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FRANK DENISON TURNED DOWN BY TWO VOTES

Senate Refuses His Confirmation As Highway Commissioner, 19 to 11; May Give Impetus to Elective Commission.

Austin, Feb. 9.—At a 40-minute executive session, the senate Wednesday confirmed R. L. Daniel of Victoria as life insurance member of the state insurance board and refused confirmation to Frank L. Denison of Temple as a member and chairman of the highway commission. It is understood the vote was 19 to 11 for confirmation. A two-thirds affirmative vote is necessary.

The only absentee was Tom DeBerry of Bogota, who has influenza. He would have voted for confirmation, it was said, but there was no reason to postpone the ballot until his return as eleven negative votes with the entire senate present defeats confirmation and is the minimum number to accomplish it under those conditions.

Two names were prominently mentioned Wednesday as the governor's choice to succeed Denison—C. W. Howth of Beaumont and John Davis of Dallas.

Denison's rejection was a keen disappointment to the Fergusons and was the first dent in their legislative record of no defeats. The senate voted not to return Gov. Ross G. Sterling's nominations to three positions on the state board of education. Subsequently it refused confirmation to Ben F. Tisinger and C. H. Chernosky, it confirmed Tom Garrard, but the administration resistance to him was half-hearted, which makes the Denison defeat the first real blow of the session.

Denison and James E. Ferguson have been intimates since they were 14 years old. Denison starred as a member of the Ferguson committee where he took care of himself capably in a grueling cross-examination only to fall down by one vote confirmation.

About the only consolation the administration receives from Denison's defeat is a claim that it enhances the chances of passage for the Ferguson bill to reorganize the highway commission by appointing five new members to be elected from separate districts after two years. This bill was given favorable committee report Tuesday night by the house committee on Highways and Motor Traffic. The rejection of Denison is expected to solidify the support of the five-member board in response to the argument that political spite work caused his rejection and that there is great need of a complete turnover in the highway department. The bill may get somewhere in the house but it is expected to pass the senate.

KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

By a vote of 14 to 4; the house committee on state affairs Monday recommended passage of a bill to legalize use of wagering at Texas race tracks. Betting on races in any form now is prohibited.

Conditional pardons were issued Friday by Governor Ferguson to three penitentiary prisoners: Finis Goree, from Jones county; Orene Pond, from Cherokee county, and Shannon Bothwell.

Delayed explosion of a dynamite charge in a storm sewer under construction at Dallas killed one workman, W. T. Hughes, 30, injured two others so critically that they may die and hurt three more less seriously.

Three years imprisonment was the sentence administered to L. P. Shaw, formerly superintendent of schools at Abernathy, upon conviction of murder without malice for the shooting of Joe Ramsey at Abernathy last September 29.

With Governor Miriam A. Ferguson attaching her signature Friday to the bill extending the time limit for payment of motor vehicle registration fees, motorists are allowed until April 1 to operate their cars without the new license.

The body of Frank W. Hackney, 18-year-old newsboy, his clothing frozen stiff, was found under an interurban trestle south of Dallas Wednesday. Whether cause of death was from injuries or exposure was not determined immediately.

Included in a list of 23 cities reporting an increase of postal receipts for January as compared with the same month a year ago out of a list of 50 representative cities, Dallas, Houston and Fort Worth were named as showing slight gains.

Helen Louise Smith, six-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Smith, of Waco met death from a peculiar accident, the child fell off a bed and, when her head caught between the bed and a window sill, it left her body hanging and she strangled to death.

General John J. Pershing, accompanied by his sister, Miss May Pershing, was a passing visitor in Abilene Tuesday on an automobile vacation trip to Arizona. Due to the bad weather, and news of the illness of a brother in the east, he stopped at Midland where he decided to remain until Saturday.

Dr. W. H. Woods, 62, of Kerrville was found dead from exposure Wednesday on a road 12 miles west of the city by Miss Elizabeth Fowler on her way to school. He had made a call shortly after midnight and his body was found on the ground at the gate to a tourist camp which he owned. The gasoline tank of his car was empty but the ignition was on.

BILL FOR CROP LOANS SIGNED BY PRESIDENT

Provides \$90,000,000 for Crop Production Loans This Year; Rules to be Announced Later By Department of Agriculture

Washington, Feb. 9.—President Hoover Saturday signed the bill providing \$90,000,000 for crop production loans to farmers this year.

At the White House it was said that the president had received a report on the bill from the department of agriculture and he approved it within a short time after a visit from Secretary Hyde.

The measure, as finally approved by congress, was a compromise between the bill authorizing \$75,000,000 passed by the house and one calling for more than \$100,000,000 approved by the senate.

Measures for production loans to farmers have been passed virtually every year since 1921, but the sums were comparatively small until 1930, when approximately \$60,000,000 was voted after a severe drought which seared large sections in the South and West.

The production loans will be under the supervision of the department of agriculture. Rules laid down by the department last year limited the amount an individual farmer might borrow to \$400 and those to landlords with tenants to \$1,600.

As security for the loan, the department takes a lien on the crop. The primary purpose of the bill is to furnish funds for crop production, but money may also be loaned under its terms to harvest crops.

Poultry Show Opens Next Monday Morning

The doors will open Monday morning on Merkel's third annual poultry show, which is to run three days, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. The place will be the Mellinger building between the "M" system store and Bob McDonald's barber shop.

H. M. Rose of Sweetwater will judge the show; R. A. Ellis, association president, has been named superintendent and Castle B. Ellis, secretary.

In addition to the regular cash premiums offered by the association, the merchants and professional men of Merkel are offering special prizes of approximately \$100 in cash and merchandise.

This year the entries are restricted to the Merkel trade territory.

Leaves to Attend Laymen's Convention

Rev. R. A. Walker left Thursday morning for Fort Worth to attend a meeting of the state board of missions, he being chairman of this presbytery. Following this a laymen's convention of the Presbyterian church, U. S. A., to be dedicated to the memory of H. L. Williamson of Trinity college, Waxahachie, organization secretary from the time of its inception until his death recently, is to be held Friday in the same city.

Next Sunday Rev. Mr. Walker will fill his regular appointment at Baird and then on Monday he begins a series of special meetings at Tuscola.

Merkel Draws Blair As First Opponent

Merkel's first game at the county meet will be played against Blair. The game will be played at 7 o'clock, the winners out of this game will play Tuscola Friday night at 7 o'clock.

Merkel was defeated by Blair in the last Merkel-Blair game, 9-8.

The two games played on the Ovalo court Merkel both won and lost. The Merkel first string was defeated by the Ovalo first line. Merkel's second line-up defeated Ovalo's second string. Shannon was high point man in the first string game, and Church was high point man by a good margin in the second.

Senate Removes Barry.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The senate summarily removed its veteran sergeant at arms, David S. Barry, Tuesday for writing in a magazine article that some members of congress sell their votes.

CHARTER ISSUED TO COTTON CO-OP IN WEST TEXAS

Independent Unit to be Set Up Under Plan to Bring Marketing Closer to Members; Non-Profit Basis.

First step in the establishment of an independent cooperative marketing organization for cotton growers in this area has been taken with issuance of a charter from Austin for the West Texas Cotton Growers association.

The new unit, chartered with no capital stock, is described as a non-profit making cooperative marketing association which will deal solely in marketing activities.

Incorporating directors of the new association are T. E. Alvis, Roby; Hugo B. Haterius, Avoca; S. E. Clark, Abilene; B. Walters, Rule; J. L. Carrel, Snyder; C. W. Low, Bomarton; J. L. Wilkinson, Coleman; G. Y. Lee, Eden; and R. D. Buchanan, Colorado.

Alvis and Walters are members of the board of directors of the Texas Cotton Cooperative association with which the area organization probably will have affiliation. Establishment of the West Texas unit is in line with plans outlined when the state association was set up in 1929, providing for eventual disintegration of the Texas body into district units, so as to bring the cooperative marketing facilities closer to member shippers. Co-op members of this territory have sought the district set-up for some time.

Organization plans and policies, not yet complete, will be ready for announcement soon, it was said by Clyde Daniel, who has assisted in organization of the West Texas unit. The new association will serve approximately 40 counties now included in District 7 of the Texas Co-op.

Merkel Banker Added To Red Cross Board

J. T. Warren, Merkel banker, is one of four newly elected directors of the Taylor County chapter of the American Red Cross. Rev. Cal C. Wright, Abilene, Dr. D. M. Wiggins of Simmons university and George R. Harris being the other three.

These, with the sixteen old directors who were re-elected, met Friday afternoon in the Red Cross room of the court house for the annual election of board officers and the presentation of committee reports for 1932.

Robt. B. Wylie was named chairman of the board for the current year. Louis Montgomery was elected vice-chairman, and Mrs. W.R. Ely and E. E. Hollingshead were re-elected secretary and treasurer, respectively. Thomas E. Hayden, Jr., was added to the board of directors, giving a membership of 21 for the year.

Mr. Wylie, who succeeds Homer H. Scott as chairman, has been a member of the board for three years. For the past two years he has served as chairman of the life-saving committee. He was also chairman of the 1931 roll call.

Cold Wave Retards Progress at Refinery

The almost unprecedented cold wave of the current week delayed things considerably at the plant of the Trent-Oil & Refining company, it is announced, and it will probably be next week before operations can begin.

The refinery is located about a mile east of Trent on the Merkel-Trent section of the Bankhead highway.

Record of Births.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Howell, Trent, Monday, February 6, 1933.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Carey, Tuesday, February 7, 1933.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Harris, Wednesday, February 8, 1933.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Owen, Trent, Wednesday, February 8, 1933.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Price, Thursday, February 9, 1933.

Human Fly is Killed.

Santa Monica, Cal., Feb. 9.—An itinerant human fly known as Babe White, 41, fell four stories to his death from a downtown office building.

BLIZZARD GIPS WHOLE OF TEXAS; COLDEST HERE IN 34 YEARS; LOWEST AT LUBBOCK

DEATH CLAIMS G. R. HOLLOWAY

Resident of Taylor County 33 Years; Dies on 47th Anniversary of Wedding.

Another pioneer of Taylor county has joined the throng who have gone to the great beyond.

George R. Holloway, 75, resident of this county for 33 years, died at his home here Sunday morning at 9:30. He suffered a stroke of paralysis 11 years ago. He had another light stroke Friday night before his death, which doctors, however, attribute to uremic poisoning.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 Monday afternoon from the home, with burial in Rose Hill cemetery. W. G. Cypert officiated, assisted by Fred McClung, Church of Christ minister. Active pall bearers were: Floyd McCoy, Brooks Patterson, N. A. Dowell, O. R. Rodden, Frank Golladay and J. W. Reynolds.

Mr. Holloway was born in Alaska, Tenn., on June 17, 1858. He came to Robertson county, Texas, at the age of 16 and removed to Taylor county in 1899. The family had lived in Merkel since 1904. Prior to the stroke of paralysis several years ago, Mr. Holloway had engaged in farming and cattle, but had not been active since that time.

He was converted into the Church of Christ 35 years ago.

His death occurred on the anniversary of his marriage to Miss Virginia Tally in Robertson county on February 5, 1886.

Survivors are four daughters: Mrs. Grover Gilbert, Harlingen; Mrs. Curtis Wilcox, San Benito, and Mrs. George Groene and Mrs. S. O. Owen of Merkel; two sons, Tally and J. F. Holloway, of Merkel, and two brothers, Charlie and Pony Holloway, of Shawnee, Okla. All the children and one brother, Charlie, were here for the funeral, the two daughters having come from South Texas several days before.

Zep to Sail Again.

Frederichshafen, Germany, Feb. 9.—The Graf Zeppelin will resume her South American passenger run on May 6, with one round trip a month until Sept. 2, after which sailings will be fortnightly until Oct. 28. The passenger fare has been reduced 20 per cent.

Thermometer of Government at Abilene Registers 5 Below at 8 A. M. Wednesday; Some Here Showed as Low as 12 Minus.

The record cold wave which laid its heavy hand on a big part of the United States sent the mercury down to the lowest in 34 years in this section.

The weather bureau thermometer at Abilene registered 5 degrees below at 8 a. m. Wednesday, just one degree above the all-time record of Feb. 12, which was 6 below.

These readings are from the government bureau records; some thermometers in Merkel read as low as 12 below at that hour Wednesday morning.

With only a warning Monday that the temperature would take a dip of about 20 degrees, Merkelites all taken by surprise when they awoke Tuesday morning facing a blizzard. Just a few degrees above zero minimum reading for Tuesday (government bureau) was 5 above.

Snow which fell Tuesday and Wednesday night began to melt with rising temperatures Wednesday afternoon, but much snow was still in evidence after noon Thursday. During Thursday morning, local thermometers rose above the freezing mark.

Temperatures in Texas ranged from 17 degrees below at Lubbock to 37 degrees at Brownsville, Grande valley.

It will be recalled that in recent years, prior to the record, was on January 18, 1930, minus 2 was recorded.

Lift Penalty on City Taxes Until April

Tax-payers of the city of Merkel may pay their city taxes without penalty and interest any time before April 1. This action was taken at the monthly meeting of the city council Monday night.

A check-up of tax payments for 1932 showed collections of 63 per cent as compared with 50 per cent for 1931. But, due to the fact that renditions were lower, it was reported that the total was about the same in dollars and cents.

In addition to the saving of penalty and interest, those who take advantage of the latest concession by the city dads will be doing a patriotic service in helping keep up the city's credit by pouring money into its coffers.

BRUCE BARTON

Writer of "THE MASTER EXECUTIVE"

Supplying a week-to-week inspiration for the busy, overworked man who will find every human trial paralleled in the experience of "The Man Nobody Knows."

HIS METHOD.

Many leaders have dared to lay out ambitious programs. This is the most daring of all:

"Go ye into all the world," Jesus said, "and preach the gospel to the whole creation."

Consider the sublime audacity of that command. To carry a man civilization across the then known world had cost millions of lives and billions in treasure. To create any sort of reception for new idea or product today involves a vast machinery of propaganda and expense. Jesus had no funds and no machinery. His organization was a tiny group of educated men, one of whom had already abandoned the cause as hopeless, deserting to the enemy. He had come proclaiming a Kingdom and was to end upon a cross; yet he dared to talk of conquering all creation. What was the source of his faith in that handful of followers? By what methods had he trained them? What had they learned from him of the secrets of influencing men?

We speak of the law of "supply and demand," but the law that have got turned around. With anything which is not a basic supply the supply always precedes the demand. Elias Howe in the sewing machine, but it nearly rusted away before American women could be persuaded to use it. So his biographer paints a tragic picture—the man who had done more than any other in his generation to lighten the labor of women is forced to attend the funeral of the woman he loved in a borrowed suit of clothes.

Nor are men less stubborn than women in opposition to the new idea. The typewriter had been a demonstrated success for years before business men could be persuaded to buy it.

Almost every invention has had a similar battle. Said Robert Fulton of the Clermont:

"As I had occasion daily to pass to and from the shipyard where my boat was in progress, I often loitered near the groups of strangers. The language was uniformly that of scorn, sneer or ridicule. The loud laugh often rose at my expense; and the dull (Continued on Page Two.)"

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cards of thanks, etc., are classed as
advertising, and will be charged for
at 1c per word.

**THE PRO AND CON OF THE
LIQUOR QUESTION.**

Two of the leading clergymen of
Texas, both of Dallas—Bishop Harry
T. Moore of the Episcopal church and
Dr. George W. Truett of the Baptist
denomination—were among those
heard Tuesday by the house commit-
tee on constitutional amendments in
argument over two resolutions deal-
ing with the liquor question. Both
spoke in the capacity of private citi-
zens.

Referring to the saloon of former
days, Dr. Truett said:

"I have seen its wreckage and have
been in the midst of its heartbreaks
in Dallas. The subtle word is being
passed around that there is more
drinking now than in the days of the
saloon. I have seen more drunken
men in Dallas on one Saturday than
in all the days since the eighteenth
adment was written into the con-
stitution.

Episcopal bishop went on rec-
ommending submission as per-
taining to the people to voice their
personal opinion, at the same time
calling attention to confusion of the
terms, temperance and prohibition,
"diametrically opposed as day and
night," he said.

His picture of prohibition and its
effects differs materially from Dr.
Truett's. "We have heard it said
here," Bishop Moore said, "that there
is less drunkenness now than fifteen
years ago. I wonder where the peo-
ple who make that statement have
been. I have seen more drunken
men in Dallas on one Saturday than
in all the days since the eighteenth
adment was written into the con-
stitution.

While rejoicing with Rock Sibley,
chief of police, in his designa-
tion as a special officer at the national
capital during the inaugural
ceremonies (pay for his services and
expense to come out of the inaugural
fund,) the question arises, just how
loud did Congressman Blanton raise
his voice in protest at this waste of
the people's money? The practice of
economy leads away from the pic-
nicker, we thought.

County farm and home demonstra-
tion agent personally helped more
than 100,000 farm families last year
live at home more fully and more
wisely. Another 150,000 were helped
indirectly. How to live at home the
easy modern way that gives helpful
plenty at least cost and effort is a
contribution of the Extension Service
of the Agricultural and Mechanical col-
lege of Texas.

There is much truth in the state-
ment that the collapse of American
export trade was caused as much by
tariff wars and embargoes as by hard
times. We cannot sell to other lands
unless they can sell to us. The entire
world wants the products of Amer-
ican factories: the time has come for
adjusting all the
the process of foreign trade.

United States imported last
year 10 per cent of the Oriental
goods made in Greece, compared with
0 per cent in 1929.

**QUEEN
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY**

**TOM MIX
IN
"THE FOURTH
HORSEMAN"**

Tom and Tony as you
like them — Thrills
galore!

Also "Jungle Mystery"
And Comedy

**WATCH FOR OUR COMING
ATTRACTIONS**

**"How to Prevent
Fire in the Home"**

Many excellent papers were fur-
nished by students of the seventh
grade of the Merkel Public school in a
recent contest on the theme, "Fire
Prevention." It was announced in ad-
vance that recognition would be given
to the best of these themes by publi-
cation in the Merkel Mail, and this
distinction fell to Betty Lou Grimes,
whose essay appears below. Lloyd
Vick was named as second best.

How to Prevent Fire in the Home.
(By Betty Lou Grimes.)

Let us suppose that a child had
some dreadful disease. We know that
the parents would immediately send
for the best doctor that they know.
In the same manner, let us suppose
that our State of Texas has a dread-
ful disease. We, as her children,
should immediately want to find the
best means for curing her.

Texas does have a disease—fire in
the home. It is our purpose to do our
best to kill the disease by preventing
favorable environment for its life.
Let us notice several ways to prevent
fire in the home.

First, how can we prevent fire caused
by matches? We can keep our
match boxes off the stove and not
leave our matches in closets, draw-
ers or anywhere the mice could get
hold of them. We must never leave
them in the reach of small children.

Second, to prevent fire we must be
careful with gas. Some of the most
tragic deaths have been caused by
people who carelessly left their gas
partly on and then struck a match
which caused an explosion. One should
be sure to turn the gas off at the wall
as well as at the stove.

Third, we should all be careful to
have our homes properly wired for
electricity. Many fires could be pre-
vented if all electric cords in use are
in good condition.

Fourth, old rubbish and trash
thrown around in nooks and corners
of the house have always been known
as fire hazards. We should keep our
yards and alleys as well as our homes
clear of it.

If we would carefully observe these
fire prevention rules we would save
money and the loss of many lives. In
this way the people of our state
would be stronger, healthier and hap-
pier.

Legal covers at Merkel Mail office.

England's postoffice department
showed a profit of nearly \$53,000,000
in the last financial year.

**THIS WOMAN
LOST 35 LBS.
OF FAT**

Miss M. Katner of Brooklyn, N. Y.
writes: "Have used Kruschen for the
past 4 months and have not only lost
35 pounds but feel so much better in
every way. Even for people who don't
care to reduce, Kruschen is wonderful
to keep the system healthy. I being a
nurse should know for I've tried so
many things but only Kruschen answered
all purposes." (May 12, 1932.)

TO lose fat SAFELY and HARM-
LESSLY, take a half teaspoonful of
Kruschen in a glass of hot water
in the morning before breakfast—
don't miss a morning—a bottle that
lasts 4 weeks cost but a trifle—but
don't take chances—be sure it's Krus-
chen—your health comes first—get
it at any drugstore in America. If not
joyfully satisfied after the first bot-
tle—money back.

**Just Think of the
Convenience of Having
The Laundry Do It—**

The extreme, cold weather of
the past week made washing and
ironing at home a most
difficult problem and a most
trying task.

Let us call for your laundry
each week.

We Deliver

**THE MERKEL HOME
LAUNDRY**
Clarence Grayson, Owner
Mrs. S. L. Grayson, Manager.

PERSONALS

Mrs. H. C. Williams has returned
from Knox City where she was called
to attend the funeral of a friend.
While there, she visited with her
daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. Q. Warren.

Mrs. L. M. Touchstone, who accep-
ted a position as deputy tax collec-
tor under Grady Parmely the first of
the year, has removed to Abilene.
She and her daughter, Molly Frank,
are residing at 625 Poplar street.
M. and Mrs. Olin Lusby have leased
the Touchstone home here.

Sterling Sheppard is spending sev-
eral days in Fort Worth and Dallas.
Mrs. and Mrs. E. H. Cobb arrived
from Waco Saturday for a visit with
Mrs. Cobb's sister, Mr. and Mrs.
George Caple.

Mrs. M. R. Pike returned Sunday
from a visit of several weeks with her
son, Rev. Russell Pike, at Rochester.

Expected Sunday visitors and din-
ner guests of Miss Dota Garoutte are
her nephew, Lieut. Ralph Vaughn
and Mrs. Vaughn and their three
sons, of Abilene.

Try a Classified Ad in The Mail.

BRUCE BARTON

(Continued from Page One.)
repetition of 'Fulton's Folly.' Never
did a single encouraging remark, a
bright hope, a warm wish cross my
path."

That is the kind of human beings
we are—wise in our own conceit,
impervious to suggestions. Nineteen
hundred years ago we were even more
impenetrable.

"To the whole creation." . . . As-
suredly there was no demand for a
new religion; the world was already
over-supplied. And Jesus proposed to
send forth eleven men and expect them
to substitute his thinking for all ex-
isting religious thought!

Next Week: A Conception of God.

Will Preach at Noodle.

W. G. Cyfert will preach at the
Church of Christ at Noodle Sunday
at 11 o'clock. All are invited to at-
tend.

Slavery was abolished in the col-
onies of Great Britain in 1833.

Use The Mail Want Ads.



The same admirable qualities of character,
leadership and indomitable courage that sustained
Abraham Lincoln during his supreme trials will
conduct you and us safely thru this period of ad-
verse conditions.

This bank will observe Monday, February 13,
as a legal holiday and will not be open for business.

The Old Reliable

**FARMERS AND MERCHANTS
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THE RED & WHITE STORES

SPECIALS

**FOR FRIDAY & SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 10 AND 11**

Spuds, 10 Lbs. 14c

LETTUCE, fresh crisp, 2 heads 9c

**BUNCH VEGETABLES—
CARROTS—BEETS—TURNIPS
MUSTARD—COLLARDS—
ONIONS, each 5c**

APPLES, med. size, extra fancy Del., doz 18c

ORANGES, med. size, California, doz. 23c

SUGAR pure cane 10 pounds 45c

PINEAPPLE, No. 1 B & W, 3 cans 25c

PEARS No. 2 R & W can 17c

CHERRIES, No. 2 red pitted, 2 for 27c

Beans Kuners, No. 2 can 10c

SNOWDRIFT, 3 pound pail 39c

CORN, No. 2 can, 3 for 25c

PEAS, Economy, No. 2 can, 2 for 25c

Coffee Sun Up 1 lb. pkg. 19c

CRACKERS, 2 lb. Salad Wafers 25c

SOUP R & W, tomato or vegetable, 3 for 25c

TAMALES, B & W, 2 cans 25c

OATS, R & W, 55 oz. pkg. 15c

Bran Flakes R & W, pkg. 10c

Soap R & W, 8 oz. bar, 10 for 15c

SOAP, 3 bars Lady Godiva—1 Cannon Bath Towel 25c

Compound 4 lbs. 23c

BACON, 1 lb. sliced 15c

Chili brick lb. 15c

CHEESE, pound 15c



**Get Rid of That
SORE THROAT!**

Any little soreness in the throat grows rapidly worse if
neglected. Crush some tablets of genuine Bayer Aspirin
in some water, and gargle at once. This gives you instant
relief, and reduces danger from infection. One good gargle
and you can feel safe. If all soreness is not gone promptly,
repeat. There's usually a cold with the sore throat, so
before gargling take two tablets to throw off your cold,
headache, stiffness or other cold symptoms. Bayer
Aspirin relieves neuralgia, neuritis, too. You may use it
freely, it does not hurt the heart.

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DRUGS—CREAM STATIO

Headquarters for Eggs

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CATCH A GUINEA AND WIN A Prize
SEE MEXICAN JOE AND HIS MAGIC
WAND

FURNISHED APARTMENTS

If you have a furnished apartment or furnished rooms
for rent, why not try a classified advertisement in the
Merkel Mail? It will cost only 25 cents per insertion.

PHONE 61

THE OTHER MAN

by RUBY M. AYRES
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NINTH INSTALLMENT.

SYNOPSIS: Pauline, sentimental, trustful, sincere and loving love, becomes engaged and marries Dennis O'Hara in the belief that their blissful happiness will continue unchanged thru all the years. On her wedding morning she awakens to a strange premonition that may or may not change, a thought buried in her mind by a letter from her closest friend, Barbara the night before. Pauline adored Barbara who had been married, was the mother of a child which died, but now divorced and living a life which some of her friends could not understand. Between Dennis and Barbara is a seeming wall of personal dislike by both. Six months after Pauline's wedding, Barbara comes for a short stay. During this visit Barbara confesses to Pauline that there is a man she really loves, but she refuses to tell his name. Barbara decides suddenly to go home and Pauline insists Dennis drive her to the station. Irritated, Dennis drives recklessly, and they are in a crash. Barbara escapes injury but Dennis' leg is broken. As he returns to consciousness he learns who the man is that Barbara loves. It's himself. Dennis spends several weeks in the hospital. Barbara returns to stay with Pauline, but on one pretext or another fails to visit Dennis with Pauline at the hospital. Pauline plans highly for Dennis' return home. Barbara stays only one day after Dennis' return from the hospital. Much against his will Dennis finds a new attraction in Barbara, who plays the same cool and detached role as formerly. A fortnight after Barbara's return to New York, she receives a letter from Pauline that she and Dennis are coming to New York for a little vacation. Upon their arrival a round of gay entertainment under way—throwing Dennis and Pauline much into each other's arms.

HOW GO ON WITH THE STORY.

Pauline moved hurriedly, her pretty face flushing with pleasure at the casual word of endearment. Barbara noted it pityingly. Later, when she was dancing with Jerry Barnet, she said suddenly: "Have you ever noticed, Jerry, that when a man begins to call his wife 'my dear' it's the end of romance." Jerry guffawed. "Can't say I have but I dare say you're right. Romance is the shortest lived thing I know of, anyway. Awful!" Barbara glanced across the room to where Dennis and his wife sat together at the supper table. Pauline was watching the dancers eagerly, her face flushed and her eyes very bright. Dennis was watching them too—moodyly, his hand idly playing with a wineglass. When she and Barnet went back to the table, Dennis rose. "Am I to be honoured?" he asked stiffly. Pauline broke in. "Do dance with him, Barbie—I should love you to, and it is a waltz they are playing now." Barbara laughed. "Well, to please you..." She moved away onto the crowded floor with Dennis. They danced for some time in silence; then Dennis asked abruptly: "Do you really like this sort of thing?" "I don't like it," she said, and glare—and— and Barbara said. It was tonight she was here, then?" "Let me go." "In a moment." He was between her and the ballroom. "Look, Barbara—answer one question and I swear I'll never mention it again. I don't know what you've done to me, it's—it's like being possessed—I've fought against it ever since you let us. It's no use. I've tried to depose you. I pretended I didn't like you—but that makes no difference. When I was smashed up—you kissed me, Barbara."

There was a tragic silence, and the scornful smile died slowly from Barbara's face, and she just looked at him, her lips quivering, her eyes suddenly very young. Then she moved her hand slowly and touched his. "Dennis—Pauline is very fond of me." "I know." "Well, then—" she took her hand away—"let us go back, shall we?" Dennis went on quickly: "I don't know what you've done to me. But if you'll just tell me—I'll never ask you again. If I'd been free—" Her trembling lips smiled. "Such a big 'if,' Dennis." At that moment he seemed to her almost a boy—no longer the disapproving, almost brusque man she had known, and at that moment she felt also as if all her bitter experience had been swept away from her and she was a girl again, in love for the first time. She closed her eyes, and as almost unconsciously she swayed toward him, Dennis caught her in his arms.

On the way home Jerry Barnet was silent and sulky. It was three o'clock in the morning, gray and chilly with a fine drizzle of rain. Wrapped in her fur cloak Barbara sat with eyes closed and tried not to think. It was only when they stopped outside her flat that she roused suddenly with a start. She flung the rugs aside. "I'm tired. Why do we do these mad things, Jerry? It's a loathsome life." "You seemed to be enjoying yourself," he paused. "At any rate, with O'Hara. I thought you didn't like him." "I don't remember discussing the subject with you." "You did. You said it was a bore when you heard they were coming to town."

The street looked dreary and deserted, there was not a light in any window of the tall block of flats. Barbara shivered. "Well—goodnight," she said. Barnet tried to put his arms round her. "Are you going to have an affair with that fellow?" he demanded jealously. "I saw him take you into Ritzen's room—or did you take him?" He broke off sharply, for instead of the burst of anger he had expected, Barbara began to cry—softly, almost like a child. She slipped away from him, and he let her go. Barbara in a rage he could understand and cope with, but Barbara in tears—sobbing like a girl—left him helpless and ashamed. It was a strange thing that, once safely in her room, Barbara's chief feeling should be one of guilt. It was not that she had any great affection for Pauline. She felt that somehow she was wronging Dennis. He was, as he had said, so unlike other men. Dennis was different and she knew that he despised himself for the thing he could not control. Yet the strange inexplicable attraction which she had felt for him for so long had now communicated itself to him and was proving stronger than his own inherent loyalty. Barbara was essentially honest with herself. No matter how much she posed and dissembled before her world she never for one moment tried to pretend to herself that she was any better than she was. And now at four o'clock in this gray morning she sat down by the fire before she went to bed and looked into her heart with cool deliberation. She loved Dennis O'Hara as she had never loved any man—that was a truth that she had never questioned.

She was sufficiently a woman of the world to recognize that her attraction for him was probably largely physical. She knew that she angered and exasperated him even while she drew him, and that the obstinate, intensely masculine trait in his character longed to overcome her and prove himself master. She had controlled her love for him bravely enough until tonight, until that moment in Ritzen's little room when he had taken her in his arms and kissed her. Dennis was married, but lots of other men with whom she had had affairs had also been married, and it had not seemed an insuperable barrier, but here again Dennis was different. Suppose he had been free. For a moment Barbara gave herself up to the wonderful happiness of that thought. Free! So that she could have married him!

She felt, for the first time, as if she had lost her way on the road of life; as if she had turned aside and so missed the greatest treasure of all. Without her Dennis would have been quite happy with Pauline, quite satisfied with her—but would he? Wasn't he already tired of Pauline's insistent affection, her childishness, and her demands upon him? "If I hadn't come there would have been somebody else some day," Barbara told herself. That was life as she knew it. She tried to feel brave and determined, but when at last she got into bed sleep was impossible. She kept living over and over again those few moments with Dennis O'Hara. His kiss had been the real thing—a seal set upon her heart and soul forever.

The O'Haras had been in New York three days when a letter came from Pauline's mother. Pauline was breakfasting in bed. She had had three late nights and was tired. She also had a very new and becoming negligee, and she wanted to see whether Dennis

noticed it. Apparently he had not. He got up at the usual time, bathed, and went downstairs to breakfast.

"You ought to rest," Pauline scolded. "I'm sure you must be dead tired."

But Dennis hated breakfast in bed and said so.

"I'll have mine downstairs and come up again," he said. So Pauline had hers alone. There was a long mirror in a wardrobe door opposite, and in it she could see her reflection—a very charming reflection. The new negligee suited her, she decided, and she wondered wistfully why Dennis had not told her so.

She sighed and took up the letter. My Darling Child (her mother wrote):

I am sitting in bed writing this, as I have not been very well. It seems such a long time since I saw you, Pauline, and as Daddy has to go to Los Angeles on business for a few days I am wondering if Dennis will spare you to me? I have not been very well—it's my silly old heart again, so Dr. Panthan says, but I feel sure a rest and a sight of you will put me right. How are you, sweetheart? Your letters tell me so little, and I long to see you and know that you are happy. Of course, if Dennis will come too, we shall be only too pleased to have him, but I am sure he must be anxious not

to leave business after such a long absence. . . .

There was a good deal more, little details of the home life which seemed to Pauline so far away now and uninteresting. Then a last appeal:

Do come if you can; you don't know how much I want to see you.

Pauline laid the letter down with a feeling of guilt. She wished she had told her mother of this trip to New York, and yet in a way she was glad now she had not, because had she done so she knew this letter would never have been written.

She sighed and turned to pour some coffee, and then she saw another letter which had slipped out of sight behind the toast rack. It was addressed in her father's handwriting, and Pauline's heart missed a beat as she tore this envelope open.

My Dear Pauline: I have got to go to Los Angeles for a few days on urgent business. Could you manage to come to your mother?

She is not at all well, and I do not like leaving her alone. I am sure Dennis will spare you if you tell him the facts. I hope you are both well.

In haste, Your loving Daddy. "I must go. Of course I must go," Pauline said aloud. She sat up in bed and was surprised to see how her hand trembled as she lifted her cup.

The door opened, and Dennis came in. "Mother's ill," Pauline said in a quivering voice.

"Ill? let me see." He took the two letters from her and read them. "It's not as bad as that, is it?" he asked chidingly.

Pauline's eyes filled with tears. "I shall have to go, Dennis."

(Continued Next Week.)

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It is all true . . . what these customer friends of ours say. Telephone service costs so little and its value is so great that in most instances it really doesn't pay to try to do without it.

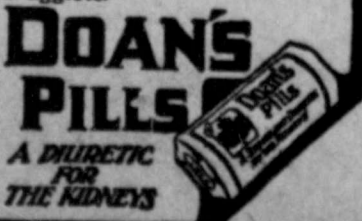
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"We're not allowed here," Barbara said calmly. "In a moment, I want to speak to you." "Pauline will miss us." "She is dancing with Barnet—I saw her." "Let me go." "In a moment." He was between her and the ballroom. "Look, Barbara—answer one question and I swear I'll never mention it again. I don't know what you've done to me, it's—it's like being possessed—I've fought against it ever since you let us. It's no use. I've tried to depose you. I pretended I didn't like you—but that makes no difference. When I was smashed up—you kissed me, Barbara."

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The three issues of the story have already been printed and we sincerely hope you enjoyed every issue. Time has come to select a name. After thinking over the question, we believe that "???" would be about the best possible name for our story.

THE JUNIORS.

Did you say you wanted to know some of the Juniors of M. H. S? Well, here are some, but you'll have to work a little to find out.

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SOPHOMORE NEWS.

Some of the Sophomores have taken up literature now, calling it "dialect." We don't think it is going to be hard for us because we are going to study it.

The Sophs ranked second again on the honor roll, but we'll get ahead of the Seniors yet.

Since the Seniors are giving a character sketch of their members, here are some of ours:

Robbie Walker—cutie.
 Mary Helen Lancaster—smarty.
 Ethelda Tucker—intelligence.
 Billie Gambill—the grand ball player.

Charles Tipton—pretty boy.
 Eugene Mardock—rattlebox.

ESHMEN.

Our "Big Sisters" entertained us at Mrs. Haynes' studio at 4 o'clock on Friday afternoon. Margaret Milson and Ouida Mae each gave us a ceremony solo. A fairy story was told by antreese and Nell Hughes gave a reading. Our "Big Sisters" each gave us a paper cut-out of their Senior dresses with our name on the front and our sister's name on the back. We were certainly glad to find out who our sisters were.

OUR SENIORS.

Clarence Church.
 Clarence comes to our school from Stith. Stith's loss is our gain. Clarence is a member of the basketball team, and he is also in the Dramatic club. We found out that he acts a perfect "big brother." Clarence, we hope the future holds for you plenty of good luck with no bad to mix in.

Frances Marie Church.
 Frances Marie came back to Merkel last year from Sherman. She is very quiet, sweet and attractive. She is one of the Seniors that will be truly missed next year. She is president of the Choral club, a member of

the Dramatic club, was a member of the pep squad, and is a member of the Senior Girls' F. U. N. club. Good luck, Frances Marie.

F. U. N. CLUB.

Of course all of you saw the Senior girls' dresses Friday. Don't you think they are pretty? We do, and we have a reason for thinking so. Our little sisters, everyone of them, told us they were beautiful.

On last Thursday we invited our little sisters to a mystery meeting at four o'clock, Friday afternoon, in Mrs. Haynes' studio. After all the Freshmen girls were assembled, Opal Huskey took charge of the program.

Several numbers were enjoyed. Margaret Miller played, Faye Vantresse told a fairy tale, Nell Hughes read and Ouida Mae Hulsey played. After songs were sung, refreshments were served to Janet Hayes, Opal Buzbee, Mildred and Maurine Dean, Juanita Huskey, Jaunita Bishop, Mabel Maddox, Ora Derrick, Coehre Morrison, Elna Tucker, Billie Louise Nix, Beth Holloway, Genevieve Bryan, LaVerne Douglas, Thelma Patterson, Alice Russell, Melba Watts, Helen Coats, Miss Martin, Nola Mae Anderson, Frances Marie Church, Eleanor Mae Hogan, Ouida Mae Hulsey, Maurine White, Mildred Richardson, Margaret Miller, Florene Rider, Faye Vantresse, Imogene Middleton, Opal Huskey, Gwendolyn Vick, Joyce Wheeler, Nell Hughes, Mildred Sharp and Mrs. Irvin.

TELL IT IN SONGS.

"Somewhere in Old Wyoming."
 "In The Good Old Summer Time."
 "Sweet Jenny Lee."
 "When the Moon Comes Over the Mountain," about "Three O'clock in the Morning." I will be "Thinking of you."
 "Till We Meet Again."
 Once in "A Cabin in the Hills," I saw, "Abdulah Bul Bul Amio," and "Barnacle Bill the Sailor" play "The Waltz You Saved For Me," on "My Ukelele." I saw "Frankie and Johnny" go "Down The River of Golden Dreams" on "A Bicycle Built For Two."

After "They Cut Down the Old Pine Tree," that "Old Gang of Mine" went "In the Old Town Hall" and too "The Old Wooden Rocker" to "Clarey's Wooden Wedding."

I met "Little Mary Brown" "Down By the Sycamore Tree." "What Kind of Noise Annoys an Oyster," she asked. "Figure it Out For Yourself," I replied.
 "In the Little Old Church in the Valley" I heard "The Bells of St. Mary" telling of "The Pictures From Life's Other Side."

I received a "Letter Edged in Black" calling me to "My Blue Ridge Mountain Home" to see "The Dying Cowboy." "When the Work's All Done This Fall."
 "When We're Alone" I'll tell you

about "The Runaway Train" that went "Beyond The Blue Horizon" to get "The Argentines, the Portugese, and the Greeks."

"Tie a Little String Around Your Finger" "Till We Meet Again" and don't forget to "Say Hello to the Folks Back Home."
 "Many Happy Returns of the Day."

TOMFOOLERY.

Blonde waitress: "I have stewed kidneys, boiled tongue, fried liver and pig's feet."
 Brakie: "Don't tell me your troubles, sister; give me a chicken pie."

Mrs. Middleton: "What made you stay so late? Have a flat tire?"
 Imogene: "No, mother, I'd hardly call him that."

Mose: "Law' dat shore am one mo' cold south wind."
 Enoch: "Shaw, dat ain't no south wind. Dat's just the north wind gwine home."

Kennedy: "For some reason or other I don't believe Pied Piper got rid of all the rats."
 David: "Why?"
 Kennedy: "Well, just look at Jack West."

Officer: "Let me see your driving license."
 Billy Gardner: "Well, as a matter of fact, officer, I don't happen to have it with me, but if it will save you any bother, I can assure you it's very much like any other old driving license."

Mary Helen (at basketball game): "Doesn't the referee know its against the rules for the players all to pile on the ball like that? Why doesn't he do something about it?"
 Annie Lou: "I guess he will when they all get off him."

Duncan: "You know, you're a lot better looking than your father, Oscar."
 Oscar: "Well, I ought to be. I'm a later model."

Kennedy: "I think I'll nickname Caribel 'appendix'."
 Milton: "How's that?"
 Kennedy: "Because it costs so much to take her out."

FLATTERY.

It has been said that flattery gains friends, but truth, enemies. Whether we realize it or not, we are all "flatterers" more or less. It is an accepted fact that every normal human at some time or other makes social assertions that are somewhat ambiguous.

Dr. Johnson has said, "Just praise is only a debt, but flattery is a present." Then we agree that it is just as bad to fail to pay the debt of saying kind things about a person.

Webster says that flattery is the act of being false or insincere; praising excessively. Rochefoucauld says, "Flattery is a sort of bad money, to which our vanity gives value." We may admit it, or we may not—never-

theless all of us have a "weakness" for some type of flattery. So—according to Shakespeare, "He that loves to be flattered is worthy of the flatterer," we are not harmed by such.

Since flattery is one of those terms that exist only in the mind, we feel that it overlaps until we are continually in the act of flattery or being flattered as Shakespeare has said: "When I tell him he hates flatterers, He says he does, being most flattered. What is the opinion of some of the M. H. S. students?"

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Rev. Murdock of Noodle preached at Hebron Sunday at eleven o'clock.

Miss Annamae Harris was dinner guest of Ruby Spink Sunday.

Mr. Dale Burleson was dinner guest of Paul Pannell Sunday.

Houston Man May Get Chairmanship

Miami, Fla., Feb. 9.—Chairmanship of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation may pass to Jesse Jones, Houston, Texas, capitalist, after March 4, it was reported reliably Tuesday.

Jones, financial "angel" of the democratic convention at Houston in 1923 which nominated Alfred E. Smith, is now a member of the commission.

The Jones report overshadowed a host of other rumors which circulated constantly as every train brought more democrats here seeking jobs under the new democratic administration.

Robbery.

Feb. 9.—Three Anglers Hoined money, \$52,788, Monday afternoon after insurance company hotel embezzlement of \$52,788 from the

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ELEPHONE THE MAIL

Mail will be glad to receive news of entertainments visitors in Merkel homes, as well as other news items of general nature. If you have any, entertain friends or return from a trip please telephone 61 or 29.

TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Stevens had as a guest in their home last Saturday Mrs. Stevens' brother, W. C. Cozart, of Abilene.

At this writing Mr. Alex Williamson and Uncle Jim Bright are at Mineral Wells for rest and recuperation. Mrs. Geo. Howell and daughter, Lucille, spent last week-end in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cooper are moving to the country this week to the Hogue farm.

Jack Bowers of Abilene Hi spent the week-end at home.

Mrs. Royce Dowdy, accompanied by Mrs. Cecil McRee, left Thursday of last week for Brownsville and other points in the Valley where they will spend the month on a vacation.

Mrs. Bob Spence is reported very ill with pneumonia at this writing. She is improving some.

Mrs. Lawrence Dowdy spent a few days in Fort Worth with her brother, Frate Fronbarger, last week. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. J. M. Friedman, of Minneapolis, who is moving from there to California. On Mrs. Dowdy's return home her niece, Miss Mary Fronbarger, of Fort Worth, accompanied her and will remain here for a visit for an indefinite time.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Howell are happy to announce the arrival of a sweet little baby girl, who appeared on the scene last Sunday night. Mother and babe are doing fine.

NEWLYWEDS—COMPLIMENTED. Complimentary to Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Halbrook, recently married, Mr. and Mrs. John Payne and Mr. and Mrs. Hosea Winn were joint hosts to the newlyweds for a miscellaneous shower and party Wednesday night, at the home of Mr. Payne. Guests included the Planters Gin company employees, of which Mr. Halbrook is a member.

Coming as a complete surprise the couple were presented with an array of lovely gifts. Progressive "42" was played as the diversion of the evening during which the Trent stringed orchestra furnished musical numbers. Andy Shouse and Curtis Payne were winners in a game contest and were presented with a salad bowl, which they in turn presented to the honorees.

Hot chocolate and angel food cake was served to Messrs. and Mesdames Elery Smith, Walker Steadman, Henry Cooper, Hosea Winn, John Payne and Mrs. Annie Boone, Anna Belle Bailey, Andy Shouse, Lois Powell, Curtis Payne, Jack Perkins, Alton Boone, Foy and Kirby Steadman, Elery Smith, Jr., Viola Smith, Helen Hogue, C. H. Bryant, Sam Clinton, Priton Clinton, Zeb Bright, Steve Payne and the following children: Billy Dick Payne, Edwin Earl Winn, Louise Smith and Billy Cooper.

NECROLOGY

EMORY BUTLER.

Emory Butler, age 70, step-father of Mrs. Roger A. Burgess, died suddenly Wednesday night at his home in Lubbock. Upon receipt of his critical illness, Supt. and Mrs. Burgess left for Lubbock but Mr. Butler had passed away before they arrived.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Joe Haynes, pastor of the First Methodist church at Lubbock.

Mr. Butler, a retired rancher, who had lived at Lubbock for 40 years, is survived by his wife and two step-children: Mrs. Burgess and Tom Baber of Lubbock, also three brothers and two sisters survive.

A. CHAMPION.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon at Rose Hill cemetery for A. Champion, 77, who died at 7:30 Saturday morning at the home of a daughter, Mrs. J. M. Morrow, in Abilene. He had been ill six weeks.

Mr. Champion, who was well known here, having been a frequent visitor in the home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. S. J. Roberts, is survived by a grandson, Ted Morrow, of Dallas; five nieces, Mrs. B. T. Sublett, of Merkel; Mrs. Ben Lee, Ranger; Mrs. Joe Robinson, Eastland; and Mrs. R. H. Denton and Mrs. R. D. Tyler, Abilene; two nephews, Ab Lindsey, Eastland, and Sam Roberts, Merkel.

FRANKIE JOE SWEENEY.

Frankie Joe Sweeney, three-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sweeney, of Butman, died at ten o'clock Wednesday night at the town home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Butman. Burial was to be held at the White Church cemetery Thursday afternoon.

The parents, grandparents and other relatives have the sincere sympathy of a large number of friends in their deep bereavement.

RURAL SOCIETY

SALT BRANCH CLUB.

The Salt Branch Home Demonstration club met Friday, Feb. 3, with Miss Celia Hester. After a short business session three foundation patterns were cut, with Miss Caroline Chambers and Mrs. W. C. Lee as instructors for the cutting.

Cake and punch were served to Miss Chambers, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. J. R. Hester, Mrs. W. M. Hays, Mrs. J. E. Higgins, Mrs. E. Neff, Miss Salena Teaff, Mrs. Nim Teaff, Mrs. Ollie Higgins, Mrs. J. E. Jaynes, Mrs. H. B. Robertson, Mrs. Will Higgins, Mrs. Angus Garvin, Mrs. W. E. Petty, Misses Gladys Petty, Ruby, Cynthia and Dotie Ristar, Ruth Pinckley, Mrs. J. S. Pinckley and the hostess.

The S. B. H. D. club will have an all day meeting with Mrs. H. B. Robertson Friday, Feb. 17. Patterns are to be cut for the remainder of the club members. Each one is requested to bring a covered dish.

In the afternoon the following program is to be rendered:

A comparison between styles of 1932 and 1900, Miss Celia Hester.

Important points on featuring present day styles, Mrs. W. C. Lee.

Demonstration of making bound buttonholes, Mrs. E. Neff.

Round table discussion, problems in sewing.

Lesson in method of procedure for home demonstration clubs, Mrs. Will Higgins and Mrs. J. S. Pinckley.

BIRTHDAY DINNER.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Shaw, Sr., was the scene of an enjoyable occasion Sunday, Feb. 5, when quite a number gathered to honor Mr. Shaw's 50th birthday.

At 12:30 a bountiful dinner was served to the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mashburn and family, Mr. Royce Mashburn, Allen Mashburn, Misses Mildred West, Annie Mae Burns, Bobbie Jacks and Roy Hines, all of Stith, R. P. Peterson of Caps, the host and hostess and family.

The birthday cake with fifty candies contained a ring, a thimble and a dime. The dime went to M. J. Shaw, Jr., the thimble to Roy Hines and the ring to Louise Mashburn.

After dinner guests were Mrs. Willie Mashburn and children and Mrs. Carl Mashburn and children.

STITH CLUB.

The Stith Home Demonstration club met Friday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Walter Kelso. Plans were made for giving the play, "Wild Ginger," at an early date. The Stith ladies are cooperating with the Noodle ladies and the play will be given at Noodle auditorium. An admission charge of 10c and 15c will be charged. All the money will be used toward the work of these two clubs. Mrs. Edgar Bradley of Stith will direct the play.

The following members were present: Mesdames McCormick, Fletcher Jones, Elbert West, Bill Dunagin, Dick Mashburn, Decker, Guy Glenn and the hostess.

The club will meet in the home of Mrs. Elbert West, Feb. 18, at 2:30 p. m. Miss Sue Bonner, county agent, will be present and give a demonstration on "Planting small plants."

Green Scheduled For Cabinet Post

Washington, Feb. 9.—In a copyrighted story, the Washington Post says that it learned William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, has been offered the post of secretary of labor in the Roosevelt cabinet.

The newspaper said Green had indicated he would accept the post and that he is arranging to relinquish his duties as head of the federation and his connection with the Pan-American Federation of Labor.

Enjoys Pleasant Week-End.

Tom Henderson has just returned from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Taylor of Bertram, Texas. Mrs. Taylor is an aunt of Mr. Henderson's and is the last of a large family of pioneers of that section of the country, having lived there since 1866. Mr. Henderson was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Eoff, who visited at Austin, taking in all the different places of interest that the Capitol city affords.

A Correction.

Due to error of transcription in the office, and not in the fault of our correspondent, it was reported in the Blair items last week that Mr. and Mrs. Pat Addison were the parents of a fine baby girl. The item should have read: "Mr. and Mrs. Pat Patterson are the parents of a baby girl stopping over to make glad their home since Jan. 18."

If you have any visitors, Phone 29 or 61.

Makes 1933 Bow in "Tonight Is Ours"

"Tonight Is Ours," Claudette Colbert-Fredric March starring picture, to be shown at the Palace theatre, Sweetwater, Sunday and Monday, is an adaptation of a play by Noel Coward, brilliant young English actor, author, composer, and general jack-of-all-trades, who is best known to the movie public for his "Private Lives."

The film marks the first appearance of March on the screen since his winning of the award of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for the best performance of 1932.

Like other Coward works, "Tonight Is Ours" is an amusing and romantic tale of the lives of clever, intelligent people. Miss Colbert is cast as a young woman who has tossed aside the responsibilities of a kingdom for a fling at Paris, and March as a young Parisian who insists on sharing the fling with her. Their romance has its hectic moments, as well as its deeply passionate ones. A queer trick of the fates almost wrecks it, but a dramatic, even breathless, climax, ultimately sets everything to rights.

Grocery, Hardware Stores to Close 6 P. M.

Beginning next Monday, Feb. 13, the grocery and hardware stores, whose names are signed below, will close their places of business at 6 o'clock each afternoon except Saturdays. The dry goods stores began the 6 o'clock closing with the first of the current week.

The agreement of the grocery and hardware stores follows:

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STITH NEWS

The Hope young people enjoyed a singing Sunday night in the home of Mrs. Clyde Jones.

Several young people from Stith attended the singing at Hawley Sunday afternoon.

The Woman's club met in the home of Mrs. Walter Kelso Friday afternoon, Feb. 3, when an interesting program was given on "Gardening."

The 4-H club meeting was postponed indefinitely on account of the illness of the sponsor, Mrs. Sam Mashburn. Mrs. Mashburn is much better now.

Oleta Redding entertained the young people with a party in her home Saturday evening.

We are very glad that J. T. Burns, who was injured while plowing last week, is improving.

We are glad to have Joyce and R. C. Mashburn back in school. They have been absent sometime on account of scarlet fever. We are also glad to have Frank Munday back in school.

The school is preparing a short Valentine program for Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 14.

The Stith senior girls defeated Compere at Compere last Tuesday afternoon. The Stith junior boys also were victors over the Compere junior team, the scores being 6 and 4. The Stith junior boys also defeated Mulberry juniors Thursday afternoon, scores 7 and 3.

The Stith senior boys were defeated by the Marris team at Anson last Wednesday evening.

The Stith school pupils are working on the Interscholastic League events to be held in Anson in March. Stith is entering in spelling, declamation, three R contest, "tiny tot" story telling and field and track events. We expect to carry off honors in one or more of these places.

We wish to extend an invitation to the Stith parents to visit the school, especially on Monday mornings for the chapel programs, which are usually about thirty minutes.

Exempts Salaries From Cut.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The senate Tuesday voted a compulsory 5 per cent cut in all government expenditures during the next fiscal year. The action, estimated to save \$140,000,000, followed a decision to exempt salaries from the reduction, the exemption being approved by 52 to 30.

Negro's Neck Broken When Thrown from Car

Levy Foreman, Sweetwater negro, was killed about 7 o'clock Monday morning when his employer's car which he was driving to Abilene was wrecked on the highway about a mile west of Merkel.

His neck was broken and the car, some fifty feet or more from where the negro was thrown out, showed that it had turned over several times.

Highway patrol officers, investigating the accident, said the cause was not determined but indications were that the car had hit soft dirt at the shoulder of the pavement and the driver lost control.

The negro was en route to Abilene, expecting to bring back as a passenger J. F. Cunningham, Abilene attorney who was to defend the negro's employer in a liquor case at Sweetwater.

CARD OF THANKS.

To every one who was so kind and thoughtful toward us in our great bereavement we are indeed grateful; especially do we wish to thank Dr. M. Armstrong for his untiring efforts. We appreciate very much the assistance of those who sang and also want to express our appreciation for the many beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. G. R. Holloway and Children.

CARD OF THANKS.

We want to thank each and everyone who contributed to our need in any way. May God's richest blessings be upon each and everyone of you. We are also very thankful for the good sermon Brother Walker rendered in our home Sunday. The ones who attended this service were: Mrs. Campbell and daughter, Lucille, and Mr. Ray Wilson, of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Maddox and daughter, Mabel, of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Moore, Johnny Latimer, Mr. Seaggins, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Spears, all of Blair. We want to remember all these good people in our prayers.

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STUDIO TEA.

The voice and piano pupils of Christine Collins were entertained with a studio recital on last Friday afternoon at her home.

Custard with angel food cake was served to Misses Mary Eula Sears, Vernie Derrick, Edith Baker, Mrs. Juanita Dowell, Mary Joe Garland, Anna Lee Blake, Helen Heeter, Mary Frances Cook, Eloise Mansell, Lola Bradden, Norman King and Christine Collins.

"LAUNCH-OUT LUNCHEON" WITH LOCAL CHURCH.

"Launch out" luncheon of the Sweetwater Baptist association auxiliary, held Thursday in the basement of the Baptist church, was a cleverly planned affair.

Centerpieces for the tables were miniature seas with ships representing the seven lines of the women's work: missions, mission study, Christian education, stewardship, personal service, benevolence and periodicals.

Mrs. Oscar Cooper, the auxiliary president, presided over the Roy afternoon's program, each local president making short reports of her society: First Church, Abilene, Mrs. Jenny Holmes; Immanuel, Abilene, Mrs. J. O. Leasley; South Side, Abilene, Mrs. G. H. McDonald; University, Mrs. J. L. Anthony; First Church, Sweetwater, Mrs. R. C. Craia; Lamar, Mrs. J. T. Ware; Merkel, Mrs. A. R. Booth; standing committee, chairman of auxiliary, Mrs. W. F. Joiner, Tye, benevolence; Mrs. Bert E. Low, Abilene, missions; Mrs. D. W. Arnette, Abilene, mission study; Mrs. W. M. Mullins, Sweetwater, stewardship; Mrs. Z. E. Steakley, Sweetwater, personal service; Mrs. E. M. Francis, Abilene, Christian education; Mrs. R. M. White, Abilene, periodicals; Mrs. Elton Rhodes, libraries.

Vocal duets were given by Mrs. Yates Brown and Mrs. L. B. Scott. Mrs. N. A. Moore, Abilene, gave the devotional and Mrs. G. L. Paxton the closing prayer. About 65 women were in attendance, with about 20 local women present.

BAPTIST W. M. U.

With Mrs. C. R. Joiner presiding in place of Mrs. A. R. Booth, the president, who was ill, the ladies of the Baptist W. M. U. met in business session at the church Monday afternoon. It was decided to change the time of meeting from 2 o'clock until 2:30 p. m.

An interesting feature of the meeting was a talk on "America's Greatest Need" by Mrs. Ann Brown. Next Monday is Royal Service day.

GLEANER CLASS.

The February meeting of the Gleaner class of the Methodist church was held in the home of Mrs. Fred Guittar, Tuesday, Feb. 7, with Mrs. Vernon Sublett, Mrs. O. R. Rodden, Mrs. Frank Iddings and Mrs. E. A. Burgess making up the hostess group. The Valentine theme was given emphasis in appointments of red and white.

A short business meeting was held, after which a heart contest, directed by Mrs. Vernon Sublett, was given in which Mrs. Bennett proved herself most efficient, and as to poets in the Gleaner class there are quite a few.

A refreshment plate of chicken salad on lettuce leaf, topped with a beet heart, coffee, crackers, heart cakes and a stick of candy was served to the following members: Mesdames Latham, Case, Church, Boyd, Bennett,

CHURCHES

METHODIST NEWS NOTES.

February is Art Month for our church. We secured five large paintings last week and placed them on the walls of the auditorium. They are beautiful pictures and much appreciated. Others will be added to the present number before next Sunday. There is a kinship between art, music and religion. Miss Mary Eula Sears has charge of this work and, if you have a large painting you would loan to us for the month of February, phone her.

Next Sunday we will have candle light service. If you have never attended one, come to this one.

Our revival meeting will begin March 19 and last to April 2, Rev. John M. Neal will preach. He is some great speaker with some great message. You will like him.

H.I.-LEAGUE PROGRAM.

Leader, Duncan Briggs. Talks, Jack Patterson, Mildred Richardson, Milton Shannon, Caribel Mansfield, Ray Wilson. Come and bring someone with you.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

All regular services Sunday. Preaching at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Sunday School starts promptly at 10 o'clock. B. T. S. at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.

—Reporter.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE. Attendance at the Sunday Schools in Merkel continues to range above the 700 mark, there having been 771 at the six reporting Sunday Schools last Sunday. Over 700 have been present every Sunday this year, with the exception of the first Sunday.

NAZARENE CHURCH.

It affords us great pleasure to be back in Merkel and to accept such warm welcome as we have received not only from our church people but from the various churches and many non-church members. We highly appreciate all and we are going in with

Pryor, Lowe, Patterson, Briggs, Sublett, Iddings, Rodden. Guitar and two visitors Mrs. J. T. Dennis and Mrs. E. M. McDonald.

double interest and stronger determination than ever to be a blessing and help everyone. God blessed us last Sunday with a nice crowd at both services.

Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. N. Y. P. S. 6:30, with Mrs. Lois Henry as president. Preaching 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting each Thursday 7 p. m. Ladies' society meets at parsonage Monday afternoon. Mrs. Ola Bolls, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. You will find a welcome at our Sunday School and we invite all those who do not attend elsewhere to come and study the Bible lessons with us.

There will not be a preaching service Sunday, as it is the pastor's day at Baird.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. J. J. Russell, Jr., Supt. R. A. Walker, Pastor.

FUNDAMENTALIST BAPTIST CHURCH.

The "back door" revival, begun in our church, has turned into "front door" revival; all the opposition, threats, scheming, heathenish reveling and fiery darts of the wicked ones have utterly failed in their conspiracy to stop the voice of a New Testa-

ment church in its cry against sin and its plea for "righteous living." God crowds are attending our Wednesday night prayer meeting. There were five members received into our church Sunday. New members are coming into our Bible School every Sunday. Backsliders are returning to the Lord. "Blessed be the name of the Lord." Come worship with us.

Ernest C. Dowell, Pastor.

Roten Cypert Sustains Very Serious Injuries

When the coupe in which he was driving alone turned over when struck by another car near Knox City Friday afternoon, Roten Cypert sustained three broken ribs and a broken collarbone. It is also thought that two or more of his ribs were pulled loose from the spine.

His mother, Mrs. W. G. Cypert, and sister, Mrs. George Woodrum, went to Knox City at once upon receipt of news of the accident, returning Sunday. Later, on Wednesday, Joe Cypert, a brother, and Mrs. Woodrum, went again to visit him.

Reports Thursday morning were that he was not doing so well.

Mrs. Letha J. Etter of Nocona and sister, Mrs. Margaret M. White of Springfield, Mo., twins born in Johnson county, Missouri, celebrated their ninety-first birthday this week.

Saturday is last day of the sale at Brown's Bargain Store.



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