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Cemetery Fund Is Still Inadequate

The entire amount subscribed to the Rose Hill Cemetery Fund to date is \$395.50.

Subscriptions this week were:
Mrs. S. L. Phillips \$5.00
A. T. Sheppard \$10.00
J. H. Grayson \$25.00

Unless you make your contribution soon to this worthy cause, we will have to adopt some other method of raising the money, or else do away with the regular attendant at the Cemetery. Who is it that would like to see our cemetery grow up in weeds, graves sunken in, and have the general appearance of a city dump ground?

We all have (or should have) pride in our cemetery and there is but one way to do it; that is to pay a man to give his entire time to this cause, and that takes money. Just a little from each one interested will be sufficient. Don't delay making your contribution any longer; do it now. We will again print the names of all who contribute to this fund next week. Let's see if we can't complete this amount this week. If you are a citizen of Merkel and surrounding country or if you live elsewhere and have loved ones buried here you should contribute to this cause. So don't disappoint us—come on with that subscription NOW. Committee.



CARL A. COLLINS

Carl A. Collins in Goodman Meeting

A protracted meeting is now in progress at the Goodman School house near Noodle Dome, which will continue the greater part of next week. The preaching is being done by Carl A. Collins, Minister of the Trent Church of Christ and congregational singing is being conducted by Mr. Nathan Wood of Merkel and Mr. Joseph Naley and Mr. Royce Dowdy of Trent. This is an invitation to you to come every night at 8:30 and hear the plain Gospel.



MISS LUCY TRACY
Merkel's Sponsor to W.T.C.C. Meeting

JUNIOR LEAGUE PROGRAM

Prayer; Song.
Lesson, John (10:14-16)
Wanda Hunter.
Sides (April Junior page)
Church.
Right (April Junior page)
Whiteley.
Francis Marie Church.
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Funeral Held For John Gilchrist, 72

John Gilchrist, for many years a citizen of Merkel and surrounding community, following a brief illness of only a few days, died at seven-thirty o'clock on the morning of Saturday, June 16, at the home of E. B. Barnes, where he was making his home. His remains were prepared for burial and held until Tuesday morning awaiting the arrival of a nephew from Detroit, Michigan, and was then laid to rest in beautiful Rose Hill Cemetery, with funeral services being conducted by Rev. R. A. Walker, pastor of the Grace Presbyterian Church, the deceased being a devoted member of that denomination.

Born in Lanarshire, Scotland, July 1855, deceased came to Taylor county direct from Scotland about forty-five years ago, being one of the very early settlers in Buffalo Gap, then the County Site of Taylor county, and continuously made this county his home, living for many years in Mulberry Canyon and the Merkel community.

Uncle Johnnie, according to those who knew him best, was not a man who talked much, being on the other hand very quiet and reserved. However he is said to have bound close to him as a friend every one with whom he became well known and intimate, and had no enemies. While it is said that he was not a man after much gold, he was always in comfortable circumstances, and when called by his Lord and Maker, left to his bank credit a handsome sum, an amount that would have been spoken of as a fortune a few years ago.

Being nearly 73 years of age, and never having returned to his home land since his departure 45 years ago, he had about finished making plans for a trip to Scotland, intending to leave about July 15. Mr. John Gilchrist, Jr., who arrived here Tuesday for the burial of his beloved uncle, had planned to come here for a visit with Uncle Johnnie the first of July, and accompany him to New York for his trip to Scotland.

Besides the nephew, who was present for the funeral, deceased is survived by two brothers, Gavin and William Gilchrist, both of whom reside in the homeland, as well as several nieces and nephews. We are informed that when Buffalo Gap built the once well known and famous Presbyterian College, Mr. William Gilchrist, then residing in this country, was among those employed in the erection of the main building of this, one of the first educational institutions in all the West.

This paper with every acquaintance of the deceased, deeply regret the going of this good citizen and pioneer, and extend deepest sympathy to the bereaved nephew, brothers and other relatives residing in Scotland.

Merkel Well Represented at W. T. C. of C. Convention

Mr. L. R. Thompson, who is a member of the Board of Directors of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, was the first to depart last Saturday for Fort Worth, where he went to represent this city in the three-day annual convention of this largest and greatest organization of its kind in the world.

Miss Lucy Tracy was chosen as Merkel's sponsor for the big pageant to be given on Monday evening, and was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Holland Teaff, left Sunday to be present for that grand occasion. All Merkel was proud to thus honor Miss Tracy, feeling certain that no town, throughout the great west would have a more worthy or capable sponsor to represent them.

Among others from this city attending this big event we learn of the following: Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Gamble and children, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Case and son Milton, Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Buford, S. T. Johnson and Paul West, and others.

MISS RICHARDS IMPROVING FROM OPERATION

Miss Eunice Richards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Richards, who last week underwent an operation for appendicitis at a local sanitarium, is doing nicely and is expected to soon be able to return to her home.

Daring Drivers Will Race At Abilene, July 4

ABILENE, June 21.—Not less than 25 drivers, including the most experienced and daring auto racing pilots of the Southwest, will line up before the starter's flag at the annual July Fourth automobile races to be staged on the West Texas Fair Park Speedway at Abilene, in the opinion of D. H. Jefferies, southwestern representative of the American Automobile Association under whose auspices the races will be staged.

Eight drivers already have signed and returned entry blanks which were sent to them several days ago by Mr. Jefferies. The list is swelling steadily and by the time the lists are closed the afternoon before the races Mr. Jefferies is confident it will exceed twenty-five and possibly will set a new record for entry totals.

Drivers who already have entered are: M. T. Wells and M. L. Brooks, San Antonio, two cars; Harry T. Milburn, Fort Worth; C. E. McCathern, Breckenridge; George W. Barringer, Wichita Falls; Sam Jewell, Duncan, Okla.; J. F. Miller, Abilene; S. L. Miller, San Angelo.

Prizes totaling \$3,000, plus 20 percent of all gate receipts in excess of \$6,500, have been offered by the West Texas Fair Association to winning drivers. Five events, in addition to the time trials, have been arranged. The standing award of \$50 to the driver breaking the record set by the late Frank Lockhart of 65 seconds for two laps of the five-eighths mile track will be offered again this year. A prize of \$25 will go to the driver making the fastest time in the trials for place and who fails to set a new track record.

A 25-mile race, to be known as the West Texas Sweepstakes, will be the feature event. This race will be open to first and second place winners in the four preceding events. Guaranteed prizes for the race total \$1,350, of which \$700 will go to winner of first place, \$350 to second, \$200 to third and \$100 to fourth place.

The four preceding events are 10 and 15-lap races. The program will open at 1 o'clock on the afternoon of July Fourth with the time trials.

BAPTIST WORKERS MEET AT BLACKWELL JULY 2

The following program of the Worker's Council of Sweetwater Baptist Association will be rendered at the Blackwell Baptist Church when the council convenes there on July 2nd, 1928.

10 a.m. Devotional, J. E. Walker.
10:15 a.m. Denominational Loyalty, Ira L. Parrack.
10:45 a.m. What Should be the Attitude of Our Association Toward Simmons University, J. D. Sandefer.
11:15 a.m. Sermon, C. A. Powell.

LUNCH.

1 p.m. Meetings of W.M.U. of Association and Executive Board.
1:30 p.m. Devotional, O. L. Dennis.
1:45 p.m. Evangelism in Sunday School, E. K. Daugherty.
2:00 p.m. Checking up on Standard Schools, Missionary.
2:10 p.m. Associational Standard, Will Largent.
2:25 p.m. Inspirational Address, Chas. T. Whaley.

New York Sending 500 Smith Boosters To Houston Meet

According to Mark L. Goodwin, staff correspondent for the Dallas News, and printed in Wednesday's issue of that paper, Mayor Jimmie Walker, of New York, will head a delegation of 500 Smith boosters to Houston to boost the Smith cause for the nomination for president. The article also stated that Mayor Walker, who is expected to represent the state of New York on the resolutions and platform committee, had stated that the New York Governor will stand on "any platform the convention may be expected to write."

Old Time Revival at Butman Tabernacle

Beginning next Sunday at the new Butman Tabernacle, Rev. Geo. A. Lawrie, pastor of the Live Oak Baptist Church, assisted by Evangelist Chas. D. Owen, will conduct a revival meeting—"An Old Fashioned Revival, conducted in the old fashioned way"—a meeting for all Mulberry Canyon, according to the announcement of the evangelistic party.

There will be two services each day and everybody, regardless of church affiliation, is cordially invited to attend and take part in the meeting. The music and choir will be in charge of Ewell Bone, gospel singer, and every one regardless of church will be welcome and urged to take part in the music.

This is a very strong evangelistic party and the prediction is that a great meeting will be had.



N. L. SEALE

Candidate for Sheriff, Taylor Co.

SINGING AT MT. PLEASANT NEXT SUNDAY

Mrs. J. S. Anderson of the Mount Pleasant community was in the Mail office Monday of this week, and asked us to announce that there will be Fourth Sunday Singing at the Mount Pleasant Baptist Church next Sunday. Everybody is cordially invited to attend and take part in the singing. It is expected that a very large crowd will be in attendance. The singing is expected to begin at 2:30.



G. W. ASH

Candidate For Representative

G. W. Ash Announces For Representative

G. W. Ash, of Abilene, formally announcing his candidacy for state representative for Taylor County, yesterday issued the following statement:

To the voters of Merkel and Taylor county:

In announcing as a candidate for state representative from Taylor county, it might be well to state that I am not an attorney and have never been in politics but am just a common farmer and business man. I am a native Texan; born and raised in a log house in the piney woods of East Texas in Rusk and Panola counties.

The greater part of my boyhood days was spent in working on my father's farm and splitting rails. Good schools in those days were very scarce, thus making our opportunities exceedingly limited. So the greater part of my education has been gained in the great school of experience in every-day life.

I have as my opponents Judge Carlos Speck and W. P. Head, two of Abilene's esteemed citizens; who are well known to all. I have no criticism to make of either of these gentlemen, but on the other hand I expect to make this race on my own merits and not on the demerits of any man.

I have been a life-long Democrat, and have always voted a prohibition ticket, standing always for a strict enforcement of the Eighteenth amendment in our state and the United States. You will recall that we were promised a reduction in automobile tax when we voted the tax on gasoline. I now stand for a reduction of the automobile tax to the minimum—only a registration fee. Tax gasoline more if necessary, and let the fellow that rides pay the bill. I am also in favor of a more stringent law on the cold checker to the end that all classes of people may be protected. I believe in strict economy in office and believe in a reduction of taxes where it is consistent with a business administration of the state's affairs.

I may add that it is not my intention to join in any mud slinging controversy in my campaign. I consider this is an office that belongs to the people, and they certainly have a right to speak. I appeal to both ladies and gentlemen of Taylor county for their vote and influence, and in return I promise good and efficient service present as near as possible at every roll call, ever looking to serve the best interest of the people as a whole.

A vote for G. W. Ash for state representative means a vote for a reduction in taxes.

Thanking all in advance for any favors shown me in this race, I am yours for better service.

Respectfully,
G. W. ASH.

BLUE LODGE MASONS TO INSTALL OFFICERS

Worshipful Master M. C. Graham has called a meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710, A. F. & A. M., for Monday night, June 25th, for the purpose of installing officers elected for the ensuing year at the last stated meeting.

A large attendance of the membership is urgently requested and all officers are expected to be present.

Mrs. A. M. Jones and Miss Edna Marie Jones are the guests of Miss Christine Collins this week.

Mr. Wagner Toastmaster For Lions

The regular Tuesday Lions Club meeting was held at the Woodrum Hotel at the noon hour, and besides a bountiful dinner of baked chicken with all accessories, a splendid program was rendered. Mr. Rolph Wagner of the Modern Dry Cleaners was the pleasing and interesting Toastmaster. The program, besides two songs by Miss Mona Margaret Jones, with Miss Melba West at the piano, consisted of addresses by Rev. Mayhew, Messrs Anderson, West and Overton.

In the absence of the president Deo Grimes, vice-president, very ably presided over the business session of the meeting.

Mayfield-McCrary Wedding Solemnized

On last Sunday morning at seven o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Mayfield, Rev. Ira L. Parrack spoke the words that united in marriage Miss Gladys M. Mayfield and Mr. Edward McCrary.

The ceremony was performed in the presence of only close members of the family and the happy couple left immediately for an overlaid trip to points of interest in New Mexico. Upon their return they will be at home for the present with Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Scott.

The bride is the charming daughter of Mr. J. W. Mayfield, and is one of Merkel's most accomplished young ladies, very popular in society and church circles.

The groom, who has made his home with his sister, Mrs. L. B. Scott, for some time, is one of this city's best young men, of sterling character and fine business qualifications, who numbers his friends by his acquaintances.

This paper joins the host of friends of both the contracting parties in wishing for them all the blessings, happiness and success in life.

Mrs. D. W. Ashby Of Compere Dead

Mrs. Willie Harris Ashby, wife of D. W. Ashby, of the Compere community, was born in Marshall County, Tennessee, September 23, 1868. She departed this life on June 15, 1928.

At the age of fifteen she was converted and joined the Missionary Baptist church in her home community in Tennessee. Through all these years she had been an active member of the church. Only during her last few months she was not able to attend regularly the church services. Her membership had been with the Compere Baptist Church for a number of years and she was one of the most active members of the church.

On November 12, 1893 she was married to Mr. D. W. Ashby and for this nearly thirty five years she had helped him to maintain a Christian home. She will be missed in her community where she had always been ready to lend a helping hand in every case of sickness or distress. She will be missed in her church where she had been a willing worker. But most of all she will be missed in her home.

On Sunday, June 17, her funeral service was held in the Compere church which was filled to overflowing by sorrowing friends and relatives. The service was conducted by her pastor, Ira L. Parrack. The music was directed by Mr. Ira Stanley of Stith and Mr. Yates Brown of Merkel. A special number was rendered by a quartette of her friends. Not only the great crowd but the beautiful floral offering showed that the many friends of the family wanted to help in this sad hour.

She is survived by her husband, D. W. Ashby, of Compere, her mother Mrs. M. E. Harris, who had stayed with her during her failing health, an adopted daughter, Mrs. Ethel Spurgeon of Anson, a sister, Mrs. Frank Powell of Moran, and two brothers, Mr. R. M. Harris of Moran and Mr. D. M. Harris of Dunlap, Tennessee.

After the service at the Compere church the body was laid to rest in the Rose Hill Cemetery at Merkel, where the grave was covered with one many beautiful flowers that kind friends had brought.

Mr. W. W. Bain of Paris is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Scott.

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THE WAY TO SAVE

The man who works with hand or brain,
 Yet never saves, will never gain
 The things of life the thrifty do;
 His dream of life will not come true.
 The way to save is to pass by
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 For present needs use less amount.
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IN MEMORY OF MRS. D. W. ASHBY

Mrs. Ashby departed this life June 15, 1928.
 Thou art gone our precious darling,
 How we miss the voice we love,
 Yet we know that God has called you
 To that home in Heaven above.

How we miss you, oh our darling,
 How our hearts are filled with pain,
 And our lives are sad and lonely,
 Yet our loss is Heaven's gain.

Oh our darling, how we'll miss you,
 As on thru this life we go,
 Yet, Dear one, we would not call you
 Back to this world of pain and woe.

For we know some day our Saviour
 Will call us to our own reward,
 Then, our Darling, we will meet you
 In the presence of our Lord.

There we'll clasp glad hands together
 And we'll sing our Saviour's praise,
 Then, Dear One, we'll live together
 Through those endless happy days.
 —MRS. H. R. C.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
 To the Sheriff or any Constable of Taylor County, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to summon T. C. Bosley, Mrs. T. C. Bosley (wife of said T. C. Bosley), the unknown heirs of said T. C. Bosley, the unknown heirs of said Mrs. T. C. Bosley, S. C. Bosley, Mrs. S. C. Bosley (wife of said S. C. Bosley), the unknown heirs of said S. C. Bosley, the unknown heirs of said Mrs. S. C. Bosley, the unknown heirs and devisees and legatees and legal representatives of each of the defendants hereinabove specifically named, the unknown heirs and devisees and legatees and legal representatives of each of the unknown heirs hereinabove mentioned or referred to, and the unknown owners of the land and premises involved in this suit, 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 District Court of Taylor County, Texas in the 42nd Judicial District of Texas, to be holden at the Court House of said County in Abilene, Texas, on the 3rd Monday in July, A. D. 1928, the same being the 16th day of July A. D. 1928, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 14th day of June, A. D. 1928, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 6872-A, wherein J. D. Porter is Plaintiff, and The Texas and Pacific Railway Company, T. C. Bosley, said Mrs. T. C. Bosley, the unknown heirs of said T. C. Bosley, the unknown heirs of said Mrs. T. C. Bosley, S. C. Bosley, said Mrs. S. C. Bosley, the unknown heirs of said S. C. Bosley, the unknown heirs of said Mrs. S. C. Bosley, the unknown heirs and devisees and legatees and legal representatives of each of the defendants hereinabove specifically named other than the Texas and Pacific Railway Company, the unknown heirs and devisees and legatees and legal representatives of each of the unknown heirs hereinabove mentioned or referred to, and the unknown owners of the land and premises involved in this suit are defendants; and the nature of plaintiff's suit being a suit in trespass to try title and to recover of defendants the title and possession of that certain parcel of land situated in Taylor County, Texas, and being Lot No. Four (4) in Block No. Twenty-three (23) in the town of Merkel, Texas, and to remove cloud from title, said petition alleging that plaintiff owns good title to said land and premises under the five and ten years statutes of limitation of the State of Texas, and that defendants are claiming some kind of title and right of possession in and to said premises but that such claims are inferior to plaintiff's title and are a cloud thereon; plaintiff asks for judgment for title and possession, costs of suit, removal of cloud from title, etc.

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 14th day of June A. D. 1928.

BELLE WELLBORN, Clerk, District Court, Taylor County. 15t4

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

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Diltz and little daughter returned first of the week from a visit with friends and relatives in Amarillo. Mr. Diltz, who is the accommodating Cashier of the Farmers State Bank, stated that the high, hot winds prevailing over all West Texas since last Saturday was doing much damage to wheat and other crops on the Plains.

Mrs. J. M. Dry and daughter Miss Lorena left this week for Dublin, where they will visit the former's son, Lloyd Dry, and wife.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Political

For Congress, 17th District:
 R. Q. LEE, of Cisco.
 T. P. PERKINS of Mineral Wells
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Precinct Announcements
 FOR Commissioner, Precinct No. 2:
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YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to summon Henry Lewis 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 42nd District Court of Taylor County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Abilene, Texas, on the third Monday in July A. D. 1928, the same being the 16th day of July A. D. 1928, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 3rd day of April A. D. 1928, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 6813-A, wherein M. L. Lewis, is Plaintiff, and

Henry Hewis is Defendant, and said petition alleging

Plaintiff and Defendant were married about Sept. 23, 1923, and separated about Sept. 23, 1924. Plaintiff sues for divorce on the ground of three years abandonment, all of which is fully alleged in her petition.

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.

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(To Be Continued) (COPY, J. T. HUNTER)

Presbyterian Church

Sunday School at 10 a.m. At the 11 o'clock hour there will be a special service for members of the church who have recently returned from schools as teachers or students. Special music. Evening service will begin at 8:30. Prayermeeting Wednesday evening. If you have no church relation or are a stranger here, come worship with us. Wm. Elliott, Supt. S. S. R. A. Walker, Pastor.

MISS MARY PENCE IS HOSTESS

At her home on last Thursday afternoon, Miss Mary Pence very pleasantly entertained members of her music and Sunday School classes. At the close of the evening's entertainment a refreshment plate of ice cream and cake was served to the following: Alice Church, Lois Whiteley, Kathleen Harmon, Zumer Spears, Lena Fae Harrell, Vivian Burger, Jackie Slater, Mildred McClure, Mrs. Spears Mrs. Pence, Mary Click, Emma Campbell, J. H. and Dawson Spears, and the hostess.

Mr. R. T. Canon, who last year sold his splendid farm near Stith, dropped in last Friday to have us change the address of his Merkel Mail from Merkel to Cordell, Oklahoma, as he and his family were moving to that city. Mr. Canon is a fine citizen and we regret to lose him and his excellent family.

Miss Addie Holler, bookkeeper and stenographer at the Farmers State Bank, returned first of the week from a pleasant vacation trip, during which she visited her home in Gail and a number of other West Texas points.

Herbert Patterson, the very clever Assistant Cashier of the Farmers State Bank, accompanied by Mrs. Patterson and son, Truette, left first of the week for a vacation trip that will take them for a visit to Dallas, Houston and other points in South Texas. They expect to return via Temple, where Mr. Patterson and Truette will have their tonsils removed.

Mr. E. D. Turner and family returned last Saturday from their vacation trip to Corpus Christi and other South Texas points. They report a very fine trip.

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Blair Items

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Horton and family of Salt Branch were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Meeks Sunday.

Mrs. John Reynolds of Tromkell, Texas, visited Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hughes one day last week.

Mrs. Marion Logan and son Donald Ray, visited relatives in Buffalo Gap the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Spears, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Spears of Valeria, Texas, spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Spears.

Mr. and Mrs. Ransom Meeks and daughter Florence motored to Rotan Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Horton and family of Trent visited Mr. and Mrs. Carl Doan Sunday.

The stork has been very busy recently. He has visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Patterson, where he left a baby boy, and at Mr. and Mrs. Price Melton's he left a girl. Mr. and Mrs. Rigger Clark have a new boy; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Abbott are parents of a baby girl; Mr. and Mrs. Owen Patterson are proud of a new girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Melton and sons of Trent visited relatives Sunday in this community.

OBITUARY

Mr. J. M. Reeves was born January 16, 1849, in Noono County, Georgia. He moved from there to Pine Grove, Grimes County, Texas, and was there married to Miss Minnie Patterson.

He then moved from there to Falls County, Texas, and later to Blair, Texas, 25 years ago.

Early in life he was converted and joined the Baptist Church, and lived a consecrated life until his death.

Funeral services were held from the Blair Baptist Church, conducted by Bro. Farres of Sweetwater, Texas, assisted by Rev. Ira L. Parrack, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Merkel.

To know him was to appreciate him as a kind and loving father and a devoted husband.

The only surviving member of his family was a brother, Mr. Allen Reeves, of Coleman County, Texas.

Mr. Reeves is survived by his wife and ten children: Henry Reeves of Floydada, Texas, Mrs. Ida Huston of Knox City, Texas, Sam and Jake Reeves of Otrin, Texas, Mrs. John Ray, of Clyde, Texas; Mrs. Effie Tittle of Brownfield; Mrs. Myrtle Whisenhunt, Dora, Texas; Mrs. Lizzie Burk, Mrs. Iva Farmer and Willard Reeves of Merkel.

There were fifty-five grandchildren, fourteen great grandchildren,

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Mr. Booth Warren and family returned first of the week from Dallas, where they visited friends and relatives and where Mr. Warren, who has been in bad health for some time, went through the clinic at Baylor hospital. We are glad to report to Mr. Warren's many friends that he returned feeling much improved.

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FLOYD DOWELL HAS APPENDIX OPERATION

Mr. Floyd Dowell, valuable member of the Merkel Motor Company, underwent an operation at the Grimes & Saddler Sanitarium here early Thursday morning following an acute attack from appendicitis and at this writing Thursday afternoon is reported as doing nicely.

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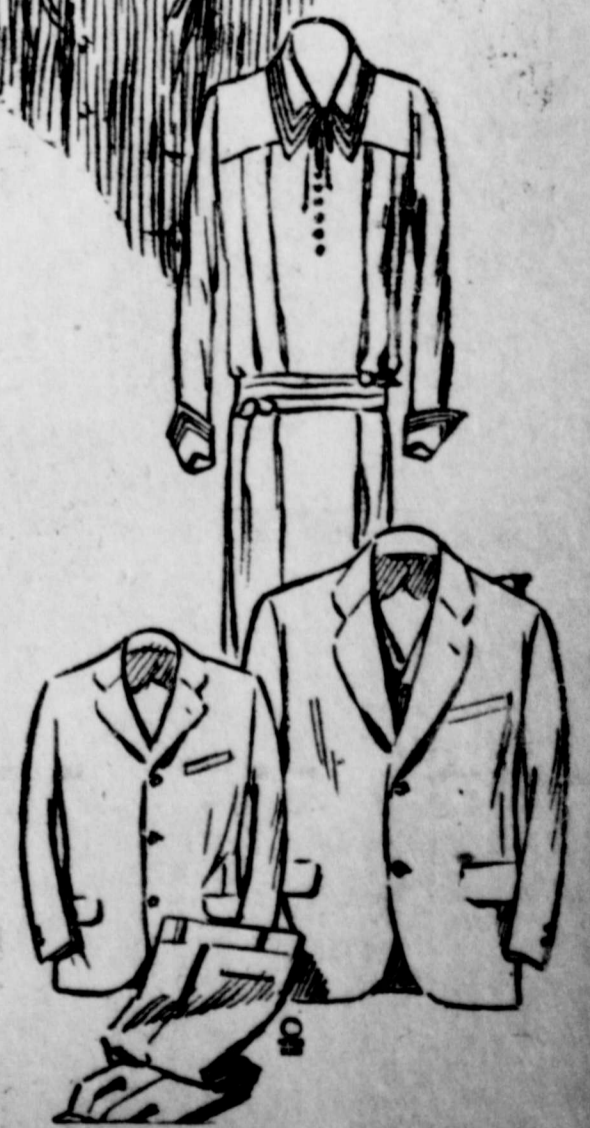
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The women of the church are getting together a shower of useful things to be sent to Miss Blanche Rose Walker, missionary to China. Any one that wishes to have a part in the shower should get their gift to Mrs. T. E. Collins not later than Tuesday.

The pastor will speak at both hours Sunday, at 11 a.m. and 8:30 p.m.

All B.Y.P.U.'s will meet at 7:30.

We missed some of our regular attendants Sunday. We will be looking for you next Sunday. Let's not let the summer slump catch us. Come on and help get ready for the best meeting we have ever had. The meeting is just one month away now and we need to be getting ready for it.

A glad welcome to all visitors and strangers.

Ira L. Parraek, pastor.

SCHOOL BOARD FILLS TWO VACANCIES

At a meeting of the Merkel School Board on last Friday Miss Vera Baker, graduate of McMurry College, Abilene, was elected English Teacher to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Miss Martha Bird, who has accepted a place in the High School at Graham, Texas. Miss Imogene Hays was elected fifth grade teacher, taking the place of Miss Juanita Pierce, of Lamesa, who had resigned.

The board also set September 10 as the opening date for the 1928-29 school term.

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In behalf of his two brothers, other relatives residing in Scotland, his homeland, and myself, I take this method of expressing our sincere thanks to all good people in Merkel who were so kind to my Uncle, John Gilchrist, during his brief illness and death. I also wish to thank every one for the many courtesies and favors shown me since my visit to your fair city. Respectfully,
John Gilchrist, Detroit, Mich. 1tp

Mrs. R. N. Campbell returned first of the week from a pleasant visit with friends and relatives at Zephyr.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. West, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. John R. West, Mr. and Mrs. Booth Warren and George West, Jr., left early Wednesday morning for the Llano River country on an extended fishing and outing trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Denzil Cox, accompanied by Misses Doris and Hallie Pike and Mrs. J. A. Pike, returned first of the week from a visit with relatives at Bagwells, Texas. On their return they were accompanied by Miss Grace Brookerson, who will visit here for some time.

Mrs. O. R. Rodden left first of the week for a visit with her parents at Muleshoe, Texas, where she hopes to recuperate from an extended illness of several weeks.

Mr. Howard Laney and sister, Miss Rosa, returned first of the week from a visit to relatives at Corsicana, Texas, and on their return they were accompanied by Robert and Jimmie Dickley, who will visit with their grandparents here for some time.

Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Mayhew are happy this week to have as their guest their son, W. L. Mayhew, who is connected with the post office department at Trinidad, Colorado.

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Mr. and Mrs. Doc Brubeck, formerly connected with the oil development in the Noodle Creek field, returned to this city first of the week after spending several months at Cross Plains. Mr. Brubeck will again become connected with development work here.

While assisting in unloading a boxed piano from a local freight car to the platform one day this week, Mr. A. Morton, the very clever and capable assistant freight and express agent for the Texas and Pacific Railway, was quite painfully bruised and hurt when the piano fell on him. He is now resting well and his physician thinks he will soon be up and back on the job.

Mrs. I. D. Simpson, of Abilene, following an operation and ten days confinement at the Temple Sanitarium, is now improving nicely at the home of her father, Mr. T. G. Ferguson, but will return to her home in Abilene as soon as she has sufficiently improved.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. McDonald, after a short visit with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. R. Copeland, left for Canyon, where Mrs. McDonald will teach and where Mr. McDonald will finish his education at the West Texas State Teachers College. Mr. and Mrs. McDonald several years ago had charge of the schools at Dora.

Mr. Roy Largent, Sr., of McKinney and Chicago, was here first of the week for a few days visit with his brother, C. M. Largent, and family. The former is representing the Chicago White Sox as field man, and was accompanied by his wife on his visit to Merkel.

Miss Rosa Laney has as her guest this week Misses Elfe and Marza Chaney, of Tatum, New Mexico.

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The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fugat were shocked and grieved to learn that their little son, Billie, just passed one year old, had departed this life on the morning of June 19. Loving hands had done all that could be done to keep him here, but he went to that better home beyond the reach of sin, sorrow and suffering, to await the coming of his loved ones.

The funeral was conducted by pastor Parraek in the local Baptist Church, where kind friends and sorrowing relatives had brought a great display of beautiful flowers. The little white casket rested in a very bower of flowers, but the sweetest flower of all was the little bud that rested so peacefully in the casket. The music was directed by Mr. Willie Joe Largent, and a special number was rendered by Mrs. L. B. Scott and Miss Mona Margaret Jones with Miss Lucy Tracy accompanying.

After the service the little body was tenderly laid to rest in the Rose Hill cemetery where the grave was completely hidden by the flowers that were laid upon it. The heart-broken mother and father came away saying with David, "He is gone, we cannot bring him back; but we will go to him."

Their many friends join in tenderest sympathy for them in their sorrow.

Relatives from Oklahoma, Dallas, Abilene and other points were here to attend the funeral.

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IDLEWISE CLUB

Miss Mary Louise Thaxton was the inspiration for a beautiful Butterfly party on Tuesday of last week in the home of her hostess, Mrs. Warren Smith, and at the same time complimenting members of the Idlewise Club.
 Apple green and apricot yellow were in color predominant on tables appointed for Bridge games, where the entertaining rooms were especially colorful with massed flowers in the favored colors, and an assorted collection of butterflies poised in every available resting place. The games progressed until tea time, when the hostess passed a delectable salad plate, served with a refreshing orange crush with the final tribute going to the table covers of yellow and green, while the refreshments stressed the favored colors throughout. The guest list included Miss Mary Louise Thaxton, Jess Sutphen, Mamie Ellis, Bill Swann, Alva Wheeler, Lucy Tracy, Christine Collins, Mesdames V. P. Tippet, Geo. White, Tom Largent, Bill Brown, Jack Durham, Tom Price and Warren Smith.

THURSDAY CLUB

The members of the Thursday Club were complimented with an especially pretty party in the home of Mrs. Charlie Jones on Thursday of last week. The harmonizing colors of yellow and orange, lavender and purple, made a beautiful color scheme, carried out in all party appointments and in flowers artistically arranged throughout the entertaining rooms. Dainty candies in the chosen colors graced the tables where games of 42 progressed as the afternoons diversion. At the refreshment hour Mrs. Jones, assisted by her mother, served a delicious salad and fruit punch in which the colors of the afternoon were employed.
 Mrs. Jones' guests for the afternoon were Misses Martha Bird, Lucy Tracy, Mesdames Anderson, Young, Brown, Durham, Gamble, Gardner, Dee Grimes, W. J. Largent, Tom Largent, Lassiter, Scott, McFarland, Sears, Thompson, James West, Henry West, George White, Terrell, Dillingham, Brackeen, Gaither, Johnson Buckner and R. I. Grimes.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express to every one who helped in any way during the illness and departure of our darling wife and mother, our sincere appreciation. We could not keep her but we appreciate all you did to help us and all you did to show your sympathy when she went on to be with Jesus. May the Good Lord bless every one of you.
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 MRS. V. E. SPURGEON.

CLYDE BROWN CELEBRATES 15th BIRTHDAY

Clyde Brown entertained a group of friends on his fifteenth birthday on the evening of June sixteenth, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Brown.
 Various games were played. At the closing hour the cake with fifteen candles was cut and served with ice cream to the following: Carvel and Mildred Clark, Duncan Briggs, Audre and Aubre Phillips, Emmette and Gerald Tiner, Woodrow Brewer, Henry and Ervin Euckert, Lora and Ora Hall.

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Horn News

The crops are all progressing fine now, except some of us will have to plant some of our cotton over if this wind don't quit blowing. We are going to have rain pretty soon.
 Mr. and Mrs. Carson Hatfield spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Luther Hatfield.
 Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Davis and Miss Vergie Hatfield spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Davis Sunday.
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carr spent Sunday with Mrs. Benningfield.
 Mrs. Chas. Davis and Miss Desta Davis visited Mrs. G. E. Ellington Tuesday night.
 Miss Cordie Ellington has been sick this week, but is feeling better now.

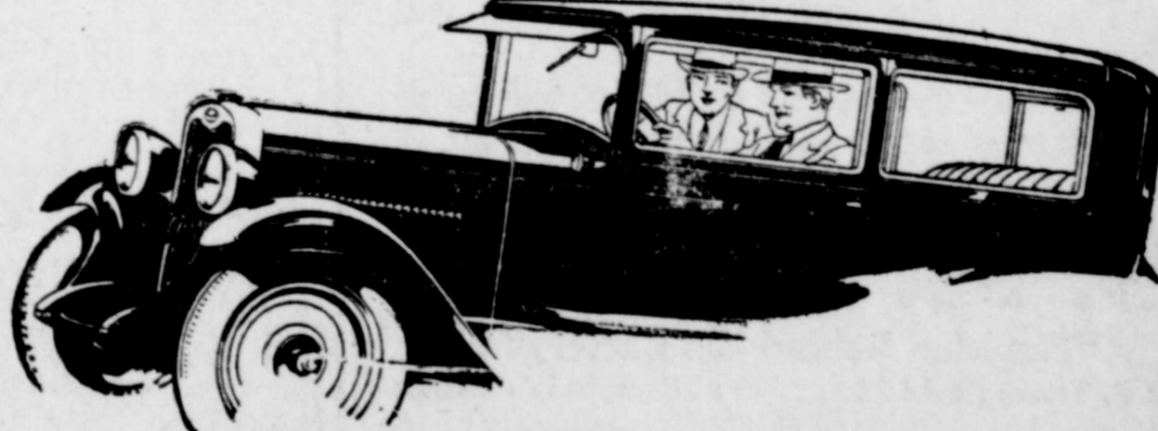
Expression of Sympathy

Mr. and Mrs. Ellington and family spent the day Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Benningfield.
 Mr. and Mrs. Hatfield and Mrs. Horn spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Luther Hatfield.
 Miss Pearl McDowell spent the day Sunday with Miss Louise Daniel.
 Mrs. Odie Spratler from Lueders spent the day Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Womack.
 Mr. and Mrs. Ted Kelseo spent the day Sunday with Mr. Ellington.
 Miss Fay Melton spent the day Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Dooley.
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As the time for our protracted meeting draws near, which is to begin the last night in June, we look back with pleasure over our year's work and note that the attendance and interest is even greater now than it was at the close of our meeting last year. Much good has been done and many blessings have been ours to enjoy. We are working and praying for a great meeting with a fruitful year of activity to follow.

In addition to our present program a new class will be added this week. Miss Reita Adrian, the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Adrian, who has just received her A.B. degree from the Abilene Christian

College, will open a "Women's Week-day Bible Class," which will continue throughout the summer months. The hour of meeting will be announced shortly and every woman and girl in and around Trent will be welcome to come and take part in this valuable study.

Come out next Sunday and enjoy a study of the Good Book with us. Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sermon, 11 a.m. Subject, "Heavenly Harps." Communion 12 M.
Children's Class 7:15 p.m.
Young People's Service 7:15 p.m.
Sermon 8:15 p.m.
Song practice Wednesday night at 8:15 o'clock.
Carl A. Collins, Minister.

Dora Doings

The wind blowed! Is now blowing some times cool and some times hot, but maybe it is just before a rain.

Several from here attended singing at Blair Sunday. All reported a lot of fun and good singing. There will be singing at Dora next Sunday and we are expecting several other classes to be here so come out and help make it a success. The class sang a while Sunday night and elected new officers for another year. Prof. Dunagin is president and Mrs. E. E. Dunagin is Secretary.

Buford Shelton was home a while Sunday from McMurry, Abilene.

E. P. Perry made a business trip to Abilene Thursday.

Mrs. Garrison of Plainview returned home Saturday after a few days visit with her niece, Mrs. Sy Dennis.

Little Nona Elliott is nursing a very painful foot, caused by her stepping on a nail.

Mrs. G. F. Lewis has a very sore jaw after having four teeth extracted last week.

We are glad to learn that Miss Ila May Porter and Fred Burfiend are resting well at the Sweetwater Sanitarium after the auto collision on highway No. 70 last Saturday night.

Several from here are attending church at Butman Tabernacle this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lane visited Mr. Ray Lane and family at Hylton Sunday.

We are sorry to say Dr. Eargle and family are moving to Loraine this week, but he said we were so healthy he could not get along with us. We hope he will have a fine practice where he is going for we all believe in him.

Bennie Butman seems to be a regular visitor to our city, but we feel sure there is a good reason.

Mrs. Thos. McCoy is able to be up and around now.

G. W. Whiteaker has returned from Temple, where he was at the bedside of his sister, Mrs. Webb, who was getting along nicely when he left there. Nance.

Noodle News

We have sure had our share of wind and sand for the past two weeks. Crops have been damaged to some extent. Some few have begun chopping cotton.

A nice crowd attended the B. Y. P. U. meeting Sunday night.

Miss Vera Justice underwent an operation at the Baptist Sanitarium, Abilene, on last Friday. At last reports she was doing nicely.

Several from here attended the funeral Sunday afternoon at Compere of Mrs. D. W. Ashby, whose death occurred Friday at Abilene. Mrs. Ashby is the mother of Mrs. V. E. Spurgin, who lived in our community before moving to Anson. We extend deepest sympathy to Mrs. Spurgin in the loss of her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Horn and family of O'Donnell, and Mrs. Mattie Harrison of Funston, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Goode the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Reese spent a few days at Albany the past week. They were accompanied home by their daughter, Miss Cleo, who has been at Abilene for some time.

Mabel Seago of Abilene spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Goode.

Mrs. Ernest Henderson spent Monday with Mrs. J. O. Joplin.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Bicknell and family of Merkel spent the day Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Cox.

Miss Opal Horton of Abilene was a visitor in our community Sunday.

Mrs. Ben Adkins and Mrs. Johnson and family visited Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Lucas Sunday.

Mrs. Andrew Barbee has returned to her home from the Merkel Sanitarium, where she has been confined for over two weeks.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this method of extending our sincere thanks and appreciation to our many friends and neighbors for their every kindness and sympathy extended us during the recent illness and death of our precious baby boy and grandson. We have not words to adequately express our appreciation of the goodness shown by the good people of Merkel, which has helped us so much to better bear the heavy burden of sorrow. May the Lord's richest blessings ever abide with each of you is our sincere prayer.

MR. and MRS. W. L. FUGAT.
MRS. M. E. CAMPBELL.
MRS. ANNA FUGAT. Itp

W. H. Laney and son, Homer, returned first of the week from a two weeks stay on their New Mexico ranch. They report conditions very good in that section.

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Max Mellinger

Golan News

Health of the community is very good at this writing. Every one is busy in the field.

Miss Audrey Dell Hudspeth, who is attending school at Abilene, came home for the week-end and was accompanied by her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jones and son Leonard.

Miss Mary Northcutt and Miss Ada Dove Kennedy spent Sunday with Miss Minnie West.

Those visiting Misses Mary Lou and Thelma Brown Sunday were: Misses Justine Hooper and Jewel Cox, Mr. Edward Lawlis, Miss Jimmie Faye Cox and Miss Jewel Skidmore.

Mrs. Clyde Thomas of Tahoka is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Duncan.

Mr. Woodrow Lawlis of Sylvester was here Sunday.

We are very sorry to learn that our Methodist pastor, Bro. Ed. Northcutt, was taken to the hospital at Temple for treatment. We are hoping that he will soon recover and be back with us.

Mr. A. L. Dalton and family of Munday, Texas, spent a few days of last week with Mr. I. I. Vancil and family.

Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Byrom Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. George Lawlis, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Duncan and Mr. and Mrs. Luther Davis.

Miss Eva Mae Vancil spent Sunday with Miss Annie Laura Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Fox of Merkel spent Sunday with Mr. D. R. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Terry of Blair visited Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Williams Sunday.

Isaac Vancil, Merle Thornton and Elmer Duncan spent Sunday with Sam Rogers.

Mrs. Ollie Skidmore and family spent Sunday afternoon with her brother, Mr. E. C. Douglas.

Mr. B. F. Mays spent Sunday with his wife at Abilene.

Miss Pearl West is attending summer school at Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Cal Spears and daughter, of Grand Prairie, Mrs. Elvis Moore of Chattanooga, Oklahoma, and Mrs. Anna Fugat, of Dallas, were here this week to attend the funeral of the baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fugat.

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