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MERKEL, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JULY 16, 1948.

On the "Broadway of America"

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NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. William Jessup and Mrs. F. E. Birkhead, all of Eastland, visited Sunday with Mrs. M. F.

Visitors the past week-end with relatives here were Mrs. T. C. Jinkens, Jr., and Mrs. Ruby McGuire, of Fort Worth.

with his sisters, Mrs. Sam Hill and Tuesday night. Mrs. Claude Warren and their families. Also visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Warren and family terval for a business session in which querque, N. M., and Mrs. D. Mc. awards are to be presented. Allister of Cross Plains.

and Bob, have returned from Santa accompanied Mr. and Mrs. F. O. heading to serve as chairman: Scoggins and Supt. and Mrs. R. D. Lee of Monahans.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Seago and Frank Breaux. family, of Odessa, were week-end guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hughes, Meyer Mellinger. C. W. Seago. Guests Friday night in the Seago home were Mrs. Dean Hoyt Byrd, Bob Fowler. Seago and Strawnie.

Mrs. Julius Smith visited her Shepperd, Fred Starbuck. mother, Mrs. D. C. Batey, and other relatives of Fort Worth. She was accompanied by her son, Calvin.

Visiting with Mrs. J. Ben Campbell are her sister, Mrs. V. T. Witcher, of Ivanhoe, and her niece. Mrs. Pearl Arie, and son, Clifford, of er. Bonham.

panied her son, Kirby Steadman, on his return home to Los Alamos, N. M., after his visit here over the July Fourth week-end, stopped by Albuquerque, N. M., to visit her sister, Mrs. Grayden Daniels, and arrived home Tuesday.

W. T. McAninch arrived here on Monday from a visit with his daugh. Sheppard, H. O. Boney, Joe Cypert. liked there. ter, Mrs. Clark Davidson, of Standish, Mich., who with her little son, Gamble, R. A. McCollum. Larry, accompanied him home. While calgan, he also visited his brothe , Fred McAninch, at Detroit. Mr. McApinch made the trip to Michigan with another daugnter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Taylor, of Blueridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Strawn, accompanied by H. L. and Carolyn Mc-Ree, were visitors last week with Mr. and Mrs. James Strawn at El Paso, and while there also visited White Sands in New Mexico.

Foy Smith from Fort Worth was home to see his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Smith, during the 4th of July week-end holiday.

Accompanying her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Baker John C. Crain Named of Abilene, Mrs. Earl Hughes left Thursday for Georgetown to attend the Baker family reunion at the old home place o fher parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Largent, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. C. J. Howerton, of Alamo, and their granddaughter, Sharon Imes of Abilene, were off Monday for Buena Vista, Colo., for a summer vacation. They stopped at Folsom, N. M., to visit their son, Joe Largent and wife, and were joined there by their grandson, Tommy Largent.

E. O. Carson, who was visiting in LaJunta, Colo., with his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Carson, accompanied the latter to Merkel last Saturday and, at the conclusion of her visit here with relatives, will return with her to La-Junta and continue his contemplated trip through the mountain states and on to California.

Mrs. John Woodrum of Abilene, accompanied by her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kimbrough, who are making her a vacation visit from Kalamozoo, Mich., were week-end guests of Mrs. Adah Heeter and Miss Sadie Woodrum.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Thornton have Mrs. Floyd McCoy, of Anson.

J. L. McLean, accompanied by his granddaughter, Vernelle McLean, ciation. left Monday night for Vancouver, Wash., to visit relatives.

Mrs. Ennis Reidenbach and Mrs. Ruby Jinkens left Sunday morning for a week's visit with relatives in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Renfro, Edwin and Gerald, returned Saturday from a three-weeks' visit to the Pacific coast. In California, they visited three sisters and a brother of Mrs. Fire Causes Slight Renfro and went on to Spokane, Wash., to visit their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Tiede, and family.

C. J. Glover was a week-end visitor with a sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. the home of Mrs. M. T. Millican, 407 eted to 89 this week, the heaviest at-Little and family, in Dallas, where Rose street, from a fire which start- tack of the disease for any week this he also met his other sister. Mrs. ed while she was burning a wasp year, State Health Officer George New Brunswick, N. J., where they Eva Prendergast, of Austin.

PERSONAL NEWS MAKING PLANS FOR WATERMELON PARTY TUESDAY

Ladies' Night of Merkel Lions Club Set for Next Meeting, To be Held at Community Center; Starting Time, 8:15.

A watermelon supper with games as added diversion is being planned Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Slough of Fort for Ladies' night of the Merkel Worth visited over the week-end Lions club at the Community Cente

The evening's entertainment will begin at 8:15, with only a brief inwere Mrs. Maymie Hinds of Albu- attendance pins and other special

The following list of standing Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Benson, Ann committees was announced Monday by Fresident Edwin E. Read, the Fe, Tacs and Red River, N. M. They first named under each committee Attendance-Earl Hughes, C. H.

Collingsworth, Forrest Glen Barnett, Extension-Henry C. West, Earl

Lions education - Ray Program-David Gamble, Riggs

Convention-E. O. Carson, L. V. Moore, Milton Case.

Food- Herman Carson, Lester Dorton, P. W. Miller. Boys and Girls work - Johnny Hammond, Milton Case, Nolan Palm

Civic improvement-Dee Grimes Mrs. W. J. Bicknell, who accom- Nolan Palmer, Norman Hodge. Education - R. A. McCollum Wrenn Durham, Riggs Shepperd. Safety - E. L. McLeod, Raloh

Tarpley, Charles Curb. Agricultural - C. H. Collinsworth, P. C. Wylie, S. D. Gamble, Booth Warren.

Constitution and bylaws- A. T.

Membership - Doyle Seifried, J. L. Fisher, H. O. Boney. Publicity - C. J. Glover, N. T. Hodge, Wrenn Durham.

Greeter - Lester Dorton, C. J Glover, Dee Grimes, Booth Warren. Blind work - Dr. H. F. Byrd, Johnny Hammond, Ray Wilson.

Citizenship and patriotism - P. W. Miller, Holt Vaughn, A. J. Can-

Community betterment - Jack F. Miller, Grif Barnett, Ben R. Hicks. Health and welfare - Dr. W. T. Sadler, Dr. Jim Carter, Joe Cypert. Boy Scout - Frank Breaux, P. C. Wylie, E. O. Carson, Clyde Bartlett.

Taylor FHA Member

Appointment of John C. Crain of Route 1. Trent, to a three-year term on the Farmers Home Administration county committee for Taylor county was announced Monday by L. J. Cappleman, state director.

Mr. Crain succeeds Dewel Mc-Lean, Route 4, Merkel, whose term expired June 30. Also on the committee are L. A. Groene of Route 3 Abilene, and Billie McCasland of Star Route, Guion. A committee of three serves in each agricultural county throughout the nation in which the agency makes farm ownership and operating loans. Appointments are scheduled so that a committee always has two experienced members.

Roy Largent Chairman Of Fair Hereford Show

Rey Largent, well known Hereford breeder and one of three accredited judges in Texas, has been named chairman of the West Texas Fair Hereford show, to be held on as their guests this week, Mr. and Sept. 27 to Oct. 2, it was announced last week-end by D. H. Jefferies, of Abilene, president of the fair asso-

wick of Albany, president of the shall, James Nelson, July 11; L. G. West Texas Hereford association, Stuterville, George Houser, Mrs. E. and Mrs. Rupert Harkrider, of Abilene, secretary.

been posted for the show.

Damage to Porch Roof

Only slight damage resulted Wednesday morning to the porch roof at nest. .

Leads Revival



REV. J. E. PERRYMAN, JR. The revival at the Church of the Nazarene is progressing nicely, with R. T. Smith, reports. "There have Upper Hope. been five professions of faith up to!

date," he said. ed in other services to attend each abandoned Tuesday. Total depth was service possible." he continued," as Rev. Mr. Perryman is a good preacher and is only 19 years old." The services will continue through

Joint Revival Begins July 16 at Butman

The Nubia and White Church Methodist churches will hold a joint revival at the Butman tabernacle, beginning July 16 and continuing on through July 24. Evening services will begin at 8 o'clock.

Rev. J. M. Morrison, who resides near Slaton, will do the preaching. He was a resident of Mulberry Canyon a few years ago and is well

The latchstring is on the outsideeverybody is urged to come, the pastor. Rev. Douglass Gossett, an-

Trent Baptist Revival July 22 Through Aug. 1

Trent, July 15 .- With Rev. Olie T. Brown, of Rotan, as the preacher, a revival will begin Thursday, July 22, and continue through Aug. 1, at the First Baptist church of Trent, it is announced by the pastor, Rev. B. L. Higdon. Thurman Upshaw of Hardin-Simmons university, Abilene, will lead the singing.

Services will be held twice daily, at 10 a. m. and 8 p. m. Every one is cordially urged to attend.

Methodist Revival to Begin Friday at Stith

The Stith Methodist church will begin a revival Friday night, July 16, to close Sunday night, July 25. The pastor, Rev. A. B. Armstrong, will do the preaching and services will be held twice daily, at 10:30 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. Every one is given a cordial invitation to attend.

Brother-in-law Here Visiting T. H. Spears

T. H. Spears and his brother-inlaw, W. Z. Littleton, of Blountsville. this year. Total for the 1948 crop Ala., who is here on a visit, have re- was 70 cars, according to Clyde turned from a two-weeks' visit with Richards, local T. and P. agent. relatives at Wellington, Lubbock Slaton, Big Spring and Killeen, having also visited locally with Mrs. Jaycees Schedule Two Audie Halford in Abilene and Mrs. Ira Stanley at Stith, daughters of Mr. Spears.

Mr. Littleton plans to visit an aunt in Dallas and old friends in Little Rock, Ark., as he returns home.

Hospital Notes.

Mrs. Jodie Clark entered Sadler hospital last Friday for surgery. Tentative plans for the show were | Patients received during the week made at a recent meeting attended for treatment were: C. B. Rust, Jr., by Largent, Jefferies, Horace Sed- Johnny Frazier, July 8; Ira Mar-L. Marshall, Beall and Danabeth Orr, July 12; S. D. Gamble, J. H. Harris, A premium list totaling \$3,500 has July 13; Leonard Beebe, Gloria Teaff, Charlene Lawson, Glenda Faye Pribble, of Pasadena, Texas, July 14. Linda Daughtery of Abilene received a tonsillectomy Satur-

> Polio Cases Show Increase. Austin, July 15 .- Polio cases rock-W. Cox said Wednesday.

FINDLEY TEST DRILLING AHEAD AT 2630 DEPTH

Flurry of Excitement Follows When Sand Section Reached at 2303-29; Drillstem Test Revealed Lots of Salt Water.

At mid-morning Thursday, the B. F. Findley No. 1 Mrs. S. J. Dalton, in the southeast part of town, about which a flurry of excitement centered Monday afternoon and night, was reported drilling at 2,630 feet, with no further showing of consequences. A drillstem test of the sand section from 2,303-29, which was cored Monday afternoon, showed only

trace of oil and lots of salt water. The Phillips Petroleum Company No. 2 Craig Humphreys, one location west of the multi-pay No. 1, on a drillstem test at 2.612 feet Wednesincreasing interest, the pastor, Rev. day afternoon gave no show in the

Geochemical Surveys et al No. 1 F. T. Hogan, southeast offset to the "We invite all who are not engag- No. 1 Humphreys, was plugged and 3,000 feet and no shows were logged. Four drillstem tests were made, but all showed salt water.

City to Receive Bids For Oil Lease on Park

Bids are to be received by the city council at its meeting Monday night for oil and gas leases on the city-owned land in the southeast part of town, known as Memorial park. The tract includes lots one to five and lots seven to twelve of Block E of the G. W. Boyce First Addition to the town of Merkel.

Clyde Grant Again Heads RC Chapter

Civde Gram of Abilene was elected chairman of the Taylor County Chapter of the American Red Cross at the annual meeting held last Friday night in Elliott's hand of Memories, Abilene.

Other officers chosen for the new Red Cross year were Mrs. Morgan Jones, of Abilene, first vice-chairman, (re-elected), C. J. Glover of Merkel, second vice-chairman; E. E. Hollingshead, of Abilene, fre-elected), treasurer, and Juanita Daniels, Abilene, secretary.

Advisory board members named were Jack Rudd, Roscoe Blankenship, John Pope, Grover Nelson and Bob Wylie.

Included in the personnel of 15 Hughes and S. D. Gamble, Merkel, and Tom Williamson of Trent. The monthly meeting of the ex-

ecutive board is held on the third Friday of each month, but owing to the fact that the annual meeting was held last week the July meeting will be dispensed with, Chairman Grant has announced.

Total of 70 Cars 1948 Wheat Shipped

As compared with shipment of 128 cars last year, only a little more than one half that number of cars of wheat were shipped from Merke!

Week-end Home Games

The Merkel Jaycees have two home afternoon Loraine will offer the op-In a 10-inning affair Tuesday

night, the Jaycees bested the Mexican Loboes, 6-5.

Former Merkel Girl **Highly Complimented**

Mrs. W. P. Ricamore, of New Brunswick, N. J. daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Gardner, was accorded a merited distinction in having been selected as chief assistant to Dr. Babcock, head of the research department in Rutgers university, New Brunswick, N. J., and she has already assumed her duties.

Her husband, Lieutenant Ricamore, is stationed at Camp Kilmer,

Demo Nominees





SEN, ALBEN W. BARKLEY

Lions Club Sponsors

The Merkel Lions club will again. returns from the first Democratic primary, to be held Saturday of rext week, July 24.

The election board will be post ed on Luther Land's truck, in front of the Merkel Motor company, and returns are expected to begin coming in around 8 p. m.

Lion President Edwin E. Read announced the following special committee appointed to handle the details: C. J. Glover, Lester Dorton, Wrenn Durham, Doyle Seifried, Riggs Shepperd and Luther Land.

Singing at Golan.

A singing is announced for Sun day afternoon at 3 e'clock at the general board members are Earl Golan church house, Several visiting singers, including a quartet, are going to be there, F. E. Sipe, member of the local committee, reports.

Record of Births.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Black Thursday, July 8, 1948. Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Lester Sell

ers, Thursday, July 8, 1948. Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Wash burn, Tuesday, July 13, 1948.

TRUMAN CHOSEN TO HEAD TICKET 1948 CAMPAIGN

Kentucky Senator Selected as Running Mate; Following Nomination, President Calls Special Session of Congress-

Philadelphia, Pa., July 15 .- Running true to his publicly expressed prediction, Harry S. Truman was nominated on the first ballot as the Democratic standard-bearer for 1948 at the party's 30th national convention which adjourned at 1:30 a. m.

In harness with him will be Senator Alben W. Barkley of Kentucky, nominated for the vice-presidency by acclamation.

The President's name was put in nomination by Gev. Phil Donnelly of Missouri as "the man of the people." Charles J. Bloch, vice-chairman of the Georgia delegation, placed the name of Senator Richard Russell of Georgia in nomination for the first place on the party's ticket.

The President, who had come up by train from Washington, with Mrs. Truman and Margaret, accepted the nomination, at the same time flinging a challenge at the Republican opposition with a call for a special session July 26 of the Congress he has labeled "the second worst in

Official tally of the roll-call vote nominating Mr. Truman was: Truman, 94712; Russell, 263; McNutt, ; not voting, 23.

The Texas delegation, with a unanimous show of hands at a ficer caucus soon after the start of the Wednesday night session, settled on Senator Russell

The delegation or its leaders had given their nod to Gen. Dwight Eisenhower, Gov. Ben Lancy of Arkansas Election Party July 24 and Sen. Barkley of Kentucky at various times during the week.

J. M. Carrs Entertain Three Recent Visitors

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Carr are their grandson, Eugene Steiner, of Rotan, and Mrs. Carr's daughter, Miss Clara Fay Deutschman, who is beginning her senior year in the St. Joseph School of Nursing in Fort Worth.

Also visiting in the Carr home is Mr. Carr's mother, Mrs. F. E. Orr, who has also been visiting in the homes of two other sons, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carr of Merkel and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Carr of Abilene.

John Mansfield Attends State Firemen's School

Chief John Mansfield of the Merkel Volunteer Fire department, left Monday for College Station to attend the Firemen's Training school, conducted annually at A. and M. college. He was accompanied by his

They are expected to arrive home Friday.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From Files of The Merkel Mail, July 20, 1928.)

ROYALTY SOLD FOR \$32,000.00

J. W. Tiner, upon whose 371 acre farm is located Hucony and Atkin- and plenty of them in one night. The son and Sandefer's No. 1 Tiner, other Bills making the trip were; which is producing more than 400 Bill Cox, Bill Sadler, Bill Sheppard barrels daily, has just sold half of and Bill Brown. games scheduled for the coming his royalty under a 320 acre tract week-end. On Friday night, they he owns approximately a half mile play Trent here, and on Sunday north of the producer for \$32,000.00, according to authentic reports. Mr. Tiner had already sold half of his royalty under the 371 acre tract and he has now realized more than \$70,000 from royalties and retains

LITTLE GIRL INJURED.

The little two and a half year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Toombs, who reside three miles southwest of this city, was seriously injured last Sunday when knocked monies. down and run over by some horses that were being turned into the pas-

For a day or so it was thought that the little girl would not recover but she is now improving and will likely soon be up again.

John West, Booth Warren, W. H. Laney, F. C. McFarland and a bunch Knufer, pastor.

of Bills made a fishing trip to the Concho river near Paint Rock where they claim they caught some big fish

NEW CATHOLIC CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED SUNDAY.

On next Sunday will be held the formal opening and blessing of the newly erected Catholic church in the southwest part of the city. The building is dedicated to the Blessed Mother of Christ.

The Rt. Rev. J. P. Lynch, D. D., Bishop of Dallas, assisted by the Rev. H. Knufer of Abilene and the Rev. Y. Ruano of Ranger, will be in attendance at the dedication cere-

The sacrifice of the Holy Mass will be celebrated by Father Ruano with organ music and singing by the Abilene choir from Sacred Heart

The building is a frame structure in the Spanish style. The public is very cordially invited to this unusual and unique celebration .- Rev. H.

The Merkel Mail

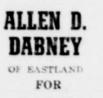
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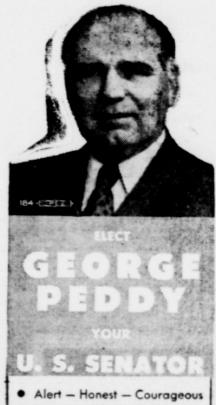
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Churches

Attendance at the seven reporting Sunday Schools last Sunday was \$2.00 | 664 as compared with 674 on the pro-\$2.50 vious Sunday. The attendance on the same Sunday a year ago was 696.

> PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Gordon

METHODIST CHURCH. Church School 10 a. m. Morning The United States now has an worship 11. Youth Fellowship 7:00 Mondays, 2 p. m. Mid-week prayer Wednesdays, 7:00 p. m.

R. L. Butler, Pastor

CHURCH OF CHRIST. Bible School 9:45 a. m. Sunday. Blair. Worship 10:50 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Young People's meeting 7:15 p. m Prayer meeting Wednesday, 8:00

Troy M. Cummings, Minister.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning sermon at 11. Training U..ion at 7:00 p. m. Evening sermon at 8:00. Prayer meeting at 8:00 Wednesday evening. Merle Weathers, Pastor.

week prayer meeting at 7:00 Wed-

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Mid-

nesday evening. A. T. Suskey, Pastor.

PERSONALS

Recent visitors with Mrs. M. F. Bell were Mrs. Alvin Lay of Big Spring, Mrs. M. R. McDonald of McAdoo and Mrs. Joe Shelton and family of Abilene.

R. C. Young, of Duncan, Okla., a former resident of Merkel, is here visiting with his sister-in-law, Mrs. J. A. Milliken, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Blanton of Loco Hills, N. M. are spending their vacation here with her mother, Mrs. Kate Masters.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Carson, who vacationed this week at Ruidoso, and Fort Sumner, N. M., are expected home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Mathews and son, Roy Kent, of Monahans, were visitors this week with their laughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jerroll Stallo, and also with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Mathews and Mr. and Mrs. W. L.

Adding machine rolls, 15 cents each, at Merkel Mail office.

LOCAL NEWS BRIEFS

Tom Malone announces the re opening of the Malone garage, or North Third street, between Edwards and Lamar. His advertisement appears elsewhere in this issue of The Merkel Mail.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Services Thursday 7:45 p. m. H. S. Earp, Pastor.

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REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

of Merkel, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on June 30, 1948 published in response to call made by the Comptroller of the Currency, under section 5211. U. S. Revised Statutes.

1. Cash, batances with other banks, including reserve balance,

and cash items in process of collection ... _81,186,646.1 United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed 1,653,077.28 3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions

6. Corporate stocks (including \$3,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve Bank) 391,222.03 6. Loans and discounts (including \$703.64 overdrafts) 7. Furniture and fixtures

4,000.00 \$3,268,559.09 TOTAL ASSETS LIABILITIES 13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, \$3,009,143.23 and corporations

15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings) Deposits of States and political subdivisions 18. Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)

TOTAL LIABILITIES CAPITAL ACCOUNTS 5. Capital Stock: 50,000.00 (c). Common stock, total par \$50,000.00 50,000.00 Undivided profits \$ 135,000.00 3. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS \$3,268,559.09 MEMORANDUM 31. Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Taylor, ss: I, Geo. 7. Moore, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. GEO. T. MOORE, Cashier. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of July, 1948.

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W. S. J. Brown

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Taylor County Settlers Reunion at Buffalo Gap

of this week, July 16.

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arm Bureau Members Plan Big Get-Together

Taylor County Farm Bureau members, their families and guests, will have a big get-together and barbecue at the Taylor County Old Settlers' Reunion grounds at Buffalo Gap, July 22.

All Farm Bureau members and their families are expecting a great \$ 154,000.00 occasion, with plenty of music, fellowship and barbecue. Each farm family has been asked to invite another family, Ollie Higgins, president of the organization, said,

Many tons of gold and silver are lost annually through the rubbing to-

Birth Announced. Sgt. and Mrs. Odell Campbell are

announcing the arrival of a son, Ronald Odell, weighing six pounds, been invited to be present at the at Brooke General hospital, San Antonio. Maternal grandparents are Taylor County Old Settlers Reunion Mr. and Mrs. Rogers Grayson, while to be held at Buffalo Gap on Friday Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Campbell ere the paternal great-grandparents.

> See J. W. HAMMOND at the Ben Franklin store. if you are in the market for

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Moore Reunion Held At Seymour Park July 4

The Moore reunion was held July brother, W. H. Moore and family being four boys and one girl.

Searcey of Munday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Donaldson and baby Sue, of Ardmore. Okla.

After the big dinner was enjoyed and games played, several went in

Moores have ever had, but they hope to have many more in the future.

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Judge Hart Plans to Make Visit in County

Judge James P. Hart, who is seek-4th at the Seymour Park. Seven ing his first elective term as assosisters and one brother were present. ciate justice of the Supreme Court CITY OWNED LANDS. The sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Will Lewis of Texas, is planning to spend the of Roby, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Searcey week-end of July 17 in Abilene and and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Prof- Taylor county. Elaborate plans are it is advisable to make oil, gas, Hill and family, all of Munday, Mr. that time, and arrangements will and Mrs. T. J. White and family, be made for him to speak over the City of Merkel, hereby gives notice family of Cedar Hill and Dallas; the ranging in age from 6 to 18 years

Judge Hart was appointed to the Grandchildren present, who are state's highest court last October by narried: Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Parra- Governor Beauford Jester, succeednore and Peggy of Pensacola, Fla., ing Judge C. S. Slatton, who had Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mayfield and resigned. A native of Travis counfamily of Abilene, Mrs. Maggie Funk ty, Judge Hart is a graduate of the of Hemet, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Fred University of Texas and of the law school of Harvard university. For Others present were: Mr. and the past 20 years he has been engaged Mr. and Mrs. Tip Wamble and during that time he has served as sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Wallace greater part of his time has been the law.

swimming and some pictures were cal platform, but he promises complete impartiality between parties This is the first reunion the in any case, sincere devotion to the state and federal constitutions, deform to common sense and plain The maximum capacity of the Con- justice, willingness to write clear, are on such form as will be satisfacgressional Library at Washington is direct and understandable opinions, tory to the City of Merkel. The city

MOVIE CALENDAR -:- Q U E E N -:-

Friday - Saturday - Yvonne Dein Technicolor; Animal short subious Mr. M. Serial.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday Mary O'Hara's "Green-Grass Of Wyoming;" Color Cartoon and World News.

Wednesday - Thursday - Robert Mitchum, Jane Greer in "Out of The Past;" Latest March of Time, "The Fight Game" and Color Short.

"OUT OF THE PAST." The results of a former lapse bring

tragic disaster in RKO Radio's tense melodrama, "Out of the Past," costarring Robert Mitchum and Jane

Giving the two stars exceptional opportunities, with Miss Greer in the role of the treacherous but beautiful girl friend, the picture presents Kirk Douglas as the heavy, and Rhonda Fleming, Richard Webb. Steve Brodie and Virginia Huston in important supporting parts. Jacques Tourneur directed.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION OF CITY OF MERKEL TO RECEIVE BIDS FOR OIL AND GAS LEASES ON

The city of Merkel, a municipal corporation, having determined that fitt and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. being made to entertain him at and mineral leases on the hereinafter described lands belonging to the Abilene, Mrs. Samie Norwood of Ta- radio then. He will be accompanied of its intention to lease the following hoka, and Mrs. R. T. Parramore and by his wife. They have five children, lands or any part thereof, belonging to the City of Merkel, Taylor County, Texas, described as follows:

Lots One to Five inclusive and Lots Seven to Twelve inclusive of Block "E" of the G. W. Boyce First Addition to the Town of of Merkel, Taylor County, Texas.

The City of Merkel, here now gives notice by publication in The Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in the City of Merkel in the County of Mrs. L. L. Williams of Ballinger, in the practice of law in Austin, and Taylor, State of Texas, having general circulation therein, once a week daughter of Dallas, Miss Carlyene district attorney of Travis county, for a period of three consecutive Jones of Munday, and Roy Butler of special district judge elected by the weeks and designated after such pub-Sunset; one of Mrs. W. H. Moore's members of the Austin bar, and as lication that it will receive and consider bids for oil, gas and mineral and family of O'Brien; her niece, greater part of hi stime has been leases on the above described lands, spent in the general civil practice of at the City Hall in the City of Merkel, on the 19th day of July, 1948, Judge Hart does not believe that at 8 o'clock P. M. The bids for said a judge can properly have a politilease or leases will designate the primary terms of such lease or leases. together with the annual rental to be paid each year, and the form of the mineral lease or leases, to the end termination to have the law con- that the City of Merkel may determine whether or not the lease or leases a dignified and courteous attitude to- governing body will receive and conward all, a willingness to spend the sider all bids for the leasing of said ecessary time in arriving at correct lands which are advertised for lease, conclusions, and an unwillingness to and upon the discretion of the governbrook unnecessary delays in dispoling body shall award the lease or sition of cases. To that end, he leases to the highest and best bidder pledges to continue to devote his best therefor, considering the bonus, if any, to be paid, the rentals to le paid, the length of the lease, and the form of the lease. If, in the judgment of the governing body, the bids do not represent the fair value of such lease or leases, the governing body in its discretion may reject such Carlo, Jeffrey Lynn in "Black Bart" lease or leases, or any one of them, and may then give notice and call ject, Color Screen Song and Myster- for additional bids. A public hearing will be given on the date above

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mentioned, at the City Hall, as per the above notice. The mineral lease or leases will call for 1-8th royalty. Signed this, the 28th day of

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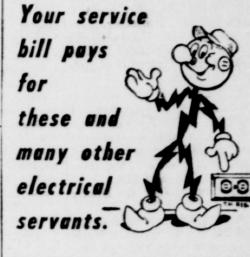


















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RURAL SOCIETY

BLUEBONNET CLUB. The Bluebonnet Home Demonstration club met July 6 in the club house, with the vice-president, Mrs. Wade Ensminger, presiding over the business session, Mrs. Ford Butman Jones County Sheriff: gave the council report.

Mrs. Ensminger brought up the Ben F. Bailey subject of sending a box to an Irish "Anson, Texas, family, consisting of clothing or Every one wishing to contribute to County. I have often remarked what this movement is asked to give the a good jailer you were. If you are articles to Mrs. Ensminger and she half as good sheriff, when elected, will pack them for mailing.

delegate for the state meeting to be not know who is in the race for sher- Travis and Fredlyn Farmer. held at Temple.

monstration on "Posture and the

book review and there will also be and always fed them good. a 4-H demonstration. Mrs. Frank "I do not want to give anyone a family. Brnovak and Mrs. Ben Butman will rap, but I do hope you are elected serve at the July 20 meeting.

Those present were Mesdames W. C. Perkins, Ford Butman, Wade Ensminger, Frank Brnovak and Arl-

BIRTHDAY DINNER.

of Hodges, the former Imagene Jim Lee Gordon, ex-sheriff of Jones Thompson of Merkel, was celebrated County, Bailey served for 38 months with family and friends in the home as jailer and had a perfect record of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. insofar as there were no attempted Thompson, Sunday, July 4. Dinner jail breaks. was served buffet-style.

Present were Rolene Finch, sisters Edith and Bethlee, and brother, Durie Del. Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Finch and Doris, R. R. Gramand boys of Hodges, Mr. and Mrs. any druggist for this STRONG fungi-W. L. Rivers of Seminole, Mr. and cide, TE-OL, Made with 90% alcohol, Mrs. Maurice Thompson and Lonnie, it PENETRATES. Reaches and kills Mr. and Mrs. Buster Thompson and MORE germs ON CONTACT. Sandria, and Mr. and Mrs. Truett Today Thompson and Wayne, all of Merkel, and Mr. and Mrs. Bunyan Thompson and Margaret of Abilene.

W. M. Hays Honored For 80th Birthday

W. M. Hays was honored Sunday for his 80th birthday, which will be July 20. Watermelon, ice cream and a beautiful birthday cake were enjoyed and many pictures were taken in the afternoon. Four generations were present, including all of his 6 children, 13 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. Jack Hester of Lubbock and Joe McMurray of Abibe present.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Sparks, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Jaynes and Jo Ann, Phoenix, Ariz.; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hays and Carroll, Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. Paxton Hays, Kennith and Carla, Merkel; Mrs. J. O. McMurray. Melba and Harold McMurray, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Lee McMurray and Ronnie Mrs. H. W. Hester, Merkel; Mr. and Mrs. Carter Young. Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Bryan, Bobby, Joe and Ann, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Joe V. Hester and Beth, Abilene: Mr. and Mrs. Buster Hester, Wayne and Mike, Merkel, and Mrs. W. M. Hays.

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"When I stayed at your jail with Correct Height of Kitchen Furniture prisoners, I went to the hotel and went to sleep because I knew they The next meeting will be on July would be there the next morning. 20, Mrs. W. C. Perkins will bring a You were always good to the boy

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> All the Farmer boys were present except Whitt Farmer and family of Hermleigh, and one grandson, Paul E. Farmer, from Galveston, and

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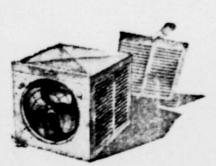
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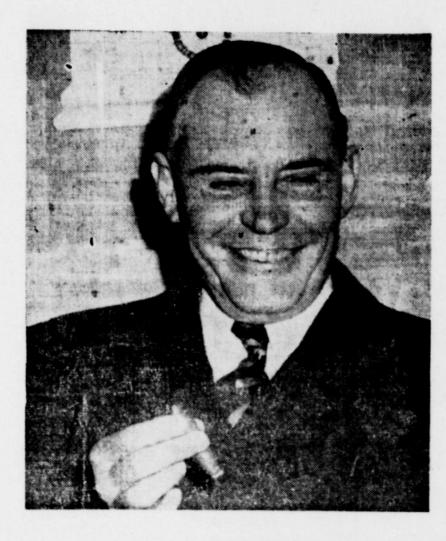
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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Subject to action of the Democratic Primary in July.]

For Commissioner, Precinct 2. Taylor County D. C. DOAN.

IRVEN THOMPSON. L. A. DUDLEY RUFE TITTLE

For Commissioner, Precinct 4. C. H. (Connie) OTTO

W. O. RAINWATER. A. J. BARBEE, JR. For Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 5:

MRS. N. D. COBB. [Re-Election.] For County Clerk: MRS, CHESTER HUTCHESON

[Re-Election.] H. T. (Flem) FLEMING.

(Re-Election.) For County Judge THEO ASH. WILEY CAFFEY. (Re-Election.)

For County Attorney GUY W. (Pete) SHAW. For State Senator, 24th District: HARLEY SADLER. PAT BULLOCK.

(Re-Election.) For County Treasurer: J. R. CLARK. (Re-Election.)

For State Representative, 116th District: A. C. KYLE.

WM, K. (Bill) TIPPEN. (Re-Election.) For Associate Justice, 11th Court of Civil Appeals:

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Report of Condition of "HOME STATE BANK"

of Trent, Taylor County, Texas, at the close of business June 30, 1948 a State banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District.

1. Cash balances with other banks, including reserve balance,

and cash items in process of collection _____\$320,589.12 United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed 219,500.00 5. Corporate stocks (including \$3,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank) 6. Loans and discounts (including \$1.99 overdrafts) _____ 315,489.02

7. Bank premises owned \$600.00, furniture and fixtures \$600.00 TOTAL ASSETS LIABILITIES 13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations \$741,417.11 15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)

16. Deposits of States and political subdivisions TOTAL DEPOSITS _____ \$744,024.95 TOTAL LIABILITIES (not including subordinated CAPITAL ACCOUNTS \$ 25,000.00

25. Capital* Surplus 27. Undivided profits 29. TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

30. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS ____\$859,778.14 *This bank's capital consists of Common stock with total par value of \$25,000.00 I, J. G. Wilks, cashier, of the above-named bank, hereby certify that

the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. STATE OF TEXAS, County of Taylor, ss: Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of July, 1948. JAMES V. ROSS,

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LODGE CALLS

NOTICE MASONS

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49c

Crystal Pack Sugar Loaf Fancy Salmon, 8 oz. can 37c Red and White Potted Meat, 2 cans 17c The Guaranteed— (Hill's) Dog Food, 2-1 lb. cans 25c Red and White

Orange Juice 2 No 2 cans 25c Brimful Sliced or Halves Peaches, No. 2½ can 26c Prune Juice, 32 oz. bottle 29c. BABO, 2 cans 23c

My T Fine-Assorted Spinach, No. 2 can 14c Pudding, 3 packages 22c Tomatoes, No. 2 can 19c Pork & Beans, No. 2 can 16c Green Beans, No. 2 can 18c Bantum Corn, 303 can 18c Garden Peas, 303 can 19c Cereals, box 35c Raisin Bran, 8 oz. box .. 17c Salt, 2 26 oz. boxes 15c Red and White-PURE Black Pepper, 4 oz. can .. 29c Tooth Paste, 50c tube39c

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-:- Society -:

paster, in the church parlor.

Winter of Merkel, Mrs. Coats and Several children were present. Mrs. Winter are sisters of Mrs. Wright.

The bride is the daughter of Mr and Mrs. Phil Diltz, one of Merkel's pioneer families. She was graduated from Merkel High school with the class of 1940 and later attended Scoggins Beauty Academy in Abilene. She was operating the Orchid | Beauty shoppe at the time of her marriage.

Mr. Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pate Wright of Lubbock, finished years in the Army and is now engaged in farming near Wolffolk, Ernest Joyce and Mrs. Karl Mcwhere they are making their home. Gregor of Abilene,

LAWN PARTY

Mrs. Twyman Collins was & sur prised honoree on last Friday evening when she returned home at Monday morning in the home of Mrs. eight o'clock to find a group of Earl Lassiter for Bible study. Openfriends gathered at her home to celebrate her birthday, which was on Sat- Hicks. Mrs. Nim J. Teaff taught a

Tables had been set upon the lighted lawn where a delicious picnic supper was served informally. Mrs. A. R. Booth, Irl Walker, Hugh Camp-Collins was the happy recipient of birthday gifts from each guest and birthday greetings were read aloud. Dwiggins.

Those present were Rev. and Mrs. Merle Weathers and daughter, Nelda. Mr. and Mrs. Dewel McLean and son, July 19. Hollis, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Matthews of Trent, Christine Collins and C. J. Glover, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McCandless, Mr. and Mrs. Twyman Collins.

T. E. L. CLASS.

Bantist church met on the lawn of dusky and the hostess. Mrs. Owen Robertson Tuesday evening for their regular meeting, Mrs. A. R. Booth being co-hostess with Mrs. Robertson.

Mrs. Irl Walker gave the devotional and Mrs. Booth gave an interesting talk on some of the good talks she heard at Lueders while in the

A delicious reireshment plate was served to the following members: nes Booth Warren, S. O. Hill Claude Warren, E. R. Clack. Earl Lassiter, A. R. Booth, Irl Walker, Owen Robertson, Lake Renfro, Ernest Douglas, Earl Baze and Lucy Ford, and two visitors, Ann Booth and Mona Robertson.

FIDELIS MATRONS CLASS. The Fidelis Matrons Sunday School class of the First Baptist church met Tuesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. C. B. Rust, with Mrs. G. C. Wright as co-hostess.

Mrs. Nim Teaff led the opening prayer, and an interesting devotional "Fait" was given by Mrs. Geo

After the business session, the group was entertained with musical numbers by Vonceil Rust.

hearts grew cold!

State Fair! Mary O'Hara's

grew bold!

The couple's only attendants were R. McKeever, Tom Kerns, Macfl only unintentionally involved Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Coats of Big Tucker, Buster Horton, David Gam-Spring and Mr. and Mrs. Mina ble, C. B. Rust and G. C. Wright.

SWIMMING PARTY.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Joyce helped their son, Larry, celebrate his tenth birthday with an enjoyable swimming party last Sunday evening at the American Legion park in Abilene. A cold summer menu was served pienic-fashion following a delightful swim in the pool. Those present were the honoree, Larry Jovce, Jimm Simpson, Chester Collinsworth, Jimmy McAninch, Jackie McAninch, school in Lubbock. He served three Karl Tonn McGregor and the following "grown-ups," Mr. and Mrs.

BAPTIST CIRCLES.

The Blanche Rose Walker Circle of the First Baptist church met on ing prayer was led by Mrs. H. R. very profitable lesson on "The Vestments of the High Priest" to Mesdames S. R. Dwiggins, J. S. Swann, beil and E. O. Carson. The meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. S. R.

The next meeting will be a Royal Service program at the church on

The Floy Hawkins Circle met in the home of Mrs. Don Riney Monday morning for Bible study. Mrs. Ed Sandusky taught a very interesting lesson on "Worship." Those present were Mesdames Mack Tucker, Pres-The T. E. L. class of the First | ton Henry, Merle Weathers, Ed San-

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Correction

The item that was published in last week's issue of The Merkel Mail announcing the engagement of Vern Refreshments were served to the Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Miriam Diltz Meeks and Jake following members: Mesdames Buck Tate of Fort Worth, was incorrect their fine service. Wright were united in marriage on Leach, Bob Fowler, L. V. Moore, and this newspaper wishes to make June 26 in a double ring ceremony Austin Petty, Nim Teaff, Jarrett amends in the only way possible by read by Rev. Mr. White, Big Spring Pinckley, Gordon Fursley. Geo. T. stating now that the announcement Moore, Sam Martin, Paul West, H. was an error, but the paper was

> The item, as published, was mailed through the post office at Merkel and was received July 6 by the editor, who, although the article was unsigned, had no reason to question its accuracy.

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The Circles will meet at the church Monday, July 19, for a Roya Service program, with the Blanck Rose Walker Circle in charge,

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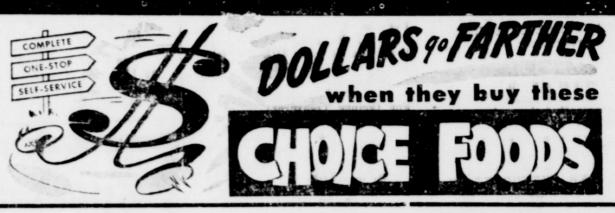
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