

# THE MERKEL MAIL

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On the "Broadway of America"

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## W. P. Head Enters As Candidate For State Legislator

W. P. Head, for fifteen years a resident of Abilene, who with his brother Pascal Head has been engaged in ranching and farming in Callahan county, just over the Taylor County line, for the same length of time, announces as a candidate for the state legislature from Taylor county.

"On the democratic ticket," Mr. Head insisted. "I have always voted the democratic ticket and will continue to do so, from Constable to president regardless of who is nominated."

Mr. Head's first and only political office was that of district clerk of Grayson county, where he was reared. Shortly after his twenty-fifth birthday, he was elected district clerk without opposition, held the office two terms, and then stepped down and out.

However, he has continued to take an interest in party affairs, and at the recent democratic state convention in Beaumont he was honored by being chosen as chairman of the credentials committee—a committee that functioned smoothly and efficiently.

He is favorably known among democratic leaders of Texas.

Since coming to Abilene, Mr. Head has taken an active interest in civic affairs. He has served as a trustee of Simmons University.

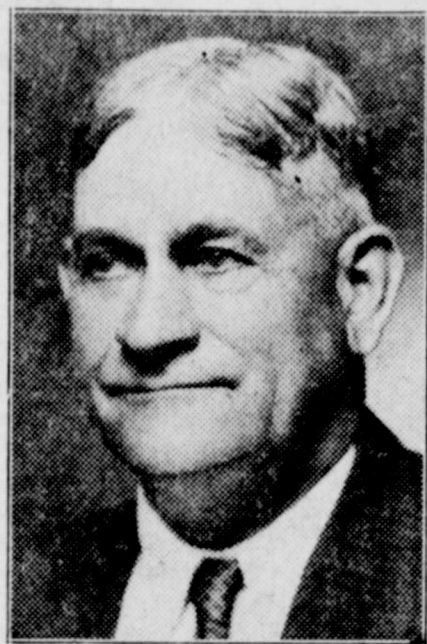
"I am and always have been a prohibitionist," Mr. Head declared. "I am in favor of the governor appointing the highway commission, as at present, because I believe a governor is interested in the success of his administration and will select men of the right type from the different sections of the state, so that all parts of Texas will have an even break."

"I believe I can serve Taylor county with satisfaction to the people." And if I can make a reputation for myself for honest and fair dealing, I will put this county on the map where she belongs, and I promise if elected to give the duties of the office my best attention, and be present at all roll calls.

"If I am elected your Representative I shall support and work for the following measures, namely:

1. Appropriations and laws sufficient to make prohibition prohibit.
2. Readjustments of tax burdens so as to compel corporate wealth and hidden moneys to pay their proportion of the taxes.
3. Reduction of appropriations to the smallest amount possible to maintain the government, with proper and sufficient appropriations for the public schools and eleemosynary institutions.
4. Reduce the automobile license tax to the lowest possible amount required to register the cars, and if necessary increase the gasoline tax to make up the deficiency.
5. Prohibit if possible, if not, then limit gambling in cotton futures by proper state laws, bearing in mind of course that the three great gambling centers are in New York, New Orleans, and Chicago. We could pass state laws prohibiting gambling in Texas.
6. Statutes defining and protecting the rights of individuals to the use of the water of streams for irrigation and domestic purposes.
7. In the event Congress does not within a reasonable time pass the McNary-Hagen Farm Relief Bill, or some other similar bill, then I favor a law providing for experienced state cotton classifiers and graders of cotton, and providing a small fee, say 25 cents a bale for their compensation, and the gradual building of state warehouses with provision for reasonable storage rates and insurance rates, so that cotton growers who desire can have their cotton graded, classified, insured and stored in warehouses for the purpose of holding their cotton if they desire.
8. Suitable, rigid statutory enactments should be made prohibiting the pouring of larger amounts of money for the purpose of running up or down the price of cotton at the expense of the producer in a matter of millions. I am sure I shall put all the soul in an effort to do these huge cotton

joys a wide acquaintance in this county, and expects to win the support of the voters between primary and general election. Your support is appreciated by Mr. Head.



W. P. HEAD, OF ABILENE  
Candidate for State Legislature

## CEMETERY FUND RECEIVES DONATIONS

The response to the call for cemetery funds was very satisfactory this week, but as yet only about ten per cent of those interested have sent in their contribution. We trust that each week shall show an increased interest in this work and that next week we will be able to publish the names of many others whom we are confident need only to have their attention called to the necessity of raising these funds. If your name does not appear and you have made a contribution, do not hesitate to call the attention of the committee to it.

J. R. Walling	\$15.00
J. H. Bayless Estate	5.00
Mrs. M. E. Campbell	2.50
W. L. Fugate	2.50
C. A. Higgins	5.00
Miss Mamie Ellis	2.00
Mrs. M. E. Simpson	5.00
L. C. Sublett	10.00
Mrs. T. H. Christopher	2.00
J. E. Costephens	5.00
Mrs. J. M. Dry	1.00
Owen Ellis	2.00
J. Hamp Campbell	5.00
G. F. Turner	2.50

## BUSINESS ANNOUNCEMENT

To my Patrons and Friends:

Dr. W. A. Buckner of Dallas, who has come to Merkel to take my place in the practice of Dentistry, is an exceptionally choice young man, from one of our best Texas families. He secured this training in Baylor University Dental Department. Baylor is one of the Standard schools of America. No better young man was ever graduated from the Baylor Dental Department than Dr. Buckner. Before coming to Merkel he had charge of the clinical unit in Baylor and was assistant to Dr. A. L. Frew, professor of Oral Surgery. Dr. Frew stands among the first of American oral surgeons. He speaks a brilliant future for Dr. Buckner as an Oral Surgeon.

He is well qualified to fill my place in Merkel. If my friends in Merkel will be as good to him as they were to me, they will have no occasion to regret it. Whatever kindness you extend to him and all services entrusted to his care will be appreciated as much as if it were done for me.

Mrs. Buckner is a lovely character of one of Mississippi's noted families. I am happy to know that this fine couple have decided to cast their lot among you for they will do you good and not evil, all the while they are there. Your Friend,  
S. W. JOHNSON. 1t

The many friends of Floyd Dowell will be glad to learn that he is now up and about some following an operation at a local sanitarium for appendicitis, and will likely soon be back at his post of duty at the Merkel Motor Company.

Misses Allyne Riley, Gladys Middleton, and Norah Foster, who are attending the North Texas State Teachers College, spent the week-end here with home folks. They were accompanied by Mrs. Mattie Coker of Denton.

Mrs. C. W. Seago, who underwent a serious operation at the Grimes & Sadler Sanitarium in this city on last Saturday, is reported getting along nicely, and will likely soon be up and about again.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Toombs, Messrs. Kenneth and Cyrus Pee and Misses Willie Toombs, Ethel Wilson and Martha Bird, composed a party enjoying the Fourth of July at Lueders.

## To Start Merchants Trade Trips Soon

It was definitely decided at the meeting of the Lions Club on last Tuesday to again start up the Merchants Trade Trips out among the people of the various communities surrounding this splendid city. The first trip is being planned to start on next Thursday night, July 12, but at this time the place of holding the meeting and program has not been decided upon.

However, as has been the custom in the past, the business men and professional men of the city will be accompanied by Merkel's most excellent concert band, under the direction and leadership of Mr. Joe Ward, of Abilene, who is without doubt one of the best band directors in all West Texas, and wherever the first meeting is to be held, a very fine program will be given, including music, readings, speeches, etc.

While the trips are being sponsored by the Merkel Lions Club, it is distinctly understood that every business man in the city is expected and urged to go on these trips and take part in the entertainment and success of them. The object of the trips is to promote a kindly friendliness and get acquainted program between citizens of Merkel and those of the surrounding communities.

The following committees for the Trade Trips have been appointed: Committee of place: Sam Swann, Booth Warren, Herbert Patterson. Entertainment: Yates Brown, Chas. H. Jones and A. H. Brackeen.

## EAST TEXAS PAPER PRAISES BLANTON FOLLOWING SPEECH

"But out of the west came Blanton," says the Athens Review, Athens, Texas, in an article reporting the appearance there of the Abilene congressman who is campaigning eastern and northern Texas in his race for a seat in the United States senate.

The Review prefaced the above sentence by these words, "The senatorial race in East Texas took on quite a change this week. Pronounced by newspapers as the 'fiery congressman's' crowds have been gathering in this section to hear the much heralded fighter of the national houses—but out of the West came Blanton."

Continuing the Anderson county writer stated, "Not the fire-eating, man-killer that the voters were expecting—but a sincere, honest man, giving an account of his stewardship to the people, and not once mentioning the name of a single opponent."

"A man of amazing personality and with a message that at once grips his hearers. Tom Blanton is conducting a fight that is destined to send him higher. Those who heard his speech agreed that it was but a matter of his being able to reach enough people with his message."

"That Blanton's appeal is not to the prejudiced mind is evident from the expressions of those who heard him. Klan and anti-klan, wet and dry, pros and antis, all were unanimous in favorable expression toward his candidacy. Rabid Ferguson men were heard to say 'there is our man' while men who have bitterly opposed the ex-governor were equally quick to proclaim him at their candidate."  
—Abilene Morning News.

## Maverick Motor Company Adds New Show Room

Mr. Kirby Beckett, the hustling proprietor of the Maverick Motor Company, local dealers for the famous Chrysler cars, has recently leased the building adjacent to his business and will use it for a show room for the many new model cars soon to be shown by this company.

Through the splendid quality of the Chrysler cars, and the able business qualities of Mr. Beckett and his energetic sales assistants, the Maverick Motor Company has made wonderful progress in placing many cars among the people of this section.

## MISS MARIE WILLIAMSON FORMER MERKEL SCHOOL TEACHER IS MARRIED

Interest of a wide circle of friends centered around the wedding of Miss Marie Williamson of Hondo and John Arch Carter of Mason, which was solemnized Saturday evening, June 23 at 6:30 o'clock at the Methodist Episcopal Church in Hondo.

The bride, lovely and accomplished daughter of Rev. and Mrs. M. Williamson of Hondo, attended school at Coronel Institute, Southwestern University and Texas University. At the time of her marriage she was principal of the Mason high school, which position she had held for the past three years. Miss Williamson was a teacher in Merkel high school for two years, and has many friends here.

Mr. Carter, son of one of the pioneer families of Southwest Texas, is a promising young ranchman. Mr. Carter completed his education at Randolph Macon College in Virginia.

## OPTOMETRIST OPENS OFFICE AT HAMM DRUG

Dr. John E. Sisson, Optometrist, of Big Spring, after looking over the country considerably, decided to locate permanently in Merkel, and has opened offices in the Hamm Drug Company.

Read his announcement in this issue of The Mail.

## TYE TO HAVE A NEW \$20,000 GIN PLANT

TYE, July 2.—Construction of a \$20,000 cotton gin is under way here by John Guitler, Herbert Thomas and A. M. Hinds. It will replace the gin that burned here last year just as farmers were preparing to pick their cotton.

The new gin will be equipped throughout with latest machinery and will be in operation by the time cotton picking is started.

## HAVING A GREAT TRIP

A card from Supt. Roger A. Burgess, who, with Mrs. Burgess, is on a tour of the Pacific coast, from Los Angeles, states that they are having a great time. They visited the great petrified forests in Arizona, the grand canyon, etc. The card also stated that crossing the California desert the heat was terrible, about 114 degrees in the day time and 102 at dark.

## W. P. Head Guest Of Lions Tuesday

The regular Lions Club Tuesday noon meeting was held at the Woodrum Hotel with Lion Sie Hamm as the able and interesting Toastmaster. The entertainment feature of the meeting consisted of a number of "Lion Songs" led by Lion E. Yates Brown, and some splendid piano selections by Mrs. Yates Brown.

Among the guests introduced were W. P. Head, of Abilene, who is a candidate for the Legislature from this county, and who, while not mentioning politics, made a much appreciated address.

At the close of the splendid program of entertainment, the Toastmaster turned the meeting back to Vice-President Dee Grimes, who, in the absence of President L. B. Scott, conducted the business session.

As Toastmaster for the meeting next Tuesday, Mr. Kirby Beckett, the popular Chrysler dealer in this city has been named. If he is as live in the presentation of an interesting program for such an occasion as he is an automobile dealer, those who miss this meeting will certainly regret that they were not able to be present. A full attendance is hoped for and expected.

## REVIVAL AT BLAIR TO START FRIDAY, JULY 13

Pastor C. R. Hardy, of the Blair circuit of the Methodist church, announces that a revival meeting will begin at the Nubia Methodist church on Friday, July 13, to continue for at least ten days.

Rev. A. J. Jones, Methodist pastor at Tuscola, will do the preaching. A cordial invitation is extended to one and all to attend.

## REVIVAL MEETING IN PROGRESS AT NOODLE

Rev. R. E. L. Stutts, the able and beloved pastor of the Methodist church at Noodle, assisted by Rev. J. B. Baker, of Putnam, began a revival meeting at that place on last Saturday evening to continue for ten days. Rev. Baker doing the preaching.

Rev. Baker is an able exponent of the gospel, and a cordial welcome is extended every one to attend.

## DR. GARDNER COMING HOME

This paper is in receipt of a letter from Dr. C. B. Gardner, who is in Chicago attending clinics, and stated among other things that he will be home and in his office after July 8. On his trip north he was accompanied by his family, who will return with him also.

## BROKEN HOMES

Edith Johnson, in the Houston Post Dispatch, says that one generation of mothers could put an end, practically, to serious domestic discord, divorce, broken homes, abandoned children.

"By training their sons to be good husbands and their daughters to be good wives, they could make this world a near Eden."

"Ninety-five percent of the quarreling and bickering among the married could be eliminated by education in childhood and adolescence. Mothers could prevent more disappointment and misery in domestic relations than courts and divorce judges ever can cure."

Her suggestion is that mother should rear her daughter to be the kind of woman she would like to have her sons wife be and that mother should rear her son to be the kind of man that she would want her daughter to have for a husband.

To this should be added the further observation that these same mothers who are really and truly the conservators of morality should see to it that the teachers of their children both men and women should be people who entertain wholesome views regarding marriage and the obligations it entails.

The mother of a family who properly rears her sons and daughters is a person truly great—Wolf City Sun.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Mellinger and family returned last week from Houston and other south Texas cities, where they visited relatives and old friends. While in Houston Mr. Mellinger had the pleasure of attending some of the meetings of the National Democratic Convention, which he enjoyed very much, he states.

## Big Spring Man Is Injured in Auto Accident Near Here

A man by the name of R. R. Carter of Big Spring, who has been in an unconscious condition since last night, is being treated at the Grimes & Sadler Sanitarium in this city, for injury received when his car went into the ditch about four miles east of the city on the Bankhead detour, near the Jacobs farm.

We are informed that the injured man and his wife, accompanied by other friends from Big Spring, who were traveling in another car, were returning from the races at Abilene, and that the lights had gone bad on Mr. Carter's car, and in crossing a rough place at the bottom of the Jacobs hill he possibly lost control of his car when the dust caused by the car in the lead blinded him so much as to cause him to lose control when the rough place was encountered.

At four o'clock yesterday afternoon the unfortunate man remained unconscious, and hospital attaches held slight hope for his recovery.

The lady in the car was unhurt, except for a few minor scratches.

## TRENT NEWS

Miss Myrtle Sipe of Dallas visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Sipe for a few days last week, returning the latter part of the week by way of Abilene and Brownwood, where she will visit relatives and friends before she returns to Dallas.

Mrs. W. S. Burton has in her home as guest this week, her sister, Mrs. M. A. Berry, of Gransoline.

Messrs. M. G. Scott, O. A. Smith and Bob Johnson motored over to Roscoe on business last Monday.

Mrs. Roy Howland, who is now in the sanitarium at Merkel and has been quite sick, is improving very nicely.

Mrs. Ben Howell and daughter, Bettie Lou, visited Mrs. Howland at Merkel sanitarium on last Monday, and motored on to Abilene to attend business matters there.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hughes of Blair spent the day last Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stevens visited relatives in Fort Worth a few days this week.

Miss Fern Martin, who has been employed at Bowers & Hamner Dry Goods company for some time, has returned to her home at Temple, where she will spend the summer.

Mr. C. S. Robinson visited in his son, O. L. Robinson, and family, here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nally are visiting relatives in Mission this week. While away they will attend the rural carriers convention.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Rutherford and baby Cecil spent last week-end with Mrs. J. M. Billings.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. McCluskey have returned to Cisco, having been here with the Humble Pipe Line Company for the last several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Kegans announce the arrival of a baby boy on last Monday. The baby weighed 11 pounds, and mother and baby are both doing well.

Master Jack Bowers accompanied Miss Fern Martin home to spend a short time.

Emma Jean McRee spent a few days in Loreine this week with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. D. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Donley and son Darrel, of Duncan, Oklahoma, spent the Fourth with Mr. Donley's brother E. L. Donley. They were here on their vacation and spent most of the time fishing.

Quite a number of our people spent the Fourth on the creek fishing. The Christian meeting which is in progress this week, conducted by Evangelist Lyle, is growing in interest and crowds are increasing in attendance. To this writing there has been 5 additions to the church. They were baptized on July 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Duncan and baby of Doole spent the Fourth with Mr. and Mrs. Frank family, returning on

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CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CONDITION  
**THE FARMERS STATE BANK**

Merkel, Texas

CLOSE OF BUSINESS JUNE 30, 1928

RESOURCES

Loans, .....	\$410,836.39
Banking House .....	25,000.00
Furniture & Fixtures .....	7,500.00
Other Real Estate .....	4,544.25
Stocks .....	90.00
Due from Guaranty Fund .....	4,105.88
U. S. Bonds .....	\$ 46,500.00
Commercial Paper .....	44,000.00
Cash & Exchange .....	113,524.98
<b>QUICK ASSETS</b> .....	<b>204,024.98</b>
Total .....	<b>\$656,101.50</b>

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock .....	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus & Profits (Net) .....	15,338.71
Dividend Unpaid .....	2,500.00
Rediscounts .....	NONE
Borrowed Money .....	NONE
<b>DEPOSITS</b> .....	<b>588,262.79</b>
Total .....	<b>\$656,101.50</b>

The Above Statement is Correct.

W. L. DILTZ, Jr., Cashier.

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

J. S. Swann, President  
R. O. Anderson, V. Pres.  
J. C. Mason, V. Pres.  
W. L. Diltz, Cashier

Herbert Patterson,  
Assistant Cashier

Dallas Scarbrough  
David Hendricks

**WINTERTIME RADIO RESULTS OBTAINED DURING SUMMERTIME**

No Longer Is There a Dividing Line Between One Season and the Next in the Pursuit of Radio Happiness.

By DR. ALFRED N. GOLDSMITH  
Chief Broadcast Engineer, R. C. A.

Radio, unlike canned goods, has no winter or summer season. There are fresh vegetables the year round in the radio garden, so that it is hardly necessary to harvest and can our radio enjoyment during a few months for use in what might be a less fortunate season.



If we mentioned wintertime or summertime phonographic music, we might be laughed at, because the phonographic presentation has come to be accepted as a permanent, unchanging, immune form of entertainment, ready to serve in mid-winter or mid-summer alike. And by the same token, when radio programs and radio services are maintained from one end of the year to the other at the same high levels of excellence, with little difference to indicate the passing seasons, it becomes decidedly out of order to speak of seasonable radio.

Today the signal strength of any first-class broadcasting station within its service range is more than ample to ride high above the normal summertime static level. Indeed, it is only when the radio enthusiast insists on going in search of DX or long-distance signals that the static level becomes troublesome, since he has plunged below it.

Important Considerations

Of course the elements of good reception should perhaps be more closely observed in summer than in winter. Among the more important considerations are:

1. Selecting the signals from a station of adequate power, located not too far distant. It is well that the station have a reputation for careful maintenance, and be quite free from the criticisms of poor transmitter operation, haphazard monitoring, varying power, serious fading, wave length wobble, and other signs of poor broadcasting. Fading, it goes without saying, is usually a condition beyond the control of the broadcaster, and may just as well be charged up to the location of the listener.

2. Selecting high quality programs, and especially features with sufficient "body" to cover up such static background as may exist even with high signal level. It is well to note that signal level is one thing, and sound level is another. Thus a dance orchestra or concert band is a better feature in combating static interference than a string trio or a violin solo.

3. It is well to be content with reasonable volume. While it is true that the volume control of the radio set increases or decreases everything lessening from the loudspeaker—static as well as signal—proportionately, it is a matter of how much background noise may be present before the listener becomes fully conscious and even irritated by its presence. By being satisfied with reasonable volume during the days of high static, we may reduce the background noise to a minimum. The power of transmitters is not reduced during the summer months. Hence in most localities there is ample signal strength from leading stations to ride well above the usual summer static, with the exception of the occasional thunderstorm in the immediate neighborhood. Yet who expects idea: radio conditions every night? Try driving your automobile through a thunderstorm at night, with the dazzling flashes of lightning, the torrential downpour of rain, with the ignition system in difficulties due to moisture, and other troubles! Still, we do not speak of summertime automobile handicaps. We are willing to forego motoring during the occasional storm of winter or summer.

Quality Programs

Programs are maintained at the highest standards, although in keeping with seasonable moods and activities of outdoor weather, they may be pleasantly different from those of indoor weather. The skilled program director, in fact, pays close attention to the demands of his summertime audience.

As to the radio listener, there is just as much reason to listen in during the summer as during the winter. Music, enlightenment, contact with the world, the thrill of sporting events, participation in history in the making, and other program features form a rich mental background for our summer life.

If anything, radio may truly be enjoyed to better advantage amid the outdoor setting made possible in warm weather. The acoustics are frequently better when windows can be thrown open. Radio is at its best outdoors, on the porch or even on the lawn. Indeed, too little attention has been paid to the stage setting for the radio presentation, and summertime offers us many an opportunity in this direction.

**OYSTERS DO GROW ON TROPIC'S TREES**

Attached to Roots of Mangroves in Swamps.

Washington.—An aid to the lumberman, to the horticulturist, to the casual visitor whose curiosity is aroused by the strange plants of tropical America and to the botanist has just been published by the Smithsonian Institution in the shape of a descriptive account of the flowering plants of the Panama Canal Zone. It is the work of Paul C. Standley of the national herbarium and is the result of a plan made seven years ago in which the Smithsonian, the Department of Agriculture and the Canal Zone authorities joined forces.

Its value to the layman makes this publication a rare type of scientific paper. Since many of the plants of the Canal Zone are common to all Central America and the West Indies, the usefulness of Mr. Standley's work as a handbook is correspondingly increased. Besides a brief description of each plant, the author discusses its history, gives all the vernacular names obtainable so that the plant can be readily identified locally, and lists its uses.

Bark Used for Canoes.

The uses are varied and interesting. Of the bark of the coubaril (senna family) the author says that "removed in a single large piece it is sometimes utilized by the Indians for making canoes, and it is reported that canoes with a capacity of twenty-five men are sometimes fashioned thus. A pale yellow or reddish gum, known in trade as South American copal, exudes from the trunk. This gum often becomes buried in the soil about the roots, to be dug up by collectors sometimes long after the tree is decayed. It is employed in the manufacture of varnish, for medicinal purposes and for incense in churches." From the pulp of the amatto seeds, writes Mr. Standley, is obtained an orange dye, much exported to this country for coloring butter and cheese as well as oils and varnish. The bark of the tree contains a rough fiber from which twine is made, and a gum similar to gum arabic is obtained from the branches.

The early Spanish explorers mistook the fruit of the manchineel for crab apples, according to Mr. Standley, and ate it, in some cases with fatal results. "They immediately gave it a fearful reputation, affirming that a person who rested beneath the tree would become blind or even die. There is no doubt that the milky sap is highly irritant, causing severe inflammation. . . . It is said that the sap was employed by the Caribs for poisoning their arrows."

Oysters Do Grow on Trees.

Mr. Standley mentions an interesting fact about the mangroves, which grow in the coastal swamps with their roots under water. "Oysters are often attached to the roots, hence a common and literally true statement that in the tropics oysters grow upon trees."

In his introduction Mr. Standley gives a short history of the isthmus of Panama, mentioning that it was the site of the first European settlement on the American continent. The Spaniards settled there some years before the first colonization of Mexico, which took place in 1519.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS Political**

For Congress, 17th District:  
R. Q. LEE, of Cisco.  
T. P. PERKINS of Mineral Wells  
HOMER SHANKS, of Clyde, Tex.  
For Representative:  
G. W. ASH, of Abilene.  
W. P. HEAD, of Abilene.  
FOR District Clerk:  
MISS BELLE WELLBORN  
FOR County Clerk:  
W. E. BEASLEY  
J. H. BRATTON  
W. P. BOUNDS  
FOR Sheriff:  
H. T. O'BAR  
N. L. SEALE  
FOR Tax Collector:  
EARL HUGHES  
FOR Tax Assessor:  
J. T. HOWARD  
FOR Treasurer:  
AUSTIN FITTS  
FOR County Attorney:  
FRANK E. SMITH  
CARL P. HULSEY  
FOR County Judge:  
TOM K. EPLEN  
FOR County School Supt:  
M. A. WILLIAMS  
For Representative:  
G. W. ASH

**Precinct Announcements**  
FOR Commissioner, Precinct No. 2:  
PHILLIP A. DILTZ  
JOHN J. TOOMBS  
C. R. (Rufe) TITTLE  
FOR Public Weigher:  
THOS. A. BEARDEN  
FOR Commissioner (Precinct No. 4):  
W. C. BAKER  
W. T. RAINWATER (re-election)  
For County Clerk (Jones Co.):  
W. F. WRIGHT  
For School Supt. (Jones Co.):  
T. R. FRANCIS

STATEMENT OF CONDITION  
**THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK**

Merkel, Texas

Close of Business June 30th, 1928

RESOURCES

Loans, Time and Demand .....	\$309,737.80
Overdrafts .....	1,244.54
Furniture & Fixtures .....	6,750.00
5% Redemption Fund .....	312.50
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank .....	2,250.00
Bankers Acceptances and Commercial Paper .....	\$ 52,316.06
U.S. Bonds (Owned) .....	116,950.00
Cash & Sight Exchange .....	143,295.00
<b>CASH AVAILABLE</b> .....	<b>\$312,561.06</b>
Total .....	<b>\$632,855.90</b>

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock .....	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus .....	25,000.00
Undivided Profits .....	13,839.06
Circulation .....	6,250.00
<b>DEPOSITS</b> .....	<b>\$537,766.84</b>
Total .....	<b>\$632,855.90</b>

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

BOOTH WARREN, Cashier.

Directors

J. T. WARREN G. F. WEST SAM BUTMAN, SR.  
GEO. L. PAXTON BOOTH WARREN

"Never Missed a Dividend—Never Assessed a Shareholder"

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

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

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 held 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. 6818-A, wherein M. L. Lewis, is Plaintiff, and

Henry Lewis 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.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and the Seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this 14th day of June A. D. 1928.

BELLE WELLBORN, Clerk,  
District Court, Taylor County. 1544

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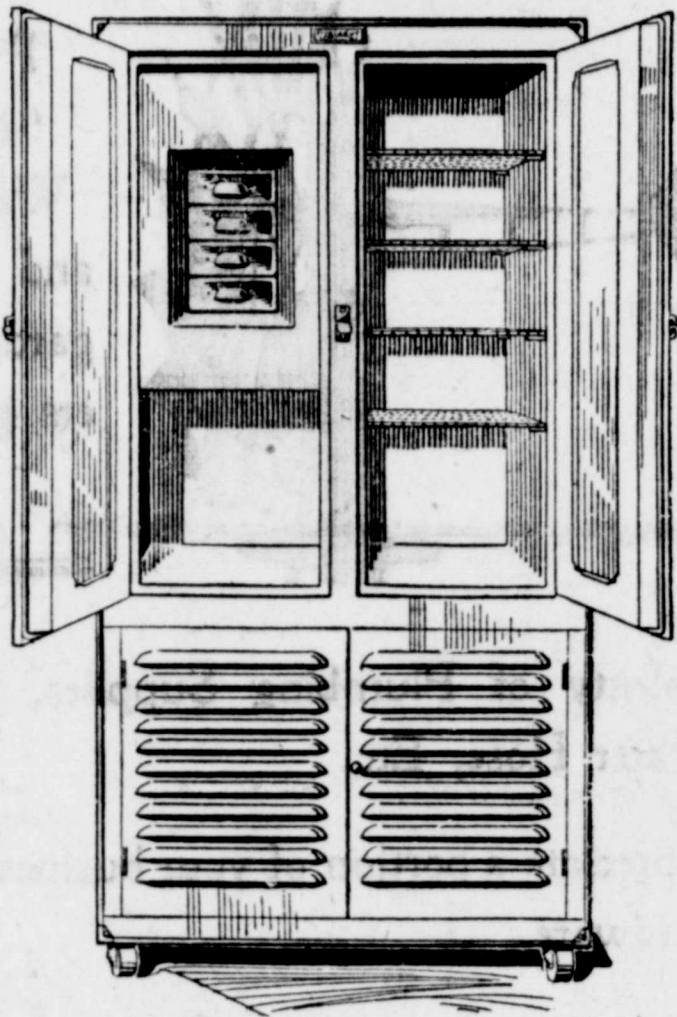
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**TO TRADE**—Chrysler "52" Coupe, in good condition, for lots in Merkel close in. See Mack Fowler or Telephone 226. 29t2

**FOR SALE**—Some nice Duroc Jersey pigs. See W. E. Malone, Merkel, route five. 6t2p

**FOR SALE**—Some headed Maize at \$35.00 per ton at the barn. See Lee Rogers, Trent, Texas. 1tp

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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

STATE OF TEXAS )  
COUNTY OF TAYLOR )

Whereas, by virtue of authority vested in G. C. Cochran as trustee appointed in a certain deed of trust recorded in Vol. 68, page 363, Deed of Trust Records of Taylor County, Texas, executed and delivered to said G. C. Cochran on the 31st day of May 1927, by Gertrude Evans and husband, T. B. Evans, securing the payment of two promissory notes in the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) each, payable to the order of R. A. McClain and Mary Ethel McClain, first due in twelve months from date and the second due in eighteen months from date, bearing ten per cent interest, and providing that failure to pay either of said notes or the interest or any installment due shall at the option of the holder mature said notes and giving the holder power to proceed to collect, and also providing for ten per cent additional as attorney's fees if placed in the hands of attorneys for collection, said notes being given as part of the purchase price of Lot No. Six of the R. A. McClain Subdivision of Lot No. Two of the Anderson Addition to the City of Abilene, Texas;

And whereas, said deed of trust provided for the appointment of the substitute trustee in the event the said G. C. Cochran should remove from the county and; whereas, said G. C. Cochran has removed from Taylor County, Texas, and E. S. Cummings has been appointed as substitute trustee;

And whereas, R. A. McClain and

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**WASHING STATION**

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Davis of Fort Worth were Fourth of July guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Church, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Case, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Barnes, of route three, left this week for an extended trip and visit with relatives and friends in Fort Worth, Greenville, Wolf City and other North Texas points.

Marvin Mayfield, who for the past two months has been in charge of the West Texas Utilities Company business at Tuscola, has been transferred to office duty with the company in Merkel.

Mr. W. P. Head, candidate for the Legislature from this county, was mixing with the people of this city and surrounding community yesterday, leaving with this paper his announcement for that office. Mr. Head is a ranchman and farmer, a clear-headed business man, a citizen of the first class, and if elected to represent the citizenship of this county they will have an able and fearless servant. He was reared in north Texas, and the writer has known him and his family for thirty years, and it gives us pleasure to state that no better people are to be found anywhere. Read his announcement in this paper.

**ABOVE REPROACH**



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TELEPHONE 72

Mary Ethel McClain are now the holders and owners of said notes, and the makers thereof have been default in payment of principal, installments and interest, causing us to declare same past due and unpaid, principal, interest and attorney's fees, as provided in said deed of trust and notes, the said holders and owners have declared the whole of said notes, interest and attorney's fees immediately due and mature and have heretofore notified T. B. Evans and Gertrude Evans in writing;

And whereas, I, E. S. Cummings, substitute trustee, have been requested by R. A. McClain and Mary Ethel McClain to enforce said trust, and I will offer for sale between the legal hours of 10:00 A. M. and 4:00 P. M. at public auction to the highest bidder on the first Tuesday in August, the same being the 7th day of the month, at the court house door in the City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, the following described property, to-wit: Lot No. Six of the R. A. McClain Subdivision of Lot No. Two of the Anderson Addition to the City of Abilene, Texas, with all rights, members, and appurtenances thereto and in anywise belonging.

Witness my hand this 2nd day of July A. D. 1928.

E. S. CUMMINGS, Substitute Trustee. 6t4

**Try a Classified adv in the Mail**

Miss Fay Lowrey, of San Antonio, who has been the guest of Mrs. T. V. Touchstone of this city for some weeks, returned first of this week to her home in that city.



**THE MERKEL MAIL**  
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**IN ADVANCE**

**TELEPHONE No. 61**  
Entered at the postoffice at Mer-  
kel, Texas as second class mail.

Mr. and Mrs. Ora L. Mayfield are  
the proud parents of a fine baby girl.  
The little lady weighed eight and one-  
fourth pounds, and has been christen-  
ed Peggy Marie.

Little Miss Jennie V., ten year old  
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cox, is  
resting well at the Merkel Sanitari-  
um, following a successful operation  
for appendicitis.

Miss Lorinda Webb of Borger was  
a guest of her aunt, Mrs. Robt. N.  
Campbell, this week.

**Blair Items**

Mr. O. W. Walker, of Portales, New  
Mexico, spent the past week-end with  
his daughters, Mrs. Ladene Balew  
and Mrs. Inez Mayfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore and son  
Arthur, motored to Cross Plains for  
a week-end visit with their, Mr. and  
Mrs. Ernest Moore.

Miss Vernice Owen who has been on  
the sick list, is convalescing.

Mr. and Mrs. James Doan and  
daughter, Mrs. Hugh Campbell, mot-  
ored to Rotan last week-end. They  
were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy  
Doan while in Rotan.

Grandpa Lackey, and Mr. and Mrs.  
Tom Lackey of Merkel visited rela-  
tives here Sunday.

Vernon Melton, who has had his  
tonsils removed, is getting along fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Powell and son,  
Arthur, and Mr. and Mrs. Marcina  
Doan visited Mr. and Mrs. Silas Scott  
of Rotan recently.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ensminger of  
Butman were seen in our midst Sun-  
day.

**MRS. EDWARD McCRARY  
GIVEN TWO PRETTY  
PARTIES LAST WEEK**

**SHOWER**

On Thursday afternoon of last  
week Miss Melba West complimented  
Mrs. Edward McCrary in the home of  
her mother, Mrs. H. C. West. Auction  
bridge furnished happy diversion for  
the guests during the afternoon hours  
and during progressions a refreshing  
pink fruit punch cooled with green  
ice was served.

A beautiful color scheme of pink  
and green was employed in all party  
features, huge floor baskets of flow-  
ers and dainty containers of sweet  
peas helped to make the lovely en-  
tertaining suite especially pretty. In  
keeping with the "shower" motif, the  
honoree's chair at head table was de-  
corated with a huge umbrella while  
miniature kewpies carrying pink um-  
brellas centered each table. At the  
culmination of the games little Miss  
Elma Maye Gamble gracefully pre-  
sented Mrs. McCrary with a wonder-  
ful assortment of pretty and useful  
gifts. The presentation was made in a  
large pink umbrella and the refresh-  
ment plate contained creams mould-  
ed into pink kewpies carrying pink  
crepe paper umbrellas, angel food  
squares iced in green, olives and  
dainty bunches of sweet peas as plate  
favors. The guest list includes Mrs.  
Edward McCrary, Misses Tommye  
Durham, Francis Anderson, Mary  
Cleo Booth, Johnnie Sears, Doris  
Durham, Lola Dennis, Mona Mar-  
garet Jones, Sue Craven, Maurine,  
Tipton, Althea Boden, Melba West,  
Mesdames Jack Anderson, Tom Price,  
L. B. Scott, F. C. McFarland, Lige  
Gamble, James West and H. C. West.

**BRIDGE LUNCHEON**

Crary Misses Johnnie Sears and  
Lola Dennis entertained on Monday  
of this week in the home of Mrs.  
W. S. J. Brown, honoring Mrs. Ed-  
ward McCrary with a bridge lunch-  
eon. Games of Auction Bridge were  
enjoyed during the cool morning  
hours in a setting of gorgeous sum-  
mer blossoms with color scheme of  
yellow and white predominate. Game  
accessories and dainty candied al-  
monds in colors of yellow and white  
made the tables attractive. Promptly  
at high noon a sumptuous luncheon  
delectable and complete in smallest  
detail was served from a table cen-  
tered with shasta daisies to Mrs. Ed-  
ward McCrary, Jack Anderson, Tom  
Price, Misses Boog Sears, Mary Cleo  
Booth, Mary Comegys, Mary Eula  
Sears, Althea Boden, Mona Margaret  
Jones, Doris Durham, Melba West,  
Tommye Durham, Francis Anderson,  
Maurine Tipton and Elizabeth Hark-  
rider.

Mrs. C. E. Jacobs is visiting rela-  
tives in Lebanon, Tennessee.

Miss Virginia Potts of Hillsboro is  
the guest of Misses Iva Bragg and  
Christine Collins this week.

Mrs. J. Doss Sheppard and daugh-  
ter, of Dallas, are here for a visit  
with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Hester Smith of Grandbury,  
Texas, is the guest of her sister, Mrs.  
J. E. Parrack, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward McCrary  
visited friends and relatives in Spurr  
this week.

Mr. Joe Fields, of Robert Lee, was  
here last week for a visit with his  
brother, Mr. R. P. Fields.

Roy Adams, of O'Donnell, was here  
first of the week on business. Mr.  
Adams is farming on the Plains this  
year, and reports crops looking very  
promising at this time.

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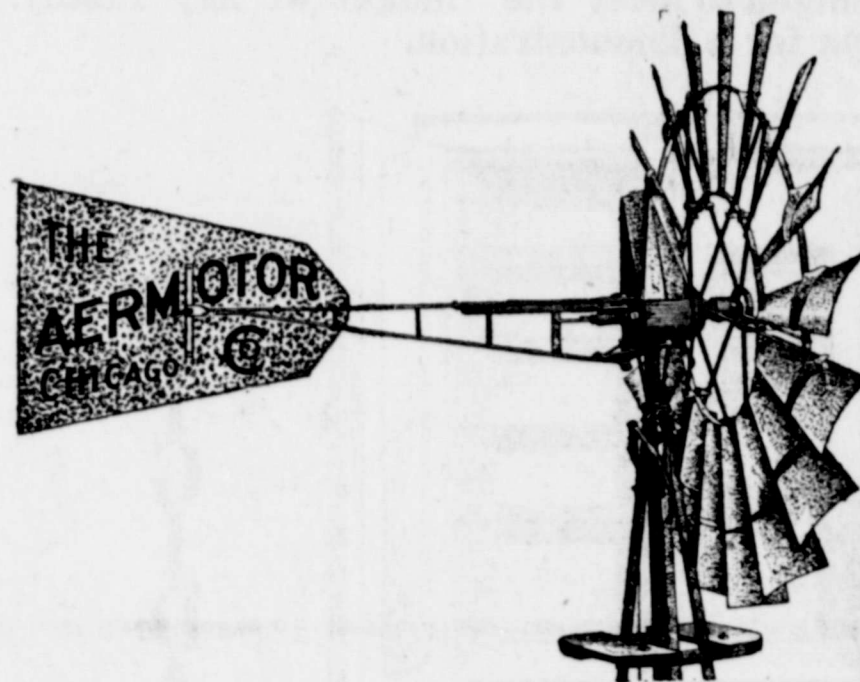
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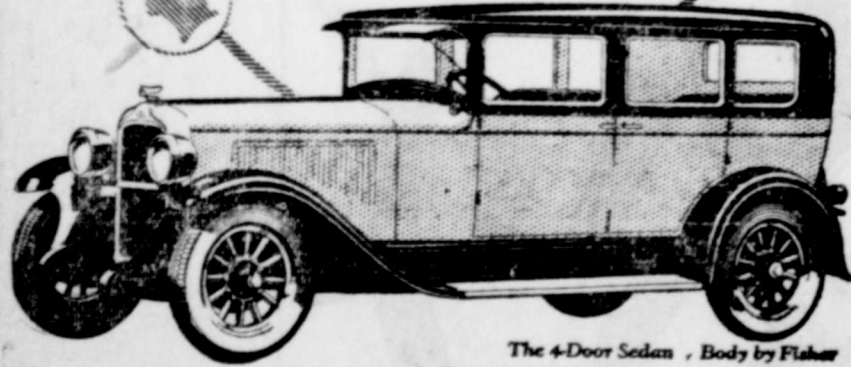
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tebrae,  
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Wm. Elliott, Supt. S. S.  
R. A. Walker, Pastor.

Workmen have been busy this week  
making some splendid improvements  
at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Black,  
including the installation of natural  
gas in their home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Ellis, accom-  
panied by their daughter, Miss Mamie  
returned last week from a very pleas-  
ant visit with relatives in Concho  
county.

Mrs. Robt. Terrell, mother of Mrs.  
R. I. Grimes, who has been here the  
past two months visiting her daugh-  
ter, left Thursday morning for her  
home at Xenia, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Ferris and  
baby left first of the week for a visit  
with the former's parents at Del Rio  
and the latter's parents at Ballinger.  
They will be gone ten days or more.

Mrs. N. J. Service and daughter,  
Miss Jessie, of Wellington, Texas,  
were here last week for a visit with  
the former's daughter, Mrs. Thos.  
Durham, and family.

L. B. Scott and family left first of  
the week for a vacation trip to the  
Carlsbad Cavern and other New Mex-  
ico points, expecting to return the  
last of this week.

E. O. Carson, of Snyder, was here  
Wednesday to spend the Fourth with  
his father, Mr. J. N. Carson. The  
former Mr. Carson is agent for the  
J. R. Watkins Company in Seury  
County.

Protect your crop from hail loss.  
See W. O. Boney for hail insurance. tf

Mr. J. S. Thomas and daughter,  
Mrs. J. A. Milliken, left first of the  
week on their annual vacation and  
outing trip. While away they will  
visit Mr. Tryan Thomas and family  
of Fort Worth, who is a son of J. S.  
Thomas. They were also accompanied  
by Mrs. Wilbur Thomas, Mrs. Ver-  
non Simpson and little Patsy Marie.

Mrs. Della Campbell and daugh-  
ter Julia, of Paducah, were here this  
week for a visit with the former's  
mother, Mrs. Frank Sears, and other  
relatives and friends.

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**Shiloh Happenings**

(By Wide Awake)  
 We were very sorry to know that  
 Mrs. Mae Seago was operated on at  
 Merkel last Friday, but the last re-  
 port said she was doing nicely.

Mr. J. A. Bright has been on the  
 sick list also.

Everybody seems to be busy fight-  
 ing Mr. Weed and family. But it also  
 seems as if the dry wind is hurting the  
 crops worse than the weeds.

Mr. Will Williams and family, and  
 Roy Williams and wife spent the  
 week-end at Post, Texas.

Miss Bergess of Merkel spent the  
 week-end with Dorice Brown.

Mr. Wesley Northcutt of the Stith  
 community was guest of Mr. and  
 Mrs. Hoyt Barnes.

Mr. Lovell and Mr. Hardy Rutledge  
 and families spent Sunday on the  
 River.

The young folks enjoyed a party at  
 Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Barnes Saturday  
 night.

Quite a few people of our commu-  
 nity are attending the meeting at  
 Trent this week.

Mr. Houston Tiner is sporting a  
 new Chevrolet Coupe.

The oil boom is causing a number  
 of new people to move into our  
 community. But we are glad to have  
 them. Everybody has a hearty wel-  
 come to Shiloh.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Yates Brown visit-  
 ed relatives in Midland on the Fourth  
 of July.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Burns, of Port  
 Arthur, were up last week-end for a  
 visit with the former's parents, Mr.  
 and Mrs. W. L. Burns.

**Golan News**

The health in this community is  
 not very good at the present time.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dean are on the  
 sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Byrom made a  
 tour to Dallas, Fort Worth and San  
 Antonio on business.

Misses Jewel Faye Hill and Hazel  
 Thornton spent Sunday with Johnnie  
 and Annie Laura Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Douglas were  
 guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hooper  
 Sunday.

Miss Jewel Skidmore spent Sun-  
 day with Justine Hooper.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Fox of Merkel  
 visited their father, Mr. D. R. Thomp-  
 son Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Vivian Faye McClung of Abi-  
 lene is visiting her uncle, Mr. Dawson  
 McCain this week.

Mrs. C. A. Duncan visited Mrs.  
 Ollie Skidmore Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Thompson went  
 to Roby Sunday.

Mr. Palmer Skidmore went to  
 Hebron Sunday afternoon.

Miss Pearl West, who is attending  
 school at Abilene, was at home for  
 a while Sunday.

We are glad to have grandpa  
 Warley with us again.

John D. Gaither, of Crane City and  
 Clayton and Beatrice Dillard of Tus-  
 cola were here the Fourth of July  
 for a visit with their Grandfather,  
 B. C. Gaither, as well as Mr. and  
 Mrs. F. Y. Gaither.

We are having quite a lot of hail  
 in other districts, better see W. O.  
 Boney and have him protect your  
 crop.

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 YOU ARE HEREBY COMMAND-  
 ED to summon T. C. Bosley, Mrs. T.  
 C. Bosley (wife of said T. C. Bosley),  
 the unknown heirs of said T. C. Bos-  
 ley, 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. Bos-  
 ley, the unknown heirs of said Mrs.  
 S. C. Bosley, the unknown heirs and  
 devisees and legatees and legal repre-  
 sentatives of each of the defendants  
 hereinabove specifically named, the  
 unknown heirs and devisees and lega-  
 tees and legal representatives of each  
 of the unknown heirs hereinabove  
 mentioned or referred to, and the  
 unknown owners of the land and pre-  
 mises involved in this suit, by mak-  
 ing 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 news-  
 paper 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  
 held 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, num-  
 bered 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 un-  
 known heirs of said S. C. Bosley, the  
 unknown heirs of said Mrs. S. C. Bos-  
 ley, the unknown heirs and devisees  
 and legatees and legal representa-  
 tives of each of the defendants here-  
 inabove specifically named other than  
 the Texas and Pacific Railway Com-  
 pany, the unknown heirs and devisees  
 and legatees and legal representa-  
 tives 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 tres-  
 pass to try title and to recover of de-  
 fendants the title and possession of  
 that certain parcel of land situated

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in Taylor County, Texas, and being  
 Lot No. Four (4) in Block No. Twen-  
 ty-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 pre-  
 mises under the five and ten years sta-  
 tutes of limitation of the State of  
 Texas, and that defendants are claim-  
 ing some kind of title and right of  
 possession in and to said premises but  
 that such claims are inferior to plain-  
 tiff'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 be-  
 fore said Court, at its aforesaid next  
 regular term, this writ with your re-  
 turn 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  
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**BELLE WELLBORN** Clerk,  
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# Good bye- Old July 4th

The Fourth is gone and those who paid for their groceries to supply the Fourth will have pleasant remembrances of same as they are not broke—not only money left after the Fourth but they had money to buy Gas for the shivvy so they could visit the kin folks. We sold them the groceries at the following prices and have some left:

8-lb. Pail Oak Leaf, Bird Brand or Swift Jewel	\$1.18
2 Cans Campbell's Pork & Beans	23c
Good Standard Corn	13c
No. 2 Black Berries, East Texas	14c
48-lbs. that Good Oriole Flour	\$2.08
6 Bars Chrystal White or P.&G. Soap	23c

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### WEEK END SPECIALS

Large Nice Ripe Bananas, per doz.	23c
Brooms	33c

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Trent, Texas

#### WOODMEN CIRCLE MEETING

There will be an important meeting of the members of the local lodge of the Woodmen Circle at the hall in this city on July 6th. All members are urged to be present. There will also be a joint meeting of the Circle and Woodmen members on July 13th. All are urged to be present.

Mr. R. E. Golightly, who several months ago moved with his family to Seymour, was here first of the week on business.

#### BIRTHDAY PARTY

Little Billie Campbell celebrated his third birthday at his home in Blair June 28th. A number of his little friends with their mothers spent the afternoon with him. All reported a nice time. Cake, cream and lemonade were served as refreshments. He was remembered with a number of presents for which he with his parents thank the donors.

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## VOICE AND PICTURES NOW SYNCHRONIZE

New Apparatus Made Available for Schools, Churches and Motion Picture Theatres.

Engineers are now at work on a simplified photophone device suitable for use in the home, which will make it possible, if it is stated, to reproduce "talking movies" in the home very much as the ordinary radio broadcast program are now being received in more than eight million homes. This announcement was made by General James G. Harbord, President of the Radio Corporation of America, at the formation of a new company to be known as "R. C. A. Photophone, Incorporated."

In discussing the formation of the new company, General Harbord pointed out that although the Radio Corporation, General Electric and Westinghouse had been preparing for several years to market apparatus synchronizing voice and music with motion pictures, public introduction of the apparatus had been delayed until the engineers had achieved "complete practicability" so that it would be as simple to operate as a radio set, and, at the same time, highly perfected.

"The Photophone," said General Harbord "is both simple and practical. The essential principle is the recording of pictures and sound on one film. While various methods have been devised for 'talking movies,' experience has shown that the most practical is that of recording pictures and sound on the same film. This is the method employed by the Photophone. It is now possible to photograph the President of the United States—voice as well as action—and to distribute films reproducing the event throughout the country.

#### Uses and Operation

"Easily operated reproducing apparatus for use in theatres, schools and churches will be nationally available. An entire opera, musical comedy or drama can be electrically recorded on the film, just as it is seen and heard, and then reproduced from the same film. Whatever can be seen or heard, whether it is a nightingale singing or an army in battle, can now be recorded and reproduced for both the eye and the ear. Moving picture dramas with complete orchestral accompaniment, or with music and speech, will be available for nation-wide use.

"Standard films without the sound can be used without any change in the machine. The only thing the operator has to do is to close one switch when he is projecting pictures with sound, and open it when he does not want the sound. Any type of 'talking film' can be used in the machine. The type of sound reproducer to be used will vary with the size of the room in which the pictures are to be shown. The reproducer embodies some remarkable new developments in acoustics.

"Sight and hearing have been the two avenues of approach to the human mind for education, religion and entertainment. Now one medium combines the appeal to sight and hearing simultaneously, with universal accessibility and availability. The complete practicability of the new art has already been demonstrated, and there remained only the need for an intelligent and serviceable system of manufacture and distribution.

"One can only guess at the many varied uses of this invention as an instrument for the spread of knowledge, for bringing the people of the world closer together, and for the advancement of civilization."

## AMERICA LEADING IN RADIO COMMUNICATION

The opening of a new, direct radio channel between New York and Lisbon, Portugal, for the transmission and reception of Radiograms was recently announced by the Radio Corporation of America. The inauguration of this radio circuit adds another spoke to the world-wide communication system which has New York as its hub and radiates directly to England, France, Germany, Italy, Holland, Belgium, Sweden, Norway, Poland, Turkey, Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Venezuela, Porto Rico, the Dutch West Indies, and Dutch Guiana. From San Francisco other direct radio circuits join the United States to Hawaii, Japan, the Philippines, Hong Kong and Shanghai, China, the Dutch East Indies and French Indo China. To further insure the continued supremacy of the United States in transoceanic radio communication the RCA is planning additional circuits for the near future to countries as near as Canada and Cuba, and as distant as Spain, Czecho-Slovakia, Chile and Siberia.

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### Dora Doings

Singing was well attended at Dora Sunday afternoon and most of the class went to Wingate Sunday night. All reported a nice time and a lot of good singing.

Mrs. Drew Clark and children of Clovis, N. M. came in Sunday evening to visit her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Perry.

Several from here went to church at Butman Sunday.

Gladys Bloxom and daughter of Sweetwater spent a few days visiting friends here last week-end.

B. E. Dunagan and family made a business trip to the county seat last Friday.

Most every one has plowed over since the hail storm and most of the planted over crops are up, but they are not doing any good, the wind blows so hard and is so hot.

### BAPTIST CHURCH

All regular services Sunday and through the week.

Sunday School 10 a.m. with a welcome and a place for all who come to study the Bible.

The pastor will preach at 11 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. Morning subject will be, "Faithfulness in Little or Much Evening subject, "Sin Unto Death."

All B. Y. P. U.'s meet at 7:30 in the main auditorium for opening exercises and return to the auditorium to hear reports at close.

Come find a place to work and to worship. Strangers and visitors are welcome in any of our services.

Ira L. Parraack, pastor.

Misses Myrtle and Mirtie Evans and Fred Warren, all of Knox City, were guests of Mrs. J. B. Warren and Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Estes this week.

July 7th is the first and last letter