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## MERKEL BUSINESS MEN IN GREAT NUMBERS PAY VISIT TO DIVIDE FAIR

Motorcade of Over 30 Cars Formed for Goodwill Trip to Neighboring Trade Center on Last Friday Night.

Accepting an invitation extended by H. D. Norris, superintendent of the Divide school and manager of the two-day Community Fair sponsored by Divide Friday and Saturday of last week, a motorcade of more than thirty cars carrying merchants, business men and professional men to the number of 150 or more visited this thriving trade center on Friday night.

The trade trippers were met at Dorra by Pete Tyron as first "greeter" and he had arranged a parade tour through the town of Divide and to circle back to the school auditorium where the fair was in progress. This feature went agog for some cause, but the Merkel delegation with appropriate hat and arm bands carrying the one word, Merkel, stormed the exhibition hall and captured wholesale attention.

The invitation to the fair was extended generally to the merchants and business men on the occasion of a recent visit of Supt. H. D. Norris to this city, when he was a guest of the Lions club. President Roy Reid of that organization, assisted by a committee from the club, enlisted the support and co-operation of the entire citizenship and, as a result, practically a 100 per cent representation visited Divide.

O. J. Adecock, Merkel postmaster and president of the school board, as spokesman for the Merkel trippers, congratulated Divide on the enterprising spirit and surprising completeness of their fair and exhibits, following which the Noodle Musical Playboys rendered a half hour's program. Manager Nesmith of the Queen theatre also added to the evening's entertainment with his sound car and loud speaker equipment.

Members of the Merkel delegation mingled freely with their friends of the Divide community, which, by the way, furnished Louis Cook, champion of the Merkel summer rodeos, and the baseball aggregation that copped the \$100 cash prize for winning the Inter-Community league pennant.

They also viewed with much interest and admiration the various exhibits which included school work in the arts, vocational agriculture and home economics; a section devoted to curios and relics; individual exhibits from 4-H clubs and farms; prize winning specimens of canning, cooking and sewing and various other lines of activities.

The warm welcome extended by the entire Divide community was typical (Continued on Page Four)

## LAUNCH IDEA OF A STOCK SHOW

Opinion is Expressed This Section Would Be Interested in Such An Exhibit.

"Achievement Day," (to borrow from the calendar of home demonstration clubs,) found the Lions club in high spirits Tuesday at their noon luncheon at the American Cafe over the success of several recent movements sponsored, particularly the Divide trade trip, the volunteer automobile transport of football players daily to their homes in the several communities surrounding Merkel and the presentation of 20 warm-up hoods for the Badgers.

The day also saw the inception of two movements, both of which will prove highly beneficial to the city's welfare and one of which is already about to be realized, as will be noted in another column. The two most recently sponsored movements are: plans for a community stock show and fencing the football field. All arrangements for the latter innovation were announced Thursday morning by S. D. Gamble, one man committee to investigate the possibility of enclosing the field.

Two guests were introduced when this feature of the luncheon program was reached by President Roy Reid: Joe Self, new cashier of the Farmers State bank and an ex-Lion, and Herbert Patterson, assistant cashier of the Farmers State bank.

Report of the motorcade to Divide was given by C. J. Glover, who acted for President Roy Reid in his absence from the city.

Recognition of the splendid work of Dr. Zehnpenfennig, chairman of the football committee, in raising funds for the purchase of warm-up hoods for the Badgers, was voiced by Booth (Continued on Page Four)

## Gins in Territory Turn Out 1,679 Bales In Seven Day Period

Total of 1,397 bales for the working days from Wednesday of last week to Wednesday of this week was accounted for in The Mail's tabulation this week of the ginnings at the six plants here and those at Stith, Noodle and Blair.

This is the largest week's ginnings of the season and brings the current crop total to 4,470 bales.

Up to this time last year, 6,876 bales had been ginned by the same group of gins.

extended visit with friends in Canyon City and Plainview.

Mesdames J. J. Stallings and E. M. McDonald visited the Fair in Abilene Friday.

Mrs. J. D. Boring is visiting Dr. and Mrs. Crenshaw in Fort Worth, the latter being her daughter.

James W. Powell, W. E. Douglass, J. S. Swann, J. N. Teaff, J. F. Abernathy and H. C. West are among those who visited the Dallas Fair the first of the week.

Marvin Gostephens, age 22, who died of typhoid fever, was buried Tuesday afternoon.

Through mistake a satchel containing ladies' clothing was placed in a surrey at Hellums' wagon yard Saturday. Owner of surrey will please return same to the wagon yard.

Mrs. R. L. Watson and little daughter had a narrow escape Monday morning on their way home from Trent, when the horse became frightened and ran away. The child was thrown from the buggy first and in the next instant the mother was thrown clear of the wheels.

Joe Winters of the Noodle community was in town Thursday shaking hands.

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## KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

W. H. McCumber, former employee of the Midland airport, was assessed a 10-year penitentiary sentence for robbing the Citizens State bank at Barstow August 28.

Three indictments alleging cattle thievery have been returned at Menard against Mrs. Annabel Lee Gatlin, crusading evangelist.

Ross Holman, 16-year-old jockey, was critically injured Monday when his horse threw him during a race at Arlington Downs tracks.

The Texas Odd Fellows encampment at its annual meeting in Paris selected Teague for its eighty-fifth meeting place next year.

Hal L. Brennan, 46, of Laredo, state commander of the American Legion, died unexpectedly Wednesday in Mexico, D. F., where he had gone two weeks ago on business.

Three prisoners slid about 100 feet down a ladder made of 16 blankets to escape from the Potter county jail on the seventh floor of the courthouse at Amarillo early Tuesday.

The recently completed McDonald observatory building on Mt. Locke near Fort Davis will house an 82-inch telescope mirror, now being ground in Cleveland, O.

Of the total enrollment of 7,675 at the University of Texas this year, men students number 5,211, which is more than double the number of women students, viz., 2,464.

Enrollment in football sponsored by the Texas Interscholastic league this year totals 551 schools, the first time in the history of the league that more than 500 schools have signed up.

Mrs. Claude De Van Watts of Austin was re-elected for her 15th consecutive term as president of the Texas Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and other officers of her staff were also renamed.

Charges were to be filed at San Angelo Thursday against H. H. Hess, about 25, of San Angelo, held in connection with the fatal beating of Sam S. Bobbitt, 47, World War veteran, in Bronte, early Wednesday.

C. W. Mallard, 89, who came to Lubbock in 1890 and was the first man to build a house in what is now Lubbock, died Saturday. The lumber out of which he built his two-room house was freighted from Amarillo.

Texas furnishes more than 40 per cent of the current oil production of the United States, and this state has about 50 per cent of the proven oil reserves of the nation, or some 25 per cent of the proven oil reserves of the whole world.

## J. A. Ellis, 84, Nolan County Pioneer, Dies

Mr. and Mrs. V. N. Ellis, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Castle B. Ellis, attended the funeral in Sweetwater Sunday afternoon of J. A. Ellis, a first cousin of V. N. Ellis.

The deceased, who was 84 years of age, was a pioneer Nolan county farmer, having moved to this section in the early 1900's. After residing in Nolan county many years, he moved to Pecos for two years, and later to Kentucky, his native state, to return to Nolan county in 1920 where he has lived since.

His wife, who was Miss Gertrude Cross of Tennessee, survives, also a son and three daughters, a sister and a large number of grandchildren.

## To Meet Next Year at City Temple, Dallas

Austin, Oct. 17.—Dr. R. L. Irving of Fort Davis was elected moderator of the synod of Texas of the Presbyterian church, U. S. A., at the annual session here, with 150 delegates attending.

The synod voted to meet at the City Temple Presbyterian church of Dallas in 1936, the session to be jointly held with the Presbyterian church, U. S., provided that organization takes similar action at its meeting to be held in the near future.

## Auto Toll Highest Yet.

Washington, Oct. 17.—The census bureau counted 1934's automobile death toll at 33,980 today, a 15 per cent gain over 1933 and "a new all-time high."

## Increased Consumption.

Washington, Oct. 17.—Cotton consumed in the United States during the month of September was 449,126 bales as compared with 294,696 the same month in 1934.

## GET TO WORK, ALLRED TELLS NEW SESSION

Governor Tells Solons People Disappointed Over First Session; Submits Old Age Pensions and Revenue Only.

Austin, Oct. 17.—The legislature started its second special session Wednesday, admonished by Governor Allred to buckle down and solve pressing problems.

In a frank message the governor stated the people were sorely disappointed at the outcome of the first, which ended at midnight Tuesday night, and urged the legislature to "get to work and stay at work." He submitted only old-age pensions and taxation and asked that no bill for relief of the aged be passed without providing revenues.

Pointing to overwhelming approval of the pension amendment last summer, the governor asserted the budget could be balanced and old-age pensions financed without hurt to anyone if the legislature would do its duty.

"It would be unfair to the people if the legislature should authorize old age pensions, yet fail to finance them—a type of policies justly and surely to be condemned at the polls," he said. "I cannot too earnestly emphasize the necessity for immediate, consistent, continued attention to this important problem. It is no criticism to say the people are sorely disappointed at the outcome of the first called session. It is a simple fact. Another barren session will be tragic."

The governor said enactment of pension legislation would remove thousands from relief and again called attention to the grave situation threatened when direct relief is discontinued in December.

The governor signed the only major piece of legislation passed at the first called session, a graduated tax or chain stores. The levy ranged from \$1 on single stores to \$750 on units in chains of 50 or more.

Although the governor limited immediate consideration to old-age pensions and revenues, members believed he would submit liquor regulation and placement of district and county officers on a salary basis.

## Merchants Trade Ass'n Reports All Items Paid

At a final meeting of the executive board of the Merchants Trade Extension association of Merkel, held Monday night, at the call of Henry West, association president, a financial report was submitted, showing the receipts and disbursements covering the summer program of free rodeos and inter-community ball games and leaving an indebtedness balance of something like \$150.00.

Working in two groups on Tuesday, the members of the central planning board in a whirlwind campaign of the original subscribers to the association fund raised the full amount and Thursday morning, Dee Grimes, treasurer of the association, reported that all outstanding accounts had been paid.

"The success of the entire program, a rather ambitious one for a town this size, was amply evidenced by extraordinarily large crowds that attended the shows and ball games during the summer season and by the keen interest and rivalry in competition by the contestants, both rodeo entrants and baseball clubs, and the community spirit exhibited by the merchants and business men of Merkel speaks very highly of the progressive citizenship of Merkel," President Henry West stated in summing up the year's activities.

## Box Supper Announced.

A box supper will be held at the Mount Pleasant Methodist church on Friday night, October 25, for the interest and benefit of the church. A special program is being arranged and every one is cordially invited.

## Stay Granted Hauptmann.

Trenton, N. J., Oct. 17.—Bruno Richard Hauptmann's execution was stayed indefinitely Tuesday when the court of errors and appeals granted him an opportunity to appeal his conviction in the Lindbergh kidnap-murder case to the supreme court of the United States.

## BADGERS OUTPLAY TIGERS BUT FAIL TO SCORE; NEXT GAME AT STAMFORD FRIDAY

## TO BUILD FENCE AROUND FIELD

Project to Enclose Football Field Crosses Goal Line, With Plan To Underwrite Loan.

On the "want" list for many, many years, but soon to be a reality—an enclosed football field—bleacher sections and Pep Squad bleachers as they are—and a board fence, 7 feet high all around the four sides of the High School playing field.

Work is expected to begin the early part of next week or just as soon as the lumber can be brought in after the contract is let, and it will not be long before only those with paid admissions can witness games on the local field.

After a suggestion along the line of fencing the football field was introduced at the Lions club luncheon Tuesday, S. D. Gamble was named a committee of one to investigate the possibility of providing a fence.

After estimates of cost were made, it was found that the fence could be built on a self-financing plan out of a percentage of receipts of the games, the loan to be underwritten by a group of business men and football fans.

Mr. Gamble stated Thursday morning that the financing plan had already been worked out satisfactorily on this basis, thereby cinching the fence-building project.

## Wife Dies Less Than Month After Husband

Mrs. Ruth Ellison, age 22, died at 7 o'clock Saturday morning of typhoid fever at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Sneed, in the western part of town. It was less than a month ago, on September 18, that her husband, J. B. Ellison, also 22, died of the same illness here.

Funeral services were held at 10 o'clock Sunday morning from the family residence, with Elder Odus Richardson of San Angelo officiating, and burial followed in Rose Hill cemetery beside the grave of her late husband.

Besides her parents, Mrs. Ellison is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Ruby Neal and Beattie Sneed, four brothers, John, Fred, Richard and Clarence, all of Merkel, and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bennett, also of Merkel.

## Record of Births.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Fayne Perry, of Divide, Friday, October 11, 1935.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Heath, residing north of Trent, Tuesday, October 15, 1935.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. George Bishop, Wednesday, October 16, 1935.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Burly Bond, Trent, Wednesday, October 16, 1935.

## THE BOOK

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## THE KING JAMES VERSION.

King James I, of England, appointed forty-seven scholars, high church men and Puritans and those who were of no ecclesiastical party, to make a new version of the Bible. Some of them had special skill in Hebrew and Greek; some were able to bring help from their knowledge of translations in the Italian, German, French and Spanish. After four years of work they gave to the world that classic, that "well of pure English, undefiled," the King James Version.

Perhaps no version in the English language will ever equal in rhythmic beauty that of the King James Version of 1611, but it is right that other versions and even new translations should be made. Each of these makes a contribution toward our better knowledge of the original.

In 1885 the Revised Version was made by a joint commission of English and American scholars. Reference will be made in the next chapter to the wide interest in and influence of this scholarly version.

It was agreed that the American members of the commission should issue no version of their own for fourteen years. In 1901 appeared the American Standard Revised Bible, which is, at this date, the best available text in English. Other worthy versions continue to appear, as those of Moffatt, Goodspeed and the Riverside Bible translated by Professor William G. Ballantine.

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## MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, October 15, 1915.)

Among those who visited the Central West Texas Fair at Abilene Wednesday were Messrs. and Mesdames C. L. Britton, J. O. Hamilton, Mesdames W. P. Browning, W. A. Pope, G. M. Williams and daughter, Miss Bather, Mrs. J. M. Meeks also visited the Fair Wednesday and remained in the city to visit her sister, Mrs. Mary Nelson and Miss Bertha Lanier, Misses Gladys and Lucile Bell were among others who attended, going via the Texas and Pacific noon train.

Mrs. J. C. Hairston and daughter, Miss Irene, of Snyder arrived here from their former home Tuesday and joined Mr. Hairston in their new home at this place. Mr. Hairston is connected with the E. L. Rogers Grocery Co.

Mrs. S. S. Harris and daughter, Juanita, of Fort Stockton, who visited Mrs. Davenport Gaither, are in Abilene visiting Mrs. Harry Harris.

Miss Amanda Curtis and Mrs. W. H. Dickson were all-day guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tucker near Blair Sunday.

Joe Winters of the Noodle community was in town Thursday shaking hands.

Miss Ruby Jones is at home from an



RURAL SOCIETY

FAMILY REUNION AT WHITE CHURCH.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Maserang of the White Church community welcomed home for a short visit their son, H. C. Maserang and wife, Lucille, and two sons, H. C., Jr., and Freddie, of Overton, who arrived Monday, October 7.

On Tuesday, October 8, 28 children and grandchildren gathered there for a grand reunion. There was fun and jesting and plenty of good things to eat.

It was the first birthday of H. C., Jr., and there was a beautiful white cake with one tall pink candle for him. The cake was cut in 30 pieces so that all could have a bite.

There were present: Mr. and Mrs. E. Maserang, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Maserang and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Presswood and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Davis and five children, Mrs. P. M. Wood and three children, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Riggs and son and daughter, Howard Maserang, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Maserang and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hollebeck of San Angelo were the only children that could not be there, and all of the family were wishing for them.

UNION RIDGE CLUB.

A meeting of the Union Ridge Home Demonstration club was held in the home of Mrs. W. A. Harris on Friday, October 11, with an all-day affair for the purpose of quilting the club quilt. Plans were made to give the quilt away as a prize at a sack or box supper Friday night, October 25. Surprise packages and popcorn will also be sold. Everyone is invited.

A delicious covered dish luncheon was served at the noon hour.

Members present during the day were Mesdames M. F. Carey, Lee Tipton, Denzel Cox, Fred Guitar, J. L. McRee, S. G. Russell, Jr., Lige Harris, S. G. Russell, Sr., O. R. Douglas, J. K. Pee, W. C. Lee, O. E. Harwell, Chester Bond and Miss Mabel McRee.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Kenneth Pee on October 25.

NOODLE H. D. C. MEETS.

The Noodle Home Demonstration club met Wednesday, October 9, at the Baptist church. Plans were discussed

on how to raise money to pay for year books. It was decided to have an entertainment at the school house Saturday, October 19, to raise the money. Admission will be 5c and 10c. Everyone is invited to come, expecting to have lots of fun.

Wednesday, October 23, will be "Achievement Day" for pantry demonstrators. Everyone is invited to come. A program will be rendered at 2:30 p. m.

The club will meet on that date with Mrs. C. C. Bristow.

SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY.

A group of young folks surprised Miss Dollie McCoy with a birthday party Saturday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McCoy.

The living and dining rooms were decorated in yellow and pink with seventeen yellow candles lighting the rooms.

After games were played, cake, candy, grapes and punch were served to Misses Juanez Jones and Mildred Cox, of Anson, Claude Touchstone of Noodle, Dollie McCoy, Elvie Daniels, Janet Berry, Leslie Welsh, Durwood McCoy, Mae Dale Ward, Dollie D. Ehemern, Mrs. J. S. Grant of Abilene, Maurice Cox, Burcie Hughes, Erntine and Elvine Cox, Leaneer Cook, Otha and Margaretta Simpson of Abilene, Harold Walsh of Hamlin, Dorothy Mashburn, Fay Varner, Earl Thomas of Hamlin, Curtis Hawthorne of Anson, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Pursley, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McCoy, Kenneth Garner, Braxton Howell and Earnest Pursley.

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Probably no one of these will presently supersede the King James Version, but each has its value for comparison. While no important doctrine has at any time depended on any of these translations, it is proper that the very best and most scholarly minds should be engaged, as they are, in the effort to secure the nearest possible approach to a perfect text.

The two critical sciences which deal with Bible study are said, with reason, to have called forth the most severe discipline to which the human mind has ever been subjected in critical study.

There may be readers of these essays who expected an affirmation that God in some supernatural way showed men just which books to select, dictating through all the ages the exact language of the original and teaching

how to translate it free from error.

It is a pity to disappoint them, but that is not the way it happened. The Bible rose to the place it now occupies because it deserved to rise to that place, and not because God sent anybody with a box of tricks to prove its divine authority.

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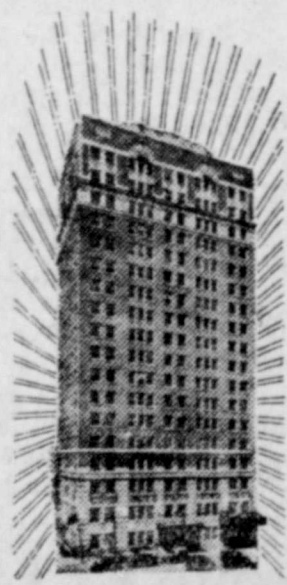
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**TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS**

Mesdames T. L. Stevens and Jack Freeman were guests on Tuesday, October 8, of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cranford of Avoca.

John Springer of Comanche was a passing guest Saturday in the home of Ben Howell and J. E. Bowers.

Mrs. O. L. Reaves attended a teachers meeting in Abilene last Saturday. Mrs. Sidney Pass and little daughter were guests of relatives here several days the past week.

Mrs. J. P. Stevens and little daughter, Frances, are home from a week's visit with her mother, Mrs. Charles O'Brian, of Big Spring.

Arthur Goode of Lamesa visited here a few days last week.

Rev. John Reynolds and family of Clyde visited his parents here Monday and Tuesday.

Friday of last week Mrs. Oliver Bright had as her all-day guests Mesdames J. C. Churchwell, M. G. Scott, H. Kegans and L. M. and Bob Spence. The ladies spent the day quilting and at the noon hour a lovely meal was served.

Mrs. Berlinda Pierce has returned to her home at Carbon after a visit of two weeks in the home of her daughter, Supt. and Mrs. G. W. Scott.

Mesdames C. R. Shannon, M. G. Scott, Cribley, O. Bright, H. Kegans, E. Rogers and W. B. Reaves attended the ladies missionary meeting at Paramount theatre and St. Paul's church Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Curley Edwards and children were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Childress, and little Miss Nancy Jane Childress returned with them for a visit this week.

Miss Ima Gene Mangum spent this week in Merkel.

Rev. Trott of Sweetwater was passing guest of Mrs. J. C. Churchwell on Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Bud Burks has returned to her home at Vivian, La., after a visit of several weeks here with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Halbrook and Mrs. Allen were called to El Paso Thursday of last week to be at the bedside of Hallie Allen, who had undergone an appendix operation.

Mrs. Willard Estep and daughter, Dorothy May, of Paint Rock spent Sunday, the 6th, with her aunt Mrs. J. C. Churchwell.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Mangum had as a guest the first part of the week his brother who lives in Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Howell are announcing the birth of a 7 1-2 pound baby girl on Tuesday, October 16.

**SURPRISE SHOWER.**

The home of Mrs. Carl Edwards was the scene for a surprise shower for Mrs. Leonard Quattlebaum on Wednesday afternoon, October 10. Pink and white were featured in the reception room; bouquets of pink and white roses were placed at vantage points, and guests registered in a book of harmonizing colors.

Mrs. John Payne and Mrs. R. B. McRee, Jr., directed a nursery rhyme drawing contest, in which Mrs. Alton Boone won first prize; a "kid" game, "Find the Flag," was played, terminating with the honoree finding the flag with the basket of gifts.

At tea time the guests were ushered into the softly lighted dining room and served cake, punch and mints at a lace-covered table, where pink and white predominated in table favors and an elevated stork served as centerpiece.

The guest list included Mesdames Leonard Quattlebaum, J. M. Smith, J. S. Armour, H. T. Ogletree, L. Z. Titsworth, H. C. Hamner, C. C. Stribling, Hosea Winn, Earnest Nemir, J. M. Beasley, Lesley Beasley, Allen Terry, O. A. Smith, E. H. Burks, Alton Boone, J. M. Strawn, E. B. Strawn, H. J. Kegans, Cal Hamner, Jesse Dudley, Wilbur Woods, Anne Boone, R. B. McRee, Jr., R. B. McRee, Sr., Leonard Abernathy, John Payne, E. M. Rogers, Tom Williamson, Charles Reid, John Terry, C. C. McRee, Andy Shouse, Bob Billington, Robert

Dennis of Merkel, Virgil Babston, Abilene, Misses Agnes Williams and Ima Gene Mangum.

**DENTISTRY.**

Beginning Saturday, October 19, 1935, I will be at the Cozy Inn in Merkel from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. and every Saturday thereafter at the same hours.

Dr. Wm. M. Gambill.

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**POLITICAL OMENS.**

As indications of the way political winds will blow in the 1936 presidential campaign, two significant news dispatches were noted in Sunday's papers:

One dispatch from Washington, captioned "Glass Says Roosevelt Will Be Renominated," read:

"The most outspoken democratic opponent of many of President Roosevelt's policies—Senator Glass of Virginia—said the chief executive would be renominated without great opposition.

The veteran Virginia senator styled himself "a constitutional democrat within the democratic party."

"I would not support any movement to split the party," he said.

The senator came to Washington for treatment at the Naval hospital for arthritis.

A governor from the mid-west, LaFollette, "Won't Back Hoover," is the important digest of the other dispatch; this one from New York City, which read:

"Governor LaFollette, Wisconsin, said today that he was not certain of the stand he would take in the coming presidential campaign if the republicans chose "a distinct liberal."

"But I will certainly take my coat off and support Roosevelt if it is a choice between him and Hoover," the 38-year-old governor added.

LaFollette sailed on the Inner American Legion for a brief vacation in Bermuda.

Two full lines of cosmetics—Marie Tomlin's and Boyer's—Vick Drug Company.

Office supplies—Mail office.

The Mail Want Ads.

**Social Announced At Hebron Church**

Saturday night, October 19, there will be a social at the Hebron Baptist church for the purpose of raising funds to buy curtains for the Sunday School.

Come and bring the family and a pocket full of money, is the invitation extended, and a good time with lots of good eats is promised. Everybody is cordially invited.

**Lions Club**

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Warren, who also referred to the loyal spirit of those Lions and other business men and sport fans who have assignments to take the Badgers to their homes in adjacent communities after the daily practice workouts. This by the way, is also a function of the same football committee of which Dr. Zehnpfennig is chairman.

Suggestion of a stock show, introduced by Charlie Jones, was endorsed by Dr. W. T. Sadler, the idea being referred to a committee of three: Tracy Campbell, C. H. Jones and Dr. L. C. Zehnpfennig.

Congratulating Merkel on the fine representation at the Anson game, Dr. Sadler also urged the same loyal backing of the High school team at Stamford on Friday of this week.

**Divide Fair**

(Continued from Page One.)

of the generally friendly relations between residents of that section and the town of Merkel, which friendship was the more strongly cemented by the presence of such a large delegation of Merkel visitors.

**IN MEMORY OF A. B. ELY.**

(Written by George W. Ely of Sweetwater and dedicated to his father.)

He has fought and won;  
In the great game of life  
He really has conquered  
Both sorrow and strife;

He has played the game square  
And stayed on first base;  
So we don't have to tell it—  
It showed in his face.

We carry gray edged sympathy cards in stock, also regular mourning correspondence cards. The Merkel Mail.

**Death Claims A. B. Ely, Jones County Pioneer**

A. B. Ely, retired farmer, who came to Jones county 52 years ago and settled at Noddle, passed away at the close of the day Sunday, October 13, at 7 p. m. at the home of a son, J. W. Ely, at Anson. He had been ill for seven weeks.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon from the Methodist church at Anson, with Rev. Ben Hardy, pastor, officiating, assisted by Presiding Elder Sam Young of Stamford, Rev. H. C. Gordon of Snyder and Rev. R. D. Carter, pastor of the Anson Baptist church. Burial was made in Rose Hill cemetery here, beside the grave of Mrs. Ely, who died in 1932.

Mr. Ely was born in Fannin county, Ga., on June 5, 1856, and was married to Miss Laura Emma Yarbrough on Sept. 29, 1880. To this union twelve children were born, ten of whom survive and all were in attendance at his bedside when death came. They are: G. W. Ely, Sweetwater; J. W. and A. L. Ely, Anson; L. G. and W. J. Ely, Snyder; Mrs. G. M. Cook and Mrs. Cecil Harris, Hawley; Mrs. A. F. Eidson, Sylvester, and Mrs. H. F. Marvin and Mrs. A. R. Bussey, Anson.

The two children who had died were: C. A. Ely, age 21, who passed away in 1914, and Mary Lou, who died in 1903.

There are 28 grandchildren and one great-grandchild; four brothers, Rev. Robert Lee Ely, Dodd City, Texas; Levi Ely, Ector; W. P. Ely, Sayre, Okla.; G. C. Ely, Merkel; three sisters, Mrs. Laura McFarland, Ector; Mrs. Artie Kuner, Dallas, and Mrs. Nevada Henry of Mocona.

**A LETTER FROM HOME.**

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If you have any visitors. Phone 29 or 61.

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**LOCAL BRIEFS.**

Four more enrollees from Merkel in the CCC camp at Duncan, Ariz., arrived home Wednesday morning on a special train to Texas. They were: Richard Anthony, Tom Farmer, Abie Cobb and Jimmy Wright.

Cotton Owens of "sandwich shop" fame has returned to Merkel and opened for business Monday morning in the new Cotton's Sandwich shop, having purchased Shorty Bird's stand on Front street. Cotton and his wife and son, George Mack, had been in Sacramento, Calif., several months.

Beginning this week Grover Gilbert took up the agency as Merkel representative for the Abilene laundry. Announcement will be made in next week's Mail of route days and other details of the business.

The Gulf station on the highway in the western part of town is now in charge of Ross Ferrier, Jr., who became manager on Tuesday of last week. Morris Horton is assisting him, which is an "old" job for Morris at this location.

Announcement is made by the Merkel Motor company that Stacy Bird and Ted Bicknell are now in charge of their service department. Both mechanics were formerly in the employ of the local Ford house and are again back at the old stand.

**NOTICE**

This is in answer to the notice that was printed in last week's Merkel Mail. Listen, if I was a manager of a Farmers Gin and was interested in the welfare of the farmers, I would write Mr. Pope that the letter we received from him was fine as far as it went but it did not go far enough.

I would call for a contract at once, drawn by a good attorney with a \$10,000 forfeit against the farmers' notes and acreage and, if they failed to deliver this gin to the farmers, this \$10,000 would come to the farmers with their notes and acreage back; that would look like business to me.

H. H. Toombs.

Merchants Sales Books 5c, six for 25c or 25 for \$1.00. At Merkel Mail office.

Try a Classified Ad for Results.

**Sack Supper at Union Ridge Night of Oct. 25**

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration club will have a sack supper at Union Ridge Friday night, October 25, for the purpose of raising money to send delegates to the Short Course at A. & M. college.

Popcorn will be sold and a quilt and several other prizes will be given away. Surprise packages will also be sold.

Everybody come with a pocket full of money.

**Try a Plate of Our Hot Tamales and Chili. Neil's Cafe. Open All Night.**

Ted Healy, once a newspaper reporter, is writing a book on his adventures and experiences in Hollywood.

Second sheets for sale at Merkel Mail office.

**R & R PALACE**

Sweetwater

Friday-Saturday

George Raft in "EVERY NIGHT AT EIGHT"

Sunday-Monday

Will Rogers in "STEAMBOAT ROUND THE BEND"

Tuesday-Wednesday

John Boles in "ORCHIDS TO YOU"

Thursday Only

James Dunn in "BAD BOY"

R. & R. RITZ

Friday-Saturday

William Boyd in "HOP ALONG CASSIDY"

Monday Only

10c Bargain Day

Randolph Scott in "HOME ON THE RANGE"

Palace opens Sunday 2 p. m. and runs continuous. Complete show after 9 p. m.

**Abilene Gets Cheese Plant.**  
Abilene, Oct. 17.—George H. Sweeney, manager of Western Produce company, announced Tuesday that a cheese plant with the capacity of manufacturing 1,000 pounds of cheese daily will be ready for operation here about January 1.

Typewriting and carbon paper at Mail office.

**GOOD EATS CAFE**

Specials every day in the week, except Sunday—no lunch on Sunday—Our Business was Good the past week. We thank each one who spent a nickel or more with us. So, if you are looking for real home cooking, come to

**J. Y. MELTON'S CAFE**

where you can get a delicious plate lunch for only 25c without drink; with drink, 30c.

- Ham Sandwich ..... 15c
- Bacon Sandwich ..... 15c
- Beef Roast Sandwich ..... 15c
- Cheese Sandwich ..... 15c
- Hamburger, big and juicy ..... 10c
- Irish Stew ..... 25c
- Chili, home made ..... 15c
- Delicious Home Baked Pies ..... 30c
- Bread, 9c per loaf, three for 25c

Just received a nice line of fresh candy; We also have a nice line of canned goods. Coffee 20c and 25c per pound.

Laundry Soap, Toilet Soap, Cigarettes, Tobacco, Snuff.

You can get a real good cup of coffee at Melton's Cafe, day or night—24 hour service.

- Crackers, 2 lb. box ..... 20c
- Small box of Crackers ..... 5c
- Vanilla Wafers ..... 5c
- Fresh Tomatoes, 2 pounds ..... 15c
- Lettuce, per head ..... 5c
- Bananas and Apples

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**Close Out Paint Stock Wholesale Prices and Below**

Our Entire Stock of SHERWIN-WILLIAMS PAINTS to be closed out—we are discontinuing the Sherwin-Williams paint lines.

Buy It While It Is Cheap

House Paint—Roof Paint—Barn Paint—Wagon Paint as well as all Shelf Goods such as, Enamels, Stains, Varnishes, etc.

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**DON'T SCRATCH**—Get Paracide Ointment, the guaranteed itch remedy. Paracide Ointment is guaranteed to relieve itch, eczema, itching piles or skin irritations, or money refunded. Large jar 50c at Merkel Drug Co.

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—75 head of horses and mules of all kinds; will also buy your horses and mules. See W. O. Steen or Carl Edwards. Phone 29 or 28, Trent, Texas.

**SEED WHEAT**, clean of Johnson grass and weeds, \$1.15 per bushel. Sam Butman.

**SORE THROAT—TONSILITIS!**—Nothing equals a good mop and instant relief is afforded by Anesthesia-Mop, the wonderful new sore throat remedy. Positive relief guaranteed or purchase price refunded by Vick Drug Co.

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—Good Garage and Service Station business, including nice residence, and 10 acres in Rio Grande valley near Harlingen, for small farm near Merkel; pay out difference. J. J. Barron.

**FOR SALE**—New and used Pianos. See them at Blake's Dry Cleaners.

**FOR SALE**—Several mares in foal; also milk cows, brood sows and pigs. Pierce Horton.

**FOR SALE**—1928 Chevrolet truck, ready to haul cotton; license paid. J. B. Foster, Route 1, or see Herbert Patterson.

**WANTED**

**CITY FURNITURE**, headquarters for Oil Ranges, Wood, Coal and Gas Stoves, also Tents. Liberal exchange on used stoves. Joe Garland.

**FREE CEDAR WOOD**. Willeke Ranch.

**LOST AND FOUND**

**FOUND**—Auto license plate No. 937,548. Owner can recover by paying for this ad.

**FOR RENT**

**NICE BEDROOM** for rent, hot and cold water. Mrs. G. R. Holloway.

**I HAVE A Good Farm** outfit; I want to rent 175 or 200 acres of land, with some pasture. Address "L" care of Merkel Mail.

**ADVERTISEMENT RELATING TO LOST POLICIES.**

**To Whom It May Concern:**

Notice is hereby given that Certificates Nos. 51346 to 51350, inclusive, of the Fire Association of Philadelphia, requiring for their validity the countersignature of a duly authorized and licensed agent, have been lost. Since these policies have not been regularly countersigned or issued, or accounted for, nor any premiums received thereunder by this company, they will be valueless and void in the hands of whomsoever they may fall and any claim thereunder would be illegal and fraudulent. If found they should be returned to Trezevant & Cochran, General Agents, office of the company at Dallas, Texas. No claim of any nature purporting to be based upon them will be recognized by the Company. The public will please take notice accordingly.

Fire Association of Philadelphia  
By Trezevant & Cochran,  
General Agents.  
At Merkel, Texas.

**GOODMAN NEWS**

(Omitted Last Week.)

Here's a bit of news from Goodman. We are still here and progressing despite the greater number who are picking cotton.

We are glad to report very little, if any, sickness in our midst.

Mrs. Vennie Greene of Hobbs, N. M., formerly of Goodman, is ill in the hospital at Sweetwater. The last report we had was very favorable.

Grandma Phillips is still improving.

Mrs. A. C. Fleming of Lenora is been visiting her sister, Mrs. Hoyt Barnes.

Miss Nell Johnson, our primary teacher, spent the week-end at her home in Roscoe.

Mr. Ferrel, principal, and Miss Ferrel, high school teacher, also spent the week-end at home, (Sylvester.)

Miss Avis Deavers, a student of Hardin-Simmons, spent the week-end at her home here.

Every one is enthusiastic over the progress of our school this year. The teachers, in order, are: Mr. Woolam, Mr. Ferrel, Miss Ferrel, Mrs. Woolam, (home economics), Miss Verlin Cook and Miss Johnson. We urge you to note our progress this year. Not only has the enrollment increased, but the interest is almost doubled. Our basket ball teams (as well as other

sports) are very efficient and just watch them go and grow. You will hear of them often.

Our Parent-Teacher association is growing also. Here is report of our first meeting:

Goodman P. T. A. met Monday night with about 25 adults present. Plans are to have two meetings a month, alternating a study program with a recreational meeting. All parents of the community are cordially invited to come and help us have a lively and helpful organization.

Goodman senior girls defeated Trent in opening game of basket ball by a score of 38 to 16, (not so bad with some of the players out picking cotton.) Just watch the record of the girls this year; we think we'll really have a good team. Senior girls coming out for basket ball are: Annazell Seago, Lemont Cox, Arlene Barnes, Jimmie and Evalena Williams, Loyce Swinney, Edna Erle Maples, Hazel Dell Clinton, Maudine Howell, Dorothy Vessels, Lillian Grayson, Lena Spinks and Libby Brown.

The Goodman Basketeers sponsored a box supper Friday night, October

11, for the purpose of getting additional suits for the boys and girls.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Winter returned Monday from Lamesa where they had been visiting their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jennings Winter.

**A Good Place to Eat. Neill's Cafe. Open All Night.**

**Box Supper Postponed.**

The box supper sponsored by the Woodmen Circle, which was announced for Friday night, October 18, has been called off and re-set for Tuesday night, October 29, at the Woodman hall.

**NOTICE.**

I now have a horse-shoer. Bring your horses and mules here. First class work.

J. T. King.

**DENTISTRY.**

Beginning Saturday, October 19, 1935, I will be at the Cozy Inn in Merkel from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. and every Saturday thereafter at the same hours.

Dr. Wm. M. Gambill.

**QUEEN THEATRE**

Merkel, Texas

"Showing the Pick of the Pictures"

**Friday-Saturday**  
Bill Cody in  
"FRONTIER DAYS"  
"Miracle Rider," Chapter 6  
Charley Chase in "Fate's Fathead"

**Saturday Night Preview 11 P. M., Monday and Tuesday**

Shirley Temple in  
"OUR LITTLE GIRL"  
Also Selected Shorts

**Wednesday-Thursday**  
Joe E. Brown in  
"ALIBI IKE"  
Also Musical Comedy

**Don't Forget Thursday Night**

**VISIT OUR SHOWROOM**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19**

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**SPECIALS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, OCT. 18-19**

- Oranges, dozen ..... 25c
- Tokay Grapes, lb. .... 5c
- Apples, Delicious, doz. .... 20c
- Lettuce, head ..... 5c
- Bulk Apples, Jonathan peck ..... 35c
- Yams, 10 pounds ..... 19c
- Spuds, 10 pounds ..... 15c

**COFFEE**

- Red & White, pound ..... 29c
- Mart, pound ..... 25c
- Early Riser, pound ..... 15c

- Pure Cane
- Sugar, 10 pounds ..... 55c

- Red and White
- Meal, 5 pounds ..... 17c

- Whole Wheat
- Flour, 6 pounds ..... 33c

- Del Dixi
- Pickles, sour or dill, qt. .... 15c

- Bird Brand
- Shortening, 4 lb. carton ..... 52c

- Blue and White
- Pork & Beans, 16 oz. can ..... 5c

- Blue and White
- Tomatoes, No. 1 can, each ..... 5c

- Mexican Style
- Beans, 1 lb. can ..... 10c

- Red and White
- Peas, No. 2 can, 2 for ..... 33c

- Crystal
- Spinach, No. 2 can ..... 10c

Bring Us Your LARSEN'S VEG-ALL Coupon From the LADIES HOME JOURNAL

- Blu-Kross
- Toilet Tissue, 3 rolls ..... 19c

- Blue and White
- Broom, each ..... 89c

- Red Pitted
- Cherries, No. 2 can, each 10c

**FLOUR**

- Red and White
- 12 lbs. .... 65c—24 lbs. .... \$1.19
- 48 lbs. .... \$2.25

- Texas
- Blackberries, No. 2 can 10c

- Blue and White
- Pineapple No. 2 can, each ..... 16c

- Pineapple
- Juice, No. 1 can, each ..... 10c

- Red and White
- Pears, No. 2 1-2 can ..... 23c

- Gallon
- Fresh Prune, per can ..... 33c

- Keillogg's
- Wheat Krispies, 2 pkgs. .... 25c

- Red and White
- Corn Flakes, package ..... 10c

- Red and White
- Catsup, 14 oz. bottle ..... 18c

- Red and White
- Pickles, 16 oz. jar ..... 24c

- Red and White
- Milk, 6 small or 3 tall cans ..... 22c

- Atlas
- Mustard, quart ..... 14c

- Red and White
- Soap, 6 Giant bars ..... 25c

- Pinto
- Beans, 5 pounds ..... 25c

- Mexican Style
- Weiners, pound ..... 20c

- Salt Pork, pound ..... 24c

- Sliced Bacon, pound ..... 35c

- Cheese, pound ..... 20c

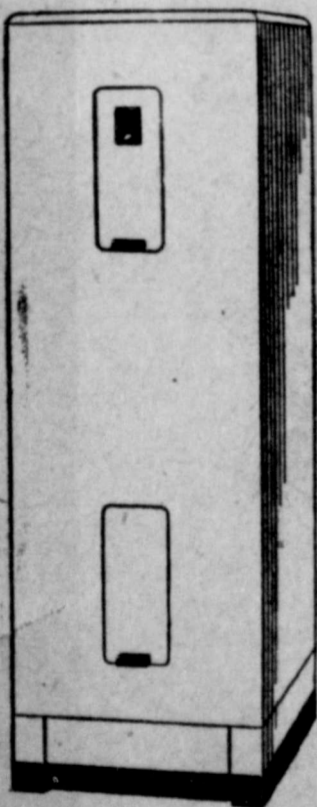
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BLAIR ITEMS

See, boy, Work, did you say? Cotton picking is the order of the day, with the gin running day and night. 500 bales of cotton had been ginned up to Saturday night.

The First Baptist church of Merkel rendered an interesting program Sunday afternoon at the Blair Baptist church. There was a goodly number present that enjoyed the program.

Richard Melton is on the sick list at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Real of Nubia visited with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell Sunday.

Mrs. Elbert Barnes and brother, John Meeks, and his daughter, Miss Dora Mae, left Thursday, the 10th, for Post City to be at the bedside of their mother, Mrs. L. R. Meeks, who is seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. George West and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert West of Trent were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. John Neighbors.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Deavers and sons of Noodle visited with Mr. and Mrs. Luther Orsborn Sunday.

Blanche Yvonne, charming little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Farmer of Butman, spent Friday afternoon with her aunt, Mrs. Hugh Campbell.

Bill, Clyde and Homer Caldwell of Mineola are visiting with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Riley James and Mr. and Mrs. Fate Scoggins for an indefinite time.

Friends showered Mrs. J. C. Horton with a bridal shower in her home Thursday afternoon. Many nice gifts were presented to the honoree. After games were played a delectable refreshment plate was served to some twenty guests.

Miss Vara Crippen, county demonstration agent, met with the ladies with Mrs. Will Watley bread demonstrator, and Miss Crippen scored bread and cake. Sweet bread was standard and plain bread scored 85.

Rev. Ted McGehee will fill his regular appointment at the Baptist church Sunday, October 20. The church will organize a B. T. S. Every one is urged to attend these services.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hughes entertained guests in their home Sunday.

Mrs. T. A. Mitchell and daughter, Miss Doris, and Miss Joy Dean, made

a pleasure trip to Noodle Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Roy Reid, Mrs. Clark Munday, Misses Helen and Pauline Joyner, Joyce Fulton, Pearl Mathews, Doris Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Kit Carson and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lackey of Merkel attended services at Blair Sunday afternoon, also probably others whom the correspondent failed to learn.

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TELEPHONE THE MAIL

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 company, entertain friends or return from a trip please telephone 61 or 29.

List of Petit Jurors Called Next Week

The jury panel for next week in 42nd district court includes the following:

- B. M. Tipton, Willis Thomas, Chas. West, L. S. Tipton, J. A. Stanford, N. D. Cobb, Merkel; H. F. McDaniel, Ben J. West, J. C. Shipman, Cress W. Watson, H. H. Tucker, E. A. Turner, R. H. Buchanan, Frank Rennels, E. D. Barfield, G. F. Sandidge, C. A. Maddox, C. L. Davis, E. J. Smith, Everett Wagner, C. F. Adams, G. C. Snodgrass, Lloyd Brown, L. B. Scott, L. J. Gorsuch, C. M. Adams, Henry Rivers (colored), Ben Meyer, E. J. Sharp, Cook Pink (colored), S. E. Sammons, Abilene; J. W. Shepherd, Jesse Smith, C. B. Tisdale, J. N. Turner, J. Q. Adams, Dee Blackley, Tuscola; Herman Griffin, Fred Landers, Boyd Turner, R. T. Reed, C. J. Dick, Lawn; T. J. Turnbow, Bradshaw; J. L. Harrison, I. N. Griffin, Frank Smith, J. M. Thomas, Ovalo; C. J. Nail, Guion; J. A. Thomas, Tye; V. E. Vessels, Trent.

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GOLAN NEWS

Cotton picking started here last week, but cotton here is opening very slow.

There have been several sick people in our community. Mrs. D. M. Hill of Dallas has been sick two weeks in the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. C. Williams, but is improving some.

O. E. Farmer, J. T. Kemp and L. C. Williams were in Anson Saturday attending to business.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hill of Colorado, Texas, were visitors in the L. C. Williams home last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Cook of Salem, N. M., are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. T. B. Stephens is visiting relatives in Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cook and

daughters are visiting relatives near Salem, N. M.

Our school has dismissed for a few weeks during the cotton picking rush.

The league social Friday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Byrum was enjoyed by a large crowd, both young and old folks being included.

Brother Williams filled his regular third Sunday appointment here.

Our Sunday School is doing good work. We hope to increase our Sun-

day School enrollment. Come and help us.

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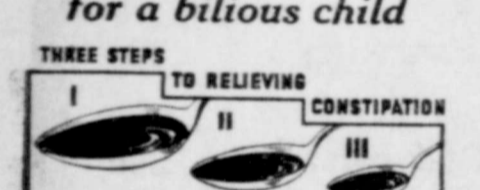
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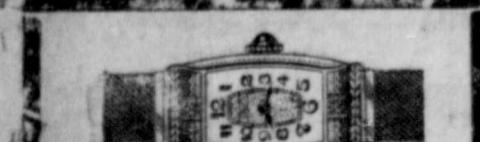
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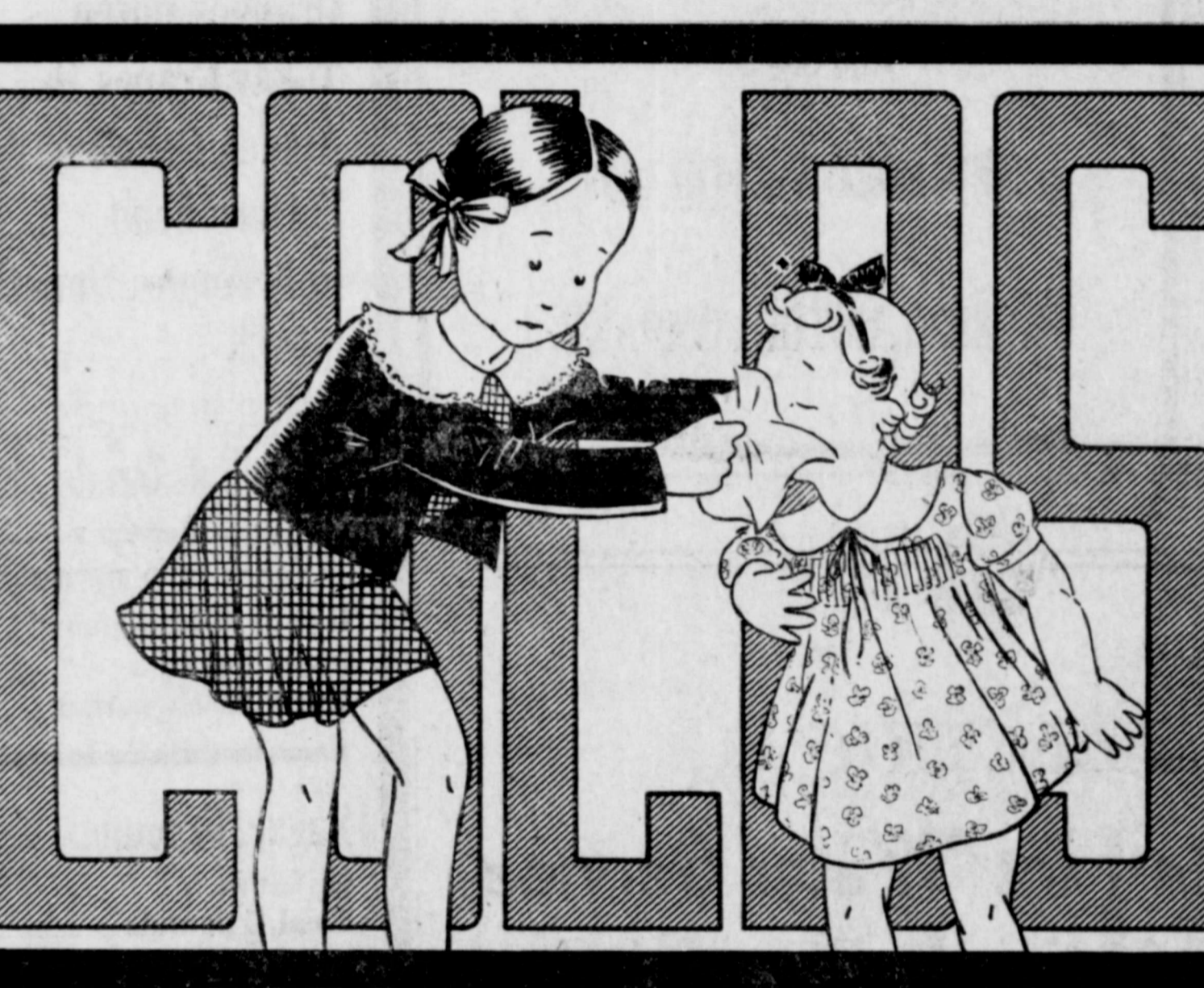
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# THE BADGER WEEKLY

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Editor-in-Chief—Mabel Maddox. Society Editor—Janet Hayes.  
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### SCHOOL ROUTINE.

By what mark is the success of any high school measured? Is it success in terms of textbook knowledge taught? Is it accomplishment in terms of fundamentals fixed in the minds of the pupils? Is it the smoothness with which the school program is managed?

The city of Chicago says, "Not so!" School spirit is what she is striving for. In her new school plant every effort is put forth to let spirit rule. The honor of the pupil is tested by his ability and willingness to grade himself. He is expected to rule in all matters concerning conduct. He is given opportunity to choose those subjects that principally appeal to him. He is placed in the center of beauty which appeals to his better judgment. Ease and freedom master his situation. He really progresses as a student because he wants to do the right thing.

Not every high school is complete in its functioning and opportunities. However, every high school has the average student. That student has the same spirit as that of the one in the model plant. If his desires and emotions are satisfied through worthwhile organizations and activities, he will be in a mood to carry out the real learning program. The congenial person usually accomplishes the end sought. He wins through school spirit. (Editorial written by member of English class.)

### DRAMATIC CLUB.

On Friday, October 11, at 7:30 the M. H. S. Players (dramatic club) met for their first club party. The club room looked very attractive decorated in Halloween colors. A miniature pumpkin, bearing the program for the evening, was pinned on each guest. The entertainment committee for the meeting was: Eva Faye Bush, Mary Frances Cook, Genevieve Cox, Betty Lou Grimes, Janet Hayes, Jane Ferguson, Murphy Dye, R. T. Blair, Roy Hagler, Felix Stalls, Winston Polley and Sylvan Mellinger.

During the social hour the following program was rendered: a piano solo, Missie Spurgin; five minute talk, Zerk Robertson; a story "Pigs is Pigs" by Roy Hagler; five minute talk, Grimes; instrumental selections, Harold Morgan, Winston Polley, Clifton Bellamy; story, Jaunita Huskey; poem, Vernelle Bland; and a piano solo, Opal Buzbee. Several clever games were played, then club members went to the gymnasium-auditorium when a one-act play "Sunset By Stantsky," was presented by Eva Faye Bush, Clifton Bellamy, Sylvan Mellinger, Esteyl Church and Janet Berry.

On returning to the studio the club members and guests were served ice cream sandwiches. The club members were then called to order by our president, Clifton Bellamy, who directed a well planned business hour.

Sixty enthusiastic members answered to roll call. Guests of the club were Mr. and Mrs. Coffman and Mr. Hutto. The next regular meeting will be held in November.

### CHAPEL.

Friday morning at activity period the High School body met in the auditorium-gymnasium for chapel. Booth Warren brought greetings from the business men and presented the football squad with twenty smart, new warm-up hoods. Several business men were present who did not speak. Mr. Hutto, Mr. Myers, Mr. Coffman, Dr. Zehnpfennig and Miss Patterson expressed their views on the game with Anson and Robert Higgins, football captain, responded to Mr. Warren's presentation with a speech of appreciation. After a short pep rally and speeches from a number of football players the student body and faculty returned to their classes, very enthusiastic over the approaching game.

### PEP SQUAD.

The Pep Squad led a big pep rally down town Thursday night. Some of the football boys made speeches and burned the remains of Anson on a large bonfire. Although we did not beat Anson, the Pep Squad yelled from the first whistle until the last. Of course, we think we did our part in keeping Anson from winning the game. All of the Pep Squad members will have their dresses and we will be at the Stamford game backing those Badgers some more. We are working on a formation and we hope everyone will come out to see it even if they don't like the football game.

### BADGERS PLAY SCORELESS GAME.

Merkel and Anson played a game last Friday that was very mysterious. The result was a scoreless tie but as far as Anson was concerned it would have been much better for them if they had forgotten to play the Badgers. Merkel kept the ball at last three-fourths the game, making eleven first downs to Anson's one. Each time Anson took the ball they were handicapped by being on their own fifteen or twenty yard line and were forced to kick their way out. The Badgers gained one hundred and sixty yards from the line of scrimmage and completed four out of eleven passes for an average gain of thirty yards, while Anson gained fifteen yards and tried seven passes, none complete, and two intercepted for a gain of about seventeen yards. Higgins' punting was fair, or rather good compared to Castle's for Anson.

Blair and Higgins were outstanding in the backfield, always hitting hard when they blocked or tackled. Vick also showed up very well for the short time he was in there. Patton and Moore played a very good defensive game on line.

The Badgers would march down the field, with the greatest of ease, taking five, ten or fifteen yards, at a play and then something would blow up, and just wouldn't let them cross over.

The substitutions for Merkel were: Morgan for W. B. Toombs, S. Toombs for Joyner, Vick for Blair, Carson for V. Barnett, Malone for M. Toombs, G. Barnett for K. Pangle and Mansfield for Patton.

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|------------------|--------|-------------|
| Merkel           | Anson  |             |
| Paul Riney       | LE     | Reynolds    |
| K. Pangle        | LT     | Curtis      |
| V. Barnett       | LG     | Hartwick    |
| L. V. Moore      | C      | Sosebee     |
| M. Toombs        | RG     | Hughes      |
| M. Patton        | RT     | Wray        |
| V. Joyner        | RE     | Hawthorne   |
| R. Higgins       | (c) FB | Sasser      |
| R. T. Blair      | QB     | Hendricks   |
| W. B. Toombs     | HB     | Castles (c) |
| Z. Robertson (c) | HB     | Grey        |

### THANKS.

Supt. Burgess, Coaches Hutto and Myers and the football team of Merkel High wish to express sincere appreciation to the many Merkel business men for contributing the warm-up hoods to the 1935 and future Badgers.

### CHORAL CLUB.

The Girls Choral club is better balanced in voices, according to Mrs. Haynes, than it has been in several years.

New books have been received, officers named, and the club has begun in a progressive way.

### JUNIOR NEWS.

The Junior class is very proud of its sponsor for the term of 1935-36. She has lots of patience with all the students. I don't believe there is a single student that does not love and respect the Junior sponsor.

Weldon Davis, one of the Junior class members, has returned from Ropes, where he has been for the past three weeks.

Murphy Dye is a lady's man, but he says he has lost his sex appeal. Lloyd Vick maybe a boxer but he had better look out for John Malone is a natural born fighter and is ready to show his makings.

"Mr. Coffman and Mr. Hutto are going to be good friends if Mr. Hutto will keep his mouth shut," so says Mr. Coffman.

Sis Gamble is a great help to everyone this year. She invites each and everyone of you to come to her if you need help.

By watching Mr. Hutto at the Dramatic club, I believe he liked the refreshments.

Ask Nell Pruitt who caught her sliding down the mountain.

Size doesn't mean everything. You can tell by looking at Sis Gamble and Janet Berry.

We wonder just how long Stanley Toombs will go to Goodman (the hill) without bringing something back.

At the election of the Sophomore beauty last year, it was believed that Betty Grimes, De La Vergne Teague and Mary Frances Cook would run a close race for Junior beauty this year. However, I believe that some of the girls from Stith and other such places are going to be playing heads up at the run-off.

Something has to be done. The Junior girls are leaving the Junior boys. The boys are going to have to slick their hair and wear their Sunday

### Our Seniors

#### Alice Carey.

This is Alice's third successive and successful year in Merkel High school. In case you don't know her, she is that curly-headed little girl who rides the bus in from Union Ridge. She has taken part in declamation and essay writing for several years and this is her second year in the Dramatic club. Her initiative and efficiency will always distinguish her wherever she goes.

#### Lucy Faye Russom.

Lucy Faye, who lives at Butman, has attended Merkel High for three years, during which time she has acquired many true friends. For two years, she has been a member of the Dramatic club. She intends to be a nurse, as one might well guess from her willingness to work and desire to help others.

best to school to get the Junior girls to even notice them.

#### P. S. The reporter is a boy.

#### HEROES IN ANSON GAME:

Dick West grabbed the waterbucket, jumped over the bench and ran 45 yards for a bucket of water.

J. G.: "So you've quit smoking because of your doctor's orders."

Oscar: "Yeah, he says all the cigarettes on the sidewalks have germs on them."

Betty Grimes: "Oh, you mean to say that I will never see your face again."

Murphy D.: "Yes."

Betty: "Why?"

Murphy: "I am going, yes I am going."

Betty: "Where are you going?"

Murphy: "I am going to raise whiskers."

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- Household Magazine... 2 Yrs.
- Needlecraft... 2 Yrs.
- Cloverleaf Review... 2 Yrs.
- Home Circle... 2 Yrs.
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- Check 1 magazine thus (X)

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- Progressive Farmer... 2 Yrs.
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- The Country Home... 1 Yr.
- Cloverleaf Review... 1 Yr.
- American Poultry Journal... 1 Yr.
- The Farm Journal... 1 Yr.
- Gopher's Farmer... 1 Yr.
- Gentlewoman Magazine... 1 Yr.
- Good Stories... 1 Yr.
- Home Circle... 1 Yr.
- Household Magazine... 1 Yr.
- Illustrated Mechanics... 1 Yr.
- Mother's Home Life... 1 Yr.
- Needlecraft... 1 Yr.
- Successful Farming... 1 Yr.
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BIGBEE-GRAYSON.

A wedding of interest to a large number of friends was solemnized on Monday evening when Miss Altie Grayson became the bride of Leon Bigbee. The ceremony was read in the home of Rev. O. B. Tatum at 7:30 in the presence of only close friends and relatives, the Rev. Tatum officiating. Mrs. Bigbee is the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Grayson of this place while Mr. Bigbee is a progressive young farmer of the Hodges community. Those in attendance at the wedding were Misses Flora Vaughn and Nellie Bigbee, Messrs. Jake Melton and Eddie Melton, all of Hodges.

**HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB.**

The Merkel Home Demonstration Club met last Thursday in the home of Mrs. T. J. R. Swafford. Miss Lottie Butman was elected delegate to the mattress school to be held in Abilene Friday, October 18, and plans were discussed for the club cook book. Each member is requested to bring all her prize recipes to the next meeting. Every one that is interested in roses is urged to be at the next meeting, which will be on October 21 at 2 p. m. at Mrs. L. J. Renfro's. The club has special rates on all kinds of roses.

Refreshments of apple pie topped with whipped cream, and coffee were served to Mesdames C. P. Church, George White, Joe Owens, L. J. Renfro, E. B. Wallace, W. L. Blair, and Miss Lottie Butman and the hostess.

**STUDIES VOICE.**

The many friends of Mrs. Homer Patterson will be interested to learn that while sojourning in sunny California she is continuing the study of voice. Mr. and Mrs. Patterson have made arrangements for her lessons in the Mebane Beasley studios in Hollywood to continue until after Thanksgiving. Mrs. Patterson is at present residing at 5337 Harcourt Ave., Los Angeles.

**PERSONALS**

Miss Mary Lee Johnson of Cisco was the week-end guest of Miss Elva McMillen. Mrs. M. A. Dunn has as her guest her cousin, Miss Oneita Allen, of Royse City.

After a visit here with his sister, Mrs. Duncan Briggs, G. L. Browning has returned to Aransas Pass. J. N. Carson left Monday for Oklahoma City to attend the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Jessie Minton. Mrs. Joe Harris of Tullia, a former Merkel resident, is here visiting her son, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Harris. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. King of Fort Worth were week-end guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. King. Mrs. R. A. McCollum of Texline is here spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Wheeler.

Miss Billye Derr spent last week-end in Haskell visiting her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Adkins and family.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Buchanan of Caddo were guests one night this week of Mrs. Buchanan's brother, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cook.

Friends are glad to see Sam Bankston again at home, he having recently returned from the Veterans hospital at Muskogee, Okla.

After spending several months with her sister, Miss Dota Garoutte, Mrs. S. G. Vaughan left Thursday on the Sunshine Special for her home in South Gate, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Spears visited their son, H. E. Spears, and family at Valera last week. While there Tom Spears also attended the Coleman county singing convention.

Mrs. Della Campbell, who had been visiting her sisters, Misses Mossie and Eula Sears, here, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bragg Sunday on their return to Chillicothe.

Mrs. R. E. Cole had as her guests last week her sister, Mrs. E. E. Kiser, of Los Angeles, Calif., whom she had not seen for 16 years, and the latter's daughter, Mrs. Byron Gardner, of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bragg and son, Wallace Granville, of Chillicothe, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Clark Jones and son, Jerry, of Rock Springs, Okla., spent the week-end here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. George Groene spent several days here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Groene, before leaving for Tampico, Mexico, where George has accepted employment with the Tampico Electric company, his former employers.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Beckett and children of El Paso who spent the week-end here with Mrs. Beckett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Warren, left Sunday for Big Spring. After

**Tent Theatre Offers "The Family Sap" For Friday Night's Bill**

"Family Sap," announced as the feature play of the week, is to be presented Friday night by the Kennedy Sisters Stock company playing this city in their own tent theatre under the auspices of the Merkel Volunteer Fire department.

A modern story of family life in New York City, "The Family Sap" is said to be chock full of comedy as well as being a genuinely exciting drama.

For the merchants matinee on Saturday afternoon the presentation will be "Three Little Words," and the concluding bill on Saturday night is "Nine O'clock Town."

Spending the night with Kirby's mother there, they went on to El Paso Monday.

Dr. M. Armstrong returned Wednesday from Fort Worth, where he had gone Monday, accompanied by Mrs. Armstrong to visit their son, Dr. Frank Armstrong, and family. Returning Mrs. Armstrong stopped at Cisco for a visit with their daughter, Mrs. Johnny Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Richardson left Wednesday morning for Austin where they will make their home. The Richardsons had resided here for many years, Mr. Richardson having been manager of the Wm. P. Carey Lumber Co. up to the time the concern sold their yard here. Merkel regrets to lose these good people, but wishes them well in their new home.

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**CHURCH SERVICES**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.**

Reports from the six Sunday Schools here show an attendance of 669 last Sunday, as compared with 604 on the previous Sunday. On the same Sunday a year ago 786 were present.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.** Sunday School at 10 a. m. If you are not in Sunday School elsewhere, a special invitation is extended to come and join a class in our Sunday School. Regular attendance at Sunday School and church services will mean much to a young person in forming one's habits in after life; so get the habit now. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. by the pastor. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. You are cordially invited to all of these services. R. A. Walker, Pastor.

**METHODIST CHURCH.** Sunday School 9:45 a. m. The attendance was better last Sunday, but it should be better next Sunday. Why not come and help make it so? Preaching at 11 a. m. There will be an out of town preacher with us for the 11 o'clock service. You will miss a good message if you are not at church. Come and be with us. There are but a few more Sundays of this conference year. Let's make them count much in the church. P. H. Gates, Pastor.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.** Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. BTS at 6:30 p. m. WMU at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon. Prayer meeting at 7:15 Wednesday night.

**ALATHEAN CLASS.** We were proud of our class last

Sunday. Be present next Sunday at 10 o'clock. Mrs. Meek has charge of the lesson. Remember our business and social meeting is October 23. Let's all be present. Come and hear the announcement as to the place and hour we will have our class meeting.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST.** Bible classes 10 a. m. Lord's day, preaching 11 a. m., young people's program at 6:30, preaching at 7:30 p. m. Bible study, prayer and song service Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. The Elders.

**NORTHSIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.** We completed the book of Revelation in our Bible School Sunday, followed by a message on "The Book of Revelation" by the pastor. We were made to rejoice Sunday night as our tabernacle was filled with a great throng of people eager to hear the word of God preached. Brother Ernest Dowell brought an inspiring message on "Magnifying the Lord in My Flesh." The Lord is blessing us wonderfully and we ask you to pray for us. Our subject for next Sunday evening will be "The Clarion Call." Preaching Saturday night at 7:30. Bible School Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Singing every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Come and worship with us. Bill Dowell, Pastor.

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**County HDC Council Outlines Year's Work**

At a meeting of the Taylor county home demonstration council, held Saturday afternoon in the city hall, at Abilene, Miss Vara Crippen, county agent, presented an outline for the current year's work, with bedroom improvement and food conservation as main projects.

Miss Lola Ohlhausen, president, read a report of the state treasurer of home demonstration work in Texas, who is Alberta Watson. Miss Crippen read a letter from Mrs. Maggie Barry of the extension service, concerning preliminary drill in the council. A report on a recreational meeting was given by Mrs. L. A. Grimes, recreational chairman. Resignation of Mrs. L. A. Groene, chairman of the finance committee, was accepted and Mrs. C. E. Hicks was appointed to fill the vacancy. Miss Ohlhausen presented

plans for the financing of year book publication.

Those present were: Mesdames Phil Jeffries, Frank McBryde, Turner's Chapel; C. P. Church, L. J. Renfro, Merkel; L. W. Mansfield, Iberis; C. G. Smith, R. E. Carroll, C. J. Hill, Hamby; J. T. Smith, Tom Moore, Tye; C. F. Briggs, J. D. Hamilton, L. A. Grimes, Leslie Grimes, Wylie; T. L. Hamilton, C. E. Hicks, Colony Hill; W. H. Blackburn, Elmdale; H. B. Robertson, Salt Branch; Miss Ohlhausen, Iberis, and Miss Crippen.

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| <b>Grapes</b>                     | 2 lbs. ----- <b>15c</b>               | <b>Oranges</b>                  | Dozen ----- <b>15c</b>          |
| Marsh Seedless                    |                                       | Med. size Jonathans             |                                 |
| <b>Grape Fruit</b>                | Extra large size ----- <b>10c</b>     | <b>Apples</b>                   | 2 dozen ----- <b>25c</b>        |
| Nice and tender                   |                                       | Extra nice                      |                                 |
| <b>Green Beans</b>                | 2 pounds ----- <b>25c</b>             | <b>Bananas</b>                  | Dozen ----- <b>15c</b>          |
| Table                             |                                       | <b>FLOUR</b>                    |                                 |
| <b>Salt</b>                       | 3 boxes ----- <b>10c</b>              | Choose For Yourself From Our    |                                 |
| Baking Powder                     |                                       | 5 POPULAR BRANDS                |                                 |
| <b>K. C.</b>                      | 25 oz. can ----- <b>18c</b>           | <b>Bewley's Best</b>            |                                 |
|                                   |                                       | <b>Pillsbury Best</b>           |                                 |
| <b>PORK</b>                       |                                       | <b>American Beauty</b>          |                                 |
| <b>and</b>                        |                                       | <b>Bob White</b>                |                                 |
| <b>BEANS</b>                      |                                       | 24 lb. sack ----- <b>\$1.20</b> |                                 |
| <b>16 oz. can ----- 5c</b>        |                                       | 48 lb. sack ----- <b>\$2.20</b> |                                 |
|                                   |                                       | Light Crust                     |                                 |
| <b>Peanut</b>                     | 2 lbs. ----- <b>29c</b>               | 24 lb. sack ----- <b>\$1.25</b> |                                 |
| <b>Butter</b>                     | quart jar ----- <b>29c</b>            | 48 lb. sack ----- <b>\$2.30</b> |                                 |
| <b>Crackers</b>                   | A-1 Saltines ----- <b>19c</b>         |                                 |                                 |
|                                   | 2 pound box -----                     |                                 |                                 |
| <b>Shortening</b>                 | Armours or Swifts ----- <b>\$1.05</b> |                                 |                                 |
| <b>Flour, Bonanza, 48 lbs.</b>    |                                       |                                 | <b>\$1.85</b>                   |
| Large cans                        |                                       | Sour mixed                      |                                 |
| <b>Chili</b>                      | Each ----- <b>15c</b>                 | <b>Pickles</b>                  | Full quart jar ----- <b>15c</b> |
| Tall cans                         |                                       | 14 oz. bottle                   |                                 |
| <b>Mackerel</b>                   | 3 for ----- <b>25c</b>                | <b>Catsup</b>                   | 2 for ----- <b>25c</b>          |
| Apple                             |                                       | Prepared, quart jar             |                                 |
| <b>Butter</b>                     | 33 Oz. jar ----- <b>21c</b>           | <b>Mustard</b>                  | 2 for ----- <b>25c</b>          |
| Pure Ribbon Cane                  |                                       | Pure Strawberry                 |                                 |
| <b>Syrup</b>                      | Gallon ----- <b>63c</b>               | <b>Preserves</b>                | Gallon can ----- <b>\$1.25</b>  |
| A dandy value                     |                                       | Market Day                      |                                 |
| <b>Brooms</b>                     | Each ----- <b>29c</b>                 | <b>Raisins</b>                  | 4 lb. pkg. ----- <b>29c</b>     |
| Elfood                            |                                       | 14 oz. can                      |                                 |
| <b>S. Dressing</b>                | Quart jar ----- <b>31c</b>            | <b>Tom. Juice</b>               | 3 for ----- <b>25c</b>          |
| <b>Soap Flakes, 5 lb. package</b> |                                       |                                 | <b>35c</b>                      |
| <b>Folger's Coffee</b>            |                                       | <b>2 lb. can</b>                | <b>59c</b>                      |
|                                   |                                       | Drift or Perculator             |                                 |
| <b>Macaroni, Skinner's 16 oz.</b> |                                       |                                 | <b>15c</b>                      |

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