SENIORS TO GIVE "ADAM AND EVE" FRIDAY NIGHT

Old, Old Story in Entirely New help, Mrs. Clinton Jenkins swam out Were Two Weeks in Wilds of Appropriations for Biennium To-Players; Time, 8:15 O'Clock; dawn Saturday and saved him from drowning. Admission, 20c and 25c.

ed Friday night, May 26, at 8:15 author who falls in love with Ruth | nia was second. Armstrong, the only daughter of a millionaire. Arnold Baxter Armstrong, played by Mordell Shouse, is the millionaire father who is on the verge of torium law is unconstitutional, the and his gang and then later rode sev- vetoing any item. a nervous breakdown from overwork first ruling by a Texas court on the and worry about financial affairs during the market crashes. He is ruled by his wife, Mrs. Armstrong, (Imogene Middleton,) until he goes off to

Mrs. Armstrong is a very self-centered self-important woman, until all where he went down 24 hours before of her children and husband refuse to do as she says.

Rider, is accustomed to buy whatever in defiance of state liquor laws, for she wants. She makes a mistake, which he had been arrested twice, C. however, in attempting to handle Ad- L. Gathright, Amarillo cafe proprieam in a high-handed manner.

Ned Armstrong, played by Van Roberts, doesn't seem to have the money complex the rest of his family has. Still, he shows that he can take care of business very well indeed when the cccasion demands. He is a very like-

Evelyn Armstrong, played by Nell Hughes, is a niece of Arnold Armstrong. She is very sweet, a good times the total for April a year ago sport, and full of humor. By her rav- and the increase over March was nearing over Adam's boat and helping him ly five times, the University of Texas with his book, she manages in the end Bureau of Business research reports.

ous of. She has a very good business sary meeting in 1934. head and Ned decides that he can't | possibly do without her.

The maid is played by Opal Hus-

We are also introduced to some of Ruth's friends in the party scene.

The play in itself is very interesting and humorous. You will surely forget your troubles for awhile in worrying over those of the actors.

Much humor is also provided by "Fitting and Improper," is a take-off Raleigh presented by Lucille Campbell as first vice president. and Albert Cade. The second, "Buy-Wheeler and Terrell Mashburn.

delegates to the Firemen's convention

at Wichita Falls last week, report a

Tuesday afternoon two fast teams

assembled at Highland Park in a Lowe.

of local Merkel baseball players were

very interesting game, the score re-

sulting 13 to 4 in favor of the side

championed by the Hamblet & Rogers

genial representative (Abe) Rogers.

Batteries for the Cash Grocery:

Black, Moore and Kelsoe; for the H.

& R. team, Rogers, Rose and Faucett.

There will be services at the South-

side Christian church Saturday even-

ing and Sunday, Rev. E. D. Russell

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson of

Frank Tipton wants to see you in

of Moody stopped here Wednesday serious.

Rust & McCauley's Cream Parlor.

Stamford were here Saturday visit-

ing the former's parents.

will preach.

very enjoyable time while there.

Answering her husband's call for Setting; Excellent Cast of into a lake near Stanton just before

W. A. Holman, of Valera, in Coleman county, suffered loss of both feet The Merkel High School Senior when he attempted to board a Fort Amarillo Saturday night.

closed by estimates of the United new setting. Adam Mason, played by States department of agriculture, Tex-Gerald Derrick, is a young vagabond as led all the states in 1932. Califor-

Judge Robert B. Allen of 116th disthe state real estate mortgage moraconstitutionally of the law.

The body of Mack Thomas, 22 sophomore medical student at the Uni- n horseback, under a protective guard rest "as those crazy doctors ordered." versity of Texas at Galveston, was recovered in the gulf near the spot while swimming with friends.

Indicted by the Potter county grand Ruth Armstrong, played by Florene jury for selling federal legalized beer tor, was released on \$2,500 bond.

> West Texas farmers are to be repassed by the house and sent to the senate. The bill appropriates \$500,000.

Unfilled orders of 21 Texas cotton mills at the end of April were three

Jo Nelson, Mr. Armstrong's secre- the Victoria Bank and Trust com- be lined up in front an adobe wall, tary, is played by Mildred Richard- pany, was elected to the presidency and shot any time." son. She is a very attractive young of the Texas Bankers association at whom Mrs. Armstrong, without the Mineral Wells convention, Dallas Badgers to Play Eight any cause what-so-ever, is very jeal- being selected for the fiftieth anniver-

> The jury in 126th district court at Austin trying John R. Bigham, former sheriff of Bell county, on a charge of extortion in the collection of in the Merkel district. which gives fees, failed to agree and was discharged. The jury was reported as standing 8 to 4 for acquittal.

host city at the Southern Baptist convention, which met at Washington, D. the between-act scenes. The first, C., last week, the date of the meeting to be May 10, 1934. Pat M. Neff, foron Queen Elizabeth and Sir Walter mer governor of Texas, was named district 9, division of class B Inter-

Employes of the First National bined for the 1933 season. ing a Tooth Brush as You Pick Out bank of San Marcos were held up and Your Car," is a very humorous skit robbed of about \$5,000 Monday afterpresented by Alton Bicknell. Joyce noon by two bandits who were heavily armed, two of the employes and a cus-Come! Don't miss It! Admission tomer being taken five miles from town before being released.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

G. W. Wilson of Inkum was on the

week to visit his mother, Mrs. M. J.

for the local Southwestern Telephone

Exchange was in Abilene Sunday

Ed Scott, the 12-year-old son of

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Scott, was hurt

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, May 23, 1913.)

L. E. Sanders, A. V. Dye, W. L. night at the Walker cottage. All the

to Lubbock.

streets Saturday.

visiting friends.

Bradley of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. snag from one of which inflicted an

Burns, C. K. Russell, Frank Wood- party were making a cross country

TEXAS STOCKMEN STORY OF TERROR

Northern Mexico; Didn't Know What Minute Bandit Would Shoot, One Declares.

Alpine, May 25 .- Bandit terrorism of Northern Mexico.

mile journey from Ocampo, Mexico, Texas. of officers from that town.

May 16, eight days after six horses \$9,298,084 and appears to be certain of had been stolen from the Hannold approval as it meets the test imposed ranch near San Vicente. Their cap- in the approval of the departmental ture by Baeza was believed to have measure, that appropriations be cut been the result of a trap set by the 25 per cent or more.

Boquillas. Taken prisoner near Olan, Baeza's headquarters, they were aid in part by the state for money threatened with death despite their pent in stamping out the pink boll pleas that their action was approved vorm, under terms of a bill finally by Francisco Lisardi, chief of the Boquillas guard.

"We managed to talk him out of tilling us on the spot," Hannold said. Both Hannold and Rolling emphaized the courteous treatment by Mexcan officials in contrast to rough handling by Baeza.

"We weren't afraid," they said of Baeza, "but we didn't know what was David E. Blackburn, president of going to happen next. We expected to

Merkel schools voted to play a round robin football schedule for 1933 must be filled, Coach Irvin says.

The enlarged schedule comes as the ber of the Maverick Social club. result of a recent meeting 'at Roby when the west and east sections of Booth Warren Heads scholastic League football, were com-

The Badger's schedule follows: Sept. 29-Anson at Anson. Oct. 6-Stamford at Stamford. Oct. 13-Haskell at Merkel. Oct. 20-Roscoe at Merkel. Oct. 27-Open.

Nov. 3-Roby at Merkel. Nov 11-Hamlin at Hamlin, Nov. 17-Rotan at Rotan. Nov. 24-Snyder at Merkel. Nov. 30-Open.

Grand Jury Returns 37 Bills of Indictment

rum and F. A. Sanders, the Merkel auto tour from last mentioned places Making its final report Friday and grand jury of 42nd district court re- ganization in Merkel. The subject of negress, with murder in connection made a short talk and a report of the Elmer Lowe returned to Merkel last with the fatal shooting of Frank C. Boy Scout jamboree was given by T. Black, Jr., negro, on the night of D. Riddle. April 23.

The murder trial has been set for New York Votes For Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Adrian of Trent were here Monday in Mr. Adrian's Wednesday, May 31, and a special venire of 85 men has been ordered to

Miss Clara Moore, chief operator Four Merkel men are members of the inquisitorial body of the 42nd district Watt Blair and J. T. Darsey, Sr.

Boys Are Leading. Austin, May 25 .- Co-eds at the Uni-Wednesday when riding with his un- versity of Texas can no longer comcle, Edwin SoRelle, who was driving plain of a scarcity of men. In fact kota to Sweetwater. On leaving the friends without beating anyone's ming. ranch one of the steers broke out of time, since the registrar's report of the herd and the horse Ed was riding, March 31 shows that men students being an old cow pony, turned quick- outnumber the co-eds of the uni-A. D. Barnes and Mrs. G. J. Crow ugly flesh wound but is in no way enrolled this long session is 6,920. Of day. A daughter, Mrs. F. E. Tippett, the other family is fed.

GOVERNOR SIGNS BACK HOME, TELL DEPARTMENT BILL WITH RACE RIDER

tal' \$11,571,800; Dreaded Ve- 7 TEACHERS TO toes Missing and Way is Cleared For Adjournment.

Austin, May 25 .- Gov. Miriam A. play, "Adam and Eve," to be present- Worth and Denver freight train at and the contrasting hospitality of Ferguson continued her legislative Four to University of Texas, Mexican officials was revealed Tues- surprises Wednesday when she apday as Arthur Hannold, 36, and John proved the general appropriation bill ium, is an old story in an entirely closed by actimates of the United International border. Treader with the support of the state departguard after two weeks in the wilds Sept. 1. She did not scratch a line or veto a nickel of its total of \$11,572,800, bers of the Merkel Public schools, Soon after they arrived in Boquil- plus \$61,000 available immediately. four will attend the summer session of las, Coahulia, Mexico, 130 miles south- Mrs. Ferguson broke all time record west of Alpine, they told how they when she approved the bill in less trict court at Dallas ruled Friday that faced death from the muzzles of rifles than twenty-four hours after its reof Candelario Baeza, Mexican outlaw, ceipt and also upset precedent in not

enty-five miles over a desert. They This is the measure which carried reached the Rio Grande after a 200- the rider permitting horse racing in

bill, which is due to be considered Hannold and Rollins were released Thursday, It will carry approximately

As compared with the total of \$16,-The Texans crossed into Mexico on 192,437 appropriated two years ago, a permit from Mexican officals at the new departmental bill is a reduction of about 28 per cent and the educational bill is approximately the

> governor that she approved the bil! because it met her demands and the platform declaration for a cut of 25 per cent more. Reductions in the four major bills aggregate \$13,000,000 for the next two years. There is added. however, \$7,000,000 on rural aid which also is due in the executive office Thursday.

Merkel Boy Earns Degree from A. C. C.

Among the thirty-seven members of Games, 4 Home, 4 Away the graduating class of Abilene Chris-Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Smith, of Merkel. Commencement exercises are to be held on May 29.

Ruskin graduated from the Merkel Merkel 8 conference games next fall, High school with the class of 1929 four away and four at home. October and since entering A. C. C. has fig-27 and November 30 are open dates, ured prominently in the activities of Fort Worth was selected as the next November 30 is Thanksgiving day and the school, especially in the work of the Dramatics club. He is also a mem-

Booth Warren was elected district chairman of Boy Scout activities at a called meeting of friends of Scout- Saturday, May 20, 1933. dom, held here Thursday night of last week, and plans were got under way for increasing interest in the movement here. The meeting was attended by Rev.

C. R. Joyner, Rev. R. A. Walker, R. B. Irvin, Dee Grimes, T. D. Riddle, Herbert Patterson, Roy Reid, Ralph Duke, Max Mellinger, and Mordell Shouse, representing the local Scouts. Visitors from Abilene were: Ed Shumway, Scout executive, Dr. R. A. Maddox and H. A. Pender, Dr. Maddox made an interesting talk on the Saturday to Judge M. S. Long, the importance of a functioning Scout orturned 37 indictments. In the batch Mr. Shumway's address was "Progwas a bill charging Ora Lee Brooks, ressive Scouting." Mr. Pender also

Repeal, Sixth State

on prohibition repeal.

Original DAR Member Dies. these 5,932 were in school March 31. lives in Greenville, Texas.

THIRTY-THREE CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION IN CLASS OF 1933, MERKEL HISCHOOL

SUMMER SCHOOLS

Other Three to North Texas State Teachers College.

Of the factulty of twenty-one memthe University of Texas and three will eate sermon will be preached by Dr. go to North Texas State Teachers E. B. Surface, pastor of Central Pres-

Those expecting to take special work at the University of Texas are clude the prelude by the High School elvn Curb and Ralph Duke, Misses "Sing to the Lord," "Those Songs My Pauline Pinckley and Imogene Hayes Mother Sang," "Savior, Like a Shepand Mrs. Orpah Campbell will at- herd Lead Us," "Trees" and "Life tend the state teachers college at Den- Has Nothing Sweeter."

the summer right here in Merkel, ac- Two local pastors, Rev. C. R. Joyner cording to present plans, while T. D. and Rev. E. L. Yeats, will give invo-Riddle will work in Dallas and vicin- cation and benediction, respectively.

Grammar school, will visit part of the cummer in California and Miss Inice Denton and San Juan, Texas. At the close of the school session,

Virgilia Welch, to Colorado; Miss Op- | bell, Clarence Church, Frances Marie al Sloan, to Roscoe, and Miss Carrie Church, Margaret Dean, Gerald Der-Coffey, to Electra.

plans except to spend the summer at Mae Hulsy, Opal Huskey, Terrell their homes here.

Two Merkel Girls Graduates El Paso

Included in the list of eight gradtian college is Ruskin Smith, son of uates of the El Paso Masonic School White. of Nursing were the names of two Merkel girls, Misses Bessie Westenhover and Eunice Bird.

> Rite cathedral in El Paso and among was Mrs. J. H. McDonald of this city, play the processional and recessional, an aunt of Miss Westenhover, who was reared in the McDonald home.

Following graduation from this C. R. Joyner. school, the young ladies will do special work for the next few months pre-Local Scout Group paratory to examination for certificates fom the state board.

Record of Births.

Commencement Exercises to be Held Monday Evening, with Address to Seniors by Dr. D. Wiggins of Simmons.

Thirty-three candidates for graduation are numbered in the Senior class of 1933 of the Merke! Public schools and closing exercises will take place on Sunday and Monday nights, May 28 and 29, both at the Methodist

On Sunday evening the baccalaurbyterian church, Abilene.

Special numbers on the program in-Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Irvin, Miss Ev- chorun in the following numbers:

Miss Thelma McAninch is to play Supt. Burgess will spend most of the processional, also the recessional. "A Little Prayer" by Hamblen is to

Mrs. Len Sublett, principal of the be rendered by the Girls' Choral club. COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

The big event for the graduates Brown will divide her time between comes Monday evening when the diplomas will be awarded. The list of candidates for gradua-

teachers whose homes are elsewhere tion reads: Nola Mae Anderson, Ward will go to their respective homes: Miss Berryman, Alton Bicknell, Duncan Helen Fatterson, to Temple; Miss Briggs, Albert Cade, Lucile Camprick, Eleanor Mae Hogan, Sandifer Others of the faculty have no other Hollingsworth, Nell Hughes, Ouida Mashburn, Meyer Mellinger, Imogene Middleton, Margaret Miller, Gordon Murray, Jim Patterson, Virgil Lee Perkins, Mildred Richardson, Florene Rider, Van Roberts, Mildred Sharp, School of Nursing Mordell Shouse, Howard Stanley, Jack Tucker, Faye Vantreese, Gwendolyn Vick, Joyce Wheeler, Maurine

The address to the graduates by Dr. D. M. Wiggins, of Simmons University, is to be the feature of the Graduating exercises were held on program. Following the speaker, Supt. the night of May 16 at the Scottish Roger A. Burgess will present the diplomas and awards.

Again Miss Thelma McAninch will the invocation to be given by Rev. E. L. Yeats and the benediction by Rev.

Three delightful musical numbers are promised in the opening chorus. "Invitation," by the Senior class; a trio, "Prayer Perfect," by Mildred Richardson, Margaret Miller and Van Roberts, and the girls' octet, "A Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Griswell, Dream Boat Passes By," with Imo-(Continued on Page Four)

BRUCE BARTON

PICKING HIS MARKET.

Jesus' preaching was almost incidental. On only one occasion did he deliver a long discourse, and that was probably interrupted often by questions and debates. He did not come to establish a theology but to lead a life. Living more healthfully than any of his contemporaries He spread health wherever He went. Thinking more daringly ,more divinely, He expressed himself in thoughts of surpassing beauty, as naturally as a plant bursts into bloom. His sermons, if they may be called sermons, were chiefly explanatory of His service. He healed a lame man, gave sight to a blind man, fed the hungry, cheered the poor; and by these works He was advertised much more than by His words.

The church, which covets advertising and receives little, is much more faithful in such good work than the man on the street sus-Albany, N. Y., May 25 .- Wihout the pects. Most of our colleges were founded under its inspiration; usual election excitement New York most of our hospitals grew out of, and are supported by its memcourt: S. D. Gamble, W. J. Sheppard, state Tuesday registered its attitude bership; the ideals that animate all civic enterprises are its ideals: and its members furnish to such movements the most dependable The vote nearly 12 to 1, New York support. More than this, the day by day life of any genuine pastor state was definitely added to the is a constant succession of healings and helpings, as any one who list of five other states which have has been privileged to grow up in a minister's family very well already voted for repeal. The other knows. The door-bell rings at seakfast-time; it rings at dinnerstates are Michigan, New Jersey, time; it rings late at night-and every ring means that some one some cattle from his ranch near Es- they may have two steady boy Rhode Island, Wisconsin and Wyo- has come to cast his burden upon the parsonage. A man comes blinded by his greed or hatred or fear-he opens his heart to the pastor, and goes away having received his sight. A parent whose child is dead in selfishness, comes leading the child by the hand. Berkeley, Cal., May 25.-Mrs. Mary And sometimes the preacher is able to touch the withered veins of ly and started after the steer and in versity almost two to one. The Priscella Tillman, 97, one of the seven conscience, and life becomes normal and wholesome again. A man W. L. Barnes, J. M. and H. P. doing so ran between two trees, a count indicates 3,930 men and 2,002 surviving original daughters of the out of work, whose family is hungry, knocks timidly at the parsonwomen students. The total number American revolution, died here Fri- age door. And somehow, from the parson's few loaves and fishes,

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700 Attend Annual Rally Day of Taylor

With the selection of winners in dress, rug and pillow case contests the highlights of the day, Taylor counhome demonstration club women held their fifth annual rally-day session at Fair Park. Abilene, last Thursday. More than 700 women and guests attended the program, which included a bounteous luncheon-speaking for the high degree of culinary art that has been developed in club homes of the county-spread at an exhibition build-

First honors in the dress contest went to Mrs. Louis Groene of Pleas- stration agent, assisted. ant Hill, selected for first place by popular ballot following a revue in which thirteen club contestants participated. Three hundred and thirty four votes were cast.

Mrs J. A. Russell of Tye was

is, Elmdale, first; Mrs. J. W. Lindsay, of preachers. Centerline, second; Mrs. E. D. Thomas, Tye, third.

Colored pillow cases: Mrs. Frank Place. McBryde Centerline, first; Mrs. J. T. Cotman. Elmdale, second; Mrs. W. F. Knox, Hamby, third.

Applique cases: Mrs. J. T. Smith, Tye, first; Mrs. Roy Mallard, Tye, me. Joseph L. Speck, opposite Fire second; Mrs. D. R. Snow, Wylie, Station, Merkel, Texas,

Rugs: Hooked: Mrs. Bert Fincher, "Adam and Eve." North Park, first; Mrs. Frank Mc-Bryde and Mrs. J. W. Lindsey, Cen- Typewriting and carbon paper at terline, tied for second and third. Crochet rug: Mrs. Gordon Oliver, Wylie, first.

Prizes in the rug contests were awarded by Mrs. J. M. Wagstaff and Mrs. J. D. Sandefer of Abilene. Eleven clubs were represented in the display of rugs and pillow cases-Bradshaw, Tye, Buffalo Gap, North Park, Hamby, Iberis, Elmdale, Cen- as well as other news items of terline, Trent, Salt Branch and

Thirteen clubs were represented in return from a trip please tele-

Mrs. Louis Groene, Pleasant Hill: Mrs. G. B. Vanlandingham, Mt. Pleasant; Mrs. Edd Clark, Iberis;

Miss Allie Maxwell, Buffalo Gap; Miss Eleanor Farr, Wylie, Mrs. Walter Cladden, Rogers, Ribbons County Club Women went to winners of first, second and third places in the contest. All

IBERIS CLUB LEADS.

call record, assembled by the coun- tered into the business session. n the morning. Mrs. H. R. Clemmer an early date. ided for the program.

ved as general hostesses for the day, bers to attend this meeting. Miss Caroline Chambers, home demon-

BRUCE BARTON

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These are Jesus' works, done in Jesawarded second place, and Mrs. J. us' name. If He were to live again, in T. Rollins of North Park received these modern days, He would find a third. The dresses, all attractive way to make them known-to be adsummer frocks, were made by foun- vertised by His service, not merely by dation patterns as a part of the his sermons. One thing is certain: He and had a picnic Saturday night, May leading magazines. On a great many would not neglect the market-place. 20, which everyone enjoyed very much. A group of three judges-Mrs. Few of His sermons were delivered in After refreshments of sandwiches, Arma D'Spain, Mrs. J. Soule Mc-synagogues. For the most part He was Daniel and Mrs. Ed Shumway- in the crowded places, the Temple games were enjoyed. picked the winning pillow cases and Court, the city squares, the center where goods were bought and sold. I White pillow cases: Mrs. R. C. Dav-emphasized this fact once to a group son, Evelyn Robertson, Fay, Marie

Next Week: The Modern Market

Watch Repairing-best of workmanship. Also cold drinks and candies on ice that is cold. Come by to see

The Real Play from Broadway,

Mail office.

See your favorite actor act in Knitted rug: Mrs. W. T. Bull, "Adam and Eve," Senior play, May 26.

TELEPHONE THE

MAIL The Mail will be glad to receive news of entertainments or visitors in Merkel homes, a general nature. If you have company, entertain friends or



R. B. Johnson, Trent, Texas

RURAL SOCIETY

STITH CLUB.

frecks were made of cotton mater- met Friday afternoon, May 5, with Mrs. Bill Dunagin. There were 16 members and 2 visitors present.

Iberis club, with 25 members, 25 | About two hours were spent quiltoundation patterns cut and 25 ing on Mrs. Dunagin's friendship dresses made by patterns, led a roll quilt, after which the members en-

ril secretary from local club re- It was decided the club members and ports at opening of the meeting their families would have a picnic at

f Elmdale, council chairman, pre- Mrs. Kelso gave information concerning the joint council meeting with Women of the North Park club ser- | Shackelford county, urging all mem-

> Delegates to the short course elected were Mrs. Walter Kelso, president, and Mrs. Edgar Bradley, repoter, as

The club will meet with Mrs. C. L. are expecting Miss Bonner to be with office.

SALT BRANCH 4-H CLUB. The Salt Branch 4-H club girls met cookies and lemonade were served,

The following members were present: Gladys Petty, Willie Mae Hudand Marcella Pinckley, Annie D. and Evelyn Garvin, Nollie Jaynes, Wilma Lee Payne, Frances Hester, Lola Pauline, Lorena and Lela Higgins, and Mrs. Wilma Robertson, sponsor, and the following visitors: Mr. and Mrs. Angus Garvin and children, Christine, John Angus, Juanita and Charlie Ben, Mss Pauline Pinckley, Misses Genevive Robertson, Verner, Laroy and Jack Hester, Willard Payne and Ollie Higgins.

The next meeting will be in the home of Francis Horton.

HOLIDAY NOTICE. On account of Memorial Day, a national holiday, the undersigned banks will remain closed all day Tuesday, May 30. Customers will please take notice and make their arrangements accordingly.

The Farmers State Bank. The F. & M. National Bank.

Legal covers at Merkel Mail office.

HEBRON NEWS

The Hebron B. Y. P. U. presented The Stith Home Demonstration club a program in honor of Mother and Father Sunday night.

> Beatrice Reeder entertained her friends with an ice cream party Sunday afternoon from three until five

Mr. and Mrs. Huston Clark are entertaining a baby girl, named Patsy Jean, in their home.

Mrs. Melvin Jones and baby, Charles Freddy, are visiting in the home of Mrs. Jones' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Huston Clark.

We have been blessed with two good rains and everyone is busy planting

TEXAS ALMANAC.

Leave orders for the Texas Almanac with us. Price, 60 cents per copy, Daniel May 19, instead of with Mrs. postpaid. Your magazine orders will Bryan Dunagin. At this meeting we also be appreciated. The Merkel Mail

MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS.

We will appreciate the privilege of sending in your subscriptions to the 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.

QUEEN TONIGHT AND SATURDAY

Dippy-Daffy-Delirious

ROBT. WOOLSEY

"HOLD 'EM JAIL"

They turn the big house into the bug house-See the goofiest football game ever screened- You'll laugh yourself sick!

ALSO COMEDY AND ACT

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

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 CUSTOM-ER and that you may form a banking connection that will be permanent and one that will be more and more appreciated throught the years ahead.

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MERKEL MAIL WANT ADS FOR RESULTS—PHONE 61

Henry Ford Dearborn Mich

May 15, 1933

Time and again I am told-by my own organization and by others --- that I'penalize myself by quality

Friendly critics protest our putting into the Ford V-8 what they call "twenty-year steel." They say such quality is not necessary; the public does not expect it; and that the public does not know the difference anyway.

But I know the difference.

I know that the car a man sees is not the car he drives-he drives the car which the engineer sees. The car which is seen, comprises beauty of design, color and attractive accessories, --- all desirable, of course. The best evidence that we think so is that they are all found on the Ford V-8.

But these are not the car. The car proper, which is the basis of all the rest, is the type of engine and its reliability; the structure of chassis and body, ruggedly durable; the long thought and experiment given to safety factors; the steady development of comfort, convenience and economy. These make the car.

A car can be built that will last two or three years. But we have never built one. We want the basic material of our car to be as dependable the day it is discarded as the day it is bought. Ford cars built 15 years ago are still on the road. It costs more to build a durable car-but two items we do not skimp are cost and conscience. A great many things could "get by"---the public would never know the difference. But we would know.

The new Ford V-8 is a car that I endorse without any hesitancy. I know what is in it. I trust our whole thirty years' reputation with it. It is even better than our previous V-8. It is larger, more rugged and mechanically a better job all round.

I readily say this in an advertisement because I know the car will back it up.

Henry Ford

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OR THREE MONTHS FOR

SUBSCRIBE NOW—SEE

The Merkel Mail

"Oh, Clarice and Ethel and Ross

Suddenly the car swung abruptly

darkness of a narrow, tree-shadowed

Maitland took his hand from hers

Maitland drew her suddenly closer

His kisses were on her neck, her

his breath coming short and hurried.

haps her safety lay in letting him kiss

Suddenly she relaxed her tense mus-

The touch of his cold fingers on

and humiliation through Joyce. She

"If you . . . cared . . . at all about

me," she cried, her voice quivering in

I want, not just what you want . .

EIGHTH INSTALLMENT.

The Story so far: Joyce Ashton, poor stenographer, in a skidding taxicab accident in Chicago, suffered loss of memory. Two years later she woke one morning after a fall from her horse to find herself, under the name of Frills, married to Neil Packard, rich California fruit packer, From letters in her desk she learned something about her life in the two-year interval and realized that she had been a heartless, reckless young woman and that she is seriously involved in an affair with a man named Maitland. She decided that at all costs she would end it, but she found Maitland hard to manage. Her troubles were further complicated when she read a letter referring to a baby-was it hers?-that the writer, Sophie, thought Frills ought to have with her. Much to the surprise of Sam, in her husband's employ, she asked for a dog and he got her one. NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY-

Before Joyce addressed and stamped the brown envelope, it occurred to her that she might write a few words to put in with it. Then, having come to this conclusion, she found herself dismayingly unable to decide what to say. What sort of letter would Frills write to Neil? "I don't see how she'd have the face to write to him at all, when land and his crowd," she thought dis- who Mait. I think she might send a few words." She ended by writing:

"Dear Neil: You can't hurt a solid ivory dome just by falling on it! But it seems to have knocked some of the the jazz. Laurine was here this morn- Clarice. ing with a lot of good advice, Ethel and Clarice this afternoon, and while I was out, Paul and Dot came, and Tess Farnsworth. Don't know why I've never wanted a dog before nor Just why I want one now, but I've just acquired a darling," she wrote hastily, "Sam got him for me from the Marches on the Dry Creek Canyon thinks? Frills."

finished, about whether she had not cultured men and women drunkenly in written more than was wise. She sealed up the letter, however, and then went downstairs to look for Sam to post it.

"I had a telgram from Mr. Packard asking me to mail him some papers he left behind by mistake, and I wondered if you could get them to the post office for me? I'm sorry to disturb you this way but I think the papers are important and ought to leave right off. Would you mind?"

"Sure not!" replied Sam taking the envelope, "I'll hop into the bus and take it down."

"Are Roxie and Marcia out?" "Yeah, gone to the movies with their steadies," Sam grinned good-natured-

"Oh, of course," she murmured, smiling back at him and then added curiously, "What were you doing, Sam when I interrupted you?"

"Oh, digging at the same old stuff," replied Sam, as if she knew also what that meant. He ran his big brown hand through his hair. "Sometimes I think it's the bunk, getting educated by abwell do it as to play pool or take some | shut and murmured: jane to the movies."

Joyce reurned to the house full of thoughts of Sam, plugging away by himself out there alone, and she forgot run." said Maitland promptly. He led for a moment the problems of her own her to his machine which was only a situation.

a group of people came in with a burst light overcoat and Joyce in a daze slid of talking and laughing and took pos- her arms into it and dropped back into session of the house.

"You're my hotsy, I'm your totsy, sider exactly what she was doing. everything is hotsy-totsy nowwww!" sang a tall man with a bald head and down the drive and out into the road.

jovial pink face. Joyce was seized in a rough embrace by this hearty gentleman and kissed situde that all her fear and abhorren-

amined the separate members of the "Feel better, dear?" company. She was more relieved than otherwise that the free-and-easy manners of Frills' set demanded so little effort. Apparently nothing very defi-nite was expected of a hostens; every-one talked volubly and seemed entire-"Who was there tonight?" he asked ly at home. Both Ethel and Clarice after a bit.

were present, now in dinner dresses and earrings.

There were two other women, who turned out to be Tess Farnsworth and Kate Belmain. Tess was about thirty years old, a non-descript brunette with a strained look back of her small long list. brown eyes. Kate Belmain was the oldest woman in the party. Her white after they get a few drinks under their hair, bobbed and marcelled with such belts. Get damn' sick of their drivel, home for you." careful skill that it quite rated the dig- | don't you, Frills?" nity of of being called a coiffure, made a most becoming soft frame for her to the left, drove in through the thick still excellent complexion.

The four men were commonplace road, then came out to an open space enough. Charlie Bates was a bachelor, and stopped quietly. cheerful, unintelligent, dissipated, addicted to the use of strong perfume. and putting his arm around her shoul-Ed Rawley, the "faithful Ed" of Clar- ders bent over her. ice's sarcastic comment, looked unhappy in this gathering. Ross Emery, who had greeted Frills so vociferously on same intensity of that first embrace in her entrance, proceeded to be the life the living-room. and death of the party. The fourth man, strolling restlessly about the eyes, over her whole face. She could room trying to draw somebody into a feel his heart hammering violently and game of poker was Art Belmain.

"Say, folks, I'm going to buy you all | She was frightened and repelled. She a drink," exclaimed Ed, jumping up, must keep her head and get him to 'who's with me? Frills is so holier- take her back to the house as quickly than-thou tonight it scares me, I know | as possible, Perhaps her very resistsomething that'll put a little original ance was what inflamed him so; persin into her!"

"I'll come along and help you, Ed," offered Art. Then a diversion occurred | She was so tired and it was so utterin the form of the arrival of two more by futile to struggle against his superall she cared about his absence was the men. One of them was Dr. Ellison, and chance it gave her to go off with Mait- the other a man of about the same age was hailed as "Trace." Tracy cles and lay limp in his arms. The gustedly, "but just the same, since Farnsworth was tanned like the rest. result of this, instead of cooling his Joyce Ashton isn't going off with Everything about him was neat, well- order, seemed to fire him with new creased, and immaculate, and like his energy. personality, insipid.

> With the arrival of the cocktails the party took on a shriller air.

"Say, doc, did you write a prescrip- struck violently at him and pulled his pep out of little Frills, and she's an- tion for Frills after she did her leap hand away with desperate strength. noying the gang by cutting out some of for life the other day?" demanded

'what does she need it for, with Neil's "you'd know I'm . . . that I haven't felt ed: also have first year Harper's Mesupply still holding good?"

"And Mait's," added Kate with her loud laugh, "where's your sweet patootie tonight, dearie?"

Jovce, thus directly addressed, answered coldly, "How should I know?" A second round of drinks followed ad. They're going to China and can't close on the first. The whole evening take Dickie. He is quite adorable, and took on a confused, kaleidoscopic qualwhen did I ever care what any one ity that gave Joyce the feeling of being in a noisy, unreal nightmare. She Joyce was a little doubtful, when she did not like the spectacle of these un-

Would they never go home? Het head throbbed and she felt inexpressibly weary and revolted. Finally, wat-Sam listened with casual politeness ching her chance, she slipped out of to her explanation of her appearance. the room just as a lively dance melody came in over the radio and several couples leaped up and began to revolve rather unsteadily.

pursuit of a "good time."

Joyce escaped out of the front door to the quiet of the fragrant starlight. As she stumbled on the dark step she was suddenly caught in a strong em-

"Sweetheart. I had to come again to see how you were," whispered Maitland softly.

Joyce, overcome by her great weariness and disgust at the scene she had left, could not summon enough strength to struggle. She felt tired and terribly alone. All she was conscious of at the moment was that Maitland's cheek against hers was cool and sober, that his breath held no reek of liquor on it.

He did not try to take advantage of her yielding mood. He simply held her quietly, and Joyce whose head had been spinning from the heat of the sent treatment. But I s'pose I might's noise, leaned against him with her eyes

"Oh, I can't stand them, they're all drunk . . . I want some air . . ."

"Get in my car and we'll take a few steps off, "Here, put this on, you'll Just as she entered the living-room, be cold if you don't." He held up a the low seat without stopping to con-

In another moment they were rolling Maitland drove in silence, a tactful

silence so welcome to Joyce in her lasseveral times before she could get ce of him melted into gratefulness.

Finally, when they had driven about Behind a veil of smoke, Frills ex- ten minutes, Maitland asked softly,

"Yes," said Joyce. He took his hand from the wheel and felt for hers. When he had it in

Please take me home right away . .

"Hell!" he exclaimed under his breath, "I don't get you at all, Frills. Well, all right, you're the boss." He released her, switched on the headlights and in a few moments had the engine running and the car turned to-

On the way back Joyce silently pondered what had happened. When they turned in at the Packard house they could hear the sounds of the party still in full swing.

and . . . Ed . . . and Kate and Art and Maitland stopped the machine and . . Charlie . . . and Tess and Trace said. "Want me to come in with you, . . and . . . and Doc," replied Joyce sweet?"

"I don't want to see them at all." drowsily, almost too tired to finish the she insisted, "why can't I go in by the kitchen?" "Same old crew, all talking at once,

"All right," agreed Maitland, "you go up that way and I'll send the gang

Maitland helped her out of the car and went with her around the back of the house. At the foot of the backstairs Maitland drew her to him, turned her face up and kissed her, but this time very gently, "Goodnight, darling."

Joyce hurried up the stairs, through the hall and into the big bedroom which she locked with a sigh of profound relief. It seemed to her as if she to him and began kissing her, with the had left its cool privacy years before.

The noise and music downstairs which came up in a muffled confusion of sounds continued for about five minutes longer and then with a succession of sharp bangs of the front screen door closing she heard her guests depart. She listened to the cars drive off one after the other and then there was absolute quiet.

The next morning a brilliant idea occurred to Joyce. Why should she not pacl: a suitcase and run off alone to San Francisco for a week? She could stay at the Y. W. C. A., where she would be unlikely to meet any of the Manzanita crowd, and there under an assumed name, she could learn to run

an automobile and to ride horseback. She found about seventy-five dollars in bills and silver in the desk and in a handbag on the dressing table. With courage newly-augmented by the exher flesh sent a shock of flaming rage citement of her plan, she decided to cash a check in Manzanita.

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AMERICA'S ATTIUDE.

The American attitude toward the problem of disarmament and peace was laid down by Ambassador Norman H. Davis Monday in the following order:

1. The United States is prepared to go as far as any other nation in reducing armaments and believes they should ultimately be cut to the levels

established by the post-war treaties. 2. As a preliminary step, the United States is prepared to join other na- office. tions in abolishing aggressive wea-

3. The United States "whole-heartedly" accepts the British disarma-

4. America is "willing to consult with other states in case of a threat to peace with a view to averting con-

5, If the United States agrees with an international judgment as to the guilt of an aggressor state it will refrain "from any action" tending to defeat efforts of other nations to restore peace.

6. America believes "a system of adequate supervision should be formulated to insure the effective and faithful carrying out of any measure of disarmament."

7. America accepts the chapter on war materials of the disarmament draft treaty now being considered at Geneva

NOTICE.

Beginning Monday, May 29, and until further notice, the following banks will colse at 3 p. m., instead of 4 p. m., as at present. Customers will please take notice.

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(Continued From Face One) Middleton, Frances Marie Charab Florene Rider, Opal Huskey, Duncar Briggs, Joyce Wheeler, Mil-Richardson, Margaret Miller.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL GRADUATION. Grammar School Graduation exrcises will be held Saturday night at :15 o'clock at the Methodist church. The program follows:

Processional, Miss Virgilia Welch. Invocation. Chorus, "Life is a Song," The Class. Salutatory, Morris Wozencraft.

Address to the Class, Rev. C. R.

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stalled: Mrs. May Seago, worthy ma- May 30. Customers will please take tron; J. G. Waters, worthy patron; notice and make their arrangements Mrs. J. G. Waters, associate matron; accordingly. J. E. Halbrook, associate patron; Iris Garrett, secretary; Mrs. N. Causseaux, treasurer; Mrs. J. M. Williamson, conductress; Mrs. Bessie Merritt, associate conductress; Mrs. Tom All- each at Merkel Mail office.

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to all points from Port Arthur, field, where it is manufactured.

Current extensive advertising campaign of the Gulf Refining company now appearing in Texas news- the federal land bank where security papers is stressing this oil and, too, is acceptable. the fact that Gulf sations sell three but wants the most possible value ments are met. for the money, to the motorist who wants the very best regardless of

Will Rogers can be heard on the air every Sunday evening on the Gulf Refning compilny radio program at 7:00 p. m., and Irvin S. Cobb on Wednesday and Friday evenings at the same hour. A weekly comic paper is distributed free at tions and has been lending money for Floyd McCoy. all Gulf stations.

Jupiter Pluvius Good To Merkel, West Texas

Having once opened the sluice gates for the spring season, Jupiter Pluvius visited Merkel and most of West Texas with plenteous downpours during the past few days.

The total rainfall in Merkel since Saturday night measures two 1-2 inches, according to the guage of Volunteer Weather Observer Grover Hale the Presbyterian church under a new ford, accompanied by Bill Haynes, led by Mrs. W. E. Dendy of Peters-Early Sunday morning, the precipita- chapter to be read into the church's went to Winters Monday and revovertion was three-fourths of an inch; on statutes at its general assembly here ed a stolen trailer, belonging to Hay-Tuesday afternoon and night, fiveeighths more fell and the heavy downpour early Wednesday night was over an inch.

Added to the previous year's total ver, "recommends" in part: of 3 and 5-8 inches, the week's rain-

ported as general over West Texas, tion." varying from one half inch to as high as five inches, reported at Munday and Weinert.

Eliminates Hoover's

Washington, May 25 .- The name "Hoover" has been dropped by the new administration for the great dam in the \$165,000,000 irrigation project now under way in the Colorado river, riage rules to avoid 'ill considered' unwhich is hereafter to be known as the ions. "Boulder Dam."

By special order of Secretary Ickes Saturday, the 730-foot dam-for which the actual pouring of cement begins within the next few weekswas renamed.

The appellation of "Hoover Dam" had been designated by Secretary Wil- | Monday by the department of agribur as head of the department of the culture placed production at 13,002,interior in the administration of Her- 000 equivalent 500-pound bales and bert Hoover.

During the years of controversy in congress over the huge project, the projected construction was known as Boulder Dam."

The Black Canyon irrigation pro-Vect was authorized under the Coolidge administration.

The 150 Class I railroads in the United States, with a mileage of 241,-899, reported an increase of 19.6 per cent in net operating income for January, compared with January, 1932. revised production figures included: The increase for the East was 14.8

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er Shanks, of Abilene: Interest rates on all loans outstaning and to be made the next two years after July 12, 1933, will not exceed 4 1-2 per cent per annum and payments on principal may be altogether eliminated for five years if circumstances justify.

Maximum loan limit is raised from \$25,000 to \$50,000, with approval of farm loan commissioner.

Loans may be made through farm loan commissioner not to exceed \$5,and remarkable oil. But so amaz- 000 as follows: (1) To refinance eithingly outstanding was its quality er secured or unsecured indebtedness that, utterly without advertising and of the farmers; (2) To supply workpublicity, its fame spread through- ing capital for farm operations; (3) out the United States and all for- To supply funds to enable farmers to eign nations. It came into universal redeem or purchase farm property lost demand wherever the finest motor by forclosure or involuntary sale since July 1, 1931. Loans of this nature will Gulfpride has now proved itself be made not in excess of 75 per cent be made on security other than land

Joint stock land banks are allowed Gulfpride is now in demand in funds looking to their orderly liquiall corners of the earth, and shipped dation and retirement from the loan

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Limited time to make transfer to the bank is expected to cause heavy at Big Spring. Mrs. Franklin was 79 increase in loan applications the next few months.

The Citizens National Farm Loan association, of which W. Homer Shanks is secretary-treasurer, has the highest classification given by the fed- Claude Dye, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pateral land bank to farm loan associamore than 15 years in Taylor, Jones, Shackelford and Callahan counties.

Only a few associations in Texas have exceeded the number of loans closed by the Shanks organization the last three years.

Presbyterians Require

Columbus, Ohio, May 25 .- Couples will have to give their minister three days notice before they can be wed in P P. Dickinson and Deputy J. A. Stan- ter, Miss Fannie Bell, were accompanthis week.

The law, adopted by a vote of the Presbyteries since it was presented at last year's general assembly at Den-

"The intention of the contracting fall brings the figure to 6 and 1-8 in- parties (to a marriage) shall be made known to the minister at least three Wednesday night's rainfall was re- days before the service of solemniza-

About 2,500 words in length, the chapter will be substituted for the present one on "the solemnization of marriage" in the church directory of worship which now stipulates:

"The purpose of marriage ought to Name from Big Project be sufficiently published a proper time previous to the solemnization of

The new measure is one of several interpreted by many churchmen as generally tightening the church's mar-

Cotton Crop of 1932 Placed at 13 Million

Wahington May 25 .- Revised estimates of the 1932 cotton crop issued ginnings at 13,001,508 equivalent 500pound bales, with yield of lint 1733

pounds per acre picked. Production for 1931 was 17,096,000 equivalent 500-pound bales and ginnings were 17,095,594 equivalent 500pound bales with yield of lint 201.2

pounds per acre picked. The area in cultivation to cotton July 1 last year was 36,542,000 acres, and the area picked last 'year was 35,-939,000 acres.

The area picked last year and the Texas 13,334,000 and 4,500,000.

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Let's show "Old Man Depression" he is boss and come to see the play, A Feach of a Family," Thursday night, June 1.

The story deals with Steven Richnond, a ne-er-do-well nephew of a rich uncle, who is suddenly told that because of his escapades his income is o be taken away and that he will have to shift for himself. His friends tell him that what he lacks is an incentive to hustle and they inveigle him into agreeing to adopt an orphan. The family is a surprise, as well as the peach of a chaperone, Pauline Shelby. There are lots of surprises all the way through and, of course, Garoutte was her grand-nephew, Masa happy ending.

Be at the Cozy with either 10 or 20 cents and enjoy a full evening.

Two Checks Received For Firemen's Fund

Two checks for a total of \$8.00 were ing the past week to add to their convention fund. One check for \$3.00, was from Walker Steadman, of Trent, son-in-law of John Gafford, whose feed stack was destroyed about two weeks ago. The Merkel boys made a run there and helped put out the fire. year.

The other check was for \$5.00, reeceived from George W. Moore, whose barn was almost completely burned at 1:15 last Friday morning.

NECROLOGY

Mrs. F. M. Franklin, only living sister of our esteemed fellow-townsaway at Big Spring at 1:30 last Saturday afternoon. Funeral services were held at 4 p. m. Sunday afternoon years old.

Besides Mr. Patterson and his wife, others going from here for the funeral of Mrs. Franklin were: Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. terson, Jr., Emmett Patterson and this week.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

As The Mail goes to press, the condition of S. J. Roberts, one of the group of old-timers here that is rap-Notice for Marriages Tuesday and little hope has been held

the serious illness of Burl's father, who will visit there sometime. trol a blood infection.

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PERSONALS

Miss Irene Perry visited last week-

Miss Edith Baker spent the past

week-end in Abilene. Miss Evelyn Ensminger of Dora visiting Miss Janell Black,

Mrs. Fannie King is spending the week visiting with her children in

Miss Marion Alexander of Paris

was Wednesday's guest of her cousins, the Misses Walker. After a visit with her sister, Miss

Dry is again at home. A recent visitor with Miss Dota

ter Bruce Vaughn, of Abilene. Homer Laney and Miss Bonnie Wil-

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Laney this week. of 85 per cent of the world's output of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Dennis of Ban-sulphur. dera are this week's visitors with his brother, Jim Dennis, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Petty of Waco were guests Friday and Saturday of received by the Merkel Fireboys dur- his brother, W. E. Petty, and family. Mr. and Mrs. Jay Hendrix and children of Commerce are visiting

> Mrs. Hendrix' mother, Mrs. J. B. Bell. Miss Helen Yeats has arrived home from Weatherford college where she has been attending school the past

> Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Bragg and Mr. and Mrs. E. M. McDonald are camping his week at 700 Springs on the Llano

> Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Lay and daughter, Frances, of Big Spring, were guests the first of the week of Mrs.

Lay's mother, Mrs. J. B. Bell. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Elliott of Dora and their daughter, Mrs. J. R. Richardson of Sweetwater were recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. M. Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Adeock of Gustine were guests last Thursday of their brothers, Poastmaster and Mrs. O. J. Adcock and Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Adcock.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Smith and Mrs. Tip Smith and daughters, Doris Nell and Martha Jo, of Sheffield, Texas, are guests in the W. H. Laney home

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Largent, who were here several days last week, have returned to their home in Brownwood, Mrs. W. L. Harkrider, who came with them remaining here several days.

T. L. Grimes, of Nevada, and his idly disappearing, was reported as sister, Mrs. Cora Swaim of Moffitt. very serious. He suffered a stroke on Troy, are visiting the family of Dr. M. Armstrong and other relatives her

On their return from a visit to Two Merkel officers, City Marshal Lubbock, Mrs. J. E. Boaz and daughburg, who is now visiting in the Boaz

Wallace Bragg of Chillicothe was here to spend the week-end with his Friends of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Scott, parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Bragg, former popular Merkelites now living and on his return home was accomin Abilene, will learn with regret of panied by his sister, Miss Iva Bragg,

Jesse Scott, early day Abilene resident, Rev. R. A. Walker, pastor of Grace who was given a blood transfusion Presbyterian church, left Tuesday Tuesday morning at the West Texas morning for Columbus, Ohio, to at-Baptist sanitarium. He entered the tend the sessions of synod of the Preshospital May 12 for treatment of an byterian church, U S. A. He goes as infected toe. The toe was amputated commissioner from Abilene presbyand later the foot, in an effort to con- tery. Returning he will stop over at Chicago for the Century of Progress.



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Local Agent J. C. Childress of the T. & P., has been advised of exceptionally low passenger rates in effect for Memorial day

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"King Kong" Abounds

There is something new under the sun-arcs, and Merian C. Cooper and Crude Oil Tax Bill Ernest B. Schoedsack, with their production of "King Kong" have done

ert Armstrong and Bruce Cabot at proration orders. the Palace theatre, Sweetwater, The oil tax changes from a per

jungle island discovers surviving raise \$12,000,000 annual revenue. members of the Jurassic Age - the pterodactyl, trachodon, tyrannosaurus, slight corrections be made to inbrontosaurus, triceratops and others- sure the validity of the bill. ruled over by a giant ape standing more than fifty feet high.

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mightiest terror man, either in or out a lot of hunting and asking questions, of fiction and of the movies, ever at- and you also know the merchants aptempted to capture and subdue!

something to marvel at, but the visu- ial offering of their goods. alization of it - its production -is a miracle of modern science. It blends fancy with realism so magically that

There is romance, too, in "King Kong." Bruce Cabot, in love with Fay Wray, finds the monster is his rival. It's a new angle on the Beauty and the Beast theme. The fragile, golden-haired heroine is the first in and Eve," Senior Play, May 26. millions of years to touch a soft, tender spot in the heart of this Beast, and for her he kills giant terrors and wrecks havoc with mankind and its inventions. But his blundering idea of protection of course terrorizes the girl, and thrills the audience as well. Extravagant with its surprises and

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Austin, May 25 .- Governor Miriam The producers of "Grass" and A. Ferguson Monday approved the "Chang" have soared grandly into the bills passed by the legislature, levyrealms of imagination for the super- ing a 2 cents a barrel tax on oil profantasy, "King Kong," the RKO-Ra- duction and providing criminal dio Picture featuring Fay Wray, Rob- statutes to prevent violation of oil

Thursday and Friday, June 1 and 2. barrel levy to a levy of 2 per cent With the late Edgar Wallace, of the value when crude oil sells Cooper conceived the extravagantly for \$1 a barrel or more. It also apfantastic idea of bringing the prehis- plies the intangible assets tax to tore age into juxtaposition with the oil pipe lines and taxes slot machmodern age. First an expedition to a ines. It has been estimated it will

The governor suggested that only

HOLIDAY NOTICE.

On account of Memorial Day, a nailization - to New York. Breaking tional holiday, the undersigned banks loose, he tears through the streets will remain closed all day Tuesday, where people, automobiles, street cars, May 30. Customers will please take elevated lines are like so many tin notice and make their arrangements

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BACCALAUREATE SERMON

Sunday Evening, May 28, 1933, 8:15 O'clock METHODIST CHURCH

1. Prelude	High School Chorus
A. Sing to the Lord	
B. Those Songs My Mother Sang	H. W. Smith
C. Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us	Edwards
D. Trees	Rasbach-Deig
E. Life Has Nothing Sweeter	Edwards
2. Processional	
3. Faith of Our Fathers	Faber-Hemy
Congregation	
4. Invocation	Rev. C. R. Joyne
5. Sermon	Dr. E. B. Surface
6. "A Little Prayer"	Hambler
Girls' Choral (Club.
7. Benediction	Rev. E. L. Yeat
8. Recessional	Miss Thelma McAnine
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COMMENCEMENT

Monday Evening, May 29, 8:15 O'clock METHODIST CHURCH

PROGRAM

1. Processional 2. Chorus, "Invitation" Senior Class 3. Invocation ____ Rev. E. L. Yeats 4. Trio, "Prayer Perfect" ______Riley-Stenson Mildred Richardson, Margaret Miller, Van Roberts 5. Address _____ Dr. D. M. Wiggins, Simmons University 6. Presentation of Diplomas and Awards ___Supt. Roger A. Burgess 7. Girls' Octet, "A Dream Boat Passes By" _____Lemare-Page Imogene Middleton, Frances Marie Church, Florene Rider, Opal Huskey, Duncan Briggs, Joyce Wheeler, Mildred Richardson, Margaret Miller. 8. Benediction ----------Rev. C. R. Joyner

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TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

moved with her mother to Sweetwat- of Sweetwater he was joined by Mrs. Andy Shouse. er, is visiting friends here this week. Smith, his mother, and also Mrs. Eth-Inez has been attending school at Can- el Jones, formerly of this place. Mr.

Southern Oil Corporation, attended to ing the trio will remain for a month business in Big Spring the early part or more to camp.

Rochester were guests of her parents, at Merkel last week-end. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reynolds, last week-end,

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Mennick visited relatives here last Sunday.

Mrs. Bonner of Clyde is a guest of Mrs. J. L. Leamon this week, also of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Beasley.

Mrs. C. T. Beckham and son. Herother son, Winslow, and family of given second place in the applique that place.

Eli Kegans, formerly of Trent, visited relatives here this week.

ona are guests in the home of Mrs. Taylor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Winn.

Mr. and Mrs. Denton have returned home after spending some two weeks with relatives here and at Sweetwater. Miss Cora Scott is spending the week here with her brothers, Spurgeon and T. D. Scott.

Mrs. Buck Phililps attended to business in Fort Worth last week, also visiting relatives.

Mrs. J. M. Billings spent the weekend at her home in Abilene last week. She was accompanied by little Billie Ruth Phillips, who is in her care while her mother is in Fort Worth.

Charlie Howell attended to business in Abilene Saturday afternoon. Brother a A Sister Howell attended prayer meeting at the Baptist church

est Thursday night. Mrs. Scott led the meaning, using the next Sunday School lesson for the devotional, after which there was a general discussion of the lesson led by Brother Howell. There was a good attendance, but there is room for more. We want everyone to feel welcome from other churches as well to come and worship

L. W. Ross, who has been sick for a while, is reported still improving. I Jack Bowers of Abilene High atand visited over the week-and at guests.

Smith expected to return this week. W. E. McCollum, employe of the After a few days of hunting and fish-

Mrs. Boswell and daughter, Annie Mrs. I. E. Kelley and children of Laurie, visited Mrs. Boswell's mother

> WELL REPRESENTED AT RALLY DAY.

The Trent Home Demonstration club was a banner club at Rally day held in Abilene on May 18. The booth was decorated with the club colors, green and white, and was considered bert, attended business at Lamesa last one of the best displays of handwork week, where she also visited with an- demonstrated. Mrs. T. G. Hamner was quilt division, having displayed the HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION. fruit basket design. Others carrying quilts were: Mesdames Clark Ham- May 26, at the High School auditor-Mr. and Mrs. Horace Taylor of Oz- ner, Buster Edwards, John Strawn, jum at 8:30 o'clock.

> was served at Fair Park. Payne, Wash, Reaves, Williamson, ine Bright. The address to graduates Bud Burks, Ed Burks J., M. Smith, will be by Judge John L. Camp of Ogletree, Armour, Nemir, Hosea Winn Abilene. The other Seniors are Sally Stewart, Beckham, Allen, Pass, Boone and Harvey Jones.

J. B. Winn and W. Kelley, Dinner

DINNER PARTY.

Sharing triple honors, Mrs. W. E. Shouse attended a birthday celebration at the home of her son, Clar- GRAMMAR SCHOOL. ence, in Merkel Sunday. The occasion was also the birthdays of Mrs. Clar- will be held Thursday, May 25. The ence Shouse and a granddaughter, Ev- salutatorian will be Ola Martin and

tended the play here Wednesday night | ved buffet style to approximately 50 |

High School News.

TRENT HIGH STAFF.

Editor-in-chief, Fannye Belle Ves-

Senior reporter, Sara J. Johnson. Junior reporter, Stanley Coppage. Sophomore reporter, Doreen Scott. Freshman reporter, Vera Bright.

CARD OF THANKS.

We, the High School group, teachers, board of trustees, wish to thank the Merkel Mail for their hospitality shown to us by publishing our news each week. We all feel that we owe something to the Merkel Mail.

The High School Group.

The High School graduation will be

The valedictorian of the Seniors will be Miss Vivian Ruth Coppage and Others attending were: Mesdames salutatorian will be Miss Helen Mar-Freeman, Bob Howell, Jewel Gabbert, Johnnie Terry, Sara J. Johnson, Charley Howell and the honor graduates. Supt. Roy F. Elliott will present the diplomas and awards.

The Grammar School graduation valedictorian will be Lucille Howell. Mrs. Shouse received many useful The other graduates are Lillian Grace and beautiful gifts. Dinner was ser- Reaves, Dow Williamson, R. T. Bish-

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op, Hazel Lane, N. L. McLeod, Audre tertained in their home last Monday a Rogers, Gladys Roberts, John Dun- few of their friends with a pajama Those attending from Trent were: | can, Lois Orand, Winnie McDonald, Elery Smith left last Tuesday for Mr. and Mrs. John Payne, Billy Dick D. A. Hutcheson, Elizabeth Winn, Miss Inez Parker, who until recen- the valley, accompanied by Mrs. Knox, and Alma Jean Payne, Mr. and Mrs. Hazel Wanda Williamson, Clariney ment. Dancing, "42" and violin mustly has lived at Post but who lately his mother-in-law, and going by way James McWilliams and family and Wearthon and Clyde Daily. Garland ic furnished the entertainment. Ice P. Franks will present the diplomas cream was served early in the evenand awards.

> PAJAMA PARTY. Misses Jewel and Vada Gabbert en- the hostesses,

ing while iced orangeade was served at midnight to Misses Idell Cooper, Fannye Vessel, Gladys Rogers and

Eight Inches of Rainfall, Clarksville, May 25 .- The heaviest

party. The evening was one of amuse- rainfall of record occurred at Clarksville Monday morning when 8.3 inches fell within a period of three hours, exceeding by 3.3 inches the largest previous rain in thirty years.

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BUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

There were 776 present at the six | Bible study at 9:45, preaching at reporting Sunday Schools in Merkel 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. each Lord's Jim Moore, the first of the week. last Sunday, The previous Sunday had Day, young people's program at 6:30 been cut to only 543 on account of in- p. m. each Lord's Day, ladies Bible Mrs. Hugh Campbell visited last clement weather. Attendance on the lesson at 6:30 p. m. and preaching at week-end with their brother, Mr. and Mrs. Dub Johnson. same Sunday a year ago was 832.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. All regular services Sunday.

Preaching services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.

Sunday School starts promptly at ing 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. Prayer 10 a, m. B. T. S. Sunday evening at meeting Thursday, Community sing-

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening come to all. Come if you like good at 8 o'clock.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. This will be the only service next Sunday, as the pastor will be away at the Columbus, Ohio, meeting of synod. If you are not attending Sunday School elsewhere, we would be very glad for mentalist Baptist tabernacle Monday Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. Moore you to enroll with us

J. J. Russell, Jr., Supt. R. A. Walker, Pastor.

METHODIST NEWS NOTES.

Next Sunday is Rally day for the young people's dvision of this district. The young people will gather here ing and we wish to give a special inabout 9 a, m. and stay until 3:30 p. vitation to all who are interested in m. Plans will be made to make the coming assembly the best ever held at McMurry college.

A visiting minister will speak at 11

The evening hour will be used by the public schools. Baccalaureate sermon by Dr. E. B. Surface of Abilene.

Federal Reserve Makes We are working toward 200 average

Washington, May 25 .- The first move under the inflation act, the federal reserve board Tuesday went into the open market for the purchase of \$25,000,000 in government bonds. sending in your subscriptions to the

Secretary Woodin explained the leading magazines. On a great many purpose of the move was to replace of them, if you want to include your \$25,000,000 in government bonds subscription to The Mail, we are in with currency. No currency infla- position to make special clubbing oftion is involved, rather credit pansion is sough, he added.

The outstanding government bonds will be bought in the open market with \$25,000,000 fixed for

Three Local Boys to Recruit Forest Camps

Twenty more recruits from Taylor county joined the RFC civilian conservation corps the first of this week, bringing the total from this county to 26, so far. Six left the early part of the month.

Included in the list of 20 who left Abilene for Fort Worth last Sunday were three Merkel boys: Clinton Orion Prvan, Ancel Leonard Campbell and Monroe Wozencraft. They have been assigned to Fort Sam Houston at San Antonio.

Taylor county's allotment was originally set at 82, leaving 56 yet to be

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> SHOP At Woodrum Hotel

BLAIR ITEMS

We have had nice rains, crops look good and little garden stuff is doing

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Posey and childen, Horace and Joy, of Throckmoron, were past week-end guests of Mr. nd Mrs. Howard Brown.

The Blair school closed Tuesday, ompleting a successful term.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Wilson and son, Jessie Earl, of Red Springs, were

The Doan brothers and Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Doan, of Roscoe, Mr. A cordial welcome awaits all who Doan, who has been critically ill, was getting along nicely.

Mesdames Jim Campbell and V. L. Sunday School 10 o'clock. Preach-Mrs. O. W. Walker of Salt Branch. cole spent several days recently with Frank Golladay, ing each Tuesday at 8:15 p. m. Welher sister, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Doan. Mr. and Mrs. Doan and Mrs. Sandisinging: male quartettes, duets and

> H. E. Addison, who was hurt in a car accident recently, is convalescing

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Moore spent Singing School begins at Fundaand family of Lys.

A crowd of young people enjoyed a Brother Sheppard from Sweetwater, social in the home of Mrs. Lowery a "man who knows how to teach," as- Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mayfield enjoysisted by his wife, will conduct the ed a visit from their daughter of Anson recently.

NOTICE.

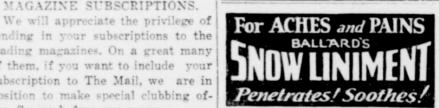
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