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PETITION FOR SCHOOL BOND ELECTION

New Hotel Building is to Be Six Stories

ANOTHER FLOOR WILL BE ADDED FOR MORE ROOM

Builders Vision Necessity For Additional Space Since Hospi-Soon to Start Construction.

stories high.

to build.

opinion of Mr. Young, Mrs. Harring- and tax collector ex-officio. ton and the local committee, of which Unless there are some last minute R. O. Anderson is chairman, that five entries, the ballot for Tuesday's voting stories, with the sanitarium occupying will be as follows: the fifth floor, would not leave sufficient hotel room.

SIXTH FLOOR FOR HOSPITAL.

in order to overcome this obstacle, de- terson. eided to add the sixth story for the use of Drs. Grimes and Sadler, thus tor ex-officio-Miss Pauline Johnson. providing the use of the fifth floor for hotel purposes and the addition of several guest rooms.

approval of the local hotel committee, re it will give to Merkel a six-story ructure in head of five, and without

LIGHT CHANGES NECESSARY.

R. Showalter, attorney, who conek, that the apparent delay had en caused by the decision to add R. H. Williams in charge. sixth story, necessitating some nges in the original plans and inring considerable additional ex-

According to Mr. Young, actual construction should begin in about F. Jeffrey of Golden. thirty days, and he estimates that it will require from five to six months to have the building ready for occupancy. Work will start, he said, as soon as material can be assembled after the local hotel committee has completed the raising of the bonus fund, the Methodist church Tuesday night, of which only \$1500 is lacking.

Eggs and Poultry Boost For Merkel

From March 5 to 25, a period of twenty days, the Merkel Produce Co. handled a total of 467 cases of eggs-14.010 dozen-or 168,000 eggs, according to S. O. Nations, manager.

Total cost of eggs and poultry bought by this firm alone during the presided. same twenty-day period amounted to

Local Men Plan to

and 11. James H. West and Rev. R. two weeks. A. Walker of the local church will attend the sessions and perhaps others will go. Mr. West is on the first day's program for an address, his subject Baptist church, will attend the Sunbeing, "Value of a Layman's Organ- day school and B. Y. P. U. convention ization to the Local Church."

Easter Program at Methodist Church, 9:45 Sunday Morning will attend.

Opening song, 105; scripture, Mrs. Richards; welcome address, Justin D. Sandusky: Welcome Easter Day, Taylor county for 27 years, died at Billy Geo. Gant; piano solo, Mary his home in Abilene Monday. Funeral Thomas J. Watson, 67, resident of the road voted to go on strike because of necessary repairs will mean a complete Grace Dunn; Easter Lillies, Clara J. services were held at Abilene Tuesday, Buffalo Gap community for 21 years, refusal of the company to meet their new Grammar school building in the Cox; song; reading, Nell Hughes; burial being in the Cedar Hill ceme- died at his home Tuesday morning. demands, Brotherhood officials an- not distant future. dialogue, two girls; song; reading, W. tery. reading, Truett Patterson.

MAYOR AND TWO ALDERMEN TO BE CHOSEN TUESDAY

Everything is in readiness for the city election to be held in Merkel next pital is to Occupy Top Floor; Tuesday, at which time city officers for the ensuing two years are to be chosen. Polls will open at the city hall at 8 a. m. and close at 6 p. m.

The new Merkel Hotel will be six | Voters will express their choice for mayor between two candidates-H. C. This decision was reached Wednes- West, present incumbent, and J. P. day at a conference between F. R. Sharp. Two aldermen are to be elec-Young, architect, and the local hotel ted, with four candidates in the field committee, with the approval of Mrs. | -A. T. Sheppard, asking re-election, Elva Harrington, maker of the offer and W. O. Boney, B. T. Sublett and Brooks Patterson. There is one vac-Plans for the sixth story have been ancy, H. L. Propst having resigned under consideration since Drs. Grimes several weeks ago on account of movand Sadler agreed to lease the top ing to Abilene. Miss Pauline Johnson floor for their sanitarium. It was the has no opposition for city secretary

For Mayor-H. C. West, J. P.

For Aldermen-W. O. Boney, A. T. Mrs. Harrington and her associates, Sheppard, B. T. Sublett, Brooks Pat-

For City Secretary and Tax Collec-

Accident Followed The proposal at once met with the By Pneumonia Causes

Accidental injuries sustained while attional cost. All that is ask- at play on the Stith school grounds a erkel is the \$12,500 bonus, the week previous, followed by the develas proposed under the original opment of pneumonia, resulted in the o build a four-story structure. death early Monday morning of thousand dollars. Howard Jones, 8-year-old son of Mr. was learned from Mr. Young and and Mrs. H. L. Jones of Stith.

ing in the Merkel cemetery, with Rev.

The youth is survived by his father and mother, one brother, Burton Lee, and two sisters, Zelma and Ira Bell; also his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Jones of Stith and Mr. and Mrs.

Wesley Brotherhood Hears McMurry Dean

The Wesley Brotherhood met at with an address by Dean McCowan of McMurry College as the feature of the program. The address dealt with brotherhood work, and proved of great interest to every member present.

In addition to Dean McCowan, three other visitors from Abilene were present. Round table discussion of Brotherhood affairs was followed by the serving of sandwiches. Bishop Hunter, president of the Brotherhood,

Mrs. Wood Recovering.

Mrs. G. F. Wood, who underwent a serious operation several weeks ago at the Scott and White sanitarium in Attend Presbytery Temple, was able to go to the home of her mother in Abilene last Sunday. The next meeting of Abilene Presby- She is recuperating nicely, and it is tery will be held at Anson Tuesday, expected that she will be able to re-Wednesday and Thursday, April 9, 10 turn to her home in Merkel in the next

Rev. Parrack to Speak.

Rev. Ira L. Parrack, pastor of the of district No. 13, which meets at Cisco April 2 and 3. Rev. Parrack is on the program for an address the first day. It is expected that several

Aged Resident Dies. James B. Raynes, 76, a resident of

daughters survive.

FARMERS INVITED TO FREE AUCTION SALE IN MERKEI

Urged to Bring Anything They near Lufkin. Have For Sale to Merkel on April 8 to be Auctioned Off Without Cost.

Beginning the second Monday of net Hotels, Inc., at Dallas. next month, April 8, business firms of Merkel will sponsor a trades day on the second Monday of each month, at which time the farmers of this section are urged to bring to Merkel anything they may have to sell, such as livestock, farm products or imple-

farmers bring to town on trades day stal City. will be auctioned off without cost to the farmer. Arrangements have been Galveston from a broken neck sustainmade with Col. Joe Seale and Col W. ed last August while playing on Gal-P. Casey, both of Lubbock and wide- veston beach. ly known in West Texas as auctionalso well known as an auctioneer, has broken in a fall while hurdling. volunteered to assist in the Merkel

ected a number of similar trades days The damage is estimated at \$100,000. and auction sales at various points in West Texas, all with great success. It has the effect of bringing buyer and seller together and in all cases both Death of Stith Boy are benefited. According to Col. Casey gone to attend a family reunion. in numbers of places where he has held similar free auction sales, the Porch lost their lives in a fire which explained that the building was erec- bumper crop in 1929. value of the livestock and goods changing hands amounted to several Angelo early Tuesday morning. no work had been done on it since

to take advantage of the free auction were killed when a Santa Fe passen- both costly to operate as well as unsales in Merkel, the first of which will ger train struck their automobile. satisfactory from the standpoint of ed with the local committee this c'clock Monday afternoon, burial bemade to obtain its full worth.

Noodle Girl Hurt

Mrs. Earl Foster of Noodle, was able the next few days. to leave the hospital in Merkel this Loys Wilson is on trial at Tyler on ketball game at Hamlin some time ago, as a part of the defense.

Mission Society Meets Presbyterian

The program for the Presbyterian and a diamond stick pin. Ladies' Missionary society, which meets Monday, April 1, at 3 p. m. at School Enumerator the church, is as follows:

Song-"Help Somebody Today." Devotional-Led by Mrs. Etta Tuck-

ship"-Mrs. S. G. Russell. A Unique Mission Study Class-

Mrs. T. M. Smith. A Negro Woman in Her Church-Miss Mary Keny.

Business meeting. Closing prayer.

Abilene Teacher Dead.

died suddenly at her home Sunday, officiating minister. Mrs. Keifer was board, the building can now be made members of the local Baptist church death being attributed to heart fail- formerly Miss Rennie Burns of Mer- modern with comparatively small outure. The body was shipped to Linden, kel. The infant lived 17 days. her old home, for burial.

Buffalo Gap Man Dead.

KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

Roofs were caved in and all vegetation leveled by a severe hail storm

John W. Clark, 78, teacher in Texas for 50 years, died last week at his home in Georgetown.

A sixteen-story hotel, containing 682 rooms, is to be built by Bluebon-

Burglars entered a Big Spring store and got away with merchandise valued at between \$600 and \$700.

Fred A. Brock Jr., 4-year-old Dallas boy, was killed when hit by a truck in front of his home Tuesday afternoon.

A pistol under the seat of his auto A free auction is to be the feature of exploded and killed W. F. Williams, the trades days. Such articles as the superintendent of icing docks at Cry-

S. A. Braswell died this week at

James Warbritton, 20, student at the program. F. C. Hale of Trent, was instantly killed when his neck was

car shops, two carloads of natural general run-down condition of the Messrs. Seale and Casey have dir- gasoline and several empty tank cars. Grammar school building. Edward A. Newman, 44, hotel man

> and alderman of Seymour, died suddenly at Waxahachie, where he had

> destroyed the Orient hotel at San

ficient water to supply a city of ern in every respect, and architect's the producing formation. Aletha Foster, daughter of Mr. and 25,000 people. Work is to start in figures indicated that this could be

and it was necessary to open the arm | Edward J. Wall has resigned as and scrape the bone. It looked for a manager of the Odessa Chamber of time like the arm might have to be amputated, but she is now reported as to manage the real estate department well on the road to complete recovery. for a large motion picture company.

Charles Fahrenkamp of New York was attacked as he prepared to enter ters for the Grammar school children. his room at a Fort Worth hotel, bound Church Next Monday and gagged and robbed of \$750 in cash, a diamond ring valued at \$1,300,

enumerator has missed your home or meets and orders the election. "The Source of Christian Leader- children. Also if a blank has been The school board has an itemized left by the enumerator, the request is list of the contemplated improvements, made that it be filled out and sent to together with the cost of each, making the superintendent.

Infant Buried Here.

of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Keifer, died at ned to improve the auditorium and in-Big Spring last week and the body was crease the seating capacity. shipped to Merkel and buried in the Mrs. Myra Cooper, 28, teacher in local cemetery Saturday. W. G. Cythe College Heights school at Abilene, pert of the Church of Christ was the

T. & P. Men Favor Strike.

Pollowing an illness of three months, trainmen of the Texas & Pacific rail- good shape, but delay in making the Funeral services were held at the home nounced on completion of the count of Several members of the Lions club

URGENT REPAIRS AT GRAMMAR SCHOOL TO COST TOTAL \$16,000

Board Members Point Out That Building is in Bad State of Repair; Contemplated Improvements Call for Complete Remodeling; New Roof, New Sewerage and Modern Heating System.

Petitions are being circulated, with the required number of signatures already attached, asking the school board to call an election for the near future, at which the issuance of bonds to the amount of \$16,000 for improvements to the Grammar school building will be the issue.

O. J. Adcock, president of the school board; R. A. Burgess, superintendent, and Mrs. Len Sublett, principal of the Grammar

school, appeared before the Lions! club at the Tuesday luncheon an acquainted the members with the deplorable conditions of the Grammar school building and the necessity for immediate repairs. Mr. Burgess, urging the need for relief, said that in the about 500 pupils, with 14 teachers, all

REMODELING IS NECESSARY.

ted 13 years ago and that practically Mrs. David L. Hollis, 31, and Mrs. that time. He said 17 stoves were in Farmers of this section are urged G. W. Chewing, 30, both of Amarillo, use at the present time, which were done for \$16,000.

week after being treated for several charges of shooting to death Rev. Grammar school building before the Campbell well. days for a compound fracture of the Fount Wallace, Troup Baptist minis- opening of another school term beleft arm. She was injured in a bas- ter. The unwritten law is indicated gins," Mr. Adcock declared, "and the only solution, in the opinion of the drill in during the next few days. board, is to vote the \$16,000 bond issue as proposed."

Mrs. Sublett told of the inconveniences suffered by the children and teachers and voiced the hope that the citizens of Merkel would see the necessity of providing comfortable quar-ELECTION AT EARLY DATE.

The signatures of twenty property tax paying citizens are required on ing program: the petition to the school board calling for the bond election. Considerably more than this number has al-Asks Help Parents ready been secured. It is probable that the school board will meet in the In order that every child of school next few days, receive the petitions age in Merkel may be listed, request and order the vote, which will be "Where Background Counts"-Mrs. is made to phone 167 or 174 if the within 30 days from the time the board

a total of \$16,000. The items of greatest importance are the heating system, sewerage improvements and Rennie Marguerite, infant daughter an entirely new roof. It is also plan-

BUILDING CAN BE SAVED. According to members of the school lay, while to delay the improvements Presidents and Secretaries. (c) Mismeans a sacrifice of the health of the cellaneous Business. Offering and Banchildren and costly as well. They ners, etc. Dallas, March 28 .- More than 4,000 point out that the walls are now in

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eers, to have charge of this part of the Pythian Home near Weatherford, Grammar school building there were Wednesday night totaled .37, according to the measurements of B. M. of whom were suffering from poor Black, voluntary weather observer, Fire near Ranger consumed tank heating facilities, leaky roofs and a bringing the total for the month of

Farmers in all sections of the county declare that the seasoning this spring Contemplated and necessary im- is the best this section has known in provements were outlined by Mr. Bur- years. Plowing is far advanced, and gess, Mr. Adcock and Mrs. Sublett, there is a general spirit of optimism which embrace a practical remodeling throughout this section as each suc-Sandy McDonald and Mrs. Billie of the entire interior. Mr. Burgess ceeding rain brings prospects for a

Midsun Oil Corporation, No. 1 have for sale will be disposed of on death, and a woman also unidentified, antiquated and unsanitary, and the Hoehn, west central Jones county oil that date, and every effort will be was seriously burned in a fire which roof was in a bad state of repair. In test, picked up a show of free oil Sundestroyed the Orient hotel at San the opinion of the board, it was neces- day night at 2,886 feet. Three bailsary both in the interest of economy ers full of crude oil were taken from Plans have been completed for a and in safeguarding the health of the the hole. A pipe will be run to the Playing Basketball new city lake at Hamlin, to hold suf- children, to make the building mod- bottom of the hole to thoroughly test

> A new location has been made by Phillips Petroleum Co. for a well half "Something must be done about the way between Noodle Creek and the

Phillips Petroleum Co., Windham No. 2 in the Noodle Creek area, will

B. Y. P. U. Association Meets With Merkel Church Next Sunday

The Sweetwater Baptist Assocational B. Y. P. U. will convene with the Merkel Baptist church next Sunday, beginning at 2 p. m., with the follow-

Wood, Simmons University. 2:10 P. M .- Election of Associational President and Secretary. 2:15 P. M .- Special Music .- First

2:00 F. M.-Devotional.-Clarence

Baptist church, Sweetwater. 2:20 P. M.—Our Associational B. Y. P. U., Its purpose and How to Make it Go .- Fred McPherson, Abilene.

2:35 F. M.-Special Music.-First Baptist Quartet, Abilene. 2:40 F. M .- Intermediate and Jun-

ior Sword-drill Contest Between Districts One and Two. (a) Intermediate Sword-drill (10 minutes), Conducted by Mrs. Yates Brown of Merkel. (b) Junior Sword-drill (10 minutes), Conducted by Mrs. E. K. Daugherty, Sweetwater.

3:00 P. M.—Business Session. (a) "All A-board for District Meeting at Cisco, April 2-3, 1929."-M. B. Sasse, Sweetwater. (b) Report of District

Occupy New Home.

Bishop Hunter and family are now occupying their modern new home erected in South Merkel. It consists of five roome and presents a most at-M. Taylor; special reading, Baraccas; Besides his wife, four sons and two Tuesday afternoon, with Rev. Mr. Do- the strike ballot taken among em- spoke in favor of the proposed bond tractive appearance. It was built by

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GOVERNOR SIGNS NUMBER OF BILLS

Austin, March 28 .- Approximately Governor Moody.

salary, to tax constitutional lands man. and to enlarge the scope of investment of the university permanent fund were signed.

which received approval were:

wife desertion a felony; trapping of Abilene. fur bearing animals; increasing maximum school tax rate; regulating livestock brands; regulating day nurseries; prohibiting pipe lines in the Gulf of Mexico; prohibiting collection of accounts by officials; regulating comjustice of peace trial fees to be paid regardless of outcome of case.

Nine Sweetwater People Bitten By Puppy With Rabies

Sweetwater, March 28 .- Nine persons, six of whom are children, were bitten here by a small Spitz puppy known to have rabies and all are now in Austin taking the pasteur treat-

The children bitten include Cleommis Cooper 13; Reginald Cooper, 11; Raymona McFarlan, 9; McMalone Counts, 8; Erna Morris, 11 and Eloise Cooper, 10. Three adults-Clyde Glass, Mrs. R. N. McFarland and A. J. Hargins also were bitten.

The dog was definitely known to be mad when word was received from Austin where the head had been sent for examination, after having bitten Clyde Glass on the hand. Authorities at Austin sent word here for all who had been bitten by the dog to report there for treatment.

J P. Sharp Outlines Practice if Elected As Mayor of Merkel

To the Voters of Merkel:

As my friends have announced me through the columns of the Merkel Mail as a candidate for the office of mayor, and as reasons have been urged why the present incumbent should be re-elected, I feel that it would not be amiss for me to name some of the things for which I stand.

I believe that the time has arrived when public officers should practice as rigid economy in the expenditure of the public funds as they would if it were their own private business, and since the people pay in as taxes the funds that are required to properly meet the requirements of a well governed town at least an annual statement of the receipts and disbursements should be published in the Merkel Mail in order that they may know whether the funds have been extravagantly or economically expended.

We have reached the constitutional tax limit, and, in my opinion, we have reached the limit of valuations on which taxes are to be assessed. I believe that Merkel should keep pace with other towns of the same size and I am firmly convinced that can be done without adding to the burden of the tax payer.

I am opposed to the appointment of any officer or laborer who will not give value received in the performance of his duties and who is temperamentally unsuited to deal with the public. I believe in the strict enforcement

of law without fear or favor. If elected, I shall give ready ear and careful consideration to the opinion of the humblest citizen on any matter which he believes affects him unjustly.

If you are in sympathy with the things above mentioned and see fit to honor me with your votes I shall do my best to merit your confidence. J. P. Sharp.

(Advertisement)

Brady Improvements.

Brady, Tex., March 28 .- Brady will spend approximately \$100,000 on extensions and improvements to the municipal water and light systems this year without voting a single dollar's worth of bonds, the revenue of the plants to take care of the entire amount.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their assistance and aid in helping us during the illness of several members of the family. Their kind acts will be long remembered.

Dan Reidenbach and family.

Taylor County Grand Jury Convenes With Heavy Docket Ahead

M re than fifty criminal cases 90 bills passed by the 41st legislature were before the Taylor county grand were signed and filed Monday by jury for investigation when that body convened at Abilene Monday morning, Neither the Wirtz bill to discipline an acculmulation of less than six 'Hoovercrats" nor the Sunday movie weeks. Included in the list of crimes bill were among those filed. Most of on the calendar are theft, assault the bills approved were local measures. | bootlegging and forgery. The gen-The proposed constitutional am- eral criminal docket was set down for mendments to raise the governor's next Monday by Judge W. R. Chap-

The grand jury, which contains the names of three Merkel men, is as follows: W. C. Neill, J. B. Jones and L. Among the bills of general nature W. Cox, Merkel; Dave Floyd, Buffalo Gap; J. D. Harrison, Guion, and The anti-blackmailing bill; phys- Luther Clark, Roy Danby, T. M. ical education in schools; teaching of Skipper, W. E. Beasley, J. K. Fuller, U. S. constitution in schools; making J. O. Shelton and J. A. McMahan,

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their sympathy and assistance extended at the time of the death of our dear son and brother. mercial colleges; making old Spanish These kind acts will be long remembertrail a state highway; establishing ed and we want you to know of our sincere appreciation of each one's ef-

H. L. Jones and family.

Legal covers at Merkel Mail office.

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A TOAST TO MERKEL.

Merkel is a pretty place. The scenery here is fine; . The water and the climate Are perfectly sublime.

You can look our town all over And see the homes of different make; You will come to the conclusion That Merkel takes the cake.

Merkel is a-building up,

And the job is being done well; But arn't we going to strut our stuff McMURRY COLLEGE STUDENTS When we get the new hotel?

She will reach five stories up And spread out on the ground, And when we get that lofty house Merkel will be renowned.

And other things we are doing And things that can't be beat; Just take a look a little later Down our paved Oak street.

And there is our fire department In our new city hall; For promptness when the siren sounds It can't be beat at all.

We are building many houses Of cobble stone and wood, The brick and the stucco structures Are looking pretty good.

Old Merkel is up and fighting And she is going to win, For look at her spreading out And folks a-moving in.

There are plenty of vacant lots On which to make a home, For once you settle in Merkel From her you'll never roam.

The generous hearted people, No better can be found; They'll lend their kindly service, In reserve it does abound.

There are other things I could recall numerous to be mentioned; I is a stepping out

attracting much attention.

ok our town over women and clever men rkel" can't be beat. -By Pauline Salter.

EL IS SUCCESSFUL UNTY MEET.

by Lester Beene, who collected nts, Merkel won second place in thletic events of the county meet arday at Abilene by winning 29 1-2 mts, while Hamby collected 32 to first place. Norman Sloan collect-8 points for Merkel. Despite the t that physical disabilities kept seval of Merkel's best men from cometing, by placing second Merkel will mpete at the district meet also. Merkel Junior boys won fourth place ith a fighting team which showed up

ell for Merkel. he summary of Merkel luck in the follows:

Senior Divisions o yard high hurdles-Morton, lie; Clemmer, Hamby; Alton Whit-, Merkel; Bennett, Potosi. Time

100 yard dash-Johnson, Hamby; Sloan, Merkel; Beene, Merkel; Bowley, Hamby. Time 11.2 seconds. 880 yard dash-Beene, Merkel; Walford, Lawn; Elvis Richardson, Mer-

kel; Hohertz, North Park. Time 2.34. 220 yard low hurdles-Lewis, North Park; Johnson, Hamby; Finis Cade, Merkel; Boyd, Potosi. Time 28.5 sec-

440 yard Dash-Sloan, Merkel; Grant, Lawn; Gooch Hamby; Whittle, Lawn. Time 57.8 seconds.

High jump-Allen, Bradshaw; Beene, Merkel; O. Ohlhausen, Wylie; T. Ohlhausen, Wylie. Height, 5' 4". One mile run-Landers, Lawn; Lee Darden, Merkel; Hohertz, North Park; Dees, North Park. Time 6.31

minutes.

220 yard dash-Johnson, Hamby; Copeland, Lawn; Lewis, North Park; Windham, Lawn. Time 25.4 seconds. Pole vault-Bowley, Hamby; Morton, Wylie; Alton Whitaker, Merkel, and Allen Bradshaw tied for third.

Height 8 feet, 6 inches. Discus throw-Johnson, Hamby; Whittle, Lawn; Brown, Bradshaw; Alton Whitaker, Merkel. Distance 93

Shot put-Allen, Bradshaw; Brown, Bradshaw; Johnson, Hamby; Clemens, Hamby. Distance 34' 6".

Broad jump-Ailen, Bradshaw; Lewis, North Park; Copeland, Lawn; Bagwell, Bradshaw. Distance 18 feet.

Junior Division. 100 yard dash-Jack Patterson of Merkel fourth place. Time 4.5 seconds. kel, fourth. Distance 15 feet.

High jump-Edwards, Lawn; M. Shannon, Merkel. Height, 5 feet. 440 yard relay-Lawn first; North Park second, and Merkel third. Time and 15 points. 1:04 minutes.

VISIT MERKEL HIGH SCHOOL.

A group of students from McMurry college, Abilene, were visitors at the first place, 2 points. High school on Thursday morning at the regular chapel period from 10:15 to 10:45. They called themselves the "Goodwill Crowd." Their purpose was and William Sheppard, 10 points. to boost school and to encourage stu- Boys' tennis singles, Milton Case, dents who planned to attend college 10 points.

tioned the numerous advantages to be Hunter, second place, five points. enjoyed at McMurry, among which Senior spelling, Odell Hunter, and was its favorable location, its good Vernie Derrick, first place, 15 points.

Reading, "I am an old maid," Bessie Terry.

Several hand saw numbers by Charles Pickens, accompanied by Beulah Leow Lee.

Reading by Beulah Leow Lee. The group was visiting five other town during the day.

COUNTY MEET AT ABILENE.

for Merkel a total of 132 points in the contests. Seventy-seven of these thus breaking two world records. points were won by the Grammar school entries. The following is the results of the contests as to the places Broad jump-Milton Shannon, Mer- secured by each contestant and the points accredited to each:

Jr. Boys, Playground Ball, 15.

Jr. Girls, Playground Ball, 15. Essay by Opal Buckey, first place

Sub junior spelling, first place, 15

Arithmetic team, first place, 15

Jr. girls' declamation, Neil Hughes,

High School. Track, second place, 10 points. Boys' tennis doubles, Milton Case

to enter McMurry. The following pro- Senior boys' declamation, Carlos gram was rendered by the visitors: Montandon, second place, five points. A talk in which N. J. Gillette men- Senior girls' declamation, Odell

water supply, the size of its faculty, BOB LYNN VISITS HIGH SCHOOL and pole vault, but he did not do this ten years of age, he travelled with We were glad to have with us on at Amsterdam. He jumped 6.4 and vaudeville for nine years and since

the world record of ice skating, broad 21 cups, besides a free trip around the athletics. For one year he was athjump, and kicking. He won these two world with expenses paid as prizes for letic director on the floating universiplaces at the Olympic games which are held every four years and were Seventy-one contestants from the father is superintendent of schools at held at Amsterdam, Holland, this past United States went to Amsterdam. Las Cruces, New Mexico, but he consummer, 1928. He won an endurance They were weakened by seasickness siders Chicago his home. He will be skating contest by skating 42 days or ard for this reason were not at their official field operator at Abilene Sat-10008 hours in succession with only a best. rest every five hours during a recent Helen Wilson made 23 flips in a high kick. The students of the Merkel schools skating contest in Chicago. He kick- dive from a 75 foot board, thus break- The Olympics will be held in Los who competed at the county meet, ed nine feet seven inches at the Olyming even the worlds record for men. Abilene on last Friday, March 22, won pic games and made eighteen feet six. Mr. Lynn has made three trips ing for prospects for the United

Mr. Lynn said that he could jump years old. Beginning when he was only living moderately.

his athletic feats.

inches in the ice skating broad jump, around the world and he plans to go States. He advises both boys and again in August. He is twenty-four girls to take care of their bodies by

last Monday, Mr. Bob Lynn, who holds vaulted 13.3. He has 247 medals and then has been in different phases of ty that goes around the world. His urday and will there demonstrate his

Angeles in 1932 and Mr. Lynn is scout-

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MERKEL IS STEPPING OUT.

If you have not already done so, for one session. great day for Merkel when dirt is broken for the six-story hotel.

The school board is to ask the citizens of Merkel to vote a \$16,000 bond issue for badly needed improvements to the Grammar school building. Members of the board point out that the heating and sewerage facilities of the building are such as to endanger the health of the 500 or more children, and that the roof is in a bad state of repair. The board has studied the situation from every angle, and is unanimous in the belief that it will be economy to make the needed improvements before another school term opens. It is well to look to the financial side, but the greatest consideration is the health of the children. Sixteen thousand dollars is getting off light for a progressive community like Merkel when the well-being of 500 of its future men and women is at stake.

aside from the convenience it will and there were eight children-The Oak street paving project, afford the entire citizenship, will place a cosiderable sum of money into the hands of Merkel merchants and laborers. States, counties, cities and towns are giving more attention to paved thoroughfares than ever before. There is not a city or town in the country that has enjoyed the blessings of paved streets that would think of doing without them for double the a successful law practice. cost. Paved streets enhance property walnes and add to the comforts of life.

spring add still further to the rosy ulation. Farming conditions are the expired term of Hon. John H. Rea- Edison. "I returned to my trunk. I best in years, according to those gan, who had resigned to accept the thought I would try him again. I refamiliar with the soil of this section. chairmanship of the state railroad turned to the smoking can with a load They point to the fact that, instead of the usual sandstorms and dry winds during the month of March, in their to make the crop outlook the most boyhood friends and worked together els. Again came the welcome order, promising in several years.

OTHER VIEWPOINTS.

wife because she smoked cigarettes, some enterprising manufacturer may Alliance men in Texas. Those few He then returned, locked the empty advertise not a shot in a carload- sentences quoted from that speech trunk and dragged it into the smoking Miami (Fla.) Herald.

ing gossip about other people. One constitution of my country is against is not to listen, and the other not to it. The platform of the democratic repeat.-Minnesota Press.

off, why don't they make sawed-off past, the hopes of the future, the unshotguns that way in the first place? animous warnings of our great states--Florence (Ala.) Herald.

Topeka man tells us, "it would be Richard Coke, and served from March nothing but a 'want' section."_ 4, 1895 to March 3, 1901, when he re-Topeka (Kan.) Journal.

larger increase in sales over the year been engaged in the practice of law. before than any other fuel industry, according to a survey just completed life is unsullied and his character is by the American Gas Association.

000 miles of telephone wire to operate has often aided in elevating others the world's telephones. Of this wire (whom he considered deserving) to mileage, approximately 68,000,000 are places of high distinction, yet has nevlocated in North America.

The first Spanish mission was founded at San Antonio in 1718.

Plane Travel Heavy.

Thirty-five planes have landed at tion. The daily average income of

vice. Phillips Drug Store.

TEXAS SENATORS IN U. S. CONGRESS (Copyright, 1928, by Alva O. Hearne)

HORACE CHILTON (1891-1892)(1895-1901)

Horace Chilton was born in Smith ounty, Texas, on December 29, 1853. His father was George W. Chilton and his mother Ella Goodman, both of Alabama. He was reared in Tyler, Smith county, Texas; was educated in Present indications are that Merkel the schools of Tyler under the tutorwill show unprecedented improvement ship of Thomas Smith and John T. for a town of its size when the record Hand, and attended the Lynnland Institute in Hardin county, Kentucky,

turn to the first page and read about At fifteen years of age, Horace the decision to make the new hotel six | Chilton was under the necessity of stories instead of five. The original earning his own livelihood and also Toombs, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Hud- ially the schools, having been a regplan was for a four-story hostelry, that of his mother and sister. He left dleston; Mrs. J. B. Ferrier; Mrs. Ross ular patron. but the fifth story was added when college in the midst of his education-Drs. Grimes and Sadler agreed to al course, to obtain work. He entered top floor to be used as a hospital. for a year, applying himself with Now comes the announcement that the faithfulness and intelligent energy, sixth story will be added. First four, and acquiring a practical knowledge then five, and now six. It will be a of the printing trade, all the while S. Hughes; Mr. and Mrs. R. O. An- an ideal man for school trustee. pursuing his studies at night, the only time he could call his own.

he cheerfully denied himself every luxury in order that all of his earnngs might go toward the maintenance of the little home. In time he became as and Louisiana. He finally established a small newspaper at Tyler, which he ran until he had accumulated a small fund, by which he was B. C. Gaither and Eunice Russell. enabled to accomplish a long cherish ed purpose, namely, to read law and Southern Gentleman secure admission to the bar.

Determined to compel success by meriting it, Mr. Chilton passed through that period of trial and probation which faces the young and untried lawyer in his struggle for a his first "\$100 windfall," which gave

George, Mary Benjamin, Christine, Ella, Thomas, William and Arch.

Mr. Chilton has never been an offic seeker, but few men in the State have done more for Democracy. In 1881 Governor Roberts appointed him assistant attorney general, without asked Edison. solicitation, and after discharging the duties of that office he returned to

In 1888 he was elected a delegateat-large from the state to the nation- threw them through an open window Hogg appointed him United States mus, settle with the boy." Senator, as a Democrat, to fill the un-United States Senate on December 7, same performance was repeated." 1891 and served until March 23, 1892. Edison soon came back with his in the same printing office.

Shortly after his appointment to Now that a husband has shot his men, strongly opposing the sub-treas- have become a walking library." ury idea which possessed the Farmer's re eal his force and simplicity:

"Concerning this (the sub-treasury) There are two good ways of treat. scheme, my own duty is plain. The party is against it. Economy, busi- good." says the inventor. "I used the To save the trouble of sawing them common sense, the experience of the gan the study of electrical science." men, all stand in its way."

In 1894 he was re-elected to the "If my family was a newspaper," a United States Senate to succeed Hon. sumed the practice of law. He has resided in Dallas, Texas, since 1906, The gas industry in 1928 showed a where he and his son, Benjamin, have The Boston Store

Senator Chilton's record in public free from the taint of selfish ambition. Modest and retiring, he has never en-It requires approximately 100,000,- tered into the scramble for place. He er asked anything for himself.

Farmer Beaten, Left Hanging by Thumbs urday special in Rayon Bed Spreads.

San Saba, Texas, March 28 .- As the Ranger airport since its opening the result of the finding of Doss Armistice day, when in two days Moore, farmer, 35, terribly beaten and forty-five planes attended the cele- hanging to a tree by his thumbs near his home in the McMillan community, \$1.98. the well equipped airport is \$2.60 this county, last Saturday, Stan Hawfrom gasoline and oil and hanger ser- kins of Wallace community and Lee B. Smith are in the county jail here, Specials will appreciate the value of charged with assault to murder and this bargain and add brightness to her robbery. Moore's mother lived with bedroom. One to a customer.

Merkel Friends at Funeral Services For Arthur Sears

ng, and perhaps there were others: friends of the candidates. Mr. and Mrs. Estes; Mr. and Mrs. Thompson; Mr. and Mrs. Tye Sublett; ted with the affairs of the schools. select petroleum geology as the prin-Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Woodrum; Mrs. Ferrier; Mrs. Tom Largent; W. L. Dee Grimes is well known to pracderson; Mrs. W. L. Harkrider; Mrs. Bishop Hunter is equally well

Was Responsible For Modern Electricity

Sam Swann; Mrs. Frank McFarland;

Robert Beasley; T. A. Bearden; Phil-

Thomas A. Edison tells the story of position of independence in his pro- him the money to study telegraphy and enter the electric field, in an in-In 1877, he was married to Miss terview published in the American Mary W. Grinnan at Tyler, Texas, Magazine. Young Edison was a news agent on a train running between Saginaw and Detroit.

> Passing through the smoking car with an armful of newspapers, he was stopped by a Southerner, who was seated by his negro servant.

"Boy, what you got there?"

"Newspapers."

"Chuck them out the window," he commanded, "I'll pay for them." Taking him at his word, Edison

al democratic convention at Saint The Southerner lazily turned to the The good rains that have fallen this Louis. In 1891 Governor James S. negro at his side and said: "Nicode-"The colored man paid me," said

commission. He took his seat in the of magazines that staggered me. The

Governor Hogg and Mr. Chilton were arms stacked with paper covered nov-"Chuck them out the window." #

"The air was filled with mystery the United States senate, Mr. Chilton novels and hair-raising thrillers. Evmade an address to his fellow-towns. ery tramp along the railroad must

Once more Nicodemus paid him. car. Again the familiar greeting "Hello boy, what you got there?" "Trunk."

"Chuck it out the window."

"I was out of the news business for ness judgement, good old corn-field money to take up telegraphy and be-

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Those who have been keeping in touch with the Boston Bargain Store

Friends Announce Four Men Candidates For School Trustees

In the announcement colum of this Merkel friends in large numbers attended the funeral of Arthur Sears paper will be found the names of R. of the American Association of Petat Abilene last week, attesting the love F. Tittle, Dee Grimes, Bishop Hunter roleum Geologists here. esteem in which he was held by the and Bob McDonald as candidates for people of this community, where he school trustee of the Merkel Indepen- York, first vice-president; Roger Denlived for so long. Among those from dent school district, in the election to ison, Fort Worth, second vice-presi-Merkel other than the family, who at be held Saturday, April 5. The and dent in charge of finance; Frederick tended the obsequies, were the follow- nouncements were authorized by H. Lahee, Dallas, third vice-president

All of the men named are well. It was voted to ask the 16th inter-E. C. Richards; David Hendricks; known and popular citizens of Merkel, national Geologist Congress to meet Earl Lasiter; Mr. and Mrs. L. R. being long-time residents and acquain- in the United States in 1932 and to

R. F. Tittle is a popular farmer, cipal topic of discussion. The 15th Cypert; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Canon; having been practically reared in this International Geological Congress is Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hutcheson; Mrs. section. He has always taken an act- being held this year in South Africa S. M. Hunter; Mr. and Mrs. Tom ive interest in civic affairs and espec- with gold geology as its topic.

Diltz, Sr.; Mrs. Heitman; Mr. and tically everybody in Merkel, and his school hour last Sunday morning. The contract for a long time lease on the a printer's office, where he worked Mrs. W. L. Diltz, Jr.; J. L. McLean; friends point to the fact that he at- few substitute teachers needed were Geo. Moore; Rev. T. C. Willett; Mr. tended school here when a boy and present and all the classes made especand Mrs. Thyman Collins; John has kept in close touch with its pro- ally good reports. Collins; Fred Baker; Mr. and Mrs. J. gress and activities since, makes him

> Roy Largent; W. D. Haynes; Mr. and known. For several years past and The war between the states wiped Mrs. J. A. Sears; W. R. Hampton; J. at the present time he has children Eastland. out the possessions of his family, and R. McCartney; Joe Riney; J. W. attending the Merkel schools. He has Teal!, Jr.; Hobson Robinson; Mr. and always shown an active interest in the Mrs. C. M. Largent; Mr. and Mrs. progress of the schools as well as Willie Jo Largent; H. B. Chambless; other civic affairs.

Bob McDonald is truly a Merkel projourneyman printer and followed Mack Busbee; Earl Stanford; Dee duct, having been born and reared this calling in various towns in Tex- Grimes; Dr. R. I. Grimes; J. D. Por- here, and attended the schools of his ter; James Patterson; Davis Beasley; home town, in which he has always shown an active interest. His friends lip Diltz; Mr. and Mrs. John Russell; claim that he will make an ideal school trustee.

Child Study Club.

The Child Study club will meet at the Baptist church this Friday afternoon, March 29, at 3:30 o'clock. The following program will be rendered:

Song; prayer; devotional (Obedience), Mrs. W. J. Largent; The Necessity of Obedience, Mrs. Gen. Jones; The Dangers of Obedience, Mrs. A. R. Booth; Obtaining the Child's Co-operation, Mrs. R. J. Miller; Sublimation of Obedience, Mrs. Andy Brown; song. All mothers and Sunday school workers are urged to be at this meet-

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Snyder of Shreveport

Fort Worth, March 28 .- J. Y. Snyder, Shreveport, was elected president

Other officers are: F. H. Kay, New in charge of editorial work.

Methodist Sunday School.

We had a very interesting Sunday

On our fist of guests for last Sunday are Miss Elizabeth Harkrider and Miss Margaret Love from McMurry, and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Herring of

Our Library will be open next Sunday morning and every one is welcome to read our books.

The entire Sunday school hour will be given over to an Easter program next Sunday morning. You are invited. Come, and let's make it a great

The missionary ladies will hold a church bazaar next Saturday morning

at the Lion's Hall (the late site of the Dennis' store). They plan to serve is Geologist President a. delicious home-prepared dinner to all who come. The proceeds will be

given to help the mission cause. You are welcome at the Methodist Sunday school. Bring your friends and he'p us make our Easter pro-

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nt News and **Personal Notes**

. Windslow Beckham of Lamesa ting in the home of C. T. Beckhis week.

a few of our people attended eral of Arthur Sears, among Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Reeves, and Mrs. T. L. Stevens, C. T. cham, Buna McLeod, O. A. Smith, nd daughters.

About 30 young friends of Florena entered the Junior's spelling contest. and W. L. Boyd joined with them in celebrating their birthday anniversary Tuesday evening at the home of their parents. Games dear to the hearts of children held interest for the merry day with Eleanor Mae Hogan. group. Refreshments were served.

Ed Burks is remodeling his home When completed it will be a nice mod- Humphreys. ern stucco.

Alex. and Tom Wilson are building a modern rent house.

Ed Watkins of Rochester was in town last week looking after business interests here.

Miss Dorthy O'Brian of Simmons university is home for a few days' va-

The Methodist meeting is progressing nicely. Interest seems to be grow-Gene Archer is home and improving

rapidly after an operation in the Merkel hospital. Jno. C. Howell of Abilene was in

town Saturday attending to business. He was accompanied by his wife. Grandma Williamson is real ill at

Dr. Carl Mangum of Wichita Falls

spent the week-end with home folks. Miss Jean McRee is in Abilene this week assisting Minn Cinderella Shope during the Easter rush.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Boyd are at-Ft. Worth.

J. E. Bowers and E. D. Massey were business visitors in Abilene Tuesday.

Dora Doings

The singing here Sunday was enjoyed by a large crowd. Several visiting classes were here.

Rev. Badgett filled his regular appointment Saturday and Sunday.

AN, F. Hardy came home from the tarium last Saturday afternoon and bas been resting nicely since.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Mallon were visiting his mother, Mrs. Phillips, and

E. P. Perry and Mrs. d the Joe T. Perry Sunday night; they Villis Perry ding fine. sit up part of the time. oy and wife, Mr. and Porter attended singing

an and family of the at Sunday afternoon with s. J. T. Perry.

Chapel News

of our community is very this writing, there being only ses of the flu yet.

Berryhill filled his regular apent at Zion Chapel Sunday and night.

Imogene Hays of Merkel spent k-end with Mrs. H. R. Chancey. Harvey Warren and children City and Mrs. Marl Goodchildren of Anson visited er, Mrs. E. C. Spurgin, Sat-

mother Young has been quite is better at this writing. and Mrs. R. D. Price spent the week-end with the latter's parents at

The Compere Agriculture club had as their visitor Monday, Mr. Jobson, the county agent.

and our teachers are planning on attending the Interscholastic meet at Hamlin Friday and Saturday.

Miss Rue Evans spent the week-end with relatives at Stith.

Miss Nina McAninch visited relatives and friends near Merkel the past week-end.

Mrs. M. K. Milner had as her guest Sunday afternoon her mother and sister of Abilene.

Mrs. D. E. McNutt is visiting relatives in Oklahoma and East Texas.

Kermit Improvements.

Kermit now has, in addition to numrous important improvements, an \$18,000 railroad station being coma new \$250,000 court house, a 0, and a contract of \$189,000 Come and be with us. tly been awarded by the r a highway.

rallon. Burton-Lingo. Phone 74.

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Mt. Pleasant News

Rev. Houston Scoat filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church Saturday night and Sunday. The P. T. A. met Friday night. There was a good program rendered by the primary room.

Mt. Pleasant is proud of their spellers. Julius Wyatte and Grace Walker won second place in the Senior spelling at Abilene last Friday. Elenor Mae Hogan and Orada Hay

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Anderson and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Sutterwhite and family. Miss Nola Mae Anderson spent Sun-

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Henby spent 1928 Chevrolet Coupe, run only few Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Craig

Everybody who attended the party 1927 Chevrolet Sedan, a good servicelast Thursday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Lunsford, report- 1927 Chevrolet Roadster, new paint, ed a good time.

Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Ford Smith and family.

Mrs. Daisy Selcher, who has been visiting her brother, F. T. Hogan. 1926 Ford Coupe, new rubber, A one left Sunday for Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Davis and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Whisenhunt.

Bell Bailey spent the week-end with their parents in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Darden Jr. spent 1925 Dodge Touring. Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. 1926 Dodge Coupe. and Mrs. C. J. Whisenhunt and family. Mr. and Mrs. Morris Smith spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Ho-

gan and family. Mrs. E. V. Satterwhite, Mrs. B. H. Henley, Misses Emma Campbell, Nola Mae Anderson and Lena Jo Garrett accompanied our boys' basketball tending the telephone convention in team to Castle Peak Friday afternoon. FOR SALE-Ford truck with gear The game was won by our team.

Miss Cecilia Henry of Merkel and William Lofland of Abilene were FOR SALE-Second hand windows guests of Mount Pleasant school Friday morning.

Wilber Click was not able to attend school two days last week on account of illness.

Miss Dolly Hay was an Abilene visitor last week-end.

Many of the people of our community have been attending the meeting in Merkel.

Mrs. Lillie Campbell has been seriously ill for the past few days. Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Hogan visited

near Merkel Sunday. son were Buffalo Gap visitors Sunday. Barrow Furniture Co.

Misses Grace Walker and Nadie FOR SALE-Heavy Bright Red Smith were guests of Mrs. L. D. Henry of Merkel Sunday. Miss Anna Belle Bailey had as her guests Sunday Misses Fannie Belle

Williams, Fannie Woodard, Messrs. FOR SALE-120 egg electric incu-John Anthony, Stenson Garner and Nelson Bailey all of Abilene.

after an extended absence.

The P. T. A. will foster an Easter Egg hunt Friday for all school pupils. FOR SALE-Good used Ford cars. Mrs. W. B. Lofland and daughter, Blue Front Service Station. Miss Fay Lofland, and Miss Lucille Hill of Abilene were Mount Pleasant FOR SALE-Rhode Island Red Eggs visitors Sunday.

Watch these columns for something kel, Route 1. big coming to Phillips Drug Store.

The farmers are busy putting up their land after the recent rains. Mrs. J. W. Love is very ill in the

Merkel hospital. spent the week-end with her parents, \$10.50 per week. Also furnished Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Justice.

and Mrs. Maze Saturday night was for light housekeeping; gas. Rose enjoyed by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Eoff are visiting their daughter at Roscoe this week. Miss Cleo Reece of Abilene spent

Tye last week. Mrs. J. M. Shean returned home

Sunday from Abilene, where she has FOR RENT-Two furnished rooms, been visiting her sister the past week. all conveniences. B. M. Black. Mrs. O. R. Bird and daughters of Merkel, were visitors in our commun. FOR RENT-Furnished apartment. ity Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Lucas visited Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Spurgin of Anson

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gilbreath spent

the week-end at Lubbock. Brother O. B. Tatum filled his re-

gular appointment at the Baptist church Sunday. Every one is invited to attend choir

practice Friday night. Also the fifth NICE BEDROOM for rent; all con-Sunday singing convention will meet veniences; gas and bath; private enhouse just starting costing at Noodle promptly at 10 o'clock. trance and garage. Mrs. Taylor F.

Watch for the Methodist ladies cap Mrs. F. Deutschman north of Guitar is the time to paint. Brighten and apron sale and 50c dinner March Gin. Phone 241J. e home. Good Paint at \$2.75 per | 30th Saturday. Take a rest and bring the family out to dine with us.

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shift; 25 model. See P. H. Douglass.

doors and screens. C. K. Russell.

FOR SALE-Four extra good milk cows. See Henry Ellerbee in Merkel.

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Maize. \$20.00 per ton at my farm, 3 miles East Merkel on Hi Way. J. T.

bator at a bargain. Herbert Patterson

Stanley Gilleland is back in school FOR SALE-Dark Cornish game eggs. See Robert Hicks.

for setting, Owens farm strain, 75 cents per setting. Bill Harwell Mer-

Bargains: We have connections with oil companies, oil brokers and investors in real estate. It will pay you to list your holdings with us. L. R. Thompson

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> FOR ROOM house for rent; gas and plenty of good water. Phone Mrs. Tay-

lar F. Davis, 183J. Vernon Gilbreath visited friends at FOR RENT-Two furnished rooms. Geo. T. Moore, phone 291W.

Mrs. W. A. McSpadden. Phone 115.

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LOST-Mud chains for truck late Wednesday p. m. between Merkel and Hoehn well. Swafford Coal Yard.

LOST-Black hog on highway, three miles west Merkel. Please notify Henry Ellerbee.

LOST Studebaker tire carrier on road between Phillips Gasoline plant and Merkel Thursday night March 21. Finder please notify Ivy Daniels for Late 1927 Chevrolet Landau, new rub- reward or leave at Merkel garage.

LOST-On streets of Merkel leather been looking for, one of the best coin purse containing \$1.35. Finder values we have ever had. You'll have may keep money but please return the \$475.00 purse to the Merkel Mail office.

WANTED

WILL TRADE lot for good milk cov G. L. Bishop, Merkel, Texas.

new rubber, a bargain ____\$275.00 LET US do your upholstering, furni-Mr. and Mrs. Morris Smith spent 1925 Chevrolet Touring, a good look- ture repairing, fixing of lawn mowers

> WANTED-Bedroom with or adjoining bath; also garage. Apply Merkel

Blair Items

Mrs. John Meeks is attending the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Jim Campbell of Mt. Pleasant, who is ser-

iously ill. Hugh Campbell, who stuck a nail in his foot last week-end, is doing nicely

at this writing. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Moore and childen of Seymour are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elie Brooks and

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore. Glenn Abbott spent last week-end with his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs

Abbott of Tye. Mr. and Mrs. D. Moore of Cross Roads visited relatives at this place

Mr. and Mrs. James Doan are visiting their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Doan of Rotan, Texas, for several days. Brother and Sister Stutts and

daughters, Mrs. John Reynolds, and Mrs. Gladys Cunningham of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell Monday.

Misses Mae Melton and Vernie Owen and Preston Doan of Merkel were in our midst Sunday.

Nunnally's

A box of our delicious assorted chocolates and bon bons with luscious centers -an Easter greeting sure of appreciation.

We have just received a large shipment especially packed for Easter

CITY DRUG STORE

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

I have purchased the W. N. Edwards Grocery, (which was the old McDonald Grocery stand on Kent Street,) and solicit your trade.

THE CREAMERY

has been moved from J. H. McDonald Grocery on Front street to this store.

NATHAN WOOD

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and year by year is proof positive that it pays.

their message in words.

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There are but few business men who are not sold on advertising. The fact that more of it is being done throughout the United States day by day

Many business men are not regular advertisers because they have not the time and their training is such as to make it difficult for them to put

It is to these that this message is directed. The Merkel Mail has among its personnel men who have had extensive training in advertising design and writing. In addition, we have a complete cut service with which to illustrate any advertisement.

We are always glad to render every possible service to our advertisers. The writing of the advertisement and the use of the cuts are a part of our service. All you need to do is to tell us what you want to advertise and we will do the rest.

PHONE 61

AND CALL FOR THE "AD MAN"

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Entered at the postoffice at Merkel, Texas, as second class mail.

MERKEL IS STEPPING OUT.

If you have not already done so, for one session. stories instead of five. The original earning his own livelihood and also Toombs, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Hud- ially the schools, having been a regthen five, and now six. It will be a of the printing trade, all the while S. Hughes; Mr. and Mrs. R. O. An- an ideal man for school trustee. great day for Merkel when dirt is broken for the six-story hotel.

The school board is to ask the citizens of Merkel to vote a \$16,000 bond issue for badly needed improve- luxury in order that all of his earnments to the Grammar school building. Members of the board point out that the heating and sewerage facilities of the building are such as to endanger the health of the 500 or more children, and that the roof is in a bad state of repair. The board has studied the situation from every angle, and is unanimous in the belief that it will be economy to make the needed improvements before another school term opens. It is well to look to the financial side, but the greatest consideration is the health of the children. Sixteen thousand dollars is getting off light for a progressive community like Merkel when the well-being of 500 of its future men and women is at

The Oak street paving project, aside from the convenience it will and there were eight childrenafford the entire citizenship, will place George, Mary Benjamin, Christine, a cosiderable sum of money into the Elia, Thomas, William and Arch. towns are giving more attention to have done more for Democracy. In seated by his negro servant. paved thoroughfares than ever before. 1881 Governor Roberts appointed him There is not a city or town in the assistant attorney general, without asked Edison. country that has enjoyed the blessings solicitation, and after discharging the of paved streets that would think duties of that office he returned to of doing without them for double the a successful law practice. cost. Paved streets enhance property In 1888 he was elected a delegate-

spring add still further to the rosy Hogg appointed him United States mus, settle with the boy." best in years, according to those gan, who had resigned to accept the thought I would try him again. I refamiliar with the soil of this section. chairmanship of the state railroad turned to the smoking can with a load They point to the fact that, instead of commission. He took his seat in the of magazines that staggered me. The the usual sandstorms and dry winds place has come the necessary moisture Governor Hogg and Mr. Chilton were arms stacked with paper covered novto make the crop outlook the most boyhood friends and worked together els. Again came the welcome order, promising in several years.

OTHER VIEWPOINTS.

Miami (Fla.) Herald.

ing gossip about other people. One constitution of my country is against is not to listen, and the other not to it. The platform of the democratic repeat.-Minnesota Press.

-Florence (Ala.) Herald.

Topeka man tells us, "it would be Richard Coke, and served from March nothing but a 'want' section."- 4, 1895 to March 3, 1901, when he re-Topeka (Kan.) Journal.

The gas industry in 1928 showed a where he and his son, Benjamin, have The Boston Store larger increase in sales over the year been engaged in the practice of law. before than any other fuel industry, according to a survey just completed life is unsullied and his character is by the American Gas Association.

000 miles of telephone wire to operate has often aided in elevating others the world's telephones. Of this wire (whom he considered deserving) to mileage, approximately 68,000,000 are places of high distinction, yet has nevlocated in North America.

The first Spanish mission was founded at San Antonio in 1718.

Plane Travel Heavy.

Thirty-five planes have landed at

vice. Phillips Drug Store.

TEXAS SENATORS IN U. S. CONGRESS (Copyright, 1928, by Alva O. Hearne)

HORACE CHILTON (1891-1892) (1895-1901)

Horace Chilton was born in Smith ounty, Texas, on December 29, 1853. His father was George W. Chilton and his mother Ella Goodman, both of Alabama. He was reared in Tyler, Smith county, Texas; was educated in Present indications are that Merkel the schools of Tyler under the tutorwill show unprecedented improvement ship of Thomas Smith and John T. for a town of its size when the record Hand, and attended the Lynnland Institute in Hardin county, Kentucky,

turn to the first page and read about At fifteen years of age, Horace the decision to make the new hotel six Chilton was under the necessity of plan was for a four-story hostelry, that of his mother and sister. He left dleston; Mrs. J. B. Ferrier; Mrs. Ross ular patron. time he could call his own.

> he cheerfully denied himself every ings might go toward the maintenance of the little home. In time he became this calling in various towns in Tex- Grimes; Dr. R. I. Grimes; J. D. Poras and Louisiana. He finally estab- ter; James Patterson; Davis Beasley; lished a small newspaper at Tyler, which he ran until he had accumul- lip Diltz; Mr. and Mrs. John Russell; ated a small fund, by which he was B. C. Gaither and Eunice Russell. enabled to accomplish a long cherished purpose, namely, to read law and Southern Gentleman secure admission to the bar.

Determined to compel success by meriting it, Mr. Chilton passed through that period of trial and probation which faces the young and

Mary W. Grinnan at Tyler, Texas, Magazine. Young Edison was a news

Mr. Chilton has never been an of-

values and add to the comforts of life. at-large from the state to the nation- threw them through an open windo al democratic convention at Saint The Southerner lazily turned to the The good rains that have fallen this Louis. In 1891 Governor James S. negro at his side and said: "Nicode-United States Senate on December 7, same performance was repeated." in the same printing office.

Shortly after his appointment to Now that a husband has shot his men, strongly opposing the sub-treas- have become a walking library." wife because she smoked cigarettes, uny idea which possessed the Farmer's

re eal his force and simplicity: "Concerning this (the sub-treasury) "Hello boy, what you got there?" There are two good ways of treat- scheme, my own duty is plain. The

ness judgement, good old corn-field To save the trouble of sawing them common sense, the experience of the off, why don't they make sawed-off past, the hopes of the future, the unshotguns that way in the first place? animous warnings of our great statesmen, all stand in its way."

In 1894 he was re-elected to the "If my family was a newspaper," a United States Senate to succeed Hon. sumed the practice of law. He has resided in Dallas, Texas, since 1906,

Senator Chilton's record in public free from the taint of selfish ambition. Modest and retiring, he has never en-It requires approximately 100,000,- tered into the scramble for place. He er asked anything for himself.

Farmer Beaten, Left Hanging by Thumbs urday special in Rayon Bed Spreads.

San Saba, Texas, March 28.-As rose, lavender, blue and gold. Guaranthe Ranger airport since its opening the result of the finding of Doss teed best colors. Full size, 90x105 Armistice day, when in two days Moore, farmer, 35, terribly beaten and inches; scalloped edges; these are reforty-five planes attended the cele- hanging to a tree by his thumbs near gular \$3.50 values offered at only tion. The daily average income of his home in the McMillan community, \$1.98. the well equipped airport is \$2.60 this county, last Saturday, Stan Haw- Those who have been keeping in from gasoline and oil and hanger ser- kins of Wallace community and Lee touch with the Boston Bargain Store B. Smith are in the county jail here, Specials will appreciate the value of charged with assault to murder and this bargain and add brightness to her Prompt, efficient prescription ser- robbery. Moore's mother lived with bedroom. One to a customer.

Merkel Friends at Funeral Services For Arthur Sears

ng, and perhaps there were others: friends of the candidates. Mr. and Mrs. Estes; Mr. and Mrs. pursuing his studies at night, the only derson; Mrs. W. L. Harkrider; Mrs. Bishop Hunter is equally well Willie Jo Largent; H. B. Chambless; other civic affairs. Sam Swann; Mrs. Frank McFarland; a journeyman printer and followed Mack Busbee; Earl Stanford; Dee

Was Responsible For Modern Electricity

Thomas A. Edison tells the story of untried lawyer in his struggle for a his first "\$100 windfall," which gave position of independence in his pro- him the money to study telegraphy and enter the electric field, in an in-In 1877, he was married to Miss terview published in the American agent on a train running between Saginaw and Detroit.

Passing through the smoking car with an armful of newspapers, he was laborers. States, counties, cities and fic seeker, but few men in the State stopped by a Southerner, who was

"Boy, what you got there?"

"Newspapers." "Chuck them out the window," he

commanded, "I'll pay for them." Taking him at his word, Edison

outlook for Merkel and its rural pop- Senator, as a Democrat, to fill the un- "The colored man paid me," said ulation. Farming conditions are the expired term of Hon. John H. Rea- Edison. "I returned to my trunk. I

1891 and served until March 23, 1892. Edison soon came back with his

"The air was filled with mystery the United States senate, Mr. Chilton novels and hair-raising thrillers. Evmade an address to his fellow-towns. ery tramp along the railroad must

Once more Nicodemus paid him. some enterprising manufacturer may Alliance men in Texas. Those few He then returned, locked the empty advertise not a shot in a carload- sentences quoted from that speech trunk and dragged it into the smoking car. Again the familiar greeting

"Trunk." "Chuck it out the window."

"I was out of the news business for party is against it. Economy, busi- good." says the inventor. "I used the money to take up telegraphy and began the study of electrical science."

> Brighten up your furniture with Quick Drying Enamel. Burton-Lingo Co. Phone 74.

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Offers Bed Spreads

Saturday Special to Appeal to Housewives.

The welcome freshness of spring calls for new furnishings for the home and here at the Boston Bargain Store may be found a most attractive Sat-

A heavy, close weave in colors of

Friends Announce Four Men Candidates For School Trustees

In the announcement colum of this Merkel friends in large numbers attended the funeral of Arthur Sears paper will be found the names of R. at Abilene last week, attesting the love F. Tittle, Dee Grimes, Bishop Hunter roleum Geologists here. esteem in which he was held by the and Bob McDonald as candidates for lived for so long. Among those from dent school district, in the election to ison, Fort Worth, second vice-presi-Merkel other than the family, who at be held Saturday, April 5. The anddent in charge of finance; Frederick ended the obsequies, were the follow- nouncements were authorized by H. Lanes, Dallas, third vice-president

All of the men named are well. It was voted to ask the 16th inter-E. C. Richards; David Hendricks; known and popular citizens of Merkel, national Geologist Congress to meet Earl Lasiter; Mr. and Mrs. L. R. being long-time residents and acquain- in the United States in 1932 and to

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Woodrum; Mrs. R. F. Tittle is a popular farmer, cipal topic of discussion. The 15th Cypert; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Canon; having been practically reared in this International Geological Congress is Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hutcheson; Mrs. section. He has always taken an act- being held this year in South Africa S. M. Hunter; Mr. and Mrs. Tom ive interest in civic affairs and espec- with gold geology as its topic.

but the fifth story was added when college in the midst of his education- Ferrier; Mrs. Tom Largent; W. L. Dee Grimes is well known to prac- We had a very interesting Sunday Now comes the announcement that the faithfulness and intelligent energy, and Mrs. Thyman Collins; John has kept in close touch with its pro- ally good reports. sixth story will be added. First four, and acquiring a practical knowledge Collins; Fred Baker; Mr. and Mrs. J. gress and activities since, makes him

> Roy Largent; W. D. Haynes; Mr. and known. For several years past and The war between the states wiped Mrs. J. A. Sears; W. R. Hampton; J. at the present time he has children Eastland. out the possessions of his family, and R. McCartney; Joe Riney; J. W. attending the Merkel schools. He has Tealf, Jr.; Hobson Robinson; Mr. and always shown an active interest in the Mrs. C. M. Largent; Mr. and Mrs. progress of the schools as well as

Bob McDonald is truly a Merkel product, having been born and reared here, and attended the schools of his home town, in which he has always day. Robert Beasley; T. A. Bearden; Philshown an active interest. His friends claim that he will make an ideal school trustee.

Child Study Club.

The Child Study club will meet at the Baptist church this Friday afternoon, March 29, at 3:30 o'clock. The following program will be rendered:

Song; prayer; devotional (Obedience), Mrs. W. J. Largent; The Necessity of Obedience, Mrs. Gen. Jones; The Dangers of Obedience, Mrs. A. R. Booth; Obtaining the Child's Co-operation, Mrs. R. J. Miller; Sublimation of Obedience, Mrs. Andy Brown; song. All mothers and Sunday school

workers are urged to be at this meet-

Plenty of O'Cedar Mops and Floor Wax on hand at Burton-Lingo Company. Phone 74.

Snyder of Shreveport

Fort Worth, March 28 .- J. Y. Snyder, Shreveport, was elected president

Other officers are: F. H. Kay, New people of this community, where he school trustee of the Merkel Indepen- York, first vice-president; Roger Denin charge of editorial work.

Thompson; Mr. and Mrs. Tye Sublett; ted with the affairs of the schools. select petroleum geology as the prin-

Methodist Sunday School.

Drs. Grimes and Sadler agreed to al course, to obtain work. He entered Diltz, Sr.; Mrs. Heitman; Mr. and tically everybody in Merkel, and his school hour last Sunday morning. The contract for a long time lease on the a printer's office, where he worked Mrs. W. L. Diltz, Jr.; J. L. McLean; friends point to the fact that he at- few substitute teachers needed were top floor to be used as a hospital. for a year, applying himself with Geo. Moore; Rev. T. C. Willett; Mr. tended school here when a boy and present and all the classes made espec-

> On our fist of guests for last Sunday are Miss Elizabeth Harkrider and Miss Margaret Love from McMurry, and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Herring of

Our Library will be open next Sunday morning and every one is welcome to read our books.

The entire Sunday school hour will be given over to an Easter program next Sunday morning. You are invited. Come, and let's make it a great

The missionary ladies will hold a church bazaar next Saturday morning

at the Lion's Hall (the late site of the Dennis' store). They plan to serve is Geologist President a delicious home-prepared dinner to all who come. The proceeds will be

given to help the mission cause. You are welcome at the Methodist of the American Association of Pet- Sunday school. Bring your friends and he'p us make our Easter pro-

The Reporter.

Merkel Vegetable Company

Opens Saturday in Old Bell Building Across From Ice House

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nt News and **Personal Notes**

. Windslow Beckham of Lamesa ting in the home of C. T. Beckhis week.

a few of our people attended by the primary room. eral of Arthur Sears, among and Mrs. T. L. Stevens, C. T. ham, Buna McLeod, O. A. Smith, nd daughters.

About 30 young friends of Florena entered the Junior's spelling contest. Late 1927 Chevrolet Landau, new ruband W. L. Boyd joined with them in celebrating their birthday anniversary Tuesday evening at the home of their Mrs. E. V. Sutterwhite and family. parents. Games dear to the hearts of children held interest for the merry day with Eleanor Mae Hogan. group. Refreshments were served.

Ed Burks is remodeling his home When completed it will be a nice modern stucco.

Alex. and Tom Wilson are building a modern rent house.

Ed Watkins of Rochester was in town last week looking after business interests here.

Miss Dorthy O'Brian of Simmons Ford Smith and family. university is home for a few days' va-

The Methodist meeting is progressing nicely. Interest seems to be grow-

Gene Archer is home and improving ley Whisenhunt. rapidly after an operation in the Mer-

kel hospital. Jno. C. Howell of Abilene was in their parents in Abilene. town Saturday attending to business.

He was accompanied by his wife. Grandma Williamson is real ill at this writing.

Dr. Carl Mangum of Wichita Falls spent the week-end with home folks. Miss Jean McRee is in Abilene this week assisting Minn Cinderella Shope during the Easter rush.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Boyd are at-Ft. Worth.

J. E. Bowers and E. D. Massey were business visitors in Abilene Tuesday.

Dora Doings

The singing here Sunday was enjoyed by a large crowd. Several visiting classes were here.

Rev. Badgett filled his regular ap pointment Saturday and Sunday. F. Hardy came home from the tarium last Saturday afternoon

and bas been resting nicely since. Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Mallon were visting his mother, Mrs. Phillips, and

> e Sunday. E. P. Perry and Mrs. ted the Joe T. Perry Willis Perry ding fine. of Merkel Sunday. sit up part of the time. oy and wife, Mr. and

an and family of the t Sunday afternoon with . J. T. Perry.

7 Chapel News

of our community is very this writing, there being only visitors Sunday. ses of the flu yet.

Berryhill filled his regular apnt at Zion Chapel Sunday and night.

Imogene Hays of Merkel spent k-end with Mrs. H. R. Chancey. Harvey Warren and children City and Mrs. Marl Goodr, Mrs. E. C. Spurgin, Sat-

mother Young has been quite is better at this writing. and Mrs. R. D. Price spent the week-end with the latter's parents at

The Compere Agriculture club had as their visitor Monday, Mr. Jobson,

the county agent. and our teachers are planning on attending the Interscholastic meet at

Hamlin Friday and Saturday. Miss Rue Evans spent the week-end

with relatives at Stith. Miss Nina McAninch visited rela-

tives and friends near Merkel the past week-end.

Mrs. M. K. Milner had as her guest Sunday afternoon her mother and sister of Abilene.

Mrs. D. E. McNutt is visiting relatives in Oklahoma and East Texas.

Kermit Improvements.

Kermit now has, in addition to numerous important improvements, an ed a new \$250,000 court house, a Sunday singing convention will meet bool house just starting costing at Noodle promptly at 10 o'clock. trance and garage. Mrs. Taylor F. 00, and a contract of \$189,000 Come and be with us.

tly been awarded by the r h'highway.

lon. Burton-Lingo. Phone 74.

Try a Classified Ad in the Mail

Mt. Pleasant News

Rev. Houston Scoat filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church Saturday night and Sunday. The P. T. A. met Friday night. There was a good program rendered

Mt. Pleasant is proud of their & Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Reeves, spellers. Julius Wyatte and Grace Walker won second place in the Senior spelling at Abilene last Friday. Elenor Mae Hogan and Orada Hay,

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Anderson and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Miss Nola Mae Anderson spent Sun-

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Henby spent 1928 Chevrolet Coupe, run only few

Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Craig

Humphreys. Everybody who attended the party 1927 Chevrolet Sedan, a good servicelast Thursday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Lunsford, report- 1927 Chevrolet Roadster, new paint,

ed a good time. Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs.

Mrs. Daisy Selcher, who has been visiting her brother, F. T. Hogan. 1926 Ford Coupe, new rubber, A one

left Sunday for Sweetwater. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Davis and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bai-

Misses Olene Lofland and Anna 1924 Ford Coupe, fair condition Bell Bailey spent the week-end with

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Darden Jr. spent 1925 Dodge Touring. Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. 1926 Dodge Coupe. and Mrs. C. J. Whisenhunt and family. Mr. and Mrs. Morris Smith spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Hogan and family.

Mrs. E. V. Satterwhite, Mrs. B. H. Henley, Misses Emma Campbell, Nola Mae Anderson and Lena Jo Garrett accompanied our boys' basketball tending the telephone convention in team to Castle Peak Friday afternoon. FOR SALE-Ford truck with gear-

The game was won by our team. Miss Cecilia Henry of Merkel and William Lofland of Abilene were FOR SALE-Second hand windows guests of Mount Pleasant school Fri- doors and screens. C. K. Russell.

day morning. Wilber Click was not able to attend school two days last week on account of illness.

Miss Dolly Hay was an Abilene vis itor last week-end.

Many of the people of our community have been attending the meeting in Merkel.

Mrs. Lillie Campbell has been seriously ill for the past few days. Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Hogan visited

near Merkel Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Dave Anderson and good shape. Apply Asa Sheppard, at

son were Buffalo Gap visitors Sunday. Barrow Furniture Co. Misses Grace Walker and Nadie FOR SALE—Heavy Bright Red Smith were guests of Mrs. L. D. Henry Maize. \$20.00 per ton at my farm, 3 miles East Merkel on Hi Way. J. T.

Miss Anna Belle Bailey had as her guests Sunday Misses Fannie Belle Williams, Fannie Woodard, Messrs. FOR SALE-120 egg electric incu-Porter attended singing John Anthony, Stenson Garner and bator at a bargain. Herbert Patterson Nelson Bailey all of Abilene.

Stanley Gilleland is back in school FOR SALE-Dark Cornish game after an extended absence.

The P. T. A. will foster an Easter Egg hunt Friday for all school pupils. FOR SALE-Good used Ford cars. Mrs. W. B. Lofland and daughter, Blue Front Service Station. Miss Fay Lofland, and Miss Lucille Hill of Abilene were Mount Pleasant FOR SALE-Rhode Island Red Eggs

Watch these columns for something kel, Route 1. big coming to Phillips Drug Store.

The farmers are busy putting up children of Anson visited their land after the recent rains. Mrs. J. W. Love is very ill in the

Merkel hospital. Mrs. F. C. Rodden of Ballinger BLAIR HOTEL-Room and board spent the week-end with her parents, \$10.50 per week. Also furnished

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Justice. The party given at the home of Mr. FOR RENT-Two furnished rooms

and Mrs. Maze Saturday night was for light housekeeping; gas. Rose enjoyed by all present.

Street. Mrs. J. C. Walton. Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Eoff are visit-FOR ROOM house for rent; gas and ing their daughter at Roscoe this week. plenty of good water. Phone Mrs. Tay-

Miss Cleo Reece of Abilene spent lar F. Davis, 183J.

Vernon Gilbreath visited friends at FOR RENT-Two furnished rooms. Tye last week.

Mrs. J. M. Shean returned home Sunday from Abilene, where she has FOR RENT-Two furnished rooms been visiting her sister the past week. all conveniences. B. M. Black. Mrs. O. R. Bird and daughters of Merkel, were visitors in our commun- FOR RENT-Furnished apartment. Mrs. W. A. McSpadden. Phone 115.

ity Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. M. Lucas visited Mr. FOR RENT-Two light housekeepand Mrs. V. E. Spurgin of Anson ing rooms, all conveniences. Phone 34. Mrs. T. J. Toombs.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gilbreath spent

the week-end at Lubbock. Brother O. B. Tatum filled his regular appointment at the Baptist

church Sunday. Every one is invited to attend choir 318,000 railroad station being com- practice Friday night. Also the fifth NICE BEDROOM for rent; all con-

Watch for the Methodist ladies cap Mrs. F. Deutschman north of Guitar is the time to paint. Brighten and apron sale and 50c dinner March Gin. Phone 241J. home. Good Paint at \$2.75 per 30th Saturday. Take a rest and bring the family out to dine with us.

Use The Mail Want Ada.

LOST AND FOUND

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Glenn Abbott spent last week-end with his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abbott of Tye.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Moore of Cross Roads visited relatives at this place

FOR SALE-Four extra good milk Mr. and Mrs. James Doan are visiting their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Doan of Rotan, Texas, for sev-FOR SALE-Second year Kasch and eral days. Qualla cotton seed; \$1.50 per bushel.

Brother and Sister Stutts and daughters, Mrs. John Reynolds, and Mrs. Gladys Cunningham of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell Monday.

ond season; \$1.50 per bushel. J. J. Misses Mae Melton and Vernie Owen and Preston Doan of Merkel FOR SALE-Windmill and tower in were in our midst Sunday.



Nunnally's

A box of our delicious assorted chocolates and bon bons with luscious centers -an Easter greeting sure of appreciation.

We have just received a large shipment especially packed for Easter

CITY DRUG STORE

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

I have purchased the W. N. Edwards Grocery, (which was the old McDonald Grocery stand on Kent Street,) and solicit your trade.

THE CREAMERY

has been moved from J. H. McDonald Grocery on Front street to this store.

NATHAN WOOD

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There are but few business men who are not sold on advertising. The fact that more of it is being done throughout the United States day by day and year by year is proof positive that it pays.

Many business men are not regular advertisers because they have not the time and their training is such as to make it difficult for them to put their message in words.

It is to these that this message is directed. The Merkel Mail has among its personnel men who have had extensive training in advertising design and writing. In addition, we have a complete cut service with which to illustrate any advertisement.

We are always glad to render every possible service to our advertisers. The writing of the advertisement and the use of the cuts are a part of our service. All you need to do is to tell us what you want to advertise and we will do the rest.

PHONE 61

AND CALL FOR THE "AD MAN"

Hear Barthelmess Sing

and Play "Weary River"

TEXAS GINNINGS SHOW GOOD GAIN

Washington, March 28.-Cotton ginnings for Texas during 1928, as an- will be given as prizes when the first nounced by the Department of Com- annual contest for West Texas high quarters while in Abilene. merce as of March 20, this year, school bands is held in Abilene April amounted to 4,937,455 bales compar- 17 under the auspices of the Simmons 25 Children Born to ed with 4,229,367 bales during 1927, University Cowboy Band. The conor a gain of nearly 700,000 bales.

ty with ginnings totaling 122,923 Band that eveing, and the Belgian bales as against 114,987 bales for musicians will serve as judges of the 1927. The next county was William- event. son, with 111,905 bales compared with High schools are to be divided in-94,478 in 1927, while McLennan counto classes A. and B., according to

Other leading counties producing given in each division. 50,000 or more bales: Hill 101,995, The grand prize will be a \$100 cup gain of 26,000; Navarro 94,909, gain given by the Cowboy Band to the winof 21,000; Hall 82,503, gain of 32,- ner in class A, not to be kept per-000; Bell, 78,891, gain of 25,000; manently by any band until it has Nueces, 78,823, loss of 19,000; Kauf- won three of the annual contests. A man 77,304 gain of 14,000; Collin 73,- smaller cup will be given to the win-046, gain of 29,000; Fort Bend 66,787, per to be kept permanently. A loving gain of 17,000; Milan 68,820, gain cup will also be given to the winner of 13,000; Limestone 62,657, gain of of second place. 14,000; Hunt 62,161, gain of 19,000; Wharton 62,932, gain of 20,000; Run- made for Class B except that loving 2750 were enrolled. Boys are taught nels 50,008, gain of 14,000; San Pa-cups are slightly smaller. tricio 57,419, gain of 4,000; Caldwell 51,751, gain of 19,000.

Among the counties showing loss were Childress with 29,620, loss of 14,000; Dawson 28,967, loss of 12, 000; Haskell 35.198, loss of 15,000; Jones 41,020, loss of 22,000; Knox 29,-833, less of 19,000; Lubbock 35,644, loss of 11,000; Lynn 34,217, loss of 7,000; Wilbarger 33,032, loss of 32,-000. Production in Tarrant County was 14,574 bales compared with 17,-812 in 1927

Due to the good rain of last week, there will be lots of feed planted this week. Everybody is rejoicing over the

The men of this community met last Thursday and worked out the Compere cemetery.

Our Sunday school is still doing good and is larger every Sunday and we hope that it will continue to grow.

The singing was good last Sunday night and we want to ask everybody to come to singing at Compere every Sunday night. Everybody come in the spirit for singing and let's make it a real singing, as the singing has been dead for several months, so we can bring it to life again by good spirit and good singing.

Don't forget the P. T. A. Friday night and everybody come and let's make it a real P. T. A. Also everyone is invited to an Easter program next Sunday night at Compere.

Will Burlson and family visited Lee Stanley Sunday.

Mrs. Emfra Wilburn and Bill Wilburn motored down to see Chester Bones and wife Sunday.

Little Melvin Lucas is very sick with the measles.

Foy Wilburn and little ones speat Sunday afternoon with Sarah Lee

Otto Hudson is down with the flu but is doing fine.

Aletta Foster is in the hospital at Merkel, still suffering with a broken arm. All of her friends are grieved about her and hope she will soon be at home again.

Spur to Be Served With Municipal Power

Spur, Tex., March 28 .- The municipal power plat at Spur is nearing completion and it is planned to start operations about April 15. Construction work was delayed by injunction proceedings in federal court, but the supreme court handed down a decision in the city's favor and the work was started immediately.

Initial costs of the plant were paid from profits from the city-owned waterworks system, more than the necessary amount having been cleared by the water works since May 1, 1927. Included in the first cost was the location, building, spray pond and fuel tanks, amounting in all to about \$15,-

The total annual production of crude raw material of Texas averages \$1,500,000,000, approximately seven per cent of that of the United States.

Texas' largest tree is a giant live Oak at Rio Frio, in the southeastern part of Real county. The spread of its branches is 100 feet.

Trench Mouth Healed

Your friends dare not say so but your sore gums and foul breath don't make folks like you any better. Leto's Pyorrhea Remedy heals worst cases if used as directed. It is not a mouth wash or paste, and is sold on a money back guarantee. Phillips

High School Bands to Contest For Six

test will be held the morning before Ellis continued as the banner counthe concert of the Royal Belgian guard

scholastic League, and three prizes

The contest is under the supervison of the Simmons University school | Try a Classified Ad in the Mail

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HIGHWAY

SERVICE

STATION

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of band music, D. O. Wiley director. Competing bands will be allowed to choose their own selection and also Prizes at Abilene play one number to warm up on, Mr. Wiley announces. Awards will be made on the same basis as in the West Abilene, March 28.—Six loving cups Texas Chamber of Commerce contests. tlemen of Texas concluded their fifty-

Williamson Couple city.

is the largest number of children of country's manufacturing. any family in Williamson County. This number was disclosed recently ty was third with 110,912 bales the rating given them by the Inter-William Belz, of this county, was filed over a million at present. when the last will and testament of increased from 575,734 in 1900 to well for probate. The will disposing of the property of this prosperous citizen, distributes the proceeds among vice. Phillips Drug Store. his 22 children and his wife, Wilhelmina Belz. In addition to the 22 living children, the couple have three dead, making a total of 25 born to

> The Henry Ford Trade School was started Oct. 26, 1916, with six stu-The same arrangements have been dents. At the beginning of this year, to be skilled workers at the school.

Your Car For

Easter

A good "wash" and grease job

on your car is as important as

new Easter apparel. We have

the facilities and know how to

make the car shine with

Spring. Give us a ring.

Cattlemen Choose San Angelo: Elect

Pampa Man President

Houston, Texas, March 28 .- Cat-Visitors will be furnished sleeping third annual convention here Thursday with election of T. D. Hobart of Pampa as president and selection of San Angelo as the 1930 convention

Texas has about 4.5 per cent of the Georgetown, March 28 .- Twenty- total population of the country, but five, so far as the records disclose, does only about 1.5 per cent of the

The number of families in Texas has

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DAYS APRIL 1-2-3-4

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APRIL 5-6 "ALIAS JIMMY

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Thirty-fifth Dividend

The regular quarterly dividend of one dollar and seventy-five cents per share on Preferred Stock will paid on Monday, April 1, 1929, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Wednesday March 20, 1929.

R. A. NICKERSON, Treasurer

-ABILENE-

Week Starting April 1 Shows at 1:30-3:30-5:30-7:30-9:30

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BANANAS

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Business Phone 101

R. THOMPSON

SATURDAY AT DENNIS' FORMER STAND ter date of acceptance, together with

OFFICIAL NOTICE

I, Pauline Johnson, City Secretary of the City of Merkel, Texat the rate of 8 per cent per annum, as, do, pursuant to the hereinafter set out ordinance, give notice of the matters and things therein contained he matters and things therein contained.

City of Merkel, for a part of the cost of improving said street, and fixing a time for a hearing of the owners or agents of said owners of said property, or of any persons interested in said improvements, as provided by Articles 1086 to 1096, ooth inclusive, and articles 1104 and 1105, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1925, and directing the City Secretary to give notice of said hearing, and examining and approving the report or statement of the consulting engineer, and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MER-KEL: That, whereas, the City Council of the City of Merkel has heretofore by ordinance duly passed and approved ordered the improvement of

OAK STREET from 2' south of the most southerly rail of the Texas and Pacific's south passing track to the south line of Coombs Street in the City of Merkel; and,

WHEREAS, plans and specifica-tions for the improvement of said Street have been duly prepared and approved as required by Articles 1086 to 1096, both inclusive, and Articles 1104 and 1105, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1925, which is usually known as the General Paving Law, and was formerly shown as Chapter 11, Title 22, Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, of 1911; and, WHEREAS: said work of improve-

ment was let to General Construction Co. to improve with a 6-inch plain concrete pavement, including excavat-ing, grading and filling, constructing concrete curb and gutter and other necessary work in connection there-with, in accordance with said plans

and specifications; and, WHEREAS, written contract has been entered into by and between the City of Merkel and General Construction Company for the construction of

tion Company for the construction of said improvement; Therefore,
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERKEL: That the report or statement of the Consulting Engineer filed with the City Council, describing the abutting property and giving the names of property owners and number of front feet and the cost of improvement chargeable against each abutting property and its owner, has been duly examined and is hereby approved; that the City Council does hereby determine ssess three-fourths of the total of said improvement against the the property abutting on soft, and against their proper-

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mprovement, and the burdens imposd upon them by such assessment, and upon them by such assessment, and t in no event shall any assessment made against any owner or his operty in excess of the enhanced perty in excess of the enhanced tue of such property by reason of the improvement; That the proportiate cost of such improvement which contemplated to be assessed against such owners and their properties shall become due and payable as follows: One-sixth thirty days after the completion and acceptance by the City of

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in case of default; That the total pro-portionate part of such cost which is contemplated to be assessed against such owners and their respective pro-PAULINE JOHNSON. City Secretary. perties and the names of the owners of ORDINANCE of the city council of the City of Merkel, Texas, determining the necessity for levyong an assessment against the property and owners thereof on a portion of Oak street, in the

	Street	the Texas	
NAME OF OWNER—DESCRIPTION	Front Feet	Rate Per Front Ft.	Amour
Texas & Pacific Ry. Co. a corp.—A portion of			Amoun
the right-of-way of the Texas & Pacific Ry Co. fronting on the east side of Oak Street			
between 2' south of the south passing track and the north line of South Front St.	110	\$6.0654	\$ 667.2
J. R. Swafford—West one-half of lot 9, and all of lots 10, 11, and 12, blk 29, original	100	20071	
I. P. Hulsey—Lot 13 and N. 25' of lot 14, blk	130	6.0654	788.5
29, original townenna Mae Keifer (sep property) —Lot 15 and	75	6.0654	454.9
S. 25' of lot 14, blk 29, original townlders & Trustees of Presbyterian Church of Merkel, Texas—Lots 12 and 11, blk 34, origi-	75	6.0654	454.9
nal town	100	6.0654	606.5
. B. Howard-Lot 10, blk 34, original town _	_ 50	6.0654	303.2
. H. Brackeen—Lot 9, blk 34, original town rs. Georgia M. Fagan (a widow)—Lots 8 and	_50	6.0654	303.2
7, blk 34, original town rs. T. V. Touchstone (a widow)—Lot 12 and	100	6.0654	606.5
N. 40' of lot 11, block 43, original town rs. J. P. Sutphen (a widow)—Lot 10 and S.	90	6.0654	545.8
10' lot 11, blk 43, original town	60	6.0654	363.9
avid French-Lot 9, block 43, original town	50	6.0654	303.2
iss Eula Sears-Lot 8, block 43 original town	50	6.0654	303.2
L. Turner—Lot 7, block 43, original town rs. G. Y. Anderson, (record owner) and	50	6.0654	303,2
Ernest Higgins (claimant)—Lot 12, block 48, original town, and a strip of land ap-			
proximately 80 feet north and south by 140			
feet east and west lying immediately south of said lot 12, block 48	124	6.0654	752.1
C. Hughes-A tract of land beginning at a			
point in the east line of Oak Street 150' north of the northwest corner of lot 32, blk			
I, Miller's Addition; thence north 50'; thence east 159; thence south 50'; thence west 159'	50	6.0654	303.2
to place of beginning W. Haynes—A tract of land begining at a	30	0.0054	303.2
point in the east line of Oak Street 100'. north of the northwest corner of lot 32, blk 1 Miller's Addition; thence north 50'; thence			
east 159'; thence south 50'; thence west 159'			
B. Scott—A tract of land beginning at the northwest corner of lot 32, block 1, Miller's	50	6.0654	303.2
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A. Miller's sub of part of sub. No. 18 of League No. 147, Grimes County School Land	100	6.0654	606.5
R. Dye—Lot 34 and the N. 25' of lot 35, blk 2, R. A. Miller's sub of part of sub. No. 18			
of League No. 147, Grimes County School,	75	6.0654	454.9
I. Ford—Lots 36 and 37, & South 25' of lot 35, block 2, R. A. Miller's sub of part of sub.		0.000	
No. 18 of League No. 147, Grimes County	125	6.0654	758.18
rs. N. E. Sandlin (a widow)—Lots 38 and 39, block 2, R. A. Miller's sub of part of sub			
ocnool Dana	100	6.0654	606.5
K. Russell—Lots 41 and 42, block 3, R. A. Miller's sub of part of sub. No. 18 of League			
W. Robertson-Lots 43 and 44, block 3, R.	100	6.0654	606.5
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Lula Neill (separate property) -Lots 61 and

62, and the S 20' of lot 60, block 5, R. A. Mil-

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No. 147, Grimes County School Land _____

V. B. Sublett-Part of block 6, Sheppard's

Addn. beginning at the southwest corner

of lot 62, block 5, Miller's Addn. thence

south with the east line of Oak Street 129.5';

thence east 160'; thence north 129.5'; thence west 160' to place of beginning W. H. Hathaway-Part of block 6, Sheppard's

Addn. beginning at a point in the east line of Oak Street 190' south of the southwest

corner of lot 62, block 5, Miller's Addn.; nce south 150'; thence east 160'; thence th 150'; thence west 160' to place of be-

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h	NAME OF OWNER—DESCRIPTION	Front Feet	Rate Per Front Ft.	Amount
-	J. J. White-Part of block 6, Sheppard's Addn.			
n -	beginning at a point in the east line of Oak Street 340' south of the southwest corner of			
st	lot 62, block 5, Miller's Addn; thence south	1		
f	150'; thence east 160'; thence north 150'; thence west 160' to place of beginning	150	6.0654	909.82
t,	Texas & Pacific Ry. Co., a corporation—A	150	0.0004	909.82
,	portion of the right-of-way, of the Texas &	A		
y	Pacific Ry. Co. fronting on the west side of Oak Street between 2' south of the south	100	1	
:	passing track and the north line of South	2.		
	Front St. C. B. Gardner—North 70' of lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and	110	6.0654	667.20
5	5, block 28, original town	70	6.0654	424.58
	Estate of E. L. Ash, deceased—South 60' of lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, block 28, original town	60	6.0654	363.93
t	G. F. West-Lot 18 and north 25' of lot 17,	00	0.0004	303.33
	block 28, original town R. A. Martin—Lot 16 and south 25' of lot 17,	75	6.0654	454.91
	block 28, original town	75	6.0654	454.91
	Frank P. Hamm—Lots 1 and 2, block 35, original town	100	0.0074	20274
)	D. O. Huddleston—Lots 3 and 4, block 35, ori-	100	6.0654	606.54
	ginal town	100	6.0654	606.54
l	C. B. Gardner—Lots 5 and 6, block 35, original town	100	6.0654	606.54
	C. B. Gardner—Lots 1 and 2, block 42, original	100	0.0001	000.04
	Wm S J Ryown Lot 2 block 42 original	100	6.0654	606.54
	Wm. S. J. Brown—Lot 3, block 42, original town	50 -	6.0654	303.27
	John Sears—Lots 4, 5 and 6, block 42, original			
	James H. West—Lot 1, block 49, original town	150	6.0654	909.82
-	and a strip of land approximately 32' north			
	and south by 140' east and west, lying im- mediately south of said lot 1, block 49	76	6.0654	460.97
	Fred Guitar-North 25' of lot 1, block B. S. W.	.0	0.0034	400.51
	Sheppard's Addn. and a strip of land ap-			
	proximately 48' north and south by 140' east- and west lying immediately north of said lot			
	1, block B. Sheppard's Addn.	73	6.0654	442.78
-	J. T. Dennis—Lot 2 and south 25' of lot 1, blk B, S. W. Sheppard's Addn.	75	6.0654	454.91
	Fannie Pearl McDonald (separate property) —	15	6.0034	494.91
	Lots 3 and 4 and the north 5' of lot 5, block			
1	B, S. W. Sheppard's Addn. C. H. Jones—Lot 6 and south 45' of lot 5, blk	105	6.0654	636.87
1	B S. W. Sheppard's Addn.	95	6.0654	576.22
1	R. I. Grimes,—Lots 1 and 2 and the north 12.5' of lot 3, block D, S. W. Sheppard's Addn.	112.5	6.0654	600.06
	L. C. Sublett—South 37.5' of lot 3 and the	112.5	0.0004	682.36
1	north 37.5' of lot 4, block D, S. W. Shep-			
1	pard's Addn. J. D. Porter—Lots 5 and 6 and the south 12.5	75	6.0654	454.91
1	of lot 4, block D, S. W. Sheppard's Addn	112.5	6.0654	682.36
	Mrs. Lizzie Latham—Lot 1 and North 25' of lot 2, block F, S. W. Sheppard's Addn.	75	6.0654	454.91
1	W. F. Golloday—Lot 3 and south 25' of lot		0.0004	404.31
1	2, block F, S. W. Sheppard's Addn.	75	6.0654	454.91
1	Jno. R. West—Lot 4 and north 25' of lot 5, block F, S. W. Sheppard's Addn.	75	6.0654	454.91
1	Coral Beene (widow)—Lot 6 and south 25' of			
1	lot 5, block F, S. W. Sheppard's Addn. S. A. Coats—North 150' of block G, R. E. Ed-	75	6.0654	454.91
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1	of blks 4 and 6, S. W. Sheppard's Addn. R. I. Grimes—South 150' of block G, R. E.	150	6.0654	909.82
	Edminson's sub. of all of blocks 3 and 5 and			
1	part of blks 4 and 6, S. W. Sheppard's Addn.	150	6.0654	909.82
1	C. P. Church—Lot 1 and the north 35' of lot 2, block L, R. E. Edminson's sub. of all of			
١	blocks 3 and 5 and part of blks 4 and 6, S.			
1	W. Sheppard's Addn. H. P. Allen—South 15' of lot 2, and north 42'	85	6.0654	515.56
1	of lot 3, blk L, R. E. Edminson's sub. of all of			104346
1	blks 3 and 5 and part of blks 4 and 6, S. W.			
1	Sheppard's Addn. J. W. Wheeler—Lots 4, 5 and 6 and the south	57	6.0654	345.73
İ	8' of lot 3, block L, R. E. Edminson's sub of			
١	all of blocks 3 and 5 and part of blks 4 and 6, S. W. Sheppard's Addn.	158	6.0654	958.34
١	O. B. Boden—Lots 7 and 8, block L, R. E.	100	0.0004	20.00
1	Edminson's sub. of all of blocks 3 and 5			
1	and part of blks 4 and 6, S. W. Sheppard's	100	6.0654	606.54
1	Otto Bicknell-Lots 9 and 10 and north 25' of			
١	lot 11, block L, R. E. Edminson's sub. of all of blocks 3 and 5 and part of blks 4 and 6,			
١	S. W. Sheppard's Addn.	125	6.0654	758.18
I	L. R. Cade—Lot 12 and S. 25' of lot 11, block			
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1	Addn	75	6.0654	454.91
1	J. T. Warren-Lot 4, J. T. Warren's sub. of blk K, R. E. Edminson's sub of all of blocks			700
1	3 and 5 and part of blocks 4 and 6, S. W.			
1	Sheppard's Addn.	55	6.0654	333.60
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That a hearing shall be given to said owners, their agents and attorneys, and any person or persons interested in said improvement, before the City Council of the City of Merkel, as provided by the provisions of Articles 1086 to 1096, both inclusive, and Articles 1104 and 1105, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, of 1925, which said hearing shall be had on the 8th day of April, 1929, at 7:00 c'clock P. M. in the City Hall in the City of Merkel, Texas, and which said hearing may be continued from day to day and time to time, as may be necessary to give all said property owners, their agents and attorneys, and any interested persons, and any interested persons, and Articles 1086 to 1096, both inclusive, and any interested persons, and any interested persons or persons, as full and fair poportunity shall be extended to said property owners, their agents or attorneys, and as a full and fair opportunity shall be extended to said property owners, the hearing above mentioned such sum or the 8th day of April, 1929, at 7:00 c'clock P. M. in the City Hall in the City of Merkel, Texas, and which said hearing may be continued from day to day and time to time, as may be necessary to give all said property owners, their agents or attorneys, and articles 1104 and 1105, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas.

That after the conclusion of the hearing above mentioned such sum or sums as may be determined by the City Council to be payable by said property owners shall be assessed against them respectively, and against their respectively, and against their respectively, and against their respectively properties by ordinance, in the manner prescribed by the provisions of Articles 1086 to 1096, both inclusive, and Articles 1104 and 1105, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas.

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prescribed by the provisions of Articles 1086 to 1096, both inclusive, and Articles 1104 and 1105, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1925, by publishing said notice three in a newspaper of the state 1925, by publishing said notice three times in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Merkel, the first of said publications to be made at least ten days before the date set for the hearing. Said City Secretary may also mail a copy of said notice by registered letter to each of said property owners, if known, or their agents or attorneys, if known, said letters to be deposited in a postoffice in the City of Merkel at least ten days before the date set for the hearing. However, said notice by letter shall be cumulative only, and notice by publication shall be full, due and proper notice of said hearing. It shall not be necessary to the validity of said tion shall be full, due and proper notice of said hearing. It shall not be necessary to the validity of said notice of hearing to name any property owner abutting on said street, and the fact that any such property owner or owners are incorrectly named or not named at all shall in no wise affect the validity of the assessment against said property, nor the personal liability against the real and true owner or owners of said property. No error or omissions in the description of the properties abutting on said street shall in any wise invalidate said assessment or any certificate issued in evidence thereof.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERKEL: That the fact that said portion of said street is in such urgent need of repair creates an emergency and imperative public necessity for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health and safety requiring that the rules providing that ordinances be read more than one time and at more than one meeting, be and the same are hereby suspended, and that this ordinance shall be passed and the same are hereby suspended, and that this ordinance shall be passed and that this ordinance shall be passed and take effect as an emergency measure, and take effect and be in full force from and after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this 20th day of March, 1929.

H. C. WEST

ATTEST: PAULINE JOHNSON City Secretary.

Quash Indictment Against Wurzbach

San Antonio, March 28 .- Federal Judge Duval West sustained a motion to quash the indictment against former Congressman Harry M. Wurzbach, charged with the receipt of political contributions from federal employes during the 1926 Republican primary campaign. John D. Hartman, federal district attorney, 'excepted to the court's ruling and gave notice of appeal to the United States supreme court.

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WHAT'S DOING In West Texas

be completed April 15 at a cost of was included in the shipment. \$85,000. It has steam heat, fans, phones, and hot and cold water.

eration of hydro-electric power goes Light Works. with the permit. The other dam is completed and has been in use for

ing up, and three permanent store will be done of brick and concrete. buildings are being constructed on main street. Many of the residences are of brick or stucco.

Highway No. 7 have been laid near cently brought \$2500 to the town. the Coke county line and the crews are working northward. A gravel base 11 inches deep has been rolled to about 8 inches.

the Western States Exposition which known companies are building in the is to be held in connection with the town, and permanent buildings are 75th anniversary of the California being erected for the Panhandle Plains State Fair at Sacramento. An ex- second annual dairy show. pressive display of western products and resources has been planned.

by a Dalhart poultryman. The pen bring the family out to dine with us. cost \$85.00 and won first honors at

New York. The formation of a poul- Chevrolet Company try show in Dalhart recently has aroused considerable interest in poul-

Llano is looking for a man financi- efforts of the Canyon Chamber of son, the Chevrolet Motor Company ally able to furnish and lease the new Commerce, has arrived and been sold announced here today the development up to date, 36 room modern Llano to farmers at cost. Dwarf maize, Tex- of a comprehensive program for the Community Hotel. This building will as Blackhull kaffir, and redtop sumac service protection of the millions of

Permission to use water to the extent the new system of illumination which vice division, explained. of 550 cubic feet per second for gen- is being done by the Brady Water and So extensive has been the develop-

> and down town, residental section where the Chevrolet owner may obstreets will be started in Stamford be- tain authorized Chevrolet service or

continue to increase. At Clarendon parts and service protection. 214 ten gallon cans worth about \$12.00 to nearby creameries

Plainview is building up. The new Hilton Hotel will bring the skyline from four stories to eight. Montgom-Eastland is to have an exhibit at ery-Ward, J. C. Penney and other well

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The first shipment of certified seed | Detroit, March 28 .- In preparation which is being purchased through the for America's biggest motoring sea- Two Men Burned its cars that will be in use this spring.

An ornamental lighting system is rolet service even more accessible, by a high wind, burning four business being installed along the main thorough, rapid and economical to the house "shacks" on Main Street of this Word comes from Del Rio of a new thoroughfare of Brady's residence owner that the present expansion and oil town Sunday afternoon. dam to be built on Devil's river to streets. All important streets in perfection program was undertaken, have storage capacity of 8,460 feet. North and South Brady will share in J. P. Little, manager of the parts ser- J. W. Farmer, 60, of Borger. The

ment of the service activities of the oil field worker, walked calmly from company, he said, that there are now the flaming building where his com-Forty blocks of paving of alleys 20,960 points in the United States rades died, almost a living torch. Friona is experiencing a building ginning April 1. The contract was let genuine parts. This is perhaps the Gas Made Her Cross, boom. Many new residences are go- for this several weeks ago. The work fullest service coverage ever offered by an automobile manufacturer, Mr. Little declared, and assures the Chev-Donley county cream shipments rolet owner of the widest possible

The program contemplates the op-Two miles of gravel base of the per can formed a shipment which re- ening this year of eleven new parts built or will be constructed this year surprise you! Merkel Drug Co.

in the following cities: Indianapolis, Ind; Birmingham, Ala; Salt Lake City, Utah; Richmond, Va; Great Falls, Mont; El Paso, Texas; Wichita, Kansas, and Knoxville, Tenn.

to Death at Borger

Borger, MarchG 28.-Two men were burned to death and a third perhaps It was with a view to making Chev- fatally burned in a fire which, spread

> One of the dead was identified as other victim was not identified.

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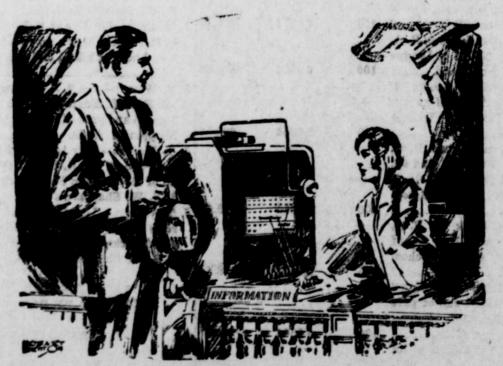
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What the Gray House Hid The Mystery Haunted Mansion by Wyndham Martyn

(Continued from Last Week)

CHAPTER V

During the weeks before the Hanbys could occupy the Gray house there were no more unpleasant messages or telephonic communications to disturb them. Only one person had interested himself sufficiently to call up Hanby at his office.

The voice proclaimed itself as belonging to a name so indistinctly enunciated that Hanby was not sure whether it was Bayles, Vales, Bailey. or Valley. When he tried to make sure which, the voice replied with no clarifying effect. Hanby thought he might get it later in the conversation.

"I am calling you up," said the stranger, "to congratulate you on your purchase of the Gray house. You may recall that we met some time ago at the Metropolitan club."

Hanby remembered lunching at this distinguished club and being introduced to several influential men.

"Thank you," he said cordially. "You know the house?"

"Very well. I looked over it recently with the intention of purchasing it, but the accommodation was insufficient. As you perhaps know, I bought a larger place at Westbury."

Assuredly this was a Metropolitan club member! Thirty rooms were not enough for him.

"I want to ask you a special favor," the voice went on, "I am deeply interested in ornithology. I have even contributed to the literature of the subject. One of the reasons why I considered the Gray house was that it offers a natural sanctuary for birds. There was a lake there, which was filled in not long ago, and is now covered with dense creepers and flowering shrubs. Innumerable birds take shelter there-little birds, I mean-immune from their winged enemies and from man. I beg of you to preserve this retreat inviolate.

"rming fashion." t exactly do you want me to

anby asked. int you to do nothing. Leave ice to the songsters. A bird ary is not unsightly. To me it atiful. What, after all, are five out of two bundred? You will warded by seeing some of our exquisite song birds." The unn ornithologist reeled off a list ames that made his hearer dizzy. rple finch, vesper sparrow, song rrow, nuthatch, chickadee, ovend. junco, snowflake, phoebe, bobok, indigo bunting, rose-breasted osheak, kinglet, wren and others." "It's a fine idea," said Mr. Hanby armly. "I'm glad you told me. I as just going to have the place leared out, because I thought it was seless. I love birds myself, and I'm all for preserving them."

"I was told that you were a high type of citizen, Mr. Hanby," the voice said gratefully. "I hope to do myself the honor of calling upon you soon. Good-by !"

"Now, who the devil was ..?" Hanby asked himself.

He spoke of the bird sanctuary at dinner. His family was enthusiastic. "It's a beautiful idea," said Dina. "I was going to put a sunken rose garden there, but we have heaps of other places."

"Why do birds go there?" Tim Hanby asked.

"Because they get food and water there." His father had refreshed his memory on the subject. "There's a spring that keeps the shrubs and bushes alive and flourishing. Blackberries and other wild fruits and berries grow there in profusion."

"Did you say that the man's name was Bayles?" Dina asked. "Or Bayliss, or Bailey-something

to call on us. He's probably a multisanctuary and snipe those trusting warblers and orioles,"

Tim, Hanby's second son, had a shotgun and a small rifle, and a passion for using them. A struggle went on in him. "I promise," he said,

Tim's parents knew that, mischievous as the boy was, he would keep his word. He solaced himself with the thought that there were single room together. It's a home for many rabbits to be had, not to mention crows, bawks, and bats.

guardians of the birds who trust us. as big as this," she added, pausing in I look to the house detective to en-

force these rules." "Aye, aye, chief!" said Bill Pel-

"I like the idea of a house being a sanctuary," Hanby went on. "Once within its walls, and outside worries | this a whale of a place for dances?" may not introduce. The Gray house sanctuary—a place sacred to happi-ness! Happiness is not a vice, as

they used to regard it when my grandparents were young. It's a sacred

"Listen to the crane talking!" Celia scoffed.

"Crane?" he said.

"The Frankcrane bird," she laughed "I'd rather be that than a mocking bird," her father countered. "Wait till we get up there, mes enfants, and I'll undertake, old, decrepit, and pollyannish though I may be, to beat you at almost every sport there is-tennis, golf, swimming, and equitation." "When were you on a horse?" Junior demanded.

Young Hanby had a wholesome respect for his father as an opponent at tennis or golf, but he had never imagined him as setting out to witch the world with noble horsemanship.

"Know, my son," replied Hanby, "that, like all great Americans, I was reared on a farm. Your grandfather's homestead bordered the beautiful stream after which I am named. If there are any of the old-timers left in that district, ask them what sort of a seat I had on horseback, and you will find that I rode in many a

pony race ere I was Tim's age." "The next thing to hear is that mother rode over the jumps at the Garden show," said Junior.

"Your mother rode discreetly on a side saddle years ago in Cleveland," said Dina; "and she is going to do it again."

"Junior," said Bill Pelham, "never think you can put over anything on those parents of yours. It can't be done. It is my turn to state that in my days of affluence I kept a saddle horse at Durland's."

With these kind but firm words the juvenile members of the Hanby clan relapsed into sulky silence, convinced against their will that, after all, they were not the absolute It.

"I wish my family was like this," remarked Leslie Barron, "We do nothing but quarrel at every meal. That's the main reason I'm going back to New Haven. I believe happiness is catching. I feel a different being

"You don't mean you feel actually happy here?" Celia asked. "Absolutely," he answered,

"Family, friends, all!" Celia cried. "Look at a happy man, and then wonder what he looks like when he's sad!"

Les flushed a little. "I feel happy inside," he said, defending himself.

"He smiled last Tuesday afternoon," Junior said. "I saw him. Sure he's happy. Let him alone, Celia." "Shut up!" said Les. "She lets me aione too much as it is. Up there-" "At Pine Plains," Celia told him, "Lona will be your constant companion."

Lona was the sixteen-year-old girl, now at boarding school.

"Not this time," Dina remarked "Lona wants to go to Europe with three other girls and one of the teachers, and we're going to let her go." "Look!" Celia cried. "His dally

smile! And poor Lona simply worships him. He has driven her abroad, and now he laughs at the havoc be has wrought!"

When built, at the end of the Eighteenth century, the Gray house had been a square mansion of stone in twenty acres of meadow land inclosed with a five-foot wall. Succeeding tenants had enlarged it to its present size, and had acquired two hundred acres more of meadow and woodland. tev. Virginia creeper, wistaria, and trumpet vine fought for its walls, giving it a softness of outline of which its builder could not bave dreamed.

Very strongly built, its exterior was m perfect condition. War had passed it by, and time had treated it gently. like that. He seemed to think that Before the Hanbys moved into it, a I ought to remember him. He's going | careful renovation of the interior had given it a new and dignified beauty. millionaire. Tim, I'm going to put The grounds had been molded to the you on your honor not to sit by that new owner's desires. The Hanbys had moved from a duplex apartment into a satisfying home.

Dina breathed a sigh of content. "I have always wanted just such a place as this," she said, squeezing her

husband's hand. "You never told me so," he replied

reproachfully. "I thought it was the unattainable." said Dina. "Let's go through every our children, and Celia's children, and the children of Celia's children. It's "We are to regard ourselves as adorable! I didn't know the hall was

a lofty apartment thirty feet long and

nearly as wide. "This wasn't accord-

ing to the plans, surely?" "I had it altered," Hanby told her. "Incidentally, I had to reduce our thirty rooms to twenty-eight. Isn't

That's a valuable feature. No heat le lost, as it would be if the shaft were on the outside."

Dina moved toward it. Over the green marble mantelpiece was something carved in old-English letters:

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"No member shall do or say anything of which another member disapproves.

"No member shall disapprove of what any other member says or does." "Gets 'em coming and going!" laughed Hanby. "Great idea, isn't it? Now for the billiard room. That's for Bill's special benefit. He can trim any amateur that holds a cue."

Dina looked from her own windows down on the tangled thatch of bush. bramble, and flower that was sacred to the birds.

"There's a scarlet tanager," she cried. "Look, Hil-the beautiful thing!"

From another window the glittering lake could be seen. As she looked. Celia, Les, and Junior, in bathing kit, raced toward it. Tim was elsewhere, bent on slaying rabbits. There was not a hint in the whole place of the tragedies which had happened within its bounds. Summer bragged on every tree.

The first dinner was one of those happy functions at which every one talks vivaciously and no one troubles to listen. Exclamation points ended every sentence. Les smiled openly, and the house detective was off duty. "My job's a sinecure," said Bill Pel-

ham. "I really had no right to take it, after accepting the honor of being hoe man in chief to Dina." "Your work begins tomorrow," Mrs.

Hanby told him. "I want you to survev a place for a sunken rose gar-"I'll set the alarm for daybreak," be

said. He was up very early next morning. Only Tim, rifle in hand, equaled him. Tim was after the early rabbit and the unheeding squirrel. Pelham had decided on a location for the rose garden when Celia stopped before

"To labor that we love we rise betimes, and go to it with delight," he quoted.

Celia sat down on a grassy bank. "Bill," she said, "you must be fond of the Hanby clan to do this. Poor old Bill!" she murmured softly.

"Why poor?" he demanded. "I know," she said wisely. "You can't fool me."

"I'm not poor," he retorted. "I'm rich. I have a family without the labor of supporting it. I'm much more sensible than you imagine. I adore your mother. She married the man she loved. Three things might have happened to me-I might have married another woman, and made her unhappy; I might have become one of those sour, cynical old devils who poison this earth; I might have doing all three at various times. I did try drinking for a year, but Dina made me feel like a d-d coward. I am now going to use some of your modern terms. I sublimated my love into affection for everything that was dear to your mother. That's why I bear your superior airs with cheerfulness. That's why I talk baseball

scores with Tim." "You love baseball," said Celia. "I love you," retorted Pelham.

"About four years ago-the summer we had a house at Allenhurst-I cherished a hopeless passion for you," Celia confided. "It began when you used to do those fancy back dives at the Allenhurst pool, and was fanned to fury when you rescued that man from the surf. Did you ever suspect ft?"

"Not a bit," he said. "Mine is an open, modest nature, shrinking and simple. You interest me strangely, Celia. Why did you drop me?"

"I went back to school," she said, "and there was an adorable being who taught us music. I wanted to practice Beethoven ten hours a day."

"Why did you drop him?" "He was sent away for kissing a teacher-or, rather, for being caught kissing a teacher. After that Les rather amused me. I was then an emotionally old woman of seventeen." "Are you really fond of Les?" asked Pelham.

"I wish I knew!" "I thought one always knew." "Not in these times," said Cella. "One meets so many boys. Les is on probation this summer. What about

a swim before breakfast? There's a gorgeous high dive into twenty feet of water. I want to beat Junior at back diving. Please, Bill, give me a

"You'll have to make it right with Dina," he said. "I'm hoe men in chief, and I want to keep my job." "Dina and dad will be there before

you, if you don't make haste." "What? Taking advantage of me like that? I'll be in my bathing suit before you are!"

The two raced toward the house. The swimming party was not ready for breakfast until half past nine. The meal was hardly begun when a package of mail was brought in.

"I'm going to send a postboy on horseback for it, when things are in running order," Hanby commented, sorting it out. "Tradesmen's invitations, mainly. Here's one from a Poughkeepsie undertaker, with most attractive illustrations of the latest in caskets."

Next he held up a large square envelope, lavender-colored, and adorned with a black coat of arms.

"Budleigh Salterton," he read. "I Eagerly be pointed out the great open fireplace. "The flue goes right up through the center of the house. had a chauffeur like the one Smucker.

described." Hanby frowned a little. Two Girls, Two Boys 'It's odd that his reply should come

on our first breakfast here!" "What does he say?" Dina asked.

Hanby slit the envelope. "In the center is a crest," he commented. "Underneath is a simple English address. Listen! 'Seymour Manor, Bovey-Tracey, Ottery St. Mary, Budleigh Salterton, Devonshire.' That makes the Gray house fade into nothing! On the top leftterton.' On the top right-hand corner it says, 'Great Western station, four

This was the missive that Hanby read aloud:

"HILTON HANBY, ESQ.,

"My Dear Sir: male companions, R. C. "Owing to a fishing trip in Norway and Coy Nigh, 18, Brady." my answer to your letter has been unavoidably delayed.

"During my stay in your country my chauffeur was the one now in my service, Richard Betterton. He is five feet nine in height, weighs one hundred and forty pounds, is dark, pale of face, with an aquiline nose-in fact, as you see, in every respect differing from the impostor who claimed to have held this position.

"I am, my dear sir,
"Faithfully yours,
"STANFORD SEYMOUR."

"I resign as hoe man." Bill Pelham said. "I am now the house detective. I report for work here and now. I guessed wrong about the bighearted chauffeur who blew Smucker to a feed!"

Hanby was worried. He had almost banished the affair from his mind. Now everything came back to him vividly, particularly the woman who threatened him with death.

"Well, we're dug in here now," he observed, "and it will take something more than vague threats to turn us

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Face Charges Bank Robbery at Brady

Brady, Texas, March 28 .- Four youthful alleged bandits, two of them girls, were in jail here Thursday night 10 Years. girls, were in jail here Thursday night charged with robbery with firearms as the aftermath of a daylight robbery hand corner it says, 'Telegraph, Ot- of the Farmers and Merchants State Bank here, the loot, about \$2,000, having been recovered.

Charges were filed against Lucille Awalt, 24, Brady; Billy Ballard, 20, believed to live in Austin, and their male companions, R. C. Turner, 21,

Big Spring Sewer Extensions

The city of Big Spring is preparing to extend the \$50,000 storm sewer from East Third street to the T. & P. drainage ditch. This extension will be made at a cost of \$20,000 and will care for the flood waters coming from the south part of the city.

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SHIVE-RUSSSELL.

The many friends of Miss Christine Russell will be interested to learn of her marriage last Saturday evening to Mr. Bayard Shive of Big Spring. The ceremony was solemnized at that place, the Rev. Bailey pastor of the Methodist church, officiating.

Mrs. Shive is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Russell. She will be remembered as a popular graduate of Merkel High school, also graduate of Draughon's Business College of Abilene. Because of her competent, gracious and charming manner she won herself a place in all affairs religious, social and civic and a host of friends offer congratulations.

home in Big Spring.

IDLEWISE.

Miss Iva Bragg complimented members of the Idlewise Club and a number of friends on Tuesday afternoon. Massed violets throughout the entertaining rooms furnished inspiration for tallies and score pads; candies and refreshments were in the favored green and purple color scheme. Games of bridge progressed until tea time when the hostess was assisted by Miss Christine Collins and Mrs. Dee Grimes in serving an ice course with dainty corsages of violets as plate favors to Miss Virginia Potts of Hillsboro, Mesdames H. J. Van Vacter of is of Elk City, Oklahoma, Mesdames Caple. Jim Sears, Matt Dillingham, W. T. boro. Sadler, Misses Vennie Heizer, Lucy Miss Edna Marie Jones of Abilene April 6. and Boog Sears.

THRSDAY NIGHT BRIDGE

Mrs. Claude Young was hostess to G. Bragg. selections furnished happy diversion Vacter of Carter, Oklahoma. for the evening. At the refreshment | Mary Zoe West and Jas. H. West, 6. hour a dainty salad course was served Jr., children of Jas. H. West have reto Mesdames W. T. Sadler, Jack An-turned from a visit with their aunt, Friends of BOB McDONALD anderson, Claude Young, Misses Iva Mrs. W. B. Brown, at Anson. Bragg, Melba West, Christine Collins, Louis Berryman of Winters was a trustee, Merkel Independent School Vera Baker and Roberta Sloan.

SEATED TEA.

An affair of unusual beauty was versity. given in the home of Mrs. Charlie Mr. and Mrs. Cowan Hudson and lit- Brooks Patterson recently Miss Mary Cleo Booth, is Jane's first visit to her grandpar-Members of the house party were ents. Mesdames Jones, Walker, Sadler, Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Davis and three

green was stressed in all party ap- Roscoe, where a family reunion was pointments and cut flowers used in enjoyed. profusion as house decorations. A Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Douglas and Fine Arts program of unusual inter- little son returned last Sunday after est was provided by local and out of a week's visit with relatives in Rocktown artists. Little Miss Mina Mar- wall and Terrell, also spending several zaret Wheeler of Abilene opened the days with Mr. Douglas' sister, Mrs. M. program with some delightful readings V. Sibley of Arlington. They also atfollowed by two numbers in vocal tended the Stock show at Fort Worth. duet by Misses Melba West and Mona | Last week-end Mrs. T. T. Davis en-Brown thrilled her listeners with piano nephew, Edwin Taliaferro of Loraine. solos and also her excellent support | W. C. Calvert of Sweetwater, who to the vocal soloist.

afternoon. The guest list included reported to be getting along nicely. Mesdames Walker, Sadler, M. C. Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Trantham Jones, Abilene, Fanny Long, James of California have been this week's Abilene, Fannie Rister, W. B. Brown, Mrs. L. R. Robbins. They left Wed-Grace Anson, Anderson, Barnett, Boze, nesday for Abilene, where they will Beckett, Booth, Brackeen, Bragg, E. make their home. Mrs. Trantham N. Brown, W. S. J. Brown, T. E. will be remembered as Miss Ruth New-Collins, Cookston, Dennis, Ferrier, berry, and Merkel is her girlhood Frederickson, Palmer, Dee Grimes, home. Gamble, R. I. Grimes, Hamm, Hicks, Huddleston, C. M. Largent, Roy Largent, W. J. Largent, Tom Largent, lips Drug Store. Lassiter, Lowe, McDonald, Teaff, Patterson, Petty, Walker, Richardson, Anderson, Young, Hamilton, Rus-West.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Miss Grave Lindsey was honored by a guest part on last Monday night, from 8 until 12 o'clock.

Games were enjoyed and refresh- | Cabeza de Baca was the first white ments were served to the following: man to enter Texas. He was ship Misses Oma Rider, Margie Coats, wreeked on the Gulf coast in 1528 and Opal Johnson, Molin Riggan, Bresie reached Mexico City after crossing town in Texas. It was founded in Balley, and the bearing Manage. And the southern part of this state.

ton Farmer, Rex McLean, Forest Bailey, Leon Coats, Hoyt Willis and Fred Johnson; Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Lindsey, D. D. Coats.

Petition Asking

(Continued from Page One)

issue and a number of those present signed the petition asking the school board to call the election.

Rev. Ira L. Parrack, reporting for the civic welfare committee, recommended that a canvas be made of the in amounts of \$5, \$10 and \$25, and the donors stating that the owner is a contributor to the charity fund, and in this way refer all charity ap-Mr. and Mrs. Shive will make their blanks outlining each individual case April 2, 1929. applying for help.

LADIES' NIGHT TUESDAY.

time an enjoyable program will be in the ensuing city election to be held presented. A committee, of which L. on April 2. B. Scott is chairman, is perfecting the

At the Tuesday meeting Miss Melba West played the accompaniment for the club and also rendered a piano Tuesday, April 2. solo, which was greatly enjoyed.

Personal Mention

R. C. Montgomery of Waco was a Carter, Oklahoma, and Mrs. Lee Dav. week-end visitor to Mr. and Mrs. Geo.

Tracey, Christine Collins, Mary Eula was the week-end guest of Miss Christine Collins.

week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. trict, in the election to be held Satur- Message from the Risen Lord." There

Ira L. Parrack. Mr. Berryman is a urday, April 6. ministerial student at Simmons Uni-

Jones, complementing Mrs. Virginia the daughter of San Angelo spent the Walker of Chicago and Mrs. W. T. past week with their parents, Mr. and Sadler who was, until her wedding Mrs. Joe Higgins. This was little Dor-

Woodrow, spent sunday with Mrs.

Margaret Jones. Miss Lucy Tracey joyed a visit from a number of her made two appearances in her usual relatives, among them her mother, gracious manner and Miss Mona Mrs. J. E. Badgley of Roscoe; a sis-Margaret Jones beautifully rendered ter, Mrs. Claude Caviness and daughtwo vocal selections. Mrs. E. Yates ter, Mable of Wichita Falls, and a

was the victim of an automobile acci- | Honor Students of Mrs. James Wheeler of Abilene, dent there last Saturday and suffered reader, was forced to respond to en- a broken leg, is the brother of Mrs. core after encore. Refreshments at the Bob Martin of this city. While the intea hour reflected the colors of the jury was very painful Mr. Calvert is

Wheeler, Mina Margaret Wheeler, guests of Mrs. Trantham's mother,

Where cold drinks are colder. Phil-

Presbyterian Church.

Sunday school at 10 a. m. The at- Lillie Claud Barnett. tendance at Sunday was the best in sell, Latham, Scott, Mayfield, Smith, several months, although some regular sie Jones, Bessie Lou Pannell, Cle-Thompson, Warren, West, Harvey, attendants could not be present. ments Carey, Blanche Carey. Marvin Cummings, Misses Iva Bragg, Preaching service at 11 a. m. Easter, Lucy Tracey, Vennie Heizer, Mamie "The Resurrection of Christ." Special Walker, Vera Walker, Roberta Sloan, music for the occasion. Evening ser-Vera Baker, Addie Holler, Johnnie vice at 7:30. Session meeting Tuesday Mann of Breckenridge are doing the Sears, Christine Collins and Melba evening at 7:30. Prayer meeting preaching at a revival meeting which Wednesday evening at 7:30. Come started last night at the Mount Olive worship with us. Strangers and vis- Baptist church (colored), to continue itors always welcome.

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

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upon solicitation of his friends H. C. WEST has consented to his candidacy for re-election as Mayor of the Representative Southern Baptist by Nell Hughes; piano solo, Mary School Bond Vote City of Merkel, April 2, 1929, and the Merkel Mail has been authorized to make formal announcement of such.

> The friends of J. P. SHARP anto be held Tuesday, April 2, 1929.

April 2, 1929.

plicants to the committee handling the authorized the announcement of his the highest standard held by Southfund. He also suggested charity ap- candidacy for re-election as alderman ern Baptists. They are one of three plicants to be required to fill out in the election to be held Tuesday, in all the Southern Baptist convention.

Friends have authorized the Mer-Ladies' night will be observed by kel Mail to announce B. T. SUBthe club next Tuesday night, at which LETT as a candidate for alderman

At the solicitation of friends, MISS PAULINE JOHNSON has consented findings. to allow the use of her name for reelection as City Secretary and Tax basement of the church and we will Collector ex-officio, and her friends have a general social of these departmake this announcement.

Friends of C. R. TITTLE announce will come. Kirby Beckett, George Caple, Bill Miss Iva Bragg had as her guest him as a candidate for school trustee, Brown, George White, Warren Smith, this week Miss Virginia Potts of Hills- Merkel Independent School District, at the church Sunday and through the

day, April 6.

on Monday evening this week. Games as their guests Mesdames Lee Davis him as a candidate for school trustee, day school is joining with all Baptist of bridge interspersed with victrola of Elk City, Okla., and W. F. Van Merkel Independent School District, in Sunday schools in observing Sunday the election to be held Saturday, April as Home and Foreign Mission Day.

> nounce him as a candidate for school visitor this week in the home of Rev. District, in the election to be held Sat-

Tuesday's Election

In the regular announcement column of this paper will be found the name of Brooks Patterson as a candidate Booth, M. C. Jones of Abilene and H. children, Alton, Nell Marie and Curtis for alderman in next Tuesday's election, he having been put forward by A beautiful color sceme of pink and Davis' mother, Mrs. J. E. Badgley, at his friends and the announcement authorized by them.

> Mr. Patterson is well known to the citizens of Merkel, having been reared in this section and prominent in the business affairs of the city. In placing his name before the voters as a candidate for alderman, his friends claimed that his experience as a business man and his interest in everything pertaining to the best interests of Merkel, qualify him to serve as alderman. They are asking consideration for him at the hands of the voters on the basis of qualification and merit.

Union Ridge School

Students of Union Ridge school have retained good grades this month, notwithstanding several cases of spring fever. School conditions in general are good. Honors for the month are: First grade; Doswell Casey. A. B. Harris, Blanton Carey, L. S. Tipton, Fay Oliver, Effie Bel Pannell. Second grade: Clyde Jones.

Third grade: J. T. Oliver, Thomas Gay, Reed Whatley.

Fourth grade: James Hass. Fifth grade: Alice Carey, Ruby Carey, Anna Mae Harris, Alice Mc-

Seventh grade: Mary Bell Douglas, Eighth grade: Bernice Clark, Bes-

Colored Baptist Revival.

B. F. Johnson of Eastland and J. L. until next Tuesday night. The public is invited to attend.

The center of population of Texas is about 13 miles southwest of Waco.

Ysleta, near El Paso, is the oldest

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Convention Board to Check-Up Local Baptist School.

Monday, April 1, Walter Jackson of Abilene will come here as a reprenounce him as candidate for Mayor sentative of the Sunday School board of Merkel at the ensuing city election of the Southern Baptist convention and look over the records and check up on the equipment of the Sunday The Merkel Mail is authorized by school of the Merkel Baptist church town for donations to charity work the friends of W. O. BONEY to an- to see if they are entitled to continue nounce his candidacy for alderman in to hold the standard of an Advanced that a card be printed for display by the city election to be held Tuesday, Standard Sunday school. For the past two years this Sunday school has enjoyed the distinction of being the only Friends of A. T. SHEPPARD have Sunday school in Texas holding this,

After a careful check of the records and the equipment Mr. Jackson will remain over to meet the officers and teachers of the Sunday school in their regular monthly meeting Monday evening at 7:30. The pastor is urging a full attendance of all offi-Friends of BROOKS PATTERSON cers and teachers and also asking all announce him as a candidate for members of the adult, young people's alderman in the city election to be held and intermediate departments to meet with us Monday evening, as Mr. Jackson has consented to speak to our people following his report of his

Refreshments will be served in the ments together with all others who

There will be all regular services in the election to be held Saturday, week. The pastor is back from one of his best training classes held with the Hodges Baptist church and will speak Friends of BISHOP HUNTER an- at both hours. Strangers and visitors nounce as a candidate for school trus- are invited to all services. The pas-Waco, en route to Alpine, were the tee, Merkel Independent School Dis- tor will speak Sunday morning on "A will be suitable music and songs.

A full attendance at the Sunday members of the Thursday Night Club Mr. and Mrs. F. Y. Gaither have Friends of DEE GRIMES announce school hour is urged, as the local Sun-Ira L. Parrack, Pastor.

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Junior League Program.

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