

## The Badger Weekly

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—M. H. S.—  
**A PSALM OF SCHOOL**  
(with apologies to Longfellow)  
Tell me not in tones of sadness  
School is but a dreadful jail,  
For school is a place of gladness,  
And we are not there to fail.

School is real! School is earnest!  
And graduation is not its goal;  
If on school our backs we turnest,  
We'll regret before we're old.

Not for pleasure, and not sorrow  
Are we here in school today,  
But to work, that each tomorrow  
Sees us farther on our way.

Days are short and time is flying,  
And our minds, though young and strong,  
Still like young plants they are trying;  
To push upward, always on.

In our school's broad field of learning,  
Is the wondrous chance we know;  
Be not lazy, youngsters, yearning  
For the day from school to go.

Lives of great men ought to spur us  
On to do our very best,  
And the good they're done should lure us  
On to do good, though it's less.

Do good that perhaps another  
Classmate following in our way,  
A discouraged, failing brother  
May take heart and in school stay.

Let us, then, our best be doing,  
With a very grateful heart,  
Eagerly our work pursuing;  
Let's not wait—'tis time to start.

—Frances Frederickson.  
—M. H. S.—  
**THEODORE ROOSEVELT**

(by Rubyjo Higgins)  
I had the joy of seeing Roosevelt twice during his presidency. He certainly impressed me, in fact, I shall never forget the picture of him I have in my mind.

He looked for all the world what one would expect a man to look who wielded the sword with no uncertain effort against all opponents; whether they were broncos from the West, lions in Africa, or political opponents anywhere.

Roosevelt would clench his fist—strange to say this was my first impression of him—and penetrate with his keen eyes until there was no doubt of the man's earnestness of purpose. His massive shoulders, his prominent teeth, the squint in his eye, his unkempt moustache, all contributed to make him a formidable person. But often there came into his face a light of keen enjoyment at a humorous remark or situation. He could laugh as heartily as he fought. I decided that here was a man of America.

I read the other day where Emil Ludwig, the eminent German biographer, said that "Bismark and Roosevelt are the two outstanding figures of the past hundred years." Teddy impressed himself upon the world. Certainly he was the most versatile president. He was madly loved or violently hated all over the states.

I was surprised to read some printed articles about Roosevelt which struck me as being terrible, and yet so picturesque that I distinctly remember some of them. One opponent said of him: "This roaring, ring-tailed, buck jumping prophet."

Roosevelt said once that the word he hated most was "can't". He taught his sons to hate it, and today when we read of these men, we know that they are truly their father's sons.

Today hit hard, but he hit square. Bill Pence, though doubtless paraded, had said about him, before he was elected, that he was a 7th Grade. He conceded that the Wilson 95, O'Connell in him that nater son 95, Rubyjo Higgins, and say to the Himalaya Swafford Hill 90, Isadore Miller 90, Madeline Slater 90 6th Grade, Miss

## Largent & Sons Sell Calves for \$8,300

Immediately upon their return from the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show, where their fine herd of prize winning Herefords carried away the usual number of first premiums and popular sale record. They closed the sale to Mr. Kone, of San Antonio, of twenty-one calves, averaging two months old, for the handsome sum of \$8,300. These calves were sired by the Grand Champion Superior 51st, and Prince Domino 151st. Mr. Kone wanted more of these straight bred calves, but this was all the Largents could spare at this time.

## Merkel Choral Club Second in Contest

Twenty members of the high school Choral Club, under the direction of Miss Christine Collins, assisted by Mrs. E. Yates Brown, entered the Mid-Texas Teachers Association at Coleman Friday, winning second place with an average of 94 points. The much coveted prize was a beautiful loving cup, going to Coleman for first place with an average of 95 points. Ballinger was third with a general average of 91 points.

The Merkel club appeared third on the program, wearing regular uniforms of white sweaters and skirts and gave two numbers, "Pale Moon," by Frederic Logan, and "Morn Rise" by Czibulka, the last number emphasizing distinction and clearness of tone.

Misses Christine Collins, Mollie Shannon, Mmes. E. Yates Brown, Vernon B. Sublett, Twyman Collins, and Supt. I. L. Jackson accompanied the chorus.

The club has accepted an invitation to sing over WBAP, Fort Worth, on April 13th.

With Miss Collins as director, the club was second place winner in Class B at the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention at Wichita Falls last May and expect to be among the contestants at the convention in Fort Worth in June.

Chorus personnel: Estelle Terry, Gladys Watts, Burdelle Adcock, Monetta Adcock, Eunice Bird, Venice Bell, Lucille Cole, Elizabeth Harkrider, Alpha Howard, Velma Holder, Nola Neill, Mary Pené, Bessie Westenhover, Tulia Miller, Vivian Berger, Iris Garrett, Norma Shannon, Patsy Lewis, Doris Brown, Fannie Bell Boaz, Addie Faye Patterson, Euna Lea Gilmore, Helen Compton, and Frances Frederickson.

Superintendent I. L. Jackson attended the Mid-West Texas Teachers Association convention at Coleman last Friday and Saturday, and reported a fine meeting of the association and a great time, as well as meeting with a most cordial hospitality while in that city. While in Coleman Mr. Jackson was a guest in the home of Editor and Mrs. Jackson of the Coleman Democrat, and was very complimentary in telling of the genuine hospitality extended to him.

Misses Vera and Mamie Walker, daughters of Rev. and Mrs. R. A. Walker of this city, made a trip last week-end to Paris, Texas, and were accompanied on their return last Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Walker and baby son. Mr. Walker was proud to tell that the baby boy is his first grandchild. He also said that he was showing his son some West Texas country and taking him on some rabbit drives while here, something his son had not seen before, having lived in East Texas all his life.

## BUYS INTEREST OF PARTNER IN BAKERY

I take this method of announcing to the people of Merkel that I have bought Mr. Ainsworth's interest in the bakery and that he is no longer connected with the bakery in any way and I assure you that I will try to make the bakery an asset to your city. I will appreciate your patronage.

J. H. JACKSON. It Miss Mabel Mitchell of Abilene has been elected as a member of Grammar school faculty, as the sponsor of the fifth grade. Miss Mitchell fills the vacancy of Miss Sidney Altman, who was recently married to Mr. Floyd M. Robertson of Abilene.

## Burglars Enter Several Homes Last Friday Night

On last Friday night some person or persons, seemingly inclined to enter and rob as many homes in this city as it was possible for one night, entered the homes of: J. T. Dennis, T. G. Bragg, Herbert Patterson, L. C. Sublett and Fred Guitar. To think that the thief ransacked each of these homes and made a clean get-away, without in the least awakening of any of the occupants, seems preposterous, and yet that is exactly what took place, and the fact that robbers had prowled in their homes was not known to any of them until the next morning.

The robber got but a small amount of money, ranging from a few cents up to \$2.00 at each place, but three gold watches, good ones, were taken, one from Mr. J. T. Dennis, one from Mr. Bragg and one from Mr. Herbert Patterson, the last named being a gift from his wife on last Christmas, and the only watch he ever possessed.

Also, about five o'clock in the morning of the same night Mr. John D. Porter heard some one roll his Ford car from the garage into the street, and make a get-away with it before he could intercede. The car was found the next day parked near Ed. S. Hughes building in Abilene, but no clue as to the thief taking the car or to those entering the five homes has yet been found.

## Funeral Service For Mrs. Bradley At 2:30 Yesterday

Funeral services for Mrs. J. D. Bradley, 26, who died Wednesday morning at her home at Stith, were held from the Stith Baptist church Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with Rev. Smith, pastor, conducting the rites. Burial was made in the Stith cemetery.

Mrs. Bradley's death came after a strong fight for health, waged over a period of many months. Constantly by her side in the long struggle was her young husband, who made every sacrifice in an effort to restore her health.

Mrs. Bradley, who was a daughter of Mrs. Ada Culp, pioneer resident of Stith, had lived in that community since she was three years of age. She was a member of the Baptist church.

Besides her husband and her mother, the young woman is survived by two children, J. D., Jr., 9 years old, and Dorothy Nell, 7 years of age.

Her husband's parents are Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bradley, pioneer citizens of the Stith community. She is also survived by a number of relatives in Abilene, among them are Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Wimberley, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Bradley, uncles and aunts; Mrs. C. O. Bradley and Miss Opal Bradley, aunt and cousin, and Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Bradley, cousins. These relatives attended the funeral services yesterday afternoon.

## NEW DEVICE RECEIVES DISTRESS SIGNALS

In the future, the frantic calls of distressed ships cannot fall on the "dead ears" or nearby vessels, provided they are equipped with the new radio danger signal device recently invented by the Marconi Company, according to S. M. Hunter, local Exide dealer.

"In the past," Mr. Hunter said, "distress signals, I understand, were not always intercepted by the ships nearest to the one in trouble. This was due to the fact that all vessels cannot carry a full radio watch. As a consequence, the S. O. S. signal of the distressed boat could easily be missed if the radio operator were off duty. Such a condition nearly always resulted in a considerable loss of time in rushing aid to the disabled ship."

"Since a strong and uniform current of these signals is required, rent in the transmission and reception Batteries were used by the Marconi Company in all its experiments."

Mr. C. Wells, of Abilene, has accepted a position in the office of the West Texas Utilities Company in Merkel. He is a very pleasant gentleman and the citizenship welcomes him to our city.

## Mr. Patterson Delegate To California Boy Scout Meeting

Mr. Herbert Patterson, local Boy Scout Master and civic worker, has been signally honored upon being appointed the delegate from the Chisholm Trail Area Boy Scouts of America, to represent the area at a national convention of boy scout leaders and executives of the United States. The meeting will be held in San Francisco, California, the first part of April. The Chisholm Trail Area is composed of five counties and Mr. Patterson is to be the only delegate from this area. He was appointed by the executive committee, which includes president Caldwell and Executive Shumway of Abilene.

Mr. Patterson is making his plans to attend the meeting and also expects to tour California and visit with friends for several days following the three-day meeting. No better or more capable man could be found for the important position of scoutmaster for the local organization than Mr. Patterson, and he should have the united support of the entire citizenship.

## MRS. JOHN W. COX IMPROVING AFTER SERIOUS OPERATION

The many friends of Mrs. John W. Cox, who was Miss Lola Armstrong before marriage, will be glad to learn that she was reported Thursday morning as somewhat improved following an operation at the Baptist Sanitarium at Fort Worth last Sunday. She was carried to that city the previous Sunday, accompanied by her husband, and parents, Dr. and Mrs. M. Armstrong, and for a time little hope was held for her recovery, but now there is every indication that unless complications set up, Mrs. Cox will soon recover and regain her former good health. This paper joins their many friends in the sincere hope that she may continue to improve.

## WALLY UP TO NEW STUNTS IN FILM AT PALACE

In "Ace of Action," the gripping western drama which comes to the Palace Theatre for Saturday, the star, Wally Wales, has played his trump card. Wally, who is one of the most daring riders of the screen, has some new stunts in this offering which are not only different, but may be classed as the ultimate in breath-taking feats.

The photodrama is from an original story by Betty Burbridge, the popular fictionist who, at twenty-two years of age, won the first prize offered by a well known magazine for the best Western story; the production was capably directed by William Bertram, who is fast forging to the front as a director of "horse opera."

Lester F. Scott, Jr., the producer of the picture, feels most fortunate in having secured beautiful Alma Rayford for the leading feminine role, but not content with even this, he gathered together a cast in which the following well known names appear: Charles Colby, Frank Ellis, Hank Bell, Fanny Midgley, Will Hayes and Charles Whitaker—truly an aggregation of note.

## "CHINESE PARROT" WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

"The Chinese Parrot," filmed under the direction of Paul Leni, from the scenarization of Earl Derr Biggers' serial novel of the same name, will be the feature attraction for next Wednesday and Thursday at the Palace Theatre. It is a Universal Jewel production, replete with thrills, adventure, gripping suspense and a love theme that is intensely appealing in human interest. It takes one from the depths of the sea to the deadly silence of the desert and holds one fast in the grip of stark drama. The cast is all-star embracing such noted screen favorites as Marian Nixon, Edmund Burns, Hobart Bosworth, Sojin, Captain Albert Conti, Florence Turner, Fred Esmelton, Edgar Kennedy, Slim Emmerville, Dan Mason, Anna May Wong, George Kuwa and Etta Lee.

## NEW ICE PLANT STARTED

The work of laying the foundation for the new ice plant is going along nicely this week, and the promoters of the firm informs us that they expect to have same completed and ready for making ice by the First of May or there about.

## Baptist Revival Begins Sunday

At the Wednesday evening prayer-meeting it was unanimously voted to go into a meeting beginning next Sunday. A committee was named to secure suitable help and it is expected that an outstanding revivalist will be secured. Whether an evangelist or a pastor is invited to hold the meeting, he will be a man that can command a wide hearing and that has been used of the Lord in other fields.

Full announcements will be made Sunday morning. All people in and about Merkel that are interested in seeing a better town and community are invited to come and help us with the meeting. We will be glad to welcome visitors and strangers in any of our services. All Christian workers from any of the other churches will be welcomed as workers in our meeting.

Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock hour Rev. D. J. Dodd will celebrate his eightieth birthday by preaching for us. Last month the pastor's father celebrated his eightieth birthday in the same manner. It is a little unusual that two preachers past eighty years of age should hold membership in the same church. We invite all of Bro. Dodd's many friends to come and hear him Sunday. If any old person or any shut-in should find that they would need some one to come for them we will be glad to send for them. Let's fill the house to hear this old soldier of the cross bring a message from the Lord.

If you are a Baptist or are Baptist inclined, or if you have no church preference, or if you are without a church home in Merkel, we invite you to be one of the four hundred in Sunday School at 10 a.m. Sunday.

## "Stith Sand Storm" Makes Appearance

A new paper, the "Stith Sand Storm," published by the teachers and student body of the Stith public school, made its initial appearance last week, the first number being dedicated to the school principal, Mr. J. W. Hassey. It was well edited, newsy and interesting, and reflects thought and ability on the part of the staff. It is expected the new publication will appear monthly until the close of school.

## REVIVAL MEETING AT LIVE OAK CHURCH NOW IN PROGRESS

Evangelist R. L. Stanley and singer Floyd Gray, both of McKinney, Texas, opened a revival meeting for Live Oak Baptist church near Nubia last Sunday. Rev. Geo. Lawrie is pastor of Live Oak Church.

They report that the meeting is progressing nicely the first week and that they are having good attendance. Services are held each day at eleven and 7:45. The meeting will continue indefinitely, depending upon the interest.

Evangelist R. L. Stanley is delivering forceful, soul-winning sermons at each service, and much good will no doubt be accomplished. Bro. Stanley spent the most of his boyhood in the Nubia community, and takes especial interest in conducting this meeting. He has a brother, Mr. Ira Stanley, who resides near Stith.

Singer Gray is said to be one of the best basso singers in the state, and is giving special selections at both services and leading the song service.

## NEW TRAFFIC SIGNS PLACED ON CITY STREETS

Traffic signs or markers have this week been placed on the paved streets in the business section of the city, making it plain and easy to drive about the city even during a crowded day without violating traffic rules, and endangering life, provided the public heed the traffic markers. The system is very good and the city officials are to be commended for their good work. It is now up to the public to abide by the rules—or be pinched.

Mr. J. A. Jaynes, of Tahoka, was down first of the week on business, and incidentally shaking hands with his many friends here.

Mrs. E. Q. Warren of Knox City was here first of this week, guest of her mother, Mrs. H. C. Williams, as well as visiting with many friends.

## Joe Winter No. 5 Good Producer

According to reports the Phillips Petroleum Company's W. Joe Winter No. 5, southeast offset to Phillips Pomroy No. 1, located three-fourths of a mile northeast of the Noodle Creek field, hit the pay last Saturday at 2446 feet.

Late reports are that up to Thursday morning the well had not been fully drilled in, but was swabbing around 40 barrels per hour. If this is true and the production holds up, the No. 5 will be the best producer in the field, and will indicate that the best production may be found to the northeast of the discovery well.

## Style Show At The Boston Store Saturday

Saturday will be Virginia Hart day at the Boston Bargain Store. There will be held both a sale and style show of Virginia Hart Dresses between the hours of three and four o'clock in the afternoon, and from seven until eight o'clock at night.

The Virginia Hart dresses will be modeled and displayed by Misses Opal Patterson and Irene Perry of this city.

All ladies are welcome to this display whether they buy or not.

## MANY CITIZENS HERE PLANT PECAN TREES

Leading the way, Mr. John Shannon, genial proprietor of the Shannon Swimming Pool, recently planted near this popular pleasure resort about 100 pecan trees of the paper shell variety, which covered about three acres of ground, and which likely in a few years will make Mr. Shannon's place much more beautiful and attractive, besides the fine nut crop expected to be produced each year.

Following Mr. Shannon many other citizens have planted pecan trees in numbers ranging from two to one acre. Mr. Homer Patterson planting about an acre. Others are R. O. Anderson, Mayor West, Booth Warren, F. Y. Gaither, John R. West, W. E. Lowe, W. W. Haynes, John Sears, W. B. Petty and possibly others.

## STARS OF "IT" SURROUND CLARA BOW IN 'RED HAIR'

Practically the same combination that gave the motion picture world "It" was brought together again to make the new romantic-comedy "Red Hair," with Clara Bow as the star. "Red Hair," which will show at the Queen Theatre next Monday and Tuesday, is taken from the book by Eleanor Glyn, also the author of "It." The adaptation of the story for the screen was made by Percy Heath and Lloyd Corrigan, the latter being responsible for the script of "It," and the continuity is credited to Agnes Leahy.

Clarence Badger, who directed "It" and who is known as one of Paramount's ace directors, was behind the camera while "Red Hair" was being filmed.

Included in the supporting cast are William Austin, remembered for his portrayal of the Englishman in "It," Jacquelin Gadson, likewise a member of the former production's cast, Lawrence Grant and Claude King.

"Red Hair," is a story of an American manufacturer of the typical flapper type who might be accused of "digging" a bit until the right man comes along. The "right man" in this case is Lane Chandler.

## MILTON SILLS AS HARD-BOILED "ACE"

Milton Silles appears at the Queen Theatre Wednesday and Thursday in a new type of characterization as "Hard-Boiled Haggerty," which Wild Gunning produced and Charles Brabin directed for First National Pictures.

As a hard-bitten "ace" of the World War, he has a great deal of comedy action which proves him an artist in the lighter side of film entertainment. Molly O'Day plays opposite him, and with him in the cast are Arthur Stone, Mitchell Lewis and George Fawcett.

Messrs. Jessie Higgins and L. L. Murray are representing the local I. O. O. F. Lodge in Dallas this week at the meeting of the Grand Lodge.

Miss Hazel Lee Rainbolt, teacher in the Hermleigh schools, was here Sunday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Rainbolt.



# Credit, a Big Factor

The man who lives by honest work,  
Who pays his debts and does not shirk,  
Who builds a credit in advance  
Can take advantage of business chance;  
The man who works and plans and schemes,  
But has no credit, only dreams  
Of things he hopes to some day do  
While he with credit puts them thru.  
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Mr. and Mrs. Luther Woodroof visited old friends here for several days this week while enroute to Los Angeles, California.

W. I. Cogburn and wife and daughters, Mrs. Roy Cox and W. A. Sheppard, were among those attending the Stock Show and visiting relatives in Fort Worth last week. Mr. and Mrs. Cogburn have three children living in Fort Worth: J. E. Cogburn, Hurley Cogburn and Mrs. Nix.

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

## Stith News

The Abilene District Epworth League Rally was held at Anson, March 17 and 18. The program for Saturday night was a short devotional lead by Mr. C. A. Moore, a sing-song, and a special directed by Mr. Rigland Edwards. Sunday special services were held from 6:30 in the morning until 3:30 in the afternoon. Stith was well represented. The following Leaguers attended: Jessie Hudson, Delmon Mashburn, Vernon Hudson, Maud Cook, Mattie Church, Clara Church, Annie Price and Nelia Hudson.

Bro. R. V. Tooley, pastor of the Stith Methodist church, had an attack of heart trouble Sunday while preaching at Tye; but by Tuesday he was ready to resume his usual weekly work.

Mrs. J. D. Bradley died Wednesday morning at 9:30. She has been ill for more than a year. She is survived by a husband and two children, J. D. and Dorothy Nell.

Mr. Don Fuller is visiting his father, Mr. S. J. Fuller, who lives at San Angelo, this week-end.

The Stith Epworth League will have its first meeting in the new Methodist church Sunday, March 25. All members are urged to be present. The program will be a round-table discussion of how Christianity can be made part of one's daily life and how prayer can be made real.

Miss Mattie Church of the ninth grade at Stith School will represent the girls in Senior Declamation at the county meet in Anson Friday.

Miss Willie Mae Reddin of Stith was married to Mr. Adolphus Winters, Wednesday evening. Bro. R. V. Tooley performed the wedding ceremony.

Miss Ruth Millard, a teacher in the Stith School, spent the week-end with her mother, who is in the sanitarium at Abilene suffering with a broken hip.

The Stith B.Y.P.U. is doing fine in their work. Every one seems to be very interested in their work. The program for Sunday, March 25th is as follows: Song, "In The Garden." Prayer, Clark Mundy. Introduction, Inez Dishman.

American needs and Edward's ministry, Clark Mundy. Boyhood and early training, Mary Kate Lightsey.

Preaching in spite of opposition, Leon McDonald.

Prince of Preachers in America, Marvin Holloway.

Results of the great revival, May Holloway.

Mr. Elbert West, B.Y.P.U. leader, has been ill this week. We are hoping he will be able to be at the services Sunday.

Misses Hattie Mae Dwiggin and Gladys Mashburn spent Sunday with Miss Alvera Butler.

Miss Mary Helen Mashburn spoke Tuesday evening at the Merkel Grammar school.

### CARE OF OIL FILTER STRESSED BY "CHEVY"

Detroit, Mich., Mar. 22.—How the motorist can save on oil expense and repair bills through proper attention to the oil filter on his car was stressed in a statement released here today by O. E. Hunt, chief engineer of the Chevrolet Motor Company.

His announcement followed experiments conducted by research engineers of the AC Spark Plug Company, makers of Chevrolet oil filters, showing that a full pint of abrasive matter accumulated in the filter after every 10,000 miles of driving.

This residue possessed such high abrasive qualities that it could have been used effectively for sharpening knives or grinding valves.

"If this abrasive matter had not been trapped in the oil filter," Mr. Hunt said, "it would have done severe damage to cylinders, pistons and other internal working parts of the engine. Excessive repair bills might have been the result."

"The AC oil filter, with which all Chevrolet cars are equipped, removes these impurities and allows only clean oil to reach the engine. This means prolonged life for the engine and fewer oil changes."

"After the filter has seen 10,000 miles of service, however, the filtering unit becomes clogged with grit and other foreign matter taken from the oil, and ceases to function properly. The filtration unit then should be replaced. This may be done at any authorized Chevrolet service station at nominal cost representing but a small fraction of the saving in oil bills alone."

Bring your eggs around to Clarence Saunders Store. Highest market price paid. 1t

Mrs. John Childress returned home Monday from Waco, where she spent the week-end with her daughter, Miss Aileen, who is a student in Baylor University.

## WORLD VS. GIRL

Paris News: The good old days when father's word was law to the daughters of the house seem to have gone forever. Harken to the plaint of James Tuscano of New York. The other night Tuscano scolded a daughter for failing to study. Instead of saying, "Yes, father," and agreeing to study harder, as all daughters would have done a few years ago, the girl walked out on him: And not only that; her four sisters walked out with her. And Tuscano, instead of succeeding in his efforts at paternal admonition, now finds himself short five daughters.

Let Tuscano pere grieve not as those who are without hope. The girls undoubtedly will come back home. They probably had an idea, before trying it out, that the world is a grand luxurious place and the home a narrow, uncomfortable place. But they will find the world as cold as iron and as hard as rocks. It may be that the Tuscano girls will find ostensible friends for the time being, if they go looking for friends. But when the ostensible friends tire of them they will find themselves disinteresting to others, and the world exactly what we just said it was—cold as iron and hard as rocks. Their home, on the other hand, if they hurry back, will be found a snug harbor, with good beds to sleep on, a sufficing table to draw up to three times a day, a sound roof to keep the rain out. Home, as the Tuscano girls will discover, is really wider than the outside world. It is wider because it affords them more privileges than the outside world does. It is not space, after all, but freedom that makes one satisfied with life. A two-room house affords more freedom to the owner or rightful occupant than all the streets. But making the Tuscano girls, and many other girls, believe it is the difficulty. They have to find out for themselves. Another New York couple who had a daughter upon whom they doted, cashen their savings bank accounts and bought her an automobile and some fine clothes, after her school graduation. She drove around a bit, then announced that she was through with home and parents, as they were too crude for her. They asked the police to find her, and they did. She was willing to be found, and willing to go back. The world looked rosy from a distance, but changed color when she got up against it.—State Press in Dallas News.

### STOMACH GAS DRIVES MAN FROM BED

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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
<b>CASH AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$435,680.71</b>
Total	\$711,455.62

### LIABILITIES

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

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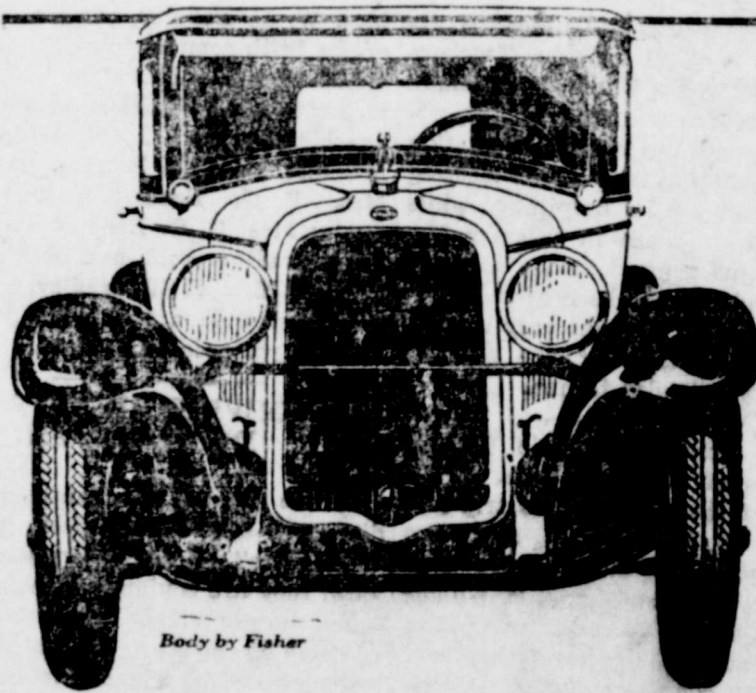
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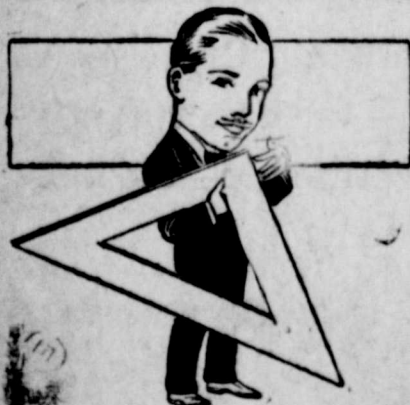
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## TRENT NEWS

Our last week's locals seemed somewhat upset, especially in two particular articles—"the wreck" and "the marriage," with all due respects to the parties, a remark was made by a person that was right amusing. It sounded something like this, "It made no difference if the two did get mixed, they amounted to about the same any way." This party happened to be an old bachelor.

Cecil White is visiting relatives here this week.

Mrs. Joe Stewart of Sylvester visited in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Butler visited relatives at Rising Star this week.

Mr. James Waters, in response to a message received from his wife last week that their son, little Billie, was sick, made a hurried trip to Stephenville and remained one week. On his return he reported Billie doing nicely.

Bro. Tison filled the pulpit at the Baptist Church Sunday at the morning hour. Bro. Ponder of Simmons University made an inspiring talk on "what is your life," at the evening hour. Both services were a treat to all in attendance.

Mr. J. P. Cashion made a trip to Roscoe Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Goodwin on route two, a girl, last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Williams, on route one are the proud parents of a baby boy, born last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson, of route one, are happy over the arrival of a baby girl last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nally spent the week end with Mrs. Nally's brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Rutherford, at Putnam.

Misses Dorothy and Florence Boyd visited their sister, Mrs. Wesley Johnson of Abilene the last of last week, remaining over until Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Bob Martin of Loraine spent the day with relatives here Sunday. Mrs. Martin, after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Scott, for a week, returned with him.

Mr. Tom Williamson had a horse to die this week. Also Mr. Dan Butler lost one last week. Don't know the cause of their death but it is feared that it might be hydrophobia.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert James returned from Burkburnett Friday of last week where they attended the funeral of Mrs. James' little niece. On their return they visited with Mrs. James' mother, Mrs. Maynard, of Olney, a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Danley of Fluvana are visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Danley this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Joyce of Snyder stopped over long enough to shake hands with a few friends here Friday morning of last week. They were on their way home after having spent the previous week in Houston and Clyde.

Mr. J. R. Lawler and son were here one day this week.

Miss Bernice Harris of Coolidge is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Lois McDonald, for a while.

Mrs. J. W. Tiner on route two was shopping in Trent last Tuesday.

The streets and sidewalks look better to us when we can look out most any time and see uncle Dick Armour on them again. Uncle Dick and Auntie Armour stayed away down South a long time. We are glad to have them come home again.

Misses Clara, Annie and Grace Prickett of Rising Star are here visiting their cousin, Mrs. D. R. Butler, this week.

Mr. Blankenship, the superintendent of High School here, in answer to a message that his brother was dangerously ill, who lives at Memphis, Texas, rushed to his bedside. On his arrival he found his brother in a very bad condition. We hope that he will soon recover.

Mr. C. T. Beckham, accompanied by his daughters, Mrs. Tom McLeod and Mrs. Winslow Beckham, did some shopping in Abilene Tuesday.

Mr. Jno. Ellerbee and family moved to Merkel this week.

Ernest Massey and Winslow Beckham made a trip to Lamesa on business last Wednesday.

Bro. Watson and family visited their daughter Mrs. Alderman, at Roscoe one day this week.

H. W. Beckham is serving on the grand jury this week in Abilene.

Miss Ethel Curry of Paint Rock is visiting her sister, Mrs. Willard Estep this week.

Mrs. Joe Reed and son Charlie returned Saturday from a week's visit with relatives at Corsicana.

Friends will be sorry to learn that our Dr. Currie is sick this week. Mrs. Currie accompanied him to Fort Worth Wednesday, where the Doctor will take treatments from a specialist.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Harrington of Caddo, visited Mrs. Harrington's parents last week-end, Mr. and Mrs.

Washburn on route two.

Grandpa Terry of Meadow is visiting his sons, A. C. and Homer Terry here this week.

Those who are sporting new cars this week are: C. T. Beckham, Buick sedan; Lee Keys, Chevrolet sedan; Joe Nally, Chevrolet coupe.

Mr. R. L. Patton and family have moved to Odessa.

After spending some three or four weeks here with her son, R. L. Reeves, Mrs. Reeves returned to her home in Campbell last week.

The singing at the Christian church Sunday afternoon was well attended, half a dozen communities being well represented despite the cold weather. This singing is regular third Sunday affair, and everybody is invited.

BAPTIST W. M. S.  
WITH MRS. BOYD

Members of the Baptist Women's Missionary Society met Monday at the home of Mrs. William L. Boyd and spent a busy afternoon making articles for sale in the Easter Bazaar, to be held Saturday, April 7.

At the close of the afternoon's work, a refreshment plate of angel food cake, whipped cream and hot chocolate was served to Mesdames Bud Brown, Gordon Howell, Buena McLeod, Alex Williamson, Winslow Beckham, C. T. Beckham, A. B. Curry, Lige Howell of Trent and Mesdames Fife and Feilder of Noodle Dome.

Royal Service Program.

Members of the Baptist women's Missionary Society will take part in a Royal Service Program at their usual meeting Monday afternoon, on the topic "More Precious than Rubies," with Mrs. A. C. Terry as leader.

The following members will take part: Mrs. Buena McLeod will give "Acres of Rubies"; Mrs. A. B. Currie, "Rubies of Great Price"; Mrs. Gordon Howell, "Adorned with Rubies"; Mrs. Ernest Massey, "Gems for His Crown"; Mrs. Homer Terry, "Prayer the Key to God's Chest of Jewels"; Miss Scott, "Using the Key"; Mrs. Greta Williamson will talk on "Giving Our Rubies"; and Mrs. W. L. Boyd on "A Worthy Woman."

METHODIST W. M. S.

The W. M. S. of the Methodist Church was attended by a large number at their weekly meeting Monday.

Following the invocation led by the president, Mrs. R. B. McRee, the lesson was given by Mesdames M. G. Scott, J. P. Watson, Jno. Payne, and E. L. Mangum. The subject was "China After Fifty Years."

The business meeting included a discussion of the revival beginning Friday with Judge Morris of Dallas doing the preaching. A financial report was given by the treasurer, Mrs. Mangum.

The conclusion was a round-table talk of a picture show to be given soon at the local theatre for the benefit of the church.

Every woman interested in the affairs of the society is invited to attend these meetings.

BASEBALL TEAM STARTS PRACTICE

Baseball practice has begun at the local ball ground, and the team is open for games. They played McMurry College last week and won 13 to 4; battery, Shouse and Nugent. A game is scheduled with Rotan. Every fan is invited to come and enjoy these games. Jack Boone is manager, which assures us of plenty of pep.

TRENT BASKET BALL GIRLS IN STATE TOURNAMENT

The Trent Basketball Girls closed a successful season by attending the State Tournament at Dublin, where they had "the time of their lives". Although they did not win any trophies the girls enjoyed every minute of the trip. They played good games, by which they won the admiration of the crowd and of the town by their trim appearance and good sportsmanship. The team is grateful to the people of Trent who made this trip possible. Trent is mighty proud of the team, and nearly every one is yelling "Rah! Rah! Rah! for our girls."

The following girls went to Dublin: Faye Hamner, Ruby Johnson, Opal Freeman, Famma Maude Johnson, Marie Burks, Bessie Smith, Corine English, Zula Bright, May Homner, Zada Bell, Mary Jones.

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Miss Edna Marie Jones is the house guest of Miss Christine Collins this week.

The friends of Mr. Eli Case will be glad to know that he is about to re-

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Mr. Ted Bicknell is among the new subscribers to the Mail this week. He lives on route two.

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Mrs Tom Price of this city was called to Cross Plains this week on account of the illness of her father, Mr. A. Ogley.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Buzbee are happy over the arrival at their home of a bouncing 10 pound girl, born on the 16th.

Mr. G. R. Gazzaway, of Happy, Texas, is here this week looking after his farm near this city. He reports conditions fair on the Plains.

Wallace Bragg was here Thursday for a short visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Bragg. Wallace is always a welcome visitor in his old home town.

**Easter Party**

One of the loveliest affairs of the season was given by Mrs. Ollie Dye, when she complimented members of the Thursday Club with an Easter party on Thursday afternoon of last week. Beautiful Easter baskets and rabbits gave the Easter suggestion to the entertaining rooms where tables were arranged for games of progressive 42. All table appointments were in the Easter motif, and places were marked by dainty baskets of Easter candies, tied with maline in all the pastel colors of spring.

At the tea hour the hostess served a most delectable two-course refreshment, a salad plate followed by an ice moulded in gorgeous easter lillies. The guest list included Mrs. Maury Huffman of Dallas, Misses Melba West, Valerie Dye and Cora Lee Hulsey, Mesdames J. T. Dennis, Byers Petty, Henry West, C. B. Gardner, Bill Sheppard, W. H. Derstine, John West, L. B. Scott, F. C. McFarland, Jim West, Bootht Warren, Tom Largent, F. Y. Gaither, W. J. Largent, Charlie Jones, T. L. Grimes, Robert Hicks, Dee Grimes, S. D. Gamble, R. L. Grimes, Ross Ferrer, W. L. Diltz, T. E. Collins, R. O. Anderson and the hostess.

**T. E. L. CLASS MEETING**

Members of the T. E. L. Class of the First Baptist Church were very pleasantly entertained by Mesdames E. W. King and J. D. Fulton, in the home of the former on Wednesday, March 14th, with the St. Patrick motif prevailing throughout the home and entertainment features.

Devotional was led by Mrs. Stevens after which an interesting business session was held, followed by a delightful social hour which was attended by a number of visitors also. Among the many pleasant features of the social hour none was more interesting than the splendid reading by Miss Lucy Tracy. At the close of the meeting Mrs. King and Mrs. Fulton served a lovely refreshment plate consisting of chicken sandwiches, olives and punch.

**BIRTHDAY PARTY**

Mrs. C. P. Church was hostess to a group of children at their home on Oak Street Monday afternoon.

The children enjoyed games after which they were called into the dining room for the cutting of the birthday cake, which was beautifully decorated with thirteen candles, which was cut and served with ice cream. The gifts were opened and admired.

Guests were Alice and Charlie Church, Cullen Tittle, Lois and Kennedy Whiteley, Jack and Marie Stanford, Frances Marie and Bessylea Church, Imogene Middleton, Mollie Frank Touchstone, Rogene Dye, Wanda Hunter, Eloise Mancil and Duncan Briggs.

Mr. and Mrs. Lafe Trimble of Stephenville, Texas, were here last Sunday visiting W. P. Melton, who operates the "Good Eats" Cafe on Front Street. Mr. Trimble is an uncle of Mr. Melton.

**COMPERE ITEMS**

*Baptist Notes.*

Sunday School at 10 a.m. Good attendance and good interest in all classes last Sunday. The Workers' Council meeting Friday night. Bro. Pope will be with us in Sunday school Sunday.

The Compere rabbit drive was a great success. We thank every one who came and helped us on the drive. The ladies had plenty of dinner to feed the crowd. R. S. Palmer barbecued the meat and Mr. Johnson made the coffee.

Boyd Tarpley's folks are all sick with the flu this week.

Mrs. R. D. Lucas is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Smith, this week, near Abilene.

Mrs. Bill Childress visited with her mother, Mrs. Smith, Tuesday.

Grandma Palmer was out to the rabbit drive Tuesday.

There was no school Tuesday afternoon and the teachers and pupils went on the rabbit drive.

The Sewing Club met with Mrs. D. W. Ashby last Wednesday evening. After an hour or so the ladies were invited into the dining room, where punch and cake were served to Mesdames Clemmer, Atkins, Outlaw, Davis, Sherrrell, Lucas, Harris, Tarvin, Marshall, Chester Lucas, Wylie Outlaw, Dee Lucas, Miss Opera Outlaw, Ashby and McNutt. The Club will meet with Mrs. Davis next Wednesday.

Mr. W. A. Holt and family of Ballinger were up last Sunday, guests of Mr. J. S. Thomas and family.

The many friends of Mr. H. H. Toombs will be glad to learn that he is up and about after being confined to his home several days on account of an attack of the "flu".

Miss Mary Hutcheson was over Sunday from McMurry for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hutcheson.

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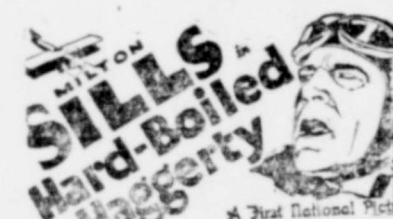
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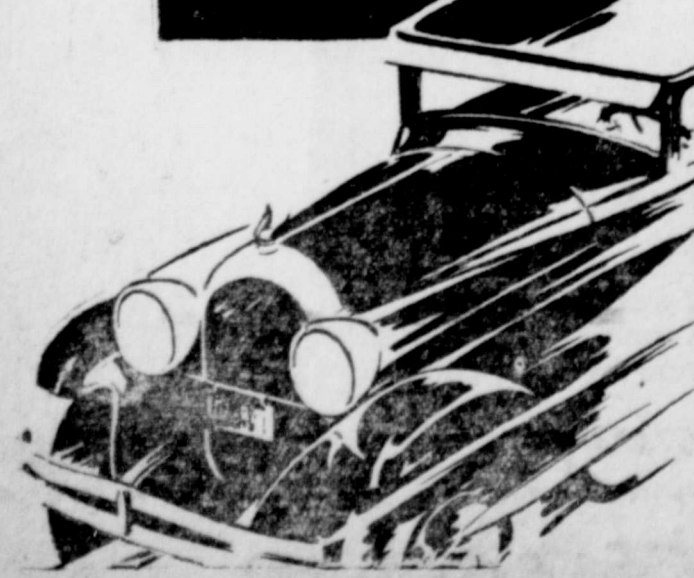
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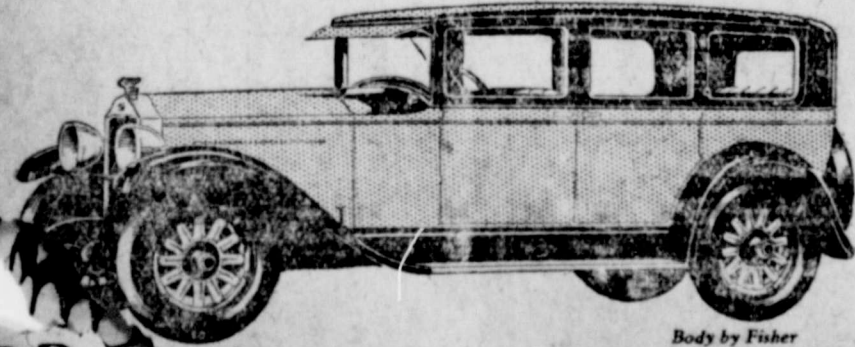
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An interesting feature of the morning program of worship will be a violin number by Mrs. R. E. Wendland, of Temple, Texas. Don't miss hearing this. The pastor will preach at both morning and evening hours and he is anxious for a full attendance of the membership of the church and all others who will come.

The Senior League was organized last Sunday evening with an enrollment of 22 members—a very fine beginning. Others of our young people are invited to join the League and attend its meetings. The Juniors now meet on Sunday afternoons at two o'clock. This new arrangement seems to have met the approval of both the children and parents, and we are expecting a further increase in attendance and interest. The H's are having fine programs and a good attendance, but there is room for others who will come.

## Dora Doings

Since the last writing we have had some real cool weather. Had thin ice two nights. Unless our peach blossoms are frost proof they are sure killed.

Building is going right on in our city. W. F. Hardy is erecting a concrete two-story store building which will be real nice when finished.

E. P. Perry has bought a large lighting system and intends to furnish the town with electric lights. We want to number our houses and name our streets next.

Ira Oliver from Canyon City is visiting home folks a few days between terms at Teachers College.

Grandpa McCray still lingers very low at this writing.

Quite a few from here attended quarterly conference at Hyton last Saturday.

Herman Russell has been on the sick list the past week.

A gang went fishing the other day, but we never heard just how big the one was that got away. The fishermen were Roy Lane, Earl Wallis and Cliff Perry, all real fishermen.

B. E. Dalton of Merkel was in our community Sunday.

We have organized a ball team and have the money raised for phone calls through the summer, so we are ready for all the surrounding teams to come over and give us a game. Who will be first?

Grandpa Oliver and family and Dr. Eargle's family are enjoying fresh pork since the norther last week.

Rev. Cook, a student of McMurry College, preached at Slater's Chapel Sunday morning. Rev. Chapel Hardy preach Sunday evening.

J. B. McCoy has traded his Ford for a Pontiac sedan.

J. R. McCoy has bought a Ford coupe.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wallis made a business trip to Sweetwater Saturday.

The Home Demonstrating Club met Wednesday with twelve present and had a lesson in millinery, which was enjoyed by all present. Nance.

### ELDER JOHN M. RICE TO PREACH AT BLAIR

This paper is requested to announce that Elder John M. Rice, of Abilene, will preach at Blair Church of Christ next Sunday morning at the eleven o'clock hour.

The services will be held at the school building. Bible study at 10:30. Everybody is cordially invited.

### SENIOR B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM

Subject: "George Whitefield, the Great Evangelist." (1714-1770)

Introduction, Fannie Belle Boaz.

1. America's need and Edward's Ministry, Vennie Heizer.

2. Boyhood and early training, Luck Tracy.

3. Preaching in spite of opposition, Mrs. Stephenson.

4. Prince of Preachers in America, Bill Haynes.

5. Results of the Great Revival, Mae Lassiter.

Mrs. A. Morton, who for the past week has been quite ill is reported at this time as being much improved.

## Golan News

The health of this community is not very good at present. There are several students absent from school on account of having the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brown and family were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Hooper Sunday.

We are glad to learn that Mr. D. R. Thompson is some better at this time.

There was a party given for the young people at the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Byrom Saturday night. There was quite a number present, and all reported a very good time.

Mr. Tom Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lawlis and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Williams were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Byrom Sunday.

Mr. Otho Thompson of Spur is with his father, Mr. D. R. Thompson, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Duncan spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Byrom.

Miss Lula May Byrom and Miss Willie Evelyn Kennedy spent Sunday with Miss Dean Morrow.

Mrs. Ollie Skidmore was the guest of Mrs. H. C. Thompson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer McLeod were with their parents, of Trent, of the week-end.

Mrs. O. F. Fox and children of Merkel are spending this week with her father, Mr. D. R. Thompson.

Miss Nina Skidmore was the guest of Miss Survela Dean last Sunday.

Mr. J. L. Tabor, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. M. B. Tabor, were here first of the week from their home near Wilson, on the Plains. They formerly resided in this community before moving to the Plains. Mr. Tabor states that they like the Plains fine and have had good success farming there, having made 62 bales of cotton the first year, 67 bales the second year, and 80 bales last year from 194 acres.

As guests in their home this week Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Mayhew have had their daughter, Mrs. R. E. Wendland, and baby daughter Bobby Lee, of Temple, and their son, H. M. Mayhew, of Temple.

Dr. Kirchhoff, of Indiana, was here last week, a guest in the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Gardner. Dr. Kirchhoff was on a prospecting trip and has located in Plainview.

City Marshal Denny is now all dressed up in a new policeman's uniform. Mr. Denny, who is making this city a fine peace officer, not only looks well in his new uniform, but acts like a real officer—a gentleman peace officer. No man should be allowed to carry a commission as a peace officer who is not an honest, law-abiding, upright citizen himself.

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S. D. Rodkey of Dallas was in Merkel this week installing one of the newest models of the X-Ray machine in the office of Dr. C. B. Gardner. In purchasing this type of machine with other new equipment recently added Mr. Rodkey complimented Dr. Gardner and the city of Merkel very heartily, saying that this was one of the best equipped offices in West Texas.

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**HEBRON NEWS**

Mr. Jim Williamson and wife returned Tuesday from Southern Texas and Old Mexico. They reported a fine trip.

Mrs. Armon Bayless is very sick at this writing.

Miss Bessielou Pannell visited Miss Winnie Bayless Sunday.

Mr. Huston Clark and family visited Mr. Charlie West and wife Sunday at Merkel.

Paul Pannell visited Davis Blackwell Sunday.

Mr. Lon Loving and children visited Mr. Blackwell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Pannell visited Mr. A. J. Pannell and family last Sunday.

Mr. F. R. Demere and daughter, Miss Rebia, were among the visitors to the Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth last week.

When you feel like this is a world of gloom, And every rose to you has lost its bloom,

When life's one unpleasant thing after another

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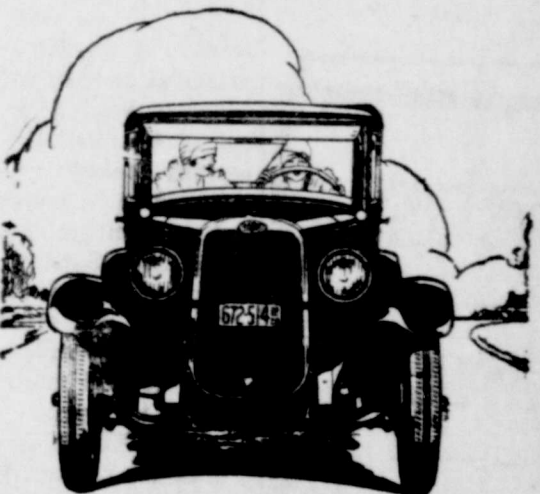
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E. F. Vantrees, successful farmer in the Hawley community, had business here first of the week. He says the advertising he has been carrying in this paper for the sale of planting cotton seed has paid him well.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harkins, of Roscoe, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Boney last Sunday.

### Presbyterian Church

Sunday School at 10 a.m. Be on time. We have had a very satisfactory increase in attendance the last few Sundays; let's make it better next Sunday.

Preaching at 11 o'clock. At 7:30 we will have a laymen's service. A special song service. The principal address will be given by Dr. Johnson. Would like for every member of the church to be present, especially the men's fellowship club are expected to be present.

A very enjoyable program was rendered last Sunday evening by the ladies missionary society.

Visitors and strangers are always welcome to worship with us. Our revival meeting begins second Sunday in April.

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

### TRENT CHURCH OF CHRIST

"If every Christian were just like you, how much good work should the whole church do?"

We thank God that many of our members are doing good work and therefore the interest is great and the Church is growing. Dear brother or sister, are you doing all the good you can? If not you are hindering the church and you have sinned. "Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin."—James 4:17.

We want a few more of our good neighbors and friends to come next Sunday morning and our large house will be filled. If there should be one who thinks himself an enemy COME, let us all be friends. Let us all study God's Word together and march onward and upward until we enter those gates of pearl.

Bible study 10 a.m. Sermon 11 a.m. Text, "Go Thy Way," Acts 24:25. Communion 12 M.

Children's class 7:15 p.m.  
Young People's service 7:15 p.m.  
Sermon 8 p.m. Subject, "Obedience." Wednesday Bible study 8 p.m.  
Friday song practice 8 p.m.  
Carl A. Collins, Minister.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lowe, were happy to have as their guests first of the week, Mr. Bob Crosby, world champion all-round Cowboy, and his wife, who were on their way from attending the Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth to his ranch in New Mexico.

### INTERMEDIATE B. Y. P. U.

Subject, "A Great Home Mission Secretary."

1. Introduction, William Sheppard.
  2. Years of preparation, Louise Booth.
  3. Years of pastoral work, Harold Boney.
  4. Years of Educational work, D. O. Huddleston.
  5. Years of secretarial work, Verna Lee Beasley.
  6. Last years, Gerald Derrick.
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- Mrs. Fritz Wilke, Albert.
- Mrs. W. R. Thomas, Athens.
- A. A. Krause, Yoakum.
- Mrs. Nora Hillboldt, Cat Springs.
- Mrs. M. A. Martin, Lorenzo.
- Mrs. J. S. Mitchell, Farmerville.

Remember above date, that consultation on this trip will be free and that his treatment is different.

Married women must be accompanied by their husbands.

Address: 211 Bradbury Bldg., Los Angeles, California. 10:3p

### SENIOR LEAGUE PROGRAM

The Senior Epworth League of the Methodist Church of Merkel was reorganized and new officers elected on last Sunday afternoon. New interest and enthusiasm on the part of the members since the recent revival is expected to cause the Senior League work to go forward and grow very rapidly from now on. Let every member talk League work and come to the meetings each Sunday afternoon at 6:45 and urge others to come.

New officers elected were: Cyrus Pee, president; Cora Lee Hulsey, secretary; Floyd Dowell, vice president; Rosa Laney, treasurer; Ethel Wilson, supt. 1st dept.; Gladys Milliken, Supt. 2nd dept.; Opal Patterson, supt. 3rd dept.; Mrs. Tom Allday, supt. 4th dept.; Tom Allday, Era Agent.

In honor of his Christian character and in recognition of his devoted work to the Epworth League, it was unanimously voted at this meeting to name this League "The Joe Reidenbach Chapter, Senior Epworth League," of Merkel Methodist Church.

### Program.

Leader, Annie Lou Russell.  
Song and prayer.  
Scripture: Matt. 18:21-25.  
What the Epworth League gives to young people and the church, Cora Lee Hulsey.

What can we give to the Epworth League, Floyd Dowell.  
Song: Benediction. Time, 6:45.

### SHOWER FOR MRS. LILES

Mesdames C. P. Stevens and Steve Burch entertained with a pretty miscellaneous shower last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Stevens in honor of Mrs. Milbra Suber Liles, a recent bride.

The guests were greeted at the door by Mrs. Nannie Causseaux, and were then asked to register in a beautiful "Bride's Book." The married women were requested to tell the most interesting incident in their married life. The presents were then presented. The bride received many beautiful and useful gifts.

The hostesses served a salad course to the following guests: Mesdames Ansel Coats, Lake Renfro, Reece Hail E. D. Coats, W. M. O'Brian, R. L. Bradshaw, Marvin Boney, Tally Holloway, Nannie Causseaux, W. A. Johnson, Sid Coats, Dan Reidenbach, H. F. Greene, J. E. Tucker, Pence, J. A. Stanford, Tom Harrell, G. R. Holloway, Curtis Wilcox, Misses Anna Lou Russell, Opal Patterson, Gladys Milliken, Velma Stevens and Stella King.

Mrs. J. M. Ashby returned Tuesday from Fayetteville, Tennessee, where she had been visiting for several weeks. She also visited friends and relatives at Nashville. Mrs. Ashby left Merkel on February 19th to attend the funeral services of her father, Ben Renfro, age 67, who died at Fayetteville. In the past ten years eight members of the family have passed away, leaving three children, two boys beside Mrs. Ashby. She was accompanied home by her brother W. D. Ashby, who will be here for some time.



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### JUNIOR LEAGUE PROGRAM

Subject: "Love Our Neighbors".

Leader, Rogene Dye.

Scripture, Luke 10:25-37, by leader.

Roll Call. Song 181.

Prayer by superintendent.

Stories by Juniors.

"The story of a Frozen song," by Rogene Dye.

"Cast thy bread upon the water," by Ralph Hayes.

"Put up the bans," by Janet Hayes.

Piano solo by Mary Grace Dunn.

Reading by Nell Hughes.

Song 184.

Piano solo by Alice Church.

Song by Lois Whiteley, Wanda Hunter, Imogene Middleton and Florene Rider.

Benediction.

League starts at 2 o'clock. Everybody be sure to come.

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### VAUDEVILLE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT THE PALACE

Mr. Lamb arrived in Merkel this morning and said he was going to put on the biggest country store Friday and Saturday at the Palace theatre that Merkel has ever known.

"Little Lamb," as he calls himself, played here two years ago and made many friends, and since that time he has gained the name of Hollywood's talking baritone and radio artist. He promises a treat to the show going public.

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Mr. S. A. Farris, a registered pharmacist, of Sweetwater, has accepted a position with the Hamm Drug Company in this city. He has a family and expects to move them here as soon as suitable residence can be arranged. We welcome them to our city.

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