



**Half Year's Gas Bill  
Used in Four Months**

Now that the house heating season is over, a survey by the gas company reveals that customers pay more than half of their entire year's gas bill in only four months of the year. The survey of gas customers' accounts in this vicinity, according to L. M. Scholl, division manager of the Community Natural Gas Co., further shows that between 60 and 80 per cent of the customers use so little gas during the long hot period that they fail to pay for the cost of service rendered during these months.

The average amount received by the company in 1932 was \$46.63 per customer for a year's service, or less than 13 cents a day per customer. This is arrived at by dividing the total revenue by the total number of customers. This average bill for each month in the year is as follows: January \$6.73; February \$6.09; March \$5.63; April \$4.26; May \$2.54; June \$2.15; July \$1.94; August \$1.88; September \$1.98; October \$2.06; November \$4.39; December \$6.38.

"It can be seen from the above figures that \$24.83, or more than half of the year's total bill, is paid in four months," said Mr. Scholl. "Nearly three-fourths of the average bill, or \$33.48, is paid in six months of the year, leaving only \$13.15 left to be paid during the other six months."

He pointed out that if gas bills were paid equally each month, such as bills for rent or other necessities in which the amount varies only slightly, it would be easier to see that the cost of dependable gas service is only a few cents a day.

Watch Repairing—best of workmanship. Also cold drinks and candies on ice that is cold. Come by to see me. Joseph L. Speck, opposite Fire Station, Merkel, Texas.

**FOR SALE.**

Robert M. Harper's State Certified Cottonseed, \$1.29 per bushel, delivered; also have first year Harper's Mebane at 30 cents per bushel.  
C. V. Shelton.

Typewriting and carbon paper at Mail office.

Advertise in The Merkel Mail.

If you have any visitors. Phone 29 or 61.

**BRUCE BARTON**

(Continued from page one)

They laughed him to scorn. Brushing them aside he strode into the house and took the little girl by the hand. The crowd looked on dumbfounded, for at the magic of His touch she opened her eyes, and sat up.

Front page stories five and six. A woman sick twelve years, and healed! A child whom the doctors had abandoned for dead, sits up and smiles! No wonder a thousand tongues were busy that night advertising His name and work. "The fame thereof went abroad into all that land," says he narrative. Nothing could keep it from going abroad. It was irresistible news!

He was advertised by his service, not by His sermons; this is the second noteworthy fact. Nowhere in the Gospels do you find it announced that:

Jesus of Nazareth Will Denounce The Scribes and Pharisees in the Central Synagogue Tonight at Eight O'clock . . . Special Music.

Nex Week: Picking His Market.

**MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS.**

We will appreciate the privilege of sending in your subscriptions to the leading magazines. On a great many of them, if you want to include your subscription to The Mail, we are in position to make special clubbing offer. See us before you renew.

Legal covers at Merkel Mail office.

**Queen Shows "20,000  
Years in Sing Sing"**

Seldom, if ever, has the human side of prison life, with its laughter and tears, its romances, its thrills and its grim tragedies, been painted in such vivid and dramatic coloring as in the First National picture, "Twenty Thousand Years in Sing Sing," which shows at the Queen tonight and Saturday.

This screen drama was taken from the book by Lewis E. Lawes, Warden of Sing Sing prison, who unquestionably knows more about the criminal heart and criminal life, as well as the technical side of prison affairs, than any other man in the country. It is a document of facts and truth which are stranger and more fascinating than fiction.

The story deals with the life of a "big shot" gunman who, when finally convicted, believes he can rule the prison as he ruled his political gang. His personal attachment for the warden becomes so strong that he voluntarily returns to the prison and the chair when on parole, rather than let the warden down. Besides the many thrills, including a prison riot, there is a glowing underlying romance, made inspiring by the touching loyalty of convicts women for their misguided husbands and sweethearts.

Spencer Tracy plays the leading role, with Bette Davis playing opposite him. Others in the cast in-

clude Arthur Byron, Lyle Talbot, Grant Mitchell, Warren Hymer, Louis Calhern, Edward J. McNamara and Sheila Terry. Warden Lawes book was dramatized by Wilson Mizner and Brown Holmes and adapted for the screen by Courtney Terrett and Robert Lord. It was directed by Michael Curtiz.

See the hit of the season, "Adam and Eve," Senior Play, May 26.

Try a Classified Ad for Results.

**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.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Our first obligation, always, is to those loyal customers many of whom have done business continuously with this bank since its inception nearly thirty years ago. We are not unmindful of their loyalty and pledge them that their legitimate needs will always have our favorable consideration.

We appreciate the NEW BUSINESS which our friends are making it possible for us to enjoy. We realize that a good word from one of our satisfied customers frequently brings us a new account.

Many banks only solicit NEW BUSINESS when they know that the prospective customer is able to favor them, immediately, with a substantial deposit.

We prefer to go the other way around and solicit NEW BUSINESS when the conditions are reversed—when the prospective customer needs help—when our resources enable us to extend to him a helping hand. This policy, we believe, is sufficient proof of our sincerity of purpose.

Whether you have money to deposit or whether you wish to arrange for a loan—THIS IS A PERSONAL INVITATION TO YOU—to let us discuss, in all confidence, your individual problems, trusting that therefrom we may obtain a NEW CUSTOMER and that you may form a banking connection that will be permanent and one that will be more and more appreciated throughout the years ahead.

**FARMERS & MERCHANTS  
NATIONAL BANK**

- DIRECTORS:**  
J. T. Warren  
G. F. West  
Sam Butman, Sr.  
Geo. L. Paxton  
Booth Warren
- OFFICERS:**  
J. T. Warren, President  
G. F. West, Vice-President  
Sam Butman, Sr., 2nd V-P.  
Booth Warren, Cashier  
F. Y. Gaither, Asst. Cashier



**Really Relax**

After a busy day or a long motor trip, you crave the comforts that The American and The Annex afford. Good rooms with bath, circulating ice water, telephones and all modern conveniences. Beds that assure restful sleep. Here you can really relax when you visit St. Louis. Rates from \$1.50 single \$2 double



in ST. LOUIS

MERKEL MAIL WANT ADS FOR RESULTS

**You NEED Hot Water Many Times . . .  
for Many Purposes . . . Each Day**



Why put up with an antiquated system of water heating? Why suffer all the dangers and discomforts of old-fashioned methods? A constant and adequate supply of hot water is an everyday necessity in your home—and you NEED a modern Electric Water Heater!



Hot water by electricity always has been the ideal method. It eliminates all the disadvantages of flame noise, fumes, soot, smoke and odors. It is safe and healthy. It is dependable and efficient. And NOW—



under our new "constant hot water service" plan—operating cost is ridiculously small . . . smaller than heretofore had been thought possible!



With all the important advantages it offers, you owe yourself, your family and your home the superiority of a beautiful new Electric Water Heater. Ask a salesman about present low prices and attractive terms . . . TODAY.

ASK ABOUT . . . Our "Constant Hot Water Service" Plan. It Gives You a New and Surprisingly LOW COST!

Do you know that your increased use of Electric Service is billed on a surprisingly low rate schedule . . . and adds only a small amount to your total bill?

**West Texas Utilities  
Company**

**LOOK HERE FRIENDS! An Amazing  
DOLLAR SAVING OFFER!**

By Special Arrangements with the Leading Magazines of the Country We Bring You the Biggest Bargain of All Time . . . Subscriptions To 3 Famous Magazines with A New or Renewal Order for This Newspaper.

**MAKE UP YOUR OWN CLUB! ALL 4 ONLY . . .**  
**CHOOSE**  
1 Magazine From Group "A"  
2 Magazines From Group "B"  
And  
THIS NEWSPAPER (1 Full Year)

**\$2.00**  
**WHY PAY MORE?**

- Your Choice of Any One Magazine in This Group  
**GROUP A**
- McCall's Magazine . . . 1 Yr.
  - Woman's Home Comp. . . 1 Yr.
  - Pictorial Review . . . 1 Yr.
  - Screen Play . . . 1 Yr.
  - Hollywood Movie Mag. . . 1 Yr.
  - Open Road (Boys) . . . 1 Yr.
  - Pathfinder (Wkly.) . . . 1 Yr.



- Your Choice of Any Two Magazines in This Group  
**GROUP B**
- Better Homes & Gardens . . . 1 yr
  - Woman's World . . . 1 yr
  - Household Magazine . . . 1 yr
  - Needlecraft . . . 1 yr
  - Good Stories . . . 1 yr
  - Country Home . . . 2 yrs
  - Successful Farmer . . . 1 yr
  - Progressive Farmer . . . 2 yrs
  - Southern Agriculturist . . . 1 yr
- And Your Choice of Any One Magazine in Group A  
**THREE IN ALL**

THIS OFFER IS . . .  
*Positively Guaranteed*

There are no strings attached to this offer! Every magazine subscription will be filled exactly as represented. If any of your subscriptions are renewals the time will be properly extended.

Gentlemen:—  
I enclose \$ . . . . . Please send me the three magazines checked with a year's subscription to your newspaper.  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Street or R.F.D. \_\_\_\_\_  
Town and State \_\_\_\_\_



THE MERKEL MAIL

Published Every Friday Morning
Glover and Caple, Publishers.
TELEPHONE NO. 61

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

SUBSCRIPTION RATES
Taylor and Jones counties \$1.50
Anywhere else \$2.00
(In Advance)

Advertising Rates On Application.
All obituaries, resolutions of respect, cards of thanks, etc., are classed as advertising, and will be charged for at 1c per word.

Operetta

(Continued from Page One.)
nes, Pauline Lasater, Eloise Manscill, Caribel Mansfield, Thelma Mathews, Aliene McAninch, Lena Mae Moore, Cohrene Morrison, Thelma Patterson, Faye Pincley, Florene Rider, Alice Russell, Dot Swafford, Elna Tucker, Ethelda Tucker, Robbie Walker, Melbaea Watts, Marizoe West, Mildred West, Pauline Wiman; Oscar Adcock, Harry Boaz, Harold Boney, Edgar Bradley, David Gamble, Eelon Harrell, Joe Earl Lassiter, Hugh Leonard, John Leonard, L. V. Moore, Jack Patterson, Jim Patterson, Wayman Richards, Milton Shannon, Ben Sublett, Kennedy Whiteley.
The scene is the campus of a girls' school. Act one takes place on commencement day in June, while act two is late afternoon one year later.

The following musical numbers will be rendered:
ACT ONE.
Opening chorus, chorus.
"Happy." Maryida, Emily, John, Professor and chorus.
"Maryida" chorus.
"Sing, Gypsies." Maryida and Red. Finaletta, chorus.
Ensemble, John, Maryida, Red, Professor and chorus.
Coronation march, instrumental.
"Hail to Our Queen," entire cast.
ACT TWO.
Overture, instrumental.
"Swing," chorus of girls.
"Ask the Professor," John and chorus.
"Two Such Funny Birds," Maryida and Emily.
Incidental music, instrumental.
"Where've You Been?" June and chorus.
Finale, entire cast.

Legislature

(Continued From Page One)
islature should take off the advalorem reduction and let it go back to the present 35 cent maximum.
"Two Years In Hole."
If additional taxes are not raised the state will be "two years in the hole" when the next regular legislature convenes two years from now. Some interpreted the governor's message to mean that she will attempt to hold the legislature in session until some desired tax measure is adopted. Others interpreted it to mean that a special session might follow if the session ends without a tax measure suitable to the governor.
A resolution by Rep. Weaver Moore, Houston, for sine die adjournment on May 27 was voted down in the house shortly before the governor's message arrived.

"We're tempting you to see "Adam and Eve," Senior Play, May 26.

Judge Clark M. Mullican of Lubbock has announced his democratic candidacy for congress from the newly created 19th congressional district, of which Lubbock is practically the center.

Succeeding Adam R. Johnson, city manager of Austin for seven years, who lost out with the new administration, J. G. Morgan has been appointed to the place and will assume his duties on June 1.

See your favorite actor act in "Adam and Eve," Senior play, May 26.

MINTA BOYCE

announces the opening of
Dancing and Expression
Studio
All types of dancing—ten years teaching experience
Woodrum Hotel
Friday Morning
8 O'clock
All ages, including children as young as 2 1-2 years

PERSONALS

Miss Ineta Bolls had as her guest Sunday her friend, W. D. Hart, of Borger.

Miss Beatrice Rhome of Sweetwater was a recent guest of Mrs. Homer Patterson.

Miss Mary Bell Brennand of Colorado was last week's house guest of Mrs. Harold Boney.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Boney spent Sunday in Colorado, visiting Mrs. Boney's parents on Mother's day.

Sterling Sheppard, of the Dallas Journal staff, was a Sunday visitor with his parents and Merkel friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gracey of Ranger were week-end guests of the former's sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cook.

W. T. Robinson of Cedar Gap, grandfather of Mrs. George T. Moore, was an interesting visitor in Merkel this week.

D. I. Shelton spent last week in Dallas in the interest of Texas Cotton Co-operative matters, of which he is a director.

Mr. R. O. Collins and little son, Donald, of Longview, are visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wozencraft.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brown of Hobbs, N. M., were guests the latter part of last week of Mrs. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Watts.

Mayor and Mrs. W. M. Elliott paid their Mother's day visit to the former's mother, Mrs. N. E. Elliott, of Stamford, on Thursday of last week.

Present guests in the home of Mrs. Frank Sears are her daughter, Mrs. J. D. Mathews, and her granddaughter, Miss Mildred Mathews, of Chandler, Ariz.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Dennis, who arrived from Marfa early Wednesday morning, are remaining to be at the bedside of Carlton's mother, who continues critically ill.

En route to Oklahoma City, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Oehler of Houston stopped over to visit with Mrs. Oehler's uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cook, leaving Thursday for Caddo.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Whitaker, who have recently been stationed at Nacoma, are again in Merkel, Mr. Whitaker being in the employe of the Trent-tex Oil and Refining company.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Diltz and two children, Betty Jane and Emory, returned Wednesday night from Mineral Wells where "Dub" attended the meeting of the State Bankers association.

Mrs. Henry R. Hicks visited Tuesday with her daughter, Mrs. Andy Brown, in Sweetwater, while Mrs. V. B. Sublett, going over at the same time, spent the day with Miss Molly Shannon.

Unable to be there on Sunday which was Mother's day, A. A. McGehee and family and Ted McGehee and family drove over to Abilene Thursday night of last week to visit their mother, Mrs. H. L. McGehee.

Postmaster O. J. Adcock, accompanied by Mrs. Adcock, spent several days in Hagerman, N. M., with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Betterton, and Mrs. Betterton and children returned with them for a visit here. En route to New Mexico, Mr. Adcock, who is president of the Merkel school board, stopped Friday at Big Spring to attend the session on educational matters of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

Office supplies—Mail office.



AFTER 40
bowel trouble

Constipation may very easily become chronic after forty. And any continued constipation at that time of life may bring attacks of piles and a host of other unpleasant disorders.

Watch your bowels at any age. Guard them with particular care after forty. Whenever they need any help, remember a doctor should know what is best for them.
"Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin" is a doctor's prescription for the bowels. Tested by 47 years' practice, it has been found thoroughly effective in relieving constipation and its ills for men, women and children of all ages. It is a proven perfectly safe even for babies. Made from fresh laxative herbs, pure pepsin and other harmless ingredients, it cannot gripe; will not cicken you or weaken you; can be used without harm as often as your breath is bad, or when your tongue is coated; whenever a headachy, bilious, gassy condition warns of constipation.

Dr. W. B. CALDWELL'S
SYRUP PEPSIN
A Doctor's Family Laxative

LOCAL BRIEFS.

For the third year in succession, Rev. E. L. Yeats, pastor of the Methodist church, will preach the commencement sermon for the graduating class of Sylvester High school next Sunday. In his absence here, Rev. Charles Simpson will fill his pulpit at the morning hour. The local pastor will return in time for the evening service.

Bob Rodden, popular Merkel photographer, has opened a studio in Hamilton where he has been engaged for the past two or three weeks. Thursday noted the departure of Mrs. Rodden to join him there, while their son, Robert, Jr., will remain here until school is out with his grandmother, Mrs. J. R. Sanders. Merkel folks will regret to lose the Roddens but wish them the best of good fortune in their new home.

The opening of a dancing and expression studio at the Woodrum Hotel Friday morning is announced by Minta Boyce of Abilene, who has had ten years teaching experience. All types of dancing will be taught, also all ages, including children as young as 2 1-2 years old.

During the absence of Miss Maurine Tipton from the Marinello Beauty shop, due to illness, Mrs. Dub

Johnson has been assisting in the operation of the shop.

REFINANCE LAND LOANS.

New farm and ranch loan bill sure to pass, lowering interest, extending time for all who owe money on land. Quick, accurate service in Taylor, Jones, Shackelford and Callahan counties; also foreclosed bargains in farms and ranches. W. Homer Shanks, Land Bank Selling Agent, Room 1, Penney Bldg., Abilene, Texas.

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.

The Real Play from Broadway, "Adam and Eve."

The Vegetable TONIC
HERBINE
CORRECTS CONSTIPATION

Merkel Drug Co., Merkel, Texas
R. B. Johnson, Trent, Texas



It is always ready to help you
It runs errands... it saves time... it conserves energy... it bridges distance... it reaches friends... it gives protection... it hunts jobs... it increases efficiency... it wins business... it creates pleasure... it destroys isolation... it cements family ties... it bears tidings... it brings news.

Its cost, which has always been low... a few cents a day for residential service... combines with its high value to make it one of the biggest bargains you buy.

SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE CO.

M SYSTEM
SAVES FOR THE NATION

Foodstuffs Have Advanced in Price by leaps and Bounds—We Offer You These Items At These Prices for the Last Time.

- FLOUR, Yukon's Best, none better \$1.10
FLOUR, Queen-o-the West, guaranteed \$1.00
FLOUR, Putnam Flavo 75c
PORK & BEANS, Campbell's 5c
NEW POTATOES, No. 1, lb. 2 1-2c
TEA, Chase & Sanborn's, 1-4 lb., 10c size FREE 19c
SOAP, Camay, 4 bars, bath sponge Free 25c
SALAD DRESSING, W. P. Special
Quart 33c—Pint 19c
COFFEE, Maxwell House, 3 lb. can 78c
PRUNES, fresh Italian, No. 1 can 35c
FIG BARS, pound 10c
OLIVES, large bottle 15c

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

MERKEL MAIL WANT ADS FOR RESULTS

only \$445

AND UP, F. O. B. FLINT, MICHIGAN



"A Fisher body! Fisher Ventilation! Safety plate glass. A valve-in-head six! And look at the price: \$445!"

"Well, well! No wonder business is so good with Chevrolet!"

Take a look at the price-tag on a Chevrolet—and you'll probably look at it again, to make sure.

\$445? Yes—you were right the first time. \$445! It seems almost too good to be true! A car as big and substantial and solidly built as this new Chevrolet! A Fisher Body car, too—with No Draft Ventilation and every other comfort and convenience that goes with the Fisher name. And a billion-mile-proved six—that performs better and stands up better and wears better than any other low-priced car you ever saw! All for one of the lowest motor car prices in the world. CHEVROLET MOTOR COMPANY, DETROIT, MICH. Prices range from \$445 to \$565, f. o. b. Flint, Mich. Special equipment extra. Low delivered prices and easy G.M.A.C. terms. A General Motors Value.

SAVE WITH A NEW CHEVROLET

Hughes Motor Company

Chevrolet Sales and Service

Phone 123

Merkel, Texas

### Recital of Junior Pupils Monday night

The junior piano and expression pupils of Mr. T. T. Earthman and Mrs. Lucy Tracy Haynes will be presented in recital at the Methodist church on Monday evening, May 22, at 8 o'clock. The program follows:

1. (a) "Clothes Don't Make the man," (Johnson); (b) Poems of every day life, (selected authors)—Junior expression class.
2. "Dream at Twilight," (Cloy)—Margie Shelton.
3. "Little Drum Major," (Engel)—Janell Black and Mary Joe Garland.
4. (a) "A Look into the Future," (Tarkington); "Elmer Brown," (Riley)—Marvin Hunter.
5. "Rocked by the Breeze," (Adair)—Gertie Lou Pee.
6. "The Fishing Party," (Riley)—Betty Jo Moore.
7. "Morning Prayer," (Strebogg)—Helen Heeter.
8. "Little Brown Baby," (Dunbar)—Janette Neff.
9. "Mission Bells," (Johnson)—Vernell Bland.
10. "Monday Morning Troubles," (Mark Twain)—Dora Marie Gaither.
11. "St. Paul Waltz," (Vaas)—Doris Diltz.
12. "Kansas City Wildcats," (Souza)—Billie and Don Wood.
13. "Jack Tends the Baby," Marilyn Sue Grimes.
14. "Nanell Waltz," (Wallace)—Betty Jane Diltz.
15. "Howdy, Honey, Howdy," (Dunbar)—Forest Glynn Barnett.
16. "Sweet Memory Bells," (Read)—Mary Joe Garland.
17. "The Theatre Party," (Wiggins)—Doris Clyde Miller.
18. "Witches' Flight," (Russell)—Mary Jo Russell and Mabel Murray.
19. "Jack the Giant Killer," (Riley)—Dorothy Nell Haynes.
20. "Contents of a Boy's Pockets," Billy Haynes.
21. "Sparkling Eyes," (Anthony)—Janell Black.
22. "Moonlight on the Hudson," (Wilson)—Mary Jo Russell.
23. "A Song of Degrees," Dorothy Shannon.
24. "Frolie of the Elves," (Morrison)—Mabel Murray.
25. "The Tragedy," Evelyn Sears.
26. (a) "Fishing," (Bliss); (b) "A Boy's Song of Summer," (Dunbar)—Carl Jackson, Jr.
27. "High School March," (Spencer)—Billie and Don Wood.
28. (a) "So Much to Learn," (b) "Junior, is This You?"
29. "The Little Tin Soldier and the Doll from France," (Johnson)—Marilyn Sue Grimes and Billy Haynes.

### "Supernatural" Exposes Fake Psychics Trickery

How unscrupulous spirit "mediums" employ sleight-of-hand tricks to dupe the gullible out of large fortunes yearly is demonstrated in "Supernatural," a tale of the spirit world, which comes to the Palace theatre, Sweetwater, Saturday, with Carole Lombard, Randolph Scott and Vivienne Osborne in leading roles.

"Supernatural" is a sympathetic story of spiritualism, but one of the major characters in the story is a "phony" spiritualist, who toys with forces he does not comprehend. The film reveals how he uses various tricks to produce apparent spirit effects.

A brass trumpet, thrown casually on the table, starts to utter words apparently from spirits; a table floats; spirit messages are written mysteriously on a slate; spirit rappings are heard; and numerous other phenomena take place. The film shows how he does them all.

The story centers around Miss Lombard, a wealthy young heiress, who, upon the death of a beloved twin brother, becomes easy prey for a fake spiritualist—a role played by Allan Dinehart. In the meantime, Miss Osborne, betrayed to the police by Dinehart, is executed in the electric chair for murder. H. B. Warner, as a psychologist, is attempting an experiment upon the murderer to prevent her spirit from wreaking the revenge which he is sure it is plotting. But the experiment goes amiss, and the spirit of the murderer enters in the body of Miss Lombard, and plans to use the girl to wreak vengeance on Dinehart.

**MASHBURN-SHAW.**  
With Brother W. G. Cypert officiating, Miss Mabel Lee Shaw and Mr. Royce E. Mashburn, of Stith, were united in marriage in a pretty six o'clock service Thursday evening at the Cypert home. The Mail joins many friends of this popular young couple in wishing them long life and much happiness.

Senior Play, "Adam and Eve," May 26, Grammar School Auditorium.

Adding machine rolls at Merkel Mail office.

### High Pupils and Girls' Choral Club in Recital

The High School pupils of Mrs. T. T. Earthman, assisted by the Girls' Choral club will be presented in recital at the Methodist church on Tuesday evening, May 23, at 8 o'clock.

- The program follows:
1. (a) "To Sing Awhile," (May-Drummond); (b) "A Cake Shop Romance," (Osborne); (c) "I Love a Lassie," (Bowles-Walt)—Girls' Choral club; Margaret Miller, accompanist; Lucy Tracy Haynes, director.
  2. "Fairy Barque," (Smallwood)—Missie Spurgin.
  3. "La Fontaine," (Bohm)—Alice Russell.
  4. "Blush Rose Waltz," (Spencer)—Opal Buzbee and Aline McAninch.
  5. "Majesty of the Deep," (Hamer)—Mollie Frank Touchstone.
  6. (a) "Neapolitan Nights," (Kerr-Zamecnik); (b) "One Fleeting Hour," (Frehrmann-Lee)—Girls' Choral club.
  7. "Sweet Memory Bells," (Johnson)—Bessy Lee Church.
  8. "La Carillon," (Ringuet)—Lena Mae Moore.
  9. "Scarf Dance," (Chambinade)—Billie Bernice Gambill.
  10. "Rondo," (Gobbearns)—Lena Mae Moore, Juanita Bishop, Mollie Frank Touchstone.
  11. Story, "Money Talks," (Batchelor)—Frances Marie Church.
  12. (a) "Allemande," (G. Fr. Handel); (b) "Silver Star," (Bohm)—Lois Whiteley.
  13. "Silver Elves," (Heins)—Opal Buzbee.
  14. "Joyous Return," (Ringuet)—Alice Church and Bessy Lee Church.
  15. "Tily of the Valley," (Smith)—Eleanor Mae Hamilton.
  16. (a) "Bells of the Sea," (Lamb-Solman); (b) "I Passed by Your Window," (Brahe-Salter).
  17. "Song of the Nightingale," (Filipovsky)—Alice Church.
  18. "Polonaise Militaire in a Major, Op. 40-No. 1," (Chopin)—Margaret Miller and Lois Whiteley.
  19. "Shower of Stars," (Wache)—Juanita Bishop.
  20. (a) "Invention No. 8," (J. S. Bach); (b) "Valse Caprice," (Newland)—Margaret Miller.
  21. "Restless Gallop," (Meacham)—Eleanor Mae Hamilton, Alice Russell, Billie Bernice Gambill.

**Banker Gets 20 Years.**  
Altus, Okla., May 18.—J. E. Brock, Headrick banker, was convicted of first degree manslaughter in the slaying of State Bank Examiner W. C. Ernest, March 24 and his punishment set at 20 years imprisonment.

### CLASSIFIED ADS

#### FOR SALE

FIRST CLASS SINCLAIR Kerosene, 7 cents delivered. J. D. Porter, Agent, Sinclair Refining Co. Phone 233.

**FOR SALE**—First year Harper cottonseed. Grown on my farm and ginned on my private gin. Recleaned and sacked. Fifty cents per bushel, f. o. b., Albany, Texas. F. W. Alexander.

**SEEDS FOR SALE**, sudan, hegira and cotton. M. Armstrong.

**FOR SALE**—24 OIC pigs, two weeks old; will hold till 6 or 8 weeks old, if desired; prices right. C. K. Russell.

#### LOST AND FOUND

**STRAYED**—Sorrel horse about 15 hands high. Return to or notify C. G. Brown, Merkel, Texas, Route 5.

**STRAYED**—Jersey bull calf, four months old, from my home about April 16. Notify S. M. Raddin, Merkel, Route 4.

### Plans Being Mapped For Cowboy Reunion

Stamford, May 18.—Memories of stirring days on the cattle range of the old West will be revived when pioneer ranch workers who saw service with lariat and saddle prior to 1898 hold their annual round-up here during the fourth annual Texas Cowboy Reunion July 3, 4 and 5.

More than 500 of these old time cow-hands registered for the meeting here last year and were guests of the reunion management. Total attendance at the 1932 season was estimated at thirty thousand.

The cowboy rodeo, featuring performers actually employed on the ranches rather than professional rodeo performers, will be the central feature of the program of entertainment during the Cowboy Reunion. An old fiddlers' contest will be held on one day of the reunion and square dances will be held each night for the entertainment of cowboys and visitors of all ages.

The most typical active cowboy over 55 years of age and the most typical cowboy under 55 will be selected during the reunion and a prize awarded to each. John Selmon of Stamford received this honor last year for the youngest cowhand and Jake Raines of

### June First Date for "Peach of a Family"

Listen, people. It's coming. Did you ask what? Well, it's the three-act play entitled "A Peach of a Family," presented by the Young People's Epworth league of the Methodist church.

The cast: Steven Richmond, E. P. Middleton, Paulne Shelby, Eleanor Mae Hamilton.

Mrs. Pickett, Marie Pinckley. Mrs. August Alfonso Richmond, Margaret Turner.

Uncle August Alfonso Richmond, Alvice Yeats.

Jack Belmont, Woodrow Wilson. Frank Manning, W. A. Whiteley. Uncle Cornelius Shelby, Paul Collins.

Mary Rose, Betty Lou Grimes. Francine, Mary Frances Cook.

Violet, Hollis Perry. Millie, De La Vergue Teague.

This play is given for the benefit of the Epworth league to send delegates to the summer assembly at McMurry college June 5-9.

Come out Thursday night, June 1, and feast your eyes on something even better looking than bill collectors. There will be interesting numbers between the acts. We would like to tell you more about the play, but we want it to be a big surprise. So come to see your "kiddy" or your neighbor's "kiddy" perform. You can't afford to miss it, for it is only 10c and 20c at the Cozy theatre.

Spur was selected the most typical among the active cowboys over 55.

As in past years, a number of ranch outfits are expected to bring their own chuck wagons to Stamford for the reunion and camp at the grounds during the three-day celebration.

#### Aged Educator Killed.

Woodbridge, N. J., May 18.—President-emeritus John Grier Hibben, Woodrow Wilson's successor at Princeton university, was fatally injured late Tuesday in an automobile accident near a traffic intersection here. He was 72 years old.

#### Can't Go to World's Fair.

Washington, May 18.—President Roosevelt decided Wednesday it would be impossible for him to attend the opening of the world fair at Chicago on May 27. He asked Vice President Garner to go in his place.

Typewriting and carbon paper at Mail office.

If you have any visitors. Phone 22 or 61.

### NECROLOGY

#### MRS. RUTH CAROLINE PONDER.

News has been received here of the death in Cushing, Okla., of Mrs. Ruth Caroline Ponder, age 73, mother of Mrs. J. F. Hodo, who formerly lived here and with whom her mother visited quite often. Mrs. Ponder had been making her home this winter with her two daughters at Cushing, Mrs. Hodo and Mrs. M. G. Wallin. She had been in ill health for the past four months.

Besides her two daughters, she is survived by three sons, J. E. Scott, Dallas; S. H. Scott, Crosbyton; and W. A. Scott of Plainview, and ten grandchildren, Mrs. Jud Perry, Fort Worth; Misses Pauline and Clarice Scott of Dallas; Sam Scott, of Cushing; Mrs. Bill Evans, Oklahoma City, and Guy, Buster, Hubert and Paul Wallin, and Claude Cash, of Cushing, and two great grandchildren.

#### EDGAR P. RICHARDSON.

Edgar P. Richardson, age about 50 years, a brother of Mrs. R. C. Reagh

of this city, died early Friday morning at a Brownwood hospital, making the fourth in death's toll of the storm that raked the Delaware community near Brownwood, in which he and his family lived. Two of his children perished during the tornado Wednesday and his wife and four other children were seriously injured.

Mrs. J. W. Arant, 60, was the other death victim of the Brownwood tornado.

#### ASHBY-BRADSHAW.

At 2 o'clock Monday afternoon Rev. C. R. Joyner, pastor of the First Baptist church, spoke the words uniting in wedlock Mrs. R. L. Bradshaw and Mr. D. W. Ashby, popular and estimable people, with a host of friends in this city and surrounding communities. Mr. Ashby has been farming in the Comper community for about thirty years. The ceremony was performed at the home of the groom's brother, J. M. Ashby.

Follow the crowd and see "Adam and Eve," Senior Play, May 26.

## THE RED & WHITE STORES

### SPECIALS FOR FRIDAY & SATURDAY MAY 19 AND 20

New Potatoes 10 lbs. 10c

LETTUCE, 2 heads 9c

Tomatoes fresh 2 lbs. 15c

Oranges new crop each 1c

APPLES, fancy Winesaps, doz. 15c

LEMONS, dozen 19c

Sugar pure cane, cloth bag, 10 pounds 47c

CHERRIES, No. 2 can, 2 for 25c

PINEAPPLE, B & W, No. 2 can, 2 for 25c

BEANS, Kuners, No. 2 can 10c

Tomato Juice R & W can 5c

GRAPE NUTS, package 17c

MARSHMALLOWS, 1-2 lb. pkg. 9c

CAKE FLOUR, Swanns Down, pkg. 23c

Coffee Maxwell 1 lb. can 27c  
House 3 lb. can 79c

COFFEE, Sun Up, 1 lb. pkg. 17c

VIENNA SAUSAGE, R & W, 3 cans 25c

Oats R & W, 55 oz. pkg. 14c

DRIED FRUIT, peaches or prunes, 2 lbs. 21c

PICKLES, sour, quart 17c

MAYONNAISE, R & W, 8 oz. 17c—16 oz. 30c

FLOUR, Red & White, Washed Wheat  
Flour, 24 lb. sack 69c—48 lb. sack \$1.25

Bacon sliced pound 17c

Compound 4 lb. carton 27c

**THE Most Popular COMPACT TYPEWRITER**

**A Remington AT**

**\$34.75**

**It writes "small" letters as well as "CAPITALS"!!**


This is a specimen of writing with the newest Remington -- a type style really appropriate for correspondence and other writing work in the home.

Has standard 4-row keyboard and other features to make typewriting easy - writes as speedily as any other typewriter.

It is built by Remington, in the same factory, by the same workmen, and with the same care as familiar Remington office models. Light in weight, it can be carried anywhere in its convenient carrying case.

**REMIE SCOUT, WRITING ONE SIZE MODERN GOTHIC LETTERS LIKE THIS**

**\$19.75**



### SEE ONE OF THESE MACHINES AT OFFICE OF THE MERKEL MAIL

# THE BADGER WEEKLY

Published weekly by the students of Merkel High School and sponsored by the Senior Class of '33—Mrs. R. B. Irvin, sponsor

### The Staff:

Editor-in-Chief—Mildred Richardson.  
Sports Editor—Howard Stanley.  
Society Editor—Opal Huskey.  
Assistant Editor—Florene Rider. Joke Editor—Van Roberts.

### FOOTBALL NEWS.

Spring football practice has ended, but thoughts are still being centered on making a real team for 1933-34. There were about twenty-five boys who came out for spring training, but most of them were inexperienced of small. Coach is going to make a good team out of these boys, but needs more material to work with. We want a real team for next year, and you boys are the ones to make it. If you are able, need some good, hard, clean exercise, and enjoy the thrill in the game, come out for football next year. Let's all keep enthusiasm for a good team in 1933-34, and let's back our team with our full strength. Boys, keep in good shape this summer and come back next year ready to show some real stuff. Everyone's behind you and betting that you are going to have a real team. Keep working and training and you will have a winning team next year.

### FAREWELL TO THE SENIORS.

The Seniors have just about reached the parting of the way. First, the editor-in-chief of the Badger Weekly wants to make a toast to all the reporters. You have been prompt and faithful to your class and school paper. If you should be elected again next year to the same position, may you be forever as faithful to your leader as you were this year. The Seniors will be gone next year, and probably there will never be a time when all of the "schoolmates" and "That Old Gang O'Mine" will be together again. To the Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors we say, "Step in Your places next year with a determination to uphold the school and to lead the oncoming Freshmen to a higher plane. With you we share our motto, 'Make your good better and your better best.'" Farewell, M. H. S.!

### SINGLE TOUCHDOWN WINS.

Boaz' team defeated Gamble's 6-0 last Thursday in the spring training football game, which was scoreless until the third quarter, when Richards got loose on a cutback around end for the first and only score of the day.

With one quarter to go Gamble's team fought their way to the four yard line and had four downs to make it in but lacked the power to cross the line.

Boaz played a brilliant game for his own team, hitting hard on both offense and defense. Richards, Boaz and Adcock did most of the ball carrying for that team, while Gamble and Durham were the treats for the other team.

### FRESHMEN.

The Freshmen are very sad for two reasons. In the first place, our sponsor, Miss Martin, will not be here next year to cheer up Merkel High and teach us Sophomore history. We wish to thank Miss Martin for all the kindness she has shown to us and for all the help she has been.

In the second place, next week brings the exams with which we are not on good terms.

But we have some things to be glad about, too. School will be out in one week. The recitations are over. We hope to be Sophs next year.

We wish to say again that we have enjoyed having our "Big Sisters" here to make the term a brighter one.

### SOPHOMORE NEWS.

The Sophs have been working hard the last three or four weeks. We hope that when we have completed this year's work in school, we will not be disappointed. As the end of the term draws near, may each and every one

be more interested in his school work.

We'll miss the Seniors next year and we hope that they'll miss us. We missed them when they went on the picnic last Friday. Some of them said that they missed us, but we don't know whether to believe it or not.

Good-bye, Seniors; good luck to you!

### THE JUNIORS.

The school term of 1932-33 is almost at its end. Are we sorry? Yes, we are sorry for more than one reason; we won't have our Seniors back next year; we won't be Juniors anymore; we'll only be here in o' M.H.S. for one more year; and last, but not least, we will have to leave our sponsor, Mr. Riddle.

We really appreciate Mr. Riddle more than anyone could ever guess. We'll never forget our Junior year with him for the Junior-Senior banquet.

The next time you hear from us we'll be Seniors. We're looking forward to next year!

### SENIOR DAY.

Ouch! Beware of hitting Seniors who have blistered backs. Senior Day is gone but certainly not forgotten. Most of us got enough blisters to remember it several days even if there was nothing else to remember it for. Playing ball, swimming, eating and climbing furnished adequate entertainment for everyone. When some of the pictures that were taken start going around, then the Juniors' hearts will beat a little faster and the Sophomores and Freshmen will be wishing they were Seniors. Perhaps the Juniors don't envy us for our blisters, but, oh, the fun we had!

You know it's an ill wind that blows nobody good so we'll tell you a few things the Seniors learned Senior Day. Gordon learned to duck when going under a telephone wire.

Terrell, Lucile, Jack and a few others learned that you have to hold your hat when riding on a truck.

Jim learned to swipe cookies.

Nell learned to dive.

Faye learned to umpire ball games. Florence and Johany learned that it isn't so funny to run down hill and just when you've reached the bottom hear the whistle to start back. Oh, how shaky your knees are!

Margaret Miller learned that it was funny to lose your hat and—go after it.

Meyer learned that the Senior truck wasn't the upper berth on a Pullman.

Frances Marie learned that some people forget towns as they pass them.

Duncan learned to laugh when—

Alton learned what not to do before

going in swimming.

Clarence learned that it's fun to walk around Abilene dam.

Probably others learned things but kept quiet about them, such as seeing how to ride horses.

Work hard Juniors, Senior Day is worth all your efforts!

### CHAPEL.

The Seniors presented the class history, prophecy and will in chapel Tuesday morning.

The history was read by Mildred Richardson one month after graduation to a group of classmates.

Sandifer Hollingsworth dreamed that he was seeing the Seniors as they are living in late years.

"Johnny" Middleton read the last will and testimony of the class before a jury composed of a group of Seniors.

### "ASK THE PROFESSOR."

The Choral and Glee clubs of Merkel High school are going to present their annual operetta entitled "Ask the Professor," Friday, May 19, 1933, at Grammar School auditorium. There are two acts which consist of singing and some speaking parts. It is a clever college scene.

Mrs. Lucy Tracy Haynes is our leader and with her untiring efforts and patience we will surely put it over in a big way. Margaret Miller is assisting at the piano. We appreciate her work too.

Be sure to come!

### SENIOR PLAY NEWS.

The Seniors are working diligently to make the Senior play "the hit of the season." The name of the play is "Adam and Eve." Rather an old, old story it is true, but it has a new setting. It is to be given at 8:15 o'clock, May 26, at the Grammar School auditorium. The Seniors want every citizen of the city and other nearby towns to help back this play and us. You see that you get yourself there, and we'll see that you are given entertainment Don't fail us. Bring your family 100 per cent. This means you!

### WHY DO SOME PEOPLE.

Like to act cute when swimming?  
Enjoy throwing rocks?  
Enjoy running after caps?  
Like to eat just to see how much they can hold?  
Blisters and others don't?  
Enjoy using others as pillows?  
Enjoy being ducked?

Like to ride things until?

Act so crazy over others?

Decide suddenly to stay in the water quite a while longer?

Hate to say good-bye to their high school days?

Stick their noses so high in the air?

Get worried over taking exams?

Often repeat at examination time that there will be some "weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth"?

### TOMFOOLERY.

"I've courted your daughter for almost fifteen years."

"Well, what do you want?"

"I'd like to marry her."

"Oh, I see. I thought perhaps you wanted a pension."

"It's not the school," said the little boy to his mother. "It's the principle of the thing."

Florence: "My ancestors came over in the Mayflower."

Clarence: "It's a lucky thing they did. The immigration laws are a little stricter now."

Wise Guy Girdon (as he boarded a street car): "Well, Noah, is the ark full?"

Conductor: "Nope, we need one more mule; come on in."

Albert: "You don't seem to realize on which side your bread is buttered."

### Did You Ever Physic the Bladder With Castor Oil?

It can't be done. You can do it with juniper oil, buchu leaves, etc., contained in BUKETS, the bladder physic, pleasant to take. Drive out impurities and excess acids which cause irritation that results in getting up nights, backache, leg pains, bladder weakness and burning. Get a 25c box. After four days if not satisfied, your druggist will refund your money. You are bound to feel better after this cleansing and you get your regular sleep. Sold by Merkel Drug Co.



Merkel Drug Co., Merkel, Texas R. B. Johnson, Trent, Texas

Alton: "What does it matter? I eat both sides!"

### OUR LOST COLUMN.

LOST: A silk umbrella by an old gentleman with a carved ivory head.

LOST: A wagon by a young man with a long hickory tongue.

LOST: A fountain pen by a co-ed half full of purple ink.

### TEXAS ALMANAC.

Leave orders for the Texas Almanac with us. Price, 60 cents per copy, postpaid. Your magazine orders will also be appreciated. The Merkel Mail office.

The Real Play from Broadway, "Adam and Eve."

Try a Classified Ad in The Mail.

Read Merkel Mail Want Ads.

## "A NEW DEAL"

Now On

# THE ABILENE MORNING NEWS

"West Texas' Own Newspaper"

From Now Until October 1st, 1933 Including Sundays

BY MAIL ONLY

# \$2.00

IN WEST TEXAS

Lowest Spring Rate Ever Offered By This Newspaper

SUBSCRIBE NOW—SEE

# The Merkel Mail

## LOW FARES

# 3 1/4¢ per MILE



## TO FT. WORTH EL PASO all West Texas Cities

These low rates between Dallas, Fort Worth and El Paso, and all intermediate points are good on any and all schedules.

| SAMPLE LOW FARES |        |
|------------------|--------|
| Fort Worth       | \$3.10 |
| Dallas           | 3.65   |
| Ranger           | 1.45   |
| Big Spring       | 1.60   |
| El Paso          | 7.70   |

Ferrier's Service Station Phone 210

SOUTHLAND GREYHOUND Lines

YOU WILL FIND ME AT BLUE FRONT GARAGE EARL TEAGUE Tinner and Plumber Phones Residence 154 Shop 60 Satisfaction Guaranteed

We Buy Old Gold— REX A. SMITH Jeweler and Optometrist 1056 N. 2nd Street Abilene, Texas

Henry Ford Dearborn, Mich.

May 9, 1933

A great thing has occurred amongst us. We have made a complete turn-around, and at last America's face is toward the future.

Three years---1929 to 1932---we Americans looked backward. All our old financial and political machinery was geared to pull us out of the depression by the same door through which we entered. We thought it simply a case of going back the way we came. It failed. We now realize that the way out is forward---through it.

Thanks for that belongs to President Roosevelt. Inauguration Day he turned the Ship of State around. Having observed the failure of sincere efforts to haul us back the way we came, he designed a new method---new political and financial machinery---to pull us out the way we are going---forward. He is clearing international obstacles out of the way; he does not stand in awe of tariffs. The people begin to feel that he does not take advice from the "interests"; that he has courage and loyalty to work for one supreme interest only---the welfare of the American people. That is a big achievement for two months in office.

And now we all look to what is coming; we grow less and less concerned with what is behind. We are looking for a hand-hold on the haul rope. Every man wants to do what he can, and all he can.

The best thing I can do for the Country is to create industry by building good motor cars. If I knew anything better to do, I would do it. Industry must be my contribution. Motor cars must face ahead to the future, like everything else. They are so much a part of the Nation's daily life that if they lag behind they hold the Country back.

Henry Ford

### TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Those attending the workers conference at Neil Baptist church last Thursday for the day were Mesdames J. I. Leamon, J. B. Winn, Ben Howell, George McDonald, J. M. Billings, A. Williamson, Beckham, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stribling, Mr. Winn, Spurgeon Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rencau and son, Betty Lou Howell and Veneta McDonald. All report a most enjoyable day.

Mrs. Sidney Pass and daughter of Abilene spent the week-end with her grandmother, Mrs. T. J. Williamson. They were joined Sunday by Mr. Pass, who escorted them home in the afternoon.

Ed Tueton of Lockney was a guest in the Adrian home the early part of the week.

Burney Bell of Merkel attended to business here last Monday.

Fire broke out last Thursday from an unknown cause and burned John Grafford's feed stack, which was entirely destroyed. The Merkel fireboys assisted our boys and we thank them for their efficient work.

Mrs. J. E. Bowers and son, Mrs. Johnnie B. Winn and Mrs. Ben Howell and daughter attended church at Abilene Saturday night.

Edith Hale of McMurry spent the week-end with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Estep entertained their children at the noon hour Sunday with a most enjoyable dinner. Those partaking were: Mr. and Mrs. Rogge and children of Sweetwater and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Estep and daughter; also Bob Cole lunched with them, a guest of Miss Ida V. Estep.

Eleri Smith and family spent the week-end with the former's mother of Sweetwater, Miss Viola remaining over for a few days visit with her grandmother.

Stanley Armour and family, accompanied by Mrs. Jim Smith, spent last week-end with Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Titsworth of Ranklin, returning Monday.

Mrs. Ben Howell and daughter, Betty Lou, will leave Friday for Fort Worth to spend a few weeks with relatives here. She will also assist in the arrangements for the marriage of her aunt's daughter, Dorothy Stanford, which is slated for June 24. She will also help entertain in the parties and showers that have been planned.

Miss Hilda Howell of Royce City was a recent guest of Miss Ida V. Estep.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Burks spent the early part of this week with the former's brother at Big Spring. Grandma Burks, who has been here for sometime, accompanied them and remained.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Denton of Trinidad stopped over with the latter's brother, J. B. and Hosea Winn, Tuesday, dining with Mr. and Mrs. Hosea Winn for the lunch hour. They

### STARS IN UNUSUAL PRISON PICTURE



Spencer Tracy, Bette Davis and Arthur Byron in a dramatic scene from "20,000 Years in Sing Sing," a true story of the secret loves of headline criminals, written by Warden Lawes. The picture shows at the Queen tonight and Saturday.

will also visit with relatives at Sweetwater.

Mesdames Walker Steadman and Joe Nalley spent last Monday afternoon in Abilene.

Art Brock of Goodnight spent last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bowers. Mr. Brock is a cousin to Mr. Bowers.

### High School News.

**DETAILS OF THE CARNIVAL.**  
The Trent High School Carnival was a very happy time for the school children, the beauty contest making the most money, about \$15. Sara Julia Johnson won the gold medal, followed very closely by Mildred Steadman, Gladys Hamner being third.

We wish to thank each and everyone for the help we received from them for the boys athletic sweaters. We thank the Home Demonstration club for their help.

The Senior Class.  
The Junior Class.  
The Sophomore Class.  
The Freshman Class.  
Seventh and Sixth Grades.  
Roy Elliott, Annie Bell Bailey, Lois Powell and Garland P. Franks.

**SENIOR NEWS.**  
The baccalaureate sermon will be held in the high school auditorium Sunday night, May 21. Mr. J. F. Cox, president of A. C. C., will be the

speaker and the graduation exercises will be Friday night, May 26, also at the high school auditorium. Judge John L. Camp being the principal speaker. It will be the last event of this term of school.

### POOR FATHER.

"Poor Father" is the title of a play to be presented by the seventh grade Friday, May 19. It is sponsored by Garland P. Franks and the cast of characters as they appear are: William Tompkins, Audaver Rogers.

Clifford Tompkins, John Duncan, Harold Caldwell, N. L. McLeod, Sidney Dummell, A. C. Terry, George Washington Brown, Dow Williamson,

Sergeant O'Connor, R. T. Bishop, Mary Tompkins, Gladys Roberts, Gladys Tompkins, Ola Martin, Peesie Tompkins, Lois Orand, Caroline Tompkins, Winnie McDonald.

Marie, Hazel Wanda, Williamson, Vivian Laramie, Lillian Grace Reaves.

Come everybody. It's free.

### TENNIS AND DOMINO EVENT.

Friday, May 19, there will be at the High School tennis court a session of tennis (both singles and doubles). A fee of 25c for entrance will be charged. The funds will be for the benefit of the athletic boys sweaters.

Saturday all day in town there will be a domino parlor open for everyone. All other domino grounds will be closed all day. A small fee will be charged for entrance for the athletic boys also. Come everybody! Come for a big time! !

### SAY DID YOU HEAR!

That school is almost out?  
That Miss Powell has her hair cut?  
That Thelma seemed to be interested in an Abilene High School boy Friday night?

That Mr. Elliott saw a good looking girl Friday night?  
That Fanny still likes "green cheys"?

That Bo's little romance with our seventh grader is growing immensely. That Vada is interested in Sophomores now?

That Jewel has a new "feller"?  
That Luther takes the president of the school board's daughter to parties?

### White Church News

Everybody is all smiles over the fine rain we had and we are on the eve of very busy times.

Raymond Demere has been real sick. We hope he will soon be up again.

Maurice Pressley is staying in the home of his cousin, Howard Brown, of Blair, to be near school.

H. E. Farmer and Frank Demere were in Abilene on business Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Rogers and children were called to the bedside of his sister at Mt. Pleasant last week.

The White Church Home Demonstration club will meet at the home of Mrs. Hicks next Monday for a salad demonstration. Miss Chambers will be there.

Mrs. P. A. Riggan and daughter, Miss Melia, spent the week-end at Sandbur where they attended church.

H. E. Patterson of Cisco and his father, E. H. Patterson, of Route 3, were visitors in the A. D. Barnes home Sunday

Senior Play, "Adam and Eve," May 26, Grammar School Auditorium.

Adding machine rolls at Merkel Mail office.

### County Honor Roll

**WHITE CHURCH SCHOOL.**

The following pupils of White Church school are eligible for the honor roll:

Ninth grade, Ila Mae Snow, average 91.

Fourth grade, Elbie Frazier, average 90.

Third grade, Irene Snow, average 90.

**MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS.**

We will appreciate the privilege of sending in your subscriptions to the leading magazines. On a great many of them, if you want to include your subscription to The Mail, we are in position to make special clubbing offer. See us before you renew.



## STOPS a Headache

There seems to be no safer way to end a headache—and there certainly is no safer way—than two tablets of Bayer Aspirin.

You've heard doctors say Bayer Aspirin is safe. If you've tried it, you know it's effective. You could take these tablets every day in the year without any ill effects. And every time you take them, you get the desired relief.

Stick to Bayer Aspirin. It's safe. It gets results. Quick relief from headaches, colds, or other sudden discomfort.



**R & R PALACE**  
Sweetwater

Saturday  
Carole Lombard  
"SUPERNATURAL"  
with  
Randolph Scott-H. B. Warner  
The story of a female  
"Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde"

Sun.-Mon.  
Fredric March  
Cary Grant  
Jack Oakie  
"EAGLE and the HAWK"  
An air picture that is everything to be desired

Tues.-Wed.  
Lionel Barrymore  
"LOOKING FORWARD"  
It will make you cheer through your tears

Thurs.-Fri.  
"KING OF THE JUNGLE"  
The feature of a 5 UNIT R and R ROADSHOW PROGRAM

## LEST YOU FORGET

WE DO



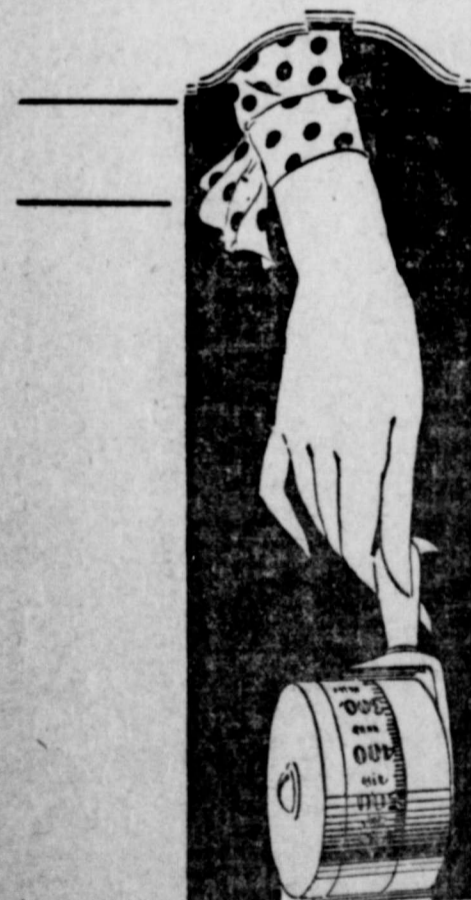
When you are in need of job work, think twice before you send it out of town. If you will have the Merkel Mail do your work, you will get some of this money back.

**THIS IS SOMETHING FOR YOU TO THINK ABOUT**

**PHONE 61**

**THE MERKEL MAIL**

The modern kitchen is an *ALL-GAS* kitchen



## AUTOMATIC GAS SERVANTS

Is your kitchen missing the new gas inventions?

The modern gas range has a new control in broiling steak, for instance. The porcelain broiler *g-l-i-d-e-s*, and adjusts automatically by lever.

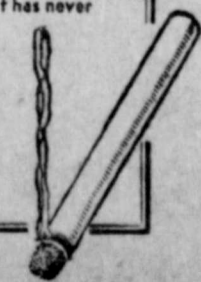
Inspect the new improvements in automatic gas Water Heaters, for thrifty operation . . . they turn out steaming water for 14 morning shaves on a penny's worth of gas.

Investigate! Inspect these improved gas appliances, priced to fit your own budget.

### How little does your gas service cost?

The price of a cigarette will buy enough gas service to cook a good dinner for three people.

This spotless heat has never been high-priced. . . It has **STAYED LOW** ever since we piped the first natural gas to your home.



### TO HUSBANDS:

She sets the dial for the **CORRECT** heat to bake your blackberry pie, if she has a modern Gas Range. No guesswork; no burning. Is your kitchen up-to-the-minute with an automatic Gas Range? If not, invite your wife to go shopping with you. Show her the new insulated models that keep the heat out of the kitchen.

Then buy one for her!

# CHURCH SERVICES

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.**  
All regular services Sunday. Brother C. R. Joyner, pastor will preach at both hours.  
Sunday School at 10 o'clock. B. T. S. at 6:45 p. m.  
Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:45.

**BAPTIST W. M. S.**  
On Monday night, May 8, the W. M. S. sponsored a church social. The basement was beautifully decorated with lovely larkspur and pot plants for the occasion. Readings, solos and songs by the Girls High school chorus made up the program, and an interesting talk by the superintendent, W. J. Largent, was given. The pastor was unable to be present, having been called out of town. Delicious fruited punch and cake was served to Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Yeats, who were special guests, and more than one hundred members.

Last Monday Brother Joyner taught our Bible study, which is Revelations. This is a very interesting book and we could look the world over but never find a better teacher. So every woman should put forth a great effort to attend. All men are also invited.  
Next Monday is our Royal Service day. Mrs. W. J. Largent will have charge of the lesson.

**METHODIST NEWS NOTES.**  
A record attendance at prayer meeting is to be appreciated. Those that failed to attend missed a jolly good time—a thrilling song service and a 25-minute study of Luke that was worth while. 51 were present.  
Rev. Charles Simpson will preach next Sunday morning. He is a very interesting speaker and you will enjoy the service.

Our pastor will preach Sunday night.  
Thanks to the committee that arranged such a splendid program for Mother's day. It was greatly enjoyed by all.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**  
Sunday School at 10 o'clock. If you are not in Sunday School elsewhere, we want you to come join one of our classes.  
Preaching at 11 a. m. but no evening service as the pastor will preach the commencement sermon at Neinda. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

A cordial invitation is extended strangers to all of these services.  
J. J. Russell, Jr., Supt.  
R. A. Walker, Pastor.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE**  
Rain which began before the Sunday School hour and continued until after noon caused a considerable falling off in attendance at the six reporting Sunday Schools last Sunday, the day having been especially designated as Sunday School and Church Attendance day. Only 543 were present. On the previous Sunday the attendance was 1,007 and on the same Sunday a year ago 874 were present.

**NAZARENE CHURCH.**  
Our attendance was small last Sunday on account of the rain, although we were indeed thankful for the rain. On last Tuesday evening we had a good singing at the church and on each Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock there will be singing at the Nazarene.

**HOW SHE LOST 29 POUNDS IN 3 MONTHS**  
"I am using your Kruschen Salts to reduce and I've used a bottle and a half and dieted some and lost 29 pounds in 3 months. I feel so much better and intend to keep on taking the Salts as I was almost 50 pounds overweight." Mrs. Thelma Gravely, Roseville, Calif. (Jan. 11, 1933).  
To lose fat and at the same time gain in physical attractiveness and feel spirited and youthful take one half teaspoonful of Kruschen in a glass of hot water before breakfast every morning.  
A jar that lasts 4 weeks costs but a trifle at any drugstore in the world but be sure and get Kruschen Salts the SAFE way to reduce wide hips, prominent front and double chin and again feel the joy of living—money back if dissatisfied after the first jar.

church. Welcome to all to come. We had some real good quartettes and will have again next time. Uncle Tom Spears of Blair will have charge of the singing next Tuesday night.  
Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday 8:30 p. m.  
Why do we have a church? Read Matthew 5:13-16.  
Mrs. Ola Bolls, Pastor.  
Mrs. Fannie King, Supt.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST.**  
Bible study at 9:45, preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. each Lord's Day, young people's program at 6:30 p. m. each Lord's Day, ladies Bible lesson at 6:30 p. m. and preaching at 7:30 p. m. each Wednesday.  
A cordial welcome awaits all who come.

**FUNDAMENTALIST BAPTIST CHURCH.**  
Our daily revival closed with 49 conversions and additions. There are several things that make this revival the "most peculiar revival" I was ever privileged to be in. First, it was preceded by 21 days prayer meeting from house to house, which was encouraged by a large attendance. Second, old timers say our attendance was a "record attendance." People came from far and near, some driving from 50 to 100 miles to be in our services. Third, there were 16 invitations given during the revival and every time someone came trusting the Lord or uniting with the church. Fourth, people from all denominations attended, encouraged and were enthusiastic in their efforts to make the revival a success. We cannot express in words our appreciation for the many, many kind and encouraging words concerning the glorious work God is doing through our humble church. Fifth, there were from 65 to

**FLOWERS**  
for  
**ALL OCCASIONS**  
**MISSIE'S FLORAL SHOP**  
At Woodrum Hotel

## SOCIETY

**DELTA-HAN-AROUN.**  
Miss Mary Elizabeth Grimes complimented her house guest, Miss Verena T. Beasley, and at the same time entertained members of the Delta-Han-Aroun bridge club on Thursday afternoon of last week. An enjoyable afternoon of games was climaxed with refreshments of pressed chicken sandwiches, glazed pickles and iced tea.  
Guests were Mesdames Red Alston, Ernest Higgins, George Overton, Ed McCrary, Bob Mayfield, Charlie Largent, George West, Johnny Gresham, L. C. Zehnpfennig, Orion Tittle, J. E. Boaz, Jr., Misses Mary Collins, Nelle

135 Junior boosters; 135 of them were present at the "candy picnic."  
Come and join our Bible School, if you are not a member somewhere. We are planning to get everyone who joins our Bible School a New Testament. And do you like ice cream? Well, come and we will tell you about it.  
Sixth, no drive was made to "persuade little children" to join our church. While we believe God saves little children, yet we do not feel led to try to persuade them until we know they are under conviction. About 30 have been approved for baptism. We will baptize Sunday at 3 p. m.  
Next Saturday we preach on "Doctrines of the Bible," Sunday 11 a. m. "The Great Image," read Daniel chapter 2; Sunday night, "Christ the theme of the Old Testament."  
We appreciate the great gospel messages and enthusiastic spirit of Brother Lovell and pray God's richest blessings on him and his church.  
Ernest C. Dowell, Pastor.

Durham, Lou Largent, Dorris Durham and the honoree and hostess.

**GOAT BARBECUE.**  
On last Friday night a goat barbecue and all-night fishing trip was held at the Cox-Sandusky camp on the Big 10 Ranch south of town. The goat was furnished by Earl Stevens of Trent. Those present were Denzel Cox and family of the Union Ridge community, Earl Stevens and family of Trent, Uncle Billy Sheppard of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cox, Dewey Sandusky and family, and Misses Modenia and Novis J. Whiteaker of the Castle Peak community.  
Supper guests were Messrs. and Mesdames Ace Sheppard, T. G. Bragg and Booth Warren of Merkel, Charlie Ware of Divide and Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Landreth of Mt. Pleasant.

**GLEANER CLASS.**  
The home of Mrs. W. S. J. Brown was the scene of a lovely party for the Gleaner class of the Methodist church, with Mesdames Gardner, Ferrier and Roberts as co-hostesses.  
The scripture was read by Mrs. Herbert Patterson, followed by the Lord's prayer in unison. After both old and new business was disposed of, a social hour of games followed, after which a refreshment plate of cottage cheese sandwiches, orange ice and olives was served to Mesdames Vaughn, Largent, H. Patterson, Shannon, Bennett, Graham, Thompson, Baccus, Mashburn, Hughes, Guitar, Douglas, Case, Boyd, Latham, Church, Lowe, Briggs, Brown, Gardner, Ferrier and Roberts.

Do you need a rest? See "Adam and Eve," Senior Play, May 26.  
Legal covers at Merkel Mail office.  
See the hit of the season, "Adam and Eve," Senior Play, May 26.

### Chickens Wanted

For Friday, Saturday and Monday, May 19, 20 and 22, we will pay the following prices:

|                        |    |
|------------------------|----|
| Heavy hens, per lb.    | 8c |
| Light hens, per lb.    | 6c |
| Roosters, per lb.      | 3c |
| No. 1 turkeys, per lb. | 6c |

Must be clear of feed  
Bring us your EGGS, CREAM and HIDES

## Merkel Produce Co.

John Dunn

## SHOP HERE and SAVE

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| <b>Tomatoes</b> Fancy Pinks, 2 lbs.       | 15c    |
| <b>Lettuce</b> Large and Firm             | 5c     |
| <b>FLOUR</b> Primrose—the best<br>48 lbs. | \$1.20 |
| <b>COMPOUND</b> 8 Pounds                  | 53c    |
| <b>Corn</b> Primrose, No. 2 can           | 10c    |
| <b>Peaches</b> White Swann, No. 2 1-2     | 17c    |
| <b>Poasties</b> Large Size                | 10c    |
| <b>Extra Good Lemons, each</b>            | 1c     |
| <b>Extra Fancy Winesaps</b>               |        |
| <b>Apples</b>                             | 1c     |
| <b>A Ball of Juice</b>                    |        |
| <b>Oranges</b>                            | 1c     |
| <b>Large Yellow Fruit</b>                 |        |
| <b>Bananas, doz.</b>                      | 15c    |
| <b>Coconut Fluffs</b>                     |        |
| <b>Cakes, lb.</b>                         | 17c    |
| <b>Sun Maid Raisins, 4 lbs.</b>           | 29c    |
| <b>Full Cream Cheese, lb.</b>             | 19c    |
| <b>Pint Bottles</b>                       |        |
| <b>Grape Juice</b>                        | 19c    |
| <b>Sours</b>                              |        |
| <b>Pickles, qt. jar</b>                   | 15c    |
| <b>14 Ounce Bottles</b>                   |        |
| <b>Catsup, 2 for</b>                      | 25c    |
| <b>Mayonnaise</b> Elfood, 8 oz. jar       | 17c    |
| <b>Coffee</b> Wonder, Vacuum Packed, lb   | 25c    |

## ELI CASE GROCERY

"The Home of Good Groceries"  
Phone 234 Prompt Service

None of them pays the same for oil



He knows his low-priced gasoline! She's a shrewd shopper! He'll pay more and get more!

## But all of them buy at Gulf!

**YOU** can't suit all oil buyers with the same price oil—any more than you can suit all motorists with the same size hat!

That's why Gulf offers you 3 fine oils at 3 fair prices. That's why Gulf lets you take your pick of 3 excellent gasolines—each at a different price.

And—note this well!—every Gulf product is the best that can be made at the price. It's an honest product, honestly made to meet rigid standards of quality. Drive into a Gulf station! Once you start on Gulf—you'll stick to Gulf!

**★ TUNE IN ★**  
**Gulf Headliners**  
Will Rogers and Irvin S. Cobb  
Sunday, Wednesday and Friday, 7 P. M.  
© 1933, GULF REFINING CO., PITTSBURGH, PA.


### 3 Great Gasolines

|   |               |
|---|---------------|
| <i>Gulf Traffic</i> —A dependable, white anti-knock gas.            | LOW PRICE     |
| <i>That Good Gulf</i> —The famous FRESH gas. No extra cost.         | MEDIUM PRICE  |
| <i>No-Nax Ethyl</i> —As fine gasoline as money can buy, plus Ethyl. | PREMIUM PRICE |

### 3 Great Motor Oils

|  |                        |
|--|------------------------|
| <i>Gulf Traffic</i> —Safe! A dependable low-priced oil | 15¢ a quart (plus tax) |
| <i>Supreme</i> —The 100-mile-an-hour oil.              | 25¢ a quart (plus tax) |
| <i>Gulfpride</i> —No finer motor oil in the world      | 35¢ a quart (plus tax) |

**GULF**  
"It's Fresh"



## JEWELRY

THE GIFT THE GRADUATES WILL ALWAYS CHERISH

**WATCHES**—Presley's are featuring the new Bulova, made especially for graduation, in white and natural gold, in Baguettes and Semi-Baguettes, at—  
\$24.75 \$29.75 and \$37.50

Handsome Sport and plain style watches for the young man, similarly priced.

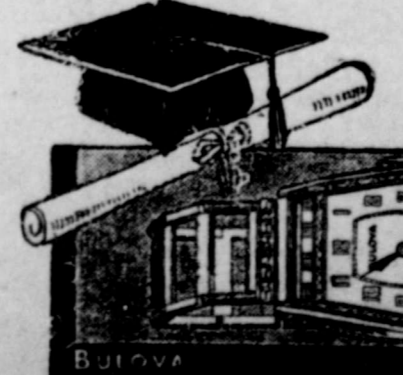
**DIAMONDS**—In the smartest of new mountings, at \$12.50 up.

**COSTUME JEWELRY**—A very elaborate showing of Rings, Bracelets, Pendants, and Ensemble sets, in all colors, at 75c up.

**FOUNTAIN PENS**—Pencils, Watch Bands and other items for the boy or girl graduate.

## C. M. PRESLEY, Jeweler

2 STORES  
210 Cypress Abilene, Texas 209 Pine



**BULOVA**

**MERKEL MAIL WANT ADS FOR RESULTS**