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M. E. PASTOR CLOSSES FINE YEAR HERE

Rev. T. J. Rea, who for the past two years has been the energetic and faithful pastor of the First Methodist Church of this city, finished the conference year's work here with the last Sunday evening's service, and on Monday left for Canyon where he will give account of his labors before the Annual Meeting of the Northwest Texas Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, Bishop Jas. E. Dickey presiding.

The church under Rev. Rea's leadership has enjoyed two very successful years, in that the membership has been considerably increased and a splendid Christian fellowship has prevailed. Especially has the past year been very pleasant and profitable in almost every respect, and it has enabled the pastor to take with him to annual conference a very fine report. Not only has the year been a splendid success in a spiritual way with the church, but in a financial and material way every obligation and pledge assessed upon the church has been met in full.

A very large crowd greeted the pastor at the last Sunday morning service to hear him deliver his sermon and give evidence of their appreciation of his services of the year just ending. A familiar expression could be heard among the membership to the effect that if the pastor should not be returned, he certainly had the best wishes and prayers of the entire congregation for continued success and blessings wherever he may be sent.

The church has also recently made another important step forward by arranging with Mrs. J. Samuel Rider, of Abilene, soloist and choir director, to take charge of the choir for the next six months at least, and already there is wonderful improvement in the splendid music furnished by the choir of the church.

TRADE AT HOME CAMPAIGN IS WAGED BY RETAILERS

An extensive campaign to educate the public to patronize home merchants in preference to mail order house peddlers, is being planned by the Retail Merchants Association of Texas, according to a bulletin issued following a recent secretaries conference.

"Peddlers representing all lines of trade are beginning to invade this state and systematically cover all towns," the bulletin states. "It is therefore necessary that Retail Merchants Associations act quickly by using some good newspaper publicity on this subject and also warn their customers by circulating them as well as by speaking to them. In order to help this movement along, the State Association has arranged with a printing house for as many 'Peddler Keep Out' cards as may be desired by local associations."

The bulletin also warns merchants to be on the look out for forged checks which are being passed all over Texas.

Why not a Retail Merchants Association in Merkel.

Messrs W. S. J. Brown, John Sears and W. F. Patterson spent last Tuesday and Wednesday on the Tippett ranch, near San Angelo, peccan hunting. They report that they found plenty of nice peccans.

WILL ORGANIZE CITY DRY ENFORCEMENT

Fort, Worth, Nov. 10.—What is said to be one of the most energetic and comprehensive law enforcement programs ever instituted in Texas, was launched in Fort Worth late Saturday at a conference between Maj. H. H. White, prohibition director for Texas and Oklahoma, and Rev. W. M. Rader, of Arlington, newly elected field superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Texas.

The campaign also has in view the election of an avowed dry to every seat in the Texas legislature, Rev. Mr. Rader declared, the revival of all the moral suasion of propaganda and the organization of those who really want to see all laws honestly enforced and are willing to do their part toward securing this end, but who have no selfish purpose to serve.

Special emphasis is to be laid on the enforcement of prohibition laws and in this there will be the closest cooperation between the organization now being formed as an adjunct to the Anti-Saloon league of Texas and the dry law forces working under Major White.

The new organization is to be known as the "Laymen's Affiliated League for Law Enforcement." In each city in the state it is planned to have the league fostered by a central committee of 25 members, with affiliated leagues in every church in the city.

MRS. H. M. MAYFIELD 45 IS CALLED BEYOND

The little city of Merkel was shocked for the second time this week when news of the death of Mrs. H. M. Mayfield, on Wednesday evening, November 11, at 8:40 o'clock p.m., was made known to the public. She is said to have died of natural causes, being ill for only a few days, but has been in poor health for a number of years.

Mrs. Mayfield was 45 years of age, being born July 4, 1877, in Ellis county, Texas. She was married to Mr. H. M. Mayfield at Memphis, Texas, June 14, 1896. Mr. and Mrs. Mayfield have been residents of Merkel for many years.

Left to mourn her sudden demise are her husband, H. M. Mayfield, four children, two boys and two girls, Robert, Hugh and Maryanna Mayfield of Merkel and Mrs. Joe Ramsey of Abilene, and her aged parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Wyman. Five sisters and four brothers also survive her, as follows: Mrs. W. S. Scarborough, Midland; Mrs. B. A. Cox, Abilene; Mrs. Geo. F. West, Merkel; Mrs. Ed Stevenson, Augusta, Arkansas; Mrs. Lou Looney, Merkel; J. T. Buckingham, Dallas; J. D. Wyman, Roscoe; M. S. Wyman, Jr., Tulia; A. E. Wyman Winters.

Funeral services were held at the family residence Thursday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, conducted by Rev. J. H. Hendricks. Entombment was made in Rose Hill Cemetery amid a sorrowing concourse of relatives and friends.

A tender loving mother and a kind neighbor will be missed from our community in the passing of Mrs. Mayfield.

P. A. Diltz spent last week in Abilene with Mrs. W. E. Diltz.

A. W. HUNTER PRESENTS EIGHT CHILDREN WITH \$1,000

Mr. A. W. Hunter, one of our prosperous farmers, responded to the Christmas spirit, even though that event is nearly sixty days in the future, by presenting each one of his eight children with a check for \$1000.

Mr. Hunter remarked that he believed in helping while he could not only have the pleasure of giving but in noting the results of his gifts, and if all those who received checks are made as happy by receiving them as the writer knows Mr. Hunter was in distributing them, there is certainly some rejoicing in the family.

Those who received checks of the amount named were: Mrs. Dora Clark, Fort Worth; Mrs. Hattie Cox, Lubbock; Mr. G. H. Hunter, Lubbock; Mr. J. W. Hunter, Lubbock; Mr. Roy Hunter, Merkel; Mr. Cleo Hunter, Merkel; Mr. Walter Hunter, Merkel; and Mrs. Luella Atwood, Merkel.

The Merkel Mail is glad to state that every recipient was worthy of the gift and wish Mr. Hunter and his family long years of happiness and prosperity.

FIFTH SUNDAY SINGING BE AT SHILOH CHURCH

The committee located the Fifth Sunday singing at Shiloh, and I'm sure they did the proper thing in so doing, so let's all get ready for Shiloh and see if we can't get there and start by 10 or 10:30 at least, remember the days are very short. And another thing, there will be no public dinner served, as it is too hard on any community to take care of such a crowd, and a goodly number of our best men favor this plan. Let's give Shiloh the biggest day of her life. I write this with all due respects to our worthy president, Mr. Houston Robertson. He has been a good leader, and I can think of no one better suited for the place, so come to Shiloh, everybody who sings, and at 12:30 we will spread our lunches on our radiator cap, fill our stomachs and then back to the job. Give Shiloh a boost; do not make any arrangements to conflict with this day. T. H. Spears.

A CORRECTION

In the advertisement of Mr. G. F. Wood in last week's issue, a typographical error was made by us, and we offer apologies to Mr. Wood and the public. The price of his overcoats appeared \$32.50 and should have been \$23.00, as it appears this week. THE MERKEL MAIL.

REAL NEWSPAPER BARGAINS

The Merkel Mail is prepared to furnish the reading public with the best to be had in the way of subscriptions to Daily Newspapers in a clubbing offer with the Merkel Mail, which are as follows:

THE ABILENE REPORTER (Daily and Sunday) for one year	\$4.20
THE MERKEL MAIL One Year	\$1.50
Total	\$5.70
OUR CLUBBING OFFER—The Merkel Mail and Abilene Reporter daily & Sunday 1 yr.	\$5.00
You Save	\$.70
FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM (Daily and Sunday) One Year	\$7.45
THE MERKEL MAIL One Year	\$1.50
Total	\$8.95
OUR CLUBBING OFFER—The Star-Telegram Daily and Sunday and The Merkel Mail, 1 yr.	\$8.00
You Save	\$.95

These offers are good at the Merkel Mail office only, as we have no agents authorized to make such offers, and no agent for any paper can give you as good prices. We can also give you a good clubbing offer on magazines.

TOWN CLOSSES FOR ARMISTICE DAY NOVEMBER 11

In observance of Armistice Day, November 11, which marked the close of the World War, bringing peace and liberty to our nation and rejoicing to the hearts of many mothers who had suffered many fears for their boys in flanders field, practically every business house in Merkel closed their doors in reverence for the valor and self sacrificing of the Soldier Boys.

We cannot refrain from mentioning that we believe the fact that one firm advertised that they would close Armistice day was responsible for the circulation of a petition to close the entire town, and is therefore due some credit in this regard. The employes and proprietors enjoyed a holiday and we feel sure nothing was lost.

May the deeds of valor and self sacrificing of our soldier boys always remain fresh in our thoughts. To them we owe much, and in reverent thankfulness we bow our heads in their honor.

TRENT SCHOOLS ARE STARTING GOOD YEAR

The Trent Public Schools with Mr. J. W. Woodruff as superintendent opened on October 12 with 140 pupils enrolled, and it is expected that the enrollment will reach 200 by December. There are about sixty pupils in high school this year.

The faculty is composed of Mr. Sidney E. Pass, Goldthwaite, principal and mathematics; Miss Anna Clara Oliver, Stephenville, English and Spanish; Miss Maggie Payne, Trent, Science; Miss Georgia Moore, Abilene; fifth and sixth grades; Miss Ferne Martin, Temple, 3rd and 4th grades; Miss Perle Martin, Temple, 1st and 2nd grades. Miss Willie Driggers, kindergarten; Miss Ina Lee Ely, Sweetwater, Expression and physical culture.

Trent has a nice three-story brick building with splendid auditorium and good equipment, and with nine teachers has a splendid educational system. The trustees of the school are as follows: Jackson Bright, president; J. E. Bowers, secretary; Elery Smith, E. L. Titsworth, Cleve Johnson, R. M. Beasley and C. R. Hutcherson.

Elder W. G. Cypert received word this week that his brother at Lockney, Texas, had been run over by an automobile and was seriously injured, sustaining a broken nose and both legs broken.

LUNCHEON CLUB POSTPONES MEET

Because of the present busy season members of the Merkel Luncheon Club were unable to devote the necessary time to preparation for the regular meeting on last Tuesday evening, such as selling of tickets and other arrangements, and the meeting was necessarily postponed to this coming Tuesday evening, November 17.

Mr. Robert Hicks, toastmaster for this meeting, said that he had his program arranged for last Tuesday, so those on program will have added time in which to review their parts and make further preparations, and therefore a fine meeting is anticipated next Tuesday evening at Ed's Cafe.

MR. W. T. DANIEL DIES OF HEART FAILURE NOV. 9

A message of sorrow that came unexpected to the community was heralded Tuesday morning that Mr. W. T. Daniel had on Monday night at about 11 o'clock answered the call that comes to all men in time. He had suffered an attack of heart trouble a few days before and had complained some during the day Monday, but had retired and was resting so well that friends had gone home. Near midnight he waked with another bad spell with his heart and in a very short time he left this suffering world behind and went to meet his Maker.

Left to mourn his sudden departure is his wife of only about a year, and three children by a former marriage. His children are Messrs. Dennis and Carlton Daniel of Houston, and Mrs. Eleanor Roy of Dallas. The two sons were present at the funeral but the daughter did not reach here until after the burial.

Funeral services were conducted from the family home at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10. The services were held by pastor Ira L. Parrack of the local Baptist church, assisted by Rev. Mr. Dodd, also of Merkel.

Mr. Daniel was born in Cedar Gap, Alabama, October 7, 1864, or 1865, the family record having burned with the home a few years ago and the children could not be positive as to the exact year. He came to Texas some thirty-five years ago and settled first at Moody, where he joined the Missionary Baptist church. He came to Merkel about twenty years ago and had been a good citizen all these years. Mr. Daniel, though very frank in his expressions, was kind and charitable to the deserving.

He leaves many friends here and leaves the assurance that he has gone to a better home.

MR. R. L. LAMBERT BUYS LATHAM SANDWICH SHOP

Mr. R. L. Lambert, of Potosi, Texas, has recently purchased the Sandwich Shop of Mr. F. H. Latham, and took charge of the business on last Monday. Mr. Lambert was in the Candy Kitchen business in Merkel three years ago, being at that time located next door south of the Woodrum Filling Station, so he is not a stranger in our midst. Mr. Lambert stated that he expects to move his family here as soon as he is able to secure a house.

LEAGUE DECLARES LOCAL PLAYERS INELIGIBLE

Superintendent J. A. Summerhill received official notice last Friday from the State Executive Committee of the Interscholastic League to the effect that Carlton Vick and L. T. Toombs of Merkel had been declared ineligible, and that all games in which they participated be forfeited to opponents.

An excerpt from the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of November 5, was received by Mr. Summerhill as follows: "Lester Tittle of Merkel was the next case presented to the committee, it being claimed that he was ineligible under the Passing Grade Last Semester Rule. The committee, upon motion, ruled that there was not sufficient evidence to declare this player ineligible. It was then moved that Carlton Vick and L. T. Toombs of Merkel be declared ineligible, and that all games in which they participated be forfeited to opponents."

In commenting on the matter Mr. Summerhill said: "L. T. Toombs presented three credits from A. C. C. and were accepted as three whole credits. A. C. C. stated that he had not received credit in a sufficient number of courses in that school last year. We believed Toombs to be eligible or we would not have accepted the credits."

A letter received by Mr. Summerhill from Mr. Roy B. Henderson, Athletic Director of Interscholastic League, reads as follows: "Toombs was ruled ineligible under the statement from Abilene Christian College Academy to the effect that he had not received credit in a sufficient number of courses in that school last year. The committee took the position in the case of Carlton Vick that hiring a substitute to take his place at the drug store during the fight, and I suppose during his training for the fight, the same as if the money had been paid to him."

This action does not mean that Merkel is now ineligible, but that all games in which they participated must be forfeited and they cannot take part in any more games this season. All games played from now on may count in the conference.

MISS VIRGIL MAYFIELD WEDS ABILENE YOUTH

At the parsonage of the Oak street Methodist church, Abilene last Sunday, November 8, Rev. E. D. Landreth pronounced the marriage ceremony that bound in wedlock Miss Virgil Mayfield of this city and Mr. Joe Ramsey of Abilene.

Mrs. Ramsey is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Mayfield of this city, and has a host of admiring friends who extend congratulations and good wishes.

Mr. Ramsey is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ramsey of Merkel, route one, and is a brother of Mr. W. D. Ramsey who was in the grocery business on Kent street some time ago. Mr. Joe Ramsey is now employed at the Frontier Lumber Company of Abilene.

ELDER CYPERT TO PREACH AT TRENT

Elder W. G. Cypert announces that he will preach at Trent next Sunday at both the morning and evening services, morning at 11:00 and evening service at 7:00 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to the public, and every one is urged to come early.

Condensed Statement of

THE FARMERS STATE BANK
Merkel, Texas

Close of Business September 28, 1925

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$378,057.59
Overdrafts	2,685.78
Banking House	12,500.00
Furniture & Fixtures	5,430.00
Other Real Estate	12,647.82
Stocks	2,335.00
Int. & Assessment. Gty Fund...	20,451.25
CASH, BONDS and EX.	148,347.42
Total	\$582,454.86

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus and Profits	8,434.84
Rediscounts	40,000.00
DEPOSITS	484,020.02
Total	\$582,454.86

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MERKEL HIGH WINS FROM HASKELL 7-0 SATURDAY

A blocked punt recovered by Daniels won the game for the Merkel High School "Badgers" last Saturday morning from the Haskell eleven, and was sweet revenge for the Badgers' defeat of last season at the hands of the Indians.

The game had been held over from Friday on account of rain, and the field was very muddy, causing frequent fumbles and placing both teams at a disadvantage in displaying their offensive ability. It was a close game from beginning to end and the only score made resulted from Haskell's blocked punt on her own 10-yd line, and Daniels recovered for Merkel behind the goal line. Tittle kicked goal for the extra point, and also featured the game with his long end runs. Haskell was defeated by Stamford by a small score, so the game with Stamford next week will test the Badgers ability.

WARREN NEWS
By Vera Jones

It looks as if the farmers are going to have some pretty weather to gather their cotton.

The health of the community is good at present.

Miss Rose Ellington spent a Saturday night with Miss Ella Hobbs.

Mrs. Esther Cannon is visiting her parents for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. McCormick visited Mr. and Mrs. Kelsoe of Stith Sunday.

Misses Willie Newman and Helen McCormick visited Misses Vera and Vela Jones a Saturday night.

Mrs. V. T. Jones has returned to her home after a visit with her son, Mr. Jesse Jones, of McCauley.

Miss Willie Newman visited Mrs. Hollis McCoy Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McCoy visited at Abernathy Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Noel Jones and Mrs. Jessie Bass of Hawley visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Jones, Saturday night.

Mr. Aubrey Decker spent last week end with his sister, Mrs. Hollis McCoy.

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Mrs. Wm. O'Briant, Kent St., Merkel, says: "I had rheumatic pains. I had nervous headaches, too, and my kidneys didn't act right. I had a tired, languid feeling most all the time. I sent to the Grimes-Smith Drug Co. for Doan's Pills and after using them I was relieved." (Statement given May 5, 1919.) On May 6, 1925, Mrs. O'Briant said "Doan's have cured me."

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RELIGION AND PROSPERITY

What is behind prosperity? One might get many answers to this question. The farmer would be likely to say good crops and good prices for them. The manufacturer, abundant raw materials and reasonable wage scales. The railroad man, transportation on freight schedules that yield investor a fair return for their money. The merchant, big buying power by the general public. And so on. But an economic statistician of note has another answer.

In a recent address in Boston on "The Basis of Prosperity" Roger W. Babson said:

"Religion is the greatest factor in causing business conditions to be good or bad. Every period of prosperity is the result of the thrift, industry and righteousness generated by the preceding period of depression, and a result of the extravagance, inefficiency and unrighteousness developed during a period of prosperity."

Thus prosperity weakens religious fidelity and hard times bring it back. Singularly, churches generally have larger accessions of membership and more devotion to their principles of living in times of great business depression, when men, failing in their struggle to accumulate riches, turn to God and church for heart comfort. It is this that has made religion and the church the refuge of the defeated throughout the ages. But in practical life, having found this heart content, they are rewarded by returning profits and prosperity.

There is much to justify Mr. Babson's assertion that "the need of the hour is not more money, more legislation, more railroads or more factories, but more sane religion." The reason why religion is so great a factor in good or bad business conditions it that men are from 60 to 90 per cent controlled by their emotions. "Emotions rule the world," Mr. Babson says, and are "safely directed and controlled only by religion."

The address closed with the following suggestive remarks:

"The truly religious man is making two blades of grass grow where one grew before. He is creating more goods instead of fighting for a bigger share of those already produced. Such religion is to industry what the spring is to the watch or what the germ of fertility is to an egg. Statistics show that such religion is the greatest factor in the development of our social, industrial and commercial life. Hence I say that the basis of real prosperity is sane religion."—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

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200 sheets of paper and 100 envelopes to match with your name and address or monogram printed to order in blue ink for \$2.00. You may have your choice of folder or straight sheet in white, pearl gray, royal blue, pink or light yellow. You can't beat this for a stationery bargain. Makes appropriate gifts. Also have \$1.15 box. THE MERKEL MAIL.

And now New York City has elected as Mayor of that city a writer of Jazz Music. Such is typical of New York and the citizenship thereof.

Infant of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Breeden Dies

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Breeden, of the Comper community, responded to the call of the Death Angel on last Monday, November 9. Burial was made in the Comper Cemetery on Tuesday.

Try a Classified Ad in the Mail.

Mrs. J. D. Boring of Fort Worth is here this week

visiting in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Smith and Miss Amanda Curtis.


Twin boys were born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dunn on November 6. Mrs. Dunn was formerly Miss Russell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Russell.

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SOPHOMORE NOTES
By Gladys Watts

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Jokes

Fred: "Miss Durham, I just swallowed a worm."
Miss Durham: "Take a drink of water quickly and wash him down."
Fred: "Aw, no. Let him walk."
—M.H.S.—

Mr. Jackson: "I'm afraid to go home. Wife smell breath."
Joe Bailey: "Hold your breath"
Mr. Jackson: "Can't; ish too strong."
—M.H.S.—

Miss Sudderth: "Well, why don't you say something?"
Tolbert: "I am waiting for history to repeat itself."
—M.H.S.—

Miss Bird: "Iris, name a collective noun."
Iris: "A vacuum cleaner."



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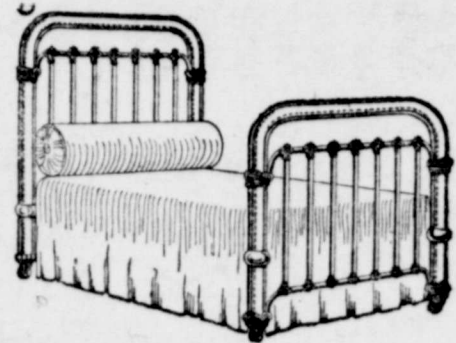
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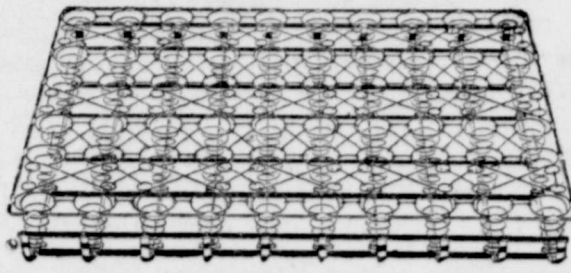
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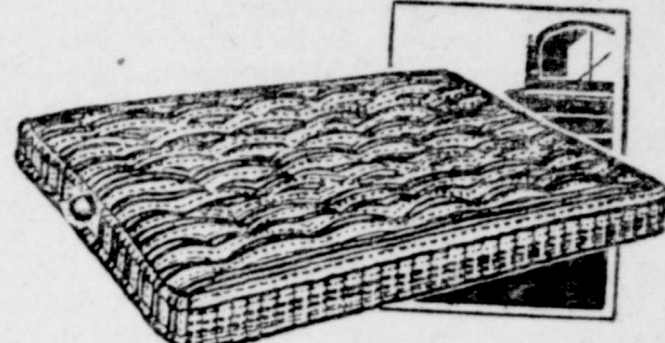
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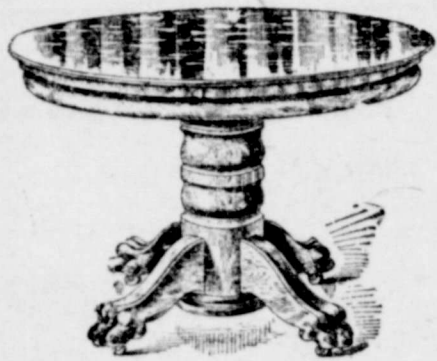
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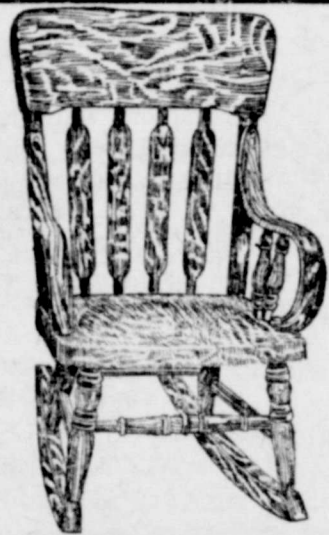
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ODD PIECES

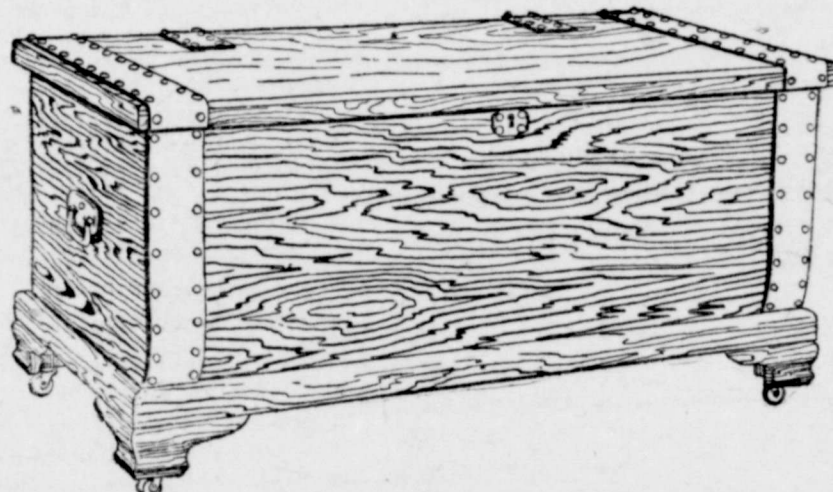
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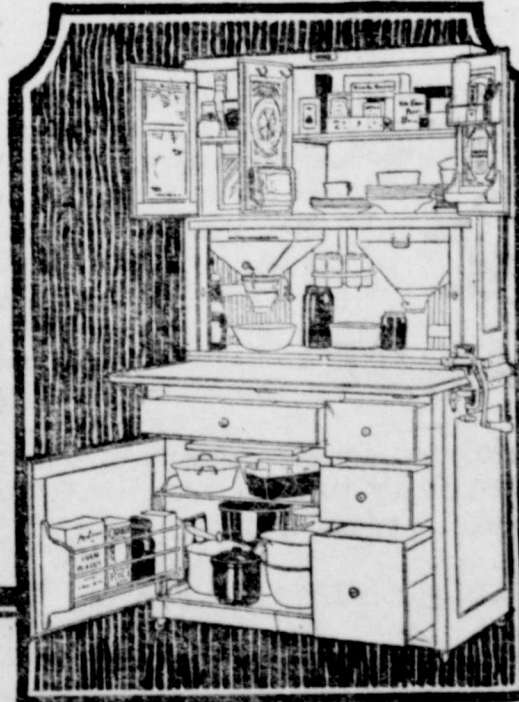
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NOTHING DOING

Political commentators, on the heels of Al Smith's brilliant victory in the New York mayoralty fight are predicting he will be the man about whom the 1928 democratic presidential nomination will revolve.

There is no doubting Smith's popularity in New York. His personal popularity had a great deal to do with the election of James Walker as mayor this week. To the average New York Democrat, Al Smith is a sort of demigod.

But while Al Smith may fill the New York eye, it is a different proposition as far as the rest of the country is concerned. Winning a fight in New York is quite different from winning a fight in the rest of the country.

Smith is acceptable to New Yorkers for any office in the land, but he is not acceptable to the rest of the country. That sums up Smith's chances for nomination to lead the democratic hosts in 1928.—Abilene Daily Reporter.

You are right. In fact when it comes to politics every reading and thinking American who desires that this nation continue to follow up former American principles will stay shy and shun almost anything that may originate in that city, for truly it is evident that the sentiment and ideas originating among the people of New York has all the earmarks of everything foreign to true Americanism.

DOES IT PAY?

Does it pay to advertise in the Merkel Mail? That may be a question in the minds of some people, but have you given it a fair trial. Here's proof that it does pay. Ask them.

E. L. Berry, Merkel route 4, advertised a Row Binder for sale in the Mail recently. He said he received at least a dozen calls about it, and sold it immediately after the advertisement appeared. In fact, Mr. Berry said the callers and inquirers became so frequent that he thought he might have to advertise the fact that the machine had been sold.

W. I. Cogburn, Merkel, route 3, lost his extra casing, tire carrier, etc., from off his Ford car. He placed an ad in the Mail to that effect and before noon Friday after the paper went into the mails that morning, his neighbor, Mr. E. H. Patterson, called him and told him he found it.

Mr. J. A. Jaynes, Merkel, route 4, in our last issue advertised some land for sale. He stated on Saturday that he had already had a number of inquiries.

Mrs. Joe Higgins, out at the Higgins Hatchery, where they raise fine Barred Rock and White Leghorn chickens, also phoned in to "please discontinue our advertisement, as all the fine chickens have been sold."

Mrs. Pearl Rains offered her farm for rent some weeks ago, placing the advertisement for four weeks insertions, but came in and had the ad discontinued after the first insertion as she had already rented the place. The ad appeared again the next week by error and inquirers became so frequent that Mrs. Rains said she thought she had better advertise that the place had been rented.

Every week many of our advertisers make just such reports to us concerning the results of their advertisement in the Mail; hence, we have no hesitancy in commenting on the real value of advertising in this paper. If you don't believe that it will pay you

Little Missie Dye is Hostess

One of the happiest times of all Halloween festivities was enjoyed by thirty-six little friends of Missie Dye whom she invited to the Woodrum Hotel from 7:30 to 9:30 Saturday evening for games, refreshments and a "spooky" time.

The rooms were fantastic with cats, owls, witches, jack-o-lanterns and flying fishes. The little guests came attired in all fancy and grotesque garbs with caps, bells, masks and horns to make merry and frighten away all the witches, ghosts or "sure enough" grown people. Plays began on time and ceased only when they were bidden to the dining room where each found a place by appropriate place cards, and were served with iced pumpkin pie, cherries, hot chocolate and marshmallows. Then followed a merry round of "spooking" without fear of "Profs." teachers or Editors, and each was left at his or her home by a chaperon to dream of gnomes and spirits and fairies bright. By a Friend.

FORD SETS ANOTHER PRODUCTION RECORD

Two records for manufacture of motor cars in the United States were established by the Ford Motor Company with the close of October.

Saturday, the last day of the month, the company's domestic assembly plants produced a total of 9,109 Ford cars and trucks, exceeding Friday's record output of 9,017, and setting a new high mark for any one day.

The total production for October was 204,827 cars and trucks, which tops any previous month.

New daily production records were established all through the month as the domestic assembly plants came into production with the improved Ford cars following the change from the former

when you have something to sell or want to buy something, we just dare you to try an advertisement with us just once.

The Transportation of Stomachs

By CHARLES E. MIXER

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MY DEAR ELLIOTT:

Since your departure for else where with your bonny bride, some two years ago, our correspondence has been of the chills-and-fever sort, I furnishing the chills and you the fever, intermittent at that.

It was about this same time a year ago that that arch-enemy of man's comfort, dyspepsia, laid his grip on me and, may the plague take him, continued to tighten it. I resorted, of course, to our friends the doctors—of whom I had many, and many of whom you know—too many, no doubt, and too often, and the help I got was nil.

Well, one evening I sat warming my shins before my open fire, dreaming of what might have happened had I married Ethel, as you urged. As I mused my great idea grew and flourished in my mind. As you have destined yourself for the noble profession of medicine, I at once made you godfather to this creation of my brain, and now you will, no doubt, be interested to learn the details of its results if you have not already heard of them. My idea was no less than the transposition or exchange of stomachs, in which I saw a hope for a new and healthy existence in my old role of gourmet. To carry out my thought I needed the help of one we both know, the distinguished surgeon, Doctor Dickson, and of another person, whom we did not know. You well know of the doctor's wonderful operations, and I knew him to be the very man for this one, if such existed. I found him, and with considerable diffidence communicated my scheme. Before I had fairly finished he jumped to his feet and exclaimed: "By Jove! I believe it possible; but how can you find the other man?" I admitted that this might be difficult, but thought I knew a suitable subject. "See him," he said, "see him, and if he will consent, I will."

You know that before I retired from business, with enough to last several lifetimes, I was president of the Island Sound Steamship company. Among the longshoremen I knew one Jerry Kelly, a strapping, robust, rosy-cheeked fellow. I knew him quite well, as I had often given him odd jobs when the boats were not in. I sent for him, "as I had something for him to do." I had him shown into the dining room, where the sideboard displayed a fine joint of beef, some cold cabbage, and a few other things.

"Have you had supper, Jerry?"
"I believe I have, sor," he said.
"You believe you have? Well, suppose you tackle this, and then say you know you have."

"With great pleasure, sor."
The way he closed with that beef would have made a reputation for a tackle on a college eleven and I, looking on, green with envy, said:

"Have you a big appetite, Jerry?"
"So big, sor, that I never saw the end of it."

"Is it always with you, Jerry?"
"I never yet lost sight of it," he mumbled, with his great mouth full of beef.

"Just one more question, Jerry. Do you ever have a feeling of distress after your meals?"

"Yis, sor, I do that, for it's the big meals I like, and it's the small ones I do be gettin' some days; it's after them that I have that same feeling of distress that there wasn't more of it."
"I reckon you are sound, Jerry, in stomach and wit. Don't spare the beef, for I have a big job for you to consider, and no mistake."

"What is it, sor?" he asked.
"Well, Jerry, you have a fine stomach, and I haven't. I have plenty of money, and you haven't. I propose to exchange."

"Aw, don't be joshin' me, sor!" said he.

And then I told him of the wonderful things Doctor Dickson had done. Would you believe it? He seemed to fall in with my idea.

"It's a risky job when all's said, and what is it worth, sor?"

"Twenty-five thousand," said I.

"Whew!" said he, "and how about Nora and the children, if—"

"Jerry," said I, "here it is; before we start with the doctor I make my will, in which I leave you twenty-five thousand dollars in case I go! If I live, I pay it to you; if you go, I pay it to Nora; do you see?"

"Faith I do, sor, and for the sake of Nora and the kids, and your faith in your big doctor, begorra I'll try it, so I will."

Well, when the doctor heard all this he was game, and carried out his part at the Park hospital before a select few of the profession. As to the result—well, I am writing this and shall soon resume my role as gourmet.

Jerry is also all right all round, though he says he has no appetite, poor chap, and is cheerful as a sparrow. No wonder, from his standpoint, for, attend to this! Directly he got about he went to a friend of his, even tougher than he was, and succeeded in driving the same identical bargain with him for five thousand! So, if all goes well, Jerry will have a better stomach than he ever had, and twenty thousand dollars in the bank. What will eventually become of my old stomach I can't at present tell; perhaps I may be able to inform you later.



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Appreciates Your Trade

Haskell county just last week experienced a killing which has shocked the entire citizenship. Two prominent families are wrecked and ruined. Five small children are left without parents. Family trouble is said to have been the cause. Such will continue just so long as men and women continue to follow that damnable false life which is being practiced in practically every community throughout the country. It is said in this case that the men had been reared together, been fast friends since boyhood. However, it seems to have become a fad that when men and women are leading this double life that every effort is made to make it appear that both families are most sincere friends. But such false appearances will not work for all time. They may be ever so popular,

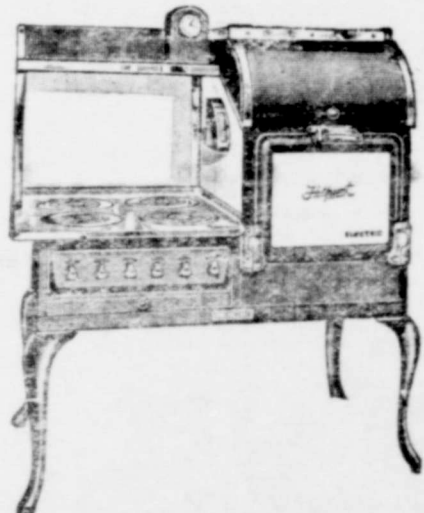
even great church workers, (to carry their cunning desires to perfection) yet time will bring wreck and ruin upon whoever erifies with the sacredness of the home.

Is your subscription about to expire to the Mail. Look at the label on this paper and see.

Mr. E. L. Turner and son, E. L., Jr., were Abilene visitors on last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hampton and family, of Clyde, were here last Sunday visiting Mrs. Hampton's brother and sister, Mr. Ocie Burns and Miss Rennie Burns.

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STATE TEACHERS ASSN. MEET TURKEY DAY

Fort Worth, Nov. 12.—“The Faith of the American People in Public Education,” an address by Hon. John J. Tigert, United States Commissioner of Education, and an address of thanksgiving by Dr. George G. Truett, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Dallas, will open the annual convention of the Texas State Teachers Association in Dallas, November 26. The Thanksgiving Day services will be held in the First Baptist church beginning at 10:00 a.m., in accordance with the custom of the Association to hold a purely patriotic service as the opening program of the annual meeting.

An international as well as a state and national tone will mark the Thursday night program when the Hon. Mr. Tigert and the Hon. Moises Saenz, Secretary of Education for the Republic of Mexico, will discuss international educational tendencies, and when President Lee Clark of the Texas State Teachers Association will discuss Texas needs. Hon. Mabel Walker Willebrandt, Assistant United States Attorney General, also will speak Thursday night.

Royal B. Farnum, director of art education for Massachusetts, and Osborne McConnathy, Dean of Public School Music at Northwestern University, will speak at the Friday morning general session. Robert F. Lavender of the University of Texas and McConnathy will make addresses Friday afternoon. Jesse H. Newlon, superintendent of schools in Denver, Col.; Albert Edward Wiggam, an editor of the American Magazine; and A. F. Harman, supt. of Montgomery county, Alabama, schools will speak Friday night.

Saturday morning sessions will be devoted largely to reports of committees.

Group meetings will be held by teachers of various subjects in which methods and practices of teaching will be discussed. There are 30 such groups.

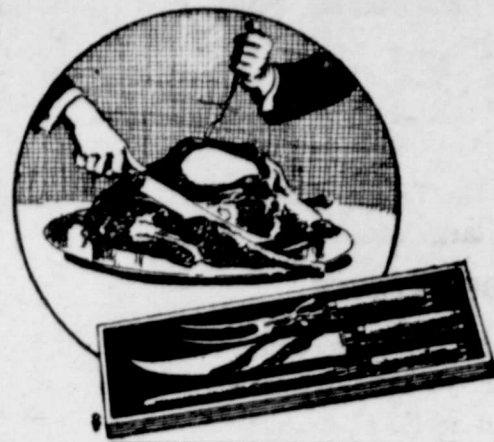
Railroads have granted a rate of fare and one-fifth for round-trip to the convention. Attendance is expected to reach 10,000.

THE FAMILY LIVING FROM THE FARM

Farm and Ranch has always advocated the production of both food and feed on every farm. Years ago it adopted the slogan “Live at home and board at the same place.” It has never let up in its campaign for more food and more feed, and will continue to keep the subject before its readers because it believes that the less a farmer has to buy the more money he will have out of his cotton and other cash crops. Milk, butter, eggs, meat, fruit and vegetables for the family, and oats, corn or grain sorghum root crops, hay or other feed-stuffs for the livestock, and in sufficient quantities to carry through the season.

It does not take a large acreage to supply these things. If sold, the returns would not be great, but it takes a lot of money to buy them when they are most needed.

A recent survey of nearly 8,000 farms in different sections of the United States shows that even without special effort on the part of farmers, the things consumed that are produced on the farm, and including rent of home, average more than \$400 per farm. Some farms have an income in home living of over \$600 per annum, while others reported almost nothing. With a little extra effort practically every farmer, whether he lives in Texas or in Michigan, could supply his own table with most of the food consumed, and seldom have to buy feed. If farmers are securing an average of \$400 worth of products for



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home use without half trying, it would be possible to get \$1,000 worth without interfering with the major operations.

A significant part of the Department report referred to is found in the statement that in making the calculation farm prices were used, and that the retail cost, if purchased in the city, would have been from 100 to 200 per cent higher. Therefore, the farmer securing \$600 toward his living would have had to pay fully \$1,200 for the same things in the city.

It is often said that it is cheaper to buy certain articles of food than it is to raise them, but it is observed that the fellows who make that statement hardly ever have the money to buy them.—Farm & Ranch.

Methodist Womans Missionary Society Notes

The Womans Missionary Society of the Methodist Church observed the week of prayer on last Monday afternoon with an appropriate program. The five programs for the week had been condensed into one long program which occupied most of the afternoon. The attendance and offering was fairly good. The offering this year will be divided between the Carolina Institute in Korea and the Sue Bennett Memorial School in Yondon, Ky. On next Monday afternoon we will begin the study of a new mission study book, using the first chapter for a lesson.

Supt of Publicity.

BAPTISTS TO HAVE ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

Sunday morning the 11 o'clock service will take the nature of an anniversary service, this being the sixth anniversary of the first coming of the present pastor to Merkel. It is hoped that we may have a full attendance at this service. Every member of the church is urged to be present and help to make the

services a fitting one. All friends in and about Merkel are cordially invited to meet with us in this service.

All other services as usual. Sunday school 10 a.m. with Mr. Bill Haynes in charge.

All B.Y.P.U.'s meet at 6 p.m. with Mr. J. A. Summerhill in

charge. Evening preaching service at 7 p.m. Subject “The Faith of Elijah.”

You will find a hearty welcome at any of these services and will find some of the Lord's elect worshipping and trying to serve the Lord.

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Thanking you for your liberal patronage and assuring you we are ready and glad to serve you in any way possible, we solicit your business.

MAGNOLIA FILLING STATION

SALT BRANCH NEWS

Cotton picking is the order of the day. Health of this community is very good at this writing. School began Monday, November 9th, with a good attendance. Mr. and Mrs. Austin Robertson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jaynes. Mr. and Mrs. Riggan were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Campbell Sunday afternoon. A good crowd was out at singing Sunday afternoon. Mr. Vernon Nicholson of East Texas was a guest in the home of his aunt, Mrs. J. A. Jaynes, last week-end. Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Butler

have moved to Merkel. We are sorry to lose them from our community, but our loss is Merkel's gain. Mrs. Carl Jaynes of Abilene visited her children last week. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Harris visited Mr. and Mrs. Harris Sunday. Mr. D. F. Daniel of Houston was here attending the funeral services of his father, W. T. Daniel, this week. Mr. C. E. French of Dallas is here visiting his sister, Mrs. G. W. Boyce, and family. W. O. Boney represents the San Antonio Joint Stock and Land Bank. See him for 6% money.

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THE MERKEL MAIL

Next to Post Office Telephone 61.

"Saying It With Flowers"

By J. B. M. CLARK

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WHEN the box of American Beauty roses arrived at Gladys Wilder's lodgings with the blunt question on the accompanying card, "Will you marry me?" and no indication of the sender, her first thought was of Mr. Cosgrave. But it might have been Doctor Osborne himself, she reflected, or even George Butler, although George Butler didn't seem so likely.

"The handwriting's disguised, I'm sure," she confided to her roommate, Jean Travers.

"It's George Butler, I'll bet you," said Jean decisively. "He's just holding off because he knows Cosgrave is paying attention—thinks it wouldn't be fair to spoil your chance with a rich invalid. I'll bet he's sorry he got you the job at Doctor Osborne's, the way things have turned out. And as for old Osborne, you wouldn't want him, surely?"

"Doctor Osborne's only forty-five," said Gladys abstractedly.

"I'll tell you what to do," said Jean suddenly. "Offer each of the three men one of the roses and you'll soon find who sent them. Tell each one you got them from an admirer."

Gladys placed the open box on her desk next morning and waited results. Doctor Osborne was the first comer. His eye caught the roses. "Something special here surely," he said, bending down to sniff at the flowers.

"Yes, a present from a good friend," "I have one," she said.

"Much obliged," said the doctor, graciously. "I couldn't refuse."

Then it was Mr. Cosgrave's turn. He, too, stopped to express his admiration for the flowers. "Have one if you like," said Gladys brightly. "A very good friend sent them to me—a gentleman of course. But I don't mind giving you one."

"Thanks," said Mr. Cosgrave flushing slightly. "I never wear flowers."

"Oh, but I'll be quite peeved if you don't make an exception in my favor," said Gladys laughing and giving him a swift glance. "And besides these came anonymously, so nobody's feelings will be hurt about it."

"Anonymously?" said Mr. Cosgrave, flushing again. "That sounds interesting. Since you press me to break my rule I suppose there is no help for it." Gladys helped to pin it in place. Once or twice their fingers met in the operation, and Mr. Cosgrave's eyes gleamed behind their big horn glasses. But Gladys didn't appear to notice it. She felt convinced that he was the donor. Yet he, too, departed without further parley.

When George Butler turned up in the late afternoon there were only one or two of the roses left, and these reposed in a small vase at one corner of Miss Wilder's desk. "Do have one of my roses, Mr. Butler," she said. "A good friend sent me a whole box of them yesterday evening."

"Thanks," said Butler curtly. "I don't wear flowers—and in any case I wouldn't dream of taking another fellow's."

In the light of Butler's display of temper the girls agreed that either he or Mr. Cosgrave was the guilty party. Several days passed without development and then Gladys, in order to narrow down the field of inquiry, asked Doctor Osborne point-blank if he had sent the roses. The doctor seemed surprised at the question and said that he hadn't. Gladys withdrew in some confusion, and returned to find Mr. Cosgrave standing by her desk. Obeying a sudden impulse she said: "Thank you for the roses, Mr. Cosgrave," blushing very prettily at the same time.

"Don't mention it," said Mr. Cosgrave blushing in turn. "I thought you were joking when you talked about an anonymous donor—then I thought they had forgotten to put the card in."

"Oh, no, they didn't," said Gladys, her color mounting again. "But the answer to the question is in the negative."

"Good God!" said Mr. Cosgrave going pale.

"But we can still be good friends, I'm sure," said Gladys hopefully.

"It's not that," said Mr. Cosgrave in great confusion. "There must have been some mistake. That was the wrong card." He clutched at the telephone and called a number.

It was now Gladys' turn to be confused, and it did not make her any more comfortable to see George Butler observing her from afar with a lowering brow. He came forward looking very stern. Mr. Cosgrave, unable to secure his number, stood helplessly by.

"I think," said Gladys choking back a sob, "you ought to knock Mr. Cosgrave down or something. He has insulted me."

"Good God!" repeated Mr. Cosgrave unhappily. "I'm trying to explain. There must have been some hideous blunder at the florist's. . . . Look here," he stammered, "I'll let the proposal stand, if that will help matters."

"Well, the answer was No," said Gladys, apparently greatly relieved.

"It's all right," said Butler calmly. "Miss Wilder is going to marry me. We weren't just ready yet, that's all."

"I'm not going to marry anybody," said Gladys showing fresh signs of distress. "The assurance of the man," she confided later to Jean Travers, "was just too awful for words." But she did marry him ultimately just the same.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Span of young work mules, well broke. See Ernest Higgins, Route 1, city. tf

FOR SALE—9-room residence with bath and 6 lots, windmill, barn, garage, on Oak street. Price \$3250.00 for next 30 days. Some terms. Apply to J. F. Abernathy, Merkel, Texas. 6t4p

FOR SALE—One section land in 3 miles of Roby, 500 in cultivation, good improvements, \$40 per acre. Will take small farm as part payment or good notes, or will divide to suit purchaser. Telephone J. A. Jaynes, Merkel, Route one. 6t2p

FOR SALE—One 3-burner Easy Way Oil Stove with oven, nearly new. T. F. Compton. 1tp

FOR SALE—Good dry Wood, delivered or on ground. R. B. Wells. 1tp

MAIZE for sale—Good, sound and dry, \$27.50 off car. See Taylor F. Davis. tf

FOR SALE—Practically new Deering one row Binder, with tongue trucks, bargain. Geo. A. Smith, Route 5, Merkel. tf

FOR SALE—Nice Sorghum and Maize. See J. D. Porter. 1tp

WANTED

WANTED—Position as teacher, have high school certificate from North Texas State Teachers College, Denton. Can furnish references. Write box 121, or call at Dowell's Auto Top Shop, Merkel, Texas. 1t

WANTED—Work of any kind, or would consider share crop. Leroy Ware, Merkel, route one, care Lee Stanley. tf

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—On the streets of Merkel Saturday, Oct 30, a gold pin twisted in the shape of a figure eight. Reward if returned to the Merkel Mail. tf

Mrs. P. W. Lawlis of the Golan Community Dead

Funeral services for Mrs. P. W. Lawlis, who died Tuesday, November 10, were held at the Methodist church at Golan last Wednesday by Rev. Hanks, of Loraine, a former pastor of that church.

She was born in Illinois and was 45 years of age at death, coming to the Golan community many years ago. She is survived by her husband, P. W. Lawlis, a step mother, and several children.

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MISS HELEN SWIFT TO LECTURE ON WOMEN'S CLUB ACTIVITIES

Miss Helen Swift, of the A. & M. College, will in the near future hold demonstrations in women's activities in several communities in Taylor county, says Mr. J. R. Masterson, the county agent.

In these lectures and illustra-

tions, Miss Swift will emphasize the importance of efficient methods of home keeping for the rural housewife. A definite announcement of the dates and the places will be announced in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Daniel of Houston were here this week to attend the funeral of the former's father, W. T. Daniel.

Points Out Necessity for Health Standard

Health is a feeling of well-being in which one is filled with enthusiasm and vigor for both work and play, says Lydia Clark, director of physical education for women at Ohio State university, writing in the Hygeia, popular magazine of health published by the American Medical association.

Modern life is making such extreme demands on the nervous energy of business and professional women, Miss Clark points out, that it is imperative to control all the forces pertaining to health. Health is an asset of which few of us take cognizance until nature has given us many warnings to take stock of our health budget. But even with repeated warnings, there are many who fail to recognize the stop signal because of the lack of knowledge of the degree and quality of health they may easily possess.

Miss Clark asked many groups of people if they considered themselves well, or in good health. The majority of persons in such groups usually replied in the affirmative. Further inquiries have proved that few of those questioned were free from colds, headaches or minor ailments.

There is a popular notion that health is a negative quality, and that one is in good health unless he is actually confined to bed, or under the care of a physician. Examination and questioning has been a useful means of establishing a truer idea of the meaning and need of a positive health standard, the maintenance of which must make for greater happiness and a richer life.

Order of Precedence

It's a far cry, as the poets and newspapers say, from Einstein's theory of relativity to baseball. But the relativity of importance conveyed by the national pastime, as it is not called by the poets and as it is by the newspapers, was illustrated by an incident that happened in connection with the world series at Washington in 1924. Just as a game was about to start, an automobile drew up before the crowded parking place in front of the grounds. "Can't get in there, move along," the policeman ordered. "But I'm Mrs. Walter Johnson," the lady in the car protested. "Oh," said the policeman deferentially. He turned to the nearest of the row of cars, and said brusquely, "Pull out of there." But that car also held a lady, who spoke up, saying, "This is General Pershing's car. I'm one of the general's party." "Pull out," the policeman ordered sternly. "Didn't you hear who this lady is? She's Mrs. Walter Johnson. Pull out now and be quick about it."

"Hollywood" for Malta

To meet the keen desire on the part of the British to obtain some new place where films may be made to compete with American films, a suggestion has been made that studios be erected on the island of Malta in the Mediterranean. The journey from London to Malta requires only three days and there are vast tracts on the island awaiting development. It is pointed out that Hollywood can only imitate that happy hunting ground for the man behind the camera—the eternal East. There is sunlight the year round at Malta, and within a short radius not only the East itself but all the well-known backgrounds of Europe. Film-making in England has been declared hopeless except for the limited possibilities of the studio.

Walking on Springs

Leaping through the air like a kangaroo is the exciting sensation offered to children by the recent invention of shoes with springs.

These novel exercising toys are strapped to the feet in the same manner as roller skates, and the wearer can walk, run, jump, or dance on them.

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Each shoe has two spiral springs, says a writer in Popular Science, and the lower end of each is fastened to a sole that prevents the springs from injuring carpets or polished floors. With a little practice, it is said, a child can make enormous leaps.

Pigeons His Pets

Peanuts for pigeons in Grant park, Chicago, cost a pigeon-lover \$150 a year. Four or five times daily this gentleman, who is treasurer of the Orchestra Hall association, leaves a sky-scraper overlooking the park, crosses the avenue with bulging pockets of peanuts to ration the birds, many of them of four years' acquaintance. His appearance causes a winged offensive. The benefactor carries a knife with a small, sharp blade, which, as the birds feed, he uses in removing strings entangling their feet and to perform any small bits of necessary surgery. Wherever he travels he feeds pigeons in the parks. He is never feared, whether friend or stranger.

Vessel's Varied Career

The Roosevelt, the famous ship upon which Admiral Peary went to the Arctic in search of the North pole, has had a varied career. She was built in a Maine shipyard. Later she was brought to Puget sound and was converted into a sea-going tug. After this the Roosevelt saw considerable service with the fishing fleets of the Pacific, and now she is taking the place of the electric generating station on Vashon island in Puget sound which was recently destroyed by lightning, acting as a floating power house until a new one upon land can be built.

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Baptist Business Men's Bible Class Notes

The Business Mens Bible Class of the Baptist Church is going along nicely in spite of bad weather and the busy season when men find so many excuses for staying away from Sunday School. Did you ever stop to consider the difference between an excuse for doing something and a reason for doing the same thing. Think it over and apply it to yourself. This class needs you and you need what is given there each Sunday morning. We invite and urge all men, young or old, to visit us once, no matter if you are not a member of the Baptist church. We aim to do good and we know you will be benefited by coming into our class with us. Old members are urged to return and new members cordially invited to attend.

The following officers were recently elected and much is expected of them: J. A. Summer, Hill, Teacher; E. Y. Brown, President; W. J. Sheppard, 1st vice-president; Nim Teaff, 2nd vice-president; Comer Haynes, 3rd vice-president; Booth Warren, Secretary; W. S. J. Brown, Assistant Secretary; A. R. Booth, Treasurer; I. L. Jackson, Reporter.

We have plenty of room to take care of all who will come. Be there next Sunday at 9:45, and bring one with you.

Reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. Sudderth, of Leonard, Texas, visited their daughter, Miss Kathrine Sudderth, here Sunday. Miss Sudderth is a teacher in Merkel High School.

Mesdames R. I. Grimes and Emmette Grimes were Abilene visitors on Tuesday of this week.

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ODD PENALTIES FOR LAPSE FROM GRACE

Ridicule Once Held Effective Punishment.

The "drunkard's cloak" as a punishment was the system once adopted by the magistrates of Newcastle-Upon-Tyne in order to cure drunken persons, and as the "cloak" consisted of a barrel with holes for the head and hands, the delinquent, who was forced to parade the streets wearing it, would attract considerable attention to his lapse.

Similarly the stocks, once used so extensively for the punishment of petty offenders, were so arranged that the culprits generally received more ridicule than sympathy, and probably our forefathers considered that publicity was likely to discourage wrongdoing. In 1376 a petition was presented Edward III requesting that stocks should be established in every village, and, later on, each parish was so provided. These relics of a bygone punishment are still seen by the wayside.

The whipping post was sometimes an accompaniment of the stocks; occasionally the whipping was done "at the cart's tail." Titus Oates, for instance, was ordered to be whipped from Aldgate to Newgate, and, two days later, from Newgate to Tyburn.

Our ancestors were severe on the woman scold, and the punishment meted out to her was drastic. One known as the brank was a sugar-loaf-shaped fixture for the head, constructed of iron hoops, with a cross at the top. A flat piece of iron projected inwards, which was placed on the woman's tongue. She was then led about the streets wearing this unique head dress.

The ducking stool was built and used in this wise. A post was erected in a pond, and a beam, working on a swivel, was affixed thereto. A chair was then fastened to the beam, and the refractory woman was placed in the chair. She was then swung over the pond and immersed in the water, the operation being repeated "as often as the violence of the distemper required." This punishment is also said to have been inflicted upon brewers and bakers who violated the laws.

The pillory was another instrument of punishment where the offender was exposed to public view. It generally consisted of a wooden frame or screen, raised from the ground, and with holes for the head and arms of the person condemned to stand therein.

But of all these wayside spectacles surely the gibbet would be the most revolting. It might be regarded as a "comforting sight to the relations and friends of the deceased" to see that justice had been done and the murderer's body suspended by the roadside, but it would be a ghastly sight for other people.

France Preserves Relics

France has taken steps to protect the prehistoric art of the cave man from damage by vandals. Dr. C. E. Resser, geologist of the United States National museum, who has recently returned from the Dordogne cave region of Southern France, reports that the government now requires that the caves be locked to prevent unauthorized visits of sightseers who have formerly frequently written or carved their names and initials on the paintings and drawings made probably 20,000 years ago by primitive artists as part of religious rites. In the principal cave man shrine containing colored animal pictures, the low, narrow galleries in which the cave artist worked by the dim light of his lamp, electric lights have now been placed to avoid the damage from the smoking candles.

Few Women in Poorhouses

There are more men in poorhouses than women, about two to one, but the women are harder to handle than the men, says the superintendent of one. "Give a man a stick to whittle and a seat in the sun and he'll be satisfied, but a woman never gets fully reconciled to charity. Our most troublesome inmates are the old bachelors and the most difficult to manage. They mean well, some of them are fine old fellows, but they have a different view of life than a man who has had a wife and children. They just simply haven't got the idea of teamwork." Correct. It takes teamwork to make a home.—Capper's Weekly.

Trent Missionary Society

The Trent Missionary Society will observe the "Week of Prayer" Sunday night, Nov. 15. Every one is invited to come. An interesting program has been arranged. Supt. Publicity.

Miss Iva Green and Mr. Claud Green of McMurry College, Abilene, are visiting friends in Merkel this week.

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SENIOR NOTES

By Mary Alice Johnson

Monday morning the High School male quartet sang several selections at the opening of chapel. Their songs were enjoyed immensely and they have an invitation to come again. Wednesday, November 11th., a holiday, was spent by many peacemongers—a great sport. Friday morning the Seniors held chapel. A splendid program was rendered—naturally—Seniors did the rendering. Next Tuesday morning the Seniors of '27 will have charge of the chapel exercises.

—M.H.S.—
Something to look forward to each month:
1. History grades. 2. The edition of the Annual. 3. Christmas holidays. 4. Final Exams.

—M.H.S.—
Lewis: "Would you marry a fool for his money?"
Sallie: "Sure, how much have you got?"

—M.H.S.—
Charlie: "Did you ever see Oliver Twist?"
Miss Bird: "Hush! You know that I never attend these modern dances."

—M.H.S.—
Miss Sudderth: "Not a prison in this American History class will be given liberty until four o'clock this afternoon."

Comer (in back of room): "As for me, give me liberty or give me death."

Miss Sudderth: "Who said that?"
Comer: "Patrick Henry, the orator."

—M.H.S.—
Freshman: "See the girl over there smiling at me?"
Senior: "That's nothing, I laughed out loud the first time I ever saw you."

—M.H.S.—
Mr. Jackson: "Transfer please."
Conductor: "Where to?"
Mr. Jackson: "Can't tell you, it's a surprise party."

K.I.S.S. Club Notes
Misses Lillian Rider and Mary Hutchison were hostesses to the K.I.S.S. Club in their first club meeting on last Friday evening. Victrola music was enjoyed and a contest was held in which Miss Anna Lou Russell received the prize which proved to be a very useful little article.

Refreshments were served after which the guests left expressing themselves as having had a most enjoyable time. The next meeting will be held the first Friday in December at the home of Miss Hallie Pike. Reporter.

And now New York City has elected as Mayor of that city a writer of Jazz Music. Such is typical of New York and the citizenship thereof.

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