

# THE MERKEL MAIL

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## ONE-DAY CAMPAIGN FOR HOTEL

### NEW WELL IS IN ON MASON TRACT IN NOODLE FIELD

Drilled by Marland Oil Co.; Reported Making 300 Barrels.

A new well in the original Noodle Creek field came in Wednesday and was said to be producing 300 barrels of high gravity oil daily. The well is on the J. C. Mason tract and drilled by the Marland Oil Co. Another of the week's developments is the moving of a rig on to the John Thomas 5-acre tract, which is located 2,000 feet due west of the Smith No. 1 well.

**Leads in Daily Production.** These were the principal developments in the Merkel oil area during the week as this field continued to lead all other fields in daily production, not counting the low grade crude areas. Thirty-nine producers averaged 3,930 barrels daily, slightly more than 100 barrels per day each.

Reports from the field reveal that Snowden-McSweeney's No. 1 Bickley, less than a month old, is producing an average of 1,135 barrels, or a total for the week of 7,945 barrels of high gravity oil. This well made 30 barrels more per day than Phillips Petroleum company's nineteen.

**Producers and Their Averages.** The following survey gives the producers and their daily average:

Snowden & McSweeney, one well, production 1,135 barrels.  
Phillips Petroleum Co., 19 wells, production 1,105 barrels.  
Robert Corp.-Cosden & Co., three wells, production 505 barrels.  
Hucony Gas-Atkinson-Sandefer, 2 wells, production 480 barrels.  
Roeser-Pendleton-Landreth, one well, production 215 barrels.  
Marland Prod. Co., three wells, production 210 barrels.  
Texas Co.-Cosden & Co., one well, production 100 barrels.  
Mid-West Exp. Co., five wells, production 65 barrels.  
Rhodes & Higher, one well, production 50 barrels.  
Hutson-Weaver et al., one well, production 45 barrels.  
Roeser-Pendleton & Stebbins, two wells, production 20 barrels.  
Total producers 39; total production 3,930 barrels.

### TRENT ANTI-SMITH CLUB TO MEET TUESDAY NIGHT

The Trent Anti-Smith, Hoover for President Club, of which N. L. Seale is chairman, will have a meeting Tuesday night, September 25, speakers and place to be announced later.

### Interesting Meet Wesleyan Club

The Wesleyan Brotherhood Club held their monthly meeting Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

The following program was carried out:

Invocation by Bro. Mayhew. Talk by Jim West on the three P's, which mean success for the organization. Talk by Prof. Burgess on the good of a Wesleyan organization. Two minute talks by all present, which were full of helpful suggestions. Closing song, followed by prayer of dismissal by Bro. Walker, after which adjournment was had to partake of refreshments of sandwiches, lemonade and watermelon.

The following new members were added: F. E. Church, Floyd Dowell, C. J. Glover Jr., J. J. Hutchison, L. L. Murray, Cyrus Pee, Will Elliott and Prof. Burgess.

The total attendance was 22.

### Project Has Plans For New 30-Room Hotel

Sept. 20—Trent business men are considering the erection of a 30-room hotel. The project was discussed at a meeting of the Citizens and looking

### LAUNDRY AND SUPPLY HOUSES LOOK TO MERKEL FOR BUSINESS LOCATIONS

That new enterprises are looking toward Merkel with a view to investment is evidenced by developments of the past week, when an experienced laundry man, late of Pecos, conferred with local business men regarding the construction here of a modern laundry.

According to G. L. Boswell local real estate man, the laundry prospect inspected several buildings, none of which met his requirements. Quotations were secured on several sites with the view to erecting a building specially designed to comply with requirements of a laundry which, it is said, will be designed to meet the needs of Merkel for many years to come.

The Pecos man was given every encouragement by local citizens with whom he conferred, and it is believed that this addition to Merkel's progress will become a reality in the next few days.

### Missie Dye Heads '29 Junior Class

Thursday morning at the chapel period, the junior class of '29 held a meeting to elect their class officers.

Carlos Montandon was elected temporary chairman. He called the meeting to order and called for nominations.

Missie Dye was elected president for the coming year. She will make an ideal president, and the Juniors showed their wisdom in electing her to lead them.

Fannie Bell Boaz was elected vice-president, Nadine Tippet was elected secretary, and E. L. Turner rounds out the executive list as treasurer.

J. T. Darsey Jr. was elected class reporter, with Milton Case as assistant reporter.

Old officers, who led their class as Sophomores and who went out of office this year are as follows: President, J. T. Darsey Jr.; vice-president, Forrest Bridges; Secretary and Treasurer, Missie Dye; and Class reporter, Francis Frederickson.

The Juniors of '29 are, as usual, the peppiest class in school. They have shown plenty of zeal in their studies and therefore have always been near the top in grades.

### Texans Ask Hoover To Campaign Texas

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—An appeal to Herbert Hoover to carry his campaign to Texas was made Wednesday by Thomas B. Love, former national committeeman for that state, and a delegation of Texas democrats who called on the republican presidential candidate at his headquarters.

These with Love included Cato Sells of Fort Worth, another former democratic national committeeman; Marshall Hicks, of San Antonio; former democratic chairman; Alvin S. Moody, of Houston, chairman of the anti-Smith democratic organization of Texas; O. B. Colquitt, of Dallas, former governor, and J. D. Sandefer of Abilene, president of Simmons University.

In the party also were republicans, R. B. Creager, of Brownsville, national committeeman for Texas; Henry Zweifel of Fort Worth, a member of state executive committee, and R. B. Rentfro, of Brownsville.

### \$313 Paid for First Bale Sold at Lamesa

Lamesa, Sept. 13.—J. A. Dunn, farmer, seven miles southwest of here, sold the first bale of cotton of the season here recently. It weighed 416 pounds and was auctioned at 25 cents and purchased by S. L. Forrest.

Premium of \$200 was made by agricultural department of the Chamber of Commerce. Total including lint seed and premium, \$312.80, or 75 cents per pound.

Simultaneous with the laundry investigation, announcement was made that representatives of large oil drilling supply houses were in Merkel during the week seeking a location.

These visits, together with the known fact that new drilling crews are coming to town every day, is positive evidence that Merkel is attracting attention. The steady and increased output of the near-by oil field, with the large number of wells now drilling, is the magnet that is drawing people to Merkel in greatly increased numbers.

### Grading Oil Field Road.

With the completion of the gravelled highway from Merkel to the oil area, which work is now being pushed by Commissioner Diltz, Merkel can reasonably expect a still greater number of inquiries for business investments and a corresponding increase in the number of oil field workers.

### Officers Named By Senior Class

On Thursday morning the honorable Seniors held their first class meeting, this starting the activities for the year 28-29. The officials elected were: Norman Sloan, president; Norma Shannon, secretary and treasurer; Raymond Earthman, reporter.

Social Committee—Vivian Berger, chairman; Horton Williams and Addie Fae Patterson.

For the class flower, the sweet pea was selected. Old rose and Nile green were selected as the class colors.

The meeting showed the true spirit of a wide-awake senior class with the resolution and determination to accomplish more than any preceding seniors or any class to follow.

For ten long and weary years we have struggled and toiled for this honorable position, and now that success has crowned our efforts, we shall make the most of it; so was the tone school books and under-classes.

The first senior entertainment was held at Shannon's swimming pool on Thursday evening from five until seven o'clock. Many delicious watermelons were sacrificed on the occasion, and we were honored by the presence of the faculty and many parents. No under-classes were invited. The water was fine, you should have been there.

Ladies and gents, watch our steps. With Mrs. Young as our wide-awake sponsor together with a class full of real class spirit, anything can be expected.

### Al Smith Touring Western Farm States

OMAHA, Neb. Sept. 20.—With a flat declaration that he favors the "principle" embodied in the twice vetoed McNary-Haugen bill as a working basis for adequate farm relief legislation and he did not consider liquor "the great issue" in the present campaign, Governor Smith has opened his drive for the presidency in the west.

In an auditorium crowded to the doors and as millions listened in throughout the nation over radio, the democratic presidential nominee, in his first campaign speech in the heart of the corn belt, last night tore into the republican party for what he termed its failure to keep faith with the farmer, including by name his opponent, Herbert Hoover, and President Coolidge in his indictment.

### Threat is Received By Baylor Educator

WACO, Sept. 20.—Waco authorities are investigating a report that threats had been made upon the life of Dr. J. W. Downer, Baylor University professor, and his three daughters, Corneille, Lucy and Belle. Payment of \$350 was demanded of Dr. Downer, it was said. Police were guarding the Downer residence.

### Brother and Sister Are United at Trent After Forty Years

Mrs. S. L. Phillips of Trent is enjoying a visit from her brother, Rev. A. B. Vetelo of Paris, Texas, whom she has not seen in forty years prior to his coming to Trent the first of the week.

Rev. Vetelo is a retired Baptist minister. Brother and sister, long separated, are enjoying to the utmost the reunion.

### FLORIDA STORM DEAD NEAR 400

Tallahassee, Fla., Sept. 20.—Tornado-ridden portions of Florida and the West Indies continue to count many additional dead as a result of the tropical hurricane that swept a wide path of destruction last week-end, with the total death toll still unknown. Forty eight more names were added to the San Juan list Wednesday with the first report from a high mountain valley, and a report to the governor of Florida said that 350 are with indications that fully this many dead in the Okeechobee area alone. Were killed in other portions of the state, though no definite check has been made.

### Merkel Boy Scout Troop Will Meet Monday For Feast

A big time is in store for Merkel Boy Scouts next Monday evening, when all 32 members of the local troop are urged to meet at the city hall at 6:30, and from there they will go out for the camp fire and a watermelon feast, under the direction of Scoutmasters Herbert Patterson and Rev. R. A. Walker.

This is the first meeting of the Scouts in about two months, according to Mr. Patterson, and the meeting Monday night will mark the beginning of fall activities. Scouts only are invited.

### Northcott Arrested For "Farm Murders"

VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 20.—Gordon Stuart Northcott, wanted in Riverside, Cal., in connection with murder farm disclosures there, was arrested at Okanagan Landing, seven miles from Vernon, B. C., in the Okanagan Valley. Inspector Forbes Cruikshank of the Provincial Police announced late Wednesday. It was said Northcott admitted his identity. His mother was not with him.

### Ex-Cowboy Loses in Prison Term Fight

Abilene, Tex. Sept. 20.—Lee Smith, ex-cowboy, sentenced to 99 years in the state penitentiary at Huntsville by a jury at Baird for his alleged participation in the slaying of two Mexicans at Stanton, December 23, last, in a "framed" holdup, will likely begin his term soon. Smith was denied additional privileges to perfect an appeal by Judge Milburn S. Long, in 42nd district court.

Smith was convicted at Baird after a trial in Abilene resulted in a hung jury. After the Baird trial he gave notice of appeal and was allowed 90 days.

### Convicts Overpower Guard and Escape

Huntsville, Sept. 20.—Disguised as a guard, one convict marched two comrades past several sentries at the state penitentiary to liberty, and early tonight all three still were at large.

Guard F. A. Harris with the three men was in the clock tower when they could make an outcry had him tied and gagged. One convict stripped him suddenly pounced on him, and before of his clothing which the prisoner then draped about himself, and lined up his companions ahead of him in the fashion of a guard and his prisoners. The three men marched out.

### DRIVE IS LAUNCHED FOR 100 SUBSCRIBERS TO FUND AT \$100 EACH

Citizens' Committee Plans Intensive Drive to Give Everybody Chance to Participate in Move to Keep Merkel in Class of Progressive West Texas Towns—Workers Hopeful.

With approximately \$25,000 already pledged, the Lions Club voted Monday to wage an intensive one-day campaign to finish the work of selling \$40,000 in stock for a new and modern hotel for Merkel.

Every member of the Lions club was urged to secure before the next meeting five \$100 subscriptions. This, it was explained, would bring the total near the \$40,000 goal and insure the erection of the hotel at an early date. One hundred men at \$100 each is the campaign slogan.

### United Action Needed.

"All we need to make a certainty is united work," declared R. O. Anderson in reporting for the committee. The same opinion was voiced by President Scott, Mayor West and others.

It is planned to finish the hotel drive by next Tuesday, if at all possible. To this end, Booth Warren and President Scott were named to arrange for the one day campaign. Printed Ribbons will be given to those who subscribe, in an effort to make the drive 100 per cent representative. If the drive is over by next Tuesday, the meeting of the club on that day will be in the nature of a celebration.

### Bird Pie Next Week.

The club accepted the invitation of Mrs. F. C. McFarland, in which she agreed to provide a bird pie for the next meeting provided the members would kill the doves the Monday before. Twelve Lions volunteered to go forth in search of the birds Monday afternoon, with the question as to who should do the picking and cleaning still undecided. It was suggested by Booth Warren that it might be well for Mrs. McFarland to have some boiled ham or other meat on hand in case the hunters failed to deliver. The sportsmen will be divided into squads of two each.

### Burgess Describes Trip.

Superintendent Roger Burgess of the Merkel schools was the principal speaker at Tuesday's meeting, describing the recent trip of himself and family to California and other western states, a distance of 8,000 miles. He was enthusiastic about the good roads, 1800 miles in length, which he traveled along the west coast to Canada. Yellowstone park, he said, with its geysers and Yellowstone lake, was the most attractive spot he visited. He concluded by saying that while the trip was enjoyable and beneficial from every standpoint, the Texas plains were the most enjoyable place in which to live.

### To Study Playground Needs.

President Scott announced the appointment of a committee to investigate the needs of the schools regarding playground equipment, consisting of Booth Warren, T. G. Bragg, Dr. H. P. Hulse and George Overton.

Thos. Durham, for nine years editor of the Merkel Mail, stressed the need for more rent houses, which he said should be the first consideration of Merkel people when the new hotel is a reality. He thanked the business men of Merkel for the liberal patronage and many kindnesses extended him during his residence here, declaring that Merkel was the best town in West Texas, inhabited by as high class citizenship as can be found in America.

### Invited to Abilene.

A letter was read from T. N. Carswell, president of the Abilene Lions club, inviting members of the Merkel club and their families to join them in a dinner to be given by the Abilene club Thursday evening, from 6 to 7:30 o'clock, celebrating the completion of the recreational building at Cobb Park. Four new members were elected to membership, Roger Burgess, Dr. M. Armstrong, George Overton and J. J. Hutchison.

As entertainment features, the club voiced their approval of readings by Miss Lucy Tracy, and solo and piano numbers by Mrs. E. Yates Brown. (Continued On Page Ten.)

### CHECK FOR \$50 SENT TO MERKEL FIRE FIGHTERS

West Texas Utilities Co. Rewards Efforts in Trent Fire.

Substantial recognition of the efficiency of the Merkel fire department was revealed in a letter received by Chief N. A. Dowell during the present week from the West Texas Utilities Co. at Abilene, enclosing a check for \$50 as an appreciation for the excellent work performed by the Merkel fire boys in answering the call from Trent at the time of the sub-station fire the first of the week.

The Merkel department made a quick trip to its sister town and fought the blaze valiantly and successfully, as is evidenced by the following letter, written by R. B. Niese Jr., assistant traffic manager of the West Texas Utilities Co.:

"Permit us to congratulate Merkel on its efficient fire department. Your department's quick response and its untiring work at the time of the Trent substation fire saved the West Texas Utilities Co. several thousands of dollars.

"We want you to know that we appreciate the good work and as token of our appreciation we are enclosing herewith a check for \$50.00 made payable to you to be used in any way you may see fit for the benefit of your department or its men.

"With kindest regards to every member of your fire department, we are

"Yours very truly,  
"R. B. Niese, Jr.,  
"Assistant Traffic Manager."

### Invite Merkel Man To Speak For Demos

Mayor J. M. Williamson of Cisco has written L. R. Thompson of Merkel, advising him that Col. K. Q. Lee, nominee for congress in this district, together with his friends, have arranged for a speaking tour for Mr. Thompson to address the voters in behalf of the national democratic ticket.

Mr. Thompson indicated that he would be unable to comply, with the request on account of business matters.

### Half Bale to Acre On Farm Near Stith

One-half bale to the acre is indicated on the field of M. E. West, one mile north of Stith, according to E. R. Foster, who during the past week brought to Merkel a stalk of cotton with 22 grown bolls. The cotton on this field is from the Anton pedigreed seed, for which Mr. Foster is agent in this territory.

### MEXICANS SENT BACK

SAN ANGELO, Sept. 20.—Immigration agents arrested 15 Mexicans in a camp near here as illegally entered aliens when the men failed to produce papers showing that they had been admitted legally.



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### Boy Rides Bicycle to School Six Years

TYLER, Texas, Sept. 20.—A boy whose ambition for an education was so great that he rode a bicycle twenty-two miles every day for six years to attend Tyler High School has now attained at least one of his ambitions, that of attending college. The boy, Jesse Taylor, who lives in the Midway community, started to school in Tyler in the seventh grade, riding a bicycle from his home eleven miles away each morning and back home in the afternoon.

Jesse has entered Tyler Junior College this year after having graduated from Tyler High School last term. He not only rode his bicycle twenty-two miles each day, but also made

straight A grades in every subject, the records show. He was one of eleven high school students to make such a record.

### Blair Items

Some of the farmers have started picking cotton, and several bales have been ginned.

John Meeks has been real sick for several days.

Boss Mayfield of Oklahoma is visiting his brother, J. W. Mayfield, for an indefinite time.

Miss Virginia Goats of New Mexico, is visiting her friends, Misses Addie Mae and Clarence Rossen.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Walker motored to Salt Branch Sunday.

Miss Alma Meeks, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Ed Dye, of Rotan, returned home last week-end.

Miss Gertrude Stanley of Stith visited Miss Zuma Spears for the week-end.

Mrs. Boyce Baley and daughter, Bettie Joe, of Abilene, have been the house guests of her sister, Mrs. O. L. Mayfield, the past week.

Mrs. N. E. Harrison was seen in our midst Sunday.

Leonard Moore and Misses Ruby, and Norma Patton, Emillo Norris, Miss Clara Phillips motored to Merkel Sunday.

Master William Hughes of Merkel spent the week-end with J. W. Hughes.

Mrs. H. E. Campbell left Sunday to spend several days in the home of Rev. and Mrs. R. G. Brannon of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Meeks of Southland, Texas, are spending the week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ransom Meeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Smith are the proud parents of a fine baby girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Doan and family dined with Mr. and Mrs. Abb Harris Sunday.

A crowd of young people enjoyed the hospitality in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Osburn Wednesday night. Delicious plates of watermelon and ice cream were served.

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### Freshmen at A. & M. Passes 1,000 Mark

COLLEGE STATION, Texas, Sept. 20.—Freshman week program at the A. & M. College of Texas began Monday morning with the largest number of new students on hand for any year in the history of the college. More than 1,000 freshmen had made applications for registration and, according to Dean Charles E. Friley, registrar, indications are that by Friday, when class work begins, the freshman class will total 1,100 with enrollment of both new and old students reaching 2,700 or 2,800 boys. President T. O. Walton welcomed the new students in address at Guion Hall Monday morning. During freshman week the new students will be given an opportunity to familiarize themselves with the college, and its traditions prior to beginning class work. Many of the seniors have arrived and will assist in the week's program. New students will register Wednesday and old students Thursday. Class work for the fifty-third annual session of the college will begin Friday and Friday night the traditional "College Night" program will be held.

### Oakland Has Best August in History

Gaining nearly 2,000 units over the best previous August of record, the Oakland Motor Car Company during the month just ended sold 23,238 cars, W. R. Tracy, vice-president in charge of sales, recently announced. The month just ended sold 23,283 sales for the highest previous August—1927—and shows a gain even over the record of 22,704 cars in July 1928. Total volume for the first eight months of 1928 was 206,766 Oakland and Pontiac Sixes against 137,409 during the corresponding period last year.

Sales for the entire year of 1927 were 192,000 cars. This, the best year in Oakland history, was equalled in 1928 on August eleventh after less than eight full months of production, with every indication that the total 1928 output will exceed the advance program of 270,000 cars, Mr. Tracy stated.

Month after month tentative production schedules have had to be stepped up to keep pace with the growing demand for these popular General Motors lines, he declared.

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### Governor Proclaims Constitution Week

AUSTIN, Texas, Sept. 20.—Gov. Dan Moody Monday issued a proclamation designating Sept. 17 to 22 as Constitution Week.

All schools, civic clubs and all patriotic organizations were urged to arrange a program during the week

which will tend to bring about a better understanding of the Constitution of the United States.

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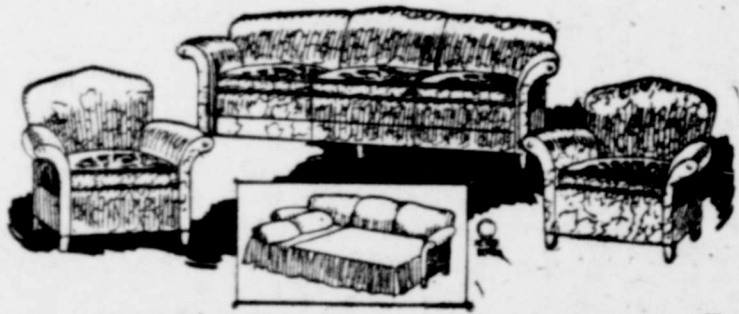
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### Trent News and Personal Notes

The W. M. S. of M. E. Church met at the usual hour Monday afternoon and enjoyed a spiritual meeting, followed by a business session.

Mrs. R. B. McRee gave the devotional taken from book of Mark and very ably explained the lesson contained and compared it to our daily lives. Mrs. E. L. Mangum took as her subject, "Redeemed and Renewed," and presented this as a Bible study. She gave the lesson in two sub-heads, "Faith" and "Love." This was followed by prayer.

During the business session improvement of church property was discussed. A new roof will be put on the parsonage. The ladies of this auxiliary planned as their year's work a new dining hall and preacher's study to be built west of the present church. Work will start immediately on this modern structure. It will be equipped with Sunday school furniture, due to the constant demand of more room for classes. The young men's and ladies' classes will occupy these for their weekly Bible study and Sunday school work. The pastor's study will have modern built-in fixtures, including library and desk. Every member is urged to attend Monday's session, for it will conclude plans for this work and other things to be worked out by committees appointed. Mrs. E. L. Mangum was appointed chairman and Mrs. John Payne assistant.

Mrs. J. M. Billings, who has just recently moved to Abilene, visited relatives and friends here Sunday and remained over until Monday morning. Mrs. Ben Howell accompanying her home for the day.

Mr. Ledbetter, tool dresser at the derrick on the T. L. Stevens place, was slightly injured and narrowly escaped death when one of the large wheels on the derrick flew off and tore up also tearing away a part of the derrick.

The remodeling of the McRee home about two miles north of town has been completed, and they are enjoying the conveniences and loveliness of the new built-in features and furnishings installed.

M. G. Scott made a business trip to Merkel Thursday evening.

The Goodman school opened Monday, Sept. 17th.

R. D. Donly and family of South Bend visited his brother, E. L. Donly and wife, this week.

Mrs. J. K. Winn returned home Sunday from a visit to relatives and

friends at Hermleigh and Snyder. She reports a very pleasant trip.

There was good attendance at the Methodist Church Sunday. Good Sunday school and fine sermon by the pastor, Bro. Watson.

Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Watson and Mrs. E. L. Mangum attended the opening of the Merkel school Monday where Ima Gene Mangum entered as a senior.

Clinton Bryan left Sunday for Stephenville to attend John Tarlton College for the fall and winter term.

The little infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Freeman was laid to rest in the city cemetery Wednesday. We deeply sympathize with the bereaved parents.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. West of Merkel spent Sunday with Mrs. West's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Johnson. Monday morning Mrs. West and Miss

Ruby Johnson left for Denton, where Ruby will enter C.I.A. for the year.

#### JUNIOR B.Y.P.U. PROGRAM

Subject: A Boy Who Grew Up in the Temple.

1. Hannah Prays in the Temple, by Margaret Miller.
2. Hannah's Prayer is Answered, by Lois Beasley.
3. Hannah Gives Her Son to God, by Roger Derrick.
4. Eli and His Wicked Sons, by Dot Swafford.
5. Samuel's Duties in the Temple, by Ora Derrick.
6. The Voice in the Night, by Bertie Mae Leslie.
7. God Speaks to Samuel, by Billie Bernice Gambill.
8. Samuel Gives Eli God's Message, by Johna Jones.

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#### Abilene Presbytery Sessions at Post

Abilene Presbytery, which is composed of about thirty counties, met last week at Post. The opening sermon was preached by the retiring moderator, Rev. S. P. Collins, of Cross Plains. Moderator elected, Rev. Jas. W. Tate, Fluvana.

The meeting was very interesting throughout the entire sessions.

Among the various church problems discussed resulted in the appointment of a committee to consider the advisability of securing a Presbyterial Evangelist to assist the local churches. Also to organize Sunday schools and other churches where there might be an opportunity.

The visitors were shown the cotton mill at Post, which was very inter-

esting to all who have never been through one.

Rev. R. A. Walker attended the Presbytery from Merkel church.

NOTICE—If you suffer with a Rupture ask to see our Trueman Hamm Drug Company.

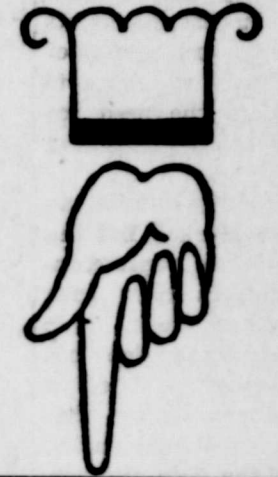
#### Southwestern Bell Telephone Company

Thirty-third Dividend  
The regular quarterly dividend of one dollar and seventy-five cents per share on Preferred Stock will be paid on Monday, October 1, 1928, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Thursday, September 20, 1928.

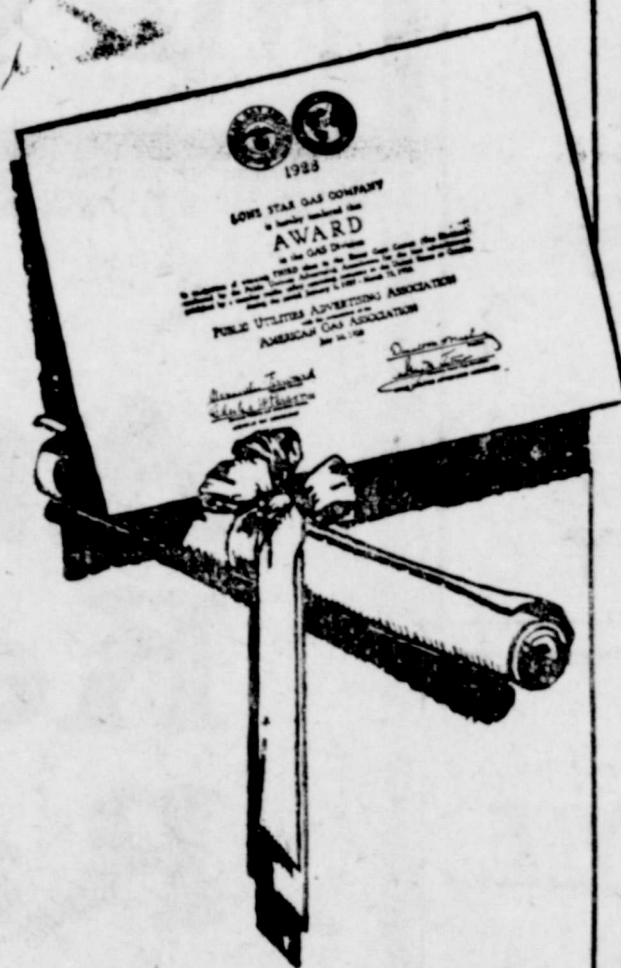
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**MERKEL'S OPPORTUNITY**

One hundred men are wanted to subscribe \$100 each, payable in four installments, to practically guarantee a new and modern hotel for Merkel.

During the next few days, the central committee of ten of Merkel's leading citizens, augmented by practically every member of the Lions club, will go on the streets and in the territory adjacent to Merkel in an endeavor to give every citizen an opportunity to invest in the hotel project.

A one-day intensive campaign is being planned. Nearly half a hundred of the town's busiest merchants and professional men are giving of their time and efforts to bring to Merkel an institution, the need for which is becoming more pronounced day by day.

The near-by oil field is causing an influx of visitors to Merkel. Drilling crews and supply house representatives in large numbers have been here during the present week. It is a matter of common knowledge that many of these new-comers tried in vain to obtain accommodations, that they might remain in Merkel during the development of the field and perhaps as permanent citizens.

It is this condition that makes the hotel project one of supreme importance to every person who has interests in this territory. A new and modern hotel will keep in Merkel people who are desirous of remaining for any length of time, be it long or short. Every person who spends a day or a night here leaves money that goes into the channels of trade. The more people we can induce to make Merkel their headquarters or their home will mean a proportionate increase in all lines of business.

The oil field will help Merkel only in proportion to the effort put forth by Merkel's citizenship. On every hand there is evidence that workers and their families are being denied the privilege of living in Merkel because of the lack of hotel and other housing facilities.

It is Merkel's opportunity to forge ahead. The first consideration in the march of progress is to build the hotel. When this is assured, it would be a wise move for some of our citizens to form themselves into a company or group to improve the housing facilities. Both projects, we believe, will prove a profitable investment and at the same time put Merkel on the map as the center of oil activities in the "sweet oil" district.

Greet the committee with a smile and subscribe liberally when they call in behalf of a Greater Merkel.

Thousands of people travel the Bankhead highway through Merkel every month. What they see from the road is their impression of the town. With this heavy travel, it behooves Merkel to make that section of town in the vicinity of the railroad and the highway of the greatest possible beauty.

The West Texas Fair, while located in Abilene, belongs to all the people of this section. It is an institution of incalculable benefit to West Texas. The amusement, recreational and educational features this year are said to be more varied and of higher class than at any time in the history of the fair.

The new Mail publishers appreciate the splendid community correspondence which comes to this paper weekly. We want more of it, and if your community is not represented in our columns, communicate with us. Let the people in the other sections of the county know what you are doing.

Co-operation is the keynote of city building. One man or a dozen men ought not to be expected to bear the burden of all civic activities. The proposed new hotel is a civic undertaking in which practically every citizen should participate.

A new and modern hotel for Merkel deserves the enthusiastic support of every citizen. People who want to come here either for a brief stay or for an indefinite period, demand accommodations at least equal to those offered by other towns.

To Commissioner Diltz: Let's hurry to completion that road to the oil area. With the new hotel, which is becoming more certain each day, and with a modern highway to the oil

wells, Merkel is due for a great forward movement.

Get on the dotted line for the new hotel. Its construction will mean the beginning of a Greater Merkel.

The demand for residences and apartments in Merkel indicates substantial growth.

When people have money to spend they demand accommodations. Build the new hotel.

Good schools and churches are a town's greatest asset. Merkel has both.

**Merkelites Visit Carlsbad Caverns**

S. P. Nesmith, manager of the Queen theatre and his wife returned Wednesday from a trip to the interesting Carlsbad Caverns. In the party which left here last Sunday, were Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hodges of Abilene, the latter a sister of Mr. Nesmith, and two brothers of Mr. Nesmith, R. L. of Los Angeles and E. M. of Long Beach, Calif., both of whom had been visiting their brother here and their sister in Abilene.

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**Sousa's Band to Be Heard at Abilene**

Abilene, Sept. 20—Sousa's Band, making its first appearance in West Texas, will be heard here twice on October 18th at the Simmons University auditorium in concerts sponsored by the Cowboy Band of Simmons University. Sousa and his band have already started on the Golden Jubilee tour which takes them across the continent.

An unusual feature of the engagement here is an afternoon matinee for children only. According to the plans of the local management this concert will be given at prices ranging around fifty cents for the benefit of children, and an audience of two thousand youngsters is expected to take advantage of this unusual offer.

This is Sousa's fiftieth year as a band leader and he is celebrating it with the Golden Jubilee tour. He will make only a few stops in Texas.

**CARD OF THANKS.**

We wish to take this method of thanking our neighbors and friends for their kindness to us during the illness and death of our dear Mother. The many services and words of sympathy will never be forgotten. We also want to thank Dr. Grimes for his patient and untiring efforts. May God's richest blessings rest upon each and every one of you is our prayer. The Popham Children.

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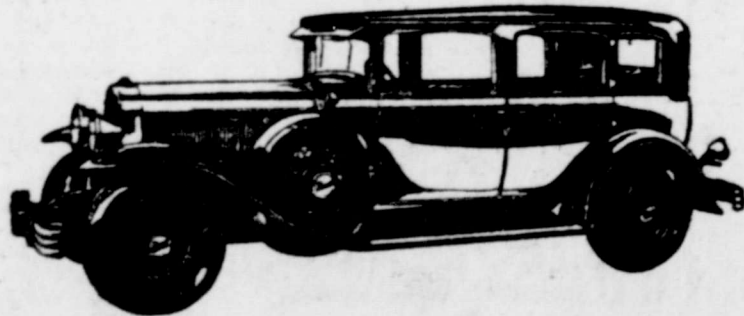
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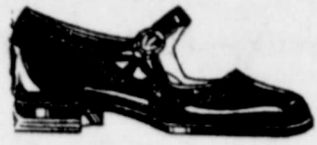
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SOCIETY

SENIOR GIRLS SWIM

In last Friday afternoon immediately after school, six of the senior girls drove out to Shannon's swimming pool for a swim. After an hour and a half swim, some time was spent telling jolly jokes and stories. Next came the most important part—"the lunch", which consisted of sandwiches and fruits of various kinds, olives and cakes, also iced tea.

Those who enjoyed this party were Misses Norma Shannon, Addie Fae Patterson, Euna Lea Gilmore, Lola Shelton, Velma Walker and Vivian Berger.

CLASS PARTY

Members of the T. E. L. Sunday school class of the Baptist church were graciously entertained in the home of Mrs. Roy Miller with Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Earl Teague joint hostesses. A short business session was held before the special hour, which was made especially entertaining for the guests with cleverly planned games and contests. Piano selections by Miss Iris Garrett furnished happy diversion until tea time, when the hostesses passed a most delectable sandwich plate served with iced tea to Mesdames Booth, Pogue, Stamford, Collins, Gaily, Lee, McFarland, Bearer, Bates Brown, Angus, Andy Lassiter, Gibson and Swann.

CHORAL AND GLEE CLUBS ORGANIZED

The Choral and Glee Clubs of Merkel High School began rehearsal this week under the direction of Miss Christine Collins, with a record breaking attendance. Miss Norma Shannon was elected president of the Choral Club with Vivian Berger to assist her as secretary and treasurer. Carlos Montandon was elected to head the Glee Club and J. T. Darsey to act as treasurer. Miss Collins will direct both clubs with Mrs. E. Yates Brown as accompanist.

Members coming out for Choral work are Misses Thelma McAninch, Euna Lea Gilmore, Reba McLeod, Maxine Keister, Tula Miller, Doris Brown, Madeline Murray, Bernice Lasiter, Louise Booth, Verna Tee Beasley, Imogene Mangum, Nadine Tippett, Oleta Moore, Hazel Leslie, Kathleen Mashburn, Elsie Richie, Vivian Berger, Norma Shannon, Himalaya Swafford, Nina Montandon.

Members of the Glee Club are J. T. Darsey, Carlos Montandon, Harold Leeton, William Sheppard, Baylor Amazon, Byron Patterson, Weldon Coats, J. E. Boaz, Orion Tittle, O. B. Boden, E. L. Turner, Gordon Filemings, Jeff Chaney, John B. Hughes, Ruskin Smith, Milton Case, Fred A. Baker.

BRIDGE GAMES

On Tuesday evening of this week Mr. and Mrs. Geo. White informally entertained with Bridge games at their home in South Merkel. Iced Punch was served throughout progressions of the games and at their culmination a delicious salad plate was served to Misses Mary Cleo Booth, Roberta Sloan, Mesdames Claude Young, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cookstan, Dr. Sadler and Mr. and Mrs. White.

THURSDAY CLUB

Members of the Thursday Club were complimented with a lovely party in the home of Mrs. R. I. Grimes on Thursday afternoon of this week. A profusion of colorful floral decorations made a delightful setting for seven tables of 42. The tables, arranged for games, were appointed with candies and party accessories featuring the gay colors of the flowers. Radio music interspersed progressions of the games and at the refreshment hour a most delectable salad plate served with iced tea was passed to Mesdames J. M. Estes, W. B. Ramsey, E. B. Compere, all of Abilene, Misses Mary Cleo Booth, Lucy Tracy, Roberta Sloan, Mesdames Earl Lassiter, Claude Young, Len Sublett, Sam Cummings, Harry Cookstan, Jim Sears, Henry West, Clyde Foster, C. B. Gardner, George White, Matt Dillingham, S. C. Hughes, Booth Warren, F. Y. Gaither, L. B. Scott, S. D. Gamble, F. C. McFarland, Ross Ferrer, Ollie Dye, Tom Largent, Dee Grimes and Twyman Collins.

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Baptist Missionary Women at Trent in Interesting Meeting

Mrs. E. D. Massey Jr. led the Royal Service Missionary lesson at the meeting of the Baptist Women's Missionary Society Monday afternoon and opened the session with a prayer, and a devotional scripture reading.

Mrs. J. M. Waters gave a prayer, and Mrs. Buena McLeod spoke on the topic, "Family Ties," using an original chart to illustrate her points. An open discussion followed, on "The Graded W. M. U." in which various members spoke of the requirements for standard societies.

Mrs. Alex Williams spoke on "W.M. U. Special Work" mentioning particularly the Margaret Fund and the Bible fund of the Women's Missionary Union. Mrs. W. L. Boyd talked on "The Family in Action," bringing out the points of prayer, study tithing, and enlisting workers. Mrs. W. J. Beckham sang the Ruby Anniversary

Song of the Union, with Mrs. Williamson at the piano.

It was voted that the society take up the study of the book, "Stewardship and Missions," and the next monthly mission meeting was announced on the topic, "Where Our Money Goes."

The meeting Monday will be a social affair, and members were instructed to select one prospect for membership, each, and to bring her prospect to the social meeting, which will be in charge of Mrs. A. Williamson.

Members present were Mesdames E. D. Massey, Jr., A. C. Terry, W. L. Boyd, E. Howell, C. L. Blankenship, Geta Williamson, J. M. Waters and W. J. Beckham.

MEAT MARKET REMOVAL

The Quality meat market, O. F. Weidenbach, proprietor, has moved to the Patterson building on Front street, where the City market was formerly located.

The entire building is occupied by the market, and Mr. Weidenbach announces that his new place will be modern in every respect.

Driller Becomes Citizen of Merkel

R. H. Cunningham and family, driller from Breckenridge, who has been residing in Merkel for the past three months, states he will not return to Breckenridge but intends to make Merkel his future home. He is favorably impressed with business opportunities and social advantages of Merkel, located near the oil field. A son has been enrolled in the public schools and he has further affiliated himself with the town by purchasing

a Chrysler model 65 from the Maverick Motor Company, local Chrysler dealers.

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### WHAT'S DOING In West Texas

Plans are being made in Big Springs to experiment with methods of oiling gravel road. If the method proves practicable on a short stretch its extensive use will be considered.

The first issue of the Panhandle-Plains Historical Review published by the Panhandle-Plains Historical Society at Plainview has been issued and distributed to the members of the association. Many interesting articles fill the book.

James C. Asbury has been employed as secretary of the Baird Chamber of Commerce to succeed Mr. H. O. Tatum, who resigned to take the position of city manager at Eastland. Mr. Asbury has been active in C. of C. work for many years.

The next meeting of the Panhandle-North Plains District Convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce will be held at Shamrock. This city sent a large delegation to the meeting recently held in Pampa.

An advertising trip of citizens to go from Cisco to Matamoros, Mexico, via San Antonio, and Brownsville, is being planned to start October 10 or 12. The trip is estimated to cost probably \$40.00 per person.

Work is progressing on the Olton School House which contains eight large class rooms and a library. The building is costing \$45,000, and will be modern in every feature when completed. Twenty per cent of Olton scholastics are in high school.

Snyder shipped 400 cases of eggs, or 1,200 dozen to Havana, Cuba, recently. This is considered the earliest shipment of eggs ever shipped from the county, shipment usually starting in January.

Coleman is starting a home beautification project which when completed will include a boulevard entirely encircling the city. Two parks and the site for a new park recently donated by an interested citizen will be given attention.

Gas was turned into the mains in Lamesa from the Amarillo oil fields

last week. Demonstration of new stoves for the new fuel has been the order of the day since, with the result that a number of people are buying stoves before cold weather.

A few of the commodities shipped from Shamrock in 1927 were 12 carloads of wheat, 93 cars of corn, 185 cars of grain sorghums, 297 cars cattle, 79 cars hogs, 225 cars cottonmill products, and 28,500 bales of cotton—all grown in Wheeler county.

The \$300,000 Education Building at the West Texas State Teachers College is to have the most modern of equipment for the teaching of grade and high school students. It is to be dedicated with a special ceremony on October 19.

The Electra Chamber of Commerce has sponsored a road to tap the virgin trade territory in the oil district. It acquired the deed, secured the field notes and started the work on the road which will be twelve miles long.

Work is progressing on the First National Bank building on the corner of Main and Concho streets. The contract for the edifice calls for a sum of approximately \$75,000, and the work is being done by superior laborers.

Work on the Muleshoe gin is being rushed in order that all of this season's crop will be handled. New machinery is being installed and the plant will be modern in every respect.

#### NAZARENE REVIVAL

The revival at Butman in the new Tabernacle, 15 miles southwest of Merkel, is increasing in interest. Large crowds are attending. Rev. C. C. Montandon is doing the preaching each night, and the meeting will continue over next week. Preaching Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Special lecture Sunday afternoon at three. Everybody is invited to come and bring dinner Sunday. Stay all day in Mulberry Canyon.

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### 101 Ranch Wild West, Enlarged, Heads This Way

Indians and Cossacks; cowboys and Bengalese; vaqueros and foreign cavalry; bronchos and elephants—these are some of the 1,100 people and 600 animals coming to Abilene, Wednesday, Sept. 26, with the 101 Ranch Wild West, which boasts the only circus parade of magnitude in America. This famous show, the largest of its kind, past or present, has added a new spectacle, "Julius Caesar," this year.

The 101 Ranch carries spread of canvas that will crowd the acreage of the regular circus lots in the great cities, as the big top is 540 by 300 feet—30 feet longer than any other tent ever built.

Unusually large wild west and rodeo displays alternate with Far Eastern novelties, and Miller Brothers, owners of both the famous 136,000 acre 101 Ranch in Oklahoma and the show, have spared nothing to make this year's performance an epochal one. Performances are given at 2 and 8 p.m. The parade, all new, leaves the lot at 10:30 a.m., daily.

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### Picturesque East Texan Succumbs

BEAUMONT, Texas, Sept. 20.—Jean Claud Justine Charpiot, 103, a picturesque character of East Texas, is dead at his home near Big Thicket in Hardin County. His passing brings to an end the unique community festivals which have been held of late years in celebration of his birthdays on Jan. 20, and ends a life which has been compared by many to the story of Jean Valjean, the hero of Victor Hugo's novel.

Charpiot, a native of France, who came to this country seventy years ago, died late Friday night. Children surviving are V. F. Charpiot and J. B. Charpiot and Mrs. James B. Bozeman, all of Hardin County.

When Charpiot was about 30 he was thrown into prison by Louis Philippe of France. During his prison term of two years he was kept in irons. He then was sent to a province in Africa, where he remained for a

year. He came back to France and caught a sailing vessel to America, landing in New Orleans. Shortly after arriving he got passage on a coastwise steamboat and landed in Sabine Pass, and later came to Beaumont. When Charpiot came to Beaumont there were only four stores here. He was engaged in the bankers trade at Sabine Pass when the Civil War was declared. He joined the Confederate army and fought through the war for the South. He also plied the blacksmith's trade in shops in Texas.

Charpiot lived thirty years in the Big Thicket on Pine Island. He rarely used English, speaking chiefly in French. Feature writers of East and South Texas have found Charpiot's life good "copy" for years.

#### SWEETWATER MAN NAMED

AUSTIN, Sept. 20.—R. D. Cox, Jr. of Sweetwater, now serving his third term as county attorney, today was appointed assistant attorney general by Claude Pollard, attorney general.

#### MELON FEAST

E. J. Orsborn, Superintendent of Blair Methodist Sunday school, invited the Sunday school and his neighbors to be with him and his family and partake of a melon feast on the evening of September 11th. So we were there about 150 strong, all of the same mind, and we worked together harmoniously and accomplished our aim and devoured a lot of those fine large melons, also plenty of cream and cake.

We had some fine music, rendered by Z. V. Moore, violin; Odis Moore, mandolin; Clint Madera, guitar, and L. C. Moore, guitar.

The young people and children enjoyed some nice games and the older folks enjoyed watching the youngsters romp and play.

At a late hour all repaired to our homes, feeling that it was an evening well spent and long to be remembered by all present.

We have a residence for sale at a bargain. Thompson & Boswell.



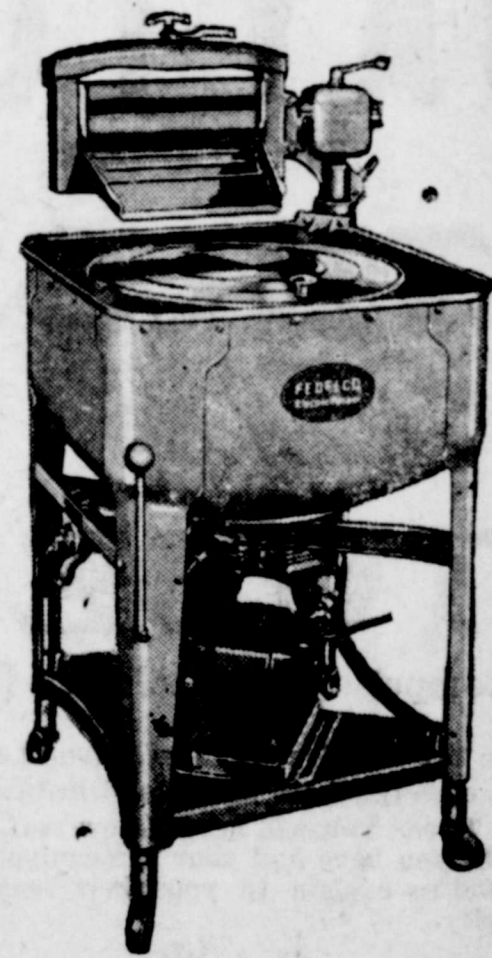
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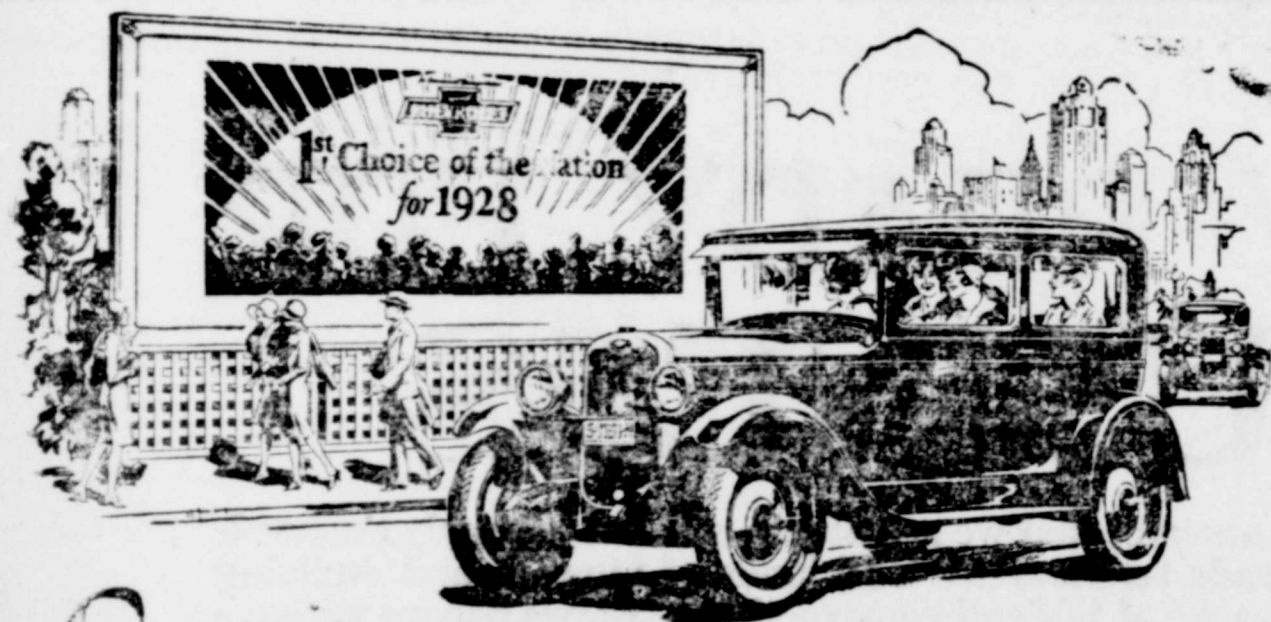
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Week after week and month after month the Bigger and Better Chevrolet has swept on to greater and greater heights of popularity—until today it stands acknowledged everywhere as first choice of the nation for 1928!

Never has any Chevrolet enjoyed such overwhelming public acceptance—for never has any low-priced car provided such an outstanding combination of distinctive beauty, thrilling performance and amazing economy!

Its beautiful bodies by Fisher—long, low and racy, and finished in colors that reveal to-day's mode for smartness and individuality—are far in advance of accepted standards in the field of low-priced cars. Inside

and out they prove anew that Fisher craftsmanship is a thing apart.

But Chevrolet performance is no less impressive than Chevrolet beauty and style. Never before was a low-priced car so easy to handle—for the steering mechanism is fitted with ball bearings throughout... the clutch and gear-shift lever respond to the slightest touch... and big non-locking 4-wheel brakes give a measure of braking control that is more than equal to every occasion.

Come in and see the car that has won the approval of more than three-quarters of a million buyers since January 1st. Learn for yourself why it is scoring the greatest success of this great automotive year!

### BRACKEEN-HUGHES CHEVROLET COMPANY

MERKEL, TEXAS

Massey-Woods Chevrolet Co.

Trent, Texas

## QUALITY AT LOW COST



### Firearms Furnish "Music" in Queen Film, "Drag Net"

Machine guns, rifles and bombs furnish the orchestral accompaniment for the filming of "The Drag Net," George Bancroft's latest starring vehicle for Paramount showing at the Queen theatre Monday and Tuesday. The picture is a melodrama of warfare between police and an organized gang of hi-jackers and murderers. George Bancroft, the unforgettable "Bull Weed" of "Underworld," portrays the role of a chief of detectives who attempts to clean out the gang. Josef von Sternberg, who also directed "Underworld" directed this production.

While the film unit producing the picture was furnished a quota of musicians usual to a motion picture set, their efforts were drowned out by the staccato rattle of machine guns and the sharp bark of rifles and revolvers.

According to the director von Sternberg, the purpose of the drama is to bring before the American public an authentic account of the perils of the law encounter in their conflict against the forces of the underworld.

"Gold Teen," a delightful comedy featuring a young man, a First National feature, directed by Mervyn LeRoy, will be the attraction at the Queen theatre next week. The story is based on Carl Ed's celebrated newspaper comic strip of the same name, and it is heralded as probably the fastest moving farce of the year.

### Houston Buffs Win Texas League Title

HOUSTON, Texas, Sept. 20.—The Houston Buffs slugged their way to an 8 to 4 victory over the Wichita Falls Spudders here Monday, thereby winning the Texas League championship and the right to contest with the winner of the Southern Association title for the Dixie championship.

Twenty times the ball sailed for a safe hit. Four pitchers fell before the barrage, and after Houston had the game safely stowed away it settled into a pitcher's battle between "Wild Bill" Hallahan, offside who already had beat the Spudders twice, and Milt Steengrafe, Lanky Spudd righthander.

The game started as a slugging match, the Spudders nicking Jim Lindsey for two hits and one run in the first inning. The Buffs, in their half, came back with three singles and a fielding choice, together with two long flies, to push four runs across the plate.

Not content with their three run lead, the Buffs added two more in the fourth on three hits and an error. They got another two in the fifth on a home run by Worthington, an infield hit, a line drive at the second baseman and a wild throw by Turgeon to first.

But in the sixth, the Spudders got to Lindsey for five hits and three runs. Hallahan went into the box and saved the game by fanning Kallina and forcing Benton to fly out.

From then on it was Hallahan's game.

Either Memphis, Tenn., or Birmingham, Ala., of the Southern Association, will play Houston for the Dixie championship.

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

**THEFT CHARGES FILED**  
Abilene, Texas, Sept. 20.—Joe Puga of Stanton, charged with two other youths, Willie Jasco and Thomas Ortiz, were alleged to have stolen two cases of snuff, two cases of cotton hose and a roll of aluminum wire from a shipment of merchandise near Stanton ten days ago. The other two youths were arraigned before the federal commissioner here last week.

**NEW PHONE PLANT**  
SWEETWATER, Sept. 20.—Purchase of a quarter of a block lying just east of the municipal building by the Bell Telephone company has given rise to reports that that company is planning the erection of a modern office and exchange building here, although no official announcement has been made to that effect.

See our 98 cent Bedspread for Saturday. Boston Store.

**TERIAN CHURCH**  
services Sunday, Sunday school at 10 a.m. services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Prayers in town welcome you in all Wednesday evening 7:30 p.m. Supt. S. S. Pastor.

## CLASSIFIED ADS

### FOR SALE

**FOR SALE**—My home in South Merkel. Four rooms and bath; new frame structure, north front, 70x100, just off Oak Street. Piped with gas, modern bath fixtures, sink and built-in cabinet in kitchen, small back porch. Less than half cash, balance about \$38.75 per month. See me at once. JACK DURHAM, phone 61 or 245-w or call at Merkel Mail.

**FOR SALE**—Good gentle pony. Just the thing for boy or girl. Call at the Merkel Mail office.

**FOR LEASE**—350 acres for oil and gas. One mile from production, north of Tiner field, Jones County. C. A. Duncan, Trent, route two.

**FOR SALE**—All white Hot Point Electric Stove, slightly used. Herbert Patterson, phone 282W.

**FOR SALE**—1926 model Ford truck. Good tires and in good condition. A bargain. See Connie Lepard at Maverick Motor Co.

**FOR SALE**—106 acre farm; all fine land; wood, water, new seven-room house including bath; all built-in features; water piped in house; carbide light plant; good three-room rent house on place; close to gin, school and highway. \$80.00 per acre. M. M. Thomasson. Address 125 Chestnut Street, Abilene, Texas. Phone 3603.

**FOR RENT**—Nicely furnished apartment, close in, absolutely private. Access to bath. Gas, lights, telephone and garage furnished. Mrs. Jas. H. West, Telephone 145.

**FOR SALE**—Good Jersey cow. Apply J. L. Ragsdale, phone 210W.

### FOR RENT

**FOR RENT**—Apartment or bedroom; two doors south Baptist church. Phone 154W.

We have clients anxious to purchase farms worth the money. List with us. Thompson & Boswell.

### FOR RENT

**FOR RENT**—The Boney Service Station, located on highway. See Marvin or W. O. Boney.

**FARMERS**—See us before you sell your cattle and hogs. Will pay market price. O. F. Weidenbach, at Clarence Saunders Market.

**FARM For Rent**—130 acres, 105 A. cultivation, mile southwest of Trent. Teams and tools sold to the one renting same. See Willard Rogers.

### WANTED

**WANTED**—Two or three nice house-keeping rooms, furnished or unfurnished, for couple. Phone or apply at Merkel Mail office.

**COTTON Pickers** wanted. Have house for bale-a-day crew. Apply T. J. Taylor, 3 1/2 miles southwest Merkel on Blair road.

**WANTED**—Family to pick cotton; good house, plenty of wood and water. Gordon Alexander, Merkel, route 3. See me at Tye.

# Used Trucks And Four Wheel Trailers

Several good used Trucks in good condition, and a number of Ford and Chevrolet Chassis, the very thing for making trailers to haul cotton.

SEE US BEFORE YOU BUY!

**Brackeen-Hughes  
Chevrolet Co.**

Phone 17      Merkel, Texas

# FARMERS

I have my plant ready to go. I am equipped with all the latest machinery for sample and turn-out. I invite you to give me a trial.



Your Business Appreciated



# Sam Swann Gin

## A CONTINUOUS SAVING

The continuous saving of a few cents on each item is what counts in buying groceries. As a rule groceries are sold on a very close margin of profit, therefore you get no big cut on any one item, but the saving of a few cents on each item all the way down the line will count you out a nice saving at the end of the year. Let us sell you a bill of groceries for cash, compare this with a bill bought on credit anywhere, total up the difference and you will be surprised as well as delighted with the saving you have made even though it is only a few cents on each item. Try the cash plan and you too will become a believer, you can buy the following real quality groceries at the following prices here for the cash. Regular prices:

48-lb. Sack Oriole Flour	\$1.98
48-lb Southland Flour	\$1.83
8-lb Pail Bird Brand or Oak Leaf Com pound	\$1.18
25-lb Sack Pure Cane Sugar	\$1.73
Gallon Size East Tex Blackberries	58c
No. 2 size hand pack Tomatoes	9c

Fresh Barbecue Every Week-End.

# M. G. SCOTT CASH GROCERY

TRENT, TEXAS

## Like Getting a Premium

### On Every Bale

One thing is certain; all cotton must be ginned, and the cost, based upon pounds of seed cotton delivered at the gin, is the same.

But when your cotton is ginned according to principles which produce a better sample and greater turnout, your ginning cost actually is less; you get the equivalent of a crop of larger yield and higher quality. That means more money for you, as truly as if the ginner had paid you a premium on every bale ginned for you. Such, in brief, are the advantages you gain when your cotton is ginned on a

## MURRY air Blast GIN

To our old customers: A word of thanks for your liberal patronage in previous years and bespeaking a continuance of same for the current season. We also solicit those who have never given us a trial to call and be convinced of the genuine service and savings we can render you.

Our plant is Murry Equipped. Bring your cotton here. On your crop get that Greater Profit to which you are entitled.

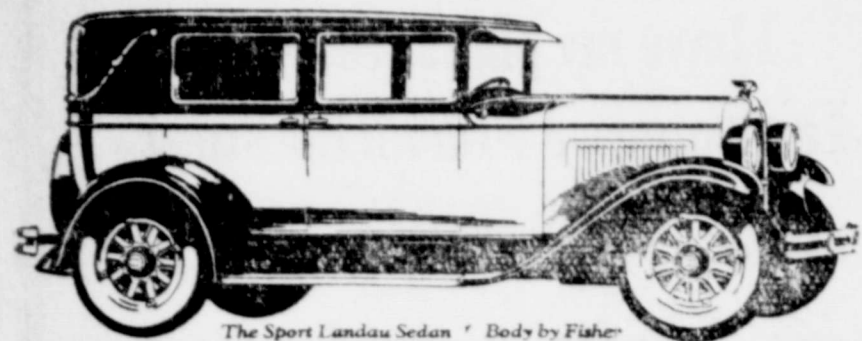
OUR PLANT IS NEW AND READY TO GO.

## South Side Electric Gin

L. L. Murry, Manager



Product of  
**PRECISION  
CONSTRUCTION**  
In America's  
Most Modern Plant



The Sport Landau Sedan Body by Fisher

Today's Pontiac Six is built in America's most modern automobile plant—a vast daylight factory erected less than two years ago. Here are special machines, special processes and special methods of precision control far surpassing the accepted practice. Here are literally hundreds of inspectors enforcing the law of accuracy with an iron hand. Here every Pontiac Six is subjected to hundreds of separate inspections to make certain that every ultimate owner obtains a six which General Motors can be proud to sponsor—and which will deliver uniformly satisfactory service for many thousands of miles! See and drive today's Pontiac Six—the best built car of its price in the world!

2-Door Sedan, \$745; Coupe, \$745; Sport Roadster, \$745; Phantom, \$775; Cabriolet, \$775; 4-Door Sedan, \$825; Sport Landau Sedan, \$875. Oakland All American Six, \$1045 to \$1265. All prices at factory. Check Oakland-Pontiac delivered prices—this include lowest handling charges. General Motors Time Payment Plan available at all authorized dealers.

**Low Motor Company**  
MERKEL, TEXAS

**PONTIAC SIX**  
PRODUCT OF GENERAL MOTORS

Try a Classified Ad in the Mail Try a Classified Ad for Results

**Fire Damage at  
Trent is \$15,000**

Trent, Texas, Sept. 20.—Trent was without lights after midnight Tuesday, following destruction of transformers in the West Texas Utilities Company's electric sub-station, by explosion and fire.

Workmen of the company were installing new transformers, and were ready to make the hook-up, when oil in a temporary transformer exploded and fire swiftly followed. The oil was of an insulating variety, carried in each transformer, and under the intense heat reached a temperature of 600 degrees, blocking efforts of the Merkel fire department to extinguish the blaze with water.

**Use Extinguisher.**  
As a last resort, firemen and company engineers went to work on the fire with a patent extinguisher, reinforced with wet canvass, and, after burning all night it was brought under control early Wednesday. The work was under direction of Fred Schoeder, transmission superintendent, who estimated the damage at \$15,000. It is covered with insurance.

**Mattress Plant Burns.**  
A sheet iron covered building occupied by the Matthews Mattress and Rug plant, 740 pine street, practically all of the machinery and material for making mattresses were destroyed by fire Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Due to the large quantity of cotton in the building, the flames spread quickly and were beyond control before the fire department could reach the plant.

**MERKEL BOY GOING GOOD**  
Reports from Simmons University training camp show Tittle of Merkel as among the promising linemen on the Cowboy roster. The cowboy team faces their first heavy assignment at Breckenridge on October 6, when they meet the T. C. U. Horned Frogs. The following week they meet S. M. U. at Wichita Falls.

**Dora Doings**

To date Dora gin has ginned one bale of cotton and hope to be real busy in the next week.

The little nine-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Evans, near Nolan, died last Tuesday morning with diphtheria. Three other children were ill, but the doctor gave the serum in time to save them.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Clayton are still very low.

John Dudley, Earl Wallis and Cliff Perry are working on the Munger and Dudley ranch, helping to brand and saving the feed crop, which is very fine this year.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Dunagan and children, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Perry and son, Mrs. Ruth Jones and baby, spent the week-end on the San Saba, six miles east of Menard, fishing. The fish bite, so did the mosquitoes, chiggers and ticks, but through it all we had a fine outing.

Burford Shelton of Abilene spent Saturday and Sunday here with home folks.

Chapel Hardy filled the pulpit at Slater's Chapel Sunday morning, services being rained out in the evening.

John W. Robins of Clyde was here Monday looking after business at the gin.

Jasper McCoy of Merkel was in Dora Monday.

J. F. Lewis and Howard Cargill made a business trip to Merkel Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Hanks' baby is improving after several days illness.

Mrs. Harvey Wright is on the sick list this week.

Olan J. Jones spent several days this week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Perry.

Etta Laine of Winters spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Laine.

See our 98 cent Bedspread Special for Saturday. Boston Bargain Store.

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**QUEEN**

10c "SHOWING THE PICK OF THE PICTURES" 25c

**FRIDAY**  
**Billy Sullivan**

—in—  
**"Speedy Smith"**

Speed is right. He shows you speed in every line.

—Also—  
The First Chapter of  
**'The VANISHING RIDER'**  
And 2-reel Comedy—  
**"PEACEFUL OSCAR"**

**FRIDAY and SATURDAY**  
**On The Stage**

**QUEEN'S HAWAIIANS**  
Popular Stage and Radio Stars  
in Musical Entertainment

**SATURDAY**  
**Buffalo Bill Jr.**

—in—  
**"The Obliging  
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A real fast Western.  
—Also—  
**'The VANISHING RIDER'**  
The great mystery serial  
And 2-reel Comedy  
**"DO DETECTIVES THINK"**

**Monday & Tuesday**  
**George Bancroft**

—in—  
**"THE DRAGNET"**

Great story, Thrilling Action, one of the greatest dramatic actors on the screen in the starring role. All the tense and stirring drama you could hope for in a film.

—Also Comedy—  
**"The Patent Medicine Kid"**  
and International News Reel

**Wednesday & Thurs**

**ARTHUR LAKE and  
MARY BRIAN**

—in—  
**"HAROLD TEEN"**

The Best of the season. Out of the funny sheet onto the screen! A high school romance that humorously reflects your own teen years. Seven roaring reels of fun!

—Also 2-reel Comedy—  
**"CRUSING THE ARTIC"**

**Cattlemen Oppose  
Merger of Boards**

MIDLAND, Sept. 20.—Proposed merger of the Livestock Sanitary Commission of Texas with the State Department of Agriculture was unanimously opposed in resolutions passed by the executive committee of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association in convention here Tuesday.

The 40 members of the executive committee present, and the more than 100 cattlemen who attended the sessions, and entertainment features also unanimously favored the resolutions adopted opposing any change in the present charges to cattlemen for bedding stock cars.

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**INTERMEDIATE B.Y.P.U.  
PROGRAM**

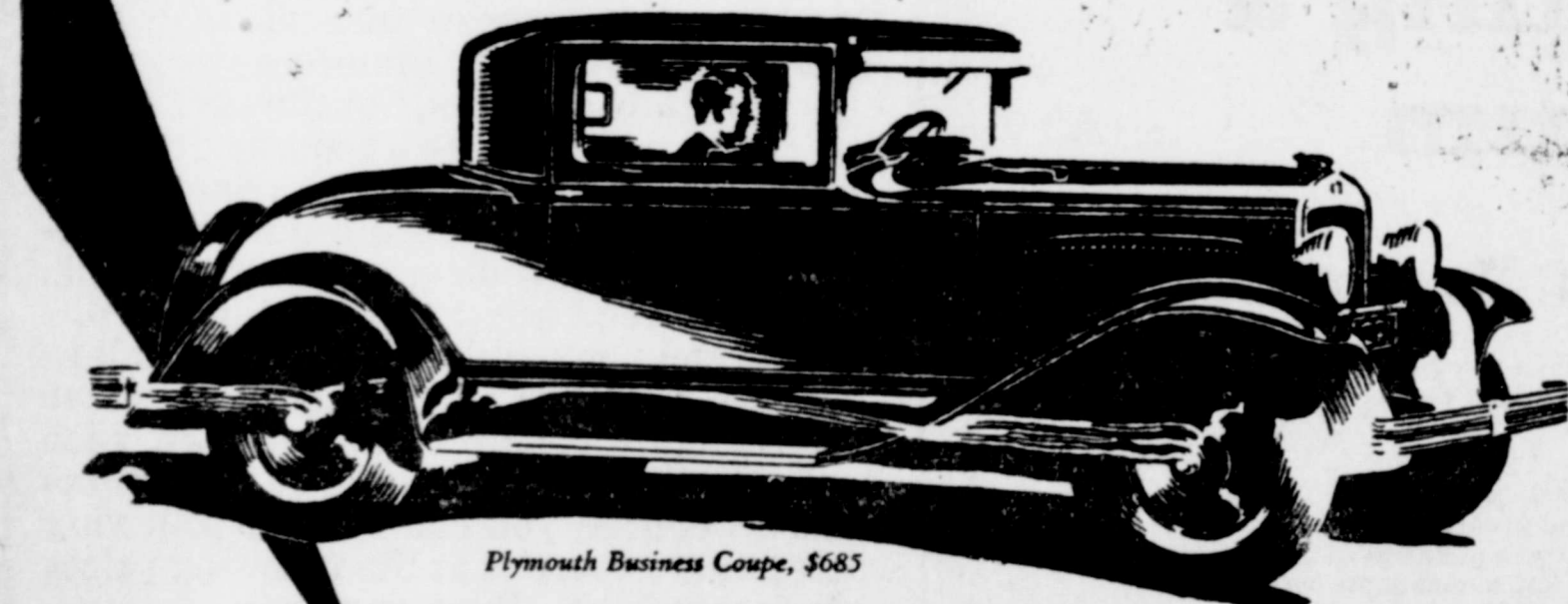
Subject: "The Power of Influence."

1. Introducing the Topic, by Willie Evelyn Boaz.
2. Two Kinds of Influence:
  - (1) By Margaret Canon.
  - (2) By Ida Mae Derstine.
3. Channels Through Which We Influence Others.
  - (1) Our Speech, By Vera Derrick.
  - (2) Habits, by Himalaya Swafford.
  - (3) Actions, by Oleta Moore.

**NEW FIRE COMMISSIONER**  
AUSTIN, Texas, Sept. 20.—J. W. Dewese, of Paris, today was appointed state fire insurance commissioner by Governor Moody to succeed Thomas Mitchell Campbell, Jr., who died August 26.

Try a Classified Ad in The Mail.

**CHRYSLER**  
**Plymouth**



Plymouth Business Coupe, \$685

Winning public preference  
because of greater dollar value



With the arrival of the new Chrysler-built Plymouth the search for greater dollar value in the lowest-priced field is made surprisingly simple.

All you need do is to summon up a mental picture of the few other cars in this field.

The way the new Plymouth stands out from the others—like a mountain peak among hills—will give you a start.

It is so unmistakably in a class by itself—with its full size, its new and original style, its fine quality of finish and fittings.

But the contrast in Plymouth's favor becomes still more startling in the matter of performance—in its speed, pick-up and power, from its new "Silver-Dome" high-compression engine using any gasoline; its smoothness and roadability; its safety because of light action internal-expanding hydraulic 4-wheel brakes.

The buyer who seeks dollar-value first will inevitably choose the new Plymouth, after observing the very significant contrasts in greater dollar-for-dollar value it presents to every other car in the lowest-priced field.

**\$675**  
AND UPWARDS

- Roadster - - - \$675  
(with rumble seat)
- Coupe - - - 685
- Touring - - - 695
- 2-Door Sedan - - 700
- DeLuxe Coupe - - 735  
(with rumble seat)
- 4-Door Sedan - - 735

All prices f. o. b. Detroit. Plymouth dealers are in a position to extend the convenience of time payments.

Front Street **MAVERICK MOTOR COMPANY** Merkel, Texas

**DIAMONDS** **T.C. WILSON** **WATCHES**  
**JEWELER**  
ABILENE, TEXAS.  
TELEPHONE 6  
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**Declare War on All Insects—Kill Them**  
—and keep them away. Bee Brand Insect Powder or Liquid kills Flies, Ants, Roaches, Poultry Lice, Mosquitoes, Fleas, Bed Bugs, and other insects. Won't spot or stain. Use powder on plants and pets. Write us for FREE insect booklet. If dealer can't supply, we will ship by parcel post at prices named. McCORMICK & CO., Baltimore, Md.

**BEE BRAND**  
Powder 10c & 25c  
Liquid 50c & \$1.00  
30c (Spray Gun) 35c

**Bee Brand**  
**INSECT POWDER**  
**OR LIQUID**  
CEDAR ODOR

**Hey, You!!**  
Why be scared of  
**The Adolphus?**  
We have rooms with  
bath at \$2.00  
Coffee 5c

**The ADOLPHUS**  
DALLAS, TEXAS



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**M. ARMSTRONG, M. D.**  
Office Over Farmers State Bank.  
Res. Phone 12. Office 195.  
Local Surgeon T. & P. For Last 10 Years.  
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Insurance—Notary Public  
In New City Hall—Front St.  
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Real Estate, Fire, Accident and  
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Knife No Pain No Detention  
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Practice Limited to  
The Eye and its Errors of Refraction  
Eyes Examined and Glasses Fitted  
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**FREE! FREE!**  
One Large 8x10 Enlargement  
with each \$5.00 worth of  
Kodak Finishing  
**RODDEN'S STUDIO**  
Roll Developed 10c; Prints 3,4,5c  
—ONE DAY SERVICE—  
All Work Strictly Guaranteed

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WATER WELL DRILLER  
My Work As Good As The Best.  
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Water well Driller,  
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**Full Set Teeth \$17.50**  
No Better Plate Made at Any Price  
22-k Gold used in all Crown and  
Bridge work at \$4.50 and Up.  
Gold Fillings \$1.50 and Up.  
Remove Those Old Bad Gums.

**WRIGHTON**  
guaranteed  
experience  
DENTIST  
Abilene

**Wild West Circus**  
Added Feature at  
West Texas Fair

ABILENE, Texas, September 20.—As an added attraction for the thirteenth annual West Texas Fair, to be presented in this city during the week beginning Monday, September 24th, officials of that organization have booked the Miller Brothers' 101 Ranch Real Wild West and Far East circus to exhibit in the fair grounds for one day during that week.

This mammoth and unique aggregation will be at the fair on Wednesday, September 26, and will give two complete shows—one in the afternoon and one in the evening.

In addition to having the largest and most talented collection of Wild West performers ever collected for exhibit purposes, the 101 Ranch circus will bring to Abilene a tribe of Indians, a wild animal menagerie, and a contingent of Cossacks and former titled Russians.

West Texans will have an opportunity of seeing the largest and longest street parade ever offered in this part of the state when the Miller Brothers' show comes to Abilene. It will be given before noon on show day and will in itself be worth coming hundreds of miles to see.

Try a Classified Ad in The Mail

**Zone Warehouses**  
To Aid Chevrolet

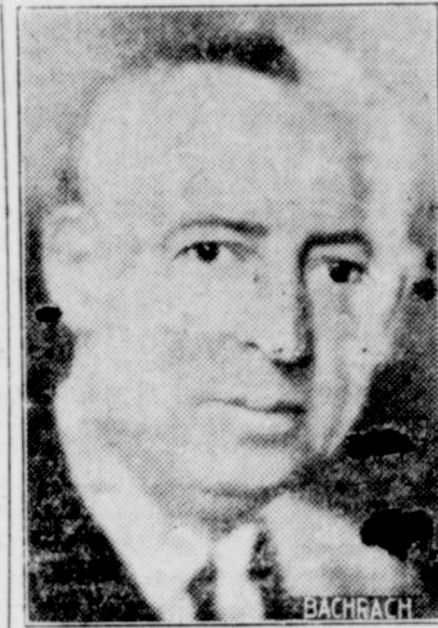
The parts and service division of Chevrolet Motor Company, for the purpose of bringing the consumer closer to the point of distribution, has been since the first of the year quietly carrying on a building program amounting to hundreds of thousands of dollars. This has added to the company's numerous plants five zone warehouses, now in use, and calls for construction of three more before January 1. In addition, major supply depots in Atlanta and Kansas City have been built and put into operation this year.

Los Angeles, Houston, Omaha, Philadelphia, and Cleveland are the centers which have seen warehouses already built and opened for use. Work is to begin this fall on others in New Orleans, Fargo and Indianapolis. The New Orleans warehouse is scheduled to open in November, the Fargo warehouse in December and the Indianapolis warehouse in January.

J. P. Little, manager of the parts and service division, in a statement issued last week, pointed out that the 1928 building program when completed will increase the storage facilities of his division by 30 percent. It will mean, he said, an addition of 210,000 additional feet of floor space.

**Lone Star Gas Ad.**  
Winner in National  
Utilities Contest

DALLAS, Texas, Sept. 20.—An advertisement of the Lone Star Gas Company entitled "Natural Gas Is a Community Builder" one of a series of Lone Star Gas advertisements that appear regularly in this newspaper, received third prize award in the Na-



R. A. CRAWFORD

tional Better Copy Contest conducted Public Utilities Advertising Association.

In notifying R. A. Crawford, vice-president and General Mgr. of Lone Star Gas Co. of this award the president of Public Utilities Advertising Association wrote Mr. Crawford in part as follows:

"I take this opportunity to congratulate you upon the uniformly excellent standard of advertising released by your Company. The winners in this contest embracing respectively and separately the electric, gas and transportation fields were selected from some 3600 advertisements submitted by 158 Public Utility Companies."

In the large handsome book of 500 representative Public Utility Advertisements published by the Association 5 other Lone Star Gas advertisements are reproduced in preferred position in addition to the prize winning advertisement.

This National recognition of Lone Star Gas advertising carries with it recognition of the advantages possessed by this community and many other Southwestern communities served by natural gas thru the Lone Star Gas Co., and is most excellent publicity for this section of the Country as well as for the Gas company.

Lone Star Gas advertising including the prize winning advertisement,

**Salt Branch News**

Several visitors were with us last week for the Sunday school workers' meeting. Rev. Smith from Abilene made the morning address, followed by reports from other training schools in near-by towns.

A bounteous meal was served on the grounds at the noon hour.

In the afternoon Rev. Parrack of Merkel gave a wonderful address, which was enjoyed by every person present.

Mrs. George L. Reeves entertained her Sunday school class at her home recently, and all had a pleasant time.

**Dr. O. H. Cooper to**  
Compile Texas Book

ABILENE, Sept. 20.—The appointment of Dr. O. H. Cooper, pioneer prominent educator of the South, to a professorship of the History and Philosophy of Education at Texas University during a leave of absence from Simmons University, where he is teaching at present, has been announced.

Dr. Cooper's appointment is in line with a work which he will produce while in Austin which will survey the growth of Texas civilization in the last half century. The volume, which will be the greatest to ever cover this field, when finished, will be under the joint auspices of Simmons University and the University of Texas.

**Trades 80 Acres Land**  
For Thousand Shaves

MORAVIA, Iowa, Sept. 20.—An acre of Missouri land is worth twelve and a half shaves to Jack Clark, local barber.

Transfer of eighty acres of land to Clark for 1,000 shaves has been agreed to by Rolla and Ralph McDonough, the shaves to be delivered on demand in Clark's barber shop. McPatridge & Coulson, lawyers, legalized the transaction.

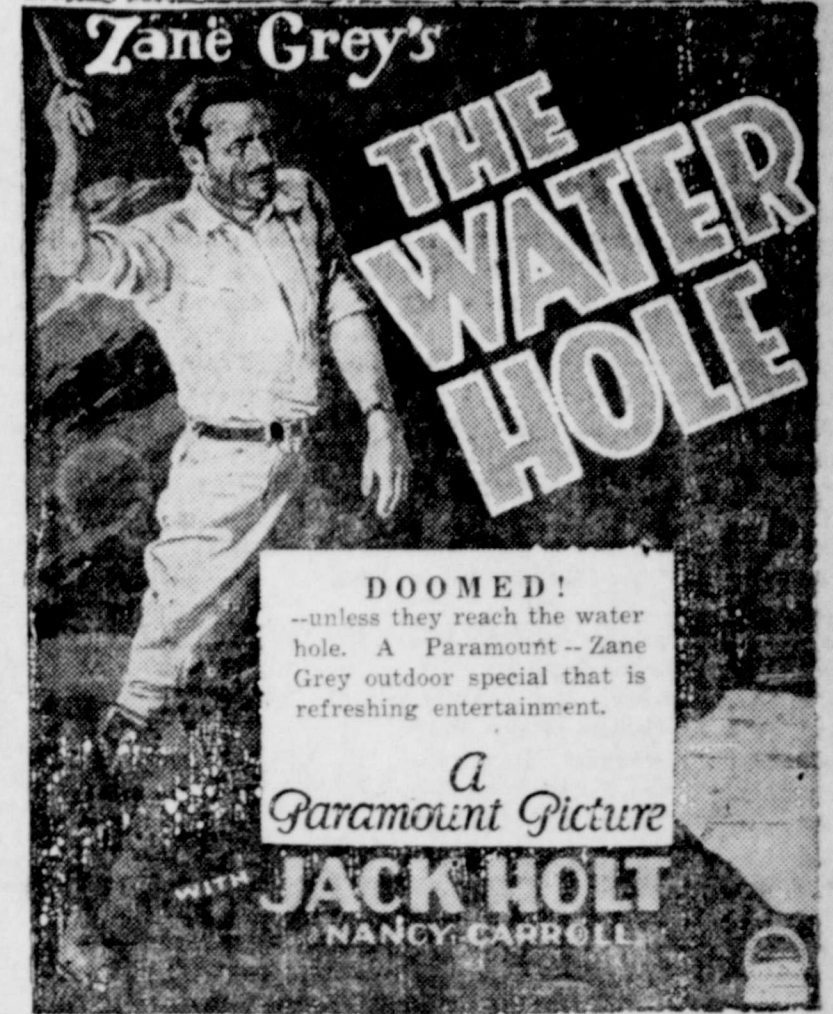
Give us a chance to prove to you the superior quality of our meats and we believe you will become one of our regular customers. Baker & Wheeler Market.

Try a Classified Ad for Results

**MERKEL THEATRE**

"NOT ONLY THE BEST, BUT THE NEWEST IN PICTURES"

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, Sept. 21st-22nd  
—MATINEE AND NIGHT—



DOOMED!  
—unless they reach the water hole. A Paramount-Zane Grey outdoor special that is refreshing entertainment.

A  
Paramount Picture

JACK HOLT  
NANCY CARROLL

"My best by a long shot"—Jack Holt.

—Also—  
"THE MAN WITHOUT A FACE"  
KRAZY KAT COMEDY and NEWS EVENTS  
Admission 10c and 25c

Monday & Tuesday  
Sept. 24-25

MATINEE AND NIGHT

"The First Kiss"

—With—  
FAY WRAY and  
GARY COOPER

Two Great lovers in a thrilling  
love story!  
Also Comedy—

"DAISIES WON'T TELL"  
Aesop's Fables & News Events  
Admission 10c and 25c

Wednesday & Thur.  
Sept. 26-27

MATINEE AND NIGHT

"A Big Surprise"

—Also—  
Comedy and News Events

COMING—  
The Biggest Picture We Have  
Ever Offered You!  
Richard Barthelmess

—in—  
"THE PATENT  
LEATHER KID"  
MON.-TUES.-WED., Oct. 1-2-3  
Admission 25c and 50c

**BROTHERS HAVE REUNION**

Four brothers had a re-union for the first time in about twenty-five years when W. D. Swann, of Tyler, Texas, paid a visit to his brothers in West Texas. One brother, J. S. Swann, president of the Farmers State Bank, resides in Merkel and the

other brothers are J. H. Swann, residing at Comanche, and Dr. A. R. Swann, who resides at Rotan.

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**Revival of Special Days At State Fair**

Dallas, Tex., Sept. 20.—The outstanding success of the 1928 State Fair of Texas has resulted in a revival of interest in "special days" throughout the State. In many widely separated localities arrangements are being made for special county, community and city days when excursion trains will bring groups of thousands of people from one particular place or section to the State Fair at reduced rates on a certain day.

According to Roy Rupard, State Fair Secretary, the following special day arrangements had been made:

- Saturday, October 6, Opening Day, Key Day.
- Sunday, October 7, All-Church Day, German Societies, Day.
- Monday, October 8, Agricultural Exhibitors' Day, All Texas Dinner Day, G. A. R. and W. R. C. Day.
- Tuesday, October 9, Hallas Home Coming Day.
- Thursday, October 11, County Commissioners' Day.
- Friday, October 12, Children's Day, Waco Day, Columbus Day.
- Saturday, October 13, Traveling Men's Day, All-College Day, Texas Commercial Executives' Day, Red Men's Day, Texas Legislators' Day, Texas and Oklahoma and Louisiana Press Day.
- Sunday, October 14, All-Texas Day, Czech Day, Spanish War Veterans' Day, Security Benefit Association Day.
- Monday, October 15, Southwestern Dairy Association Day.
- Tuesday, October 16, Confederate Veterans' Day.
- Wednesday, October 17, Kentucky Day.
- Thursday, October 18, Louisiana Day.
- Friday, October 19, R. O. T. C. Day.
- Sunday, October 21, Closing Day.

**Personal Mention**

Mrs. W. E. Davis and daughter, Ernestine, of Fort Worth, were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Church. Mrs. Davis is a sister of Mr. Church.

Raymond Bankhead of Bronte is a guest in the O. J. Adcock home this week. Mr. Bankhead is a nephew of Mr. Adcock.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward McCrary, Stanley Johnson and Sie Hamm, accompanied L. B. Scott, local Ford dealer, to Dallas Wednesday, returning Thursday with several new Ford cars.

Misses Vera and Mamie Walker, who have been two weeks in Lamar county with their brother's wife, who had a tonsil operation, will return home Thursday.

Wilkes Holden left Friday for his home at Ackerly, after a visit to his mother, Mrs. I. O. Holden.

Mrs. S. C. Keith, formerly of Merkel, but now of Meridian, was the guest of old friends last week. She was accompanied by Mrs. A. D. Clark of Meridian and Miss Annie Lee Cochran, of Henderson.

Miss Edna Marie Jones of Abilene was the house guest of Miss Christine Collins last week.

Andrew Jones of Abilene visited Roy Propst last week.

\* Mrs. R. O. Anderson, accompanied her daughter Miss Flora Frances to Fort Worth this week where the latter will remain in T. C. U. for the winter.

Mrs. George Coker, and little son, Billie George, of Dallas, are guests of the former's parents, Judge and Mrs. N. D. Cobb.

Miss Molly Shannon, accompanied by Mrs. Fred Lackey, drove to Dallas on business this week.

Vernon and Leron Chaney left this week for College Station, where they will enter A. & M. College for the year.

Miss Lorena Dry left this week for Ennis, where she will teach again in the public schools of that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Patterson had as their guests this week Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Ruse, of McCombe, and J. Claude Wells of Memphis.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Thompson left Tuesday for a visit with their daughter, Mrs. Paul D. Bryant, and their only grand-daughter, who lives at Edmond, Okla. They expect to return next week.

Comer Patterson left Sunday for Arlington where he entered North Texas Agricultural College.

Miss Inice Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Brown, left Sunday for Denton, where she will be enrolled in the College of Industrial Arts this year, having attended Fayetteville College at Fayetteville, Arkansas last year.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger A. Burgess will have a week-end trip to Lubbock, where they will visit with friends and look after real estate interests.

Mrs. T. G. Bragg, Mrs. E. McDonald and Mrs. Fred Guitar returned Wednesday night from a pleasant visit with their mother, Mrs. J. S. Barnes, at Westbrook, Texas.

**Color is Only One of Many Features in "The Water Hole"**

"The Water Hole," which comes to the Merkel theatre Friday and Saturday, is the first Zane Grey picture in color since "The Wanderer of the Wasteland."

With Jack Holt and Nancy Carroll heading a good cast, there is color in the action and in the backgrounds.

There is natural color in the important sequences. A prologue in color shows Nancy Carroll as a cave woman—dressed in a leopard skin—wooing Jack Holt, as a cave man. Another sequence in color shows her as a fair lady with an armored knight at her feet. There is a golf course sequence in color with Jack and Nancy on the links. There is a desert mirage in color as seen by a thirstcrazed boy and girl, green lakes, cool rivers, swimming pools.

Color makes "The Water Hole" bigger.

**Showing of Oil in Hines Test in Jones**

Anson, Tex. Sept. 20.—Possibilities of a new producing area being opened in eastern Jones county, is indicated by the showings of Hines and others' No. 1 Saunders, located in section 1, T. & P. block 15, about two miles north and east of Nugent.

This test had eight feet of oil bearing lime at 1560 feet early this week. No test of the production was made but drilling continued. The well will possibly go to 2,000 feet unless oil in paying quantities is found above that depth.

There is a chance for three other pays in that territory, oil operators in Abilene say. The next should be encountered around 1670 feet; the second about 100 feet deeper and the third 1850 feet.

The Saunders test is about two miles east of the No. 1 Higgs, drilled more than a year ago by Stebbins Oil and Gasoline Company, which found pay at 1600 feet good for more than 15 barrels daily.

A short distance north of the No. 1 Higgs, Roeser & Pendleton have another producer on the Higgs fee from a sand at 1850 feet. This well failed to find pay at the 1600-foot level.

We have a residence for sale at a bargain. Thompson & Boswell.

**Baseball and Golf By Electric Light**

"Postponed by darkness" may soon become a lost phrase in baseball language as a result of the success attained by daring electric illumination engineers in steady competition with his royal majesty, the sun, according to the Texas Public Service Information Bureau.

Major sports are now being contested after darkness throughout the country. The latest to be played under artificial light is the ancient game of golf. Regulation football and baseball games were played last fall and this spring under the glare of high-powered electric bulbs and drew large crowds. Soccer played at night on the Polo Grounds at New York, between two big league teams, was pronounced a great success. Trapshooting by electric light is the latest sport taken up by Pennsylvania and New Jersey farmers whose daily labors at this season of the year nightfall.

Several of the participants in a preclude much recreation until after golf match under electric illumination field day of the Philadelphia tion, the feature event of the association of the National Electric Light Association, declared they were able to play better under artificial lighting effects than in daylight.

"No balls were lost during the contest" said Arthur A. Brainerd, illuminating engineer of the Philadelphia Electric Company under whose supervision eighteen 1500-watt floodlighting projectors to light the fairway were mounted on post about four feet above the ground. "One player made a hole in one stroke under par." The tees and putting greens were each lighted with a 1500 watt floodlighting unit with a special lens.

**JUNIOR LEAGUE PROGRAM**

- Song.
- Prayer.
- Roll Call.
- Song.
- Scripture: John 2:14-16, by leader, Bertie Mae Leslie.
- Leader's talk.
- Talk No. 1 by Mildred Richardson.
- Talk No. 2, by Eloise Mansell.
- Talk No. 3 by George Hicks Buford.
- Benediction.

Galvanized Iron-Ridge roll-flashing valley tin. Wm. P. Carey Co. Phone 62.

**One-Day Campaign to Aid Hotel Move**

(Continued From Page One.)

A new song dedicated to the new hotel, was introduced to the club members by E. Yates Brown, who is the author and who also directed its singing. The words are as follows:

We want a new hotel  
A hotel, a hotel  
We want a new hotel  
To make Merkel grow.

When you boost  
And I boost  
And we help  
Our friends boost  
We'll have a new hotel  
To make Merkel grow.

**Baird Wolf Club Pays for 259 Hides**

Baird, Sept. 20.—The Callahan County Wolf Club, which was organized last April, has been successful in its operation. Up to date the Club has paid for 250 wolves killed in the county.

The stockmen and poultry raisers have enthusiastically supported the organization and a substantial balance is on hand to continue the paying of bounties for depredatory animals.

**A Letter from Home.**

Your son or daughter off at college or finishing school will welcome the home paper just like a letter from home. The subscription price for nine months for the Merkel Mail is \$1.50 for towns and cities outside of Taylor County. (In Abilene \$1.15 for term.) Subscribe now.

WANTED—Piano pupils. Thoroughness in every line stressed. Terms reasonable. Elizabeth Baker, five blocks north on Noodle Dome highway.

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**BAPTIST ANNOUNCEMENTS**

All regular services Sunday and during the week.

Sunday School 10 a.m.

Preaching by the pastor 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

All B.Y.P.U.'s meet in opening exercises at 6:30 p.m.

Morning subject, "Some Qualifications for Service."

Evening subject, "Fear and Faith."

Let all our membership feel the call of duty new and get back in service. Remember no one else can fill your place. Each one in service can only fill their own place. If you are not in your place there will not only be a vacant seat but a break in the ranks of the army of the Lord and some other soldier of the cross will find it harder to hold the battle line. The pastor feels that more of the members of the church should be in

the evening services. Will you come and help make the work a success.

Strangers and visitors will be comel in all our services.

Ira L. Parrack, pastor.

**PRO. ACT CHARGE**

Abilene, Texas, Sept. 20.—R. Tubbs Jr., Brownwood filling station operator, charged with violating the National Prohibition Act, waived preliminary hearing Monday when arraigned before Mrs. Ida M. James, United States commissioner, and was released under a \$750 bond.

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**ANNOUNCEMENT**

I have moved my market to Patterson Building on Front Street, where old City Market was located.

I extend a cordial invitation to all my old customers as well as the general public to call on me when wanting anything in the market line. I carry a stock of meats second to none in Merkel, and this with Quality and Service rendered, should be an inducement to you to trade here.

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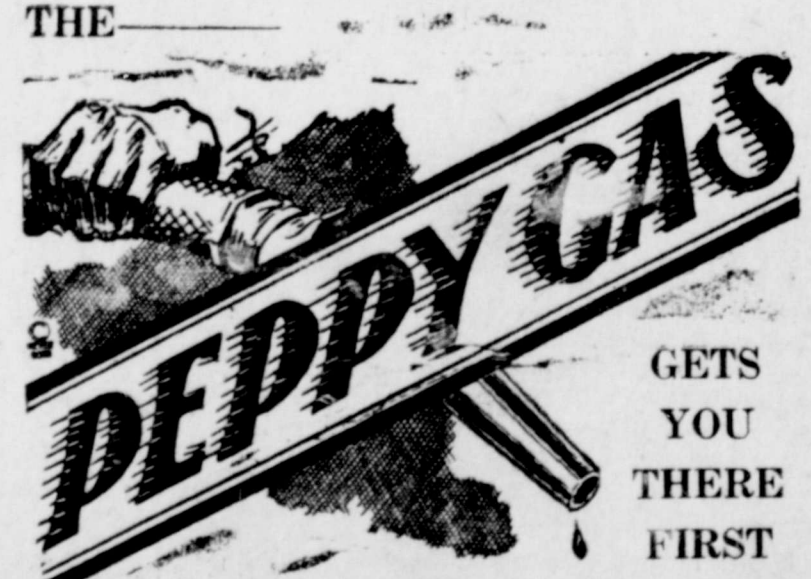
Altogether! Fifteen 'Rahs for our Sunday School! We've been pleading for an attendance of 300 and last Sunday it ran to 311. Now, here goes for 400! Sure we ought to have that many, for we have more than that in the membership of our church, and surely every member of the church ought to go to Sunday school. Let's all be in our places next Sunday morning at 9:45 o'clock. Don't disappoint us. We shall expect you.

Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Quite a few of our evening congregation were late last Sunday because they did not know the time of the evening services had been changed to 7:30. Yes, the evening services will begin at 7:30 until further notice. If you come later than 7:30 you'll be late, for the service will already have begun.

W. J. Mayhew, Pastor

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Fred Guitar, Manager