what you can get three times as much to eat if you will come to see us, for 50 cents, than else where.

Please watch for the menu in this paper next week. You may be assured now though that there will be a varied and well prepared feast awaiting for you if you will only come to the Woodrum Dining room on Saturday, July 23rd. and be served by the Y. P. M. S. girls.

Mrs. A. C. Rose who has been in San Angelo for several months in the interest of her health, returned last week to be with Mr. Rose who has been quite sick for some time. She is considerably improved in her health which will be good news to her many friends. Mr. Rose, we are also glad to learn is improving nicely being able to get up town Wednesday morning.

MRS. BOOTH ENTERTAINS CLASS

Mrs. A. R. Booth was hostess to the T. E. L. Class of the First Baptist church, Wednesday morning from 9 until 11, at her pretty little home. The living room was decorated in crepe paper of green and white, the class colors and beautiful shasta daisies, which also carried out the class colors.

When the members had all arrived, Miss Dove Teaff, the class president, read a chapter from Psalms, then a prayer was offered, by Mrs. Booth, the class teacher. Class officers were discussed and two new members were elected, to help the first vice president, Mrs. Hartley, on enlargement.

After the conclusion of the business, Miss Tracy favored the class with an interesting reading to which she had to respond to a hearty encore.

A contest of "Proverbs" was enjoyed, several tying for first prize, in answers.

Refreshments of Pineapple ice cream, cake, and punch, with favors of daisies, was served to the following: Mesdames Joe Owens, W. H. Derstine, Lytton Howard, N. Hancock, W. J. Largent, Earl Lassiter, Twyman, Collins, D. J. Hartley, Ergeal Meador, Miss Dove Teaff, and visitors: Mrs. C. E. Mallow, of Dallas, Mrs. Albert Venting of Fort Worth and Miss Lucy Tracy.

Mrs. Bettie Toombs and daughter, Miss Willie, left yesterday morning for Paris, Tenn., where they will visit Mrs. Toombs' sister, for two weeks.

THE INDEPENDENT TWO

The Independent Two is an organization with the view of helping the members of said organization and for the betterment of their social position in the high Society of this city.

It was the unanimous decision of the membership to have only two officers for this organization, there being two members, and these officers are President and First Vice-President who will have active control of the organization and their holdings.

You will always see this organization in a body and where you see the body you will see the entire membership represented as well. We have our Club House located on a beautiful site on the out-skirts of the city, and have laid off Golf links, Tennis courts Croquet courts and various other out door sporting amusements, which will only be indulged in by the members of this organization. We do not care to have any other members as we already have two.

THE JOLLY NINE

Nine girls have organized themselves into a sort of club. It was decided that there will be no officers except a leader. Hazel Harkrider was chosen as the Leader.

The Jolly Nine Girls will only indulge in good times, such as slumber parties, swimming parties, car rides, and various sports. Instead of Golf Links, the Jolly nine chose Croquet as their favorite past time of sports. The "Croquet Links" are located on Oak street and each evening these girls may be seen enjoying themselves in this manner.

As there is quite a bit of talent among the bunch, much amusement is afforded in various ways.

When you see the girls who are always jolly, full of pep, and having a good time you may know they are the Jolly Nine.

GONE TO MARKET

Max Mellinger left this week for the Eastern markets where he will purchase the fall and winter goods for his store here. Before leaving he stated that it was his intention to buy one of the largest and most complete stocks of fall and winter goods for this fall he had ever purchased.

Lewis H. King, of Meridian, and family, formerly of this city is here for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Bragg and others.

Frank Smith, of Uvalde, is here visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Smith.

Mr. P. G. Bryant, who is now, and has been for some time, employed at Sanders Drug Store, will leave for Norman, Oklahoma first of next week.

TWO DAYS PICNIC AT TRENT, 22-23

On next Friday and Saturday July 22 and 23, the citizens of Trent are arranging to celebrate with a big two-days barbecue and picnic, and from all reports the stage is all set and everything ready and in tune for two of the biggest days celebration in the history of the town.

Many ways and means of entertainment have been provided, including broncho-riding, steer riding, goat roping etc., and generous citizenship of that town extends a hearty invitation to the whole world to come and help celebrate these two days, promising plenty of clean wholesome entertainment and amusement, with plenty of eats on the side.

PLEASURE TRIPS

Mrs. Amy Sears and daughters, Mary Eulla and Boog, returned last Thursday from a very enjoyable visit to San Angelo. While there Mrs. Sears and her daughters were the honoree guests to a house party and enjoyed horse back riding swimming and boating. They also spent a very amusing evening at the Country Club with a party of friends.

The following day they left for the O.S.O. Ranch near Maryneal where they spent several days. During this time they had the pleasure of going to a barbecue at the 69 ranch.

PRESBYTERIAN AUXILIARY

The Auxiliary met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Barnett on last Monday afternoon.

It being the social and business day for the Society. Scripture was read by Mrs. Geo. West After which the hostesses Mrs. Barnett and sister Miss Elsie Venson served the guests with delicious cream and wafers which was very much enjoyed on such a warm afternoon.

Next meeting will be held at the church on Monday July 18th at 3:30. The studies will be on Foreign Missions.

LIGE GAMBLE AND FAMILY LEFT

Lige Gamble and family left first of the week for a visit to relatives on the Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Jones returned last week from a trip to their ranch near Sierra Blanca. Pat says the range is fine and cattle are fat.

Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Hudson left last Sunday for an extended visit to their boyhood and girlhood homes in the state of Kentucky.

Mrs. H. M. Rose and children left Monday for an extended visit with friends and relatives at Stephenville.

REV. PARRACK AND FAMILY

Rev. Parrack and family left for a visit to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Parrack and family.

BAPTIST ACADEMY

Bible School teachers prayer 8 a.m. Come and study with other teachers. Truth and the Life not in Sunday School to be and you will welcome in a class about your own age. Teachers have made special efforts to teach, holding Normal Manual and a number of the completed thirteen books hold Post Graduate diplomas. But the real thing that counts most each teacher has learned from personal experience the Value of Salvation that they are endeavoring to teach to others.

Men and women are urged to be in Sunday School next Sunday and study "The Conversion of Saul of Tarsus." This is a real Bible Conversion and shows how completely a mans whole life is changed by a knowledge of Jesus and Saviour.

Preaching by the pastor at 11 a.m. at the church and 8:15 p.m. at the tabernacle.

Unless otherwise directed, the subject at the tabernacle will be "Three Classes of Church members." The request has come that this subject be used. Let no one think that by this subject we Methodists, Presbyterians, and Baptists, for the subject means the three classes of members to be found in almost every local church of whatever name or order. Come and classify yourself if you are a church member, and come and see what the trouble is with some of your neighbors if you are not a church member. We have used this subject here before but promise that if it is used again it will be warmed over and brought up to date.

The pastor expects to preach at Cross Roads school house at 3 p.m. Sunday, and will be glad to have any of the friends here to visit that good community with him at that time.

All the regular services through the week.

Come find a warm welcome in a cool house. Ira L. Parrack, pastor.

HANCOCK BUYS OUT HANCOCK

A deal was closed this week whereby Mr. N. Hancock purchased the interest of his brother B. N. Hancock in the Bakery and Cafe, and will continue the business as heretofore.

These gentlemen have given Merkel a fine bakery and cafe, and we predict that under the present management the service to the people of Merkel will be none the less efficient, for if it is anything that N. Hancock does know it is the bakery and Cafe business.

THE FARMERS STATE

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The Farmers State
at Merkel, State of Texas, at the close of the 30th day of June, 1921, the Merkel Mail, a newspaper printed and published at Merkel, State of Texas, on the 15th day of July, 1921.

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Overdrafts	Bonds and Stocks
Real Estate (banking house)	Real Estate (banking house)
Other Real Estate	Furniture and Fixtures
Due from other Banks and Bankers and cash on hand	Due from other Banks and Bankers and cash on hand
Interest in Depositors' Gty. Fund	Asst. Depos. Gty. Fund
Acceptance	Other Resources
Total	
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	Surplus Fund
Undivided profits, net	Individual Deposits Sub. to Check
Time certificates of Deposit	Demand Certificates of Deposits
Cashier's Checks	
Total	

Mr. and Mrs. Holt of Tipton, Oklahoma are here for a visit to the latter's father, J. S. Thomas and family.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our most sincere thanks to our many friends in Merkel and elsewhere for their assistance and sympathy, and also for the many beautiful flowers during the illness and death of our beloved daughter and mother. Mrs. Ada Walker and children.

Can use few more laborers at once. H. F. Groene. 1t

Chicken dinner only 50c at Woodrum Hotel, Saturday, July twenty third. 15t2

The Y.P.M.S. girls of Methodist church will serve an old fashioned dinner at Woodrum Hotel Saturday, July 23rd. 2t

Mrs. H. M. Rainbolt has been quite sick this week, but is improving nicely at this time.

Cold Drinks cheaper at Jobe's Store. 15t3

W. O. W. NOTICE

All Woodmen members of the Merkel Lodge are urged to be at the meeting on July 22nd. There will be something interesting. Clerk.

T. F. Compton and wife left first of this week for an extended visit with relatives in Oklahoma.

Can use few more laborers at once. H. F. Groene. 1t

F. P. Hamm and family left Wednesday for a trip to Colorado.

Dr. M. Armstrong is attending the Medical Association meeting at Marlin this week.

Can use few more laborers at once. H. F. Groene. 1t

Luther Grimes, Claude Comegys and Geo. Ferrier were up this week from Ivan, Texas.

Mrs. Albert Venting of Fort Worth, is the guest of Mr. E. N. Brown and family. Mrs. Venting is a niece of Mr. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Cobb left Tuesday of this week for a visit with their daughter, Miss Maurine, at Dallas.

H. A. Sanders, wife and daughter returned last week from their trip to South Texas where they visited relatives.

Bob Campbell has this week moved his Cafe business from Front Street to the building at the rear of the Farmers State Bank.

L. B. Scott, Manager for the Merkel Motor Company, and his family left last Saturday for California where they will visit for some time.

Ennis Grimes of Chillicothe is here for a visit with relatives and friends.

LUCKY STRIKE
"IT'S TOASTED"
Cigarette
Flavor is sealed in by toasting

CONDENSED STATE
Farmers & Merchants

Close of Business June 30th

Our statement as of June 30th as shown below reflects sound, conservative banking. We invite your careful scrutiny and solicit your business. We pay 4% in our Savings Department.

RESOURCES

Loans, Time and Demand	\$284,961.86
Furniture and Fixtures	4,600.00
U. S. Securities	11,358.33
Bonds and Securities	17,269.61
Stock in Fed. Reserve Bank	1,950.00
Stock in Fed. Int. Bkg. Co.	900.00
Real Estate	3,000.00
Five per cent Red. Fund	312.50
CASH & SIGHT EX.	166,768.80
Total	\$491,021.10

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus Fund	15,000.00
Undivided Profits	10,247.11
Circulation Acct.	6,250.00
BORROWED MONEY	NONE
REDISCOUNTS	NONE
BILLS PAYABLE	NONE
OTHER LIABILITIES	NONE
DEPOSITS	409,523.99
Total	\$491,021.10

STATE BANK

- President
- Vice President
- Vice President
- Cashier
- Assistant Cashier
- Assistant Cashier

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BOOTH WARREN, ASST. CASH. F.D. TEUTON, ASST. CASH.

Merkel, Texas

JULY CLEAR OUT SALE

This Sale will be better than the usual JULY CLEARANCE SALE
IT IS ON TO-DAY

Our Shoes and Oxfords have had a big trimming down of prices. You cant do better than buy your foot wear from us, The **QUALITY** and **PRICE** can't be surpassed.

Men's and Boys Suits, The profit we should have and some of the cost, now goes to you. We are taking a big loss and do not believe you will save a cent to wait until next year's prices.

Hats, Shirts, Sox and Underwear, ALL have **SPECIAL PRICES**

LADIES

Get our prices on Silks, Organdies, Tissue gingham, White goods, Laces and Embroideries
You will not get Shorted in any way when you buy here.

CUT SALES The reason we do not have sales often is because our uniform Low mark on our goods will not permit it. So there is **SOMETHING DOING** When **WE** Announce a Cut Price Sale.

COME GET YOUR SHARE

YOURS WITH QUALITY GOODS

E BROWN DRY GOODS COMPANY

SALE

Electrical Appliances

From July 5th to 15th we will sell all electrical appliances at very greatly reduced prices. This includes Ranges, washing machines, fans and ALL small appliances.

This is your opportunity to equip your home and office with MODERN ELECTRICAL DEVICES

Merkel Power Co.

Through error my phone number was left out of Director. Call me at No. 210 for any work. Carpentering, Papering or Painting.

T.W. COLLINS, CONTRACTOR
Near High School Building

A teaspoonful of Herbine will produce a copious and purifying bowel movement, improve appetite, restore mental activity and a fine feeling of vigor and cheerfulness. Price, 60c Sold by Sanders Drug Store. July.

Emmitt Boring, a former Merkel boy, son of Mrs. J. D. Boring who still owns a farm west of town here, is now playing with a theatrical stock company in Abilene in the American Theatre which has been made quite comfortable and is fast becoming popular. When this company played in Fort Worth, Miss Bert Boring gave a boat party in their honor. She chartered the big boat on Lake Worth and had music and dancing and supper out on the lake. Emmitt sends greetings to his Merkel friends and says he still reads the Merkel Mail.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Vick and family returned first of the week from Ranger where they had been called to the bed side of Mrs. Vick's father Mr. Morton. We are glad to report him improving when they left there.

Bought 52 cases Eggs last week want 75 this week. W. F. Hamblet. 14t2

This Space Belongs to
THE CHEAPEST STORE
WEST OF FT. WORTH

The first lady that meets me and tells me who this space belongs to will receive a HANDSOME PRIZE

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Insure your property against loss by Fire and Flood. Our facilities are the best for farm and city property.

Insure your autos against loss by fire, theft and collision at nominal cost.

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Will you insure your crop? See us for particulars.

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MERKEL, TEXAS

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Next July 19

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RUTH ROLLIN, the Idol of millions

"The Avenger"

A smashing Western serial taken amid the gorgeous majesty of mountain peaks of the first episode

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A Big Marshal Nation

"Go and

The limit in melodrama, laughs.

It's a First national

Don't Forget the date, Next July 19

Read the Merkel Mail everyday The Mail \$1.50 a year

There is nothing in the whole list of flesh-healing remedies that can approach Liquid Borzone in the rapidity with which it heals cuts, wounds, sores, burns or scalds. It is a marvelous discovery. Price, 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Sold by Sanders Drug Store. July

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Farmer and little daughter, of Fort Worth were visitors here last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Ferguson, the parents of Mrs. Farmer.

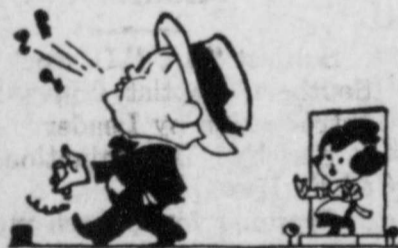
Fresh Comb Honey. Bring your buckets. W. F. Hamblet. 2t

Market Price paid for Chickens at Hamblet's Grocery Store. C. W. Post. 15t2

FOR SALE—Maize in the head \$15.00 per ton delivered. Leave orders at Patterson Bros. Meat Market. G. L. Baker. 1t

The Mail \$1.50 year in advance

A bird like this makes a model husband



HER NICE new husband.
STEPS OUT of the house.
WHISTLING LIKE a bird.
WHICH ALARMS young wife.
ESPECIALLY WHEN.
SHE FOUND she'd picked
THE WRONG package.
AND INSTEAD of oatmeal.
HAD GIVEN him birdseed.
BUT DON'T think from this.
THAT EVERY guy.
YOU HEAR whistling.
HAS NECESSARILY.
BEEN ROBBING the canary.
OTHER THINGS inspire.
THE ALMOST human male.
TO BLOW through his lips.
AND MAKE shrill noises.
A RAISE, for example.
OR A day off when.
A DOUBLE header is on.

OR AN everyday thing.
LIKE A good drag.
ON ONE of those smokes.
THAT SATISFY.
WHICH CERTAINLY are.
THE REAL birdseed.
FOR MAKING men.
TRILL THEIR pipes for joy.
SO LADIES, if hubby.
GOES AWAY whistling.
YOU NEEDN'T worry.
ALL'S SWELL.

WHEN you say that Chesterfields "satisfy," you're whistling. You know—the instant you light one—that the tobaccos in it are of prime selection, both Turkish and Domestic. And the blend—well, you never tasted such smoothness and full-flavored body! No wonder the "satisfy-blend" is kept secret. It can't be copied.

Did you know about the Chesterfield package of 10?

Chesterfield

To The Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas

Our special train leaves Dallas Sunday night July 24th at 8 o'clock, over the M. K. & T. Railway. If you are a true prospector, and want to see the valley, we will be glad to carry you down. Our rates are for this trip \$30.00 for round trip from Dallas to the Valley and return to Dallas. This includes everything, Pullman service, board and transportation while in the Valley, and our side trip of one day to Galveston, where we carry you for a boat ride on the gulf of Mexico after which we dine you at a million dollar hotel, and then take a plunge in the salt water of the gulf. After the day is well gone we return to Houston, where we catch our special train for the beautiful valley.

No matter what the seasons may be or the time of year, we show you growing fields of waving green, mellowing fruits, or orange blossoms glistening in the sun light. This trip if taken by you singly, would cost you four times the amount you are asked to pay through our special arranged excursion tours.

From an educational stand point the trip is worth many times the amount you pay for it, and if you go with us to see the Rio Grande Valley, and after an investigation of the literature has misrepresented facts we will gladly refund the amount of your trip.

Would you like to go where you can farm year. If you are interested see

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COCA COLA05	Tax .0106
Milk Chocolate10	Tax .0111
Plain Sodas05	Tax .0106
Cream Sodas10	Tax .0111
Plain Cream10	Tax .0111
Fruit Sundaes15	Tax .0217
Milk Shake15	Tax .0217

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HEBRON NEWS

Farmers in this section are getting along nicely. Many have finished chopping and plowing and are helping their neighbors.

John Davis, J. M. Dunn and others attended court at Abilene Monday.

P. Smith of Cross Plains returned home Tuesday after spending a few days with his

John Davis and a few neighbors gathered together at Golan Sunday afternoon for a picnic. W. M. Carey's Saturday night and made Ice Cream and both old and young enjoyed so much innocent fun the time slipped by all too soon, and the clock told us we should be away to the land of dreams and rest. All reported a good time.

J. M. Williamson visited at Union Sunday afternoon.

B. C. Hodges has been in bed for several days with rheumatism and we wish for him a speedy recovery.

Powers Hodges of Trent visited home folks Monday.

Era Billops visited Blanche Carey Sunday afternoon.

We invite all to come to our Sunday School at Hebron next Sunday.

THURSDAY CLUB

On Thursday morning Mesdames Hicks and Howard entertained the Thursday Club at the home of the latter. Several games of "42" were played with much zest. Each one felt the genuine hospitality that was ex-

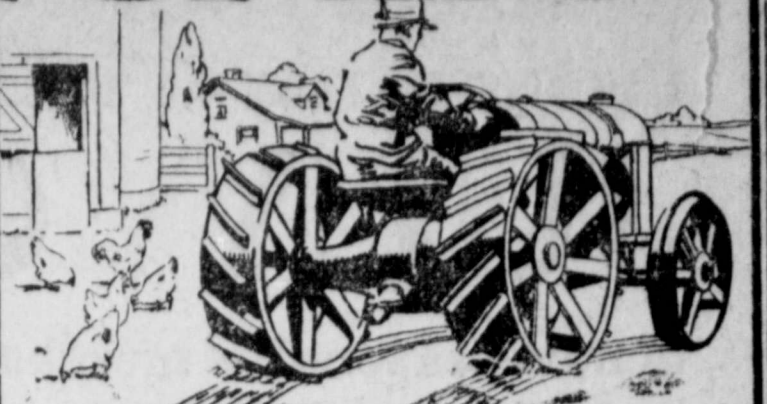
ided to us by our hostesses and the guests and hostesses vie with each other in making this party unusual. Small aprons were used as table markers and Mrs. Gamble won the contest. Her reward was a very attractive cretonne apron. Each guest wished that she had worked a little harder on the contest or that the prizes were more numerous.

We were served with iced watermelon, daisies being the plate favors.

Out of town guests were Mrs. Mitchell and Miss Mitchell of Greenville, Texas. Other guests were: Mesdames T. E. Collins, Groene, Claud Sears, Clyde Sears G. A. Rister and Miss Sophia Howard. Club Members: Mesdames W. J. Largent, Arrington, Gamble, James West, T. L. Grimes, Tom Largent, Henry West, R. I. Grimes, Winters, Gaither, Miller, Ferrier, Scott, Anderson, Jones and McFarland.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Guthrie, and son, Preston, left last week for a visit with relatives at Slaton and other towns on the plains.

Fordson



In the
Day's Work

- Plow With the Fordson
- Disk With the Fordson
- Harrow With the Fordson
- Harvest With the Fordson
- Thresh With the Fordson
- Bale Hay With the Fordson
- Saw Wood With the Fordson
- Pump Water With the Fordson
- Grade With the Fordson
- Pull Stumps With the Fordson
- Fill the Silo With the Fordson
- Grind Feed With the Fordson

Whether in the field, around the farm, or on the road, the Fordson Tractor is doing wonders in saving time, reducing cost and increasing profits for thousands of farmers everywhere.

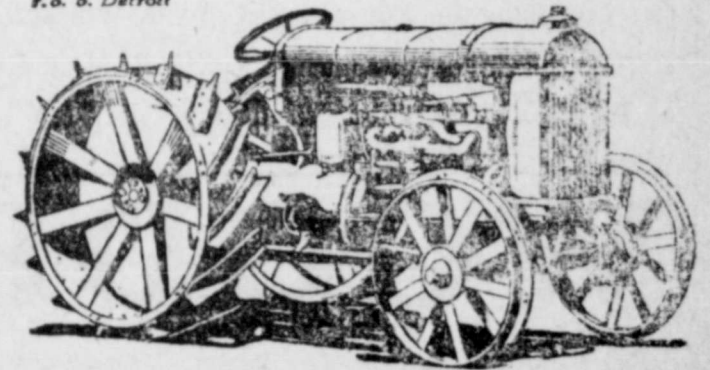
No matter what the farm task, if it can be done by motive power the Fordson can do it, and do it well.

170,000 now in use in all parts of the country and in every kind of field and belt work prove the efficiency, stability, and reliability of the Fordson Tractor.

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Bran and Shorts of the highest quality at Bob Martin Grocery Company.

Tailored clothes from one of the best and most reliable old Tailoring Companies, at 20 per cent off. Clothes that fit and wear longer. The Cash Tailor Shop.

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.

A child can't get strong and robust while worms eat away its strength and vitality. A dose or two of White's Cream Vermifuge puts the little one on its feet again. Price, 35c. Sold by Sanders Drug Store. July.

ECZEMA!

Money back without question if HUNT'S GUARANTEED SKIN DISEASE REMEDIES (Hunt's Salve and Soap) fail in the treatment of Itch, Eczema, Ringworm, Tetter or other itching skin diseases. Try this treatment at our risk.

SANDERS DRUG STORE

A TEXAS WONDER

For kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, weak and lame back, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder. If not sold by your druggist, by mail \$1.25 Small bottle. Send for testimonials to D. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive Street, St. Louis Mo. Sold by druggists.

Peace Maker Flour, at G. M. Sharp's

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COAL

We have contracts for a few cars of "BRILLIANT GRATE" coal. This coal is 3 in. by 6 in and one of the most satisfactory coals from the New Mexico field.

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Every year Trent entertains with some sort of a well planned celebration. This year on Friday July 22, Trent visitors will be given a treat in a free barbercue for everybody. This will be the opening of

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There will be plenty of free barbercued meat, well cooked and served to all of our visitors. Don't fail to be on hand for this event. A regular old time affair worth your time attending. Bring the family and your friends.

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GAS & OIL
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of new seasonable merchandise at prices that will astonish the purchaser, our policy is to clean up each season and whether your wants are large or small it pays you to visit our store before making any purchases.



Extra Shoe Specials

ENTIRE STOCK OF LADIES PUMPS AND OXFORDS ARE ON SALE ONE WEEK ONLY AT THE FOLLOWING LOW PRICES.

- \$10.00 Values on sale at \$6.95
- \$8.50 Values on sale at \$5.95
- \$6.50 Values on sale at \$4.95
- One Lot of Ladies Pumps and Oxfords Worth 2.50 and 3.50 now..... 95¢
- One Lot of Children's Slippers worth \$1.50 and \$2.00 on sale at 95¢
- 60 Pairs of Men's Tennis Oxfords worth \$1.25 on sale at 59¢

MENS UNION SUITS

10 Dozen Men's Athletic Style Union Suits worth \$1.65 on sale at 98¢

Extra Specials in the Staple Department

- 36-inch Percales on sale at 15¢
- 27-inch Percales on sale at 10¢
- 27-inch Gingham on sale at 11¢
- 36-inch Bleached Domestic 12½¢
- 36-inch Brown Domestic 10¢

Extra Special Price On Silk Hose

All Silk Hose, Plain and Lace effects, brown and black, values to \$2.00 at 98¢

Children's ¾ and ½ Hose

- 75¢ Hose on sale at 49¢
- 45¢ Hose on sale at 29¢
- 35¢ Hose on sale at 23¢

EXTRA SPECIAL OVERALLS

15 dozen Men's Overalls made of 240 denim worth \$1.25 on sale at 98¢
One Lot of Boys Unionalls worth \$2.00 on this sale at \$1.49

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FOR SALE OR TRADE

Will trade the Gem Confectionary Stock and Fixtures and 5-room framed House and three lots located in South Merkel, for a small farm. See me at the Gem Confectionary. W. H. Reese. 8t3

LOST—A pair of gold rim glasses. Also a pair of steel rim glasses. Finder please hand to W. L. Diltz Jr. at the Farmers State Bank, and receive reward. W. L. Diltz, Sr. 8t2

BIG SALARIES PAID

Men and women wanted to train, by mail or at our office, for positions: Four for bookkeepers; two for banks; five for stenographers; four for secretaries; and three for typists. Salaries \$85 to \$150 a month. State position wanted. Write Abilene Draughon Business College, Abney Bldg., Abilene, Texas. 8t2p

Can use few more laborers at once. H. F. Groene. 1t

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE—A sixty acre crop, team and tools, one and a half miles from town. Phone 137 or see E. L. Horton. 1t3

FOR LEASE—3,432 acre ranch, located 16 miles north of Siera Blanco, in Hudspeth county. Fenced and cross fenced in three pastures, Good House, coralls, plenty of water, good cistern, also fine grass. Would lease from one to five years, at \$600 per year. See Pat Jones, Merkel for particulars. 15t4

FOR SALE—The best bargain in Merkel. One 7-room house with bath, sleeping porch and lights. 3 lots on north side close in. See me at the Smoke House Confectionary. Hardy and Son. 1t

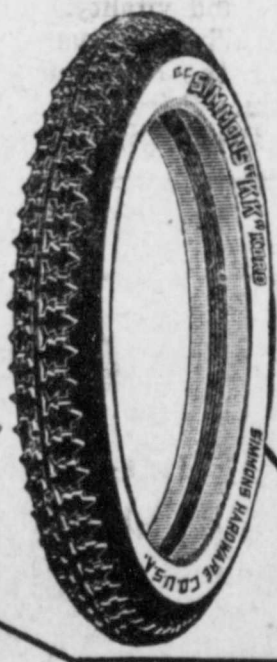
W. H. Stevenson has sold his interest in the Rose and Stevenson Tin Shop to his partner, Mr. Archie Rose, and will move to the Rio Grande Valley of South Texas soon.

FOR SALE OR TRADE

One 4-room house and 3 lots. South side. A bargain if sold at once. Hardy and Son at the Smoke House Confectionary, Merkel, Texas. 1t

Mrs. Molly Provine, of Wichita Falls, visited her sister at Blair, Mrs. B. M. Williams, and also friends and relatives in Merkel last week.

Hot weather is hard on teething babies. They suffer the combined misery of heat, pain and stomach disorder. McGee's Baby Elixir helps the little sufferer through the trying period of correcting the stomach and bowels. Price, 35c and 60c. Sold by Sanders Drug Store. July



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