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BALLOT ORDER PRIMARY TICKET IS DETERMINED

74 Names in District, County and Precinct Races; 43 for State Races; Dowell Not Running Again.

Voters of Taylor county will choose between 74 candidates to fill 27 district, county and precinct offices, according to the official ballot as prepared by the county democratic executive committee, of which James P. Stinson is chairman.

In addition the ballot will contain 43 other names, candidates for eleven state offices, as certified by the state democratic organization.

C. K. Russell is a candidate for constable of this precinct, while N. A. Dowell, present incumbent, has announced that he will not stand for reelection.

First name on the ballot which will be before Taylor county voters will be that of Tom Connally, candidate for the United States senate from Texas. Governor's names will be listed in this order: Allred, Small, Hunter, Hughes, Russell, McDonald, Witt. Names of candidates other than those for state offices are given in the order in which they will appear on the ballot:

For 17th district congressman—Thos. L. Blanton, Oscar F. Chastain, Carl O. Hamlin.

For 116th district representative—William E. Hawkins, W. A. Stephenson, C. L. Hailey, J. Bryan Bradbury, W. E. Martin, Morris Glass, Laurel N. Dunn, E. L. Whitaker.

District attorney, 42nd district—J. R. Black.

District attorney, 104th district—W. J. Cunningham, Gray Browne, Otis Miller.

District clerk—J. E. McPherson, Belle Wellborn, S. Frank Weaver.

County judge—John L. Camp.

County attorney—Esco Walter.

County superintendent—Leroy Stone, C. A. Cookrell, Tom McGehee, M. A. Williams, Nena Kate Ramsey.

County clerk—Walter Moore, W. P. Bounds, Bert E. Low, C. L. Darden.

Tax assessor and collector—Grady Parnelly.

County treasurer—Roy C. Fuller.

Sheriff—Sid H. McAdams, Burl Wheeler, Dave Booth, W. R. (Ruck) Sibley, Perry P. Dickinson.

County Surveyor—H. J. Bradshaw.

County commissioner, Pct. 2—A. J. Canon, Andy Shouse, L. L. Murray.

Justice of the Peace, Pct. 5 (Merkel)—W. W. Wheeler.

Constable, Pct. 5 (Merkel)—C. K. Russell.

Public weigher, Pct. 5 (Merkel)—Clyde Shouse, Orien Higgins, A. D. Fulton.

Public weigher, Pct. 5 (Trent)—John Payne.

KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

Two were dead, George Travis and Ray Roe, and ten injured as the result of flames which Saturday swept a refinery at Kilgore after two explosions.

Confirmation was given by the senate Monday to President Roosevelt's appointment of J. E. McClain of Roscoe to the position of postmaster there.

Rev. L. H. Shockley, itinerant preacher, charged in the poison deaths of three relatives, was found not guilty by a district court jury at Pampa late Saturday.

Jose Tweedy was named mayor of San Angelo in a special election Tuesday defeating Buddie King and J. D. Burns by a majority vote. Tweedy succeeds the late Brown F. Lee who died May 21.

Miss Marie Dresden, director of the Texas relief commission since April 9, when she replaced Adam Johnson by a 5-4 vote, was replaced Wednesday when Adam Johnson was reinstated by a 5-4 vote.

A cablegram from District Attorney Roy Johnson advised Sheriff Chris. P. Fox of El Paso that Robert Jones, held in Port of Spain, Trinidad, has been identified as Arthur C. Wilson, accused slayer of Mrs. Irene Debolt, near Van Horn.

Heralded as "photographically fool proof" and as the highest salaried photographers' model in the nation, Miss Janice Jarrett of Jackson, Texas, arrived in Hollywood Wednesday to make her screen debut in a musical comedy starring Eddie Cantor.

Edmund Wynn Seale, 45, of Kingsville, president of the Texas College of Arts and Industries and gubernatorial nominee of the forty-second district of Rotary clubs, died Tuesday night in a Detroit, Mich., hospital, victim of a cerebral hemorrhage suffered earlier in the day.

Gus Russek of Schulenburg, veteran state senator and chairman of the Texas senate banking committee, was fined \$5,000, sentenced to four months in the New Orleans workhouse and assessed a suspended four year prison sentence for misapplication of funds of a Schulenburg bank.

Lester E. Stern, 28-year-old unemployed automobile mechanic, was indicted by the Brown county grand jury on charges of robbery with firearms in connection with the brutal beating of two elderly Cross Cut women. Mrs. Lige DeBusk and Mrs. Addie Hounshell, both over 80, on June 19.

Record of Births.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Odie Jones, Noodle, Saturday, June 23, 1934.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Sweeney, Noodle Dome, Monday, June 25, 1934.

TRENT, NOODLE TO PLAY GAMES WITH COMPERE

Two Teams Waive Their Wins Over Dora in Percentage; Compere vs Trent Thursday, Noodle Next Week.

Compere, the team that replaced Dora in the Merkel inter-community league, will play Trent on the local diamond this (Thursday) afternoon, the game being called at 3 o'clock.

Both Trent and Noodle managers had agreed to waive their win over Dora and play Compere a game each to give that club equal standing in the race for the cash prizes at the end of the season: \$100, \$50 and \$25, for first, second and third places, respectively.

Noodle will take on Compere next Wednesday.

NOODLE VS W. O. W. The regularly scheduled game between Noodle and W. O. W. will be played Saturday beginning at 3 o'clock.

The Tye-Merkel game last Saturday was called at the end of the seventh, with Tye the winner, 17 to 3. Complete box score of this game appears elsewhere in this issue of The Mail.

Team	W	L	Pct
Stith	2	0	1.000
Tye	2	0	1.000
Trent	1	0	1.000
Nubia	1	1	.500
Compere	0	0	.000
Noodle	0	1	.000
Merkel	0	2	.000
W. O. W.	0	2	.000

RESULTS

Tye 17, Merkel 3.

GIRLS RODEO ON CARD FOR NEXT PROGRAM

Saturday, July 14, Time for Fifth Rodeo; Date Deferred on Account of Stamford Reunion; Saturday's Winners.

Thirty-four entries in calf roping and twenty in cow milking, besides many thrills and spills in steer riding and bronc busting, with a potato race thrown in, afforded plenty of entertainment for rodeo spectators Saturday, numbering probably the largest crowd of any of the four events.

Best time, 18 3-5 seconds, in calf roping was made by Giles White, Tuscola. Other winners were: B. H. McCarley, Wingate, 19 3-5; Frank Young, Buffalo Gap, 21; Buck Weston, White Church, 23 1-5, and Charlie Largent and Tommy Hodges tying for fifth, 23 3-5.

Tommy Hodges was winner of first money in cow milking, time 20 1-2. Others placing were: B. H. McCarley, 24 3-5; Roy Largent, Brownwood, 31; Frank Young, 34 1-5, and Buck Weston, 42 1-5.

SPONSORS IN PARADE

The parade, first event of the day, was headed by a motorcycle cop with P. P. Dickinson, carrying a United States flag. Following two children on Shetlands, the sponsors and lady horseback riders followed. All told, there were 48 horseback riders, 4 bicycles and a creditable array of advertising trucks and decorated automobiles.

The ladies of the Merkel Home demonstration club, more than a dozen in number, entered a truck well laden with products of the farm and the demonstration work.

Two of Merkel's prominent business men won renown as clowns during the (Continued on Page Six.)

LOU LARGENT SELECTED "MISS MERKEL;" CHOSEN IN ELIMINATION CONTEST

"OLD TIMER" MAKES VISIT

John Elliott, Resident of Alamo City Now, Renews Old Friends; Came Here in 1891.

John Elliott of San Antonio, properly classed as one of the "old timers" of Merkel, having come here in 1891, is an interesting visitor with friends here this week. He is accompanied by his wife and nephew, Olin Elliott, of Moran. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott have lived in San Antonio the past 22 years.

It will be recalled that some weeks past The Mail reprinted in the "Twenty Years Ago" column a letter written to The Mail from San Antonio shortly after Mr. Elliott moved there. It covered in reminiscence much of the early history of Merkel.

One of their sons, J. M. Elliott, owns a printing company in Austin and the other, Capt. Roy Elliott, U. S. army, is stationed at San Francisco, Calif. He has just returned from the Hawaiian islands and in five years will be eligible for retirement with a captain's commission.

Attend Funeral at Crawford.

Funeral services of Grandma Beene, mother of W. U. Beene, were held at Crawford on Friday of last week and were attended by Mr. Beene and his wife, Mrs. E. O. Ely, a granddaughter, and Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Church and daughter, Frances Marie. Mrs. Church being also a granddaughter.

Check for Fireboys.

Fire Chief N. A. Dowell has asked The Mail to express the thanks of the Firemen's association to Mrs. Seth Hamilton for her check for \$2.50 for assisting in burning weeds around her premises.

Will Preach at Trent.

W. G. Cyfert will preach at the Church of Christ at Trent at the 11 o'clock hour Sunday. Everyone is cordially invited to hear him.

PERSONAL NEWS NOTES

J. A. Barnett has gone to Aspermont to visit C. W. Ramsey.

Miss Beulah Ashford of Abilene was last week's guest of Mrs. Harold Beney.

Ralph Russell is spending the week in Big Spring with his sister, Mrs. R. B. Shive.

Miss Nell Swann, who has been teaching in the Tyler schools, has returned home.

Misses Mary Collins and Margaret Canon have been visiting this week with friends in Eastland.

Miss Mary Frances Cook returned Tuesday from a visit with relatives at Breckenridge and Caddo.

J. S. Swann has returned from a trip of several days to his old home in East Texas, near Tyler.

Mr. and Mrs. John Warlick of Abilene spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Russell, Jr.

Mrs. H. C. Williams has returned from an extended absence in Ardmore and Tulsa, Okla., and Knox City, Texas.

Miss Georgene Bullock of Stanton is here for a summer visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Garrett.

Mrs. S. A. Reid of Clyde, sister of Mrs. C. E. Conner, visited Saturday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Conner.

Mrs. E. H. Jowers had as her recent guests her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Frost Holler and family, from Wichita, Kansas.

Sterling Sheppard of the Dallas Journal staff was home for a short week-end visit with his parents and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gracey of Borger were overnight guests Sunday of the former's sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cook.

Friends will be glad to learn that the condition of Mrs. Ada Watkins of Abilene, mother of Mrs. D. H. Vaughn, is much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Murray and family from Dallas spent last week with the families of W. A. Thornton and S. O. Patton.

Mrs. Cowan Hudson and daughter, Doris Jane, of San Angelo, who have been visiting here for the past two weeks, have returned home.

Mrs. Doss Sheppard and daughter, Miss Marian Sheppard, returned Monday to their home in Dallas after a visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Rube Henslee and three daughters, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Beall and children and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wig-

gins of Abilene have returned home from a few days visit at Fort Worth. They accompanied Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Cogburn on their return trip home after a two weeks visit with friends and relatives here.

Mrs. J. G. Key of Winters was a week-end visitor with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Case, who returned with her to spend Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Boney have as their guests Mrs. Boney's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Plaster, and sister, Miss Marjorie Plaster, from Colorado.

Mrs. Roy Reid, who is visiting relatives and friends in Paducah, was accompanied on her trip by Misses Helen and Lona Joyner to Wellington, and Billy Katz to Pampa.

Mayor and Mrs. W. M. Elliott, accompanied by Mrs. D. J. Dodd, visited in Stamford Friday with the former's mother, Mrs. J. A. Elliott, and sister, Miss Jewel Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. Bayard Shive and children, Mary Lou and Bobby, from Big Spring spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Russell, and enjoyed the rodeo.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Elliott of Dallas are visiting his parents, Mayor and Mrs. W. M. Elliott, this week.

W. G. McGarr and family of San Antonio are guests of his sister, Mrs. H. F. Groene.

Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Len Sublett Sunday were her brother, Assistant Attorney General T. S. Christopher of Austin, and John Green, also of Austin and connected with the highway department.

Enjoying a picnic supper at Shannon's with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cook Sunday evening were: Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Gracey and family of Roscoe, Mr. and Mrs. Mel Barkley and Mr. and Mrs. Pittard of Anson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Haynes and family, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Haynes, a nephew, Hugh Allen Anderson of Lubbock, and Miss Dot Swafford returned Tuesday from a week's camp on V-Bar-H ranch south of Junction.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Burgess and two sons, Jimmie and Hubert Lee, of Lubbock, have been guests this week of his brother, Supt. and Mrs. Roger A. Burgess, and on Wednesday, their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Burgess, also of Lubbock, arrived for a visit.

Miss Dorris Yates, formerly a student in A. C. C., is studying toward her M. A. degree in Texas Technological college at Lubbock this summer.

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MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, June 26, 1914.)

NEW FREIGHT CASHIER.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ferrier are the happy parents of an eight-pound boy born Tuesday morning of this week. The father, who is cashier for the Texas and Pacific Co. at this place, was non-committal when seen Wednesday morning further than to say that his family was getting along nicely and he expected to have the youngster out meeting the public before long.

Mrs. Ferrier and her son are reported doing nicely and Grandpa Ferrier is parading the town like a small boy with a new horn.

LEAVES FOR PANAMA.

Mrs. J. W. Daniel and daughter, Mrs. S. P. Miller left for Colon, Panama, Tuesday by way of New Orleans where they will take a steamer. Mrs. Daniel will spend one or two months in the tropical country but her daughter will remain there with her husband, who is employed in the government service of inspecting engineer of dredge boats in the Panama Canal. It was the intentions of Mrs. Daniels and Mrs. Miller to go by way of Havana, Cuba, but the plague in that country changed their course.

STREET LIGHTS INSTALLED.

The long talked of street light system for Merkel seems to have materialized and within a short time the business section of our town will be illuminated in a truly bright way. Mgr. W. E. Britain, of the Merkel Electric Co., states, "The improvement to Merkel's civic attractiveness was brought about largely through the efforts of Jno. G. Jackson, who championed the subscription list and secured private donations to cover the expense of 15 lights at \$15.00 each. The property owners and business men of Merkel contributed to paying for the light posts and the city will pay for the light service."

The air-boat built by Rodman Wanamaker to be used in an attempt to cross the Atlantic ocean was pronounced a success by the engineer Curtis who has been in charge of the work. The boat behaved perfectly in trial flights.

Mr. Walter H. Dickson died June 21st at 11:15 p. m. at his home in Merkel on Oak street.

Miss Ina Wheeler, daughter of Judge and Mrs. W. W. Wheeler, died at the family residence this afternoon (Thursday) at 3:30 o'clock.

THE BOOK

the first line of which reads, "The Holy Bible,"

and which contains Four Great Treasures

by BRUCE BARTON

JONAH AND THE WHALE

In Isaiah and Jeremiah we find the new thought of God's kindness gaining added force, but the book of Jonah gives the most interesting and probably the least appreciated glimpse of the development of the idea. Because of Jonah's mishap which resulted in a three days' sojourn in the belly of a big fish, that book of four little chapters has been too often passed over lightly. It deserves recognition, for it contains the most compassionate note in the Old Testament.

Jonah was a preacher, and was ordered by God to go to Nineveh and denounce the city for its sins. Instead Jonah ran away, was caught in a storm at sea, thrown overboard by the sailors, and held in the belly of a great fish until he was thoroughly repentant and ready to obey. After this severe lesson he went to Nineveh and announced that the city would be destroyed for its sins within forty days. So convincing were his words that the rulers of the city ordered a general period of fasting and repentance.

Who can tell (they cried) if God will turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, and we perish not? And God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God reprinted of the Evil, that he had said he would do unto them; and he did it not.

This was good luck for the people of Nineveh but it was hard on Jonah and "he was very angry." He reproached God, saying, "I knew you wouldn't go through with your threat." He went outside the city and sat down in a chair to watch and sulk and to see what would happen. The sun was hot and God caused a great gourd to grow up over Jonah and shelter him. But the next morning when Jonah thought he should be sitting pretty, God sent a gourd and it withered away. Then come the verses which picture a more compassionate Jehovah than any of the Old Testament writers:

Then said the Lord, Thou hast had pity on the gourd, for which thou hast not laboured, neither madest it grow; which came up in a night, and perished in a night:

And should not I spare Nineveh; that great city, wherein are more than sixscore thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and also much cattle?

What a noble utterance. What a long upward climb has been made since the days when the Israelites plundered cities and wiped out men, women and children under the conviction that they were working the will of God. The record of this upward progress is the Old Testament. It begins with savage people, merciless prophets, and a terrible God. And it ends with a people who have learned humility through suffering.

Next Week: The Great Life.

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EVERYDAY THOUGHTS.

Nothing happens to you that hasn't happened to someone else.

He who requires much from himself and little from others will keep himself from being the object of resentment.

It seems that sane and sound morals based on the laws of common decency will soon be history. Need any proof? Nudist colonies are plentiful.

—Observant Reader.

BLAIR ITEMS

The Baptist revival meeting will start Friday night, June 29, at the Baptist church. The pastor, Brother John Walker, will do the preaching. Rev. Mr. Walker is a very able man and his messages are brief and spiritually helpful. We invite you to hear these messages and be ready to make this a great meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Akins are entertaining at their home guests their mother, Mrs. M. M. Minton, of M. Calm.

Ellsworth, Jr., and Jimmie D. attractive little sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Bell, 157 West 1st, for a month's stay with their uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Coats, of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cogburn of Fort Worth, Mr. Beal of Abilene and Mrs. Dollie Henslee and daughter of Merkel visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Latimer the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Doan and little son, Teddie, and Miss Otis Ray Doan of Clyde visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Price Melton. Little Billie Jean and Delwee Melton accompanied them back home and spent a few days with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Doan, of that place.

Miss Frances Russell is visiting at Big Spring for an indefinite time.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Moore and daughter, Miss Merle, visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Horton and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell were hosts for a colorful party in their home Saturday night in honor of Miss Edith Akins. A large crowd of young people participated in the reception and Jean Hooge, Leo Brooks and S. L. Scoggins assisted the hosts in serving refreshments to the guests.

Mrs. Polly Waters and children of Mt. Enterprise have been visiting with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Mitchell the past week.

Little Mae Cargill and Nell Butman of Butman spent Friday with Evelyn Latimer.

Several from here attended the funeral services of Grandma Elmore at White Church Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Chalmers Patterson of Lubbock is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Spears, and to be with their three children, who are also visiting in this home.

Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Mayberry and family have moved into our community. (Some time ago "ye scribe" failed to report this item.) We are glad to welcome these good people to our community.

HEBRON NEWS

There will be services at the regular hours Sunday by Rev. Ted McGehee.

A. L. Rogers entertained his friends with a party Saturday night. There was special music by the colored quartette of Merkel.

Doris and Cullin Price gave a Sunday afternoon picnic in honor of Lorene Traylor of Fort Worth, who is visiting with her uncle, J. A. Traylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Lige Harris were Sunday guests of Mrs. Ollie Skidmore at Golan.

Miss Fannie Vessell returned Saturday to her home at Trent after spending the week with Jewel Gabbott.

We were glad to have Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Russell with us Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pannell spent the week-end with relatives at Noodle.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucius of Winters spent the week-end with their daughter, Mrs. J. A. Traylor.

McDonald Coming to Abilene.

C. C. McDonald of Wichita Falls, candidate for governor, will speak in Abilene on Tuesday, July 3, at 8 p. m. It is announced by Roy Sanderford, campaign manager, in a communication to The Mail from Austin headquarters.

TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Marvin Smith in company with his daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Jones, all of Merkel, visited in the home of the former's brother, O. A. Smith, here last Sunday.

George West happened to a very painful accident Sunday morning when he came in contact with a pump and got three toes mashed very severely.

Mr. and Mrs. Curley Edwards and daughter, Lanelle, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Titworth and daughter, Peggy, had a pleasant outing Monday afternoon, taking lunch and cream to Shannon's pool, after which the girls enjoyed a plunge in the pool.

Frank Allyn of Cisco spent the week-end with home folks last week.

After spending some ten days in Wink with her son, B. C. Hamner and family, Mrs. Will Hamner returned home Monday.

Mrs. Homer Easterwood of Taft, who is visiting relatives at Merkel, was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Massey Sunday night.

Thursday of last week Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Smith, in company with their children, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Beasley and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Terry, attended the funeral of Mr. Smith's mother at Stanton where she succumbed after a brief illness the day before. Mr. Smith remained with his bereaved father, who is quite ill also, till Sunday, returning with his brother, E. Clyde Smith and family of Hamlin, who were en route home after spending a few days with his father.

M. G. Scott was a traveling guest of his cousin, Sheriff Pollard of Midland, a few days last week, making the trip to Wichita, Kans., with him. He returned home Saturday.

Rev. W. H. Howell and wife attended the funeral of their friend, Mrs. Lester, in the Divide community Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mauldin had as guests last week-end the former's sister, Mrs. G. M. Bullard and two children of Kilgore, who were en route home after a visit with relatives at Odessa.

On next Sunday, July 1, the Baptist revival begins. Brother C. R. Joyner of Merkel will do the preaching and Burl King of Tye will lead the singing. These co-workers are men that are very spiritual and are coming to our midst to be a help to us. The church extends a cordial welcome to all to co-operate with us to make this a great meeting.

After a two weeks visit with her niece, Mrs. Ben Howell, Mrs. James of Fort Worth returned home Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. R. B. McRee, Jr., has for the last week had her sister, Mrs. Owen Walden and two children, a friend, Mrs. Jean Vivrette and two children, all of Dallas as guests in her home.

Dr. and Mrs. Currie attended to business matters in Abilene on Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ogletree had as guests last Thursday and Friday the former's sister, Mr. and Mrs. George Woods and family, of Floydada, who were returning home after a three weeks visit with friends and relatives in the east.

Mrs. J. H. Lloyd of Comanche is here for a three or four weeks visit with her son, A. J. Lloyd and daughter, Mrs. Earl Norwood, dividing the time.

Mrs. Mitchell Cooper of Luke is here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Horton, for a short visit.

Rev. W. H. Howell and family visited friends in Roscoe Friday.

Miss Leora Howell visited relatives in Sweetwater a few days the past week.

The Senior B. T. S. of the First Baptist church enjoyed a picnic at Shannon's Pool Tuesday evening, June 19, with about eighteen present.

Mrs. Hattie Boozer and children of Sweetwater returned home Sunday after visiting with her brothers here, J. B. and Hosea Winn, some few days.

There were about twenty members of the Trent Baptist church who attended the Truett revival in Sweetwater Friday night.

MRS. CAUSSEUX COMPLIMENTED

Mrs. C. L. Duncan, assisted by Mrs. W. B. Reeves, complimented Mrs. Jay Causseaux with a prettily appointed party in the home of Mrs. H. J. Kogans. Each guest registered in a book as they arrived and dolls in pink and blue were dressed in a contest, the honoree winning the prize.

Delicious lemonade and cake, carried out in pink and blue, were served to the following: Mesdames D. L. Johnson, Etta Causseaux, R. E. Young, J. E. Lowery, John Terry, Oliver Bright, E. B. and Cecil McRee, Andy Shouse, C. R. Shannon, Tom Williamson, W. E. Shouse, W. B. Neill, M. R. Sherman, Luther Statzer, Lee Keys, Misses Lora Bright and Lillian McRee. Those who sent gifts

and did not attend were: Mesdames Ben Howell, Bob Johnson, M. G. Scott, Hale McRee, T. G. Hamner and R. T. Wiser.

FOR LITTLE VENETA McDONALD.

On Saturday afternoon, June 23, from 3 to 6, Mrs. Carl Edwards' home was opened to little guests in honor of Veneta McDonald's twelfth birthday. Mrs. Edwards was assisted by Mrs. Barks in entertaining and after the gifts were bestowed and admired ice cream and cake were served from a beautifully decorated table in the lovely dining room of the home, little painted China dolls being used as plate favors.

Afterwards they were escorted to Shannon's Pool where they spent an hour or so in much merriment, swimming, swinging and frolicking on the lawn. Those attending were: Wanda and Wilma Stribling, Helen McLeod, Ernestine Massey, Lady Fred Hale, Louise Smith, Helga Beasley, Bobbie Ruth McLeod, Virginia Chloee McRee, Dorothy Jo and Willa Dean Strawn, Margaret Chatman, Elsie Bishop, Valorie West, Avis Neill, Johnnie Roberts, Telenia Perkins, Veneta McDonald and the hostess.

RURAL SOCIETY

CLECKLER-CAMPBELL.

Miss Emma Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Campbell of Mt. Pleasant, and Mr. Homer Cleckler, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Cleckler of Abilene, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony on June 9 at 9 o'clock, the wedding taking place at Hamlin with Rev. Johnny Lovell pronouncing the words that made them man and wife.

They were accompanied to Hamlin by the groom's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas McKinsey, and son of Abilene.

The couple will make their home in Abilene where Mr. Cleckler is in the employ of the Radford Grocery company.

MT. PLEASANT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS.

The Methodist young folks class closed their contest of their second six week division Sunday. The odd numbers read 16,000 chapters in the Bible and the even numbers read 17,000 chapters.

We have 26 members in our class and all are real Sunday School scholars, most every one attending regularly.

We have on our honor roll for not missing a Sunday: Lee Darden, Eleanor May Hogan, Doris Whisenunt, Marie and Connie Rogers and Loyce and Royce Curb.

Enlistments for CCC Camp Are Still Open

The local relief office will have selection of three or more youths, unmarried between the ages of 18 and 25, to go into the civilian conservation corps this summer. Taylor county has an allotment of thirty.

Period of enlistment is six months, with privilege of re-enlisting another six months.

It is stated that youths will be selected from families now on direct relief.

Picnic and Speaking Sponsored by Legion

The American Legion is sponsoring a picnic and candidate speaking at Shannon's pool this (Thursday) night. All ex-service men in the county, regardless of whether they hold membership in veterans organizations, and all candidates for office and their wives have been invited to attend the affair.

Roy F. Reid and Dent Gibson are directing plans for the program. A barbecue supper is to be served at 7 o'clock and the speaking will begin at 8. The public is invited to attend the speaking program.

Largest Summer Enrollment.

Austin, June 28.—The largest registration for any term of summer school in the history of the University of Texas ended with a total enrollment of 4,077 students, an increase of 1,812 over the enrollment of the first semester of 1933.

\$3.50 Permanent \$1.00

\$7.50 Permanent \$2.50

French Tinting and Nerve Treatments—Hair Cutting—Rest Facials

V. E. PRUITT

At McCoy's Shop
Merkel, Texas

Interment for Mrs. Raymond Ferguson is Made at Stephenville

In declining health for several years and seriously ill for the past few months, Mrs. Raymond Ferguson, 36, died at 8:30 Saturday morning at her home here. Everything that loving hands and hearts and medical science could do had been done in an effort to relieve her suffering and restore her to health, but to no avail.

The body was conveyed to Stephenville, former home of the family, in a Barrow funeral coach, for interment at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Ferguson's husband has been local manager of the Clay Building Materials company since March last year and pallbearers for the funeral were: Herbert Patterson and D. H. Vaughn, members of the Methodist Sunday School class to which Mr. Ferguson belonged; Supt. R. A. Burgess, one of the Sunday School teachers, and Messrs. Vinson of Breckenridge, Nicholson of Lampasas and King of Stephenville, managers in their respective cities for the Clay Building Materials company.

Others going from here to attend the funeral were: Mesdames Herbert Patterson and D. H. Vaughn, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Richardson and Mrs. J. P. Sutphen.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Ferguson is survived by two children, Ben, 12, and Jane, 14; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Barrett, Stephenville; a brother, Ben Barrett, Houston, and a sister, Mrs. Ima Bird, Spur.

Highly Honored and Respected Pioneer Lady Passes Away

(Stanton Reporter.) Mrs. Narcissa Hall Smith, 87, wife of W. D. Smith, died Wednesday night at 10:50, following the breaking of the pelvic bone she sustained recently in a fall at her home.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock at the Methodist church, with Rev. Jim Sharp, pastor, officiating, following which interment was made in the Evergreen cemetery.

A great host of loving relatives and friends attended the funeral.

The pallbearers were the grandsons and grandsons-in-law and the flower girls, the granddaughters.

Pallbearers: Troy N. Eiland, Midland; Floyd Smith, Stanton; Emory Jones, Merkel; Lesly Beasley, Trent; Allen Terry, Trent; Homer Mayfield, Anson; Able Forrest, Stanton.

Flower girls: Kathleen Eiland, Ora Beasley, Mildred Jones, Maurine Terry, Ola Mayfield, Phyllis Smith.

Narcissa Hall, was born in Franklin county, Ark., Nov. 15, 1846. She was married to W. D. Smith, Jan. 18, 1866, in Hunt county Texas. She was converted and joined the Methodist church when she was 14 years old. Mr. and Mrs. Smith came to Martin county in 1910.

There were six children born to this union, Walter, the eldest son, passing away in March, 1920. The other five children, four sons and one daughter, were at her bedside from the time she was hurt June 8, to the end. They are Mrs. E. E. Eiland, Stanton; Otho Smith, Trent; Marvin Smith, Merkel; Bartley Smith, Stanton; E. Clyde Smith, Hamlin.

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FINAL INSTALLMENT.

"Gordon fiddle-ticks!" his father shook with a passion as great as his. "It's a damned pity you didn't think of being a Gordon before, you young scoundrel! D'you happen to know that that man's money kept you out of jail?"

His son gasped. For a moment he was dumb. Then he rallied, his young face set hard and tight again.

"Did my sister go to this man for money—to save me from jail?"

"Yes, confound you, she did—that's it, that's the whole of it. It's your fault every bit of it, sir!"

Roddy reeled. For an instant the world turned black; then a blaze of fury burnt his shame up.

He went up to Richard and shook his pistol in his face.

"I know why she married you now, damn you, I'll—I'll kill you for it!" he shouted, "you damn coward!"

Richard folded his arms. "Go ahead Rod," he said bitterly, "I deserve it—but I've a word to say. Mr. Gordon, Major Lomax, Haddon, all of you. I didn't know until tonight of the scandal that has been launched against the loveliest girl in the world. I deserve to be killed for exposing her to it. I stand here tonight to expiate it in my blood. Nancy Virginia is my wife, gentlemen, and I love her. I have always loved her, and I am glad—I say this facing death here, as you know—I'm glad and proud that she bears my name."

Mr. Gordon caught at his son again. "You hear him? He speaks like a man. He loves your sister. He's married her. Confound you, you donkey, you, you're making a public scandal. Lomax, help me take this boy home! Richard, go in the house!" he shouted, "what d'you mean by standing up there for this lunatic to shoot at? You're a brave man. I take off my hat to your courage, sir, but I—I've had all I can bear! Rod Gordon, he's married your sister!"

"Has he?" Roddy breathed heavily, his face rigid, "I want to see the license, I want to see the certificate of this secret marriage, I want to know if he's made a dupe of my sister!"

Richard met his look squarely. His own face was hard now. "You can see them all. We were married in church. But we'd better settle our differences now. Do your duty, gentlemen, I accepted his challenge and I'm ready."

"This can't go on!" Haddon gasped, coming forward, "I want to say—"

Richard threw back his head. "All right, Haddon, another time! Give us the signal, gentlemen."

Lomax caught hold of Roddy's father and held him by main force. Mr. Gordon was struggling violently.

"Damn you, Lomax, unhand me—Roddy, you young devil, you—"

"Give the signal, Haddon," said the major sharply, "I can't hold this old octopus forever!"

Roddy sprang to his position, his weapon gleaming in the moonlight. Richard faced him. Haddon, shaken and grave, began to count.

"One, two, three—"

Suddenly a white-clad figure sprang out of the shadow of the shrubbery. Like a flash it leaped between the duelists. Nancy covered Richard with her own body.

"Stop!" she cried, panting, "you'll have to shoot me first, Rod!"

Roddy recoiled, his mouth fell open, his eyes fixed themselves on hers—incredulous, startled, maddened with surprise. There was a terrible moment of silence.

"God, you love him!" he gasped.

His father, broken loose from Lomax now, had him by the arm, he wrestled the pistol from the boy's relaxed fingers. Roddy sagged over against him, while Nancy still faced him, her face as white as a star and her beautiful hair tumbling about her shoulders.

Roddy was dumb.

Mr. Gordon dragged him along. "Come!" he said huskily, and then: "you young fool, you, she loves him—you've made trouble enough, let 'em alone!" he whispered.

Roddy was still speechless. He yielded to the older man's force; he let himself be dragged away, Lomax and Haddon following them—as dumb as he was. They walked slowly. Twice Roddy stumbled. His ears were ringing, but he heard his father's voice, after a moment.

"You young donkey, you!" and then it broke and grew husky; something melted in him. He looked at the boy's dejected face.

"I'm proud of you."

Roddy was silent, his head sagged with his shoulders, his face burned. He knew now the price his sister had paid to keep him out of jail, and the iron entered into his soul. He had come, at last, to the beginning of repentance.

The father and son went slowly, and the other two, Lomax and Haddon melted quietly away toward the river meadow.

Richard stood still, rooted to the spot, his face as white as his shirt, his eyes were on Nancy, and hers were fixed on the distance where her father and her brother had gone. Suddenly it came to her that they had gone home and left her. Left her alone with the man she had married. She drew a quick breath, a wave of crimson rose slowly, it rose all over her quivering young body and rushed up to her white face. Her eyes sank and her hands shrank together. She was alone—left behind—and he was silent. But she had heard what he said to her father and to the others. He had said he loved her, that he was proud that she bore his name!

The silence grew and grew. It seemed to her that it was killing her. She heard the drip of moisture from the quivering boughs of the trees; the faint fragrance of opening buds came to her, it was almost more than she could bear.

Then Richard's voice, broken and changed.

"Nancy, you didn't mean that. You did it to save Roddy from murder, you—"

She was dumb, but she made a

faint, wavering gesture of denial.

"Nancy, I beg your pardon—I didn't know the things that were said—it's all my fault. It was up to me to protect you, I—" he stopped and then, hoarsely: "God knows I wish you did mean it—I love you with all my soul!"

He caught his breath. A great light broke.

"Nancy! You don't mean that you—" his voice failed, it died in his throat. He caught her hands with a force that almost hurt them. Even his lips were white.

"Nancy Virginia—" he drew her toward him, looking into her face, the power in his eyes holding hers—"shall I take you home—to them?" he asked, and his deep voice broke on the word, "or—?"

She could not take her eyes from his. She no longer tried. Her face quivered and softened into a happy smile.

"Richard," she answered softly, "I—I've come to you!"

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GOODMAN NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Phillips made a business trip to Abilene Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Taylor of Sweetwater spent a few days last week in the home of R. D. and W. N. Williams. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Campbell were in Merkel Saturday.

Mrs. Ernest Hale, Bill Kennedy and Grady Lee Duncan visited Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Williams last Thursday. Mrs. Jim Bill Tiner and daughter, Pauline went to Abilene Saturday. There were several from here who attended the rodeo at Merkel Saturday.

Misses Anna and Agnes Williams were Merkel visitors Saturday. Miss Odell Cox is to return home Saturday from Old Mexico and other points west and south.

Miss Avis Deavers was in Merkel shopping Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Williams spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hall of Golen.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Washburn attended the rodeo at Merkel Saturday.

The farmers are most all through with their crops until it rains and we are needing rain very bad here.

Mrs. Hoyt Barnes made a business trip to Abilene last week.

W. W. Wood of Merkel is having a music school out here and reports a good crowd.

Grandma Phillips has been on the sick list the past week but is better now.

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RURAL SOCIETY

NOODLE H. D. CLUB

The Noodle Home Demonstration club met in regular session on June 13 in the home of Mrs. L. R. Cade.

The club voted to send three delegates to the Short Course in July. Delegates elected were as follows: Mesdames R. C. Goode, J. M. Williamson and Carl Jackson. Alternates: Mesdames J. W. Cox, Carl Bonneaux and Miss Cleo Reece.

A program on sandwiches was given, after which Mrs. Cade, assisted by the 4-H club girls, served sandwiches and punch to: Mesdames J. M. Williamson, R. C. Goode, Carl Jackson, Carl Bonneaux, C. W. Spurgin, J. W. Cox, Frank Carter, T. E. Goode, O. L. Justice, Vess Justice, J. M. Spurgin, J. M. Sloan, Troy Sloan, E. B. Reece, Troy Deen, V. L. Merritt, J. R. Murdock, H. G. Martin, Vernon Horton, H. K. Farr, Charles Bristow, Finis Cade and Miss Cleo Reece.

4-H girls present were: Misses Monty Reece, Leta, Tarpley, Missie Spurgin, Lucile Justice and Neva Bell Spurgin of Anson.

Plans were made for the annual "Wardrobe Achievement Day," which will be held in the home of Mrs. Carl Bonneaux. This event is to begin promptly at 2 o'clock, June 27, which is our next regular meeting day. Every member is expected to bring at least one person and a special invitation is extended any and all women and girls in Goodman and Comers communities, as our club is doing extension service in these communities. Don't forget the date.

STITH HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Stith Home Demonstration club met in regular session for the wardrobe demonstration class at Mrs. Edgar Bradley's on June 15 when there were sixty-three present wearing dresses made by foundation patterns.

The morning was spent in finishing reports. In the afternoon a five part program was rendered: business, reading, music and songs by the 4-H girls and discussion of the demonstration under the following topics: "Its meaning to me as a co-operator," Mrs. Chas. Sherrill; "Its meaning to me as a demonstrator," Mrs. Edgar Bradley; "Its meaning to the club as a whole," Mrs. Guy Glenn, and "Its meaning to the county," Miss Sue Bonner, home demonstration agent. Mrs. Bradley was given a surprise shower by the club ladies in appreciation of her work as wardrobe demonstrator. This was followed by a dress parade, club members wearing dresses made by foundation patterns, and inspection of the wardrobe demonstration by Mrs. Bradley in her home.

At the close of the meeting a message of sympathy was sent to Mrs. W. A. Ford, a club member, and her children, who were staying at the hospital with Mr. Ford, who was seriously ill at the time.

Delicious ice cream and cake was served.

From the record we find that 116 people from 16 communities in three states have inspected Mrs. Bradley's demonstration, which has already attracted much attention. This club wardrobe exhibit under her supervision won first place May 4 at the Tri-County fair. Hamlin, and reports of her work have already been sent in to Washington. Not only that, but its influence is being felt in our own community, as a number of the ladies have improved storage for clothing by adding rods, shoe racks, hat racks and shelves, making sleeve boards and garment bags.

SALT BRANCH

The Salt Branch Demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. T. C. Allen Thursday afternoon. A business meeting was held first and it was decided to have a program the last week of June and give a quilt away.

A bonnet contest will be held at the next meeting, June 28, in the home

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Our new county demonstration agent, Miss Vera Crippen, will be with us, too. A covered dish luncheon will be served. All members are urged to be present and visitors are always welcome.

UNION RIDGE

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. W. J. Derstine for their regular meeting. The house was called to order by the president, Mrs. Harris, and plans were made for the making of a club quilt. Miss Vera Crippen, the new demonstration agent, was supposed to be present but was unable to attend. A vote was taken for a delegate to go to the A. & M. Short Course and Miss Mabel McCree was chosen, with Mrs. Melvin Carey alternate. The club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Eva Whitaker next meeting day. Rolls and bread are to be the theme for the next meeting and Miss Crippen will be present to demonstrate the making of them.

The hostess, assisted by Mrs. Pierce Horton, Mrs. Sam Derstine and Miss Mary Derstine, served ice cream and cake to the following club members: Mesdames W. A. Harris, Melvin Carey, Pierce Horton, Marvin Douglas, Kenneth Pee, J. L. McCree, S. O. Patton, S. C. Vick, Mack Tucker, Ose Douglas, Johnnie Dunn, Floyd Newberry, Burley Bonds, Chester Bonds, S. G. Russell, Jr., S. G. Russell, Sr., J. H. Clark, Bob Dunn, Lige Harris, W. J. Derstine, B. P. Middleton, Jr., Misses Mabel McCree, Ruby and Norma Patton. Visitors were: Alice Russell, Vernelle Crow, Marybel Douglas, Ruby and Alice Carey and Sybil Douglas.

ESKOTA H. D. C. NEWS

Mrs. C. B. Johnston, wardrobe demonstrator, was hostess to members of the Woman's Home Demonstration club on Tuesday, June 12.

The wardrobe co-operators' dresses were judged and eliminated for the style show which will be held at Roby June 30. Mrs. Smith of Shreveport, La., served as judge. Dresses were awarded as follows: Miss Jennie Marie Whisenant, first; Miss Lydia Bullard, second, and Mrs. Lula Wallace, third. Other co-operators entering dresses were: Mrs. A. D. Dodson, Mrs. Clayton Nichols and Mrs. Ollie Matthews.

Mrs. C. B. Johnston was elected as a delegate to the Short Course.

Those who had not already inspected Mrs. Johnston's wardrobe did so.

During the social hour delicious punch and cake were served to the following: Mesdames L. E. F. Johnston, M. E. Trent, W. J. Farley, Clayton Nichols, D. I. Trent, A. D. Dodson, Ollie Matthews, Lula Wallace, C. E. Kiser, May Day and Misses Lydia Bullard, Jennie Marie Whisenant and Velma Heald, home demonstration agent, also Mrs. Smith and the hostess.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. C. E. Kiser on June 26. Every member is urged to be present.

HEBRON NEWS

A nice little rain fell Saturday night.

Jack Pannell, Jr., entertained a few of his friends Saturday night.

Lorene Traylor of Fort Worth is visiting her uncle, J. A. Traylor.

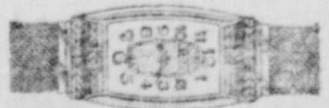
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pannell and children were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Demere of Blair.

Mrs. Merritt's group presented a program Sunday night: a few pieces in honor of Father's day, a reading by Bernell Merritt about "Granddad" and a song by Herbert Rogers; "Silver-haired Daddy of Mine" and a duet, "Beautiful Texas," by Jack Pannell, Jr., on the violin and A. L. Rogers on the guitar.

Rev. Ted McGehee filled his appointment Sunday morning and night.

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The crops in this community were benefitted by a shower Saturday night.

Most every one is through chopping cotton now.

Singing was well attended here Sunday afternoon with several out of town singers present.

Among those who attended the lake celebration at Sweetwater Friday were: Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Hale and family, Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Hale, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Nichols and son, Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Trent, Mrs. M. E. Trent, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Utley and family, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kiser and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Butler, Mr. McNeill, R. C. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ridd, Jr.

Miss Mattie Utley is visiting her sister at Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Johnston have moved to Happy.

Mrs. Jennie Burdsall of California, who has been visiting relatives here, returned to Abilene with her sister, Mrs. Tom Price, and will remain for a visit with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hale and family of Longworth visited Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Dodson Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Lillie Graham has returned to her home at Melvin after visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Chapman Franklin are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Chester Kiser at Stamper this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Johnston and son and Mrs. Bob Johnston and daughter recently visited relatives here.

Mrs. J. M. Hunt and son, Milton, of Blackwell are visiting friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Utley and sons, Jack and Virgil, Mrs. Clayton Nichols and son and Mrs. Albert Kiser and children, Jacquelyn and Billy motored to the Shannon's pool at Merkel Monday afternoon for a swim.

Mrs. Chester Kiser and children and Mrs. Ollie Matthews visited Mr. and Mrs. Benny Gunnells of Longworth Sunday afternoon.

daughter, Maxine, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Berry and Mrs. Tom Shugart visited relatives and fished near Throckmorton last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Burkham, who have been living in our midst, have gone to their home at Troupe.

A. D. Barnes was in Dallas the past week on business.

Maurice Pressly visited friends in Sweetwater Sunday.

White Church News

This part of the the Canyon received a good rain Sunday evening with a lot of hail. It is reported some farmers are completely haled out. We were, however, real glad to get the rain.

A large crowd gathered at the cemetery last Thursday for a cemetery working. There were several from other places here.

Most every one from here attended the picnic at Sweetwater last week. They reported a large crowd and plenty of entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Scoggin of Blair, R. D. Hunter of Nubia and T. H. Spears of Valeria were dinner guests in the A. D. Barnes home Sunday.

Mrs. W. A. Harrison spent the week-end in the home of her son, Mr. and Mrs. Lynward Harrison of Nubia.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Toombs and little son, Malcolm Leon of Merkel, visited Mrs. Toombs' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frazier Demere, Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Phillips and

W. M. Eoff, who has been seriously ill for several weeks, is better now.

Carlton Vick has returned home from an Abilene hospital where he was taken last week for treatment.

Odell Eoff is confined to his home this week.

Doris Winter is suffering from an attack of appendicitis.

Norman Bicknell had his tonsils removed Tuesday morning in an Abilene hospital and is now at the home of his sister, Mrs. Ray Spurgin, in Merkel.

Cecil Witt of Bishop is visiting relatives here.

All young people attending schools and colleges have returned to their homes for the summer.

Mrs. Carlton Vick visited friends in Anson last week and Miss Hazel Mc-Lauren came home with her to visit friends.

Mrs. L. H. Herring returned last week from Robstown and was accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Dugger, and brother, who have been visiting for several days.

E. W. (Bill) Herring made a business trip to Robstown and Corpus Christi Saturday. Wayne Satterwhite, who went with him, returned Monday morning, bringing with him his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grover, and brother, Eddie, for a visit.

Mrs. Wells and daughter, Lena Mae, of Robstown are visiting their daughter and sister, Mrs. Russell Herring.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Thompson and family left for Corpus Christi Tuesday after a ten days visit in this community.

Miss Dorothy Fae Scott spent the week-end with Miss Eno Thompson in the D. C. Herring home.

The fishing party composed of Claude Jenkins and family and Everett Pool and family of the Divide returned from the Concho Sunday and report splendid fishing.

Mrs. Naylor Eoff has returned from a visit in Sweetwater.

Elko pictures are better. Bring up your films and negatives. See Hamm Drug Co.

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RUCK SIBLEY.
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S. H. McADAMS.
DAVE BOOTH.
For Public Weigher, Precinct No. 5:
ORLEN HIGGINS.
A. D. FULTON.
CLYDE SHOUSE.
For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2:
A. J. CANON, (Re-election.)
L. L. MURRAY.
ANDY SHOUSE.
For County Tax Assessor-Collector:
GRADY PARMELLY.
For County Clerk:
W. P. BOUNDS, (Re-election.)
BERT E. LOW.
For District Clerk:
BELLE WELLBORN, (Re-election.)
J. E. McPHERSON.
For County Supt. of Schools:
M. A. WILLIAMS, (Re-election.)
C. A. COCKRELL.
NENA KATE RAMSEY.
TOM McGEHEE.
LEROY STONE.
For Public Weigher, Precinct No. 21:
JOHN PAYNE, (Re-election.)
For District Attorney, 104th Judicial District:
OTIS MILLER, of Jones County.
W. J. CUNNINGHAM, (Re-Election.)
GRAY BROWNE.
For County Judge:
JOHN L. CAMP, (Re-election.)
For Representative (116 District):
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FOR SALE—Whippet sedan, A-1 condition, good tires, Barron Motor Co.
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FOR RENT

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**Selected for Practice
Teaching at Denton**

Denton, June 28.—Miss Mildred Swafford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. R. Swafford of Merkel, is listed among those students at Texas State College for Women (CIA) who are doing practice teaching in the Denton public schools.

Through a cooperative plan of this college begun three years ago with the North Texas State Teachers college, Denton children are privileged to attend summer school without cost to their parents. A total of 59 student teachers and seven faculty supervisors are employed in the project.

Miss Swafford, a junior at the college, is majoring in kindergarten-primary education.

**Local Masons Select
Officers for New Year**

Merkel lodge No. 710, A. F. and A. M., elected officers for the ensuing year on Saturday night as follows:

Elery Smith, W. M.; Bob Fowler, S. W.; Giles Graham, J. W.; Andy Shouse, treasurer; Carl Black, secretary, and Charlie Davis, tiler.

They were installed Monday night. Officers of chapter No. 374, R. A. M., will hold over for another year, as no election was held at the stated time.

**Several From Here in
Camp at Buffalo Gap**

For the Presbyterian encampment at Buffalo Gap, which started Monday and continues through July 2, a number from Merkel are spending the week in camp. These include: Mrs. Henry West, Mrs. Sidney Foy and Dick West, Mrs. Emory Jones and son, Marvin Estes, Betty Jane Diltz, Mabel Murray and Doris and Marian Diltz. On Wednesday Rev. R. A. Walker, his grandson, John Robert Walker, and Mrs. John West were visitors to the encampment.

O. E. S. NOTICE.
The Worthy Matron urges every member to attend a special meeting of chapter Saturday, 8:30 p. m., for transaction of important business.
Iris Garrett,
Secretary Pro Tem.

**McGehee Candidate
For Superintendent
In Taylor County**



TOM McGEHEE.

Tom (T. M.) McGehee, a resident of Taylor county since 1890 and a brother of Allen and Ted McGehee, well known Merkel citizens, was a visitor here Saturday accompanied by members of his family. Mr. McGehee has been teaching in the Taylor county schools a number of years and is at present principal at Caps.

In addition to his school room duties he has since attaining manhood been active in religious and civic affairs and has always been a democrat.

In announcing his candidacy through the columns of The Mail, he said:

"I am now making my formal announcement as a candidate for the office of superintendent of public instruction for Taylor county. My father moved to the Caps community in 1900, and I entered the Caps school where I received my elementary training along with boys and girls who are now fathers and mothers of children whom I now teach. I am a graduate of San Marcos state normal. I have taken special work at the Texas State university. I have also taken special courses in education at Simmons university. I have taught school in the Caps-View community (excepting an interval of two years) since 1915.

"I follow the teaching profession not only because I like it but because I have an intense zeal for the educational, moral and spiritual welfare of the youth of our land. If the voters of Taylor county elect me as your county superintendent their problems shall be my problems, and we will strive to solve them to their best interest, and it will be my aim to render the best service of which I am capable. Support and influence of the voters will be greatly appreciated."

**Bread Making School
Postponed a Week**

The yeast bread making demonstration, which was scheduled for this (Thursday) afternoon at the home of Mrs. George White, has been postponed until next week, as Miss Crippen, the county home demonstration agent, was busily engaged this week with the opening of the federal cannery in Abilene.

About twenty members were present at the meeting of the Merkel Home Demonstration club at the home of Miss Mary Keny Thursday last week when Miss Connie Pogue was co-hostess. Miss Crippen, the county agent, was present and outlined a future course of work for the club.

**Grandmother of Mrs.
Lowe Dies at Decker**

Mrs. Manda Elizabeth Mauzey, 79, grandmother of Mrs. W. E. Lowe, succumbed to a short illness at 5:10 Tuesday afternoon at the family home at Decker, 19 miles south of Sweetwater, where she was living with her son, Jesse Mauzey, as she had done since her husband's death in 1917.

Funeral services were held at the family home at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, the Rev. A. D. Doss, Methodist pastor of Westbrook, officiating. Mrs. Mauzey, who was the mother of Judge A. S. Mauzey of Sweetwater, judge of the 32nd judicial district, is survived by three other sons and four daughters.

Mrs. W. E. Lowe, a granddaughter, and her son, Jack, were present when Mrs. Mauzey died. For the funeral, Mr. Lowe, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley King and Mrs. V. B. Sublett went from here.

Program at Salt Branch.

A program will be given at the Salt Branch school house Friday night of this week at 8 o'clock by Miss Nana Kate Ramsey and pupils of the speech arts department of Hardin and Simmons university. It is announced that at this time the quilt of the Salt Branch Home Demonstration club will be given away.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Merkel is in the favored section of West Texas is the report of C. P. Church, who with his family visited Sunday on the Plains. Around Lamesa he reports the drouth as showing most disastrous effects, as much of the cotton planted did not come up.

Mrs. Jack Anderson leaves Saturday for Chicago where, in addition to visiting the World's Fair, she will take a special course in "personality hair cutting and finger waving from Condos, one of the leading hair dressers in the United States. During her absence Miss Eunice Richards will be in charge of the Modern Marinello shop.

A group of local fishermen returned the first of the week from the Concho and report plenty of fish and squirrel. In the party were: M.B. Bell, Claude Jinkens, Waldo Cox, Mose Cummins, Lyle Cade, Jess Bird and Messrs. Criswell and Goode.

Pruitt's Beauty Shop, which opened originally next door to the Queen theatre, has been moved to McCoy's barber shop, next to the Farmers State bank. V. E. Pruitt, a brother of O. D. Pruitt and formerly of Tuscola, is proprietor and he will be assisted by Miss Nell Pruitt, his niece.

PERSONALS

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In addition, she is serving as private secretary and assistant to Dr. A. W. Evans, head of the education department.—Abilene Reporter.

Visitors with Mrs. W. L. Burns last week were her nieces, Mrs. R. B. McRee, Jr., of Trent, and Mrs. O. Walden and two children, Mary Alice and Betty Jean, of Dallas. Mrs. Gene Vivrette and two children, Bobbie Jo and Larry, of Dallas, friends of Mrs. Walden, were also guests of Mrs. Burns.

Sponsor

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After the arena contest, the visitors were guests of the association for lunch at the American cafe, with Mrs. Stanley King and Mrs. S. D. Gamble as hostesses.

A pair of cowboy boots was awarded to Miss Largent as winner of the sponsor contest.

She will ride the same mount, belonging to Roy Dobbins of Roscoe. Her escort at the reunion festivities will be G. C. Farrow of Abilene.

The special trades day events committee in charge of sponsor day includes: Tom Allday, chairman, Dee Grimes, Yates Brown, Byers Petty, Max Mellinger, Tracy Campbell and C. J. Glover Jr.

**Receives Master of
Science From Brown**

A Merkel boy, John D. Coats, received his degree of Master of Science from Brown university, Providence, R. I., in commencement exercises held on Saturday, June 16. He specialized in mathematics and physics and was one of 51 graduate school students who were awarded advanced degrees.

John D., the son of Mrs. E. D. Coats, was graduated from Merkel High in 1928, where he had attained a high record of scholarship. Later he attended Simmons university before entering Brown university.

**Jimmie Swann Will
Hold Week's School**

A week's school in outdoor sketching is being conducted in Abilene by Jimmie Swann, who is associated with Frank Klepper, well known Dallas landscape artist. The class is specializing in pencil drawing and they have chosen their locale in the Mexican section of Abilene.

Members of Jimmie Swann's class are Mrs. Forrest Kendall, Mrs. T. O. Massey, Ruth Philpot Lovelady, Juanita Tittle, Billy Suggs, Ruby Fears and Winnie Watt Finley.

Mr. Swann is spending the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Swann, and driving over to Abilene daily for the classes.

Celebrates 90th Birthday.

W. W. Bain, grandfather of Ed McCrary, who is spending the summer months here with Ed and his wife, celebrated his 90th birthday June 7. Mr. Bain continues active and healthy and, unless one knew otherwise, would not be taken for a man who has entered his 91st year.

Honor Graduate at Greenville.

J. R. Graham, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Graham, formerly of Merkel, was an honor graduate of the Greenville High school in June of this year and Merkel as well as Greenville is proud to own him as a member of the class. He is preparing to enter A. & M. college this fall and plans to go four years.

**Will Speak on Street
At 2 P. M. Saturday**



JAMES L. McNEESE.

James L. McNeese, Dallas attorney and well known here as he was graduated from the Merkel High school in 1904, will speak on the street here Saturday afternoon of this week at 2 o'clock in behalf of his candidacy for railroad commissioner.

Mr. McNeese was reared on a farm six miles south of Merkel and after graduating here attended Abilene Normal school in 1905. He has practiced law in Dallas since 1914.

Mrs. Henry Frazier of this city is an aunt of Mr. McNeese and he is a double cousin of the late Mrs. T. H. Christopher, mother of Mrs. Len Sublett.

**Tom Warrens Attend
Harkrider Reunion**

The fifth annual reunion of descendants of John and Eunice Harkrider was attended by 130 guests, 110 of that number being kinsmen. It was held in Fort Worth Saturday and Sunday at the attractive Neil P. Anderson lodge at Lake Worth.

Those from Merkel who attended were J. T. Warren, a grandson of John and Eunice Harkrider, and Mrs. Warren and their grandsons, Jerry and Don Warren, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Booth Warren. Mrs. Henry Coit of Rena, daughter of the Tom Warrens, with Mr. Coit and five of their six children, Henry, Catherine, Tom, Dick and Harold, were also present.

**Prominent Ranchman
At Midland Dies**

Charles Edwards, 54, prominent cattleman of the Midland area, died Tuesday night following an emergency operation for appendicitis. The funeral was held at Midland at 10 o'clock Thursday morning.

Going from here to attend the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. George White, Mrs. White being a niece of the deceased, G. M. Sharp, a brother-in-law, and Mrs. Joe Owens and Mrs. Nell Lee, also nieces.

Mr. Edwards is survived by his wife, two daughters, Jerra Edwards of Midland and Mrs. J. Eugene Cowden of Kerry county, and a son, Charles, Jr. of Maryneal.

2,000,000th Visitor to Fair.
Chicago, June 28.—The 2,000,000th visitor to the 1934 World's Fair, Miss Kathryn Dougherty, 22, of Waterloo, Iowa, entered the Twenty-third street gate Wednesday, June 20. Miss Dougherty, who attended the fair five times in 1933 and once before in 1934, was vacationing in Chicago with a group of friends.

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16 ounce 20c—Quart 35c**

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TOILET PAPER, roll 5c

ICE CREAM SALT, 5 pounds 10c

POST TOASTIES, package 10c

POWDERED SUGAR, 2 lbs. 15c

BROWN SUGAR, 2 lbs. 15c

TEA Red & White 1-4 pound 19c

TOILET SOAP, Lux or Lifebuoy, 3 bars 23c

SOAP R & W Giant 5 bars 19c

PINEAPPLE, No. 2 can, B & W, broken sliced, 2 for 29c

PEACHES, No. 2 1-2 can Red & white Per can 17c—3 cans 50c

GREEN BEANS, No. 2 can 9c

GREEN GAGE PLUMS, No. 10 can 39c

LIMA BEANS, baby, 3 pounds 22c

PEAS Kuner's No. 2 2 for 29c

MILK, Red & White, 4 small 13c—2 tall 13c

CRACKERS, A-1 Soda, 2 pounds 22c

Shortening 4 pound carton 33c

BACON sliced pound 22c

CHEESE Full Cream pound 20c

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FOR RESULTS—PHONE 61**

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BRIDE COMPLIMENTED.

Mrs. L. V. Moore, who was until her marriage recently Miss Caribel Mansfield, was the happy honoree Monday afternoon at a "shower" given for her in the home of Miss Billie Bernice Gambill with Miss Billy Gardner co-hostess. A decorative color scheme of pink and white was carried out in flowers, party appointments and refreshments. "Topper," C. M. Largent III, attired in Cupid, led the bride to a lovely assortment of gifts, after which every one wrote "Hints to the Housewife."

Delicious angel food cake, punch and mints were served to Mesdames L. V. Moore, John Mansfield, W. M. Gambill, C. M. Largent, Jr., Misses Clara Frances Largent, Lois Whiteley, Wanda Hunter, Bessylea Church, Helen Joyner, De La Vergne Teague, Betty Lou Grimes, Mary Frances Cook, Jane Ferguson, Sarah Sheppard and the hostesses.

LEVERICH-STANFORD.

The marriage of Miss Marie Stanford and Corwin Leverich came as a complete surprise to their many friends here. The ceremony was read by Dr. M. A. Jenkins in his study at the First Baptist church, Abilene, on Monday morning. The attendants at the wedding were Miss Joella McLeod and Donald Leverich, brother of the groom, and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Freeman.

Marie is the vivacious and attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Stanford. She is a graduate of Merkel High school and in 1932 was voted the "friendliest girl."

The groom, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Leverich, was a popular student at Goodman where he graduated. He is employed by the Phillips Petroleum company and it is on the Phillips lease where Mr. and Mrs. Leverich will be at home to their friends.

GROENE-COBB.

A wedding of interest to a wide circle of friends was culminated Saturday when Miss Helen E. Cobb became the wife of George Groene.

Mrs. Groene was head-dietician at the State Hospital, Abilene. She has visited here at various times and because of a gracious personality made friends easily.

George Groene is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Groene. He is traveling out of Oklahoma City where they will make their home. The Mail extends sincerest congratulations to them both.

1926 CLASS REUNION.

The Merkel High School Seniors of 1926 enjoyed their eighth annual reunion in an all-day picnic Sunday, June 24, held in the game reserve in the mountains on Elm creek. The morning was spent in rambling and gathering firewood. At noon a sumptuous meal consisting of fried chicken, bacon, beans, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, bread, pickles, cake and iced tea was enjoyed and in mid-afternoon, punch and cake. Loafing, reminiscence, reports of those absent, wading, kodaking, cliff climbing, wrestling, ice and water fights and various other activities marked the afternoon as one not to be soon forgotten.

The supper "smack" was served at 7 to Earnest Spurgin, Flossie Campbell, Emma Toombs, Edith Baker, Mrs. Wilbur Thomas, 1929 Seniors, and Herman Askins, Irven Thompson, Buck Leach, Wilbur Thomas and Miss Hazel McLaren, guests.

PICNIC AT SHANNON'S.

The children's department of the Methodist Sunday School, of which Mrs. R. A. Burgess is superintendent, were treated to a picnic at Shannon's on Thursday afternoon of last week by the teachers of the department.

About fifty were present to enjoy a merry afternoon of games and strolling, followed by a rare picnic supper.

FETED ON NINTH BIRTHDAY.

(Abilene Reporter.) Complimenting her daughter, Minnie Alice, on the child's ninth birthday, Mrs. J. W. Mayfield entertained a group of their young friends Thursday from 4 to 6 p. m., at the Mayfield home, 3350 South Fifth street.

After a series of games, guests were invited into the dining room, where birthday wishes were made for the honoree as candles topping the cake were blown out. Sandwiches, cake and punch were served.

Guests were Annie Louise Stinchcomb, Geraldine Jones, Tommie Gay Grisham, Rose Jeannine Badami, Billie Gene Wildom, J. W. Casey, Nancy Gene Scott, Donald Baker, Rebecca Tittle, Marvin Clayton Mayfield, Hazel Clayton, Jimmie Don Tittle, Barbara Clayton, Jimmie Etta Mayfield, Minnie Alice Mayfield, Mrs. C. E. Tittle and daughter, Betty Jane of Trent.

CHURCH SERVICES

THE METHODIST CHURCH.

Sunday School 9:45. Preaching 11 a. m. Communion service. Preaching 8:30 p. m. Young people's services 7:30 p. m.

The pastor will be home for the Sunday services, after a two weeks vacation in New Mexico.

P. H. Gates, Pastor.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

There was an increased attendance at all services Sunday. Miss Vernie Derrick put on a very interesting educational program Sunday morning, which was greatly enjoyed by all.

Our pastor will conduct a protracted meeting at Trent next week. He will preach at his home church Sunday and Sunday night and will go to Trent Monday morning.

Quite a few of our Baptist people have been going to Sweetwater this week to hear Dr. George Truett, who is holding a protracted meeting there.

Sunday School at 10 o'clock. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. B. T. S. at 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting at 8:15 Wednesday evening. W. M. U. 4 o'clock Monday afternoon.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

There were 792 present at the six reporting Sunday Schools in Merkel last Sunday, as compared with 611 on the previous Sunday. A year ago the attendance was 792.

PREBYTERIAN CHURCH.

No services Sunday, either Sunday School or church, according to the custom of the church during the Buffalo Gap encampment. A number from the congregation will probably attend services there Sunday and during the week.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. R. A. Walker, Pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Good preaching Lord's day at 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. by Brother Chas. H. Robertson from A. C. C. Bible study 10 a. m. and young people's program 6 p. m.

Bible study conducted by Brother Robertson at 8:30 p. m. Wednesday. We invite you to hear Brother Robertson.

The Elders.

NAZARENE CHURCH.

Rev. J. W. Hampton preached to a good congregation Sunday at eleven and again that night at 8:30. The writer preached at 3 p. m. with good interest shown by all. These services will continue throughout the week. Come worship with us. We will try to help you.

Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m. N. Y. P. S. at 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night.

J. L. Mayhall, Pastor.

NORTHSIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.

"The Seventh Abomination of Merkel" will be the subject for next Sunday night. There will be a quartette and duet that you will certainly appreciate. A very important question will be answered, "What is Death?"

Bill Dowell preached Sunday while the pastor was at Trent. We had fine services at Trent. Also the people at Merkel rejoiced as they worshipped God in assembly and, seeing the fruit of their labor, they rejoiced the more.

We are having some wonderful times at prayer meeting on Wednesday night and at "Teachers' Bible study" on Friday night. We are having a sword drill. We want everybody to bring a hard Bible question and

Mrs. Bill Fugat, Mrs. John Mansfield, Mrs. L. V. Moore, Mrs. C. E. Conner and Miss Rachel Patterson of Merkel.

Mrs. Mayfield was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Joe Badami, Mrs. W. E. Clayton, Mrs. M. E. Mayfield, Mrs. M. B. Tittle and Miss Nora Smallwood.

hand to pastor to be studied on these nights.

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The Box Score

SATURDAY'S GAME.										
TYE—	AB	R	H	PO	A	E				
W. Jowers, lf	3	3	1	1	0	0				
B. Jowers, cf	3	4	3	0	0	0				
J. Jowers, 3b	5	2	2	5	2	0				
Ashby, rf, p, 3b	5	1	2	0	2	0				
Kirkpatrick, 2b	5	2	2	0	3	0				
Darby, ss	4	1	1	3	2	1				
Landers, c, p.	5	2	1	1	1	1				
Horton, lb	4	1	1	0	0	0				
Hooker, p	2	0	0	1	1	0				
Morris, rf	2	1	1	0	0	0				
Totals	38	17	14	20	11	2				
MERKEL—	AB	R	H	PO	A	E				
King, lb	3	0	0	2	0	0				
Woods, ss	4	1	1	2	0	0				
Childress, cf	2	1	0	1	0	0				
McGaughy, 2b, p	3	0	0	2	1	2				
Essom, c	2	0	0	10	2	0				
Jones, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0				
Sledge, 3b	2	0	0	1	0	2				
Johnson, lf	1	0	0	1	0	1				
Walker, p, 2b, lf	3	0	0	1	0	1				
Wilson, p	2	1	1	1	1	0				
Totals	29	3	2	21	4	6				

Essom out in 5th, interfering thrown ball.

Score by innings:

Tye 070 302 5—17

Merkel 002 001 0—3

Summary—Doubles, B. Jowers, J. Jowers, Ashby, Darby, Horton, Morris, Triple, Landers, Sacrifice, Essom. Stolen bases, W. Jowers 2, B. Jowers, Kirkpatrick, Darby, Essom. Caught stealing, Essom (B. Jowers, Kirkpatrick.) Balk, Walker, Walks, Hooker 4, Ashby 2, Landers 2, Walker 2, McGaughy 2, Wild pitch, Landers, Wilson 4, Struck out, Landers 5, Walker 4, McGaughy 2, Wilson 4. Passed balls, J. Jowers, Essom 2. Winning pitcher, Hooker. Losing pitcher, Walker. Time of game, 2 hours, 25 minutes. Umpires, Wolfe, Renfro.

Rodeo Winners

(Continued from Page One) day's activities.

GIRLS RODEO NEXT. Due to the week of the Stamford reunion, it has been decided to have the next rodeo here on Saturday, July 14, instead of the first week in July.

Following the morning parade, it is planned to have a girls' rodeo. Watch The Mail next week for further details.

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JOSEPH W. BAILEY, JR.

Dallas, June 28.—Many thousands of Texas voters during the past week have heard Congressman Joseph W. Bailey, Jr., discuss the issues in his campaign for the United States senate. Congressman Bailey having been delayed in Washington by his congressional duties, which include his leadership of the fight for states rights and in opposition to the Ickes Oil Control bill, is attempting to campaign in every section of Texas within a period of sixty days. He is making four and five speeches a day.

In his recent speeches Mr. Bailey has discussed in detail his plans for providing work for the millions of people who are unemployed and who have no hope of getting work except through the permanent restoration of prosperity. One plan of reemploy-

ment advocated by Mr. Bailey is the revision of the tariff so as to permit the expansion and development of foreign trade in raw materials such as cotton, wheat and wool. The betterment of business through this tariff revision would put several million men and women back to work, both in industry and in agriculture, Mr. Bailey said.

The Dallas candidate is also urging federal legislation which would com-

pel the various huge monopolistic corporations to break up into their separate and component parts and thus provide a multitude of those now un-

employed with the means of making their livelihood. Mr. Bailey's program for the rest of the week is as follows: Friday, June 29th, Italy, Waxahachie, Ennis and Corsicana; and Saturday, June 30th, Huntsville, Conroe and Hum-

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Peaches	In heavy syrup No. 2 1-2, 2 for	35c
Crackers	Excel Saltines 2 pound boxes	21c
Peanut Butter	Quart Jar	25c
Mustard	Prepared Qt. jar	15c
Prunes	Gallon Can	35c
Ice Cream Salt	5 lb. Pkg.	5c
Post Toasties	Per Pkg.	10c
Pickles	Sour. Dill Qt. jar	20c
Fruit Jars	Prestos, dozen	85c
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