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The Badger Weekly

The Badger Weekly is published each week and sponsored by Mrs. Young. The officers are:

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PERSONALS

Relatives from New Mexico have been visiting for the past week in the home of Mr. Harold Chaney.

Miss Altha Howard spent the week-end in Abilene with friends.

Miss Martha Bird spent Friday in Abilene at the oculists.

We are glad to announce that Max Swafford is back in school after being ill for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Anderson, accompanied by Misses Roberta Sloan, Melba West and Evelyn Curb, were in Abilene Saturday.

Miss Fannie Belle Boaz is back in school now after a period of illness.

Mrs. Geneva Young returned to her home in Abilene to spend the week-end with Mr. Young.

Miss Bernice Sudderth, sister of Mrs. Young, high school teacher, was the week-end guest of Miss Roberta Sloan.

Miss Nola Neill spent the week-end with friends in Abilene.

Mrs. Emmet Grimes and baby, and Misses Mary Ciss and Louise Booth, Missie Dye and Nadine Tippett spent Saturday in Abilene.

EL CIRCULO DEL CUIDADO

There is still a Spanish Club although it is very seldom heard from. This week, however, the members of the Spanish Club will be listed. A student must have an average of 85 before he is eligible to this club. The following students are eligible:

Nola Neill, Ima Parrack, Irene Perry, Sterling Sheppard, J. T. Darsey, Jr., Frances Frederickson, Odell Hunter, Beryl Hunter, Ima Gene Mangum, Addie Fae Patterson, Norma Shannon, Nina Vantreesse, Milton Case, R. E. Cole, Carlos Montandon, Roy Kelso, Robert Riney, Doris Brown, Gladys Copeland, Eleanor Mae Hamilton, Ethel Hamilton, Lula Miller Clara Pilcher, Marcella Pinckley, Elizabeth Harkrider, Lois Suber, Elvis Richardson, Lucille Cole, Thelma McAninch, Helen McCormick and Alice Reed.

HONOR ROLL

The class averages for the fourth six-weeks period were: Seniors 90.8, Juniors 88.8, Sophomores 89.7, Freshman 90, in the high school. Class department averages were: Seniors 94, Juniors 92, Sophomores 92.1, Freshman 95.

Thirty per cent of the high school pupils were on the honor roll for this period.

High School: Rubyjo Higgins 99, Iris Garrett 98, Sterling Sheppard 97, John D. Coates 95, Ima Parrack 94, Elizabeth Harkrider 94, Norma Foster 93, Erma Wilson 93, Clark Mundy 93, Mildred Hamm 92, Burnis Tucker 92, Mary Pence 91, Fred Yandell 90, W. A. Whiteley 90, Victor Smith 90, Archie Clark 90, Raymond Earthman 93, Roy Kelso 93, Robert Riney 90, Bernice Lasater 92, Helen McCormick 91, Ima Gene Mangum 90, Ruby Patton 93, Addie Fay Patterson 95, Lois Suber 90, Milton Case 91, J. T. Darsey 91, Willie Harris 93, Eleanor Mae Hamilton 94, Ethel Hamilton 94, Hilda Rister 91, Nadine Tippett 90, Pauline Toombs 90, Nina Vantreesse 96, Harold Boney 92, Fred Baker 92, Harold Chaney 94, Joel Darsey 93, Maurice Frederickson 92, Harold Leeton 93, Alvin Parrack 97, Elvis Richardson 98, Leo Tucker 91, Inez Robbins 90, Opal Foster 91, Velma Lee Holden 94, Fannie V. Jones 91, Elsie Lasater 92, Thelma McAninch 95, Vera Richie 90, Ola Smith 94, Margaret Turner 93, Mable Pilcher 94.

7th Grade, Mrs. Sublett: Ross Ferguson 97, Mary Elizabeth Grimes 96, Calvin Irvin 91, Gertrude 90, Alton Davis 90.

Mr. Duke: Woodrow Moore 95, Lela Patterson 93, John Lee Slater 93, John Helen Mashburn 92, Fred 92, Robert Mandellinger 90, Thelma Murray 90, Paul 90.

RODDEN: JIM PAT-

Organize Boy Scouts at Stith Wednesday

Mr. Herbert Patterson, one of the liveliest and most popular Scout Masters in all West Texas, not being satisfied with the fine troop of scouts in this city and noting the possibility of a good troop at Stith, has this week gone out to that thriving community and superintended the organization in that community of what promises to be the most enthusiastic bunch of scouts, with twenty-five boys already signed up for a troop. In completing the organization there he was assisted by scouts John D. Coates and Paul Causeaux, members of the Merkel troop.

Mr. Edgar Bradley becomes Scout Master for the newly organized troop, with Mr. J. W. Hassey, principal of the Stith schools, as assistant. That the troop at Stith is to start off in fine shape with an extra large initial membership may be judged by the fact that in many towns the size of Merkel such organizations generally start with much smaller memberships. Merkel began with only six signed up at the start, but has grown very rapidly and now has over thirty members.

BAPTIST CHURCH

All regular services Sunday beginning with Sunday School at 10 a.m. Remember we want an increase in attendance in every department and in every class. Remember the old motto, "What kind of a Sunday school would this Sunday School be, if every member was just like me?" Be a booster and bring back an absentee or bring in a new pupil. The more people in Sunday School the more people helped by the Sunday School.

The pastor will speak at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

All B.Y.P.U.'s will meet at 6:30 with departments for every one. Come to B.Y.P.U. and stay for the evening preaching service.

Teachers meeting and training classes Monday at 7:30 p.m.

Ladies Missionary Society Tuesday at 2:30 p.m.

Prayermeeting Wednesday 7:30.

Come find a welcome in any of our services. Ira L. Parrack, pastor.

terson 94, Florene Rider 94, Joyce Wheeler 94, Fay Vantreesse 94, Mildred Richardson 93, Roy Robbins 93, Jack Patterson 92, James West 92, Mardell Shouse 92, Floy Wells 92, Daniel Toombs 91, H. C. Toombs 91, Kennedy Whiteley 90, S. G. Russell 90. Sixth Grade, Miss Martin: Opal Huskey 96, Frances Marie Church 95, Nell Hughes 95, Imogene Middleton 95, Sandifer Hollingsworth 94, Margaret Canon 94, Thelma Leach 94, Voncile Gilbert 93, Margaret Miller 93, D. O. Huddleston 92, Gordon Murray 92, Nadine Field 92, Harold Brown 90, Howard Johnson 90.

5th Grade, Miss Campbell: Wilma Gardner 93, Bessylea Church 92, Neil Durham 92, Wanda Hunter 91. 5th Grade, Miss Altman: Caribell Mansfield 95, Julia Proctor 94, Annie Lee Owens 94, Eloise Manscill 92. 4th Grade, Mrs. Cookston: Blanche Denny 94, Mary Grace Dunn 94, Ernestine Masters 93, Clara Francis Largent 92, Billie Bernice Gambill 92, Deverle Brown 92, Pauline Lassiter 91, J. W. Adecock, Jr. 91.

4th Grade, Miss Guitart: Robbie Walker 94, Fern Toombs 94, Ben Sublett 94, A. C. Sears 93, Alice Russell 93, Modyne Sheppard 93, Jackie Slater 93, Truett Patterson 92, J. V. Patterson 91, Isabel Propst 91, Maryzoe West 90, Billie Robbins 90.

3rd Grade, Miss Heizer: Harold Morgan 96, Armie Lee Toombs 96, Mollie Frank Touchstone 96, Louise Toombs 95, Arnold Lloyd 93, Winston Polly 90, Thelma Patterson 90. 3rd Grade, Miss Coats: Horace Boney 93, Don Brown 93, Ora Derrick 93, Beth Holloway 93, Preston Chaney 92, James Hass 91, Hollis Huddleston 90.

2nd Grade, Miss Pogue: Lawrence Thornton 94, Sylvan Mellinger 93, Mae Reynolds 93, Vernon Mansfield 92, Buster Masters 92.

2nd Grade, Miss West: Doris Jackson 96, Betty Lou Grimes 95, Robert Grimes Jr. 95, Davis Beasley 94, Vincent Barnett 93, Juanita Dunn 93, Elma Mae Gamble 92, Vernelle Bland 92, Etyl Church 90.

High 1st, Mrs. Teaff: Orvel Brink 93, Clyde Cribley 93, Sam Ellerbee 93.

Low 1st, Mrs. Saddler: Norman Ulmer 93, Jep Kerr 93, Thomas Bearden 92.

Fisher County Well Shoots Oil Over Top Of Derrick

Hamlin, March 7.—Cranfill & Reynolds-Sun Oil Company's No. 1 Young, three miles east of the Texas Company's Fisher county discovery well, went on a rampage this morning and caused the owners to quicken construction of storage tanks on the lease.

For two hours, from 10 o'clock until noon, the well flowed steadily over the top of the casing, making pure 38 gravity crude oil. Shortly after noon it made a 10-minute head, flowing over the top of the derrick. Five 100-barrel tanks were being erected this afternoon. The crews are landing casing in the pay, topped at 3103 feet, to control the production.

In the meantime added interest was being shown in development of the huge structure recently uncovered in eastern Fisher county, when it was reported Railway Brothers and others' No. 2 Maberry, located in section 56, H. & T. B. survey, one mile south of McCauley, and about six miles south of the Young well, was due to get the top of the pay Thursday.

OUR RECENT REVIVAL MEETING

As pastor of Merkel Methodist church I want to say a word about our recent revival.

The meeting was not, of course, all we had hoped it might be. And yet it is doubtful if Merkel has had a revival for some time which has been more far-reaching in its influence or more deep-rooted in its work than the meeting just closed. There were 23 conversions and many reclamations, besides a general toning up of the spiritual life of the church. And we shall never forget the faithful and efficient work of Brother Huston as he labored with us. He never tires as personal worker, and his work as a song leader is of an unusually high order. Having helped in a revival meeting in Merkel before coming this time, the people loved him as he came, and that love was increased as he worked with us this time.

We want also to record our deep appreciation of the hearty cooperation which the membership of our church gave in the meeting. Without this we could not have reached the measure of success which was ours. Our only regret is that this cooperation was not unanimous in our church. But the member who did not enter into the meeting as was his duty and privilege is to be pitied, for he is the heaviest loser.

We would be basely ungrateful if we did not appreciate the beautiful spirit of sympathy shown by our brother pastors of Merkel. Following their leadership we enjoyed the hearty help of the members of their respective congregations. May God bless every one of them.

Last, but not least, we appreciate the publicity given the meeting by our splendid local newspaper, The Merkel Mail. Its large circulation gave us touch with everybody in this country. We appreciate this very much. W. J. MAYHEW.

Mrs. J. E. Badgley of Roscoe is visiting her daughter, Mrs. T. T. Davis this week.

Home Coming Service at Methodist Church Sunday

We are planning to make next Sunday a memorable day at Merkel Methodist Church. In the first place, we want to break all past records in the matter of Sunday School attendance. This ought to be easy to do, since our great revival meeting. Last Sunday the attendance ran a bit over 400; let's beat that next Sunday. With the attendance of the membership of the church at Sunday school next Sunday morning, enough of those who are not members will come to make a total of 500. You see that "Number One" is there, and bring a friend with you.

The 11 o'clock hour will be given entirely to a reception of new members into the church. Let all who have given their names for membership be present at this time. Besides these, let all others who should join the church be present to be received. In addition, let every one who is now a member of Merkel Methodist Church be present to welcome the new members. Let it be a home-coming for every member of the church.

A number of children gave their names for membership in the church. Others, perhaps, ought to have done so. If the parents of these children want me to talk to the children about the matter of joining the church I shall be glad to do so. Let me come to your homes between now and Sunday in this work. Or, better still, talk with your own child about this all-important matter.

At the evening hour, a company of Epworth Leaguers from Abilene, led by our District Secretary, C. A. Moore, will give a program entitled "God's Call to Young People." This will take the place of the evening sermon. Everybody invited.

W. J. MAYHEW.

We are very grateful to Mrs. A. A. Baker for two subscriptions to the Mail, one for herself and one for her son, J. L. Baker of route 3.

Mr. Sam Foster, one of this city's very best citizens, has our thanks for a subscription to the Mail which he had us send to his aged mother who resides in East Texas.

Mrs. S. E. Archer of Cottonwood, Texas, and Mrs. J. C. Williams of Stamford, as well as a son Charles Hutchins, of Atwell, Texas, were here first of the week for a visit with their father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hutchins, the former having been quite sick for some time. Grandpa Hutchins is passed 80 years of age, and this paper joins his many friends in the sincere hope that he will soon regain his good health and be with us many more years.

The small son of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Davis, while playing around the stock pens one day this week, fell from the fence and sustained a broken leg. He was carried to a local sanitarium where the limb was set and is now getting along nicely.

Miss Ouida Campbell spent last week-end with her sister, Miss Mary Campbell, at Canyon, returning home Sunday.

Big Rabbit Drive At Mt. Pleasant

On next Wednesday the farmers of the Mt. Pleasant community will meet at the J. H. Campbell place five miles south of Merkel for a big rabbit drive in that community. From the Campbell place the drive will be made to the South, meeting at the Mt. Pleasant school house for noon lunch.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend and take part in the big drive to rid the country of the crop of destroying rabbits, which Mr. Elsie Roland says is very large in that community.

SINGING AT CROSS ROADS SUNDAY

We are glad to comply with a request to announce that there will be singing at Cross Roads next Sunday afternoon, March 11th, at 2:30. Everybody has a special invitation here-with to attend and enjoy a good singing. A new supply of song books have been gotten, but you are urged to bring yours also if you like.

Mr. J. J. Pribble is the capable teacher in this community, and we feel sure there will be a large crowd in attendance and lots of good singing. Don't miss it.

VIGOROUSLY POUNDED

This is to inform the general public that the pastor of Merkel Methodist Church, together with his unsuspecting family, were summarily and premeditatedly attacked and overpowered by a multitude of good-humored Merkel citizenship. This tragic (?) event occurred on the evening of March 1, immediately following the close of the church service. We didn't have time to call the law-enforcing officers, for there was not the slightest warning that anything of an unusual order was threatened. But when we had fully recovered from our dazed condition we decided to let the disturbers of our peaceful home go unpunished; for they had left in their wake an abundant peace offering in the nature of staple and fancy groceries of a quantity to supply the family larder for many weeks to come.

Now, seriously, we want to thank everybody who had part in this very pleasant affair. We appreciate it because of its intrinsic worth, for as such it was considerable; but we appreciate it the more because of what it expressed in sentiment from our Merkel friends. We shall never forget you, and we pray that God may use us as a blessing to every one of you. Gratefully yours, W. J. Wayhew, wife and mother.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Regular services at 10 a.m.—Sunday School. Good attendance last Sunday, let's make it still better next Sunday.

Preaching services at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. We are nearing the close of the church year. We would like for every member of the church to be present Sunday, especially at the 11 o'clock service. We are planning for our organization of men; we will meet next Tuesday evening at 7:30 at the Church to perfect the organization. A committee has been appointed to prepare refreshments for the meeting. Some men from other churches are expected to be with us. Every man of the church should attend if possible.

Wm. Elliott, Supt. S. S. R. A. Walker, pastor.

TRENT CHURCH OF CHRIST

Dear reader, it matters not who you are or what your religion is, we gladly welcome you to any and all of our services. You are invited to be with us next Sunday in our ten o'clock Bible study. We have a class for every need and a need for every class. "Learn and do what God's Word teaches," is our slogan.

Bible Study 10 a.m. Sermon 11 a.m., Subject "Love." Communion 12 M. Children's Class 7 p.m. Young people's service 7 p.m. Sermon 8 p.m. Subject, "The Last Words of Jesus."

Wednesday night Bible Study at 8 p.m. Friday night song practice and music drill 7:45.

Carl A. Collins, Minister.

Miss Dixie Blair left Monday morning for Lubbock, where she has accepted a position.

\$100 FOR BOY SCOUTS WHO PLANT MOST TREES

One hundred dollars has been offered to the Boy Scout troop that plants and cares for the greatest number of trees in Texas during the year.

The Boy Scout troop of Merkel can win this money if they want to. What do you say Scouts?

Mrs. J. E. McAshan of Dallas has made this offer through the Regional office at Dallas and the offer is open to every scout troop in Texas.

Executive Ed Shumway, headquarters at Abilene, urges the scouts to take advantage of this offer but writes them to hurry as March 15th is about as late as trees can be planted in this state with a reasonable hope they will live.

This is just one of the many opportunities coming regularly to Boy Scouts.

Junior League Program

1. Leader, Lois Whiteley.
2. Scripture Matt. 18, 21-22, by the leader.
3. Talk No. 1, "Forgive Us," Imogene Middleton.
4. Talk No. 2, "As We Forgive," Alice Church.
5. Duett by Frances Marie Church and Mildred Richardson.
6. Prayer by superintendent.
7. Song 208 and 184. Benediction.

WE JUNIORS HAD SOME FUN

March 2, Friday afternoon, the Juniors went on a picnic to the Buford farm. We had a lovely time climbing hills, playing games and building bonfires.

After having a nice lunch of sandwiches, potato chips, cakes and fruit and lemonade, we crowded into the three cars and rode home.

The ones that attended were: Bessylea, Frances Marie, Etyl, Alice and Charley Church, Rogene Dye, Duncan Briggs, Mildred Richardson, Cullen Tittle, Kennedy Whiteley, Nell Hughes, Lois Whiteley, Mary Grace Dunn, Jenett Hays, Thelma Patterson, George Hicks and Richmond Buford, Mollie Frank Touchstone, Gene Hulsey, Misses C. P. Church W. A. Whiteley, Pet Touchstone, J. E. Richardson, and Miss Cora Lee Hulsey. Those who were not there sure missed a good time.

THE RUNAWAY

The following story by Isadore Mellinger was selected for First Place in the contest by Swafford Coal and Feed Yard, in which a \$5 fountain pen is the prize.

The story: One afternoon James came home exhausted. His mother knew he wanted something. When he came in he asked her if he might go to the circus. She was angry because James' dog caught a chicken, so she took her spite out on James and said, "No, you can't go to the circus; you've work to do."

James began to cry and went into another room. He got some clothes and wrapped them in a red handkerchief and went into the yard to get a stick on which to hang his bundle.

Now he started toward town. James knew he was doing wrong. He began to cry and threatened to go back home but he didn't dare.

In a while James was near town, when he raised his head he saw the circus tent. He tried to stop crying but couldn't. When he got to the tent there was a clown on the outside. He asked James if he was lost. James said no and began telling the story. The clown took James in a room and wiped the tears from his face.

The two had a conversation and in a while things were all right. James enjoyed his life from this day on.

Isadore Mellinger 7th grade, age 12

Mr. H. D. Simpson, who for many years has been a successful salesman of fine Rio Grande Valley land, and who last fall moved with his family to the Valley, where he owns a fine irrigated farm, was here yesterday and made this office a very pleasant visit, renewing his subscription to the Mail and showing us some actual photos of the wonderful orchards and farms of the Valley. On his return he expects a number of local citizens will accompany him to look over the country.

IMPROVING HOME

Carpenters are busy building a nice addition to the already comfortable home of Mr. Max Mellinger, splendid dry goods merchant of this city, which when completed will add to both the appearance and comfort of the same.



TRENT NEWS

Mr. Cecil Steen of Fort Bayard, New Mexico, is here on an extended visit with his home folks.

Mesdames McLaughlin, Burk and Scott made a visit to the city of Merkel Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Lassie Patent (formerly Miss Lassie White) who has been here the past few weeks visiting her uncle, O. L. Bishop and family, is in Abilene this week.

Mr. John Barnes is putting a new fence around his place and having some other improvements made. Some others of us should do likewise.

A family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Steen Sunday, Feb. 26. All the children and grand children were present and report a most delightful day.

Mr. and Mrs. Wheatley received a message a week or so ago to the effect that Mrs. Wheatley's aunt, Mrs. J. A. Hatchett of Life, Tenn., was very ill. We learn through Mr. Wheatley that she is very much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. McLeod visited their son and wife of Golan last Thursday.

Mr. Winslow Beckham and Ernest Massey attended business in Lubbock Monday.

Misses Udora Garrett and Irene Davidson both of Wichita Falls are guests of Mrs. Winslow Beckham this week.

Mrs. C. R. Rutherford and baby of Santa Anna are visiting her mother, Mrs. J. M. Billings this week.

Mr. Murl Mangum of Cisco made a rush trip to Trent Monday night and spent the night with home folks, returning Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Coyne of Noodle Dome are the happy parents of a baby girl.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Beckham had in their home as visitors this week Mr. and Mrs. Mack Lindsey of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Hill of Wichita Falls.

Among the visitors to the all day workers conference meeting which was held at University Church at Abilene Monday were as follows: C. T. Beckham, W. L. Boyd, Mesdames Brown, Howell, Boyd, Currie, Williamson and Billings. All reported a day well spent and plenty of dinner.

Mrs. Wright visited her granddaughter, Mrs. Wesley Johnson, in Abilene Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Scott and family spent Sunday with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. D. Martin

of Loraine. Miss Evelyn Hogue and Miss Forrest Forrester, both of Abilene Christian College, spent the week-end at home here.

Miss Pearl Martin who is teaching school at Hermleigh, spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Lillian McRee.

Mr. Gosnell is visiting his son for a short time.

Winslow Beckham returned from Amarillo Wednesday where he had been for the last few days attending business matters.

Grandmother Danley and daughter, Erma Lee are visiting relatives and friends at Ranger.

Mrs. Stroud and son of Merkel visited Mrs. Arl Sharp Friday.

We are glad to say at this time that Bob Watson's son of Draughton's Business College, Fort Worth, who came home very sick the last of the week, is improving rapidly.

Miss Bernadine SoRelle of Eskota spent the week-end with Miss Fern Martin last week.

Mr. Coleman Whitfield is here on an extended visit with his sister, Mrs. C. T. Beckham.

Mr. R. M. Beasley has had a new sleeping porch added to his home recently.

The Methodist people want every one that will to come Monday evening and help clean off the church yard before the meeting begins. Bring your shovel and hoe and feel welcome.

We are glad to report at this writing Mrs. W. E. Hamner, who is in the hospital at Temple, doing nicely.

Mrs. Kenneth Sharp attended the funeral of baby Jenkins Monday at Merkel.

Noodle News

The High School students of Noodle accompanied by Mr. Clyde Deavers, Miss Lucille Harris and Miss Odelle Sloan, enjoyed a sight seeing trip to Fort Phantom Hill Friday, March 2. After having explored the ruins of the old fort, the party assembled on the banks of the river, roasted weiners, and toasted marshmallows.

The Junior boys and girls baseball teams, having won over this precinct, will play for county championship at Anson Saturday. Davis Williams and Vernon Ely also will represent Noodle in the tennis tournament on that day. See them win.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Irvin entertained the young people of this community with a party last Saturday night. A splendid evening was enjoyed by all present.

Hundreds of rabbits were killed Tuesday as a result of the rabbit drive here. A fine barbecue dinner was served in Isaac Vancil's pasture to approximately two hundred rabbit

STATEMENT of CONDITION The Farmers & Merchants Nat'l Bank Merkel, Texas Close of Business February 28th, 1928

RESOURCES	
Loans, Time and Demand	\$265,989.56
Overdrafts	772.85
Furniture & Fixtures	6,750.00
5% Redemption Fund	312.50
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	1,950.00
Banker's Acceptances	\$ 73,524.08
Commercial Paper	91,500.00
U. S. Bonds (Owned)	116,300.00
Bills of Ex., Cotton	30,735.56
Cash & Sight Exchange	123,621.07
CASH AVAILABLE	\$435,680.71
Total	\$711,455.62

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	37,979.39
Circulation	6,250.00
DEPOSITS	\$617,226.23
Total	\$711,455.62

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County of Taylor }

I, Booth Warren, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

BOOTH WARREN, Cashier.

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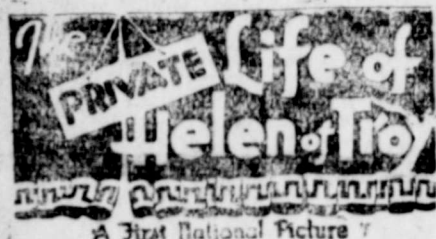
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MONDAY, MARCH 12

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GET THE HABIT—MEET YOUR FRIENDS AT THE QUEEN

Mr. H. D. Simpson, who for many years has been a successful salesman of fine Rio Grande Valley land, and who last fall moved with his family to the Valley, where he owns a fine irrigated farm, was here yesterday and made this office a very pleasant visit, renewing his subscription to the Mail and showing us some actual photos of the wonderful orchards and farms of the Valley. On his return he expects a number of local citi-

zens will accompany him to look over the country.

Mrs. Eugene Hargrove, of Abilene, is here this week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Rainbolt, the latter having been quite sick for several days, but reported as improving at this writing.

Try a Classified Ad in The Mail.

Fashion's Favored Modes To Glorify Spring



Printed Materials are here in a wide range of patterns and Prices!

All the new shades in Spring Hosiery Fancy heels and Clocks \$1.25 to \$2.95

THEY are here . . . the modes for spring! How utterly smart, with all their new features, their lovely color combinations and ability to flatter smart feminines!



COATS
\$9.75 to \$19.75
Some of the most important coats are of Tweeds, in beautiful shades.

Suits
\$12.95 to \$19.75
The smartest tailored suits are developed of mannish suitings and navy blue reps.

DRESSES
\$9.75 to \$14.75
The spring dresses have snug fitting hip-lines and much skirt fullness.

Ensembles
\$13.75 to \$19.75
Ensembles have definitely established themselves. Sports and dressy types.

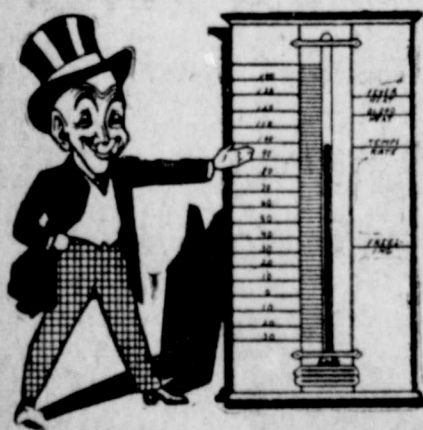
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Bragg Dry Goods Co.

20% REDUCED PRICES 20%

20% Discount on all Portraits made during the month of March only.

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Photographs Live Forever



SMILING BY DEGREES

Now we'll be good. We thought we'd get over a good one last week when we asked one of our lady acquaintances why they called a sail boat she? We know now, because they make a better showing in the wind, was our answer. There is no better showing in tires than ours. For all round service, dependable on all occasions equip your car with India Tires.

FOR MOTORING SATISFACTION--

The oil in your crankcase should be changed every 500 at least. The chassis should be greased at regular intervals. The Battery looked after. Gas, water and You can get all these and courtesy with it at—

Everybody's Garage

Across Street from Palace Theatre

Mrs. Conner's Sister Dies in Kansas

Mrs. C. E. Conner received the sad news late yesterday afternoon of the death of her sister, Mrs. R. Conner, at Florence, Kansas, and the further announcement that the remains would be shipped to Merkel for burial, arriving here some time next Sunday. It is expected that the funeral will be held at the Methodist church, the exact time to be announced later by printed funeral notice. The deceased with her husband, Mr. R. Conner, formerly resided in Merkel, he being a brother of Mr. C. E. Conner of this city.

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No Medical Examination Men-Women 16 to 70 Years Accepted
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Responding to a demand unprecedented in its history, and with its factory and sales organizations operating at peak efficiency, the Chevrolet Motor Company in February set a new high monthly production record, while retail domestic deliveries were more than 20,000 units above February, 1927.

Production for the month just ended was 116,943 cars and trucks. The best previous Chevrolet month was May, 1927, with an outlet of 115,623 units. Production this February shows a 36 percent gain over the 85,817 cars and trucks built last February, and is more than four times the 28,081 units built in February, 1925.

Domestic retail deliveries for this period are estimated at 80,000 units as against 58,233 in February 1927.

Since introduction of the Bigger and Better Chevrolet on January 1, previous records have been consistently shattered before the buying enthusiasm displayed throughout the world. A large number of cars now being built are going into the export market to meet the demand for the new Chevrolet evident on every country on the globe.

The fourteen domestic Chevrolet plants are operating on full time to keep production on an even keel with orders piling up. Day and night shipments are going out from the seven assembly plants in the United States to keep dealers everywhere stocked with an ample number to assure prompt delivery.

A 25c classified ad often brings surprising results. If

Announcing A New USED CAR POLICY

In keeping with our policy of GIVING THE BEST QUALITY USED CARS FOR THE MONEY

we are venturing a step further

We propose to let you be the judge and the jury. On a Used Car purchased for more than \$125.00 you will be given three days during which time if you become dissatisfied you may turn it in on another used car or a new car.

There is a DIFFERENCE in USED CARS—try one of ours and see for yourself.

Brackeen-Hughes Chevrolet Co.

Merkel, Texas

Phone No. 17

Spring Time

Is Fix-up-Time In The Home

Do you need a new set of plates, cups or better still a complete set of new Ivory Ware—that lovely Cream Colored China that every one is buying. Our lines are open stock and you can add to your set at any time. Let us show them to you.

SEARS VARIETY STORE
"The Home of Bargains" Merkel, Texas

RHEUMATISM

While in France with the American Army I obtained a noted French prescription for the treatment of Rheumatism and Neuritis. I have given this to thousands with wonderful results. The prescription cost me nothing. I ask nothing for it. I will mail it to you if you will send me your address. A postal will bring it. Write today. PAUL CASE, Dept. S312, Brockton, Mass. 11

Mrs. Dewey Brown, of Abilene, was here last week, guest of her father and other relatives and friends Mr. and Mrs. Brown, both of whom formerly resided in Merkel, are this week moving to Quanah, where they will reside in the future, he having a splendid position with the West Texas Utilities Company, which company is building a large power plant near Quanah.

Out of Gas? Got a Flat? Call No. 19. We hurry! tf

Mr. C. T. Beckham of Trent was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Haynes last Thursday week for dinner.

JONES DRY GOODS

Your Very First Opportunity To Wear

"Sunny Sue" Dresses

Never Such Captivating Styles At Such A Price

This Is Your Introduction To The Cleverest Array of Wash Frocks This Store Has Ever Offered At...



\$1.95

Every miss and every woman may share in the benefit of this unusual offer... for there is a style and size for everyone.

Chic Colonial Basques
Others with set-in sleeves for the Larger Woman

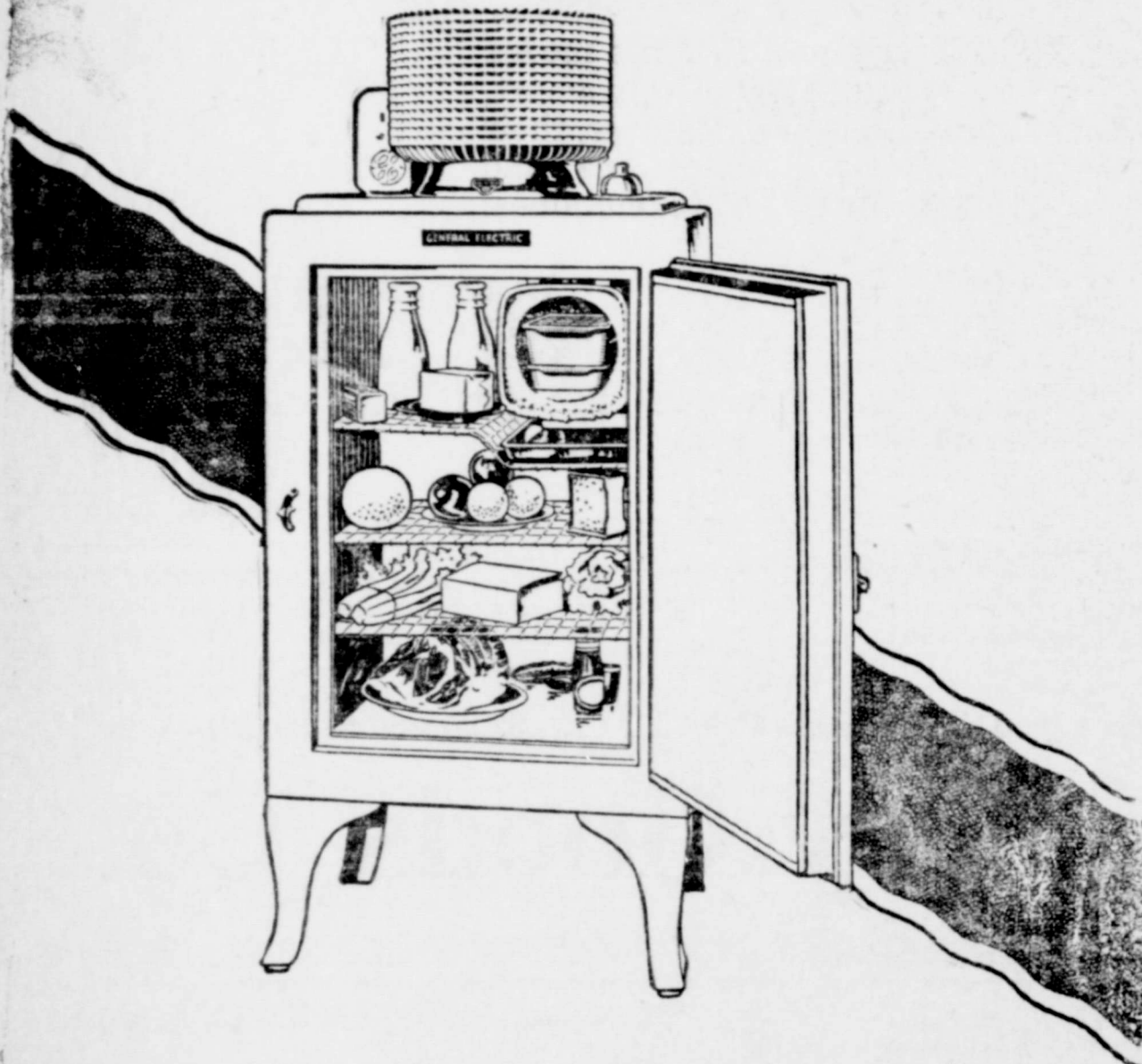
Fast-Color Materials

of a quality never before found in dresses at this price.

Fine Tissues
Printed Dimities
Chintz Prints
Sincer Batistes
All with novel trims



GENERAL ELECTRIC Refrigerator



Too warm indoors—
too cold outside!

Preserve all your food perfectly—all the year round... with a General Electric Refrigerator. Your kitchen is just as warm in winter as it is in summer. Foods are endangered by the bacteria-breeding warmth of heated rooms.

And you cannot safely rely on the outdoor temperature. Cold days, with their killing chill, are far too cold. Mild days are far too warm. 50 degrees is the danger point above which foods should not go. 40 degrees is the lowest temperature that is safe. How many days are there that have a temperature between these two?

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There are those who are always asking this paper why we do not write up a lot of things about this or that person or proposition—UNLESS it happens to be their own son or daughter—it's different then,—that truth should be overlooked. But it is generally owing to who it is?

SUN AND SPORT INGRAM'S RECIPES FOR HEALTH

Sun and sport are Rex Ingram's two doctors.

The director of "The Garden of Allah," which was made in Africa for Metro-Goldwyn, says he is a lover of the sun but not of the moon.

Night life along the French Riviera, where he now lives, does not interest him, but swimming, water-polo and sunbaths are his secrets for keeping in good condition physically and mentally.

"The Garden of Allah" comes to the Palace Theatre Monday and Tuesday.

Featured are Alice Terry and Ivan Petrivich, who are admirably supported by Marcel Vibert, Mme. Paquerette, H. Humberston Wright, Gerald Fielding, Armand Dutertre and Ben Sadour.

BARRYMORE'S NEW ROLE
Johy Barrymore's latest picture, "The Sea Beast," which comes to the Palace Theatre next Wednesday and Thursday, is an epic of the 1840 whalers adapted by Bess Meredith from Herman Melville's novel, "Moby Dick." Barrymore appears as the rugged New Englander, Ahab Ceeley, who loves a missionary's daughter in Java, and whose lovely romance is turned into a tragedy of bitter vengeance, when a rival's treachery plunges him into the jaws of a whale he has harpooned from a small boat in a raging sea.

If you have chickens to sell see Bob Martin Grocery Company. tf

Mrs. J. E. Boaz, accompanied by Mrs. Warren Smith, Misses Alva Wheeler, Fannie Belle Boaz and Patsy Lewis spent Saturday in Abilene.

Fresh Cat Fish, Frozen Fish, Fresh Oysters, Dressed Chickens at Clarence Saunders Market. It

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The strongest Material of its kind in the world! Don't be fooled by untried imitations. The original was made in 1916 and has been proven by 11 years success. For your protection the name "GLASS CLOTH" is imprinted in every yard. Get it at—BURTON-LINGO CO., Merkel. It

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is "just 'round the corner"!!
Look at your Old Suit—everybody else does!!

SPRINGTIME SAYS—
"DRESS UP"

And a GOOD Appearance counts for a lot these days, so WHY "take a chance"?

We Sell—

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More than 2000 rich, sparkling patterns to choose from—and colorings that portray all the beauty of Springtime itself!!

Have your New Spring Suit Tailor-Made—then it will fit every curve of the body, and bring compliments to you that will be a SATISFACTION you will greatly enjoy!

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The Cream of the Tobacco Crop



William T. Tilden 2nd to protect his throat smokes Luckies

"During the course of some of my stage appearances, I am called upon at intervals to smoke a cigarette and naturally I have to be careful about my choice. I smoke Lucky Strikes and have yet to feel the slightest effect upon my throat."

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"It's toasted"

No Throat Irritation - No Cough.

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Bring your chickens and eggs to Out of Gas? Got a Flat? Call Bob Martin Grocery Company. tf No. 19. We hurry! tf

Mt. Pleasant Items

The Baptist Sunday School had a real good report Sunday and a wonderful sermon at the Methodist church Sunday morning.

The Baptist church of this place will begin a revival meeting on Mar. 18th. Every one come and have a revival together.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Rolland visited Mr. and Mrs. Homer Campbell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Campbell were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elsie Rolland Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Anderson were the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Homer Campbell, Sunday.

Mr. Doyle Humphreys has been very sick with the flu, but is better at this writing.

Mr. Jess Anderson and children attended a party at Tuscola Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Smith and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Harrison of White Church Sunday.

Mrs. F. G. Sedberry has been very sick this week, but is improving at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Cooper have moved to 602 Peach Street, Abilene.

Marshall Hazelwood, Jim Price and Cleo Moore went fishing Saturday night. All reported a wonderful time and luck was with them.

Miss Margaret Ramsey, Helen Day and Mr. Richard Pattway of Abilene were the guests of the Misses Sedberry Wednesday evening.

Miss Ennie Campbell was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Campbell Saturday night. Bobby.

COMPERE ITEMS

BAPTIST NOTES

Our work still grows. We need you and you need us. Come over and help us; you will always find a hearty welcome. Sunday School at 10 a.m. Preaching service on the First Sunday evening at 2:30 o'clock. We had a large crowd Sunday evening to hear Bro. Parrack, the people who were away missed a wonderful sermon. Bro. Pope from Anson will be with us Friday night.

Come out and hear Bro. Pope talk on Sunday work.

Mrs. Ben Atkins extended hospitality to the members of the Sewing Club on Wednesday, Feb. 28. Mesdames McNutt, Clarence Foster,



SPRING FABRICS

New and Charming Designs For Smart Spring Wardrobes

SPRING is vividly portrayed in this collection of sparkling new fabrics placed on sale tomorrow morning for the first time. Gay fabrics for morning frocks, smocks, children's dresses.

Printed Voiles Checked Gingham Cotton Crepes



HATS WITH EVERY NEW FEATURE

The irregular silhouette! Eyebrow effects! Wider brims! Brims that turn up! Brims creased, folded! Cunning little nose veils! Smart Trimmings Embroidery Sport Hats

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FREE A 65c bottle of Coty Perfume with a box of Coty Face Powder

Place your order for Mother's Day Candy with us

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Mr. and Mrs. Lee Estes and daughter, Mildred, from Plainview, were visitors in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Sherrell and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Sherrell last week.

ed the young people of the community last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Clemmer entertained the young people had a nice time wishing Mrs. Clemmer would entertain again soon.

Mr. and Mrs. West Brook are the proud parents of baby boy.

Miss Winnie MFay Lucas spent Sunday with Miss Flora Atkins.

Juniors' Basketball boys played ball in Anson, Saturday and won the game. The boys returned home in high spirits and we are proud of our boys. They haven't lost a game this season.

Golan News

We have been having some real dull weather this week.

Mrs. Claud Sanders of Dallas was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. L. Lane and Mrs. H. C. Thompson of this community last week.

Mr. Palmer and Miss Ruby Skidmore spent the week-end with Mr. Marvin Douglas of Kale community.

We are all very sorry to learn that Mrs. John McClung has moved to Abilene. She will be missed greatly by all the people, especially the young people. She was one of the church's faithful members and was the superintendent of the Junior League. Mrs. Sexton has taken her place in the League.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Duncan were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Homer McLeod.

Miss Jewel Cox spent the day with Miss Lucille Rogers Sunday.

Mr. D. R. Thompson has been very sick this last week, but is reported doing better now.

There was a rabbit drive in Horn community beginning at Horn church and driving toward Golan, meeting at Mr. Isaac Vancil's for dinner. There was something like one hundred cars. People were present from Abilene, Anson and Merkel.

For Better Meats and cheaper prices try Clarence Saunders Market.



Let your vacant land produce cantaloupes, beans, peas, radishes, carrots, beets

Fresh From the Vine!

With the spirit of spring now in your system, polish up the old spade, fix the handle on the rake and get ready to raise a real garden. All the early salad varieties, of course, but as the season advances utilize the land for later maturing crops. The bright Sterling Seed Packets help you make selection from more than thirty varieties—

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All of the standard size vegetable packets 5¢ Most of the flower seed packets also 5c

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GUYNN'S ORCHID SHOP
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For the women who know Quality, who enjoy style and individuality, we have the Best Bargain ever offered, and we don't mean maybe. Value has made us the most talked of Ladies Store in Abilene.

SPECIAL for SATURDAY

New Spring Dresses

and Ensembles—Fresh new styles just received this week. Come in if you want to see a real Bargain at these prices—

\$9.75 \$13.75 \$17.75

New Spring WASH FROCKS

Guaranteed Fast Colors
 Large assortment to select from, sizes 14 to 50. Specially priced at
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Guaranteed Silk Chiffon and Service Weight HOSE
 They Double the Wear—Longer life in Every Pair—

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All New Spring Colors

LADIES SHOES

Satins, Patents, Blonde Kid—Straps and Pumps—High and Low Heels—all New Spring Styles. We save you from \$2.00 to \$4.00 on every pair at—

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New Spring Hats

Each Hat carries an individuality that you don't find any where. Any Style, any color, your heart desires. Hats that usually sell for \$8.50 special for Saturday at—

\$5.00

GUYNN'S ORCHID SHOP

Fulwiler Bldg. Abilene, Texas North 2nd Street
 Just across street from Gambill's—Walk a block and save a Dollar.

WASHKOWSKY'S OLD SHOE

We call the attention of the American Bankers Association to the case of Mr. Washkowsky of Brooklyn. Mr. Washkowsky is hard working and thrifty, but like so many of us his education is defective; who is to blame for that we don't know. Mr. Washkowsky has been saving a part of his weekly wages for a long time, but hadn't told Mrs. Washkowsky where he was depositing his nest egg. That was a mistake, probably, but an inquiry into it belongs to another branch of education with which it is probable the bankers association cannot be held to have any concern.

But with Mr. Washkowsky's depository it has. He chose for that purpose an old shoe. He kept the shoe and its mate in his closet, and up to the other day had tucked away in one of them savings amounting to \$350. On that same other day Mrs. Washkowsky, rummaging Mr. Washkowsky's closet like a good housewife, seeking what she could throw away or transfer to another place where Mr. Washkowsky couldn't find it, as is the habit of good housewives, found this same pair of old shoes. We suppose she said to herself, Mr. Washkowsky not being present to have it said to him, "Isn't that just like a man?" and acting thereupon just like a woman she sent the shoes to the cobbler to be repaired. It was either that or the ash barrel for them, and being frugal and Mr. Washkowsky paying the cobbler bills anyway, she sent them to the cobbler.

A distraught man was Mr. Washkowsky when he next went to make a deposit in his old shoe. "What new place," he asked in that martyr tone affected by husbands on similar occasions, "have you found for my old shoes?" Mrs. Washkowsky told him, expecting to be praised for her thoughtfulness. Women—but that's another branch of education.

Mr. Washkowsky went to the cobbler and found his shoes, but not the money, which we cannot but feel is not remarkable. We hope he will find it, but he hasn't yet, which again should cause no astonishment.

But what we would like to hear from the American Bankers Association is what steps it is taking to discourage people of meagre habits from keeping their money in shoes, mahle clocks, behind wall pictures, under floor boards and similar places. We have made no exact calculation, but from casual evidence we are inclined to believe there are enough funds hidden away in such places in this enlightened and progressive country to pay off the national debt. Not that we advise paying it off, because that would leave congress nothing to fuss with Mr. Mellon about; but if deposited in banks our banker might have some to lend when we need it, which he now never has; he says money is very scarce. We hold it is not; it is merely in Mr. Washkowsky's shoe.

Seeing that we have been pursuing education, or something called that for several centuries, we cannot but feel this is a bad showing and that the bankers association is somehow responsible. It hasn't sufficiently impressed on the people that it has banks and what they are for. Mr. Washkowsky hasn't heard. And there are a lot of him in this country.—Kansas City Star.

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are to be had in such a wide variety of materials and colors we will not attempt a complete description—in short they are of crepe, georgette, silk canton, romain and de chine; necks vary from no color at all to those with deep points, lace edges, and scarfs are attached to many. Skirts both full and straight, plaided and plain; hemlines, even and irregular.

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- 48-lb sack FLOUR, Guaranteed \$1.83
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The door to door peddler and the transient trader, they are the "caveat emptor" kind. They sell you and as many of your neighbors as they can cover in a day--- then back to the hotel, the trunk is packed, checked into the "baggage car ahead" and gone forever--- "let the buyer beware".

Do you want to deal with a sort of a "fly-by-night" trader? Or do you want to deal with your steadfast, reliable home-town merchants---the men who make up the list of your best citizens, largest tax payers, public benefactors and community builders?

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To the Sheriff or any Constable of Taylor County, Greeting:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to summon James A. Smith by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the 104th District Court of Taylor County, to be holden at the Court House thereof,

in Abilene, Texas, on the third Monday in March A. D. 1928, the same being the 19th day of March A. D. 1928, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 10th day of February A. D. 1928, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 245-B, wherein Wooten Lumber Company, a co-partnership, composed of Julian F. Bailey, J. P. Wooten, and Gray Wooten; C. L. McWilliams, J. G. Braddock, George Akins, and C. F. Boatner, are Plaintiffs, and James A. Smith is Defendant, and said petition alleging
1. Suit by Plaintiff, the Wooten Lumber Co., for judgment on one note for \$400.00, and 1 for \$250.00, signed by defendant to J. E. Brewer, dated Oct. 25, 1927, No. 1 payable on or before January 1, 1928, and No. 2 in monthly installments of \$20.00 each, beginning Jan. 1, 1928, with 8 per cent interest, and ten per cent attorney fees.
2. Suit by plaintiff, J. P. Wooten, on a mechanics lien note for \$6500.00 with the sum of \$2403.70 balance due thereon.
And for foreclosure of the vendors lien and mechanics lien securing the above mentioned notes, respectively, on Lot 8, Block 4, Riverside Drive Addition to the City of Abilene, Texas.
3. Suit by C. L. McWilliams for \$34.00 for surfacing floors of the residence on said lot, and foreclosure of a mechanics lien thereon.
4. Suit by C. F. Boatner for the sum of \$285.00 for furnishing and installing plumbing fixtures in the said improvements and for foreclosure of his mechanics lien on the said lot and improvements.
5. Suit by Geo. Akins for the sum of \$19.00 for labor performed in the construction of the above improvements, and for foreclosure of the mechanics lien on the said lot and improvements, said labor being 3 1/2 days at \$5.00 per day.
6. Suit by J. G. Braddock for judgment for \$10.00 and foreclosure of mechanics lien on the said property which \$10.00 is a balance due him for labor in laying the concrete sidewalks on the said lot at a contract

price of \$20.00.
All of the plaintiffs praying judgment for the said respective amounts and for foreclosure of their respective mechanics liens and for a prorating of the proceeds from the sale of the said property, and praying the sale of the said property, and for general and special relief.
Herein Fail Not, and have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and

the Seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 10th day of February A. D. 1928.
BELLE WELLBORN, Clerk,
District Court, Taylor County.
By Zola McKee, Deputy. 1714

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Carey Wilson's film version of myth—for the action of the plot taken more from the legend than novel—was surely a masterful,

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"She's a Sheik" Bebe's new comedy vehicle, which will be screened at the Queen Theatre next Wednesday and Thursday, was directed by Clarence Badger, the man who made "The Campus Flirt."

Those visiting at the T. T. Davis home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Badgley, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Vines and baby, Mrs. J. E. Badgley of Roscoe, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fay and two children of Loraine.

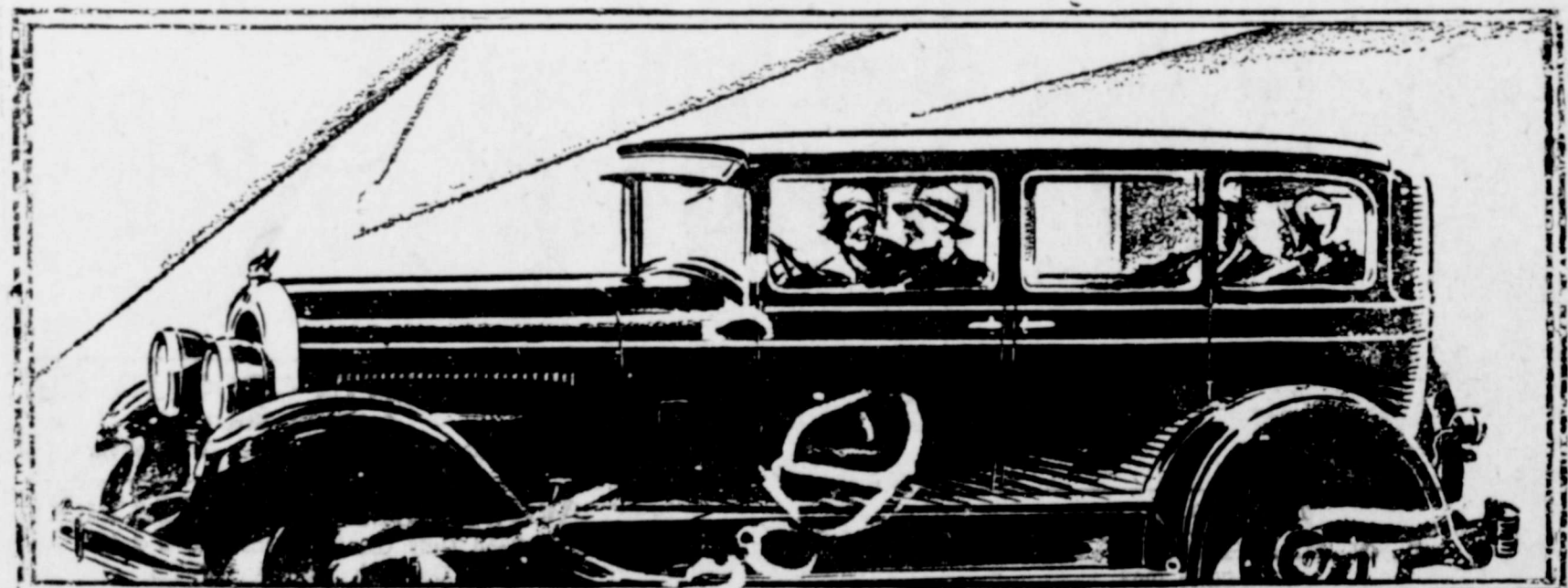
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WANTED—Farm and ranch hand by the month. Sam Butman. tf

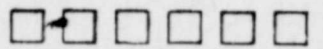
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We are glad to learn that Mrs. S. F. Haynes is able to be up and about after a few days illness.

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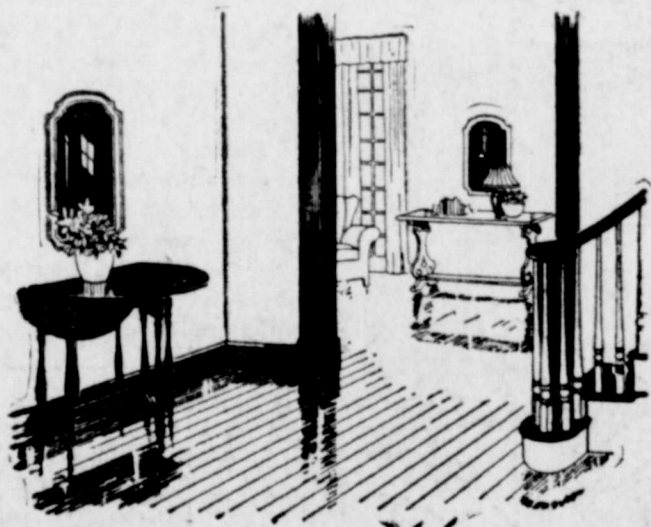
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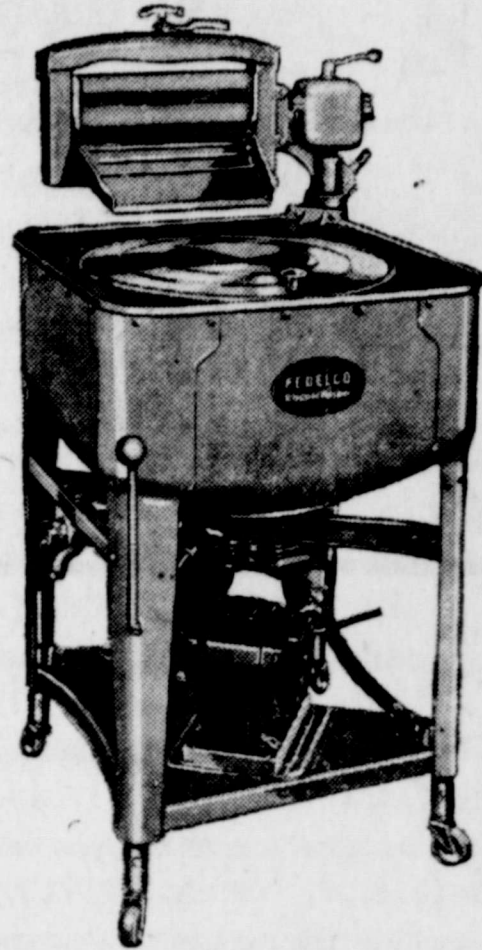


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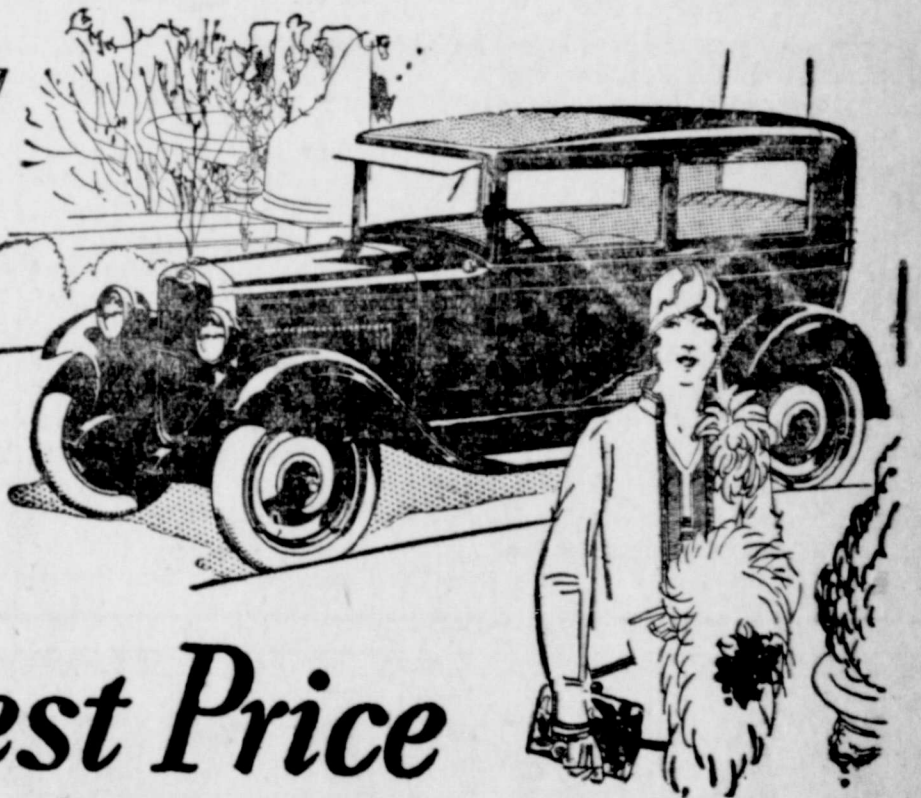
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Lard	White Cloud	1.08
	8 pound pail	
COFFEE	Maxwell House	1.42
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	25 pound bag	
PEANUT BUTTER	highest quality	.49
	2 pound can	
BANANAS	Nice yellow firm fruit	.25
	per dozen	
CABBAGE	hard green heads.	.02
	per pound	
LETTUCE	nice and firm.	.06½
	Each	
CORN	Primrose brand, best to be had.	.15
	No. 2 can	
PEACHES	Gold Bar, Melba halves.	.23
	No. 2½ can	
BOX BACON	1 pound box	.45
SAUSAGE	pure pork, per pound	.20

CLARENCE SAUNDERS

SOLE OWNER OF MY NAME

Shiloh Happenings

Health of the community is not very good at this writing.

Little Kathrine Grayson has been sick for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Rutledge and family visited Mrs. B. L. James last Sunday.

Mrs. Bert James was sick Sunday but is much better at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Grayson were Merkel visitors Monday.

The party at Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Tiner's Saturday night was attended by a large crowd, all reported a nice time.

Mr. H. R. Grayson and Mrs. Ruby Garrison were united in marriage Saturday morning at Merkel by Rev. O. B. Tatum.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Grayson and children, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Grayson and children, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Seago and children, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Greene and baby, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Grayson.

Miss Edrie and Mr. Joe Tiner spent Sunday with home folks, having as their guest Mr. Travis Baker of Abilene and Miss Myrtle Sullivan of Fort Worth. Mr. Baker lived in this community when a small boy and Miss Sullivan formerly lived in the Newman settlement.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Beal spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Bill James.

Mesdames J. H. Grayson and C. W. Seago spent Tuesday with Mrs. Tom Greene.

Mrs. Tom Greene and baby spent Monday with Mrs. Bert James.

Mr. Homer Greene got several teeth knocked out and a bad cut on the face Sunday in an accident at the Joe Winter oil well No. 5.

Edward Seago has been on the sick list for several days.

Misses Eula and Thelma Deavers spent the week-end with home folks.

Topsy.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this method of extending to each and everyone who in any way helped us during the sickness and death of our dearly beloved wife, mother and sister. And especially those good people that prayed so many good prayers for us during that dark hour of sadness. Also thanks to all for the beautiful floral offerings. May God's richest blessings be upon every one is our prayers.

Mr. J. C. Skurlock, Children and near relatives. Itp

—Ladies Department Ad on Page Three—



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We appreciate your business, large or small, and endeavor to merit your patronage by always giving courteous service and quality meats. Beker & Wheeler Market.

Our good friend and excellent citizen Mr. G. F. Rhynes, of Trent, route two, was in this city yesterday and has our thanks for his subscription renewal to the Mail for another year. Mr. Rhynes also sends the paper to a brother in another county.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Cox of Abilene spent last Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Boaz.

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"I had indigestion so bad I was afraid to eat even rice. Adlerika has done me so much good that now I eat anything."—Ardenia Howard.

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Mrs. Jack Durham and little daughter, Bettye Joyce, returned last Sunday from a two weeks visit with the former's mother, Mrs. Maude Rogers, and brother, Maben Rogers, at McCamey, Texas.

PALACE March 21, 22 & 23



JANET GAYNOR

7th HEAVEN



CHARLES FARRELL

Blair Items

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cavett and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cavett and son Arthur left Sunday for Sweetwater in response to a death telegram of their nephew.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Doan and children, H. C. and Otisray, left Tuesday for Vernon to see the latter's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Olmstead.

Mrs. Maurine Farmer had the misfortune of getting her arm broken one day last week.

Mrs. Pat Addison and children dined with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell Sunday.

Miss Mae Melton left Wednesday to spend the week-end at Sweetwater with her cousin.

Mr. and Mrs. Hensley and baby spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hughes and family.

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Dora Doings

Health of our community is fine now; no serious illness at all.

Bro. Garner filled his regular appointment at Slater's Chapel Sunday. John Burklow's family is enjoying the programs of a new radio.

Mr. Dunnagin has a new Pontiac automobile.

Doris Jones spent the week-end with Ima Joy Wright.

Mrs. H. V. Mellon and daughter Maggie have returned from Rising Star where they have been at the bedside of Mrs. Mellon's mother.

Mr. Frank Lewis made a business trip to Winters Saturday.

Sam Hanks is digging and cementing a new cellar this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Magee were visitors to Clyde Saturday and Sunday.

Everybody is most done putting up land and now we need a good rain to mellow up the beds.

E. P. Perry made a business trip to Sweetwater Monday.

A. W. Cook has a radio at his home trying it out, which he thinks he will buy in the near future.

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