

## 254 BIRDS ENTERED THIS YEAR IN MERKEL POULTRY SHOW; WINNERS NAMED

Restriction of Entries to Merkel's Trade Territory Did Not Make Appreciable Difference in Number of Birds Competing

Best male bird in show—Arl Sharp.  
Second best male bird in show—R. B. Miller.

Best female bird in show—W. C. Eoff.

Second best female bird in show—Bob Mayfield.

Best 15 bird display in show—Castle B. Ellis.

Second best 15 bird display in show—W. C. Eoff.

Best 10 bird display in show—R. A. Ellis.

Second best 10 bird display in show—Arl Sharp.

Best pen in show—Arl Sharp.

Second best pen in show—R. A. Ellis.

Best solid color old pen—R. A. Walker.

Best solid color young pen—W. C. Eoff.

Best parti-colored old pen—Bob Mayfield.

Best parti-colored young pen—E. H. Cordill.

Judging was completed with the above results Tuesday afternoon.

Merkel's third annual poultry show, held in the Mellinger building and extended over three days, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, of the current week.

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The complete list of winners in all classes will be published in next week's issue of The Mail.

Merkel business and professional men contributed much to the success of the show by the list of special prizes donated in cash and merchandise totalling more than a \$100.00.

President R. A. Ellis and Secretary Castle B. Ellis of the Merkel Poultry association expressed themselves as greatly pleased over the success of the 1933 show and want to extend their thanks to all who co-operated so loyally in making such a success possible.

the capital city Messrs. Ernest Faucett and Letser Ellis made their appearance there on time.

Frank Ferrier was a social caller in Sweetwater Sunday.

Mrs. Jno. Hamm came in from Anson Sunday morning to join her husband. The trip was made through the country in their car. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Hamm welcome them back to our city after an absence of several months during which time they made their home in California.

Roscoe Sharp left for Corpus Christi Tuesday with a round trip ticket due to expire in 90 days. Roscoe stated that if he did not spend his money before he did his vacation that he would use the allotted time shown on the ticket.

Mrs. J. G. Broughton left Tuesday for Jayton to visit friends.

J. E. Martin's tin shop for all kinds of plumbing.

J. D. Gaither, manager of the Merkel Dry Goods and Grocery Co., and Miss Jesse O'Brian, milliner, returned from St. Louis Wednesday morning after ten days purchasing in that city.

Sunday being their regular day in

## KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

Tully C. Garner, bank president and son of Speaker John Garner, has been drafted by friends as a candidate for mayor of Uvalde in the April election.

Farmers in the Rio Grande valley have organized for higher prices for their farm products, agreeing "not to harvest any vegetable crop unless we receive the production costs plus a margin of profit."

Tommy Reis, former Chicago hoodlum, was stabbed to death in the dining hall at Retrieve state penal farm by Clyde Thompson, ruthless West Texas killer, who is serving a life term for murder.

Duane Crenwell, 22, Coryell county farmer, was burned fatally when a mattress in the McGregor city jail caught fire. The theory is advanced that Crenwell was smoking in bed and the mattress was ignited.

A skull fracture received in an accident when he fell or jumped from his truck on the Anson highway out of Abilene Tuesday morning proved fatal Wednesday to R. H. McDuff, 26, driver for the Dixie Baking company of Abilene.

Boldly invading a home in a fashionable residence district of Dallas, where a dinner party was in progress, six robbers armed with pistols and a machine gun robbed the hostess and her friends of money and jewelry totalling \$3,500.

Lieutenant-Governor Edgar Witt ruled that Governor Ferguson was within her rights in submitting for a second time the name of Frank Denison of Temple for appointment as a member of state highway commission and its chairman.

The bodies of Solon I Reinhardt, assistant county attorney of Williamson county, and his wife were found dead in a room in their home by a girl employed to work for them, death having been due, according to coroner's verdict, to gas poisoning.

Will Crews Morris, of San Antonio last year's winner of the \$100 Stark prize for the best speaker on the University of Texas debate team and a senior law student, has been honored by having been chosen as one of the three members of a United States debate team to tour England during the late spring.

While driving his car between Trent and Merkel at an early hour last Friday morning, W. J. Malone, a veterinarian of Mt. Hored, Wis., suffered a heart attack which caused his death in just a few seconds.

His wife, who was accompanying him on their return trip home after visiting a son in Los Angeles, Calif., noticed him slump back on the driver's seat and gasp. Knowing of his heart trouble, she had been told by her daughters just what to do in such an emergency; so she threw off the ignition switch and guided the car to the north side of the road.

Attempts to revive him were unsuccessful and Mrs. Malone was carried to Trent for aid by a passing motorist. There several men in the Star Hardware store volunteered their services and brought Mrs. Malone and her husband and their car to the undertaking parlors of the Barrow Furniture company here. Among those assisting were Ollie Smith, Sam Swann, Hubert Beckam, R. B. Johnson and S. A. Hampton.

Mr. Malone was driving a Chevrolet sedan.

His body was shipped to his Wisconsin home for burial.

Besides his wife and the son, whom they had been visiting in California, he is survived by one other son and two daughters.

Death of Vanscill Boy. Funeral services were held Friday afternoon, with Rev. O. B. Tatum officiating, for the ten-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Vanscill of the Golan community. Interment was in the Golan cemetery.

## ENROLLMENT IN MERKEL SCHOOLS NEARS 700 MARK

Has Reached This Figure Only Three Times Since 1919; 677 Enrolled to Date This Year; Over 200 in High School.

The enrollment in the Merkel Public schools nears the 700 mark with the February 10th report to Supt. Burgess. Only three times since 1919, when the present superintendent came to Merkel, has the enrollment reached 700. In 1924-25 it was 713; in 1927-28 it was 711, and in 1929-29 was 726. Last year the total enrollment for the year was only 655 as compared with 677 at this date—three months yet to run.

In the high school department the enrollment has already reached 204 for this year and promises to pass last year's enrollment of 216 before this year is out. Only three times in the history of Merkel High school has the enrollment passed the 200 mark. The other year was in 1924-25 when 214 were enrolled.

The attendance now is especially large in the first and second grades. Ninety-two have been enrolled in the first grade, while seventy-six have entered the second. The third grade has 70 enrolled, while the other grades range from this figure down to 51 enrolled in the seventh grade.

Since 1924, the enrollment for the whole school runs as follows:

1924-25 (Burgess)	713
1925-26 (Summerhill)	599
1926-27 (Jackson)	674
1927-28 (Jackson)	711
1928-29 (Burgess)	726
1929-30 (Burgess)	624
1930-31 (Burgess)	572
1931-32 (Burgess)	655
1932-33 to this date	677

## Four of Eight Letter Men Back Next Year

In the conference games played in Abilene High gymnasium, Merkel defeated Blair easily. Merkel was rushed at no time in the game. Patterson was high point man with 9 points. Boaz showed excellent work on guard. The game ended 26-14 in favor of Merkel.

In the second game, with Tuscola the defendant, Merkel lost by 30-16. Patterson tossed shot after shot at the basket, only to watch it roll around the rim and fall to the floor. It seemed that the basket held an enchantment on the ball and was using its powers.

Boaz, guard, and Patterson, center, were two of the five chosen for the mythical second string.

Shannon also showed up well on guard. Church and Reese displayed good work on the forward wall.

Eight men lettered this year. Four and possibly five will be back next year. Derrick topped the list with four stripes and one star. Cade and Church were second each with three stripes, two at Noodle and Steith, and one at Merkel. Patterson was elected captain for next year, provided the eight semester law is repealed. If not, Boaz will continue to pilot the Badgers.

Those who lettered were: Harry Boaz, captain, 2 years; Gerald Derrick, 4 years; Clarence Church, 3 years; Albert Cade, 3 years; Jack Patterson, 2 years; Milton Shannon, 1 year; Harold Reese, 1 year; Neil Durham, 1 year.

The four who will be back are Boaz, Durham, Reese and Shannon. Patterson will be back provided the eight semester rule is repealed.

Track started Monday with nine men reporting.

Record of Births.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Price, Friday, February 10, 1933.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Elmore Ashcraft, residing south of town, Friday, February 10, 1933.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Spence, Trent, Friday, February 10, 1933.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lucas, Noodle, Saturday, February 11, 1933.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Claud Ingram, of Cisco, Sunday, February 12, 1933.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Alexander, Blair, Thursday, February 16, 1933.

## CHICAGO MAYOR SHOT BY BULLET INTENDED FOR PRESIDENT-ELECT

### ADOPT COUNTY BUDGET FOR '33

With Allotment of \$206,269, Deficit of \$30,000 Looms; May Be Possible to Wipe This Out.

Taylor county's 1933 budget for 1933, for all purposes including road and bridge funds and bonded debt, was fixed at \$206,269.35 by the commissioners court Tuesday, as it closed its February session.

Since ad valorem tax collections, for county purposes only, ran to only \$76,934.17, with about \$18,000 more to come in on second half split tax payments, and with expected revenue of about \$80,000 from automobile registrations, the county starts its new year with an indicated deficit of about \$31,500. Judge John L. Camp and the commissioners expect to wipe this out, however, through drastic economies, including salary reductions; and in delinquent tax collections throughout the year.

The budget as adopted follows closely that prepared by the former court which went out of office last month; and on this basis the court Tuesday made allocations to the various funds.

The over-all total of \$206,269.35 takes into consideration state participation in bond maturities for highways and includes \$95,940 for road and bridge funds according to the present apportionment; this sum to be allocated as follows: precinct No. 1, \$37,784; precinct No. 2, \$22,866; precinct No. 3, \$17,414; precinct No. 4, \$17,876.

This will leave a balance for countywide purposes of \$110,329.35. The road money for the precincts will come from auto fees and an ad valorem rate of 6 cents on the \$100 valuation. It will mean a greatly reduced program in road building and maintenance in the precincts.

### Decision Over Oplin Given to Badgerettes

Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 the girls' debate team from Oplin met the local team in the High School library.

Misses Marjorie Bryson and Yvonne Hodges represented the Gypsies by presenting the affirmative side of the state high school debate question. Misses Helen Joyner and Lucille Campbell defended the negative for the Badgerettes.

The decision was two to one in favor of the local team.

## BRUCE BARTON

... writes of "THE MASTER EXECUTIVE" ...

Supplying a week-to-week inspiration for the heavy-burdened who will find every human trial paralleled in the experiences of "The Man Nobody Knows."

### A CONCEPTION OF GOD.

In Jesus' great acts of courage he was the successor, and the surpasser, of all the prophets who had gone before. We have spoken of the prophets as deficient in humor; but what they lacked in the amenities of life they made up richly in vision. Each one of them brought to the world a revolutionary idea, and we can not understand truly the significance of the work of Jesus unless we remember that he began where they left off, building on the firm foundations they had laid.

Let us glance at them a moment, starting with Moses. What a miracle he wrought in the thinking of his race! The world was full of gods in his day—male gods, female gods, wooden and iron gods—it was a poverty stricken tribe which could not boast of a hundred at least. Along came Moses with one of the transcendent intellects of history. "There is one God," he cried. What an overwhelming idea and how magnificent its consequences.

Moses died and the nation carried on under the momentum which he had given it, until there arose Amos, a worthy successor. "There is one God," Moses had said. "God is a God of justice," added Amos.

That assertion is such an elementary part of our consciousness that we are almost shocked by the suggestion that it could ever have been new. But remember the gods that were current in Amos's day if you would have a true measure of the importance of his contribution. It was the high privilege of Amos to proclaim a God who could not be bought, whose ears were deaf to pleadings in judgment between the strong and weak, the rich and poor.

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## ABANDONED TOT FOUND ON ROAD

Blue-Eyed Infant Boy Discovered in Pasteboard Box on Bankhead Highway Late Sunday.

A blue-eyed baby boy, probably three to five days old, was found shortly after six o'clock Sunday afternoon wrapped up in a pasteboard box and just off the pavement about a mile east of Mulberry.

An Abilenian, Raymond White, a former deputy sheriff of a West Texas county, who left Merkel at 6 Sunday afternoon, noticed the box alongside the road and stopped to investigate. As he cautiously lifted the box, a faint wailing startled him. He peeped—a blue-eyed boy peeped back.

Several cars passed him without stopping. Finally two cars joined him. One came on to Merkel with a message to City Marshal Dickinson, the other was sent to Abilene with a similar message to Sheriff Burl Wheeler. In the meantime, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Scott of Merkel were among those who rendered assistance. With the arrival of Perry Dickinson, who was accompanied by Constable Dewell and Mrs. Dowell, the baby was turned over to them and brought to Merkel. (Continued on Page Five)

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## MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, February 14, 1913.)

### CEMETERY ASSOCIATION ORGANIZED.

Pursuant to call, a number of ladies met with Mrs. Fred Groene Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock at her home in North Merkel for the purpose of organizing a cemetery association. The following officers were elected: Mesdames Tolbert Robertson, president; W. M. O'Brian, vice-president; O. W. Williams, secretary; Fred Groene, treasurer. Members are Mr. and Mrs. Tolbert Robertson, Mesdames Armstrong, E. Baker, R. O. Anderson, Claude Comegys, G. E. Comegys, T. J. Coggin, W. P. Browning, H. W. Derstine, W. H. Dickson, R. A. Ellis, Fred Groene, J. L. Harris, W. L. Harkrider, J. W. Jennings, W. M. O'Brian, E. M. Rust, W. Parten, C. P. Stevens, Frank Sears, G. M. Sharp, Arthur Thornton, O. W. Williams, J. T. Warren, Claude Whiteley, W. R. Walker, Miss Eula Sears. The yearly dues will be one dollar. Eveyone is eligible.

Mrs. J. D. Boring left Saturday for Fort Worth to visit her son, W. F. Buchanan. While away Mrs. Boring will visit in Arlington and Dallas.

Mrs. W. M. Rice of Abilene returned to her home Monday after a short visit here with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Williams.

Sunday being their regular day in

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**ENDORSES TEXAS SCHOOL VOICE.**

(Jayton Chronicle.)  
Mr. W. A. Bynum, who is the editor of the Texas School Voice, a school paper published at Abilene, is conducting an earnest and vigorous campaign for reduction of state expenditures for higher education, with the purpose in mind to aid our common schools. Truly, if ever our common schools needed a champion, now is the time and this editor has taken up the fight. He deserves the unqualified and united support of school teachers everywhere, as well as the parents of every child of public school age. The costly and useless duplication of facilities for higher education in our state is criminally robbing the common schools of their just proportion of state funds. Stay in there and fight Voice, we are for you.

**CONTACT.**

(Jos. F. Hibbetts in Dallas News.)  
John N. Garner will play an important part in the Roosevelt new deal plans. The vice president, as Garner will enact the role, will not be a figurehead. The Texan may be expected to be found seated at the president's council table, both during cabinet meetings, in which he has been invited to participate, and in the secret conferences where policies and procedure really are formulated. Roosevelt will depend much upon Garner. It has been customary for incoming presidents to seek a contact with the house of representatives through a member of their own official family. Roosevelt will not have to delegate this important chore to a member of his cabinet. With Garner at his side, Roosevelt need look no farther. Garner has thirty years of house background and this will prove invaluable to the new president. Upon Garner will fall the responsibility of making off-stage contacts with his old colleagues of the house. And in this role the Texan will not fail. It's a game he knows well.

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In Person  
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Saturday  
Chester Morris in  
"INFERNAL MACHINE"

Sunday-Monday  
Kate Smith in  
"HELLO EVERYBODY"  
You hear her on your radio,  
now see her in pictures.

Tuesday-Wednesday  
William Powell in  
"ONE WAY PASSAGE"

Thurs.-Fri.  
Edward G. Robinson in  
"SILVER DOLLAR"

**PERSONALS**

Miss Pauline Chinn has entered John Sealy hospital of nursing at Galveston.

Mrs. and Mrs. S. E. Richardson of Stephenville spent the week-end with his brother, J. E. Richardson, and family. Mrs. Richardson teaches in John Tarleton college.

Mrs. Ruby Gilbert, superintendent of the West Texas hospital at Lubbock, and Miss Edna Engle, a supervisor there, were passing visitors this week with Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Hunter and family. The Hunter girls, Misses Beryl and Odelle, are finishing their course in nursing at this hospital.

Mrs. G. F. Woods has returned from Fort Worth where she attended the Star-Telegram quilt show. She also visited in Mineral Wells.

Mrs. Jim Black and daughter, Miss Lennah Rose, and two sons, Joe and Jimmie, of Big Spring, are here for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Alice Rose.

Joe Peterson has returned to Big Spring after a visit here with his mother, Mrs. May Peterson.

Julius A. Anderberg, for several years in charge of the Magnolia pump station here and now stationed at Oden, is spending a few days here.

Advertise in The Merkel Mail.

**BRUCE BARTON**

(Continued from Page One)

Years passed and Hosea spoke. His had not been a happy life. His wife deserted him; heartbroken and vengeful he was determined to cast her off forever. Yet his love would not let him do it. He went to her, forgave her, and took her back. Then in his hours of lonely brooding a great thought came to him! If he, a mere man could love so unselfishly one who had broken faith with him, must not God be capable of as great, or greater forgiveness, toward erring human beings?—a God so strong that he could destroy, yet so tender that he would not!

One God. A just God. A good God. These were the three steps in the development of the greatest of all ideas. Hundreds of generations have died since the days of Moses, of Amos and Hosea. The thought of the world on almost every other subject has changed; but the conception of God which these three achieved has remained in control of men's thinking down to this very hour.

Next Week: All Men Created Equal.

"A World of Fun." See "Mammy's Minstrel"—local talent—at Cozy theatre, Friday night, Feb. 24.

**Will Preach at Blair.**

W. G. Cypert will preach at Blair Church of Christ next Sunday at 11 o'clock. Come early and enjoy the service with us.

Read the advertisements in this paper. There's a message in every one of them that may enable you to save money. At least you will know where to find what you want without doing a lot of hunting and asking questions, and you also know the merchants appreciate your patronage because they solicit your business and make special offering of their goods.

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  - Wheel Bearings
  - Coils
  - Condensers
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  - Ring Gears
  - Armatures
  - Gaskets
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APPLES, ex. fancy Delicious, doz. 15c

ORANGES, doz. 23c

**Lemons large size dozen 25c**

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

**SUGAR pure cane 10 pounds 45c**

PEACHES, R & W No. 2 1-2 can 17c

**Prunes No. 10 can 37c**

BEANS, Kuners, green or wax, can 10c

PEAS, Kuners Economy, 2 cans 25c

**Spinach No. 1 can 2 for 23c**

ASPARAGUS, picnic size 17c

HOMINY, med. size

TOMATOES, No. 1 can

PORK & BEANS

CORN, No. 1 can

MACARONI,

OATS, B & W package 19c

RICE, 2 lb. pkg., R & W 15c

**Coffee Sun Up 1 lb. pkg. 19c**

COCOA, B & W, 2 lb. can 25c

FLOUR, R & W, 24 lbs. 59c—48 lbs. \$1.05

**Compound 8 lbs. 45c**

BACON, sugar cured, sliced, lb. 15c

**Cheese Wisconsin pound 17c**

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# THE OTHER MAN

by RUBY M. AYRES  
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### TENTH INSTALLMENT.

Synopsis: Pauline, sentimental, trustful, sincere and loving love, is married to Dennis O'Hara. Barbara, her closest friend, comes to visit her. Between Barbara and Dennis is a seeming wall of personal dislike. Both Barbara confesses to Pauline there is a man she really loves, despite her pretense of disunionment, but she refuses to disclose his name. Following an automobile accident Dennis learns who the man is that Barbara loves. It's himself. Much against his will, Dennis finds a new attraction in Barbara, who plays the same cool and detached role as formerly. The O'Haras go to New York for a vacation visit, throwing Dennis and Barbara much into each other's company. Dennis, in love with Barbara, breaks through all barriers and tells her of his love. Pauline is called home by the illness of her mother.

### NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY.

Pauline looked to the window and out into the street. "Insurance for what?" he said after a moment. "Policy. Insure come," Pauline said. "Maybe too late," and waited. "I can go myself quite well," she added as he did not speak. "If you'll send a wire and see me off—"

"Do you think you need go today?"

"I'm sure. You see these letters have been sent on from home, so that makes it a day late."

Dennis turned around. "If you'd like me to come with you—"

She was so thankful to him for suggesting it that she broke into eager refusal. "Of course not! It would be ever so dull for you with Dad."

"I'll be out of bed; she had her new negligee, Pauline's first time Dennis noticed."

"Where did you get that thing?" he asked.

"What thing?" Oh, this. She colored with pleasure. "It is rather nice, isn't it? Barbara chose it, she's got such wonderful taste. I know you don't think so, but she has, all the same."

"It's not so bad," Dennis said grudgingly, and then with awkward grace, he added, "It suits you."

"Oh, do you think so?" She ran to him and lifted her face to be kissed. "It's such a shame your holiday is being spoiled," she added a moment later. "What will you do without me?"

Dennis thrust a hand into his coat pocket.

"I heard from Stornaway this morning—he's coming to town for a few days. He wanted us to dine with him tonight." He broke off and added, almost too urgently: "Stay till tomorrow."

"Oh, I'd love to, but if Mother is ill—I'll pack now. You go and look up a train. Barbara will be sorry won't she? We'd planned so many things."

Dennis did not answer; he stood watching her with moody eyes.

Suddenly he went to her and took her by the arms.

"You're a good little soul," he said.

"I love you," Pauline said with shining eyes.

She felt perfectly happy, even though she was leaving Dennis. She was sure he would miss her terribly, but after all it was only for a few days, and then they would be together again.

Barbara was dressing when Pauline rang her up.

"Good-bye!" For a moment Barbara's heart seemed to stand still. What had happened?

"Good-bye—what on earth—"

"It's mother—she's not very well," Pauline exclaimed. "I'm going to stay with her for a few days. I'm awfully sorry, but—"

"Shan't I see you again?"

Barbara's voice was a little breathless. Wouldn't she be able to say good-bye to Dennis?

"I'm going by the twelve-five train—it's the best. Dennis has booked a seat and is coming to see me off."

Then he was not going with her. Barbara's pulse quieted.

"The twelve-five from where?" she asked.

"Grand Central."

"I'll be there to see you off."

"Will you? You are a darling,

Barbara. You'll look after Dennis for me, won't you? Dr. Stornaway is coming up to town for a few days, so Dennis will have him, but I shall be much happier if I know you are looking after him as well, Barbie."

"I don't imagine he will, though," Barbara said quickly.

"Of course he will! I thought you'd put that idea out of your head. I'm sure he really likes you Barbie."

Barbara gave a short laugh. "I'll do my best—if you really want me to," she said reluctantly.

"Thank you so much. Then you'll be at Grand Central."

Barbara turned away from the phone. She felt angry; she felt as if she had deliberately taken a treasure from a child's hand, as she put on her hat and coat and sent for a taxi.

Pauline was a fool to leave Dennis in New York. Didn't she know, couldn't she see the way the wind was blowing? It was absurd to be so blind and trusting.

She reached Grand Central a moment before the train started. Pauline was already seated. She looked somehow like a child going back to school after a happy holiday.

"Don't lean out of the window," Barbara teased her, "and wait till the train stops."

Pauline laughed. "I'll send you a wire directly after I get home, Dennis darling—and you'll write to me."

He made a grimace.

"You used to write lovely letters when we were engaged."

Barbara laughed mockingly.

"What a shame to throw his nasty past in his face." But she was bitterly jealous of that past and of the letters he had written to Pauline.

The guard blew his whistle, and Pauline leaned out of the window and put her arms round her husband's neck.

"Good-bye, my precious, take care of yourself. Take care of him, Barbie."

"He's quite capable of taking care of himself," Barbara said coolly.

She stood silently beside Dennis till the train was out of sight; then she spoke. "I'll take a taxi. I'm in a hurry."

"Where are you going?"

"To lunch with Jerry."

"That's not the truth," Dennis said calmly. "I ran into Barnett at the station ten minutes ago and he told me he was going down to Windsor to the races."

Barbara bit her lips and made no answer. Dennis hailed a taxi and followed her into it.

"Romano's, please," he told the driver. "You'll lunch with me," he said as they drove away.

"You're very positive," she sneered.

"I am—as positive as I am that you never intended lunching with Barnett." He laid his hand on hers, but she drew it sharply away. "Why did you tell me such a fib?" he asked.

She shrank back away from him into the corner.

"I feel such a cad," she said al-

most violently.

"How do you imagine I feel?"

"I don't think men have any conscience when they want a thing badly enough."

"As badly as I want you, you mean?"

She did not speak, and he went on: "You've made mistakes, Barbara haven't you?"

"Dozens."

"And paid for them?"

"Bitterly."

"Well—I'm paying now."

"You've got a vivid imagination."

"Have I?" He caught her hand suddenly and raised it to his lips. She had taken off her gloves, and he held her palm against his lips as if it were something unutterably precious, almost sacred.

Barbara closed her eyes. This was what she had wanted; this was what she had longed for and almost prayed for, for months, and yet now it had come she was not happy.

She thought of Pauline, speeding away, and again that terrible feeling swept over her that she was robbing a child of its dearest possession.

"If you want me to lunch with you, you must behave," she said coolly, and put on her gloves.

The taxi stopped and they got out. They were given a corner table in an alcove.

He ordered lunch, and the waiter went away.

"When one comes to think of it," Barbara said consideringly, "Why should you like me?"

"Love you," he corrected obstinately.

She went on as if she had not

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"I don't think, I know."

"Yes, but I think you'd better sit up and try and look less interested in me. I'm rather well known here."

"You seem to be well known everywhere we go."

She sighed. "I am. How can I help it? It's my life."

"I wish I could take you out of it."

"Dennis don't be foolish." Barbara sipped her cocktail. "It's good," she said. "Well here's to you."

"And to you, and to everything that might have been, and may be yet," he said obstinately.

Barbara drained her glass and set it down.

"Everything that never will be," she said firmly. "What sort of a wretch do you think I am? Pauline is my friend."

"She's my wife, but it makes no difference to the fact that I love you."

"You thought you loved her when you married her."

"I did love her. I do love her in some ways, but it's not the love I have for you. I can imagine that it is possible to love many women as

I love her, but only possible to love one as I love you."

"You should write a book," Barbara mocked him.

"I suppose you've heard everything, I can say to you from other men," he said savagely.

She shook her head. "No. None of them have ever been like you."

Lunch was brought.

"Will you dine with me and Stornaway tonight?" Dennis asked.

"Certainly not. I don't like Dr. Stornaway, and I know he doesn't approve of me. You forget that we met in the hospital when you were there."

"He knows nothing about you."

"No, but he imagines he does."

"Pauline requested you to look after me," he reminded her with a glimmer of a smile.

Barbara grew suddenly grave.

"Have you ever thought what would happen if Pauline ever knew—"

ever found out—" she stopped, and he broke in quickly.

"Found out—what?"

"That you talk to me like this."

"You mean that I love you, and that you love me?"

Well—have you ever thought what she would do?"

(Continued Next Week.)

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Joke Editor—Van Roberts.

### OUR SENIORS.

#### Margaret Dean.

Margaret is one of the friendliest and sweetest girls we have in the Senior class. She is always ready to do her part. If something has to be done, tell Margaret and it will be ready on time. She is a member of the M. H. S. Players club and the F. U. N. club. We know that she is a good student and very dependable. Keep going strong, Margaret, and success will be yours.

#### Gerald Derrick.

Gerald is another of our athletic students. The Merkel Badgers could not have done without him. He has lettered on the football team three years and on the basketball team four years. Last year he was captain of the basketball team and he was also elected "most popular boy." He has been a member of the M. H. S. Players club three years. Gerald is a good sport, a fun-lover, and a real pal. Gerald, your many friends wish for you the best of luck in all you undertake.

### DIDJA KNOW—

Thelma, Robbie and Ethel's imitations of Clara, Lu and Em will eventually drive us all crazy? E-nuff is E-nuff!

Clarence has been about "to step out" lately?

That women should have much cleaner ideas than men? They change them every five minutes.

That "Gracie" has the sympathy of all the M. H. S. students?

That Lucile, Billye, Duncan and Mildred had begun "to wonder" last Friday night about 9:45 o'clock?

That when "Kate" and Van finished singing "Please" everyone began to say "Please!"?

That the basketball boys won the game with Blair, lost the one with Tuscola, and some of them were entertained at the Dramatic club party? Well—'tis so!

That Lucile wants to know if east of northwest is north of east?

### DEAMATIC CLUB.

As Valentine was the theme for the club meeting last Friday night, the studio was beautifully decorated with hearts.

The hosts for the occasion were Bud Toombs, Van Roberts, Jimmy West, Lucile Campbell, Duncan Briggs, Mildred Richardson and Billy Gardner.

Several interesting contests were carried on. Nell and Margaret received the prize.

The program consisted of the following: Quartette—Joyce Wheeler, Mildred Richardson, Frances Adcock, Margaret Miller.

Poems—Ruth Davis.  
Talk, "Perishing"—Meyer Mellinger.  
Story, "Widdle's Revenge"—Opal Huskey.

Sketch of the play—Mrs. Haynes.  
Howard Stanley, Annie Lee Owens, Imogene Middleton and Nell Hughes were lucky in one event. They drew the subjects to make impromptu talks. Everyone enjoyed these talks and really learned what our personal responsibilities to the club and other things are.

We then went to the Grammar school to see the play "When The Boy Comes Home." Characters for the play were Jack Tucker, Nell Hughes, Margaret Dean, Van Roberts and Frances Marie Church.

After returning to the studio, we were served sandwiches, apples and marshmallows.

The president took charge and attended to the usual business. About forty members answered to the roll call.

The club is thinking about a year book. The plans have not been developed yet so you will hear more about it later.

Visitors this time were Rogene Dye, Caribell Mansfield, Lois Whiteley, Marie Stanford and Jack Patterson.

We also had some new members this time. They were Mr. and Mrs. Ted McGehee, Alton Bickneald, and Mildred Sharp.

**F. U. N. CLUB ENTERTAINED.**  
On Tuesday afternoon our little sisters entertained us in Mrs. Haynes' studio. The theme of the party was Valentine and several clever games were carried out. We are really proud of our little sisters for giving us such a delightful party.

Those attending the party were the

Senior and Freshmen girls and Mrs. Irvin and Miss Martin.

### THE CASTLE IN THE MOORS.

The sky was dark, the eve was gray—  
While from the heavens came the wintry spray.  
The river crept on like a silvery snake  
As on a merciless errand some soul to take.

The castle shone under the pale blue moon  
And from the marsh came the cry of the loom.  
The owl did still by his wooing chirrup  
And flitted silently from his nightly perch.

Then from the Castle came that deathly cry,  
For 'twas in this castle  
The ghosts did hide.  
'Twas one hundred years, upon this night  
Since the bodies were placed in the ghostly light.

The years had passed;  
All lives were spent;  
And the only mark of the sad event  
Was the wierd old castle  
Where the ghosts lament.

Ah! Time has waved her magic wand,  
For on this spot in the Spanish moors  
Three men were slain—without a cause.  
Ah! For the lust of blood and love  
These lives have gone to the land of ghosts.

Yes! 'Tis these we hear on the midnight drear  
In the castle of the moors.  
Weep not, sad heart, for this mere hate,  
For we live to die by some such fate.  
Ah! Yes, 'tis written on the magic slate  
And played on the golden harp,  
For at some such time in the years to come  
The body and soul must part.  
—Lynn Shelton.

**TOMFOOLERY.**  
Mary Helen M.: "Oh, gee, I got zero on my algebra paper!"  
Annie Lou: "Well, what of it? That's nothing."

"Jack is at the hospital being censored."  
"Censored? What do you mean?"  
"Having several important parts cut out."

David: "I couldn't sleep a bit last night because the window shade was up."  
Horace N: "Why didn't you pull it down?"  
David: "Do you think I can reach across the street?"

Horace D: "Where yuh going?"  
Charles: "Downstairs to get some water."  
Horace: "In your B. V. D.'s?"  
Charles: "No, sap! In this pitcher."

**VALENTINE.**  
Webster says a valentine is a sentimental missive, he also says it is a sweetheart. We gather, then, that it is all right to send a valentine to your valentine so long as you keep your definitions straight. If you put the cart before the horse, the horse might balk.

Going back to olden times, we find that Valentine came from a word meaning to be strong. Maybe you wonder where anything so dainty and fragile as a lacy valentine could ever come from strength. We used to wonder that, too, but that was before we heard the story of the bold colonial sheik.

It seems the poor fellow was "born thirty years too soon," or maybe he should have lived before the days of valentines. At any rate, he sent one out of place. As you understand, this was before the days of open courtship; and the boy had known the particular maiden of whom we are speaking only as her father's daughter. However, he had seen her on the streets a few times and was impressed with her beauty.

He ventured to speak to her several times and once he had a short chat with her. Alas! the valentine he sent was tender, and her father's boot was large.

Valentines must be worthwhile, since they have lived so long. St. Valentine's Day is a time to forget the hurry and push of the modern world and think for awhile of a more tender something that is here all the time being shoved about. It is a time

### Shiloh Happenings

The health of this community is very good at this writing.

There was a large crowd at Sunday School Sunday morning.

Mrs. Tom Greene entertained her Sunday School Sunday with a dinner and Valentine drawing. Those enjoying the occasion were: Dorothy and Ronald Rutledge, Joy Rutledge, Charlene James, Leona Cox, Weldon Rutledge, Robert Grimes Seago, Syble Joe Winter, Edna Carl Winter, Karl Bonneau, Kenneth and Lucille McGriff and Edward Seago.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardie Rutledge were guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Crick Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cox visited in the Golan community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Grayson spent Sunday with the latter's brother, Mr. Wesley Hardie, at Clyde.

### RURAL SOCIETY

#### SMITH-ISOM.

On Saturday morning at 11 o'clock, Miss Ida May Isom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Berry Isom, was united in marriage to Ford Smith, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Ford Smith, both families residing in the Mt. Pleasant community. The ceremony was performed by Justice of the Peace Walters at his office in the Taylor county courthouse.

The young couple were attended by Miss Ethel King and Fred Johnson. The bride attended Capps school while the groom is a graduate of Merkel Hi of '31.

They will reside on the Ford Smith farm where best wishes of a host of friends are being extended.

#### STITH CLUB.

The Stith Home Demonstration club will meet Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the home of Mrs. John Shaw. Our agent will be with us and we are expecting visitors from the Anderson Chapel club. Let all club members be present. Visitors are always welcome.

—Reporter.

### STITH NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Ira C. Stanley spent the week-end with relatives in Valera. Mrs. Sam Machburn, one of the B. Y. P. U. sponsors, is giving a social Tuesday evening, Feb. 14, for the intermediates.

Mrs. Ross B. Jenkins, who has been making her home with the principal, W. C. Jenkins, of the Stith school, left Sunday to join her husband who is a senior in A. & M. college.

Hattie Mae and Lucy Faye Dwigins are back in school after two weeks of illness.

Ce Vene Daniels is now absent from school on account of the measles. The school chapel program Monday morning consisted of several interesting readings and dialogues. The chapel program for next Monday morning will be given by the Choral and Glee clubs. Everyone is invited.

The Stith senior boys basketball team was defeated by Neinda Friday afternoon, 26-23.

The senior girls are planning to play at Anson Friday afternoon, Feb. 17.

To analyze our felings for others. Is that not worthwhile?  
Maybe there are a few "colonial" fathers left today, but we never hear about them. The origin of the word is being forgotten. In short, we believe valentine day is a good time to send valentines, so I hope you don't let that story ever discourage you, boys!

**FAVORITES OF SOME.**  
Ray—"Lucille."  
Nell—"How Deep Is the Ocean."  
James—"Would You Like to Take a Walk."  
Gerald—"Sally Ann."  
Gordon—"I'm a Stern Old Bachelor."

Ward—"Get Away Old Maids, Get Away."  
Jim—"Abilene Girl."  
Imogene—"A Little Street Where Sweethearts Meet."  
Bud—"I'd Like to be in Texas For the Roundup."  
Bussie—"Goodbye, Bettye."  
Mildred—"True Blue Bill."  
Margaret M.—"Pistol Packing" Sweetheart."

Alton—"When Your Hair Has Turned to Silver."  
Duncan—"Is I in Love, I Is."  
Vergil Lee—"I Ain't Got Nobody."  
Oscar—"My Darling."  
Faye—"If It Ain't You, It's Someone Else."  
Florene—"Dark Eyes."

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### TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

The happiness in another home was made complete last Thursday night when a little baby boy arrived and took his abode with Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Spence. Mother and babe are doing splendidly and we think Grandpa Spence will recover.

Mrs. C. W. Williams and Okla Reed attended business at Avoca the early part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Burton left last Monday for a visit with their son and family, W. I. Burton, who lives at Stith.

T. L. Stephens is having a new barn erected on his farm south of town this week.

Mrs. T. B. Sorrells of Fort Worth visited with relatives here and at Abilene last week-end.

Mrs. Norwood has gone to Comanche county for a visit with relatives. Carl Edwards is a San Antonio guest this week.

Uncle Jim bright has returned from Mineral Wells.

Miss Marie Bird of Easterly, who is visiting her grandfather, Mr. Andrew Archer, here, is spending a few days with her cousin, Mrs. Joe Reed, this week.

Henry Burton and wife have moved here from Clyde. They will reside at the home of Mr. Burton's father here.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nally and two daughters were guests of Mr. Nally's sister, Miss Emma Nally of Cisco, last Sunday. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Frost, who visited relatives also.

Mr. Dale Estep of Goose Creek came by last Sunday and was a dinner guest in the home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Jno. Crane. He was en route to Seminole to visit with his parents there.

Mr. M. G. Scott attended business matters on the Plains the early part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Owens are the happy parents of a fine baby boy taking his abode with them Tuesday of last week. Mother and babe are doing fine.

Just as we go to press we have learned that Mrs. Anderson's nephew, Arlie Hawkins, of Houston, who was staying with his aunt going to school at Goodman accidentally fell off a horse Sunday evening and was killed. Arlie was 15 years old. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Mrs. Robert D. Martin of Abilene spent the day with her mother, Mrs. M. G. Scott, last Monday.

### High School News.

**"BE SOMEBODY."**  
(By Jewel Gabbert.)  
If you are out with a crowd  
Of wild and reckless ways,  
And though they laugh aloud  
At you, and your rightful days,  
Be Somebody!

If they ask of you to drink,  
Strong drinks, smoke, or swear,  
If they lead you down to the brink  
Of temptation; no matter who's there,  
Be Somebody!

If they laugh in your face,  
Because you've been at will  
Of goodness, rather than disgrace,  
Just return a smile and still  
Be Somebody!

**VOLLEY BALL.**  
The girls volley ball players met Monday and started some stiff playing. Garland Franks is coach and Mildred Steadman and Gladys Hamner are co-captains.

The girls that are out for training are: Idell Cooper, Jewel Gabbert, Odessa McDonald, Gladys Hamner, Mildred Steadman, Ida V. Estep, Clara Louise Ailyn, Vera Bright, Helen Bright, Vada Gabbert, Thelma Nally, Doreen Scott and Fannye Bell Vessel.

We will play anyone at any time, at Trent or on their own field. Miss Anna Bell Bailey will be assistant coach.

**SOMEONE SUGGEST:**  
That Jewel and Fannye spend the week-end together.  
That the Hi school go on a picnic.  
That Helen Bright catch a fellow.  
That Idell should sing for us.  
That we should have a volley ball

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game Friday.

That someone should walk home with Lois Powell from church.

That four girls parade around in Trent.

That we all go to Eskota.

That a Merkel boy come over to Trent to date.

**"AROUND THE CORNER."**

There is two "nite-owls."

A party at Helen Bright's.

A Junior-Senior banquet.

A Senior play, "Gates to Happiness."

A basketball game for our boys at Ovalo.

Mildred will get several dates on Sunday nights.

An all around volley ball team.

Three good book-peepers from Trent.

### BLAIR ITEMS

Rev. Paul Witt of Abilene delivered an eloquent message at the Church of Christ Sunday. A large crowd enjoyed the discourse from this able young evangelist.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Spears and daughter, Miss Zuma, and Mr. and Mrs. Miram Spears responded to a message Tuesday of last week of the serious illness of their grandson, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Chalmers Patterson of Lubbock. Mrs. Spears remaining with the family for an indefinite time.

Mrs. Susie Doan and Mr. Hugh

Campbell, accompanied by Etsa

mer of White Church visited Mr.

Mrs. D. C. Doan the past week.

Mrs. Doan remained for the week

coming by auto with Mr. and Mrs.

Doan and family Sunday.

Mr. A. J. Pribble from New Mexico

is here visiting his son, Mr. and Mrs.

Odis Pribble. Mr. Pribble formerly

lived here.

Little Misses Billie Jean and Dewee

Melton enjoyed several days stay with

their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs.

Claude Doan, at Tuscola, recently.

Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Dodge and Mr.

and Mrs. Dick Starr of Abilene were

interesting guests of Mr. and Mrs.

Ernest Rogers Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Doan and family

spent the day Sunday with Mr. and

Mrs. Sam Horton of Trent.

Miss Harriet Rogers graciously en-

tertained the high school students

with a social in her home and those at-

tending reported a jolly good time.

Mr. M. Doan made a business trip

to Tuscola in midweek.

Read the advertisements in this

paper. There's a message in every one

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LOST AND FOUND

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Killed When Fell From Horse

Our community was made sad Sunday evening when Arlie Hawkins was thrown from a horse and received a fractured skull, death resulting a few hours later. Arlie was a boy who was liked by all who knew him and will be missed by all his little friends and schoolmates.

We walked into a garden filled with beautiful flowers; we saw one crushed and broken. We asked of the Gardener, "Who hath done this?" He replied, "The Master," and we held our peace. It is with a feeling of sadness that we meet, because our dear friend will meet with us no more. Like the flower of the garden, he lies crushed and broken. We turn our eyes upward and in the anguish of our hearts we cry aloud, "Who hath done this?" And out from the pearly gates of God's eternal heaven, gleaming with light and life everlasting, came the answer, "The Master." We hold our peace.

It seemeth such a little way to us Across to that strange country, the Beyond.

For it has grown to be the home Of one of whom we are so fond. And so, for us, there is no death; It is but crossing with bated breath a little strip of sea, To find our loved one waiting on the shore More beautiful, more precious than before.

There is only a curtain between us, Between the Beyond and here; He whom we called dead has not left us,

Nay, he were never so near. Not dead, but only promoted, He has entered the heavens above, And there neath the smiles of the Master He will finish his labor of love;

Not dead, but beginning to live In the wondrous home of the blest, Where the sunshine of love shall woo The weary to peace and sweet rest.

Arlie is survived by his mother and two sisters and several aunts who live in Houston and his aunt, Mrs. Norman F. Anderson, of this community, with whom he was staying and attending school.

We extend our deepest sympathy to all the bereaved ones.

If you have any visitors. Phone 29 or 61.

Typewriting and carbon paper at Mail office.

Woodmen Circle Plan Dedication of National Headquarters Building

Members of Merkel grove No. 563 of the Woodmen Circle have been invited to witness the dedication of the society's new national headquarters building at Omaha, Nebr., June 5 and 6. Mrs. Jeanie Willard, Denison, national vice president; Mrs. Dora Alexander Talley, Omaha, formerly of Garland, national secretary; Mrs. Henrietta A. Thomas, Fort Worth, junior past national president; and Miss Bessie Dolan, Taylor, member of the national legislative committee, will take official part in the two-day dedication ceremonies.

Mrs. Tressie Goldsticker, Stamford, manager of this district and local officers and members are interested in the dedication and many hope to attend.

It is expected that the dedication will draw more than a thousand members from all parts of the country, including Texas state officers, field workers, drill teams and members. This event will mark the third anniversary of the dedication of the society's Home for Aged Members and Orphan Children at Sherman.

World Famed Tenor At Simmons Feb. 24

Abilene, Feb. 16.—West Texas music lovers will be treated to the third concert by a world famed artist when John McCormack, tenor, sings at the Simmons university auditorium here on the evening of Friday, February 24. Announcement of the concert has been made by the Simmons artist course management, sponsors of the attraction.

John McCormack, who has been called "the world's most beloved tenor," began a transcontinental tour with a concert at Boston on January 15. His itinerary carries him into about 60 cities of the country and ends on Easter. Abilene is one of the few cities in the Southwest in which he is scheduled. Last year, McCormack cancelled all American engagements to tour Europe, going into Ireland, England, Scotland and Wales.

This will be McCormack's first appearance in Abilene or this section of the state. Advance sale of reservations will open at once, according to the artist course management. Two thousand seats in the auditorium will be available.

COTTONSEED FOR SALE. First year Harper Mebane Cottonseed; 50 cents per bushel. H. L. Wilson, five miles northwest of Merkel.

Try a Classified Ad in The Mail. Use The Mail Want Ads. Office supplies—Mail office.

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

Pictures of Yesterday Featured in Program

"A song of yesterday— Sing it lightly, sing it low, Sing it as we used to know Back in 'The Gay Nineties'."

These of us who enjoy recalling "days gone by" will appreciate the evening of entertainment to be given at the Grammar School auditorium on Friday night, February 17, at 7:30, for the High School chorus will present at this time scenes familiar to most of the "Merkelites."

The Junior Expression class will appear in a clever playlet in which they assist Father Time in turning back the famous clock of Time. Immediately then shall we visit "The Country Store" with its famous salesman, Sid Perkins, and the "Village Gang." The Boys Glee club make up the cast for this comedy.

The second scene will take us to Esmeralda's parlor where the "choir rehearsal" is to be held. This old-fashioned room forms a picturesque setting for a number of familiar heart songs given by the Girls Choral club.

The last act will carry us out to the negroes' "shack" where the darkies will give their pleasing concert. And it is with the notes of Amos and Andy's song that we are to be brought back to our "own day."

Admission will be ten cents. January Sales Are Largest Since June

Chevrolet dealers reported retail sales for the past month of 39,701 units compared with 35,199 in January of last year, H. J. Klingler, vice-president and general sales manager of the Chevrolet Motor company, has announced.

January sales were the largest since June of last year.

To date over 50,000 of the new 1933 models have been placed in owners' hands since announcement of the new line despite the fact that a field shortage existed. With field stocks at normal now, Mr. Klingler said he expects February sales to score a considerable gain over February of last year.

In the first ten days of January dealers delivered 19,162 units, in the second ten days 12,713 units and 16,826 in the last period, the increase reflecting the availability of cars for delivery, Mr. Klingler stated.

He said the National Automobile sales indicated the upturn experienced all over the country during January. At the Chicago show, just closed, Chicago Chevrolet dealers sold 1,052 new units during the week of the show as compared with 710 in auto show week last year, a gain of 48 per cent, and secured 1,756 prospects as compared with 1,323 in the like 1932 week. Comparable results were

Romantic Figures Of Gold Rush Days In "Silver Dollar"

Some of the most romantic characters in the history of the gold rush days of the early West, characters as dazzling as those of the most engaging fiction, are emblazoned in the First National picture, "Silver Dollar," which shows at the Palace theatre, Sweetwater, Thursday and Friday of next week.

The picture is based on the novel by David Karnes, which delves into the life stories of the pioneers and adventurers who swarmed the mining camps of Colorado during the richest silver strike in the history of the world. The central figure is that of Yates Martin who struggled through days of starvation as a prospector to rise to fame as the richest of the millionaires after he struck "pay dirt."

Edward G. Robinson plays the part of this Silver King who slapped a dry president on the back and asked him to have a drink, ruled a state legislature in a barroom to the popping of champagne corks, embarrassed General Grant by making such a disturbance in his own opera house and prima donna quit in a huff, and scandalized a nation with his divorce and remarriage.

Other picturesque personages include the horde of adventurers of the mining camps, the gambling rooms, dance halls, and political forums. Bebe Daniels had the leading feminine role opposite Robinson, that of the second wife of the Silver King, while Aline MacMahon plays the part of the first wife whom he deserted for the younger and more beautiful woman.

obtained in New York, and at other automobile shows already held throughout the country, attendance, interest and his company's sales generally are running higher than at any time since 1929, according to the Chevrolet executive.

TURKEY DINNER 25c Sunday, Feb. 19th AMERICAN CAFE FLOSSIE MACK

Baby Found

(Continued From Page One) where Mrs. Dowell cared for it until Burl Wheeler arrived.

When Sheriff Wheeler placed the abandoned baby in the West Texas Baptist sanitarium Sunday night, he was asked what the baby's name was. The sheriff's own word for it "Before I thought, I answered, 'Burl Wheeler is the name'—and that's the way he was registered in."

Tuesday in county court the infant boy, known as Burl Wheeler II, was awarded to the West Texas Children's Aid and Welfare association, of which Rev. W. A. Nicholas is superintendent, "with power to make proper disposition of said child in a suitable home where he will be well educated and cared for."

An outfit of baby clothes, complete from cap to shoes, was donated from the Minter Dry Goods company of Abilene.

In the interim since the baby was found no clue as to his parents or history has been developed.

"Trouble in Paradise" Is High Class Comedy

A picture which is declared by critics to be the year's cleverest comedy is "Trouble in Paradise," Paramount's five star production, which shows at the Queen theatre tonight and Saturday. The cast includes Herbert Marshall, Kay Francis, Miriam Hopkins, Charlie Ruggles and Edward Everett Horton. The story deals with a high society crook who meets a beautiful young lady in Europe. The two find each other in the same business and plot to rob a beautiful heiress. The gentleman falls in love with his victim and trouble begins. No end of comedy is furnished by the ridiculous situation, while Charlie Ruggles and Edward Everett Horton supply many laughs. This modern comedy romance promises to be one of the season's big hits; you should not miss it.

Complete line of office supplies at Mail office.

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QUEEN TONIGHT AND SATURDAY. The year's cleverest comedy "TROUBLE IN PARADISE" with KAY FRANCIS MIRIAM HOPKINS HERBERT MARSHALL CHARLES RUGGLES AND EDWARD EVERETT HORTON. Two Eves and an Adam, who was a snake in the grass, fight it out in the picture declared by critics to be the season's funniest hit! Also Serial and Comedy

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John McCORMACK "World's Most Beloved Tenor" Simmons University Auditorium Friday, February 24—8 P. M. Prices: \$1.10, \$1.65, \$2.20, \$2.75. Reservations direct to G. B. Sandefer, Manager, Simmons University Artist Course, Abilene, Texas

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APPROACHING MARRIAGE OF MISS PLASTER ANNOUNCED.

(Colorado Record.) Announcement of the approaching marriage of Miss Fayrel Plaster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Plaster, to Mr. Harold Boney of Merkel, which is to occur on February 15, was made at a reception given on Saturday afternoon at the home of the bride-elect's sister, Mrs. Bill Dorn, Chestnut and East 15th streets.

The attractive Dorn home was decorated with red snap dragons and ferns. There were eight tables of bridge players and partners were designated in a unique manner. The tallies, fashioned in Valentine hearts, were cut into and matching the proper pieces designated partners for the playing.

Among the out-of-town guests were Misses Beulah Ashford of Abilene, and McGowan of Baird and Mrs. Eddie Grissom of Sweetwater. High score was made by Mrs. Dewey Tidwell who was presented a candy jar of bath salts. This she presented to the honoree, Miss Plaster also received an attractive dance set as gift of the hostess.

At the refreshment hour red salad moulded in heart shaped sandwiches, tea and miniature wedding cakes in cellophane pack and tied with pink ribbons were served. On the cellophane package was kewpie holding a dainty pink heart shaped announcement, "Miss Fayrel Plaster, Mr. Harold Boney, Feb. 15th."

Miss Plaster is one among Colorado's most charming and accomplished young women. She was reared in this city, attended school here and has made many friends. She is the daughter of one of Mitchell county's pioneer families.

BONEY-PLASTER.

A pretty wedding occurred Wednesday evening at six o'clock when Miss Fayrel Plaster of Colorado and Mr. Harold Boney of Merkel were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Plaster, 305 Hickory street, Colorado. The house had been decorated with cut flowers in pink and white used with ferns and a bower of ferns and potted plants in one corner of the living room was flanked on either side with tall wrought-iron candelabra holding tall white candles. At the base of these were baskets of flowers and above a white wedding bell wreathed with tiny pink roses, with white ribbons making a canopy on either side. Tall candles were placed on either end of the piano which was centered with a basket of flowers in pink and white.

The guests, who were close friends of the bride and groom, were met at the door by Mrs. Plaster and Miss Baby Dale Warren. They registered in a pretty bride's book presided over by Mrs. Irvin Plaster. Others in the houseparty were Miss Geraldine Baze and Miss Juliana Smith.

Promptly at the hour Mrs. Dewey Tidwell took her place at the piano, playing the accompaniment for Mrs. Frank Mackey, who played "I Love You Truly" on the violin. Then she struck the notes of Mendelssohn's wedding march and the bride's minister, Dr. Clingman, entered and took his place in the improvised altar. Next up the aisle, marked by white ribbons, the bridesmaid came, Miss Marybelle Brennand, and Mr. Jack Wurnett, then Mrs. William Dorn, maid of honor, and Mr. Marion McClurk, best man. Following these the bride and groom. In a beautiful, impressive manner Dr. Clingman said the words of the double ring marriage ceremony.

After congratulations and good wishes, the company passed into the dining room where the two-tiered wedding cake surrounded with sweet peas and topped by a miniature birde and groom, was cut, first by the bride, then the young ladies of the houseparty, and served with pink and white brick cream.

Mr. and Mrs. Boney left immediately afterward for a honeymoon trip to Fort Worth, Dallas and San Antonio. The bride's dress was of blue silk with starched sleeves and collar of white lace, with hat and other accessories of blue. She carried an arm bouquet of pink rosebuds, baby's breath and ferns. Her going-away suit was grey and blue, with grey accessories. Mrs. Dorn was in a dress of pink and blue, Miss Brennand in beige with blue hat, both wearing shoulder bouquets of sweet peas.

The gentlemen were all in business suits. Miss Plaster is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Plaster, a graduate of Colorado High school, and has been for two years at Sim-

CHURCHES

METHODIST NEWS NOTES.

Many are the words of appreciation spoken concerning the Art month. The pictures lend a beauty to our church auditorium that is delightful. The names of those furnishing the pictures will be printed later.

Don't forget the revival March 19. John Neal is the man you will long remember.

Something special is slated for Sunday. You will like it.

LEAGUE NEWS.

League will meet at 5:30 Sunday after which we are going to Trent to put on a program. Miss Imogene Middleton has charge of the program.

We are sponsoring a Penny Carnival, Saturday night, Feb. 18. Side shows, fortune telling, a trip around the world, and a negro comedy are to be featured. There will be candy, pie, lemonade, balloons, etc., sold at booths. For a few cents you can have a "grand" time. The money goes to the H. C. M. Loan fund. Everyone come. Don't forget the date: 7:30, Saturday night.

HI-LEAGUE PROGRAM.

Subject: "Understanding Ourselves."

Leader, Lois Whiteley. Talks, Milton Shannon, Cephas Wozencraft, Genevieve Bryan, Duncan Briggs, Roy Patterson.

Everybody invited at 6 p. m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. Sunday School at 10 o'clock. B. T. S. meets at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening.

SENIOR B. Y. P. U.

"God providing a Redeemer" will be discussed at the Senior B. Y. P. U. Sunday evening at 6:30.

Introduction, by Ted McGehee. "The nature of God," by Miss Coffey.

"God's reaction to man's sins," Venie Heizer.

"The first promise of redemption," Lona Joyner.

"The fulfillment of the promise," Mary Parrish.

... university. A beautiful and talented young woman, she is a popular member of the younger set and was a cowgirl at Simmons.

Harold Boney is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Boney, pioneer family of Merkel. A graduate of Merkel High school in 1930, he entered Simmons university. There, as here, he was a most popular member of all school activities; a talented member of the world-famed Cowboy band; a successful associate in the insurance business with his father in which capacity he will continue.

A host of Merkel friends offer sincerest best wishes for a happy married life and will be so glad to know that Mr. and Mrs. Boney will make their home in Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Boney attended the wedding from here.

SHOWER FOR MRS. WESTEN.

On Feb. 14 Mrs. Leon Toombs, Mrs. Raymond Demere and Mrs. Frase Demere were joint hostesses for a very interesting shower, honoring Mrs. Joe Westen at the home of Mrs. Toombs.

Guests enjoyed games of "42" until Leon Toombs, Jr., presented the honoree with a lovely array of gifts.

A delectable refreshment plate carrying out the Valentine motif was served to the following: Mesdames Joe Westen, Frank Demere, A. D. Barnes, Elmer Patterson, Will Campbell, L. T. Toombs, Misses Vera and Mamie Walker, Leon Toombs, Jr., and the hostesses.

GEORGE WASHINGTON PARTY.

The home of Mrs. O. R. Dye was the meeting place for the T. E. L. class members on their monthly meeting day Wednesday afternoon with Mesdames Fulton, Derstine and Dye co-hostesses in entertaining. The house was colorfully decorated in red, white and blue and the program was appropriate to the day.

Mrs. Reeves read the devotional and with the completion of business two clever George Washington contests were enjoyed. At tea time the guests were invited into the dining room where the tables was centered with a miniature cherry tree. Delicious cherry pie and tea were served to Mesdames Stevens, Reeves, Booth, Joyner, Largent, Warren, Derstine, Dye, Fulton and McFarland.

Read Merkel Mail Want Ads.

Advertise in The Merkel Mail.

BAPTIST W. M. S.

The following program on Royal Service was given last Monday afternoon:

Leader, Mrs. Joyner. Devotional, Mrs. Booth.

"Coming Again," Mrs. Reeves. "Won by the Word," Mrs. Allen.

"Hiding the Word in Italian's Hearts," Mrs. Swann.

"Fifty-five cents and the Cuban girl finds the Word," Mrs. Collins.

"Transformed by the Word," Mrs. Largent.

INTERMEDIATE B. Y. P. U.

"The Debt We Owe."

"The heirs of the ages," J. R. Lassiter.

"A land of freedom," Dot Swafford.

"Easy transportation," Helen Joyner.

"Sanitation and medical attention," Thelma Matthews.

"Inventors and scientists," Joe E. Lassiter.

"Free schools," Margaret Miller.

"Laws for the protection of life, health and property," Clara F. Largent.

"Social service," Horace Boney.

We urge that everyone be present in the B. Y. P. U. Sunday at 6:30.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 a. m. You will find a most cordial welcome. Everybody is urged to be on time and with a prepared lesson.

Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. On account of the weather, the meeting which it was announced the pastor would hold at Tuscola was postponed; hence, he will fill his regular pulpit here.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

J. J. Russell, Jr., Supt.

R. A. Walker, Pastor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

With report from the Nazarene Sunday School missing, there were 773 present at the other five Sunday Schools in Merkel last Sunday. On the previous Sunday the attendance at the six Sunday Schools was 771.

FUNDAMENTALIST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Last Sunday we attended the follow-

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ship meeting at Putnam. It was indeed a feast to our souls. No cut and dried programs, no ecclesiastical bosses, no steam roller methods, no big I's and little u's; all the redeemed of God, a free people, singing praises unto God, testifying, preaching the Word and shouting as souls came home to God.

Next Sunday Brother Woods from Abilene will be here at the Sunday School hour. He will bring us a message and we hope everyone will come prepared to take a New Testament or Bible. Brother Woods is a very consecrated man and you will enjoy his message. Everybody welcome. Ernest C. Dowell, Pastor.

Cottage Prayer Meeting. Q. Brown, who has been confined to his home since Christmas, due to the flu and its after-effects, has asked The Mail to announce that he will hold cottage prayer meetings every Saturday night at 7:30 at his home. Everybody is cordially invited to come to these services.

"A World of Fun." See "Mammy's Minstrel"—local talent—at Cozy theatre, Friday night, Feb. 24.

Adding machine rolls at Merkel Mail office.

Mail want ads pay dividends.

NO SLEEP, NO REST. STOMACH GAS IS CAUSE

Mrs. A. Cloud says: "For years I had a bad stomach and gas. Was nervous and could not sleep. Adierika rid me of all stomach trouble and now I sleep fine. Merkel Drug Company."

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