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On the "Broadway of America"

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ALINE McANINCH VALEDICTORIAN OF '35 SENIORS

Second Honors to Anna Lou Church; Class of Sixty Receive Diplomas From Merkel High School.

Highest honors in the graduating class of 1935 of the Merkel High school were awarded to Miss Aline McAninch, with an average of 95.396. Miss Anna Lou Church was salutatorian with an average of 94.812.

Randall McNiece, whose grade was 94.065, was the highest ranking boy in the class.

Others whose averages were especially commendable and including them in the highest seven in the class were: Billie Bernice Gambill, 94.729; Clara Frances Largent, 94.619; Vivian Davis, 94.271; Truett Patterson, 92.192.

Diplomas were awarded to sixty graduates, constituting the entire group of candidates, without any failures, the largest graduating class in the history of the Merkel Public schools.

Commencement exercises, which were held at the gymnasium Monday evening, comprised a series of readings, orations, poems and songs centering on Texas and emphasizing the approaching Centennial. Members of the class gave these numbers, varying the program from the usual form of having a commencement speaker.

Baccalaureate sermon was preached Sunday evening, also at the gymnasium, by Rev. Charles A. Powell, pastor of University Baptist church, Abilene.

The honor roll for the last six weeks period of the term is printed elsewhere in this issue of The Mail. ON ROLL EVERY PERIOD.

34 pupils, 13 in high school and 21 in grammar school, were on the honor roll every period during the year just closed. They were:

Senior class—Randall McNiece, J. (Continued on Page Seven)

48 Promoted From Grammar to High

Certificates of promotion to high school were awarded to 48 Grammar School pupils by their principal, Mrs. Len Sublett, at exercises at the gymnasium Friday evening, May 24. The address to the class was given by Prof. W. A. Stephenson of Hardin-Simmons university.

The two highest ranking students were: Evelyn Ensminger, valedictorian, with an average of 95.466, and Billie Wood, salutatorian, averaging 95.24. Mary Jo Russell's average was 94.8.

Those receiving certificates were: Arlie Jo Barron, Udell Camp, Charles Escue, Archie Farr, Ben Ferguson, Ralph Fox, Arthur Lee Graham, James Hagler, Ted Hamm, Lewis Kyle, Leona Bell, Mildred Bird, Doris. (Continued on Page Four)

COMES AS LEADER OF PRESBYTERIAN REVIVAL HERE



DR. JOHN H. BURMA.

Dr. John H. Burma, pastor of the Sherman Presbyterian church and former president of Trinity university, will do the preaching at the revival starting at Grace Presbyterian church Sunday, June 2.

All the churches of the city are invited to take part in these services.

Baptists to Organize Church Brotherhood

Friday night in the basement of the Baptist church there will be held a banquet for all male Baptists of the city. This occasion will be the beginning of a new organization in the Baptist church, which is called the Baptist Brotherhood.

Every man of this denomination who believes in the men having an active part in his church life is urged to be present at this special service. Committees are busy on arrangements and the ladies are doing their usual good turn in providing food that men like.

The program will be as follows: opening song, invocation, banquet, song by Don Wood, piano duet by Don and Billy Wood, address by Judge E. S. Cummings of Abilene, "Why a Men's Organization?", special music, (arranged), talk, "Our Program," by Judge Welch, Breckenridge, and closing remarks by the pastor, Rev. C. R. Jopner.

45-Minute Rainfall Exceeds Two Inches

Two and one-eighth inches of rain fell here in 45 minutes about the noon hour last Thursday, according to the gauge of Volunteer Weather Observer Grover Hale, which followed less than a week after the precipitation of three and one-quarter inches in one day, Friday, May 17.

There was also considerable hail southeast of town.

Total rainfall for this section so far this year now stands at 15 1-4 inches.

341 MEMBERS OF PATTERSON FAMILY GATHER IN REUNION SUNDAY LAKE SWEETWATER

Three hundred and forty-one members of the Patterson family—descendants of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Patterson, Sr., and his brother and two sisters—sons and daughters, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, uncles, aunts and cousins—gathered Sunday at Lake Sweetwater for a reunion. Some of them had never met before and many had not visited for a number of years.

So pleasant was the day that members of the gathering voted unanimously to make the occasion an annual event. For this purpose four were named as a committee on permanent reunion: John Patterson, Hawley; A. B. Patterson, Merkel; Henry Franklin, Big Spring, and J. W. Walker, Colorado. The fourth Sunday in May is the designated date and Sweetwater park will be the meeting place again next year.

J. A. Patterson, Sr., of Merkel, age 84, is the only living brother of a group of four, two brothers and two sisters, who came from Tallahatchie county, Miss., to Abilene 46 years ago.

The other brother, Judge Patterson, and the two sisters, Mrs. Parylee Franklin and Mrs. Salyann Walker, are now deceased.

It was descendants of these four branches of the Patterson family, with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Patterson, Sr., as honored guests, who gathered last Sunday in family reunion to the number of 341 persons.

Mr. and Mrs. Patterson will next September 21 celebrate the 50th anniversary of their marriage. Mrs. Patterson was formerly Miss Emma Summerford. They lived in Jones county for several years, but since 1892 have resided at Merkel.

Youngest reunion guest was Bobby Brooks Dye, seven weeks old son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Dye of Pecos, grandchild of Brooks Patterson of Merkel, and great-grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. Patterson.

Twenty-six towns, from Dallas to El Paso, were represented in the reunion participants.

All of the eight children born to (Continued on Page Five)

PASSES AWAY AT AGE OF 85

Mrs. N. E. Sandlin Succumbs to Paralytic Stroke; Burial Probably Friday.

Mrs. N. E. Sandlin, who was 85 years old on April 24, last, died at 5:15 Thursday morning at her home, following a stroke of paralysis which she suffered at 6 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. She had been an invalid for seven years.

Mrs. Sandlin was born in Limestone county, Alabama. She had lived in Merkel for 30 years, having come here from Willis Point in 1905. Her husband, James Robert Sandlin, died July 3, 1906, and is buried at Rose Hill cemetery here.

A member of the Missionary Baptist church for 38 years, Mrs. Sandlin joined the Methodist church with her husband in 1894, with which church she had been affiliated since that date.

Funeral arrangements are not complete, but will be held from the family residence, probably on Friday. Should a daughter, Mrs. Rozelle Moss, come from Los Angeles, the funeral will await her arrival. Rev. P. H. Gates, family pastor, will officiate and interment will be in Rose Hill cemetery, beside the grave of her husband.

Survivors are: six daughters, Mrs. Emma Green, Abilene; Mrs. Rozelle Moss, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Pearl Smith, Prague, Okla.; Mrs. Susie Harris, Terrell; Mrs. Winnie Cyfert and Mrs. Lila Rea, Merkel, 29 grandchildren and 59 great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Three sisters, one in Los Angeles, and two in Alabama, also survive.

DEATH TAKES MRS. CALVERT

Resident of Merkel Over 45 Years; Survived by 3 Daughters and 1 Son.

Mrs. J. C. Calvert, 78, resident of Merkel for more than 45 years, died at 10:45 Friday morning at the home of a daughter, Mrs. C. K. Russell. Mrs. Calvert had been a cripple for 13 years and had been confined to her room for the past five weeks. Her death followed an attack of acute indigestion.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon from the Russell residence, where she made her home. Dr. W. M. Murrell, former presiding elder of the Abilene Methodist district, assisted by Rev. P. H. Gates, Methodist pastor, and Rev. R. A. Walker, Presbyterian pastor, officiated for the service and interment was in Rose Hill cemetery beside the grave of her husband, who was a former editor of The Merkel Mail and who died in 1908.

Pallbearers were: John West, Frank Golladay, Dee Grimes, Raymond Ferguson, S. G. Russell and Forrest Gaither.

Mrs. Mary Lou Calvert was born in Tennessee, July 6, 1856, and had resided in Merkel for more than 45 years for the last 25 years she had been a member of the Methodist church here.

Survivors, besides Mrs. Russell, are two other daughters, Mrs. Fred Latham, Merkel, and Mrs. John T. Morgan, Tyler; a son, W. C. Calvert, Sweetwater; five grandchildren, a sister, Mrs. Jan Rosson, Bowie, and a brother, Ed Cathey, Louisburg, Tenn.

News Learned of Death J. C. Mason at Deport

Private telegrams were received here Tuesday telling of the death of J. C. Mason, which occurred at Paris at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. He had been a patient for the past five years at the sanitarium there.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 Wednesday afternoon from the home of his sister, Mrs. R. C. Kimball, in Deport.

Mr. Mason was well known here, having lived in Merkel for a number of years. He left here about 8 years ago to return to Deport. At one time he owned the Walker cottage, which was later sold to the Woodrums and became the Woodrum hotel, destroyed by fire in 1933. He still had farming interests here.

Mr. Mason was a member of the state legislature from Lamar county three successive terms. Born in Tennessee, he came to Deport in 1884 where he lived many years. For 16 years he was engaged in the mercantile business there, later moving to Merkel where he engaged in cotton buying, oil activities and farming.

His wife died many years ago. He is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Kimball and Miss Ophelia Mason, both of Deport.

KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

Martha Camille Jones, 11, died Tuesday night of injuries received in a cave-in at a gravel pit seven miles north of Hamilton.

The supreme court Wednesday held that a legislative act of 1925 exempting Hidalgo county from state taxes for 25 years was unconstitutional.

Police Chief Ed J. Riley, 49, of Orange, was shot to death by a downtown street corner by Rev. C. E. Estridge, 45, crusading Baptist minister.

C. P. Dodson, Decatur, was elected district governor Monday by delegates to the district Z-E Lions club convention at Vernon. Cisco was awarded the 1936 meeting.

Resident relief cases in Texas dropped from 253,890 in March to 228,042 in April, a decrease of 25,848 in the case load, it was announced by Adam R. Johnson, relief director.

Mrs. T. J. Clay, 86, was burned to death early Monday night in flames which destroyed the seven-room farm home of her step-son, W. P. Clay, 13 miles southwest of Snyder.

Frank Wynne, 25, former Texas Christian university athlete, was drowned Tuesday in the swirling waters of the west fork of the Trinity river below Lake Worth.

J. P. Hill, 66, retired two months ago by the Santa Fe railroad after serving in its employ since 1887, dropped dead from a heart attack at his home in Silsbee near Beaumont.

Mrs. Charlotte A. Teagle of Houston and R. W. Miller of Huntsville were appointed members of the state prison board by Governor Allred, who also re-appointed Joseph Wearden to the board.

Dr. V. A. Hartman was acquitted by an instructed verdict in federal court at Lubbock Tuesday in connection with the machine gun killing of Spencer Stafford, federal narcotic agent, at Post on February 7.

J. Bryan Bradbury of Abilene, state representative from Taylor county, will be speaker at the convention of Young Democrats of Texas, which meets in Amarillo June 7 and 8.

Jurors at San Angelo in less than an hour and a half acquitted C. M. Akard, Abilene traveling salesman, of a charge of murder without malice in connection with the death of Mrs. Ella Mae Barbian, also of Abilene, at a night club on December 15.

Record of Births. Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Masengrang, residing in the Canyon, Saturday, May 25, 1935.

CLOWN MULE RIDER SECURED FOR THIS RODEO

Antics of Tommy and Toy Will Aford Lots of Fun; Rodeo Rules Modified; Bleacher Seats 15 Cents.

Despite the ruling of the United States supreme court, the New Deal continues to go strong in the programs of summer rodeos, sponsored by the Merchants Trade Extension association of Merkel.

By way of special feature attraction, Tommy and Toy, famed rodeo clown and trick mule, will be present in the arena during this Saturday's show to afford amusement in dull moments. This attraction has played many of the largest shows in the country over a period of 13 years, and is a novelty that the guests within Merkel's gates will brand genuine entertainment. The attraction is entirely free.

A new deal also comes to patrons of the bleacher section, as officials of the association have decided to reduce the admission price to 15 cents, instead of 25 cents, as heretofore. Children under five years, if accompanied by their parents, will be admitted free.

RODEO RULES MODIFIED. Section 2 of the revised rules governing calf roping has been modified to read as follows: "There will be a 10 second penalty if, in the opinion of (Continued on Page Eight)

BASEBALL

LEAGUE STANDING			
TEAM	W	L	Pct.
Union	2	0	1.000
Noodle	1	0	1.000
Truby	1	0	1.000
Tye	1	1	.500
Divide	1	1	.500
Stith	0	2	.000
Hodges	0	1	.000
Trent	0	2	.000

RESULTS

Union 4, Tye 3.

Scoring two runs in a seventh inning rally, Union defeated Tye, 4-3, in Saturday's scheduled game of the Inter-Community league, to keep its place at the top of the percentage column. Tye starred defensively, with two double plays, but was unable to hit the ball in the clutches.

Union is the only league entry to have won two games, but Noodle and Truby each have one victory and no defeat.

Box score of the Union-Tye game appears elsewhere in this issue of The Mail.

On Saturday of this week, beginning at 3 o'clock, Hodges and Stith are the scheduled contenders in the Inter-Community league.

THE BOOK

... the first line of which reads, "The Holy Bible," and which contains Four Great Treasures

64 BRUCE BARTON

NONE GREATER BORN.

John The Baptist saw his own disciples go away from him to follow Jesus, and, unselfish as he was, we may be sure that it was not easy.

Even he did not realize perhaps how fast his following would diminish, nor how soon the authorities would think it safe to seize him without precipitating a popular uprising.

Suddenly he found himself in the darkness of Herod's prison, no contact with the outside world except through a handful of still faithful disciples. These brought him disquieting news. Jesus whom he had hailed as the Messiah, to whose upbuilding he had sacrificed every personal opportunity and interest, this Jesus was not acting the role of a prophet. He did not fast; He did not withdraw into the wilderness; He did not denounce men for carnal sins. On the contrary, He was feasting in the home of publicans and proceeding happily from village to village, surrounded by laughing children and a nondescript mob of undesirables.

Tortured by such doubts, he sent two of his disciples to demand an explanation. They found Jesus surrounded by enthusiastic crowds, they sought a private audience and insisted on the truth.

Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another? The inquiry must have cut Jesus to the quick. He did the only thing possible; He pointed to the results, hoping that they would carry convincing testimony.

Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see:

The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.

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MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, May 21, 1915.)

CITY COUNCIL IN MEETING TUESDAY.

Tuesday afternoon the city council met in adjourned session to pass on new ordinances found in other parts of this issue of The Mail.

On invitation of the mayor, several automobile owners were present to voice their approval or disapproval to auto regulations the city now has in force. One feature of the regulation was the speed at which machines should be driven.

Alderman Harris made a motion for ten miles per hour in the business section of the town and Alderman Boyce objected, saying twelve would be better. Much discussion followed and various opinions were given as to how fast or how slow an auto could be driven. Mr. Harris failed to get a second to his motion and Mr. Boyce asked for a second to his. Austin Boyd, an invited guest and auto owner, who was temporarily enthused over the twelve mile regulation, seconded the motion before a second could be offered by any member of the city council. Finally after the mirth had subsided, Alderman Hamilton seconded the motion, making the second

legal, and twelve miles became a city law in Merkel for the speed of automobiles and like vehicles within the business portions of town.

Another question offering many objectionable features was "when and when should not, all autos have their lights burning. City Attorney Mims drew the ordinance to read from thirty minutes after sundown until the same number before sunrise. Between such hours all automobiles should have their lights lighted. Here was where the discussion came in. It was a great question among the aldermen, mayor and city attorney and guests of the meeting as to when it is dark and just how long it is until dark when it is thirty minutes after sundown, and at what time dusk really came, and if it was really dark when it was moonlight, all of which discussion seemed to get the members further and further from any decision until a compromise was made in order to dispose of the proposition.

Another regulation was forcing autos to drive to the right and to park all vehicles on the right side of the street, making turns at end of block only, in business section of the town.

Health Class Will Receive Certificates

Final lesson in the three-month health program directed by Miss Beulah White, Red Cross nurse, was held Tuesday afternoon and members of the class in home hygiene, who will receive certificates in the course, are:

Mesdames Grace Thomas, Mae Bush, Ada Butman, Lula Harris, Ona Blanton, Clyde Shouse, Annie Mae Darden, Mora Garner, Nora Carey, Estelle Humphrey, Fannie Riney and Gladys McLean and Miss Lottie Butman.

Three Day Rodeo at Bronte June 6 to 8

F. E. Modgling and C. N. Baker announce that \$1,000 in prizes will be awarded at the Bronte rodeo three days next week, June 6, 7 and 8. The promoters were here Friday of last week extending invitations generally to attend the rodeo, which is to be held at Hearne park, a half mile east of Bronte township. Admission charges will be: adults 35 cents, children 15 cents.

TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Little Miss Fay Reggans is a guest this week of her little friend, Don Armour, in Eastland.

Billie Joe Bowers visited in Abilene from Sunday to Wednesday.

Little Andy Muriel Beasley had the misfortune of breaking his right arm Sunday while playing ball.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Blackmon of Port Arthur are guests in the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. McLeod.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bowers and son, Billie Jo, attended the commencement exercises of Abilene High school Wednesday evening, their son, Jack, being a member of the class.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Blackmon of Franklin returned home Sunday after a visit of several days here and at Lamesa and Lubbock.

W. J. Armour was called to Ozona Monday to attend the bedside of his son, Jim, who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Cal Hamner have as their guest little Miss Ouida and J. C. Hamner of Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. David Barbour and little son, Jim David, of Fort Worth, were guests from Thursday to Saturday of relatives here.

Mrs. Gene Chiles of Eldorado, Ark., is guest of her mother, Mrs. R. B. McRee. Sr. She will visit friends and relatives in Abilene and Merkel also.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Will Williams and family of Goodman attended the funeral of Mrs. R. D. Williams' sister, Mrs. G. W. Altizer, at Sweetwater Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Jones, accompanied by Mrs. Woodrow Peterson, of Hermleigh, visited Thursday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Rogers.

Mrs. Gene Mosley of Sweetwater was a passing guest of friends here Saturday afternoon.

Ira Springer of Brownwood visited with relatives here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Price of Breckenridge were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Williams and Mr. and Mrs. N. O. Bright.

Little Miss Louise Smith is visiting her sister, Mrs. Bessie Rutherford, of Tuxedo.

Miss Hazel Dell Clinton has gone to Lamesa for a visit in the home of her uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Good.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Stevens and little daughter, Frances, and Mrs. T. L. Stevens and her house guest, Mrs. Lula Duckett, were guests Friday and Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Duckett of Munday, attending a birthday party in honor of Stewart Duckett.

Mrs. Arthur Garza and two children of Tornello were guests last week in the home of the former's grandmother, Mrs. J. T. Archer. They also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Murdock.

Rev. E. L. Springer, accompanied by Mrs. Bessie Billings of Abilene, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Howell Tuesday. Mrs. Billings remaining over for a visit with other relatives and friends and to attend the lecture and illustrated pictures of the Holy Lands given by Dr. Jinkens at the Baptist church Tuesday evening. She returned home with Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Howell after the services.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Dowdy of Odessa were guests a few days the first of the week with relatives here. They also attended the graduation exerci-

ses in Abilene where their niece, Irene Davenport, was a Senior.

H. W. Beckham, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Winn, spent Sunday afternoon at Bronte.

Mr. and Mrs. John Payne have moved to the country to spend the summer.

Mrs. Virgil Bobston of Abilene was a Saturday guest of Mrs. Carl Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Estep have as their guests Mrs. Jennie May Runge and son, Clifton, from Tahoka.

Miss Lora Bright is ill with pneumonia. Her friends wish for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Shouse, accompanied by Mrs. W. E. Shouse, visited Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Shouse and Mr. and Mrs. Jim McWilliams of Merkel Sunday.

Mrs. W. E. Shouse attended the commencement exercises at Merkel High school Monday evening where her grandson, Charlie T. McCormick of Stith, is a Senior.

The M. E. Church holds as regular services each week Sunday School at 10 a. m., morning worship 11 a. m., Epworth league 7:30 p. m., evening worship 8 p. m., choir practice Monday evening. Everyone is invited to attend these services.

ICE CREAM SUPPER.

The married men's baseball team of the M. E. church entertained the boys' baseball team, winners of the previous game, with an ice cream supper Saturday evening at the church. A clever program, sponsored by the married men and their wives, was given; games were played, a decorated cake was presented to the winners, and ice cream and cake was served to the boys' team and girls of the young people's class, of whom Rev. W. B. Reeves, is teacher, and the hosts, who comprise the Wesley Bible class. L. D. Jones is captain of the boys' team and John Strawn is captain of the married men's team.

Good sportsmanship and team work

Carpenter Work Roofing W. R. CAMPBELL Next Door to W. T. Utilities

is being displayed in these ball games and a good work is being done.

WOODMEN CIRCLE.

Plans to attend the 44th anniversary jubilee to be held in Abilene were made by Trent Grove No. 668 Tuesday afternoon at a called meeting. Regular uniforms were voted to be worn by official members for this special occasion.

Mrs. L. M. Murray, chaplain of Trinidad Grove No. 135, was a guest of honor and was introduced to the grove.

Members present were Mesdames Ed Burks, O. L. Bishop, John Payne, Faye Burks, T. G. Hamner, John Gafford, Andy Shouse, Anna Alice Bowers, H. G. Kegans and Miss Gladys Hamner.

LAWN PARTY.

Mrs. Ben Howell honored her daughter, Betty Lou, with a lawn party Friday evening, May 24, from 7 to 10. A musical program was given and games and contests were enjoyed, after which refreshments were served to the following:

Miss Vera Bright, game sponsor, Misses Jean Scott, Kathleen Shannon, Maxine Abernathy, LaVerne Abernathy, Gladys Stribling, Bobbie Ruth McLeod, Lady Fred Crain, J. B. Winn, Jr., Gregory McLeod, Kenneth Ray Burkhardt and Marvel Shannon.

Out of town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Barbour and son, Jim David, of Fort Worth; Mrs. Abernathy, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Crain and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dowdy.

We fill all doctors' prescriptions. Vick Drug Co.

THE BOOK

(Continued from Page One.) Did the answer satisfy John? Did he die with the inspiring assurance that his short life was in the noblest sense successful, that he had delivered his message and that it was true? Or were the agonies of doubt and discouragement his final portion?

We can never know. The end came very quickly. His head was kicked off by the toe of a dancing girl, and Jesus did not interfere to save him.

When Jesus heard it, he departed thence by ship unto a desert place apart.

He summoned no battalion of angels to save His friend even as, a few months later, He summoned none to save Himself. But we know what He thought of that friend:

Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist.

Next Week: Saint Paul.

FOR SALE.

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List of Petit Jurors Called Next Week

The following names are on the list of petit jurors summoned for next week in 42nd district court:
 A. V. Dye, Jr., John Meeks, B. P. Middleton, Booth Warren, Jas. H. West, M. G. King, J. E. Morris, Sam Swann, Merkel; R. W. Grimsley, F. B. Knox, M. M. Mauldin, W. O. Maxwell, Louis A. Greene, Goodson Sellers, F. J. Dusek, H. E. Jolly, P. F. Breaux, Wm. Wheeler, R. A. Gilbert, B. V. Collum, Wade Meadows, Dr. L. W. Hollis, Jr., J. A. Mings, J. D. Williams, Sam Canon, F. B. Lassiter, Irl Allison, J. A. Ponder, Gray Smith, J. D. Wood, H. Weltman, R. R. Keathley, Foy Hildreth, C. E. Ford, J. W. Massey, W. G. Posey, W. D. Lloyd, N. A. Bewley, J. E. Greenway, Abilene; G. W. Richards, J. A. Thomas, R. C. Ervin, Tye; Leon Copeland, Lawn; J. Lackey, W. H. Willis, Tuscola; W. L. Williams, J. D. Baker, Ovalo; B. Burkhart, Elery Smith, Trent; H. O. Harris, Bradshaw.

HOLIDAY NOTICE.

Jefferson Davis' Birthday. The undersigned Banks will observe Monday, June 3, 1935, as a holiday and will not be open on that date. Customers are respectfully requested to be governed accordingly.

Farmers State Bank in Merkel.
 Farmers & Merchants National Bank of Merkel.

BLAIR ITEMS

The health of this community is excellent at this writing and every one is busy with farm activities.

Brother Ted McGeehe of Merkel delivered a wonderful discourse Sunday afternoon that was rich in simplicity and frankness. He will fill the Baptist pulpit Sunday, June 2, and every one is urged to attend these services.

Rev. Otis Richardson of San Angelo, Primitive Baptist, will fill his regular appointment Sunday, June 2, here at this place. All are invited to come to these services.

Rev. E. E. Kendall filled his regular appointment Sunday, delivering two soul-stirring messages. He is an excellent speaker, and all are invited to hear him.

Mrs. Cynthia Hall of Bovina is visiting in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Campbell and Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Swafford at the present.

Mr. Haynes of Vera, Texas, visited with Arthur Moore and Patty Melton over the week-end.

Jim Moore and Mrs. R. B. Horton and children, Jimmie Nell and Reuben, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Moore of Noodle Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Hollowell and seven-months-old daughter, Helen Joyce, of Abilene, attended services at the M. E. church Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Patterson and family motored over to Anson and attended services at the Primitive Baptist church at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Phillips are spending the week in the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Phillips, and family of Itaan.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Bell of Merkel were passing visitors of Mr. and

New Chevrolet Assembly Plant Opens in Baltimore



Governmental, state and civic officials joined with the principal executives of General Motors Corporation in the formal opening of the new 30,000-car-a-year Chevrolet assembly plant in Baltimore recently. The new plant (center) was dedicated with impressive ceremonies (lower left), and Chevrolet, Fisher Body and General Motors officials were guests of the Baltimore Association of Commerce at a formal banquet in the evening. W. E. Holler, vice-president and general sales manager of Chevrolet, is shown (standing) with Maryland's Governor, H. W. Nice, and Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., president of General Motors (upper left). M. E. Coyle, president and general manager of Chevrolet, is pictured in the upper right photo with Senator Millard Tydings (left) and Mayor H. W. Jackson, of Baltimore (right). Lower right shows the first motor car built in that city.

Mrs. Pat Addison and family Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Boss Williams and son, Charles, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Hurman Doan Sunday.

Ora Lee Maddera spent the week-end with relatives at Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Barnes are visiting with the latter's mother, Mrs. R. L. Meeks, and other relatives at Post City this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Waters and children, Homer, Eugene and Polly Virginia, of Mt. Enterprise, visited with the latter's sister, Mr. and Mrs.

T. A. Mitchell, recently.

Miss Dora Mae Meeks visited with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Patterson, of Castle Peak, one day recently.

Mrs. Bernice Palmer and children spent Saturday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Owen Patterson.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. McSpadden of Sweetwater and Elwood Wilkerson of Gail visited Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Maddera.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. C. H. Price and three children are visiting her mother at Clyde.
Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Bird have returned from a trip to Fort Worth.
Mrs. Thelma Smith of Colorado is guest this week of Mrs. Gladys McLean.
Miss Vernie Derrick is spending the week with Miss Himalaya Swafford in Abilene.
Mrs. Warren Smith and Miss Willie Evelyn Boaz visited last week with friends in Rising Star.
Miss Jess Sutphen has arrived home from Wichita Falls where she teaches in the public schools.
Miss Minnie Lee Coats, who teaches in the Coleman schools, has returned home for summer vacation.
Mrs. Elsie Nash and son, Billy Pat, are visiting this week with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bourn, at Winters.
Miss Mary Kate Campbell will return Saturday from Amarillo, following the closing exercises of the schools there.
J. S. Thomas is spending several days this week with his daughter and her husband, Sheriff and Mrs. W. A. Holt, at Ballinger.
Dr. W. T. Sadler, who left this week for Galveston on business, will visit his mother at Montalbo before returning home.
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Derstine and family, who have been here during the school year, left Wednesday for their farm at Lamesa.
Mrs. W. S. J. Brown returned Wednesday night from Whitewright where she had been to visit her grandmother, who is ill.
Misses Mildred Richardson and Margaret Miller, who attended John Tarleton college at Stephenville, have returned home for vacation.
Miss Marie Pinckley, who is attending North Texas State Teachers college at Denton, arrived Wednesday to visit relatives for a few days.
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harris and children, Gloria Jean and Patsy Lou, of Big Spring, are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lige Harris.
Week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cook were Mrs. Cook's mother, Mrs. W. T. Gracey, of Caddo, who was accompanied by Mrs. T. C. Thompson.
Mrs. Mary Stramer White of Austin, who arrived last Thursday to visit with her sick aunt, Miss Dora Garoutte, left for home on the noon bus Thursday of this week.
Miss Opal Sloan, who has been teaching school at Parryton, visited a few days the past week with Miss Helen Patterson, as she was returning to her home at Roscoe.
Olin Lusby, now manager at Ozona for the West Texas Utilities company, who was here for the week-end, was accompanied on his return to their new home by Mrs. Lusby.
Miss Maggie King and Howard King of Rising Star were week-end guests in the J. E. Boaz home, having accompanied Miss Fannie Belle Boaz home after a visit there.
Miss Dorris Durham, who has been teaching school at Cross Plains, returned home the latter part of the week. Mrs. Bob Echols of Albany was also a guest this week in the Durham home.
Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Watkins and two children of Wichita Falls were passing visitors in the home of Rev. R. A. Walker and family Tuesday, Mr. Watkins being a cousin of Mrs. Walker.
Arthur Yonge, Mrs. Arthur Yonge, Sr., Cora Fox Yonge and Cora Staudenmann Yonge of Lubbock and Mrs. Earl Brown of Abilene were visitors last week with Miss Dora Garoutte.
Mr. and Mrs. J. Ben Campbell, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. H. C. Reid, and son, Billy George, attended the joint meeting of districts 17 and 21, rural letter carriers, at Coleman Thursday.
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reynolds and two sons, Leo Mack and Homer Reynolds, visited last week-end with another son, O. J. Reynolds, at Comanche and the younger boys remained good a longer visit.
Mrs. J. W. Tucker and very small, and Mrs. J. W. Tucker and very small, and Mrs. J. W. Tucker and very small, were week-end visitors of Altus, Okla., were week-end visitors of their parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Grammar School

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thy Derington, Evelyn Ensminger, Mary Jo Garland, Laverne Hrwoll, Goldie Hawkins, Joyce Hayes, Maurine Huddleston, Comora Hughbs, Ann Louise Lepard, Winnie Lee Brooks, Pauline Brown, Raebon King, Kenneth Neill, Ralph Russell, Othar Suber, Edgar Tipton, John R. Walling, Don Warren, Billie Wood, W. L. Wozencraft, Nollie Jaynes, Pearl Mathews, Wilma McAninch, Verne Moore, Mary Nell Morgan, Mabel Murray, Francis Owen, Rachael Patterson, Eloise Perry, Mattie Reynolds, Lois Rossos, Mary Jo Russell, Dorma Lee Shelton, Mary Love Tipton, Vivian Turner and Faye Walker.
Four pupils were on the honor roll each grade period of the year: Evelyn Ensminger, Mildred Bird, Mary Jo Russell and Mabel Murray.

Dates T. & P. Singing Convention June 8-9

The T. & P. Sunshine Singing convention is to be held June 8 and 9 at Colorado and Colorado citizens are making special arrangements for the entertainment of special singers and accompanists from without the county and trade territory.
Twenty-five dollars will be given in prizes to the winners of the quartette contests, the awards to be divided by a special committee. Contestants are asked to register with J. H. Greene, secretary of the Colorado chamber of commerce, prior to 10 o'clock Saturday morning, June 8.

Services at Hebron.

Rev. Arvil Richardson of Abilene will fill his regular appointment at Hebron Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night. Preaching Saturday night at 8 o'clock, Sunday School at 10 a. m., preaching at 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. BYPU at 7:30 p. m.

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Gas Advertisement Tells Twenty-Five Years of Progress

A quarter of a century in developing complete natural gas service is depicted in an advertisement of the Lone Star Gas system and affiliated companies, published in today's issue of this newspaper.
Twenty-five years ago natural gas service was virtually unknown in Texas. Wood, coal and kerosene fires did the cooking and heating, except in the larger cities where manufactured gas carried considerable of the cooking load. In those days smoking chimneys were a sign of prosperity, and soot-laden cities accepted their murky atmosphere because they didn't know any better. Today all Texas cities using gas are served with natural gas.
Then in 1909 L. B. Denning organized the Lone Star Gas company and in the fall of the same year started the first long distance pipeline in Texas. This line, running from Petrolia to Fort Worth and Dallas, a distance of 135 miles, was completed in February, 1910, and service was started to Fort Worth in that month, reaching Dallas in April, 1910. From that time, through many struggles, the system has spread over a territory larger than some states and reaches even out of the way villages, bringing a modern gas service to small towns equal in quality to that enjoyed by the cities.
From one pipeline and 15,000 customers, the company has grown into an interconnected system of 4,000 miles of line serving about 300 towns and cities. From an uncertain and at times inadequate gas supply, through years of struggle for gas reserves, financial difficulties, labor shortage and serious engineering problems, the company has worked its way up to the

Celebrates First Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pinckley, Sr., Misses Ruth and Vannie Sue Pinckley, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Collins and Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pinckley, Jr., visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Patterson in Abilene Sunday. The party enjoyed a picnic supper celebrating the first wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Patterson.
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Decoration Day Formally Opens Driving Season

Just as it inaugurates formal opening of beaches, parks, amusement resorts and the vacation season, Memorial Day also formally opens the summer driving season.

"Our experience in the tire business indicates that most people really begin to think about the great amount of driving they are going to do during the summer along about Memorial Day," declared S. M. Hunter, local dealer for The Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. "Generally we have a lot of drivers come into our place of business around Memorial Day to have their tires inspected, and to have other checks made on their cars.

"These drivers—the ones who come in to have their tires inspected—are the wise members of that great fraternity of men and women who find pleasure in exploring the open road. Frequently such a check reveals a tire that cannot last much longer, and the car owner is warned in time to avoid tiresome, irritating delays and possibly serious accident.

"Others may believe there are 'plenty of miles left' in their tires, only to be stranded at the side of a busy highway in mid-day changing tires while the wise motorists who checked up beforehand go whizzing by.

"Another thing most motorists don't take into consideration is the fact that tires wear down faster in summer than in winter, as heat is a natural enemy of tire life. Terrible heat is generated in a tire as it pounds over the hot highways—and if the tire is a 'weak sister' to begin with, trouble may result. A check-up for summer and replacement of smooth, worn tires with new ones means that the driver won't be bothered with roadside delay or possible accident during holiday or week-end trips that should be care-free and enjoyable," Mr. Hunter advises.

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Family Reunion

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Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Patterson, Sr., are living and all right here in Merkel. They are J. A. Patterson, Jr., Home; Patterson, A. B. Patterson, W. F. Patterson, Herbert Patterson, E. A. Patterson, Mrs. Viola Newman and Mrs. Barbara McCoy.
Besides the elderly couple and their children, named in the next paragraph above, the register of those present at the reunion includes families headed by the following descendants:

REGISTERED AT REUNION.

Anson—Charlie Bacon, J. W. Bagley, Pink Wilson.

Big Spring—Arthur Franklin, Ben Elliott, B. E. Elliott, Alvin Walker, Doyle Gilmore, D. P. Day, Denver Yates, Bud Walker, Jimmy Walker, Johnny Walker, Alex Walker, Henry Franklin, Olin Robertson, Shirley Walker, D. H. Yates.

Westbrook—L. R. Messinger, W. D. Hays, T. C. Sweatt, Tom Elliott, Mrs. Hugh Daniel, Bill Reese.

Colorado—D. W. Sweatt, Earl Davis, Dick Gregory, Mrs. Elsie Walker, J. W. Walker, T. E. Connaway.

Quannah—Bob Anglin.
Sweetwater—N. G. Dearborn.

Nazerth—W. A. Hawkins, Willie Hawkins.

Hart—Ed Sweatt.
Wichita Falls—Mike Anglin.
Stanton—C. A. Brown, Irvin Myrick.

Hawley—R. W. Cooley, J. W. Owen, Bunyan Stevenson, Glynn Pair, W. D. Pair, John Patterson, Will Mayfield, G. D. Mayfield.

Focos—Mrs. Claude Dye.
Shamrock—Lewis M. Goodrich, Phillip Bentley.

Coahoma—Earl Reed, Marion Watts, Jack McGinnis, H. A. Reed, Howard Reed, Earl Reed, Mrs. Ann Watt.

Abilene—V. O. Wilson, Justin Moran.

Brownfield—L. D. Adams.
Tulia—Fred Griffin.

Plainview—Mead Griffin.
Merkel—Marion Blanton, Hollis McCoy, Ernest Owen, Floyd McCoy, Clesby Patterson, G. L. Baker, Buster McCoy.

Other descendants present were: Tom Murphy, Mrs. T. E. Alexander, Westbrook; Doc Franklin, Noble Walker, Roy Franklin, Big Spring; Mrs. Dave Rister, Hawley; Mrs. A. Allen, El Paso; J. W. Butler, Lueders; Mrs. Mollie Newton, Temple; Ewing Reed, Coahoma; M. W. Knight, Dallas; O. R. Rodden, Abilene.

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RURAL SOCIETY

COMPERE HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB.

The success of hooked rugs depends upon having a substantial rug frame, said Miss Jewel Faulkner, Jones county home demonstration agent, to members of the Compere club on Tuesday, May 21, at the school house.

The organization of the club was completed with the election of Mrs. T. K. Marshall as council representative. Mrs. Etsel Spurgin, recreational leader, Mrs. Ben Atkins, chairman of expansion committee, and Mrs. T. K. Marshall, 4-H pantry demonstrator.

Plans were made for two meetings and foundation pattern work. The club met Monday, May 27, with Mrs. T. K. Marshall, and Monday, June 3, with Mrs. Ramsey.

Eight members and two visitors were present at the organization meeting. The club meets every third Tuesday in each month, when the home demonstration agent will be with them, and an invitation to come and join is extended to all who are interested.

NOODLE HOME DEMONSTRATION.

The Noodle Home Demonstration club met Wednesday, May 22, at the Baptist church. Mrs. C. W. Seago was elected delegate to the Short Course and Miss Faulkner, the county agent, gave a demonstration on hooked rugs.

The next meeting is to be a called meeting on Tuesday, May 28, at the church on "Style and Personality."

The following members were present: Mesdames Carl Bonneaux, C. C. Bristow, O. L. Justice, V. L. Merritt, E. B. Reetz, J. M. Sloan, Troy Sloan, J. M. Spurgin and J. M. Williamson.

Four-H club girls present were: Mildred Sharp, Mildred and Mozelle Sosebee, Lucille Justice and Missie Spurgin. Visitors were Mrs. Jack Sharp, Mrs. Earnest Spurgin and Miss Faulkner.

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The demonstration was given in the home of Mrs. Burley Bonds. Those attending were Mesdames W. A. Thornton of Merkel, Leonard Abernathy, Dora Wharton, A. C. Bond and Miss Crippen, visitors; Mesdames S. O. Patton, M. L. Douglas, Lige Harris, S. G. Russell, Jr., Denzel Cox, Dale Burleson, M. F. Carey, W. A. Harris, Pierce Horton, O. R. Douglas, Wynona Scroggins, E. Harwell, Misses Mabel McRee, Norma Patton, Mary Bell Douglas, Mildred Sanders, LaVerne Harwell and Levena Fay Douglas.

The next meeting will be held with Mrs. S. O. Patton on June 7, when there will be an AAA program.

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Bananas, pound	5c	Kuner's Peas, No. 2 can, each	14c
New Spuds, 10 pounds	15c	Red and White Ginger Ale, 24 oz. bottle	15c
Fresh Tomatoes, lb.	6c	(4c refund on empty bottles)	
Carrots, 3 bunches	10c	Red and White Peaches, No. 2 1-2 can	18c
Blackeye Peas, 3 lbs.	10c	Red and White Flav-R-Jell, pkg.	5c
Fresh Corn, dozen	30c	Yankee Doodle Macaroni or Spaghetti, pkg	5c
Red and White Tea, 1-4 lb. with glass	25c	Red and White Flour, 12 lbs.	59c
Early Riser Coffee, pound	15c	24 lbs. \$1.03—48 lbs. \$1.95	
Bird-Brand Shortening, 4 lb. carton	57c	Puffed Wheat, package	10c
Kerr Jar Lids, reg. size, 2 doz	27c	Gold Medal Wheaties, 2 packages	25c
Kerr Jar Caps, dozen	25c	Post Bran Flakes, package	11c
Red and White Jar Rubbers, 2 dozen	13c	Red and White Corn Flakes, pkg.	10c
Red and White Meal, 5 pounds	19c	Lifebuoy Soap, 2 bars	15c
K. C. Baking Powder, 25c size	19c	Large Rinso, package	23c
Folger's Coffee, pound	30c	A-1 Soda Crackers, 2 pounds	19c
Dry Pinto Beans, 3 pounds	25c	Sliced Bacon, lb.	32c
Dried Prunes, 2 pounds	21c	Cheese, pound	19c
Red and White Soap, 6 bars	25c	Bologna, pound	17c
Blue and White Pork & Beans, 16 oz. can	5c	Jowls, pound	19c

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M. Street, 2b	5	1	2	2	3	0
Boyd, ss	4	0	0	0	4	0
Ashby, cf	4	0	0	1	0	0
C. Street, 3b	4	1	0	4	4	0
Stout, p	4	0	1	1	0	0
J. Jowers, c	2	0	1	3	1	1
Darby, c	2	0	0	1	0	1
Herod, rf	3	0	2	1	1	0
Totals	37	3	8	24	13	3

UNION--	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
C. Propst, cf	4	0	0	0	0	1
V. Mayfield, 1b	4	0	0	8	0	1
Barlett, 2b	4	0	2	5	2	0
Day, ss	3	0	0	4	1	3
Parham, c	3	0	1	8	3	1
C. Mayfield, lf	4	0	0	1	0	0
Wilson, 3b	3	0	1	0	1	2
A. Propst, rf	3	2	2	1	1	1
Howell, p	3	2	2	0	4	1
Totals	31	4	8	27	12	0

Score by innings:
 Tye .001 100 100-3
 Union .000 020 20x-4

Summary—Runs batted in, M. Street, J. Jowers, Ashby, C. Propst 2; V. Mayfield, Howell; double, Wilson; earned runs, Union 1; left on base, Tye 9, Union 5; stolen bases, M. Street 2, Darby; caught stealing, Parham, (M. Street, Ashby); double plays, Herod to C. Street, Boyd to M. Street to B. Jowers, A. Propst to V. Mayfield; wild pitch, Howell; Stout; base on balls, Stout, Howell 3; hit by pitcher, Day by Stout; struck out, Stout 4, Howell 6; passed ball, Darby; time of game 2:05; umpires, Essom, Spurgin and Quattlebaum.

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Mrs. A. H. Thornton.

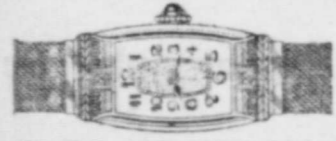
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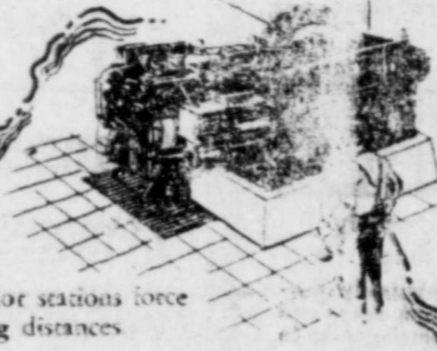
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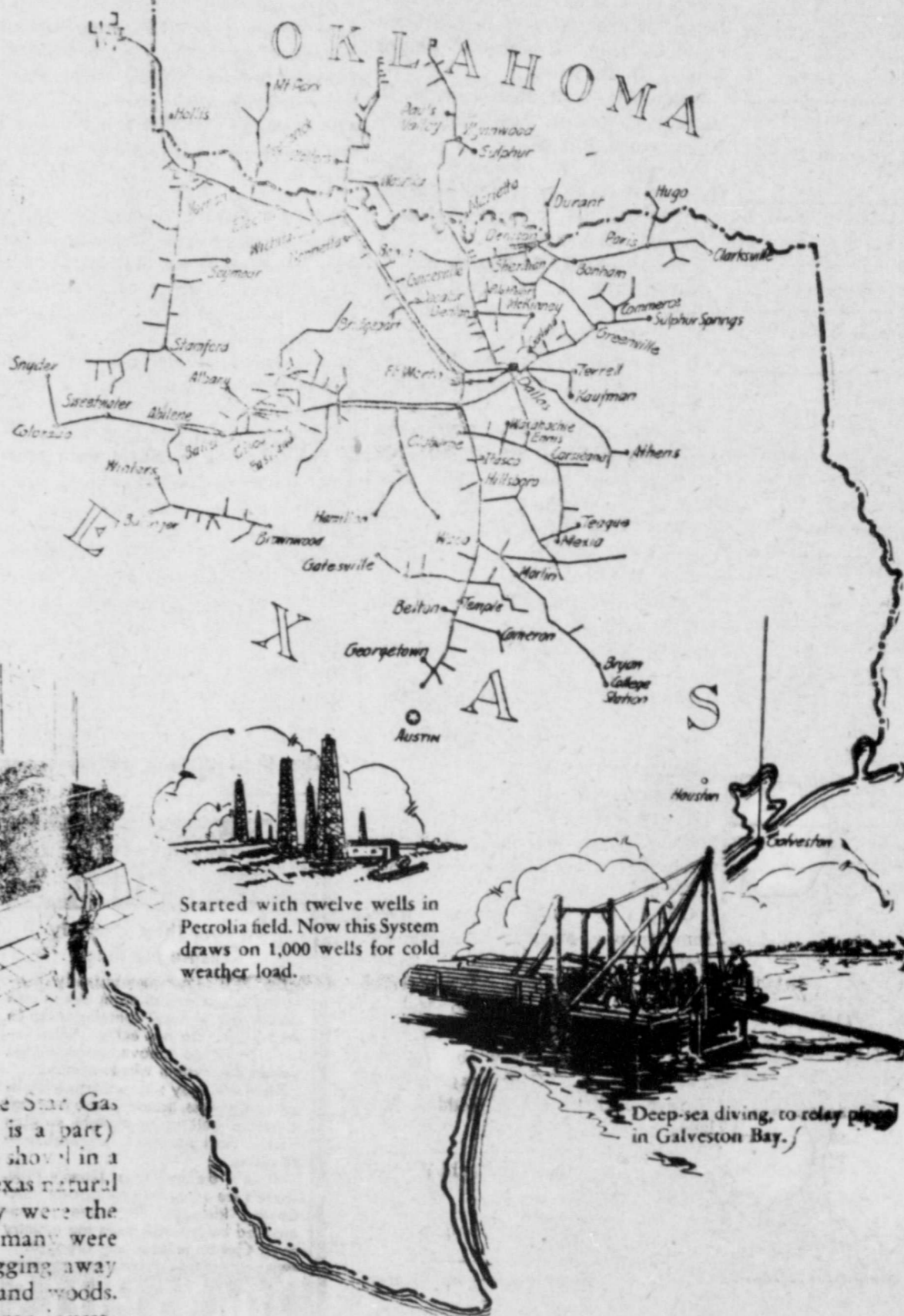
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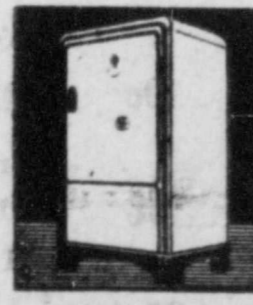
Southwesterners Snap Up New Inventions

People have used more gas than we dreamed of in the beginning, because of the new inventions they have snapped up. Imagine our surprise when even the Refrigerators began running with gas. There have been remarkable inventions in industrial gas equipment, from oil refineries to automobile man-

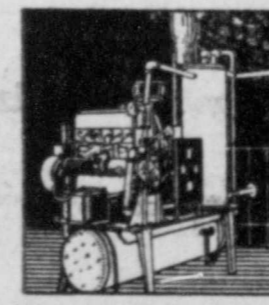
ning-ovens. There are house-Heating Systems that clean and moisten the air, as well as warm it; there are Clothes Dryers, Radiators, Floor Furnaces, Automatic Ranges, Incinerators, and so forth. For running a cement plant to warming a baby's bath, these Lone Star towns enjoy an automatic heat that has made their skylines famous for their smokeless chimneys.

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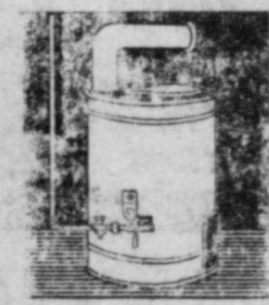
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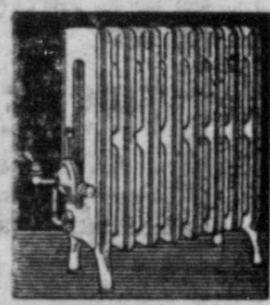
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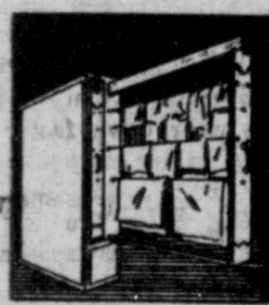
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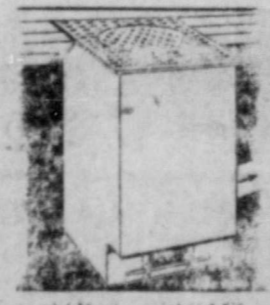
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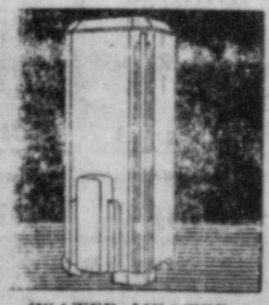
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182 PUPILS ON HONOR ROLL FOR LAST SCHOOL PERIOD

One hundred and eighty-two pupils, 51 in High school and 131 in Grammar school, were on the honor roll for the last six weeks period. The list follows:

- GRAMMAR SCHOOL.**
- First Grade, Mrs. Nash.*
Lora Pearl Haynes, 96; Kyle Blackerby, 96; Fred Lee Hughes, 96; Fernin Hernandez, 96; J. W. Camp, 95; Nova Dean Martin, 94; Billie June Castleberry, 94; Zedie Glynn Johnson, 92; Katherine Ellerbee, 90; J. C. Goains, 90.
- First Grade, Mrs. Teaff.*
Christine Rhynes, 97; Loree Smith, 97; Gwendolyn Vauzha, 97; Lennard James, 96; Rachel Miller, 96; John Robert Walker, 96; Billy Pangle, 96; Dorothy Nell Lee, 95; Geraldine Williams, 95; Billy Joe Haynes, 94; Teddy Joe McGehee, 94; Foy Westenhovler, 94; Calvin Hickam, 93; Gerald Renfro, 91; Loyd Rutledge, 91.
- Second Grade, Miss Curb.*
Stanley Lee Riddle, 96; Mary Smith, 95; Frances Walker, 95; Frances Melton, 94; Reuben Smith, 93; Mary Evelyn Perry, 93; Ikey Turner, 92; Jimmy Speck, 92; Jerry McGehee, 92; Wayne Tipton, 91; Billy Ramsey, 91.
- Second Grade, Miss Pogue.*
Bonnie Jaynes, 95; Billy Tom Diltz, 96; Ralph Dye, 96; Ralph Hardy, 96; Jasper Penn Howard, 96; Glendel Lang, 96; Bessie Hendricks, 96; Laverne Jinkens, 96; Benny Kemper, 95.
- Third Grade, Miss Heizer.*
Wanda McCoy, 95; Avalene Mathews, 95; Jack Haynes, 97; Willie Sue Morgan, 97; Mozelle James, 96; Don Hutcheson, 95; Bea Smith, 95; Johnnie McDonald, 93; Matilene London, 92; Irlene Walker, 92; Frances Williams, 92; Vergie James, 91; Doris Mae Leonard, 91; Nedra Swafford, 91; Peggy Joyce Toombs, 91.
- Third Grade, Mrs. Bird.*
Nell Groene, 96; Mary Jo Hutchins, 95; Dorothy Nell Haynes, 94; Frank Gay, 91; Pat Cypert, 90.
- Fourth Grade, Miss Joyner.*
Nina Osburn, 97; Walter Hickam, 97; Elbert Hickam, 95; Margaret Sharp, 93; Aubrey Shouse, 93; Bonnie McAninch, 92; Evelyn Sears, 92; Billie Wood, 92; Oddilee Bishop, 91; Dwight Swafford, 91; Truett Perry, 90; Jim Sublett, 90.
- Fourth Grade, Miss Hayes.*
Sue Grimes, 98; Billy Tom Hutcherson, 97; Billy Clyde Haynes, 96;

- Clara Bell Hawkins, 96; G. W. Brown, 95; Hazel Burns, 95; Floyd Hutcheson, Jr., 95; Joe Gates, 94; Juanez Holt, 93.
- Fifth Grade, Miss Agerton.*
Billy Jack Lancaster, 93; Doris Clyde Miller, 93; Roy Owen, 95; Louise Patterson, 93; Theda Perry, 90; Tillman Rutledge, 90; O. C. Shouse, Jr., 93; Maurine Steele, 91; Bob Williamson, 95.
- Fifth Grade, Miss Morgan.*
Becky Gardner, 97; Dora Marie Gaither, 96; Tommy Evelyn Grimes, 95; Finis Escue, 90; David Gibson, 90; Roy Rust Largent, 90; Mary Lu Higgins, 90.
- Sixth Grade, Miss Ledger.*
Gay West, 94; Don Wood, 93; Jessie Lee Mayhall, 92; Lena Faye Osborn, 90; Willowdean Thornton, 90.
- Sixth Grade, Mrs. Collins.*
Helen Heeter, 94; Eula James, 94; Euvalda Fox, 93; Anne Lee Blake, 92; Aelo Mae Cypert, 92; Bonnie Church, 91.
- Seventh Grade, Mrs. Sublett.*
Evelyn Ensminger, 96; Mary Jo Garland, 94; Laverne Harwell, 92; Joyce Hayes, 92; Maurine Huddleston, 90; Comora Hughes, 92; Pauline Brown, 91; Mildred Bird, 91.
- Seventh Grade, Mr. Duke.*
Mary Jo Russell, 96; Billie Wood, 96; Mabel Murray, 94; Faye Walker, 93; W. I. Wozencraft, 93; Mary Nell Morgan, 92; Kenneth Neill, 92; Wilma McAninch, 90; Mattie Reynolds, 90; Mary Love Tipton, 90.
- HIGH SCHOOL.**
- Eighth Grade.*
Jannell Black, 95; Fredia Farmer, 95; Dorothea Sue Bird, 94; Ainsworth Gates, 94; O. D. Blair, 93; Ina Mae Purns, 92; Pauline Joyner, 92; Dick West, 92; Eva Mae Williams, 92; Dana Derstine, 91; Louise Richie, 91; L. S. Tipton, 91; Hollis Perry, 90; Allah Lois Bryan, 90; Wade Ensminger, 90.
- Sophomore Class.*
Sylvan Mellinger, 96; Jane Ferguson, 95; Murphy Dye, 93; Morris Wozencraft, 93; Juanita Bishop, 93; Clifford Williams, 92; Pauline McAninch, 92; Robert Higgins, 91; Phyllis Smith, 90.
- Junior Class.*
Clifton Bellamy, 96; Juanita Huskey, 95; Eva Faye Bush, 94; Hugh Leonard, 93; John Leonard, 93; Mabel Maddox, 93; Billy Woodrum, 93; Alice Carey, 92; Ruby Carey, 92;

Honoree Boney, 90; Victor Joyner, 90; Harold Morgan, 90.

Senior Class.
Aline McAninch, 96; Anna Lou Church, 96; Randall McNiece, 95; Neil Durham, 95; Vivian Davis, 95; Billie Bernice Gambill, 95; J. V. Patterson, 93; Truett Patterson, 93; Vernon Davis, 93; Edith Neill, 93; Doris Mae Barron, 92; Juanez Jones, 91; Pauline Lassater, 91; Lena Faye Harrell, 90; Cal McAninch, 90.

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Commencement

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V. Patterson, Doris Mae Barron, Anna Lou Church, Billie Bernice Gambill.

Junior class—Clifton Bellamy, John Leonard, Hugh Leonard.

Sophomore class—Juanita Bishop.

Eighth grade—Pauline Joyner, Dorothea Sue Bird, Fredia Farmer, Ainsworth Gates.

Seventh grade—Evelyn Ensminger, Mildred Bird, Mabel Murray, Mary Jo Russell.

Sixth grade—Gay West, Don Wood.

Fifth grade—Tommy Evelyn Grimes, Doris Clyde Miller, Roy Owen, Theda Perry, O. C. Shouse, Jr.

Fourth grade—Nina Osburn, Billie Wood, Billy Clyde Haynes.

Third grade—Nell Groene, Jack Haynes, Don Hutcheson, Wanda McCoy, Johnnie McDonald, Frances Williams.

Second grade—Ralph Hardy.

NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY.
82 pupils, 30 in High school and 52 in Grammar school, were neither absent nor tardy during the entire year. These pupils were:

Senior class—William Hughes, Charlie McCormick, Randall McNiece, J. V. Patterson, Doris Mae Barron, Anna Lou Church, Annie Lee Du-

Bosc, Billie Bernice Gambill, Edith Neill.

Junior class—Clifton Bellamy, Horace Boney, Victor Joyner, Dallas Sharp.

Sophomore class—Woodrow Barnes, Edsel Church, Jack Taylor Davis, Murphy Dye, Junita Bishop, Catherine Osborn.

Eighth grade—Griffin Barnett, Vincent Barnett, Dorothea Sue Bird, Allah Lois Bryan, Clyde Cribley, Fredia Farmer, Ainsworth Gates, Ben Robert Hicks, L. V. Perkins, Dick West, Pauline Joyner.

Seventh grade—Pearl Mathews, Mabel Murray, Kenneth Neill, Frances Owens, Mattie Reynolds, Mary Jo Kuss, Edgar Tipton, Mary Love Tipton, W. I. Wozencraft, Arlie Jo Barron, Mildred Bird, Evelyn Ensminger, Laverne Harwell.

Sixth grade—Marvin Dubose, Ralph Eoff, Bonnie Church, Hazel DuBose, Guy Manscil, Sampie McGehee, J. D. Witcher, Don Wood, Gay West.

Fifth grade—Tommy Evelyn Grimes, David Gibson, J. C. Carson, Roy Owen, Tillman Rutledge, O. C. Shouse, Jr., Doris Clyde Miller, Theda Perry, Betty Jo Speck, Leola Marshall.

Fourth grade—Truett Perry, Lee Mack Reynolds, Aubrey Shouse, Bil-

lie Joe White, Billie Wood, L. D. Barnes, Billy Clyde Haynes, Floyd Hutcherson, Jr.

Third grade—Jack Haynes, Don Hutcheson, Wanda McCoy, Gwendolyn Renfro, Frances Williams, Dave Carson, Dorothy Nell Groene.

Second grade—Ralph Hardy, Laverne Jinkens, Benny Kemper, Jimmy Speck.

First grade—Aaron Hawkins.

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

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

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SATURDAY, JUNE 1



RODEO STARTS 1:30 P. M.—DON'T MISS IT

BASEBALL 3 P. M.—STITH vs HODGES

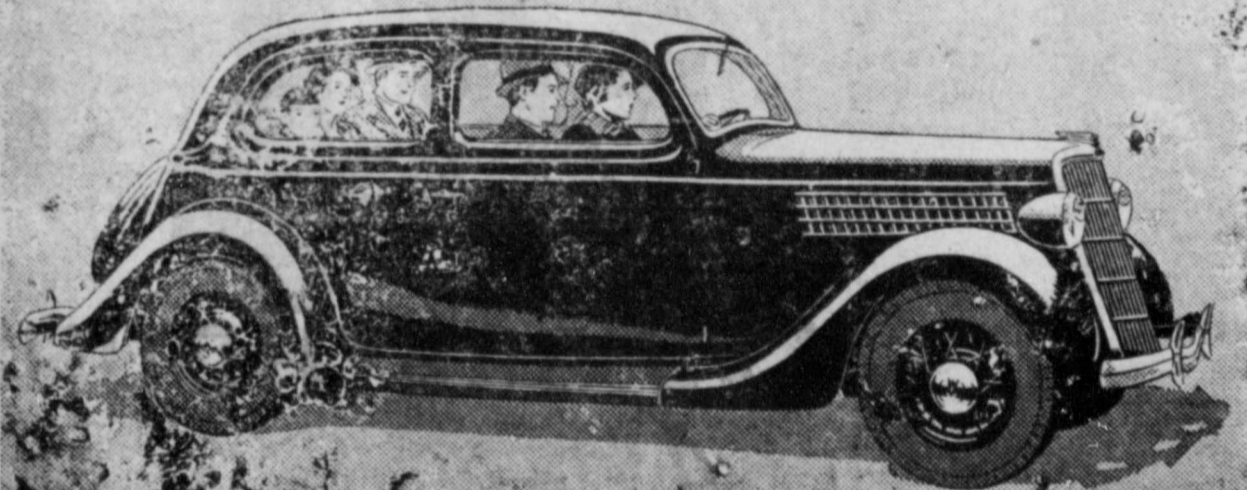
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| Bullock Hardware Co. | Cotton's Sandwich Shop |
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| Wheeler & Vaughn | Liberty Service Station |
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| Sheppard Dry Goods Co. | Merkel Produce Co. |
| Barrow Furniture Co. | Thompson & Risinger Station |
| Neill Cafe | Hughes Motor Co. |
| City Shoe Shop | Dr. Curley's Place |
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BUILDERS CLASS PARTY.

Mrs. Charlie Jones was a very gracious hostess on Wednesday afternoon to members of her Sunday School class, "The Builders." After the devotional a social hour was enjoyed. Games of "42" progressed, after which the hostess introduced a very clever contest.

Dainty refreshments of frozen salad, sandwiches and spiced tea were passed to two tea hour guests, Miss Christine Collins and Mrs. H. C. Harbors, and the following class members: Mesdames James West, Henry West, Jno. West, W. L. Diltz, Harry Barnett, Bob McDonald, O. F. Fox and the hostess.

SUNRISE BREAKFAST.

Miss Mabel Murray, John R. Walling and W. I. Wozencraft, who were 1935 graduates from Merkel Grammar school, were honorees for a sunrise breakfast, the guests of their Sunday School class. The class hiked to Blow-Out mountain at an early hour Wednesday, where breakfast was prepared over an open fire. Outdoor games were played before returning to town.

Those enjoying this outing were Misses Mabel Murray, Helen Heeter, Euvalda Fox, Doris Gay West, Louise Patterson and Vera Walker, Messrs. John R. Walling, W. I. Wozencraft, Delma Compton, Earl and J. D. Wither, Neander Wozencraft and Forrest Glen Barnett.

To Present Postponed Play at Goodman

The play, "Cartwright Streak," which was to have been presented by the Woodmen Circle at Goodman school Friday night, May 24, was postponed on account of the heavy rain Thursday and will be presented Friday night of this week.

The cast follows:
Left Portrait, Lena Webb.
Right Portrait, Maurine White.
Mrs. Cartwright of 1860, Edna Marshall.

Lucy Cartwright of 1860, Clara B. White.

Mrs. Cartwright of 1900, Minnie Ferguson.

Lucy Cartwright of 1900, Alice Wallace.

Mrs. Cartwright of 1935, Marguerite Turner.

Lucy Cartwright of 1935, Mayme Webb.

Special features between acts will be introduced by Parker Sharp, Blanche Simmons and Anne Lee Blake. Music is to be furnished by Vincent and Griffin Barnett.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Bert Melton was reported some better Thursday morning. He was brought home Thursday of last week from the West Texas Baptist sanitarium and is now awaiting word before leaving for a government veterans' hospital.

Homer Dunn, local representative for the Abilene laundry, who received cuts and bruises when his delivery car overturned one day last week, was able to be up Sunday, but is again confined to his bed with "flu."

Miss Elizabeth Wright, graduate of Sellers Beauty school of Fort Worth and with five years experience in this work in Fort Worth, is now in charge of Bob McDonald's Barber and Beauty Shop, taking the place of George Armstrong who is leaving Merkel.

More favorable news was received Thursday morning from W. H. Dunning, local druggist, who has been confined to his bed for the past two weeks.

Daughter to Edward Andersons.
E. H. Anderson of Abilene, pressman in the office of The Mail, received word early Thursday morning of the arrival of a granddaughter, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Anderson of New Orleans. Edward Anderson is the author of "Hungry Men," prize novel published by Doubleday, Doran & Co.

FOR SALE.

Milk cows, farming implements and trucks; also several residences in city. Farmers State Bank, Merkel, Texas.

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CHURCH SERVICES

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Our revival begins Sunday, June 2. The pastor will preach Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and Sunday evening at 8:15 and Dr. John H. Burma of Sherman, who will do the preaching during the revival, will arrive in time for Monday night's service.

Services will be held twice daily during the revival, at 10 a. m. and 8:15 p. m., and all the churches of the city are invited to take part.

Music will be furnished by the choir under the direction of Miss Christine Collins, with Mrs. W. L. Diltz, pianist.

Sunday School at 10 a. m., with communion service at the morning church hour. Offering for Reynolds home.

R. A. Walker, Pastor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

The six Sunday Schools here reported a total attendance of 770 last Sunday, as compared with 786 on the previous Sunday and with 848 on the same Sunday a year ago.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. BTS at 7:15 p. m. WMS at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon. Prayer meeting at 8 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

There will be no preaching at the Baptist church on Sunday evening during the progress of the Presbyterian meeting.

NAZARENE CHURCH.

The writer preached to a good crowd at the 11 o'clock hour Sunday. There was no service at the church Sunday night, as we dismissed for the baccalaureate sermon.

Preaching 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. Sunday School 9:45 a. m. NYPS 7:45 p. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night.

J. L. Mayhall, Pastor.

NORTHSIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.

Last Sunday morning the spirit of God was manifest in a mighty way. There was hardly a dry eye in the building, and every one seemed to manifest the spirit of Christ.

Bill Dowell and wife report fine, spiritual services in Sweetwater Sunday; crowds are increasing each Sunday; many of whom have not been there before. A new member was added to the church since he has been preaching there. He desires the prayers of all Christian people.

I urge every one to be present Saturday night; for a very important matter will be bought before the church. Bill Dowell will preach, it is very necessary for every member of the church to be present Saturday



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night; so come, if you are interested in the welfare of your church.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Preaching Saturday night, Sunday 11 a. m. and Sunday night. Bible class Sunday from 3 to 4 p. m. We welcome you to our services.
Ernest C. Dowell, Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Usual services next Sunday and during the week, except that Sunday evening preaching and prayer service on Wednesday will be dismissed during the Presbyterian revival.

P. H. Gates, Pastor.

Rodeo Rules

(Continued from Page One.)
The judges, calf is willfully busted." The previous rule was a penalty of 10 seconds if calf was busted regardless.

Section 3 of the revised rules governing cow milking has been modified to read: "There will be a 15 second penalty if, in the opinion of the judges, cow is willfully busted." The previous rule was a penalty of 15 seconds if cow was busted regardless.

Tom Jinkens, arena manager, again requests that contestants be sure to see him before 1 p. m. Saturday to register and pay entry fee.

OLD MAN'S RODEO.
An Old Man's Rodeo is being promoted for Saturday, June 8, which is not a regular scheduled rodeo day.

Two classes will be arranged so that some of those not "so old" may show their skill as well as the older cowboys.

Typewriting and carbon paper at Mail office.

Standard Typewriter Ribbons 76¢ each at Merkel Mail office.

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Mrs. Jesse Moody, Granddaughter of Mrs. Rainbolt, Dies

Mrs. Jesse Moody, 22, granddaughter of Mrs. H. M. Rainbolt, died at 5:30 Sunday afternoon in an Abilene hospital. Funeral services were held at 5 o'clock Monday afternoon at the First Methodist church, Abilene, conducted by Dr. W. M. Murrell and Rev. W. C. Childress, Interment was in Cedar Hill cemetery, Abilene.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Moody is survived by a 17-months-old son, Jesse Carroll Moody, and an infant daughter born Sunday; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Fryar, Albany, and one sister, Alberta Fryar, Albany. Her father is publisher of the Albany News.

Esta Louise Fryar was born in Abilene, December 29, 1912. She was graduated from Abilene high school in 1930, attended McMurry college in 1931 and 1932 and was married to Mr. Moody in July of the latter year. Their home is at 1265 Palm street, Abilene.

Death Claims Mrs. Letha Petty of Stith

Mrs. Letha Petty, 47, died Sunday morning at 7 o'clock at her home at Stith, following an illness of ten days with pneumonia.

The body was carried overland to Clyde, where funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at the Baptist church by Rev. L. H. Davis, Methodist pastor.

Her husband, J. E. Petty, died about eight years ago.

She is survived by one son, Porter Petty; one grandchild; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Harvell; one sister, Mrs. Sarah Walker, McKinney, and four brothers. Raymond and Joe Harvell, Oklahoma; Bill Harvell, Clyde, and Tom Harvell, Merkel.

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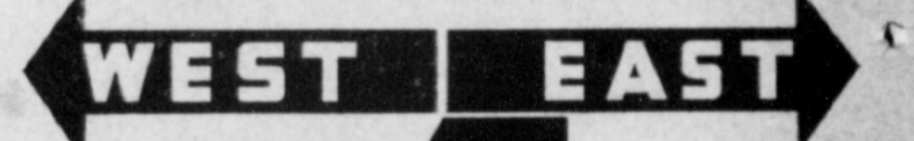
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