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BIG COMMUNITY FAIR OPENS

EXHIBITS CROWD BIG FAIR BUILDING

MERCHANTS AND BUSINESS MEN HAVE UNIQUE BOOTHS

We wish it were possible for every citizen in Merkel and in Merkel territory to have stood and watched Wednesday and Thursday the busy people making ready for the big Fair that is to begin in Merkel today Carpenters were busy building booths, painters and paper hang ers were putting finishing touches here and there, decorations were being hurried to completion various concerns, and already exhibits of agriculture, needle work, and poultry were arriving. To us it was a scene like unto the busy little aunts, who toil rapidly and hard to build their earthen houses.

Aside from this, one could business parts of the town.

ing throughout Saturday and Johnson. Saturday night. The Fair this The only thing regretable a- of the entire cast. year is going to be much larger bout the matter by Mr. Mcyear is going to be much larger bout the matter by Mr. McThe time is 1975. The women, beginning of school. The added
DANTICT CAMITADIIM ing the church, not only in a and much better than it was Adam is that he is unable to se- since getting the ballot, have last year. Merchants and busi- cure a home in that little city taken the reins of government many difficulties will have to be DAT IIII UAR ness men have devoted much for himself and family, which and gradually exchanged places overcome until the new building making this a real Fair.

in the Armory building, opposite in Trent, where he would be the Woodrum Hotel, on Elm closer to his work, he will have to do the housework, sewing, street. In the front of the build- the advantage of sending his darning, nursing, etc. The maring will be found a reception daughter to the Merkel High ried men dress in frills and furroom with chairs, couches and School, where she will have the belows, and seem at the begineverything to furnish comfort advantage of a nine months for those visiting Merkel and her school of higher grades. Fair on these two days. Leading from the reception room, one will go into a very large room filled with booths that the various business men and merchants of the town have built, furnished and equipped to display and advertise their wares and goods. These booths have been given much attention and are really "up-town stuff" when it comes to showing ingenuity and skill in the art of exhibiting Fair, at Abilene, and there are is told that after he is married Jackson, Abilene; seventh and Merkel community visitors their appreciation of their patronage.

Along in the center of this the best day of the Fair. large room will be found displays other exhibits.

on the south side, long tables there are none better, and it is After the meeting the "Emanci- Spanish, Miss Susie Belle Weedhibits. Then back of the building greater effort Merkel puts forth style, present them to the men. the armory sheds and lots will the better she will advertise her! The second act opens with an Voice, Miss Christene Collins, be used for the livestock.

been brought in, due to the in- to attend the great West Texas Tickk is assisted by his married cessant rains of the past few Fair on Wednesday, September friends. While they are in the days many have not been able 24th, "Merkel Day". It's going midst of the scrubbing in comes to get here with exhibits. So to be the best day of the Fair, Billy, announcing that he is aif you are one of these, bring and we should appreciate the bout to start a movement which them on today, it will not be too fact that the management des- will overthrow this petticoat weeks illness was again able to cians and surgeons who practice late for entries.

Everybody, men, women and children, are expected to come and help make this the best Fair yet. And it is urged that your Fair. Let the slogan be Sam Swann is always ready to stage their revolution. "We will meet you at the Merkel do his part in any and all pro-

TRENT SCHOOLS OPEN OCTOBER 13 AT COZY

Mr. R. H. McAdams, Superintendent of the Trent Schools for the 1924-25 term, was in Merkel first of the week, arranging with the Merkel Mail for some printing for the school. He comes to Trent most highly re- en perhaps one of the "funniest" September 15th. Superintendent commended as a very fine school and most interesting home tal- Roger A. Burgess, who has so man, and with the following able ent plays ever before presented successfully managed the school corps of teachers to assist him, to the people of Merkel. The play here for a number of years was there is every reason to expect is given by the Parent-Teachers in charge of the program at the the coming term to be one of the Association, with Miss Edith morning session. The program best the people of Trent have Glenn Hines, a talented and ca- consisted of: Invocation and deever experienced: Mr. C. D. pable instructor, coaching and votional by Rev. W. H. Albert-Whitmire, Sterling City; Miss in charge, who has spent the son, the Baptist pastor; reading Francis Davis, Abilene; Miss past two weeks in rehearsals. by men and women representing Eura Ellison, Heidenheimer; Miss Martin and Miss Lillie Bernard, Merkel.

> considerable improvements are interesting and entertaining: being made about the building, which will add much to the con-

A Correction

was unintentionally left out.

HOME TALENT PLAY SCHOOLS OPEN

MUSICAL COMEDY TO DE. ATTENDANCE FIRST DAY PICT HAPPENIGNS IN **YEAR 1975**

At the Cozy Theatre, tonight,

synopsis of the play, "Mrs and Miss Lynnis Thompson. Mr. Polly Tickk" you will be

Synopsis

When the curtain rises on the venience and work of the school opening scene, the audience bethis year. He also reports one of holds Father Time and Dame stand on the street and see the most capable and cooperat- Fashion discussing the approach 200 students were enrolled in busy spectators hurrying to and ive school boards that he has ing fashions for men and wofro from the Fair building to ever had the pleasure of work- men. Father Time reads in his ing with, composed of the fol- record book of girls in hoop Infact, people of Merkel and lowing gentlemen: Mr. Jackson skirts and polk bonnets as in the Merkel community, there is Bright, President; J. E. Bowers, days of long ago. Dame Fashion every thing in readiness for the Secretary; Walker Steadman, sees in her crystal ball men in big two-days Merkel Community Chas. Hutcheson, R. N. Beasley, ruffled trousers and frills-all Fair, beginning today, and last- Lawrence Dowdy and Cleve of which will be portrayed in an ensemble of music composed High School building was not of her. No better nor worse.

time, effort, and expense toward makes it necessary for him to with the men. The women now is completed. It is thought that live in Merkel. And while he dress in mannish clothes and at- the building will be ready for The Fair proper will be held would naturally prefer to live tend to practically all the business, leaving the men at home ning of the play to have lost all their masculine habits and to have surrendered all of their male attire except their pants, to which they hold with bull- kel; third, Miss Julia Martin, dred patients. dog tenacity.

off to the lodge, leaving the men Tracy Teaff. Merkel; fourth, behind. The neglected husbands Miss Lora Joiner, Tye; fifth, get together for a knitting par- Miss Mamie Ellis, Merkel; fifth. ty. Billy Lawson, who still re- Miss Maurine Hearne, Roscoe; Next Wednesday, September tains his masculine dress, drops sixth, Miss Faye Flanagin, Quin-24, has been designated as "Mer- in to chide his friends about the lan; sixth, Miss Mary Burke kel Day" at the big West Texas shackles they are wearing and Blair, Belton; seventh, Mrs. I. L. several reasons why this city he will surrender his freedom grammar school principal, Mrs. should do all in its power to help just as they have done. This Len Sublett, Merkel. make the day a success. Yes, brings on an argument during | High School: I. L. Jackson, which Sullivan O'Brien rushes in Principal and mathmatics, Abi-First, the West Texas Fair, with the startling news that the lene; Science, Miss Marie Wilof fruit, cakes, needle work, and while for all West Texas, it is women are planning to send liamson, Victoria; History, Miss to be held in the Capitol of our Daisy Ann Gray to Congress so Madge Pierce, Houston; English Pogue is a member. Just outside of the building own county of Taylor, of which as to pass the Anti-Trouser Bill. Miss Martha Bird, Merkel; and pens have been provided for therefore our patriotic duty to pated Women" march in army en, Brownwood; Expression, the poultry and agriculture ex- support the same. Second, the with brooms and in military Miss Lucy Tracy, Merkel; Piano,

own advantages. So, folks, let's ensemble of music showing a Merkel. Although many exhibits have decide now that we are all going house-cleaning scene in which ignated this day as Merkel Day. government, in which plan the be about town first of the week. men join heartily. Just as the We join his many friends in the house-cleaning begins again, Sul- hopes that he will continue to livan O'Brien breaks in, announc improve until he has again re-In our hurry last week to ing that Senator Zella Highbrow gained his former good health. you bring not only one or two get everything in the paper a- the author of the Anti-Trouser entries, but have entries in every bout the Fair, we in some man- Bill, will speak to the women have planned to bring about the

> The development of this happily. voting precinct where the women chorus featuring the entire cast. fine season in this section.

IS 100 MORE THAN LAST YEAR

The Merkel Public Schools had September 19, there will be giv- their formal opening Monday, by Miss Lucy Tracy; Solo, Miss By reading the following brief Christene Collins; Violin Solo,

Many parents and patrons of Mr. McAdams also states that convinced that same will be both the schools attended the opening exercises. On the first day, 520 students registered, this number exceeding last years enrollment for the first day by almost 100. Also it was noticed club's work, which has for its with much interest that over purpose the best interest of the the High School.

The Senior Class has thus far enrolled 42 members. This fact alone bespeaks that Merkel has of all its citizens it can and will one of the best high schools of a town its size in the state of Texas.

It is regretted that the new occupancy by October 1st. Faculty Members

The following teachers will for the coming year:

Merkel: third, Miss Minnie In the first act, the women go Coats, Merkel; fourth, Mrs. Nell

Miss Roberta Gay, Big Spring;

Help these make this the best year the Merkel Schools have ever had. Very respectfully,

Mr. B. M. Black, after some

thing offered in the way of priz- ner left out the name of Sam that evening, whereupon the climax of their triumph is es. Every one residing in Mer- Swann's Gin among those giv- men devise a scheme to keep stormed by the men. Then folkel or near should feel an inter- ing substantial premium offers. Senator Highbrow from the lows an exciting controversy. est in this Fair, because it is We regret this and will say that meeting and at the same time The result of this we cannot dis- to about one inch fell here Tues- ence, and there is every reason

NEXT LUNCHEON EVANGELIST COI

The regular semi - monthly Luncheon Club meeting will be held as usual at Ed's Cafe, on next Tuesday evening at eight o'clock, with Mr. Chas. H. Jones, one of our popular and progressive young business men in charge as toastmaster. Mr. Jones will no doubt bring to the membership an interesting and unique program; infact he is already busy making plans for a real "Peppy" program.

In behalf of the Club this paper would again call attention of the business men and citizens of Merkel who are not in the habit of attending these meetings regularly, that the Club bids you welcome to come out and take part in the work of the organization. Infact they should feel welcome to take part in the city's development.

The Club has accomplished much lasting good for the city and with the united cooperation do even greater things in the future. There is one thing certain-Merkel will be just the kind of a town her citizens make

The West Texas Baptist Memteach in Merkel Public schools orial Sanitarium at Abilene open to see your church grow and be-Low first, Miss Eunice Rus- crowd of people from all over it is up to you to attend each sell, Merkel; high first, Miss this section in attendance. The one of these services. Lola Dean, McCauley; second, building is modern, fire-proof, Miss Elinor Harrison, Abilene; and up-to-date in every way and second, Miss Alzada Pogue, Mer- will accommodate about one hun-

Mrs. J. W. Love of this community was the first emergency church in Merkel will cooperate patient, in fact she was taken in this meeting, and give the there before the doors were Evangelist attentive hearings, opened to the public, was operat- they will find before many days ed on, two transfusions of blood their church is in a very proswere made and her life saved. perous and happy condition. Mrs. Doyle Pogue is another patient from this community who has gone to this new sanitarium this week. She happened to be the first patient admitted to room number 210. This room was furnished by the T. E. L. Sunday School Class of the Baptist Church of which class Mrs.

Miss Burch of Dallas is head nurse. The staff of physicians has not been completed yet but it is very probable that Dr. R. completed. The hospital is ownsidered in choosing the physiwithin its walls or the patients who are treated. Its mission is to serve the suffering public regardless of creeds and beliefs. felt need in this great growing western section of the state.

W. H. Albertson.

close, suffice it to say it all ends day night and Wednesday, which to believe that they will conadded to the more than two tinue to enjoy equally as lucra-Community Fair Friday and Sat- gressive moves, and his name scheme comes in act three. The The grand finale is a beautiful inches of last week, makes a tive patronage as has be

METHODISTS OPEN MEET-ING ON NEXT SUN-DAY MORN

Beginning with the morning service next Sunday, at the Methodist church, Evangelist Zimmerman, known throughout this and other states as the "Tithing Evangelist" of Naples, Texas, will conduct a series of meetings, continuing indefinite-

It is said of Evangelist Zimmerman that he has never yet held a meeting for any church that he did not leave it in a finer condition both spiritually and financially, than when he came to it. Infact it is by the speaker's ability and method of preaching the plain teachings of the Bible that he is able to lift up the church membership, and cause them to realize their real Christian duty as church members toward their God and their church.

While the Methodist church in Merkel, under the splendid leadership of the pastor, Rev. T. J. Rea, has enjoyed a very successful and prosperous year, the idea of bringing this one of the most noted preachers within the bounds of the state, was for the financial way, but to build it up in every way that will strengthen and help to make it one of the strongest Methodist churches in all the west

So, if you are a Methodist, and really want to grow in a spiritual way yourself, and want ed last Monday with a great come independent as such, then

And while the editor of the Mail has never met the Evangelist or heard him preach, we predict here and now that if the membership of the Methodist

All Christians and the public in general are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

According to authentic reports I. Grimes of this city will be a Messrs. Warren Smith, of this member of the staff when it is city, and Emmette Grimes, for some time associated with a ed and controlled by the Bap- drug store in Abilene, have purtists of this section of the state, chased the Patterson Brothers but the question of denomina- Drug Store, and will take active tional affiliation will not be con- charge of same as soon as the stock has been invoiced, which is now under way.

As to the exact details concerning the deal, we are not familiar with them, but for the young men above mentioned, we This institution will fill a long will say that they are among our best and most deserving young men. They are fully experienced and conversant with the drug business, both having Another fine rain amounting had a number of years experi-

During Community Fair Week

Merkel, as the mecca of all Taylor County folks, extends a welcome to those who come to visit the fair.

It is well for us to have a gettogether meeting of this kind where each of us can see what the others are doing-inspect the farm products and the livestock others have raised, and compare their results, perhaps, with our own, right in the same exhibit.

Be sure to visit the Farmers State Bank when you come in to the community Fair, also visit our booth at the Armory building. We'll be glad to see you.

Farmers State Bank

MERKEL, TEXAS "The Bank That Backs The Farmer."

Wednesday for Fort Worth on to Hamlin and Anson Tuesday business.

Dr. W. F. Armstrong left on Mr. Robert Hicks made a trip of this week.

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WEST TEXAS FAIR

night attraction opening the fair much opportunity to improve and will only be disclosed at the letters this year. Coronation; but dozens of West | Friday, today, is their first ready been announced as Duch- will have a chance to prove their the section, to take part in the want to see a good game, go to

staged with spectacular thrills "Badgers". and unusual displays. Dances before her majesty the Queen, and tremendous fireworks displays will also feature the occasion. The usual monotonous details of such pagents have been eliminat-

include the last word in modern soon recover. famous Chicago Cadet Band un- new boy. der the direction of Al Sweet, The young people of this comcomplete will hold forth on the wonderful time.

We are informed that Chas. lots located just east of the Col- ter Duncan's Saturday night lins Hotel, from Mr. Jess Gaf- was enjoyed by a large crowd. ford, for the sum of \$600, and Most of the schools will open on the lots.

well as afford a lovely and con- other course of work. venient building site. Watch Menvil Hill will go to John Merkel grow.

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I am back in business on Front specialty. H. H. HAND.

time you are hungry.

of our customers as well as our- ing a business course in Fort selves. Use it when you give Worth, but will not leave for a checks to cotton pickers who are month or more. strangers. Use it if we can serve you during the busy season. young people, so let's do all we Farmers & Merchants National can to make her proud of them.

Some used Fords, in good condition, at a bargain. See W. E.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cox of Abilene were here the first of this week spending a few days with of Menvil Hill Sunday Dr. and Mrs. Armstrong.

of the week from Abilene with his son, sixteen years of age, who underwent a successful operation some few weeks ago for appendicitis. He is now at home Floydada are visiting relatives getting along fine.

FOOT BALL BOYS OPENS MONDAY SHOWING UP WELL

Abilene, Texas, Sept. 18.—A The Football outlook for Merhuge open-air stage and ampi- kel High School is looking bettheatre is being built in front of ter every day. With all the mathe grandstand at the West Tex- terial from last year here and as Fair park for the big stellar about twenty new men there is here, when the second annual over last year. The first few crowning of the Queen of West days have been filled with snap-Texas will take place, with gor- py practice by thirty or more geous background of pagentry, men all showing a willingness to spectacular lighting effects and work and there is a probability costuming. The Queen's identity that some of last years men will is being kept a profound secret, have to word hard to make their

Texas fair daughters have al- game in which many new men esses from the various cities of worth. If the people of Merkel gorgeous spectacle of her crown- Clyde with them. The boys are doing better this year because The visiting duchesses will the people are supporting them have leading parts in the pagent better. They appreciate the peoproper this year, which will be ple's support. Watch the

Health of this place is very good at this writing, with the The night shows and enter- exception of one, Neal Brown, tainment numbers of the West who got hurt driving off into Texas Fair are the most elab- Sweetwater Creek. He has been orate ever offered in this part very ill, but is reported some of the country. Fireworks will better. We are hoping he will

pyrotechnic art, with striking Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Douglas sensations for special features. are the proud parents of a big Night airplane flights with fire- girl and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer works, special concerts by the Davis are very proud of their

hippodrome acts and numbers munity are planniny a big moonwill feature each evening's pro- light picnic for Tuesday night. gram of the fair. A "Joy Zone" We are sure they will have a

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Williams of White Church were the weekend guests of Mrs. Williams, mother, Mrs. J. W. Hill. Eugene Williams, Rollie and Johnnie Hill returned home with them where they will pick cotton this week.

Misses Eula West and Thelma Cooper spent Saturday night with Miss Gladys Gann of New-

Jones purchased this week two The Candy Breaking at Ches-

a beautiful new bungalow home around here are making preparations to go off to school.

This is choice property and Miss Pearl West is leaving for will no doubt prove a good in- Amarillo, where she will take vestment to the new owner, as voice and piano along with her

Tarlton and take up the first year of college work. She was in the graduation of Anson High School in 1924.

Messrs Darwin, Wallace, and street. Would appreciate a part Arvel Hill, and Misses Vera of your business. Welding, Vul- Lawlis and Bettye Byrom are canizing, Radiator Repairing a going to McMurry College, at 5t3 Abilene, which opened the 16th. Wallace, Arvel, Vera and Bettye The Parent-Teacher's Club were students there last year, of Merkel will serve home-made and think McMufry is the only candies, delicious sandwiches, place to go to school. Darwin ice tea, and lemonade at the was the principal of Golan school Community Fair on Friday and last year. He comes to McMurry Saturday. Call around every from one of the best colleges in 12t2 the state, T.C.U. He graduated

at Childress high school in 1920. We have a phone for the use Rollie Hill is planning on tak-

> Golan is depending on her tf Let's let them know that Golan is behind them in full force.

Several from this community enjoyed the singing at Newman tf Sunday afternoon.

Wallace Hill took dinner with Bettye Byrom Sunday. Gladys Gann was the guest

Mr. J. D. Northeutt and family motored to Merkel Sunday Mr. Frank Hail returned first night to hear Rev. Pruitt preach Linnie Garner and Eula Cook

> visited Audra Hudspeth Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Fox of

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Mr. Luther Grimes of Breckenridge was here a few days will soon begin the erection of up about the 15th and several first of the week for a visit were in Abilene Tuesday of this with relatives.

Miss Autry Porter, daughter NOTICE-If you want a home for sale and at prices worth the money. E. D. COATS.

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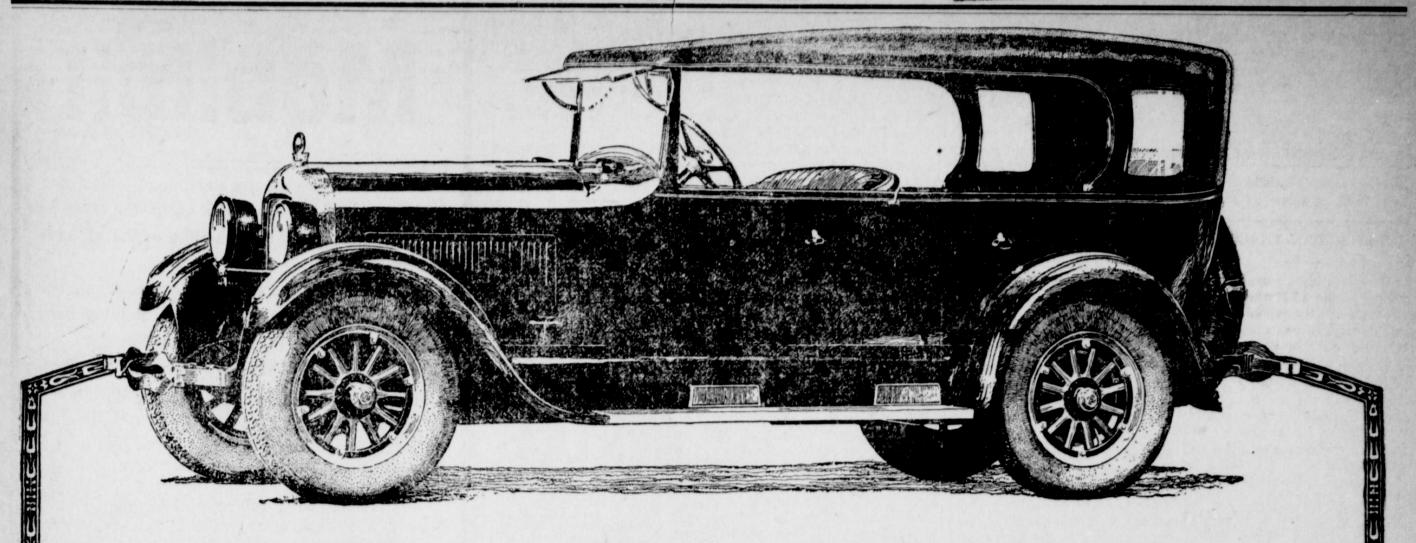
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Every modern method of manufacture and long experienced management are available for the production of Studebaker automo-

Today Studebaker proves that the highest grade closed car bodies-framed in selected hard woods, cushioned with the best cushion work, upholstered in fine mohair fabrics and fitted with expensive appointments-can be made and marketed on superlatively good chassis at moderate prices.

This is made possible by the new \$10,000,-000 Studebaker closed body plants. Studebaker designs and builds all of its closed bodies in one of the best equipped and most modern body plants in the industry.

The Three New Chassis

THE STUDEBAKER STANDARD SIX-113 in. wheelbase, 5-passenger. Engine 33/8x41/2, 50 b.h.p .- with 6 different bodies, including Duplex-Phaeton, Duplex-Roadster, Coupe-Roadster, Coupe, Sedan, and Berline.

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The Ten New Closed Bodies

COMPLETELY NEW BODIES - each car a masterly expression of modern style, yet distinctly original in beautiful lines-individual, conservative, impressively elegant, but crisp enough in its departure from imitation to be entirely distinctive.

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SO ENTIRELY NEW and so different from any other body ever made before that a new name had to be created—the DUPLEX.

The upper structure is shaped in pressed steel and covered with the finest water-proof fabric. The steel construction permits the use of another radical Studebaker creation, the new roller enclosing curtains. There is the permanent beauty and durability of the steel top plus the instant con-

venience of the roller curtains. Thus Studebaker engineers have solved the open-

closed car problem. The buyer who wants the airiness and practical convenience of the open car and who also wants the comfort, protection and beauty of the closed car can now get both in one car and at the price of an open car.

One moment the new Studebaker Duplex is a beautiful open car—a touch of the hand to the over-lapping roller curtains and it is a snug weather-tight closed car.

Balloon Tires

Genuine and full size balloon tires on all models. Every part that functions with the tires has been specially designed for balloon tire equipment steering gear, steering knuckles, spindles and springs, even the fenders.

New Lacquer Finish The Standard Six closed bodies are beautifully finished in semi-glaze, satin lacquer. The hood and lower panels are in light gray, the upper panels in darker gray. Hairline parallel striping in oriental red. Burnished nickel radiators, jet black fenders, light golden finished, natural wood wheels and big balloon tires are contrasting touches.

The Standard Duplex Models are finished in glossy jet enamel - lasting, lustrous and wear-

The Special Six and the Big Six Duplex models are in soft satin lacquer with dark blue hoods and bodies striped in light blue and ivory. Here, too, the sparkle is added with burnished nickel radiators and light, natural wood wheels in contrast with jet black fenders and big, black balloon tires.

More Power

The universally famous Studebaker engine is more than ever a peer among power plants. The crankshaft is heavier. ALL surfaces are perfectly machined to exact dimensions and balance. The bearings are larger.

The engine is in unit with the clutch and transmission. There is a force feed lubrication system with clean, strained oil always in reserve. There are many changes and improvements which result in MORE POWER, MORE QUIETNESS and SMOOTHNESS and STILL BETTER PER-FORMANCE in every way.

New Brakes

Larger, more powerful, simpler and much easier operated two-wheel brakes. An entirely new emergency brake is operated from the instrument board, instantly convenient to the driver's hand where it simplifies the control and frees the floor board from the old style lever. It acts on the propeller shaft. There is uniform pressure at each wheel-equalized

through the rear axle. The regular two-wheel Studebaker brakes with their simplicity, safety and great braking power are entirely adequate.

But Studebaker 4-Wheel Hydraulic Brakes (with

disc wheels) can be furnished as optional equip-ment on all models at extra charge if desired. Studebaker 4-Wheel Brakes have three exclusive features not found on any other system in this

1. Braking pressure is furnished by hydraulic power automatically developed. A light touch to the braking pedals controls its great force like a touch to the throttle controls the power of the engine. This feature will appeal instantly to women.

2. The front wheels cannot lock. 3. There are only two adjustments required—one at each rear wheel. The front brakes are permanently adjusted at the factory. The oil in the transmission is used to generate the hydraulic power; the action of the gears and the pump keep it in circulation; it cannot congeal or freeze. Braking power is always instantly ready-in winter as well

New Ease of Operation

as in summer!

New Ease of Gear Shifting-New power in braking, a touch to the pedal exerts a giant's strength at the rear wheels-New clutch action, soft as velvet-A new steering gear and steering knuckles designed for balloon tires-A new grouping on the dash, including ALL the usual instruments plus a gasoline gauge that always works accurately.

Lighting Control Switches-all on the steering

wheel-instantly handy. Automatic Spark Control-No manual attention required, so the lever is eliminated. Automatically governed to all speeds with the precision of ma-

And the Details

The new cars are longer and lower to the ground. The line from the radiator to the rear is nearly straight. The wheelbase of all models is increased.

The fenders are much wider and deeper crowned to cover the width of the tires. They fit more closely over the wheels. The rear fenders are long and gracefully curved into the running boards.

The radiators are high and set low in the frames and convex curved just below the filler cap. The design is strikingly original and beautifully dis-

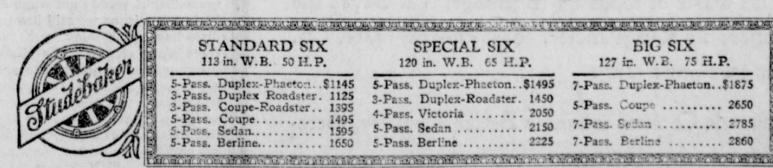
Entirely new head lamps, and cowl parking lamps designed by Studebaker - artistically appropriate and in perfect keeping with the originality of the body and fender design.

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THE SCHOOL TEACHER

On Monday morning the in this city, there to begin their labors of another year.

derful advantages that have in the years that are to come. been provided for them. Children, some of whose fathers and mothers walked many miles and sat upon the old split-log benches and gained what knowledge they could under the most diacouraging circumstances, have here every advantage known to modern civilization in the acquisition of an educaion.

ern educational plant is only a is exactly an increase of 50 per ing most parents present. small step toward the building cent over the number in the There is much work to be done The personnel of the faculty is to be put around the walls, on ate. Mrs. Fred. S. Rogers. the most important factor in a the stage and wherever there is successful school, and in this re- an inch of space. Two are on lecting a corps of men and wo- once-how we can wait on the parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Anof our school, and we feel sure a serious problem. that, with the proper cooper- It is very important that lege, from which institution he history of our schools.

ton, D. C., on July 4th, said:

votion, and a deep sense of res- tery.

The Merkel Mail ponsibility. Those who mold the TWO HOMES CHANGE human mind have wrought not Published on Friday Morning by for time, but for eternity. The The Merkel Mail Printing Co. obligation which we all owe to those devoted men and women L. Grimes has this week purto the education of the youth of cated in the south part of the our country that they might city, and will soon move to same. have freedom through coming This is among the nicest homes With the Comedy "Job Dodger" Entered at the postoffice at Mer- is one which can never be dis- prove a good investment for the kel, Texas as second class mail charged. They are entitled not new purchaser. only to adequate rewards for We also learn that Mr. J. C. their service, but to the vener- Comegys, who for some time has ation and honor of a grateful been occupying this home, has

young people of Merkel wended tered in so many words, and we cated on Bettis Heights, and will their way to the school building believe that with the cooperation soon move to same. This is also of the patrons of the school that a splendid home, admirably lothe faculty of the Merkel Public cated. We wonder how many of these Schools this year will accomplish young people appreciate the won- results that will be outstanding

Monday with the biggest en- others interested in the schools rollment for the first day of any are asked to be present for the opening in its history. This was opening meeting of the Associespecially true of the high school ation for this year's work. grades. Something over two hunspect we believe the school board some seats. Merkel needs its Vernon, came in last week for a has used the utmost care in se- new High School building at few days visit withMrs. Curtis' men to administer the affairs building until completed is now gus, before the former reenters

ation of the patrons, this will be wherever possible students start expects to finish within two the most successful term in the at once in order not to get so years. far behind. A few days delay Patrons should bear in mind may mean that the child may Mr. Jack Anderson of Hamlin, that the entire responsibility of fail to make his work for the Texas visited his brother, Mr. education does not rest upon the year. The few days may mean R. O. Anderson, last week end. shoulders of the teacher. With- that he will lose an entire school out the proper discipline and year by failing to be promoted Little Helen Heeter, daughter training in the home the teach- at the end. The big opening of Mrs. Ed Heated, was quite er is powerless to accomplish shows that the Merkel people sick this week, but is improved bank wholesale house, or merthe results that is in their hearts are becoming more and more at present. awake to the importance of ed-We have often wondered if ucation. If your child had a fair parents as a rule ever stopped chance in the battle of life Point, Texas, is here to visit his to graduates of our Business to consider the teacher. Presi- which is to follow, he must have daughter, Mrs. Robert Hicks. dent Calvin Coolidge, in an ad- the educational preparation that dress before the National Edu- those in the race with him have. cation Association in Washing- Otherwise he is handicapped.

"But the main factor of every Rev. Fred S. Rogers, popular It requires an adequate prepar- ridge this week attending a ness. ation and training, patience, de- meeting of the Abilene Presby-

HANDS IN THE CITY

We are informed that Mr. T. who have given of their lives chased the R. A. Vick home lointo a knowledge of the truth in the city, and will no doubt

closed a deal for the purchase No more truth was ever ut- of the J. C. Moore residence, lo-

P. T. A. TO MEET

The members of the Parent-The Merkel Schools opened Teachers Association and all

Much business will be on hand dred enrolled in the high school to be attended to. Plans for the grades the first three days. Lyceum Course to be put on in forty-two of these being mem- Merkel will be laid. Also a li-But, the acquisition of a mod- bers of the Senior Class. This brary will be given to room hav-

of an educational institution. class last year. Seats have had and parents are asked to cooper-

school at Abilene Christian Col-

school is the teacher. This is pastor of the Presbyterian Mr. Joe Brown of Trent was one of the noblest of professions, church, has been in Brecken- here Monday attending to busi-

Try a Classified Ad in The Mail. Mrs. W. A. McSpadden.

Gem Theatre

Satuday Sept. 20 FRED THOMPSON in "Galoping Galigher"

Next Week Tues. & Wed. Sept. 23-24 Herbert Rowlingson in "Stolen Secrets"



istolda Dramatic Tale of Marriage and Divorce By Charles G. Norris Directed by Sidney Franklin

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Mr. Warren McSpadden left

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The local success and standing of a dealer in in the average community is about the same as the national success and standing of the oil he is selling.

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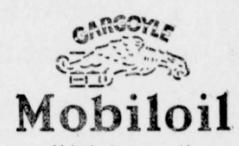
He has five distinct grades to sell. Each grade is a leader in quality and price appeal.

Motor car buyers more than ever are demanding the permanent service protection of a name like Mobiloil.

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McFarland Garage

IT'S PAST

Once more our Fifth Sunday 19t4 Singing Convention has past and Haley, S. W. Jones and the gen-through Saturday. the program, who knows every Hill." body that sings and how to ar- While Mr. Johnson has placed range things. Well you just can't upon the screen some of the fail with those men present. greatest war scenes ever shown Then too lots of others to help. by a motion picture camera, Well it was sure fine and how we "The Spirit of the U.S.A." is do thank one and all for every not just a war picture. It tells assistance rendered, and Oh a deeply dramatic and moving what a nice fine quiet dinner. story of a simple American fam-I certainly did enjoy it so much, ily, caught in the swift tides of and bless the Lord, while we the World War. It bristles with were singing, such a good rain thrills and glows with mother

it a double joy. muddy roads, broke away hur- the picture. riedly and we left it in the hands of a locating committee: Bros. Eason, O. J. Adcock and Jessie Pribble. So any one wanting the Blair takes it, as we still have a ter, Mrs. W. M. Lane. little hog and hominy yet, so come along classes let's have your application and to one and all, come to Blair second Sunday in October, this year, not next, at two p.m., and let's have a real little singing. Thanking you for all past favors, yours for advancement, T. H. Spears.

Some used Fords, in good condition, at a bargain. See W. E.

Miss Lillian Watts left last Sunday for Bristol, Va., where she will attend Sullins College.

Mr. W. J. Sheppard of Brownfield is here this week visiting with his family, and relatives.

"SPIRIT OF THE U.S.A." COZY FRI. AND SAT.

All the smashing emotional goes in history as a great day surge of a national anthem rings in the musical world. To say it throughout Emory Johnson's was a success only puts it in a great production "The Spirit of Wednesday morning for Austin, mild form. We had some of the the U.S. A." which opens at after a visit with his mother, best in the West. Prof. Allphin the Cozy Theatre today and runs

tleman Mr. W. W. Woods, who Mary Carr and Johnnie Walkknows how to flip the keys on er are co-starring in mother and the piano as well as to sing, all son parts in this production for from Abilene. Then our friend the first time since their memprof. E. L. Eason, chairman of orable triumph in "Over the

came to bless us all, which made love and young romance. In the cast are Carl Stockdale, Dickie We did not select any place Brandon, Cuyler Supplee, Richfor our next convention, as the ard Morris, Dave Kirby and crowd was so anxious to try the many others. F. B. O. releases

Mrs. M. A. Neil of Howe, Texas, who has been here for a week next session can see this com- visiting Rev. T. J. Rea and fammittee and arrange for it, but iiy returned to Abilene Wednesremember if you do not want it, day for a visit with her daugh-



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See our Ranges at the Community Fair.

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> DOWELL THE TOP MAN On Front Street

Beginners should start during the first few days of school. For this reason no unders will be admitted in the Merkel school after September 30th. Roger A. Burgess, Supt.

bock, Texas, was here this week visiting with his brother, Mr. Roger A. Burgess, before returning to State University for the year.

were among those attending the Taylor County Musical League all day meeting at Potosi last Sunday. They report one of the best and most interesting days 1tcS ever held by the organization. They were also loud in their praise for the splendid entertainment extended by the Potosi Mr. Glenn Burgess of Lub-people, especially did they appreciate the fine eats.

> Mr. Geo. McDonald of Abilene was here this week on business.

FIRST CONSIGNMENT OF RACE HORSES QUARTERED AT STATE FAIR TRACK

Henry T. Batchler, veteran Texan horse owner, with Geo. W. Crippen and Dan B. Freeman, are the first horsemen to reach the race track at the State Fair of Texas, ready for the thirteen day meeting,

With thirteen horses in their collective stable, the three well known horsemen quartered fat the ? State Fair barns during the first week

made for more than a hundred come all the way from Winnipeg. Two owners, one with fourteen and another with twelve animals, will and the gris' encampment, Oct. 20come in from Omaha, Dr. A. E. 22. Miss M. Helen Higgins and a Flowers, superintendent of the State corps of assistants, will be in charge Fair race department, is highly of the girls. pleased over prospects for an excellent meeting. There are four big events on the program, entries for COVERNMENT ABVICE which close on Oct. 1.

"EDITORS" DAY AT STATE FAIR OUT. 11

be Press Day at the State Fair of Texas at Dallas this year.

Heretofore Press Day at the Fair has usually been on the first Monday, and therefore the date for 1924 is rather a departure from custom.

The new designation was made Texas Press Association, and plans are under way by State Fair officials. to entertain the "press gang" in

Among the big features of opening day will be the Sewanee-A. & M. football game in the athletic stadium and the "Olmsted Trophy," as the big event on the day's

Flying Flivver Will Be Exhibit At State Fair

A flying flivver will be a big at traction at the State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Oct. 11-26, according to announcement.

runs along, at the will of the opera town" traffic signals. at the State Pair grounds. The in squad. ventor is Lieut, Henry Toneray of

CUBAN WAR VETERANS TO

of the late nineties are to hold 1 and as friendly as if he had been reunion at the State Fair of Texas on Sunday, Oct. 19, this year, George Lake, who was a member o Troop L. U. S. Volunteers, asket for the reservation of that day as many members of the old "Firs appear at the State Fair of Texas, Texas Cavalry, U. S. Volunteers' Dallas, Sunday, Oct. 12, before the were expected to attend the reunion

MANY BOYS AND GIRLS COMING TO STATE FAIR CLUB ENCAMPMENTS

The full capacity of the great dormitory building, which is 420, will be required for the farm club boys and girls who will go to the annual lub encampment during the State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Oct. 11-26, according to S. C. Byans, of A. &

M. College, who will be in charge. At Dallas, Mr. Evans has already aspected the dormitory building, and pronounced it in first class condition, in every way. It has been repainted inside and outside, and thoroughly renovated.

Usually there are some 300 girls at their annual tencampment. This year fully 400 are expected.

The boy's encamement will be from Oct. 14 to Oct. 16, inclusive.

FOR DAIRY FARMERS AT STATE FAIR

In connection with the State Fair dairy products display and competition during the State Fair at Dallas. Oct. 11:26, the United States Government will maintain a most interesting and instructive exhibit, of great benefit to dairy farmers.

These exhibits will include pio tures and various illustrations, toadvice on every phase of the dairy. ing industry, from the method of improving milk quality to the proper rationing of dairy cattle, their care and upkeep, pasture management and other particulars.

Boys and girls attending the farm club encampments, will be partic larly interested in the "dairy calf club" work fostered by the government, which will be fully explain-

Polite Police to Help Visitors at State Fair

You can come to the State Fair of Texas, at Dallas, Oct. 11-26, in your Fair officials have closed with a "flivver" or your five thousand dolformer aviation officer, who has per lar limousipe, secure in the knowfeeted a helicopter attachment for ledge that traffic cops won't bother an automobile, which actually lifts you, but will help you in every way the machine from the ground, as it to observe and understand the "big

Highly successful tests have Police Chief Trammel has given been made at San Antonio and also just such instructions to the traffic

The order was inspired by the high Troupe, Texas. He will also make compliment paid the local police by night flights in an illuminated plane a man from Charlotte, N. C., recently. He got mixed up on the red and green lights, but said a big po-REUNITE AT STATE FAIR liceman, instead of "bawling him out," Veterans of the Cuban campaign was as polite as a basket of chips the Carolina man's long lost brether.

Houdini at State Fair Harry Houdini, the "mystery man" who extricates himself from any and "U. S. Volunteers day," and said all serts of difficult positions, will grand stand.

> Mrs. Geo. Brown and daughter, Edith, were in Abilene Mon-

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13 Days Running Races

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"Passing Parade" "Tokye"

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Houdini, the Marvel No Greater Fair Any-

C-O-Z-Y

Today and Saturday Sept. 19th & 20th

Here at Last!

With the Superb Artists Mary Carr. Johnnie Walker and a huge cast in "The Spirit of the U. S. A."

Fulfill your duty to MOTHERHOOD and see Emory Johnson's magnificant tribute to to the Mothers of the world. If there is a drop of American Blood in you. you are going to feel something thrilling through your veins and a lump in your throat and a tear in your eye. Your heart will beat fast and you'll rouse to-The Greatest Mother Love Picture ever produced.

"Navy Blues" 2 Reel Comedy Riot Extra-

Note- Special Matinee Friday and Saturday

Afternoons on this Marvelous production. RECULAR ADMISSION 10-20-30c

Coming Next Week, Monday and Tuesday September 22nd and 23rd.

Theodore Roberts as Uncle Josh Supported by an all-star cast in "THE OLD HOMESTEAD"

It's a production which wings the heart of who ever has known a home, held a lovers hand or whistled down a long country lane for the dog to come romping up the road.

Extra- A 2 Reel Comedy.

Wed. and Thurs. Sept. 24 and 25.

Thos. H. Ince Presents his screaming hit of years

"The Hottentot" with Douglas Maclean and Madge Bellamy.

It beats all you can think of in laughs and spills and thrills. One of the great big hits of the year.

"Dance or Die" 2 reel Fox Sunshine Comedy. Extra-

> Next Fri. and Sat. Sept. 26 and 27 Zane Grey's Greatest Story "To The Last Man"

With Lois Wilson and Richard Dix. Also A Good Comedy.

M. E. Missionary Society Notes

We studied the fifth chapter noon:

1. Song.

2. Bible lesson, The Steward's service in the home, 1 Cor. 13, Mrs. Sandifer.

3. Prayer.

4. Roll call, answered with a verse of scripture on giving. 5. Missionary news from the

Bulletin. 6. Flashlights from Africa, Mrs.

Armstrong. 7. Christ commands us to lives of service, Mrs. Rainbolt.

8. Being a Missionary to Africa has taught me, Mrs. Burgess. 9. Stewardship, Mrs. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Service of Crosbyton, Texas, spent a few days this week with Thos. Durham and family.

Weekly Prayermeeting

The weekly prayermeeting in our Mission Study Book on will meet with Mrs. Pearl Hollast Monday afternoon. We have lingsworth on Wednesday, Seponly one more chapter in this tember 24, at three o'clock as book and we will then be ready last Wednesday was rainy we to take a new study. On next did not have the prayermeeting. Monday afternoon we will have So the program will be the same. a program from the Missionary All are requested to read as Voice. The weather is cooler now much of the book of Joshua as and we are expecting a better can. For we will have a review attendance. Following is the pro- on that book. Remember that gram for next Monday after- the program is the same as we were to have had last Wednesday, from three to five.

Captain of prayermeeting.

Junior League Program

Subject: The Best Policy. Leader: Edna Wilson. Song: Scripture. Honest thoughts; Phil. 4:8. Honest words; Eph. 4:15. Lords prayer in concert. Special music. Reading "Smile", Mabel Morten. How Livingston proved his honesty, Nadine Tippett. Lesson from "Chinese Lan-

Some used Fords, in good condition, at a bargain. See W. E.

A Chance to own a Home

Unimproved farm land in Gains County. Sandy soil, good water. \$8.50 per acre bonus, \$1.50 per acre due the state. No cash payment required. You improve the land and pay for it out of the cotton crop. Write the owners, R. A. & G. M. Cox 3200. Guadulupe St., Austin, Texas.

Woodrum Filling Station

Besides rendering SERVICE to our Patrons that pleases and lasts, we sell that

> Good Gulf Gasoline And Other Gulf Products.

While Attending the Community Fair drive around and try our service.

Yes, and when you need GOOD TIRES and TUBES see us before you go elsewhere.

George Woodrum, Prop.

Pear Preserves, Cake by Quality Bakery. 2nd 50c.

CANNED FRUIT: Best can Peaches, 1st prize, an

Aluminum Dish Pan, 2nd prize 50c in cash, by the

Best canned Pears, 1st prize aluminum stew pan,

2nd prize 50 cents cash, by Mrs. Dry's Racket Store.

Best canned Plums, 1st prize 3lb silver moon Coffee,

Best canned Berries, 1st prize 2 years subscription

(value \$3.00) to Merkel Mail, 2nd prize 50 cents in

Best Peach Sweet Pickles, 1st prize \$1.00, 2nd 50c.

HAND WORK: For the handsomest piece of hand-

work entered in the entire exhibit, \$12.50 Rocker.

Crochet Bed Spread, 5 Victor Records, by Merkel

Embroidered Bed Spread, 1 pair silk Hose, by Max

For the neatest job of mending, \$2.50 cash, by the

For the best embroidered Bucella Vanity Set, one

For the Best Luncheon Set, one stamped Linen

For the best Embroidered Vanity Set worked by

girl under 12 years, one Hat, by Bettye Bonnet Box.

For the best handwork by a girl under 12 years, \$2

For the best piece of crochet, one bottle of Narcisse

For the best piece of knitted Lace, \$1.00 1st, 50c 2nd Best piece of tatting, \$1.00 cash 1st prize, 50c 2nd.

For the best display of embroidery by one individual,

For the best roll and whipping, 1st prize \$1, 2nd 50c

For the best Colored Embroidery, 1st \$1.00, 2nd 50c

For the best embroidered Towel, 1st \$1.00, 2nd 50c.

MISCELLANEOUS: \$2.00 cash to the boy under 12

who picked the most cotton this fall in one day, to

\$3.00 cash to the boy between the age of 12 and 16

who picks the most cotton this fall in one day up

Food Cake baked with Seal Flour, Bob Mar-

One 24lb sack Seal Flour for best yeast Bread

\$2.50 cash for most perfect baby under 18

For best Feed display raised on any one

farm, variety and quality considered, \$5.00

in Gold, by Farmers and Merchants National

\$2 for best toy made by his or herself for

boy or girl under 14 years. \$1 second prize.

\$5.00 by Darsey Furniture for the best dis-

play of handwork (including crochet, knitt-

\$1.00 by W. T. Daniels for the best display

\$12.50 first prize, \$7.50 2nd, \$5.00 3rd, for

the best grade of cotton ginned up to 19th

of September of this year, by the following

gins: Guitar Gin, South Side Gin, Planters

Gin of Merkel, Planters Gin of Blair, F. P.

Hamm Gin. Samples must be in at the

CHICKENS: \$2.00 best pen Rhode Island

Reds. \$2 best pen White Wyndotts. \$2.00

best pen Silver Lace Wyndotts, \$2 best pen

Columbean, \$2 best pen White Leghorns.

\$2 best pen Brown Leghorns, \$2 best pen

White Minorcas, \$2 best pen Black Minorcas.

\$2 best pen White Langshang, \$2 best pen

Barred Rocks, \$2 best pen Buff Orphington,

\$2.50 best pen party colored, \$2 best pen

solid colored. \$5.00 setting of Silver lace

Wyndott eggs for the best young pen, any

\$2.50 best trio of Bronze Turkeys, \$2.50 best

trio of White Hollands, \$2.50 best trio of

Burban Reds. \$1.00 for best pair of Pigeons.

All second prizes for poultry will be Blue

For three best guesses at our Big Lump of

Coal: 1st prize \$5.00 cash and 100-lbs. of

Superior Egg Mash. 2nd prize, \$2.50 cash

and 50-lbs. Superior Egg Mash. 3rd prize,

\$1.00 cash and 25-lbs. Egg Mash. Swafford

ing, tatting, etc.) outside the city limits.

of Garments made from Flour sacks.

months old. Baby Ring second price.

Vanity set complete, by J. T. Dennis, Dry Goods.

Luncheon Set, by Bragg Dry Goods Co.

cash prize by the Parent-Teachers Club.

\$5.00 in trade, Burton-Lingo Lumber Co.

Sept. 19, by Parent-Teachers Club.

September 19th.

Bank.

tin Grocery Company.

baked with Seal Flour.

Fair by noon Friday.

breed, by W. L. Diltz, Jr.

Ribbons.

Coal and Feed Yard.

Toilet Water, by Sanders Drug Store.

Best Cucumber Pickles, 1st prize \$1.00, 2nd 50c.

Best Reet Pickles, 1st prize \$1.00, 2nd prize 50c.

Best Canned Tomatoes, 1st prize \$1.00, 2nd 50c.

Best Canned Beans, 1st prize \$1.00, 2nd 50c.

2nd prize 50c cash, by Hamblett Grocery.

Schindler Variety Store.

cash, by Thos. Durham.

by Barrow Furniture Company.

Drug Company.

Cash Tailor Shop.

Mellinger, Dry Goods.

List of Premiums Offered

The following is the list of big, fine premiums offered by the business firms and professional men of Merkel to be given away during the two-days Community Fair in Merkel, September 19th and 20th. This writer has had opportunity to see the premium list as offered by other towns, even the catalogue of the Dallas Fair, and we can assure the farmers and stock raisers of this community that in most every prize offered, the same islarger than that offered by other Community Fairs, even the Dallas Fair. Hence, we urge the farmers and others who may have something that you can enter, to study the premium list, and bring in some thing to be offered.

Last year Merkel had her first Community Fair, and it was indeed a success. And while the crops this year are not so good as last year, there is no reason why we should not have a fine fair. Especially do we urge the different communities to collect their exhibits and bring them in and display them as a community. A separate booth will be set aside for every community that will do this, and then any citizen from that community who has something he wishes to enter in competition for individual premiums, may do so.

OUR TOWN There are fancier towns than our little town, there are towns that are larger than this; and the people who live in the smaller towns don't know what excitement they miss. There are things you see in the wealthier towns that you can't in a town that's small; and yet, up and down, there is no town like our own little town, after all. It may be the streets through the town are not long, they're not wide and maybe not straight, but the neighbors you know in your own little town all welcome a fellow-it's great. In the glittering streets of the glittering town, with its palace and pavement and thrall; in the midst of the throng you will frequently long for your own little town, after all. If you live and you work in our little town, in spite of the fact it's small, you'll find it a fact that our little town is the best little town, after all.—Okla. Wheat Grower.

1st Prize-\$25.00 cash to the community (for school Peach Preserves, \$1.00 cash. 2nd prize 50c. for the best farm display. 2nd. Prize \$10.00 cash. 1st \$5.00 cash for best Jersey Cow. 2nd \$2.00 cash. 1st. prize \$5.00 cash for best span of mules. 2nd. \$2. 1st prize \$5.00 cash for best span horses. 2nd. \$2.00. 1st prize \$2.50 cash for best Calf. 2nd. prize \$1.00. 1st prize \$2.50 cash for best sow, any breed, 2nd \$1. 1st prize \$2.50 cash for best litter of pigs under 3 months old. 2nd prize \$1.00.

1st prize \$2.00 cash for best pair of Turkeys, any breed, 2nd prize \$1.00 cash.

1st prize \$1.00 cash for best 10 heads Maize. 2nd prize 50c cash.

1st prize \$1.00 cash for best 10 heads Kaffir Corn. 2nd prize 50c cash for best 10 heads Kaffir Corn. 1st prize \$1.00 cash for best 10 heads Feterita. 2nd prize 50 cents cash.

1st prize \$1 cash for best bundle Cane, 2nd 50c cash. 1st prize \$1.00 cash for best bundle Oats, 2nd 50c. 1st prize \$1.00 cash for biggest pumpkin, 2nd 50c. CAKES: For the best home-made Yeast Bread, 48lb sack Light Crust Flour, by W. W. Campbell.

For the best Angel Food Cake baked by housewife, one 24lb sack La France Flour, Grocery Department of West Company.

For the Best Angel Food Cake baked by girl, age 12 to 16, \$3.00 cash prize, by Parent-Teachers Club. For the best pound cake, 25lb sack Sugar, J. T. Dennis Grocery.

For the best White Loaf Cake, \$2.50 Cash, by Woodrum Filling Station.

For the best White Layer Cake, \$5.00 in merchandise, by McFarland Garage.

For best Jam Cake, 5 gal, Ford Oil, Magnolia Filling Station.

For the best Devils Food Cake, Ford Tube, Merkel

For the best cake cooked on an Electric Range, one months stove service, by West Texas Utilities Co. For best Caramel-Nut Cake, pair of Silk Hose, by Brown Dry Goods Company.

JELLIES: Plum Jelly, 6lb Roast (value of Roast in trade) by Vaughn & Watkins Meat Market. 2nd, 50c Apple Jelly, \$1.00 in work, by Renfro's Tailor Shop. 2nd prize for apple jelly, 50c.

Grape Jelly, 5lb Beef Roast, by Patterson Meat Market. 2nd prize 50c.

PRESERVES: Plum Preserves, Special plate dinner (value \$1.00) by White House Cafe. 2nd. 50c.

One pair best House-Shoes for the heaviest Rooster (any breed) by Brown Dry Goods. 1 set Ford Fender Braces (value \$7.50) for exhibit showing greatest diversification on one farm, by West Company, Accessory Dep. To the couple marrying on the 19th or 20th of September, 1 marriage License by Sie Hamm, 1 Minister's fee by H. A. Sanders. To mother of the youngest baby at the Community Fair, 1 can of Maxwell House Coffee, by Porter's Grocery.

Mans wool Shirt for the best 10 heads of Maize, by Bragg Dry Goods Co.

100 lb. Sack Omeline Feed for the best Colt, by Garrett Feed Co.

\$5.00 in Gold for the best 3 stalks of cotton, by Farmers State Bank.

Base ball fielders Glove to boy under 16 who exhibits best pig (any breed), by Liberty Hardware Company.

Set of Community Silver Tea Spoons to the lady exhibiting the best display of Home Canned Fruits, by Liberty Hardware Co. Automatic Feeder to Best pen of chickens hatched in a Jersey Incubator, by Liberty

Hardware Company. Little Chick Feeder for the best pen of pure bred Friers (any breed) Liberty Hardware. \$1.00 cash for the best Hound Dog, by J. A. Buford.

3lb. can White Swann Coffee to the largest family calling in the store of Hamilton and Case, Grocery.

To the best Mule Colt, \$1.00 worth of Barber work, by West Barber Shop.

To the best twin calves, \$1.00 worth of work, by McCoy's Barber Shop. For the oldest Relic, \$2.50 1st prize, \$1.00

for 2nd prize.

For best Fern, \$2.50 cash 1st prize, \$1.00 2nd prize. \$5.00 Meal Ticket for the best twin babies

under 16 months old, by Ed Turner's Cafe.

For the best mule colt sired by my Jack during 1924 season, will give one \$10.00 season for 1925. Lee Baker, Merkel, Route five.

One 24lb. Sack Seal Flour for best Angel

Everybody was real proud of day. the rains as it will help to make late feed and cotton.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Winter and Sunday with Mrs. B. L. James. children spent Sunday with Mr.

SHILOH NEWS

and Mrs. Hardy Rutledge. Miss Effie Grayson and Mr. she will soon be up again. Bill and Clarence Grayson visited in the home of M. F. Naron

Sunday. Miss Hattie Seago left Saturday for Shamrock after several Shiloh next Saturday night, Sunmonths visit with C. W. Seago day and Sunday night. Also sing and family.

sick list this week.

Ernest Hail returned home from Abilene Saturday where he had been operated on.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert James visit- printing.

d friends near Trent Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Howell Mr. and Mrs. Tom Greene visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown Sun,

Mr. and Mrs. Bill James, M and Mrs. M. L. Rutledge spent

Mrs. Wiley Love is still on the sick list, but some better. Hope

Mrs. S. L. Grayson returned Sunday from Burleson where she visited her son.

There will be preaching at ing in the afternoon. Everybody Miss Vada Naron i s on the come and bring some one with you. Let's have a big crowd out for singing. Brownie.

Let the Merkel Maii do yourf



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Seventeenth Dividend The regular quarterly dividend of one dollar and seventy-five cents per share on Preferred Stock will be paid on Wednesday, October 1, 1924, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Saturday, September 20, 1924. R. A. NICKERSON,

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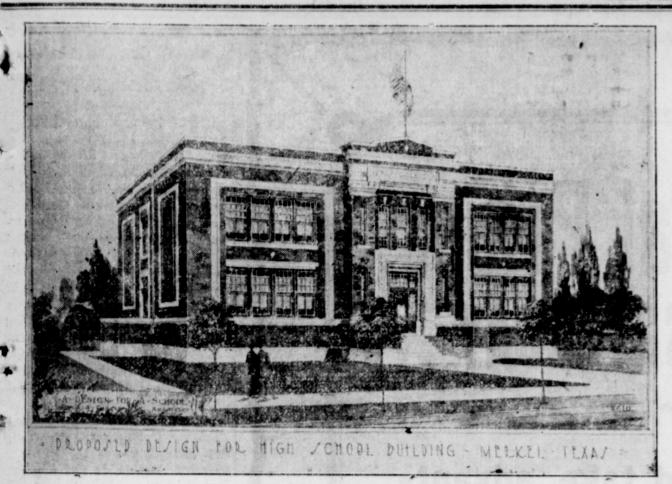
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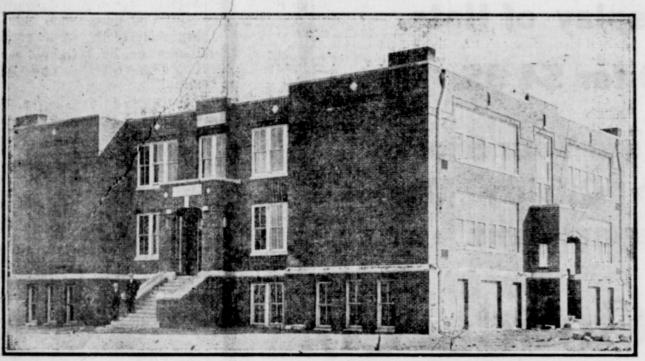
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THE NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING NEAR COMPLETION

This is the way the new High School Building will look when completed. This building with the one shown below will give Merkel a complete school plant, and is badly needed at present.



THE OLD SCHOOL BUILDING USED FOR ALL SCHOOL This building is now being used to accommodate the entire en rollment of the Merkel Schools, which is almost one hundred more than that of last year. Do we need the new building?



ZIMMERMAN "THE TITHER" Coming for Methodist Meeting.

Severe Pains in Side

"I HAD had quite a bad spell and sickness," writes Mrs. Emma Patrick, of Caney, Ky., "and it was an effort for stronger and, as the nerveness left me the pair "and it was an effort for ousness left me, the pain me to go about my home. I had a very severe pain in my left side that almost took my breath at times. I lost my appetite. I grew thin, pale and lifeless. I fell off till I only weighed about 115 pounds.

"Cardui was recommended to me and by the time I had taken one bottle I saw it was what I needed. I ate more and ousness left me, the pain in my side was less severe. After taking nine bottles, I eat anything, go anywhere and feel fine. I weigh 160 pounds and am well. I feel that I owe it all to having used Cardui."

Pain, in certain parts of the body, is a sure indication of fe male complications. The treatment needed is not the use of narcotic drugs, but—

The Woman's Tonic

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67 acres in cultivation. One and one-fourth miles from town. Will sell at a bargain. See G. C. Lowrey, Merkel, Route 3. pd4t-tf

FOR SALE-Writing paper and envelopes to match. Name or monogram printed FREE. Call at Mail office to see samples. Blanche Durham.

WANTED

WANTED-300 men and women to take insurance with the Abilene Mutual Life Insurance Association. The cheapest insurance on earth and backed up by a bunch of the best business men of Abilene. Cheap in cost, but sure to pay. See me. E. D.

STRAY MULE—Have a stray mule branded X on shoulder. Black mare mule. Owner call on Lee Campbell and get the ani-

LOST-Goodyear Balloon Casing for Ford, on road from Merkel to Mountain Pass. Reward for return to McFarland Ga-

Mrs. Olive Higgins, of Snyder, spent Friday with the Misses Garoutte.

Miss Ruth Jones was in Abilene Monday attending the opening of Simmons College.

Miss Hollice Cypert is visiting her parents, Elder and Mrs. W. G. Cypert, this week.

Mr. B. F. Cox of Abilene was here Monday of this week on business.

Subscribe for the Merkel Ma

FOR SALE

130 acres of land for sale, well improved, close to town. For particulars see V. N. Ellis, Merkel, Texas.

FOR SALE-Wood at \$2.00 per cord on ground in front of Alfred Meeks place on route five. J. B.

FOR SALE—Full-blood Greyhound pups, \$5.00 pair. See J. B. Jones, 1 mile north of Blair on Merkel route 5.

FOR SALE-One Army Tent. 16-ft square. See T. F. Compton at Garrett Feed Store. FINE ROOSTERS—Have a few fine Barred Rock and Rhode Island Red Roosters to sell, just the right kind to improve the farm stock. Joe Higgins. 12t4

FOR SALE—Home place. Located northwest Merkel. East front. Mrs. Frank Sears.

WANTED-Stock to pasture. Good pasture, ever lasting water. Six miles north of Trent. Lee D. Williams.

FOR SALE-Ford touring car. Like new, priced to sell. W.S.J.

FOR SALE—A Good Superior grain Drill. Drill in good condition. Will sell extra cheap. See R. B. Wells, Merkel, Rt. 1.

\$15 to \$22 is very cheap for good smooth land where labor is cheap and plentiful and land will grow cotton, corn, kaffir, oranges, grapefruit, etc. This land is near paved pike into San Antonio. For Sale on easiest kind of terms. For particulars Hotel, Abilene, Texas.

Mobiloil Demonstration

Frank McFarland of the Mc Farland Garage, the Gargoyle Mobiloil dealer, will have a distinctive display of Mobiloil in his booth during the two days Fair September 19th-20th. Mr. H. H. Carsner, correct lubrication expert of the Vacuum Oil Company, manufacturers of Mobiloil will be present during these two days, and will be glad to give you advice about the correct grade of Mobiloil for your car.

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Wednesday Sept. 24 Is MERKEL DAY

Great West Texas Fair

Of all the six big days, Merkel day, which is also Albany Day, Cross Plains Day, Baird Day, Confederate Veteran's Day, and Abilene Day, will stand out preeminent. Abilene will put on its gala attire to welcome the citizenship from its neighboring towns. The program for the day is as follows:

8:00 a. m. Gates open.

9:30 a. m. Second Annual Dog Show of Abilene Kennel Club.

10:00 a. m. Monster School Parade.

2:30 p. m. Automobile Races. Hippoprome Acts between races.

5:00 p. m. Gates Flying Circus.

8:00 p. m. Special concert by Chicago Cadet Band. Hippodrome Acts.

9:00 p. m. Gates Flying Circus, Night Flights with Fireworks

9:30 p. m. Fireworks-Breath taking, thrills galore Afternoon and Night Con T. Kenedy Shows On the Midway.



SENIORS OF '25 ENTER-TAINED WITH PARTY

Monday evening of this week Miss Ona Fae Rose very delightfully entertained the Senior Class of '25 and the members of | the High School faculty with a lawn party at her home on! Locust street.

The lawn was very prettily decorated. Lights displaying beautiful colors in pastel shades were hung here and there among the trees. Chairs and porch furniture were placed in a semicircle on the lawn, lending an atmosphere of comfortableness. The high school colors, purple and gold, were used as draper-"ies among the trees, and were tied artistically on the punch table. A victrola on the porch was the means of much delightful music during the evening.

As the guests arrived, Miss Rose greeted them, making each one feel welcome. Various games and contests were had and were much enjoyed.

Misses Hattie Proctor and Grace Lee Cranston presided over the punch bowl, and served the guests with delicious punch and sandwiches.

Those present were: Misses Melba West, Hazel Lee Rainbolt, Gladys Mayfield, Mildred Matthews, Ruth Pinckley, Pauline Pinckley, Lucille Guitar, Mary Butman, Nola Provine, Hattie Proctor and Dorris Durham. Messrs. Perry Shannon, Buford Smith, Carlton Dennis, Jarrett Pinckley, Marvin Mayfield, Kenneth Watkins. Ray Garrett, Clyde Matthews, James Swann, Adrian Rea, Glenn Burgess of Lubbock. Mr. and Mrs. Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, Misses Williamson, Pierce, Gay and

J. J. Russell, Jr., Entertains

a few boy friends at his home a few miles north east of town on Wednesday evening from six thirty o'clock to ten.

A very delightful dinner was

time was spent in conversation exchange, he said.

were Messrs Wrenn Durham, ing on these productions. Marvin Mayfield, Kenneth Watkins and Castle Ellis.

clothes and fix them up. We can other relatives. do all kinds of repair work. Relining, dying and pleating at TAILOR SHOP.

Some used Fords, in good condition, at a bargain. See W. E.

Miss Marie Williamson came in last Saturday from her home at Victoria, Texas, and will teach in the Merkel High School this

Bring your Farm Bureau Cotton to the Farmers & Merchants National Bank.

Mr. A. L. Bryant and family returned to this city recently from a year's travel through Texas, Colorado, California, and Arizona. Mr. Bryant, who is a painter and paper hanger, states that they have returned to Merkel for "keeps".

Miss Mary Cleo Booth left on Monday to enter Simmons College at Abilene. This will make the third year that Miss Booth has attended Simmons.

Mrs. A. J. Burke and two child ren of Putnam, Texas, are here visiting the former's mother Mrs. Mary Pogue.

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GEM THEATRE NOW SHOWING EVERY NITE

served by the host's mother at ning every day except Monday. ing. Everything included except here renewed his Merkel Mail for at the Methodist church Wedeight o'clock. The dinner was Mr. Acuff has bought the stiff collars, silk and woolen another year, and also had us just a good family style dinner, Warner Brothers Classics of the goods at ten pounds for one dol- send the paper to a brother at and consisted of most everything screen. No better service can be lar. Phone 218. Alfred H. Lig- Star, Texas. Mr. Neighbours that one's appetite could call bought, according to Mr. Acuff. on. Infact their rating is about three After dinner the remaining per cent better than any other

Super Pictures from United Bank. Those enjoying this evening Artists. The first one is coming of pleasure with Mr. Russell October 7-8. Watch for advertis-

Mr. Wallace Bragg and wife of Chillicothe returned to their Call 180 and let us come out home Sunday after a visit with and get all of your dirty fall Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Bragg and

Church of Christ Sunday.

LAUNDRY SERVICE

The Gem Theatre is now run- convinced. Regular family wash here one day recently and while

ed to the customers of the to gather close to a third of a joke telling, and playing of a He also has bought a line of Farmers & Merchants National bale of cotton per acre.

> FOR SALE-Ford touring car. underwent an operation Wednes- the church. The pastor reported Like new, priced to sell. W.S.J. day afternoon at the New Bap- 23 additions to the church this

Mrs. L. P. Jones, of Sierra Blanca, spent several days here this week, assisting her father, ter of Mr. H. H. Toombs. Mr. J. C. Moore, who has sold his property interests here to Elder W. G. Cypert will leave make arrangements to move moved this week from their Sie Hamm. Thos. Durham was cotton in this community. very reasonable prices. CASH the last of this week for Rotan, from the city. He will probably splendid stock farm in order that made District Steward. Mr. L.

Mrs. Jones.

the hustling and splendid farm-Send to the Laundry and be ers residing on route five, was tf states that not withstanding the long ninty-day dry spell, his crop Safety and Service are assur- was splendid, infact he expected

ation fine and was getting along year: L. W. Cox, T. G. Bragg.

daughter to our splendid school. Leader.

Mr. J. A. Neighbors, one of METHODISTS HOLD FOURTH

nesday evening. Presiding Elder W. M. Lane and wife were here to hold the meeting. Only a few were in attendance, as the night was so rainy. Much interest was manifested by those present, despite the small number. Good reports were heard from the pastor, League president, and Mrs. Doyle Pogue, of this city, various other organizations of Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7:45 It tist Sanitarium in Abilene, and quarter. The following were at last reports stood the oper- elected stewards for the coming nicely. Mrs. Pogue is the daugh- A. T. Sheppard, Dr. M. Armstrong, Eli Case, Herbert Patterson, W. W. Campbell, W. D. Mr. S. A. Derstine and family Hutcheson, W. F. Golliday and

WITH THE CHURCHES

Methodist Church Notes

Last Sunday was another fine day for the Methodist church in all its branches in Merkel. The Sunday School attendance was 352, the same as the Sunday before, and a splendid audience was present at both the morning and evening services. Infact we are proud of the achievements thus far in the year 1924, and with the fine sentiment so manifest throughout all branches of the church, we cannot help but feel optimistic for the future.

On next Sunday we have with us the great "Tithing Evangelist", Zimmerman, and while he is known far and wide as the "Tithing Evangelist", we would not have any one think for a moment that he is not a great factor in the upbuilding of the spiritual welfare of every church with which he is associated in a meeting. Hence, we urge that every Methodist be on hand next Sunday morning and hear this great and good man at the beginning of the series of meetings which he is to hold for us. Let us have 400 in our Sunday School next Sunday.

Let's all do our duty and our church will grow and prosper in a way that will be pleasing to our Lord and Saviour.

T. J. Rea, pastor.

Bapfist Church

We welcome all the Communa ity Fair visitors to the beautiful city of Merkel. May the spirit of fellowship and cooperation engendered by such occasions as this grow and spread until it shall have pervaded every business, every home, and every heart in this entire section. The First Baptist Church desires to join hands with every other institution in the community in premoting every thing that will be for the general good

We have two more Sundays until our Association year closes. QUARTERLY CONFERENCE The letter to the Association will be read next Sunday morning. Quarterly conference was held The year has been exceptionally good. Every organization within the church has made an excellent showing. The pastor wishes to express his appreciation for the cooperation and byad support of the general membership of the church. If you are not already lined up somewhere we shall be glad to have you with us.

p.m. All B.Y.P.U.'s at 6:45 p.m. W. H. Albertson, pastor.

NOODLE NEWS

Everybody is busy picking

Bro. Campbell filled his regutf where he will preach at the make his home with Mr. and they might send their son and R. Thompson was made Lay lar appointment Sunday and Sunday night.

Oleta Cole has been real sick the past week, but is better at this time.

Walter Bryson from near Brownfield is here with his mother, Mrs. John Bryson, who is in the sanitarium at Abilene. Mr. Odell Herring and wife have returned to this place from

South Texas to make their home Odell Eoff and wife return ed home Tuesday from a visit with relatives.

Mr. Jennings Vick and wife returned to their home at Post after a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Vick.

Mr. andMrs. Cade took dinner with W. J. Bicknell and family Sunday. Reporter.

We are informed that Mr. Ira Moore has purchased the J. H Craig farm a few miles southeast of the city, containing 15 acres of land, for a consideration of \$60.00 per acre. This is a nice piece of property and while Mr. Craig received a hands bonus over the amount he paid for it, there is no question but that the land is well worth the

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