



CONDENSED STATEMENT of CONDITION

# The Farmers State Bank

Merkel, Texas, Close of Business Oct. 3, 1928.

RESOURCES.	
Loans	\$455,418.30
Banking House	25,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	7,500.00
Other Real Estate	4,354.25
Due from City of Merkel	5,502.80
Stocks and other resources	9,015.71
Due from Guaranty Fund	4,105.88
U. S. Bonds	\$40,200.00
Demand Loans	39,336.95
Cash & Exchanges	60,067.28
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$650,501.17</b>
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus and profits	12,914.15
Bills payable	50,000.00
Other borrowed money	NONE
Deposits	537,587.02
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$650,501.17</b>

The above statement is correct. W. L. DILTZ, Jr., Cashier.

## BLANTON SPEAKS IN BEHALF SMITH

Declares Democratic Nominee is Lesser of Two Evils; Lambasts G. O. P. Nominee.

Declaring that he was "not for Governor Smith, but since the party had nominated him by a clear majority, I am going to support him because I am a democrat and for my democratic party," Congressman Thomas L. Blanton brought the Al Smith for President campaign to Merkel last Saturday night in a speech to a fair sized crowd at the Tabernacle. He was introduced by Judge Title of Abilene.

Reiterating his belief in prohibition, and recounting the struggles in which he had a part for a dry state and a dry nation, Congressman Blanton declared that Smith could not change the prohibition law. "It can be changed only by a two-third vote of both houses of congress," he said, "followed by the vote of the legisla-

tures of three-fourths of the states. It would take the liquor interests fifty years to bring this about."

Mr. Blanton conceded the inherent right of ministers to follow their convictions in opposing Smith or any other man when they believed our morals, homes and country are endangered, adding that they are honest in so believing. "But, he said, "if they only knew what Hoover and his republican administration what Morris Sheppard and I know, they would unhesitatingly select Smith as the lesser of two evils, and the one likely to do the most good for, and the less harm to all the people."

Declaring that Governor Smith, "has been the chief executive of New York for ten years, and has handled hundreds of millions of dollars of public money, not one enemy can show that he has ever misapplied one dollar," Mr. Blanton said. "On the other hand, Herbert Hoover has sat around a cabinet table with three republican brother cabinet officers whose removal for dishonesty was forced by the democrats, and through their dishonesty the people of the United States have had stolen from them hundreds of millions of dollars; and not one of them has been sent to the penitentiary."

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## THE FARMERS STATE BANK

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

Herbert Patterson, Assistant Cashier  
Dallas Scarbrough  
David Hendricks

## Bargain Days Are Here at the Home of Better Service

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Every Sack Guaranteed		Pure Cream	
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24 lb. Sack	\$1.00	10 lb. Sack	35c
SUGAR		LARD	
Domino Pure Cane		Swift Jewel Compound	
25 lb. Sack	\$1.70	8 lb. Pail	\$1.20
10 lb. Sack	70c		
GALLON PEACHES		DEL MONTE PEACHES	
Extra Grade Can		Sliced or Halves	
	50c	No. 2 1/2—Can for	25c
GRAPES		PINTO BEANS	
Fine for Jelly		New Crop	
No. 10 Can	50c	14 lb. for	\$1.00
CORN		TOMATOES	
No. 2 Standard 3 for		No. 2 Standard 3 for	
	25c		25c
WHITE KARO SYRUP		ROYAL SYRUP	
Gallon Size		Gallon Size	
	65c		65c

ALL OF ABOVE PRICES APPLY TO STOCK ON HAND ONLY

# WEST COMPANY

38 YEARS IN MERKEL  
PHONE 59

## STATEMENT of CONDITION

### THE Farmers & Merchants National Bank

Merkel, Texas

Close of Business October 3rd, 1928

RESOURCES	
Loans, Time and Demand	\$ 368,485.14
Bills of Exchange (Cotton)	16,450.26
Overdrafts	2,440.62
Furniture and Fixtures	6,750.00
5% Redemption Fund	312.50
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	2,250.00

Cash, Sight Exchange and U. S. Bonds (owned)	190,270.42
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 586,958.94</b>

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	25,000.00
Undivided Profits	15,784.46
Circulation	6,250.00
Borrowed Money	NONE
Bills Payable	NONE
Rediscounts	NONE

DEPOSITS	489,924.48
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 586,958.94</b>

### Directors

J. T. WARREN G. F. WEST SAM BUTMAN, SR.  
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If interested please write us at once while our parties are ready to go, giving the amount of your acreage, what portion of what section and survey it is located in and if the location suits our parties, we will call on you at an early date.

We have a map of Jones County and the information asked for will enable us to locate the property.

Our clients are square dependable business men and agree to put their properties at actual cash value for what they may consider good royalties. (Who knows good from bad.) We refer you to any banks in Hill County where we have been doing business for the past thirty-five years as to our dependability.

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FIRE INSURANCE  
MERKEL, TEXAS

Consult Your Insurance Agent As You Would Your Lawyer

### Abilene Will Vote On Improvements

Abilene, Texas, Oct. 18—Abilene votes Nov. 17 on the question of issuing \$575,000 in bonds for waterworks, street paving and schools.

The issue would be divided \$100,000 for paving bonds, \$125,000 for purchase of site for two junior high schools and construction of a building for physical education on the high school campus, and \$350,000 for water.

A new dam site twelve miles northeast of Abilene near where Elm Creek flows into the Brazos has been located which will give a minimum capacity of 24,000,000 gallons and a maximum of 32,000,000. It is planned to buy the land out of the bond issue, and to use the balance for development of the underground supply known to exist below Lake Abilene. The city already has options on almost 2,000 acres of the 5,000 acres needed for the new site.

### Ranch Near Albany Sells For \$250,000

Albany, Texas, Oct. 18—Sedwick & Webb agents of Albany, sold for Proctor Brothers of Monroe City, Mo., their 13,500-acre ranch in the northwest part of Shackelford and Southeast Haskell Counties to Jack Farmer of Albany and Latham, Kan., for a consideration of about \$250,000. This is considered one of the best ranches in this county, and is one of the largest ranch deals made in this section of the State.

### Sun Company Gets Producer at Luling

Big Springs, Oct. 18.—The Sun Oil Company's well two miles north of Luling, Texas, on the Malone tract at 2770 feet is producing from the Edwards lime at the rate of 800 barrels per day. This well tests 26 gravity. The same company obtained producer at Lytton Springs, Cordwell lease, in the Serpentine formation at 1330 feet, producing 25 barrels. This is high gravity oil testing 39 degrees.

Lonnie Glasscock, operator in the Big Spring field owns offset acreage to this well.

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

**Schell Bros. Trained  
Wild Animal Shows  
At Merkel Oct. 24**

The greatest show that will be presented to the public this year will be Schell Bros. Trained Wild Animal exhibition. With a whole army of notable artists brought direct from Europe, all absolutely new to American audiences.

As an innovation Schell Bros. will introduce an Amazon Ballet of the world's most graceful dancers. These exquisitely formed young women, fresh from their Parisian triumphs, appear as if molded by the sculptor's art. They are grace personified, and in whirlwind dancing novelties are alluring specimens of feminine beauty. Miss Shirley Bate, Astutesque, Madame DeVere's beauty who represents "Peace" in the statue of the nymphs, has won the prize for the most perfectly formed woman in continental Europe. Hundreds of high class acts are offered in the arena, and the wild animals as usual will be a feature with Schell Bros. show. Their already large collection has been augmented by a number of elephants, lions, camels, leopards and grizzly bears. A number of bands will furnish the music. This is the show that you are waiting for—the worth-while show. Don't forget that the date will be Wednesday, Oct. 24, at Merkel.

**Kirk Acquitted in  
Sweetwater Trial**

Sweetwater, Oct. 18.—After deliberating an hour and 23 minutes the jury in the trial of L. P. Kirk, charged with slaying Crawford Tabor near Whitney in 1924, returned a verdict acquitting the former Ku Klux Klan organizer here late today.

Kirk, previously tried twice, was affected by the verdict. His wife and mother, who sat near him throughout the four days' trial, were in tears.

Tabor was shot to death near the home of his father-in-law, J. N. Wells, after he had accompanied Kirk and Wells on a walk to the former's automobile which had been disabled. The defense attempted to prove that the fatal shot was fired by Wells in a scuffle with Tabor.

For Sale by owner 1927 Model Ford Coupe—New Rubber—good shape \$325.00 Terms to responsible party. Address Reply Box X Merkel Mail.

**FOOTBALL RESULTS.**

**HIGH SCHOOL**  
San Angelo, 60; Del Rio, 0.  
Peacock Military, 14 St. Mary's high (San Antonio) 0.

Cisco, 87; Brownwood, 0.  
Amarillo, 74; Roswell (N. M.), 0.

**INTERSECTIONAL**

Vanderbilt, 13; Texas U., 12.  
Yale, 21; Georgia, 6.  
Notre Dame, 7; Navy, 0.  
Harvard, 20; North Carolina, 0.

**TEXAS**

S. M. U., 6; Simmons, 0.  
A. C. C., 20; San Marcus Teachers, 0.

Daniel Baker, 13; McMurry, 0.  
Centenary, 6; A. & M., 0.  
Texas Teacha, 13; St. Edwards, 6.  
Arkansas, 14; Baylor, 0.

Rice, 20; Trinity, 6.  
Sul Ross Teachers, 33; New Mexico Aggies, 0.  
T. C. U., 21; Austin College, 0.

**Carnes is Charged  
In 14 New Counts**

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 18.—Fourteen new indictments charging embezzlement of Baptist Home Mission board funds over a period dating back three years and involving an aggregate of \$203,666 were returned by the Fulton county grand jury against Clinton S. Carnes, former treasurer of the church body.

Each was based on a specific alleged offense discovered by auditors in their investigation of Carnes' accounts, to which a total shortage of \$953,000 has been ascribed by board officials. Carnes previously had been named in three indictments charging embezzlement of a total of \$280,000.

**Callahan Shallow  
Field is Extended**

The famous Moutray pool in Callahan county, south of Baird, was extended a half mile south and 2,000 feet east Saturday when a test on the Ace Hickman lease was completed at 703 feet for initial production of 89 barrels of 39 gravity oil in 12 hours, according to an announcement from home offices of the Moutray Oil company here. It is considered a 150-barrel well.

Texas has one of the few international street car systems in North America. It is the line operated by the El Paso Electric company between El Paso and Juarez, Mexico.

**County P. T. A. In  
All Day Meeting at  
Abilene Saturday**

Abilene, Oct. 18.—The Parent-Teacher Association council of Taylor county is to be entertained Saturday, Oct. 20, at the North Park school, Abilene. The program for an all-day session has been announced, and plans have been made for a basket lunch at noon to be brought by the members.

The morning session will open with the song, "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." Mrs. C. E. Stovall will give the welcome address. Following a devotional by Mrs. G. O. Summers, a round table discussion of P. T. A. work and a business session are to be held.

The afternoon program is to be composed of violin selections by Miss Artina Long of Abilene Christian college; a health talk by Miss Olive Bailey, nurse of the Taylor county Red Cross chapter; numbers by an A. C. C. quartet; a reading by Miss Naomi Hunt of the speech department of Simmons university, and an address by Mrs. M. H. Brasher on "The County Council and Its Activities."

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

**Merkel Man Retires  
As Baptist Moderator**

Sweetwater, Oct. 18.—Rev. Perry King, Simmons university senior, was elected moderator of the Sweetwater Baptist association at its annual gathering here. King succeeds Rev. Ira Parrack of Merkel.

Rev. W. H. Howell, another Simmons ministerial student, was chosen clerk of the association.

Besides the election of officers, the association endorsed the \$1,500,000 five-year Simmons university program and pledged itself to take part in encouraging the annual offering of churches throughout the district to the institution. Talks were made by Dr. J. D. Sandefer, Dr. Rupert N. Richardson and Dr. W. F. Froy.

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**"The Wagon Show"**

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**"The Vanishing Rider"**

and Two reel comedy.

**"Should Tall Men Marry"**

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**"LADIES OF THE MOB"**

**Monday & Tuesday**

Bebe Daniels

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Also "The Raindropper" and International News

**WEDNESDAY**

The Mighty Outlaw Picture

**"Tracey the Outlaw"**

All his daring thrilling deeds The great man-hunt and the price he paid in the end.

**THURSDAY**

Johnny Hines

**"Chinatown Charlie"**

Things happen fast. You get that creepy sensation that starts your teeth chattering. But you don't stand a chinaman's chance of keeping a straight face with Johnny leading the way. "Let's Go."

Also comedy  
**"Seafood"**

**DOLLARS DO DOUBLE DUTY DURING MAX MELLINGER'S**

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People throughout the Merkel trade territory have profited by the unusual bargains we are offering during our great Anniversary Sale. It is an unusual event, in which NEW FALL MERCHANDISE FOR EVERY MEMBER OF THE FAMILY IS OFFERED AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES right at the beginning of the busy Fall and Winter season.

THIS BIG SALE CONTINUES with new goods arriving by freight and express every day. Our Anniversary Sale is the big event of the year with us—a time when we give our customers the big share of the profits—and for that reason we keep our stocks complete so that we will be enabled to supply every need.

If you have not already taken advantage of this sale to lay in a complete supply of your winter needs, arrange now to come Friday and Saturday or any day next week. It means big savings for every purchaser.

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AN EXAMPLE FOR TEXAS.

The legislature of Alabama and the industrial leaders of that state have recognized the importance of advertising the state's resources to the rest of the world.

In pursuance of an act of the legislature, an Industrial Commission was appointed by Governor Graves, with an appropriation of \$100,000 for a four years' advertising campaign. Deeming this inadequate, the five commissioners, who serve without salary and pay their own expenses, personally donated \$20,000 each, or a total of \$100,000 to the fund, duplicating the amount provided for by the state.

Commenting on this action, an exchange says:

"Their action is good evidence that the governor made no mistake in selecting the personnel of the commission, which is composed of Thomas W. Martin, president of the Alabama Power company; George T. Crawford, president of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company; Theodore Swann, Lindley Morton and Benjamin Russell, capitalists.

"In every state captains of industry are performing similar services for their communities, and it might be well for the public to make note of the fact occasionally and give credit where it is due. Such men do more for the upbuilding of the country than the soap-box orators in and out of congress who would tear down the business structure which has been erected through the efforts of able and industrious citizens."

Texas would do well to follow the example of Alabama. With its unlimited opportunities for investment, it ought to be a comparatively easy matter to interest large and small industrial enterprises in the Lone Star state. And there ought to be a hundred or more wealthy men in Texas who would follow the example of the Alabama commissioners.

It is an opportunity for the next Texas legislature to immortalize itself. Such a movement is constructive legislation that will live forever.

GAS ATTRACTS INDUSTRIES.

Gas is contributing in great measure to the general prosperity that has come to so many towns in recent years.

It is interesting to note that 4,600 American cities and towns are now served by gas companies, and customers number 11,400,000, an increase of 350,000 in a year.

Merkel will this winter enjoy the advantages of natural gas, as hundreds of other Texas towns are doing. It was during the winter months of last year that gas was installed in Merkel. Hundreds of local residents will be served and enjoy the comforts of this modern fuel for the first time this year.

It has not been so very long ago that gas was not considered a practical agency. Today it has more than 21,000 industrial uses and is used for cooking in a great percentage of homes.

Natural gas attracts industries to towns that are alert in presenting their advantages.

The Anson Chamber of Commerce is contemplating the employment of a full time secretary, it being urged that such a man would be worth many times the salary cost. There is plenty of constructive work for a live secretary to do in a growing town. Inquiries are constantly being received from men with money to invest or from those seeking business locations. What is everybody's business is nobody's business.

Our neighboring town of Baird has plans under way for the paving of the street from the intersection of the Broadway of America highway to the new \$40,000 school building, which is rapidly nearing completion. It is a commendable move. We hope in the near future to be able to announce that the Merkel City council is ready to enter into negotiations for the paving of Oak street, which leads from the highway to three of Merkel's most prominent churches.

Towns the size of Merkel can well follow the example of our cities by the utilization of electricity for advertising purposes. In the case of Merkel, a huge electric sign located on or near the railroad right of way, north of the depot, would attract the attention of travelers along the Bankhead highway as well as railroad passengers. Only that part of the town along the railroad and the highway are now visible to those passing through the town. Such a sign would attract attention, and would let all who pass this way know that Merkel is progressive town. "The town with the big electric sign would be no mean designation.

Clean streets add much to the appearance of town or city. Some of these days we hope to see our city council lay aside sufficient funds to defray the expense of thoroughly cleaning Merkel's streets of rubbish each night. It could easily be done after business hours—and what a difference it would make.

The crowds shopping in Merkel each Saturday bespeak the importance of the town as a trading center. It is doubtful if any other town of like population in the state can lay claim to a larger or more loyal trade clientele.

The Lions club is doing some effective work for Merkel. The hotel project is probably the club's greatest undertaking, and success is not far distant. Build the hotel first is the thought uppermost in the minds of the club members, then other projects will follow in rapid succession.

Merkel business leaders are realizing as never before the benefits to come from community co-operation.

P. T. A. PLAY AT BUTMAN.

Everybody is invited to attend the P. T. A. play Saturday, Oct. 20th, at the Butman school house. The play is entitled "A Fortunate Calamity." Come and bring a full pocketbook. It is announced that there will be no admission charge, according to the Butman players.

Wanted—To buy maize heads.  
Sam Swann

New Locations in Nolan and Terrell

Midland, Oct. 18.—The White Eagle Oil company made a new location in Nolan county during the week. It is 400 feet north of the center line of the west half of the southwest quarter of section 48, block 20, T. & P. survey, C. F. Bigham farm. Another new location made was in Terrell county. This was Mrs. J. P. McPhee No. 1 Belt, section 70, block D-7, M.-K.-T. survey. Midcontinent has a location in the center of the southeast quarter of section 4, block A-36, public school lands, on the M. M. Fisher ranch. This is the first well to be drilled by Midcontinent in West Texas.

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RESOURCES table with 15 rows and 2 columns: Item and Amount.

LIABILITIES table with 15 rows and 2 columns: Item and Amount.

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF TAYLOR, SS: 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 K. WARREN, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of October, 1928. Rosie Laney, Notary Public. (Seal) Correct—Attest: J. T. WARREN G. F. WEST SAM BUTMAN, Directors.

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**Trent News and Personal Notes**

On Monday afternoon a few friends met at the home of Mrs. Etta Causseaux to quilt for Mrs. Joe Lowery. After quilting a while, ice cream, cake and fruit were served, following which quilting was resumed. All report a pleasant afternoon. Those present were: Mesdames Lila Churchwell, A. J. English, Joe Lowery, Ross Young, Luther Starker, Dewell Johnson, Etta Causseaux; Misses Ruth Statser, Margaret Lee Joy and Bannie Ray Statser.

Mrs. George Blevins of Sweetwater was shopping in Trent Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Blevins at one time were residents of Trent.

Mrs. J. P. Watson, who has been quite ill at her home here, is reported much improved. Her daughter, Mrs. Elvis Altman, who was called to her bedside, has returned to her home at Roscoe.

Mrs. O. S. Bryan and little daughter, Genevieve, left Wednesday morning for Stephenville, where they will visit their son and brother, Clinton, who is in school at that place.

Miss Mollie McCloud, who has been ill for some time, is still improving. We will be glad to report she will be able to re-enter school Monday.

Mesdames Geo. West, John West of Mel, and Mrs. R. B. Johnson of were shopping in Sweetwater Tuesday.

Mesdames C. T. Beckham, Alex Williamson, W. L. Boyd attended the W. M. S. in Sweetwater Wednesday.

Mrs. R. B. Johnson and Mrs. Parks motored to Abilene Monday.

Mrs. R. I. Stephenson, who has been with her sister in Hamilton the past few months, has returned to her home here.

Mrs. J. D. Chandler of Ireland, Texas, is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. G. Scott.

Mrs. M. G. Scott and little daughter, Jean, and Mrs. J. D. Chandler of Ireland, Texas, spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Mrs. Robert Martin of Loraine.

Milton Morgan, better known as "Shorty," of Stephenville, visited for a short time with friends here Saturday and Sunday.

What came near being a fatal accident occurred on the Bankhead highway between Trent and Sweetwater Monday night, when Isaac Bright and Handy Vessels, driving a car without lights, ran into a car parked on the highway, throwing the car into the ditch. The boys escaped with minor injuries, but completely wrecking the car.

Wanted—To buy maize heads.  
Sam Swann

**"Thrill of Lifetime;" Seniors Get Rings and Will Edit "Badger"**

The thrill of a lifetime came to the seniors Thursday morning when Mr. Burgess announced that we were to receive our rings at noon. Work for the day was postponed and the seniors did nothing but look at their rings and hold their fingers in their mouths so that every one could see.

The under classmen were ordered to wear eyeshades from now on. They recognize these as a symbol of our superiority to them.

After a vote, the seniors unanimously decided to edit the fourth edition of "The Badger." We will, to the best of our ability, publish a book recording the entire school life of M. H. S., and one that any high school pupil will be proud of in years to come. We are assured of the support of all the students, and are sincerely hoping for the support of the business men of Merkel. We shall put forth every effort to make the annual a success.

"The Badger" staff is as follows: Editor-in-chief, Raymond Earthman; assistant editor, Addie Fae Patterson; business manager, William Sheppard; assistant business manager, Max Swafford; art editor, Ruby Patten; sport editor, Roy Kelso; joke

editor, Ruskin Smith; society editor, Vivian Bugar. —Reporter.

**BAPTIST ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

All regular services Sunday and through the week. Sunday school at 9:30. If all officers and teachers will come thus early it will enable superintendents to supply substitutes before the session starts and thus save time and confusion. The pastor will speak both hours Sunday. "Do We really Pray the first part of the Lord's Prayer?" will be the theme for the morning service. "My Desire for My People" will be the evening subject. All B. Y. P. Us. meet at 6:30 starting promptly. There was increased attendance and interest in all our Unions last Sunday and we hope to see a bigger increase next Sunday. Our ushers are glad to welcome visitors and strangers in our services. Come worship the Lord and have fellowship with the Lord's people.

Ira L. Parrack, pastor

**CHURCH OF CHRIST.**

W. G. Cypert will preach at the North Side Church of Christ next Sunday. Subject for the 11 o'clock service, "How Does the Devil Tempt Man?" Also at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Come and be with us in the Sunday school; enjoy the lesson and the fine singing, led by Nathan Woods.

**Political Speaking TO-NIGHT**

**HEAR Dr. E. D. Salkeld**

**Pastor of the First Christian Church of Abilene**

**In the Interest of**

**Herbert Hoover FOR PRESIDENT**

**Dr. Salkeld Will Address the Voters of**

**MERKEL**

**On the Main Street**

**BEGINNING AT 8:15**

**Immediately following the Band Concert**



Dr. Salkeld is one of the ablest ministers of Texas, a fluent speaker and well posted on the issues involved in the present campaign. He is supporting Herbert Hoover for President and will give facts and logical reasoning as to why he is entitled to the vote of Texas Democrats.

**COME OUT AND HEAR THE ISSUES PRESENTED IN CLEAR CUT MANNER.**

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A Thrilling, Chilling Fun Drama of Spooks and Crooks.

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This is a fine program. By all means see it. Regular prices.

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**"HONOR BOUND"**

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A story of life in the Convict Labor Camps. Truly a great show.

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**DOLORES DEL RIO**

With Warner Baxter

—IN—

**"RAMONA"**

Words cannot describe this wonderful picture, which is breaking house records everywhere.

**PRICES 15c—40c**

Also Comedy and News. Come Early.

**COMING SOON EMIL JANNINGS**

—IN—

His Newest and By Far His Greatest

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HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE AND ANIMALS

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MORE PEOPLE, ELEPHANTS  
HORSES, TENTS, CARS, AND  
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"Ramona" is a nation wide hit in book and song.  
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**MERKEL VOTERS HEAR SANDEFER**

**Simmons University President Speaks for Hoover; Scores Smith and Tammany Hall.**

Dr. J. D. Sandefer of Abilene, president of Simmons university, brought the Hoover for president campaign to Merkel last Friday night, when he delivered a speech at the Tabernacle, upholding the G. O. P. nominee and rapping the democratic chiefs for their views on liquor and Tammany. The speaker was introduced by Rev. W. J. Mayhew, pastor of the Methodist church, to a good crowd of voters of this section.

Defending the activities of the Protestant ministry in the present campaign, Dr. Sandefer said:

"Had it not been for the Protestant ministry, the consecrated Christian motherhood and godly women of this country, the prohibition laws would never have been enacted in Texas or in the nation."

The speaker declared the two party platforms were practically the same except for the planks dealing with prohibition and immigration, and said that Governor Al Smith and Raskob are responsible for making prohibition the dominant issue.

Paying tribute to Governor Smith for having risen from poverty and squalor to the councils of the democratic party, Dr. Sandefer added: "He has never been able to get away from the influences, politically, of Tammany Hall. While he has never charged with anything involving his integrity, all the votes he has ever cast, as a member of the New York legislature, or all the laws he ever vetoed or approved as governor, reflected the Tammany background."

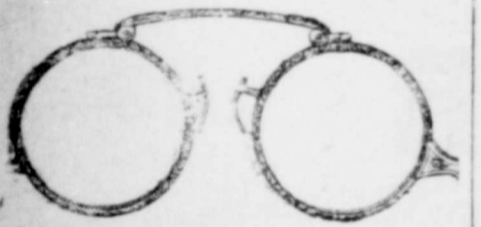
Reviewing the training of the two candidates, Dr. Sandefer said that Hoover, left an orphan, had worked his way through high school and through Stanford university and by training and experience in a dozen countries, had been pronounced by many of our ablest men to be probably the best equipped man ever nominated for president.

**Bowden Quits T. C. U.**

Fort Worth, Oct. 18.—Dr. Henry G. Bowden, who has been vice president of T. C. U. since 1926, has resigned, it was announced by President E. M. Waits. The resignation, accepted by the board of trustees, will be effective Jan. 1.

Before coming to T. C. U. Bowden was executive secretary of the Men and Millions movement of the Christian Church. At T. C. U. he has been in charge of promotion, endowment, annuities and living maintenance.

A survey indicates there are sufficient growing citrus trees in the lower Rio Grande valley to produce a commercial crop of more than 10,000 car loads of oranges and grapes fruit within a period of five years.



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Fitted complete in 1-10 gold or shell rim frames, with deep curve especially ground toric lens, for—

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**Tale Speeds on Land, Water, Air In Queen Picture**

Motion pictures, themselves a product of modern inventive genius, have been the most consistent users of modern wonders in stories. It remained for Bebe Daniels, however, to combine all the wonders of modern life into one picture and "Hot News," her latest starring picture for Paramount, which will show at the Queen theatre Monday and Tuesday is an epic of modern thrills.

The telegraph, the airplane, fast navy destroyers, a dirigible and many other modern inventions enter into this picture and, not the least of these features, a modern baby show is included. It is a story of a newsreel camera-girl.

According to reports from Hollywood, Johnny Hines flirted fearlessly with the yellow peril during the production of his latest First National Picture, "Chinatown Charlie," produced by C. C. Burr, which is showing at the Queen Theatre Thursday. The comedian first signed smart-eyed Anna May Wong for an important role in the New York Chinatown sequences, and then turned right around and acquired the services of Sojin, George Kuwa, and a score of lesser known orientals.

Louise Lorraine is playing the leading feminine role in the film version of the successful old Owen Davis stage play, and among others figuring prominently are Edna May, Harry Gibbon, "Scooter" Lowry, Jack Carlyle, Jack Burdette, Betty Egan and Alice Richards. Charles Hines handled the direction of the picture.

**Negro Suspect Grilled**

Houston, Texas, Oct. 18.—A negro suspect is being grilled by police here in connection with a brutal attack on Mrs. A. R. Hassenflugh of Elm Grove, near Gainesville, last Monday.

Texas produces between 700,000 and 800,000 barrels of oil a day.

**TWO BOYS FOUND, BODIES CRUSHED**

Waco, Texas, Oct. 18.—Identification was established late Monday, it is believed, of two young men, whose dead bodies were found in a gondola, loaded with large cast iron pipe, discovered when a Cotton Belt freight train reached McGregor, twenty miles west of Waco.

In the clothing of one was found a bill-fouled with an identification card bearing the name of Louis Hudson, giving his address as 904 Houston street, La. Grange. In one of the pockets of the other man a piece of paper was discovered with the name of Charlie Pendelton and giving the name of Walter Pendelton as his father. Hudson's father has been communicated with and the bodies were brought to Waco early Monday night.

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.

The farm population of Texas is now 2,199,173.

Try a Classified Ad in The Mail.

**Vet Mail Carrier Gets 4th Extension**

Cisco, Texas, October 18.—The fourth service extension has been granted by the postoffice Department to W. J. Tickner, Cisco's veteran rural mail carrier, who was eligible for retirement in 1923. The last extension was for one year, and Mr. Tickner, who has served under five Presidents and three postmasters, is anxious to serve under his sixth President, at least.

Mr. Tickner, who will be 70 in November, was the first mail carrier in Eastland County. He stayed with his route during the trying days of the big oil boom when the roads were almost impassable, mail piled up mountain high and two of the carriers quit. So Mr. Tickner took two routes, his daughter carrying one for him when roads were particularly bad.

When he started, Mr. Tickner did his delivery by way of horse and buggy, but, keeping up with the times, he now drives a car. During all of his years of service he has never sustained an injury, although he has been in a number of accidents, and he is especially proud of the fact that his time card shows he has always come through the mail.

**Giant Dirigible Spans the Atlantic**

Lakehurst, N. J., Oct. 18.—Graf Zeppelin, the largest airship ever built and the first to cross the Atlantic Ocean on a commercial flight, came to rest on the air field here at 5:40 p. m. Monday, completing a flight of more than 5,400 miles in 4 days 15 hours and 48 minutes.

After weathering adverse winds over Southern Europe and the open Atlantic, the crew of the Graf Zeppelin frolicked over the Atlantic Coast of the United States Monday afternoon rewarding millions of stiff-necked spectators with a glimpse of the proud mammoth of the skies.

Then, as dusk brought favorable

atmospheric conditions for a landing, the dirigible was headed directly toward Lakehurst, where it was brought to earth for the first time since Thursday morning when it soared away from Friedrichshafen, Germany, on the first Trans-Atlantic flight ever attempted for commercial purposes.

The dirigible came into sight of the hanger here at 5 p. m.

**Yeggs Wreck Postoffice**

Corsicana, Texas, Oct. 18.—The postoffice safe at Pine, Camp County, near Big Sandy, was wrecked by yeggs either Saturday night or early Sunday morning, according to information received here Sunday by Postal Inspector R. R. Range, stationed at Corsicana. Range left immediately for the scene of the robbery.

**LOOK! LOOK! MR. FARMER Save Your Hog!**

**CAR DIAMOND CRYSTAL MEAT SALT NOW UNLOADING AT MERKEL AND TRENT**

This is the genuine MICHIGAN REFINED MEAT SALT, in towel bags. Insist on the genuine. Do not use inferior grades when one sack of 35 pound DIAMOND CRYSTAL MICHIGAN MEAT SALT is equal to fifty pounds of these inferior grades and will preserve your largest hog. Due to the Lime Rock and all other impurities being removed, there will be no risk of losing your meat and will also give it a much better flavor.

STOCKS WILL SOON BE EXHAUSTED!

Buy Early and be assured of having a sufficient stock of

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If you want beauty—if you want luxury—if you want up-to-the-minute smartness—there's only one choice... the choice of America... the new BUICK with Masterpiece Bodies by Fisher.....

From one end of the country to another—in New York, in Miami, in Chicago, in Los Angeles and all towns between—overwhelming praise for the distinctive beauty of the Silver Anniversary Buick with new Masterpiece Bodies by Fisher!

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**NOTICE**

**Whippet Cars Will Be on Display Here, Saturday, October 20th**

Come in and look them over. We will be glad to show all about the car.

**BLUE FRONT SERVICE STATION**

### Inspiring Talks and Fun Feature at Wesleyan Club Meet

Inspiring talks, followed by a program of wholesome fun, featured the meeting of the Wesleyan Brotherhood club, held Tuesday night at the Methodist church.

Twenty-three men were in attendance, all of whom were called on and responded with short talks. Six new members were enrolled, increasing the total club membership to 39.

Future meetings of the club will be held on the fourth Tuesday night of each month. The change in meeting time was made so as to give two weeks between the meeting of the men at the Methodist church and the men at the Presbyterian church.

Songs were interspersed with the program.

Rev. W. J. Mayhew, Methodist pastor, was on the program for a talk, his subject being, "Why Judas Left the Lord's Supper." One by one his audience began leaving until he was all alone in a few minutes after he began speaking, which, it is unnecessary to state, was a prearranged affair and caused much merriment.

The regular program over, sandwiches, hot chocolate and popcorn were served in the dining room. Following a suggestion from Dr. Hulsey

all present shake hands with the man present, there was a ruse to grab the "paw" of the

The meeting, which President Bishop Hunter sand was among the

best ever held by the club, was dismissed with prayer by Rev. Mayhew. The next meeting will be held on the fourth Tuesday in November, when each member is urged to bring his wife and a sandwich in each hand.

#### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. Evening service at 7 o'clock. At that hour a brief report of the meeting of Synod that met last week at New Orleans will be made, also some of the history, scenery, and customs of the city will be given.

Come, be with us in all these services.

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

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

- Subject: From Shepherd to King.
1. A Sad Prophet—By Elyis Copeland.
  2. Samuel looks for a new King—By Deverle Brown.
  3. Samuel asks to see David—By Wanda Owen.
  4. David is appointed—By Lois Beasley.
  5. Some Things about David—By Don Swafford.
  6. David and His Sling Shot—By Bertie Mae Leslie.
  7. David and His Harp—By Corrinne Morrisson.

#### Pecan Gap Man Dies.

W. C. Huskins, 67, died early Saturday morning at the home of his son, C. F. Huskins, a few miles from Abilene on the Albany pike. His home is in Pecan Gap. He was in Abilene for his health.

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

- Subject: What Do Baptists Believe?
1. Introduction—By Harold Brown.
  2. Many Beliefs in Common with others—By Margaret Canon.
  3. Some Wrong Ideas—By Naomi Grayson.
  4. Beliefs That are Different—By Harold Boney.
  5. Belief Explained—By Benjamin Sheppard.
  6. Individual Responsibility—By Willie Evelyn Boaz.
  7. A New Testament Church—By Verna Derrick.

#### SALT BRANCH SERVICES.

Rev. C. D. Owen, missionary of the Sweetwater Baptist association, will preach at Salt Branch Baptist church Saturday night and Sunday morning. All are cordially invited to attend both of these services.

#### Santa Claus Comes to the State Fair

Through the munificence of a philanthropic Dallas citizen, any child attending the State Fair of Texas on Saturday, Oct. 20, whether accompanied by parents or not, will be passed through the gates for a nickle and will be admitted to the Grand Stand, and to any of the shows or rides on the grounds for nickle each, up to six o'clock p. m., according to Harry Olmsted, president of the State Fair.

"The Desert Song," is not included in the bargain rates.

Wanted—To buy maize heads.  
Sam Swann

Use The Mail Want Ads.

### A CONFIDENTIAL TALK

Charge it!—that's the wrong way to start the day. Why not pay cash as you go and always know just where you are. This plan is convenient because all live business firms have a supply of blank checks and when you give a strictly cash store, like us, a check you can be assured that you are saving money on whatever you buy.

The other day a married lady said to her sister, who was also married,—"if you are going to buy any shoes anywhere, you had better buy them here because this is the cheapest place in town." Now it don't require any extra brightness to see just what the lady meant.

If you have never made us a visit we want to invite you in just to look around. We will take pleasure in showing you a complete line of Dry Goods, Shoes, Notions, and many other things in Gift Goods.

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VICKER'S HO-MAID

SALAD DRESSING

SO GOOD AND SO PURE

#### OLDFIELD FABRIC TIRE

30x3 1-2 Oldfield Fabric Tire, (Standard Warranty) Red Hot special for two hours, 7 to 9, Friday night **\$3.95**

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#### PERCALE SPECIAL

36 inch Percale, regular 25 cent grade, special Friday night, 7 to 9 o'clock **15c**

BRAGG'S CASH STORE

#### AT THE BOSTON STORE

10 yards of 15c Gingham, Band Concert special Friday night from 7 till 9 only **\$1.00**

#### NATIONAL TUBE

Red Hot special, from 7 to 9, Friday night, 30x3 1-2 National Tube **80c**

#### MAGNOLIA FILLING STATION

#### BAND CONCERT

Friday Night, October 18.

On Streets of Merkel  
(Dedicated to Merkel Trade Territory.)

(This is the first of a series of band concerts by the Merkel Band to be rendered on the streets of Merkel each Friday night, sponsored by the Lions club and local business men. Merchants participating are making special prices on some one article in co-operation with the plan for music each week. Read the specials for this Friday night on this page.)

#### PROGRAM

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|------------------------|----------|
| Garland Entry          | King.    |
| Master Trombone        | Moon.    |
| Megnouette             | Boughman |
| Bronco Buster          | Sweet.   |
| Trombone Blues         | Jewell   |
| Sells Floto Triumphant | King.    |
| Georgia Girl           | King.    |
| Cottage Grove          | Yrader.  |
| Kentucky Sunrise       | Key.     |
| Epluribus Unum         | Jewell   |

This concert will be held promptly from 7:30 till 8:30 each Friday night.

Please note the SPECIALS that are being offered by the merchants from Seven until nine o'clock.

Merkel Merchants Welcome you.

#### FELT BASE RUG

Red Hot special, 18x36, Felt Base Rug, two hours only from 7 to 9 Friday night, each **19c**

#### BARROW FURNITURE CO.

#### LADIES' ALL SILK HOSE

New Fall colors, all silk, extra special value, priced for Friday night 7 till 9 **69c**

#### BRAGG DRY GOODS CO.

#### WOOLNAP BLANKET SPECIAL

Size 70x80, beautiful line of patterns, regular price \$4.95, special Friday night from 7 till 9 only **\$3.25**

#### JONES DRY GOODS CO.

#### SPECIAL ON BROOMS

Red Hot special on Brooms, from 7 to 9 for two hours Friday night, limit one to a customer; no children each **25c**

#### SEARS VARIETY STORE

#### WHITE SWAN COFFEE

Three pound can, White Swan Coffee, special for two hours from 7 to 9, Friday night **\$1.75**

J. T. DENNIS

#### HAMM DRUG COMPANY

\$1.25 worth of Soap and six Waterglasses, value 75c for Friday night special, 7 to 9 only, all for **99c**

#### HAMM DRUG CO. SPECIAL

#### MEN'S HEAVY UNDERWEAR

Men's heavy union suits, the kind that will be needed for cold weather, regular \$1.50, 7 to 9 Friday night **98c**

MAX MELLINGER

#### TOILET GOODS SPECIAL

Ben-Hur Toilet Water, value \$1.50; Ben Hur Perfume, value \$1.00; Face Powder 50c; total \$3.00, all for **\$1.00**

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# CLASSIFIED ADS

## FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Poland china pigs. L. W. Cox, route 3, Merkel, Texas.

FOR SALE—My home for sale on south side. Mrs. J. B. Ferrier.

FOR SALE—By owner, 1927 model Ford Coupe, new rubber, good shape. Terms to responsible party. This car can be seen at Maverick Motor Co.

FOR SALE—Gravel truck. Phone 241J. Mrs. Kirby, or call one block north of Guitar gin.

FOR SALE—Thirty milk cows and two registered bulls; one registered cow. See Henry Ellerbe, Merkel.

FORD OWNERS—New set of curtains for 1924 or 1925 Ford touring at less than wholesale cost. Jack Durham.

OIL STOVE for sale, in A-1 condition, built-in oven. See Mrs. Carl Black.

## FOR RENT

ROOM furnished for light house-keeping. Mrs. E. D. Coates. Phone No. 7.

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

FOUR ROOM house for rent; gas and lights, close in. See Joe Garland.

TWO furnished rooms for rent; gas, hot and cold water. Mrs. Taylor Davis.

NICELY furnished 2-room apartment for couple. Phone 26.

## LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—A sum of money in Bragg Dry Goods store. Owner may have same by giving denomination and paying for this notice.

LOST—Carpenter's square between Mrs. McSpadden's and the J. R. Baze residence. J. R. Baze.

## WANTED

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

YOUR LAUNDRY work would be appreciated. Mrs. Parks, one block north of the Guitar Gin. Phone 296J

WANTED—Hear from owner good farm for sale. Cash price; particulars. D. F. Bush, Minneapolis, Minn.

NOTICE: To any one interested in becoming a Watkins dealer, I have the following territories available: Wheeler, North Dawson, and Coleman Counties. See W. A. Whiteley, Merkel, Texas.

WANTED—To buy clean Rags. Merkel Mail office.

WANTED—A lot on south side. Pole wood for sale. See J. S. Hutson.

WANTED—To trade mule for a good cow. W. C. Erwin.

## NOTICE

The guardian of the Woodmen Circle requests all members to be present at the meeting Friday afternoon, Oct. 19, 2:30 o'clock. There will be installation of officers.

Try a Classified Ad in the Mail

## Watch Crystals

Any and all sizes and shapes, from A to Z—one for you. Crystals that are made for your watch. Special attention given to Ladies' Fancy Shaped Watches. Put on at once while you wait.

Prompt and Careful Service.

Your Satisfaction our Aim.

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At Deal Drug Store on Front St.

## Dora Doings

Sunday was our regular singing, and we had several visitors from other classes. After singing a few songs the floor was then turned over to B. K. Daughly of Sweetwater for a speech about the President's race.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kendrick of Potosi spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hardy. Brit Lynn and Mrs. Sy Dennis were called to the bedside of their father, who is critically ill at his home in California.

C. H. Griggs is on the sick list this week.

Everett Pool and family, Mrs. Tom Lane and Thos. McCoy visited their sister Mrs. Claud Jenkins, at Noodle Sunday.

J. R. McCoy of Sweetwater spent Sunday here with home folks. Carl Whiteaker and family of Blackwell spent the day here Sunday, with his brother, G. W. Whiteaker.

Several from here attended the Baptist association at the Lamar street Baptist church in Sweetwater Thursday and Friday.

Oscar Perry and family of Tye spent the day Sunday with Uncle John and Aunt Fannie Perry.

Derwood Oliver was out of school

several days this week with tonsilitis. We hope he is able to be back in school at an early date.

George Ensminger and Miss Daisy Oliver took in the circus at Sweetwater Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Dunagan also saw the circus Monday night. Mrs. Emmett Armstrong is able to sit up after several days' illness.

John W. Robins of Clyde was here one day this week in the interest of the gin.

Bro. and Mrs. Garner and several members of the Methodist church attended conference at Decker last Tuesday.

## Broadway of America Repairs Are Ordered

Midland, Texas, Oct. 18.—The State Highway Department has ordered the immediate repair of the Broadway of America in the vicinity of Midland, where heavy oil traffic has badly worn the pavement. Leo Ehlinger, maintenance engineer, wrote the Midland Chamber of Commerce that this important road had been ordered repaired at once, and adequately maintained.

New equipment has been purchas-

ed by the city of Midland for patching the Broadway of America, State Highway No. 1, through the city limits, and has been supplied with complete data on maintenance of 'hot' topped highways by the State Highway Department.

## Baby Girl Born.

Mr and Mrs. Chester Hutcheson, the West side are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl, born last Sunday night. Mother and babe are reported as doing nicely.




# Coat Sale

## Cold Weather is Coming!

We have a complete stock of the very best values we have ever carried in Coats. Bought direct from our New Yorks largest manufacturers of Coats. All going in this sale at very attractive prices.

# Jones Dry Goods Co.

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## WILL DEMONSTRATE WAMBA COFFEE ALL DAY SATURDAY

Bring us your cream and eggs—will pay highest market price for same.

C. E. CONNER  
On Front Street

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But there is another thing and the other thing is QUALITY but when you can get real quality at a very low price then you have the best to be had. WE GIVE YOU THIS WONDERFUL COMBINATION why go further or hunt for something better, the secret of this high quality groceries at such low prices is CASH it takes cash to get this combination.

- 48 lb. flour absolutely guaranteed to satisfy \$1.83
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- 6 Bars P & G or Crystal white soap 23c
- 4 Bars Best brands of toilet soap 23c
- No. 2 Best can Tomatoes per can 9c
- Any Brand Cigarettes 2 Packages 25c
- Any Brand Cigarettes per Carton \$1.20
- Prince Albert smoking Tobacco per can 12c

There are just a few of our specials but our regular prices all sound like specials. We sell only the best fatest and tenderest beef and choicest cuts of pork from our market that can be bought in this country and we buy them right here in your community. OLD FASHION BARBECUE on Saturday.

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Here are but a few of the space-saving features Chrysler engineering has anticipated, pioneered or developed to highest efficiency during the past five years:

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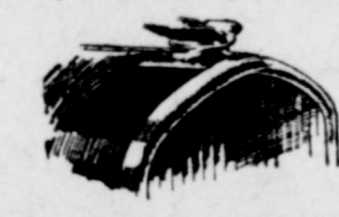
and a host of others.

New Chrysler "75" Prices—Royal Sedan, \$1,350; Coupe (with rumble seat), \$1,450; Roadster (with rumble seat), \$1,550; Touring Sedan, \$1,650; Crown Sedan, \$1,750; Convertible Coupe (with rumble seat), \$1,850; Passenger Phaeton, \$1,795; Passenger Phaeton, \$1,895; Convertible Van, \$2,000. (6-ply full-balloon tires.)

New Chrysler "65" Prices—Business Coupe, \$1,000; Roadster (with rumble seat), \$1,050; 2-door Sedan, \$1,065; Touring Car (with rumble seat), \$1,125. All wheel-b. Detroit, 48 wheels extra.



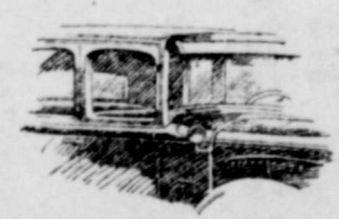
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### WHAT'S DOING In West Texas

A 10,000 egg capacity electric incubator will be in operation in Tuhoka by January, and the owners, Prof. Taylor, White, and Verner Smith, will be in the market for eggs from certified flocks, after that date.

The new Booker bakery recently built has equipment installed and has been baking for a week. L. N. Traylor is manager of the new bakery and states that he is able to feed the whole town.

An effort is being made in Nolan county to get a county health unit with financial assistance from the Rockefeller Institute. The county would finance half the project which would insure a full time doctor and four helpers.

A survey of the whole of Dawson county to account for every cow in the country is being sponsored by the Lamesa Chamber of Commerce to interest a milk plant there. The plant pays 18 cents more per quart pound and deliveries are after the milk.

T. L. Kimmel, proprietor of the Electric Hatcheries at Hockley, has doubled the capacity of his incubators this year and will handle 15,000 more eggs. This is one instance of the increasing interest in poultry in the town.

Randall scored at the State Fair at Dallas, winning second place in the Agriculture exhibit. The exhibit was sent to the fair by the Canyon Chamber of Commerce and Randall County Commissioners, with County Agent W. H. Upchurch in charge.

Between 15,000 and 20,000 rabbits have been poisoned in Midland this year with the county furnishing the poison. In counties where the rabbits were not poisoned damage to

crops is estimated as high as five percent.

Paving of 16 down town blocks is going on at Pecos. Six blocks have been graded and prepared for the paving with gutters and curbs constructed. Laying of the bitulithic pavement has begun. Each block will be opened as it is finished.

Eight boys winning first place in the South Plains Fair were given a trip to the State Fair at Dallas by the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce. The boys were from eight different communities in the section.

G. W. Bittern, who lives three miles northeast of Littlefield, received three car loads of hogs from Benjamin for fattening purposes. On account of the large grain crop it is cheaper to move the hogs to the grain than to ship the grain to the stock.

The business men of Moran are helping defray the expenses of the band. The members themselves pay \$2.00 per month. The band is under direction of G. W. Collum, of Cisco. Concerts are given regularly and are well attended.

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Eden loaded out a full train load, twenty-nine cars of two year old steers from their ranches here recently. The cattle were shipped to the White and Ledbetter range in Northern Oklahoma.

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### Big Spring to Have Two New Churches

Big Spring, Texas, Oct. 18.—Big Spring is to have two new churches. The First Presbyterian Church voted to build a new church and appointed a committee to select a site and work out the plans. The Church of Christ

will also build a new church in the south part of the city at a cost of \$15,000. The building will be of brick veneer and will be 40x60 feet. An auditorium and Sunday school room will be provided in the new building. Bids will be called for on Oct. 24.

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**Personal Mention**

Miss Jessie Rodden attended the Dallas fair last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Largent attended the Dallas fair last week.

Messrs. Jack West, Delma Compton and Stan Johnson spent last weekend in Dallas.

Miss Mary Cleo Booth is visiting in Snyder this week, the guest of Mrs. Forrest Sears.

Castle Ellis, accompanied by Ralph Duke and Wren Durham, drove to Dallas last week-end.

Choc Jones, formerly of Merkel but now of Pecos, visited with relatives and friends here last week.

Miss Christine Russell of Big Spring was the week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Selma Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. George Caple accompanied C. J. Glover Jr. to Dallas last week-end. En route they were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Russell Roberts of Abilene.

Mrs. Claude Young, accompanied by Misses Sloan, Bridwell and Mrs. Jack Anderson, drove to Dallas to attend the fair last week.

Mrs. Ruth Darsey, who has been visiting in the home of her son, J. T. Darsey, returned this week to her home at McGregor.

Friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. Joe Garland is sufficiently recovered from her recent operation at a Temple sanitarium to return home.

Mrs. Effie Johnson and Miss Thelma Marsh, both of Spur, are visiting in the home of Mrs. Johnson's father, Rev. J. B. Parrack. Miss Marsh is Rev. Parrack's granddaughter.

Mrs. W. A. Little of Waco and Mesdames Daisy McKay and Ralph Anderson of Belton will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Caple and C. J. Glover Jr. for the week-end.

Dr. and Mrs. R. I. Grimes were in attendance at the Mid-West Texas District Medical association meeting at Sweetwater Monday of this week. Dr. W. T. Sadler attended the Tuesday session.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Durham, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Durham, attended the Dallas fair last week. They were joined en route by Misses Doris and Tommie Durham, who are attending C. I. A., Denton, this year.

**HALLOWEEN PARTY.**

On Tuesday afternoon of this week Mrs. Jim Sears entertained with bridge games. Halloween was the motif predominant in all game accessories, party appointments and house decorations. Games of auction bridge progressed happily throughout the late afternoon hours, and at tea time a salad plate, on which the season's most delectable viands were served, with hot tea, to Misses Roberta Sloan, Lucy Tracey, Mona Margaret Jones, Johnnie Sears, Melba West, Mary Eula Sears, Boog Sears; Mesdames Sie Hamm, Tom Price, Warren Smith, Jack Durham, Len Sublett, Harry Cockston, Matt Dillingham, Dr. R. I. Grimes, W. S. J. Brown and Charlie Jones.

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that by united effort for a few days the remainder would be forthcoming. It is pointed out that the terms of payment are so arranged as not to work a hardship on those unable to pay the full amount at one time. Twenty-five per cent of the amount subscribed is payable upon the organization of the hotel company, 25 per cent on January 1, and the remainder on March 1.

Below is a list of hotel subscribers to date who have actually signed for stock. A number of others have signified their intention of participating, and will probably do so, but have either not been seen by the committee or have not definitely determined the amount of their subscription:

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| C. M. Largent,     | S. A. Johnson,    |
| Max Mellinger,     | C. R. Tittle,     |
| R. I. Grimes,      | B. F. Bird,       |
| John Sears,        | W.J. Sheppard,    |
| R. O. Anderson,    | H. M. Rainbolt,   |
| Sam Swann,         | J. S. Thomas,     |
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| David Hendricks,   | age,              |
| John Wheeler Jr.,  | S. M. Hunter,     |
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| Jack Lowe,         | J. T. Howard,     |
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| D. C. Doan,        | Mrs. T. G. Bragg, |
| Ralfe Wagner,      | Annie Lou Rus-    |
| N. D. Cobb,        | sell,             |
| L.R. Thompson,     | Ivy Bragg,        |
| H. F. Hulsey,      | Mollye Shannon,   |
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