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FIRE DESTROYS A HOME IN MERKEL

Fire discovered in the home of E. W. Perminter at 3 o'clock Tuesday morning all but destroyed the building, all furniture and household goods being a complete loss.

Mr. Perminter was sleeping in the house at the time, being awakened by the smoke fumes and only had time to escape with one suit of clothes, an overcoat and a six-shooter and with the light artillery he gave the first alarm. When the fireboys reached the scene the walls of the kitchen and dining room were falling and the two front rooms were masses of flames. There being no chance to save anything of value to the building the attention of the fighters was turned to keeping the flames under control in protection of another building that stood only a few feet away. In this they were successful. Both buildings belonged to Mr. Perminter.

Mr. Perminter called at the Mail office Tuesday morning and asked that the fireboys accept his sincere thanks for the good work they did, though it seemed like ages from the time he first gave the alarm until reached the place. He further showed his appreciation of their good work by signing a check for ten dollars made payable to the Merkel Fire Department.

The loss of the building was fairly well covered by insurance, the household effects also being partially if not fully covered, there being \$800.00 insurance on both the building and furniture.

MERKEL BOYS JOIN NAVY; LEFT SUNDAY

Clifford Westenhouwer and Dock Hall, both Merkel boys, passed through Sunday from Dallas on Texas & Pacific passenger No. 5 on their way to the naval training school at San Francisco.

Both the young men had notified their parents here of their trip and it was a quiet little crowd that gathered at the depot Sunday morning just at day break to bid the boys good-bye and wish them God-speed in their endeavors.

HORSES RUIN SHADE TREES

Complaints have been made to us by parties on various occasions of people hitching horses to shade trees in and about town with the reports that the horses gnaw and bite the trees to an extent that beautiful shade trees are sometimes killed by this abuse.

These come usually from residents whose homes adjoin church property of the town, and the owners have requested the Mail to kindly ask the church goers to refrain from using the shade trees as hitching places but use the racks that were built for these purposes instead.

GILSON-BRADFIELD HERE MAY 3

The Gilson-Bradfield Company who played "A Bachelor's Honey-Moon," "Lavender and Old Lace" and "Barriers Burned Away" at the Cozy in January are returning to Merkel Monday at the Cozy for a one night stand, playing "The Woman of Mystery."

Seeded Ribbon Cane Seed at the Bob Martin Grocery Co.

TO ORGANILE GYM Y. M. B. L. AT HEAD

An unannounced meeting of fifteen young men of Merkel at the Grimes Drug Store Monday evening was held for the purpose of organizing a Young Men's Business League and Gymnasium. A board of advisors, who will constitute a governing board, was selected. In this capacity E. L. Woodroof, T. A. Johnson and T. L. Grimes have been asked to officiate.

The next meeting will be held Monday evening of next week to enlist new members and perfect the organization. Rooms have been tendered the organization free of charge but an attempt will be made to secure more roomy quarters. The meeting for Monday night is scheduled to be held at the Merkel Mail office.

THREE INCH RAIN-FALL LAST WEEK

Rain that amounted to one and a fraction inches Sunday morning brought the total rainfall of last week to over three inches in the Merkel country.

Reports from some parts of the country show that some early cotton will have to be planted over on account of the ground being packed by the hard rain.

Farmers in various parts of the country are extremely busy at the present with their spring planting and the noticeable representation from the farms on the streets of Merkel has been dwindling to quite an extent during this week.

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS

In the county court at Abilene Wednesday the jury in the case of Price Jones, negro, charged with carry a pistol, returned a verdict of not guilty.

The case against Ed Honeycut, charged with aggravated assault, was dismissed on motion of the county attorney.

One case against Frank Mangaras, charged with pistol toting, was dismissed on motion of the county attorney.

The case of State versus Jim Hart, charged with aggravated assault, went to trial Wednesday afternoon.

Tuesday in the case of J. M. Radford Grocery Co. versus Texas & Pacific, suit for damages, a verdict was rendered in favor of the defendant.

\$1,000,000.00 MYSTERY SOLVED---COMING FRIDAY AT THE ROYAL THEATRE

The last episode of "The Million Dollar Mystery," the 23rd, which solves completely the entire story of the interesting mystery, will be shown at the Royal Theatre Friday, May 7.

The Royal offers a special feature for Saturday of this week, "The Master Rogue" in three reels in connection with their regular show. Don't miss it.

New Perfection means the highest quality in coal oil cooking stoves. If you have not investigated the merits of the new Fireless Cooker oil stove please do so at once. We are always glad to show you whether you buy or not. G. F. WEST CO.

SCHOOL BOND ELECTION IS CALLED FOR MAY 25TH; AMOUNT \$18,000.00

Purpose of Issue is for Making Purchase of Additional Site, Building and Equipping Merkel School Building.

On May 25, next, the voters of the Merkel Independent School District will decide by their vote whether or not the school board shall be authorized to issue bonds to the amount of \$18,000.00 for the purpose of buying additional site, building and equipping a school building to conform with the needs of our town and country.

This issue is without a doubt the most interesting of its kind that will be presented to the voters of Merkel during the present year. Even it surpasses the road bond issue from the fact that our district is sorely in need of better school facilities. As the present school buildings are equipped and arranged it is impossible to obtain the best of results from school work. The fact that these buildings are inconveniently arranged is unfortunate but indications seemed to justify such improvements at the time they were constructed but time has proven the locations and construction to have been impractical. It now behooves the patrons of the Merkel schools to correct this matter with their votes on May 25.

The question may arise as to the amount the proposed bond issue will increase taxes in this district. Should this be a factor in influencing a single vote it will be well for the Merkel voters to remember that our tax rate cannot be increased for these school purposes. We can only issue additional bonds under the present rate by extending the time of payment from twenty to forty years. The school bonds now against the Merkel School District are of the twenty year series and will in no way conflict with the forty year bonds proposed in the ordered election of May 25.

Every voter should thoroughly investigate the school needs of the Merkel District and then vote for the betterment and advancement of the best advertisement a town can have—a good school.

DISTRICT METHODIST CONFERENCE MEETS HERE 3 DAYS NEXT WEEK

Ministers and Laymen of Abilene District From Trent To Baird Will Assemble Here For Three Days' of Work.

District Conference of the Methodist church for the Abilene District will meet here Thursday, March 6, beginning a three days' meeting.

The district embraces all of Taylor and Callahan counties and a portion of Jones and Shackelford counties, including the towns of Anson, Moran and other charges in the vicinity of these places. Local members of the Methodist church are expecting over a hundred representatives during these three days and Merkel should prepare extend the visitors a hearty welcome.

BALL GAMES NEXT WEEK; NEW PARK TRUSTEES TO BE ELECTED SATURDAY

Indication now seem to show that the town will be full of baseball enthusiasm next week.

Already two games have been scheduled, one with the Christian Team of Abilene at Abilene and the following day Simmons College comes here for an opener. Then for the latter part of the week expectations are that Sweetwater will be here for a game if not two games.

S. T. Anderson of Route 1 returned the first of the week from Oenaville, where he visited his father, M. C. Anderson, who has been dangerously ill. Mr. Anderson reports much rain in that section of the country.

Get pure Sudan Seed at the Bob Martin Grocery Co.

BULL CALF BRINGS A RECORD PRICE

What we believe to be the highest price ever paid for a two months old bull calf was handed over by Earl Morrison of Colorado to Thos. Largent of this place the 21st inst.

The consideration was the neat sum of \$750.00 and the Hereford white-faced beauty then lacked one day of having attained two months growth. According to information we have been able to get this price probably stands as the highest ever paid in this State for a calf, if not a top price for any such sale ever made in the United States. If there has ever been a similar transaction where the cash consideration was greater the Mail would be pleased to have it brought to our attention.

15 WOLVES WERE CAUGHT IN 1 NIGHT

Hunters of the Salt Branch community, led by J. W. Childress of Route 4, made a grandstand catch of wolves Wednesday night and captured 15 of the sly varmints within three miles of Merkel.

The hunters congregated by agreement soon after dark at the back of what was the Coggin pasture and the fun started from the very first. Mr. Childress is owner of four Birdsong wolf hounds and is known as one of the most successful hunters in the country. With his assistance and the good work of his hounds the people in the Salt Branch community are rid of fifteen chicken eaters.

Members of the hunting party were Joe Higgins, Jess Hardy, Tom and Roy Harrell, J. D. Hogg, Dee and Bowie Floyd, H. P. Wilkins, Rush and Walter Buford, Henry Petty and J. W. Childress.

BOYS NEW GRAIN THRASHER

R. J. and Davis Beasley, two prominent young farmers of the Noodle community, have purchased a Case 30-60 gas tractor and separator. The machinery was received the first of the week but owing to the failure of a representative to arrive from Dallas to superintend the unloading of the big engine and the thrasher they remain on the cars in the local yards.

Davis Beasley stated Tuesday that they had already booked numerous orders for future work and expected to be very busy as soon as the season opened. They expect to use the gas tractor for breaking the land they are farming when it is not being used with the thrasher.

Receives Beautiful Flowers.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Pribble are the recipient of the editor's best bow for a beautiful bouquet of roses, pinks and other flowers that has graced our desk since the first of the week.

In addition to Merkel being the garden spot of West Texas we believe that it is the flower spot of the State. Flowers are gifts that we will be grateful to receive from any of our readers at any and all times.

T. Winter of the Shiloh community was in town Monday and reported an unusually heavy rain in his section of the county the fall being heavy enough to do small damage to farms.

MERKEL DEFEATS TRENT 11 TO ONE

Merkel ball players defeated the Trent aggregation Tuesday afternoon by a score of 11 to 1, the visitors at times going skyward in their support of their slab artist, which each time netted runs for the home boys.

The first inning started with Sellers of Trent getting a clean hit. The next three, McCoy, Sellers and Sellers, went down one, two, three, via 1st base route with their leader still hanging around the keystone bag. Things for the locals in their half of the first were different. Boring, who lead, hit for a clean two-bagger and before the visitors could tighten up three locals had registered at home. Merkel scored one in the second, one in the third and one in the fourth. It was in this fateful inning that Southworth hit for two bases bringing McReynolds home with Trent's lone score. In the fifth and sixth both teams played air-tight ball and the order was one, two, three. In the last of the seventh hard hits of the Merkel boys together with another ascension by the Trent aggregation saw four more scores marked up for the locals. One more in the eighth totaled eleven. Twice in the early stages of the game Smith, utility pitcher for Merkel, pulled out of bad holes that looked like certain scores for Trent.

50 ACRES WHEAT; ALL IS VERY FINE

H. M. Rainbolt of Route 3 was in town Monday on his way to court at Abilene and took opportunity to express deep gratification of the conditions our country is in at present.

Mr. Rainbolt stated that of fifty acres of wheat he had in cultivation, he believed that the entire amount was in better condition than any he had ever seen at this season, the grain being over knee high over the entire field.

MAN IS MURDERED AT BRONTE

Advices reaching here are to the effect that Deputy T. A. Griffith, who was out on a \$10,000 bond charged with the murder of Ex-Sheriff Hickman about two months ago, had himself been shot and killed at 8 a. m. Wednesday. The authorities are searching for Bob Hickman, brother of Ex-Sheriff Hickman, who is charged with the shooting. The story is that Hickman was standing in front of his store at Bronte and Griffith was standing across the street when shot. An automatic shotgun was used, loaded with buckshot. Griffith lived for about thirty minutes.

Mrs. S. F. Kirk of Acilene, a relative of the Griffith family, received word Wednesday morning of the killing.

At the time Ex-Sheriff Hickman was killed, Griffith was brought to Abilene on account of a fear of mob violence at Bronte, where he was conveyed by the authorities. Griffith was known to a large number of Abilene people.—Abilene Reporter.

LIV-VER-LAX is harmless—not a deadly poison like calomel. Any child is safe and happy by the use of LIV-VER-LAX. Ask Mrs. E. M. Rust.

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SHERIFF ELUDES MOB WITH NEGRO

Black Arrested Near Winters Spirited Away to San Angelo Jail Tuesday.

MEAGER DETAILS RECEIVED

Reported That Negro Choked Young White Woman, But Was Frightened Away By a Clever Ruse.

Further details of the arrest of a negro youth near Winters for the alleged attack on a young white woman school teacher in that section reached Abilene by telephone Wednesday.

Reports from Ballinger state that the sheriff and his aides reached Ballinger with the prisoner at about 6 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, after an exciting escape from the furious citizens of Winters, where shots were fired at the prisoner in an attempt to take his life.

After reaching the Ballinger jail, reports reached Sheriff Perkins that a mob was forming at Winters to come after the negro. The prisoner was then taken in an automobile to the Tom Green county jail at San Angelo, where he is being held for safe keeping.

The negro was alleged to have attacked the young school teacher in a community ten miles from Winters. The alleged attack was made Monday evening about six o'clock, when the young woman returned to her boarding place from school and found no one at home except a negro youth about 17 years of age.

A citizen of that section was in Abilene Wednesday and told friends that the incident occurred substantially as follows:

When the young lady returned home the telephone rang and she answered it, telling the parties calling that there was no one at the house except herself. The negro overheard the conversation. She went to her room and was combing her hair, when the negro came up behind her and grabbed her about the neck with his hands. She screamed and managed to say: "There comes Mr. —," mentioning the name of the farmer with whom she boarded. This distracted the negro's attention and enabled her to break loose and run, the negro running in another direction.

It is declared her throat was swollen next morning from the effects of the brute's grasp.

Feelings ran high in the Winters section. The crowd, which was reported to be on the way to Ballinger after the negro dispersed after learning of his betaken to San Angelo.—Abilene Reporter.

Bicycle For Sale.

Good second hand bicycle for sale at \$10.00. See Merkel Cycle Co.

You Young Housewives



Better Bread - Fresh Daily

Why waste your time trying to show off to hubby what good bread you can make when it only compels you to stand over a heated stove, ruffle that usually sweet disposition, wilt your glorious hair, maybe burn those pretty fingers and very likely start him on the way to indigestion?

It is not that you cannot make bread, "as good as his mother used to make it," you probably can, but this "mother's bread" is a very much overrated article. His mother, nor our mother, nor yourself can make bread as good as we can because none of you have the necessary up-to-date equipment.

Mother's bread is merely a reminiscence. In actuality it cannot compare with such good bread as Quentin's. Try a loaf of Quentin's bread and see if he don't like it.

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If you have an idea in your mind that you can do better by sending away to some so-called Manufacturer for your Lumber, we want you to give us a trial first. You can do a mighty sight better here at home. We will meet any legitimate competition. Besides, we have paid hundreds of dollars School Tax in the city and country, have helped churches and schools since we have been in business here. Don't you think we are entitled to SOME consideration?

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Armenia.

May we call the region in which the Russians are attacking the Turks Armenia? For convenience, certainly; but, as Sir Charles Elliot points out, strictly speaking, "Armenia does not exist. The name is absolutely forbidden in Turkey, and all maps marking any district as Armenistan are confiscated. Then there is the rival name of Kurdistan, also unofficial. Kurds and Armenians being mixed up, one may unofficially call portions of Asia Minor Kurdistan or Armenia, according to one's sympathies. The Armenians themselves do not use the name given them by friendly foreigners. They call themselves Haik, and after their country Haikland—tracing their descent from Haik, the grandson of Japhet."

Convenient Rule.

The editor of a newspaper published in central Pennsylvania tells of articles that he frequently receives from a certain citizen. They are always pertinent and worthy of publication, says the Evening Post Saturday Magazine, but they are punctuated in a most peculiar way.

Meeting his correspondent one evening at a friend's house, the editor said, "That was an excellent letter I got from you this morning, and I am going to print it Saturday. But tell me, what rule do you follow for punctuation?"

"Why," said the gentleman, "the same rule that I learned when I was a boy. I put a semicolon every twelve words, and two commas between each pair of semicolons."

His Hobby.

"I can say this much for Dobson—you never see him wasting his time in a foolish argument."

"That's because Dobson takes no interest in the subjects most men argue about. Just wait until somebody comes along and tackles him on the subject of Egyptology. Then you'll hear an argument that will make politics, religion and the war in Europe pale into utter insignificance."

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Beginning Saturday, May 1st, we will deliver ice to all parts of the city in quantities of 15 pounds or more. No sales from the wagon will be made in amount of less than 10 cents or 15 pounds of ice

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Through a varied experience of many years in this country we do not recall a time at this season of the year when the outlook was more encouraging.

The general results from the labors of last year were fairly satisfactory to the farmer, the stockman and to the man engaged in commercial affairs. The crops were bountiful, the financial condition of most people is easy, the rains have fallen, the prospect is good and the country is prosperous.

In view of these facts we see no reason why all our people should not be hopeful and active. Let us go forward in the development of our splendid country, in the building up of all our institutions in every way that will make for the betterment, prosperity and happiness of all our people.

But let us use judgment and conservatism in all things. Let us be active, but let us at the same time be vigilant and calculating.

THE Farmers & Merchants NATIONAL BANK

stands ready and has ever been ready to assist in all these things.

We thank the people of the Merkel country for the patronage they have always given us. We have never had an unsatisfactory year; business is better with us than usual for this season of the year. But we want more business. We are not satisfied. We want more deposits. We want more loans; that is where we get our income; all we ask is that the paper is good.

We have a large

Capital & Surplus of \$50,000

and are splendidly equipped for the handling of all classes of accounts, large and small.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Charley Hutcheson of Trent visited relatives here Saturday.

The largest and most complete stock of auto tires in town.
G. F. WEST CO.

H. M. Rainbolt and H. C. Floyd were in Abilene the first of the week.

Try a gallon bucket of pie peaches. They are fine. G. M. Sharp.

Mrs. Hogan of near Nubia visited her mother, Mrs. Riney, the past week.

\$1.00 ready-made bed sheets only 69c at J. A. Duckett's.

Mrs. J. B. Warren and daughter, Irene, left Friday evening to visit friends in Waco.

Goose dinner with dressing at Quentin's Cafe Sunday 35 cents.

Mrs. J. J. O'Malley and little Flora Frances Anderson visited in Abilene Thursday.

Mebane and Lone Star Cotton Seed at the Bob Martin Gro. Co.

Miss Bernice Doan visited her cousin, Miss Essie Doan, of Nubia, the past week.

"You can't be worried about something to eat." Just tele- the Anchor Mercantile Co.

Miss Beulah Burkett visited her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Burkett of Abilene, Sunday.

Have you seen those nice four sewed brooms at J. A. Duckett's? Only 19c.

Mrs. Frank Johnson of Stamford spent the past week with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Johnson.

FIRESTONE means better auto tires. Get them from G. F. WEST COMPANY.

Miss Mamie Ellis visited her brother, Lester Ellis and family of Abilene last week.

German millet seed for sale at the Bob Martin Grocery Co.

A. E. Bigham of Tye, Route 1, was in Merkel Monday looking after business matters.

Come down to C. P. Stevens' store.

Mrs. T. A. Harris visited Mr. and Mrs. Lester Ellis of Abilene the latter part of last week.

You are losing money if you are not buying your goods from J. A. Duckett.

Miss Bernadine Freeman visited her cousin, Mrs. Robert Goodwin of Trent the past week.

Best Peaberry coffee at 25c a pound at G. M. Sharp's.

John Moore of Simmons College spent the week end with his parents Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Moore.

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Mrs. W. F. Christain of Shreveport, La. was here the first of the week visiting her sister Mrs. A. J. Leigny.

LIV-VER-LAX relieves all ills of the liver and stomach. Get it from Mrs. E. M. Rust.

Lester Ellis of Abilene was in the city Wednesday evening visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Ellis.

Men's silk hose only 25c at J. A. Duckett's.

W. N. Hall, Bob Russell and F. P. Hamm were among those who attended county court at Abilene Monday.

The most miles per dollar—Firestone auto tires.
G. F. WEST CO.

Mrs. Jennie Killen and children of Trent were guests of the former's sister, Mrs. Jno. Wheeler, this week.

Wake up your liver. A lazy liver brings on the worst of diseases. Take LIV-VER-LAX now. Ask Mrs. E. M. Rust.

Notice to The Stockman and Farmer

We have just received a supply of the well known old reliable Domo Cream Separators and would be glad to have you call and inspect the line.

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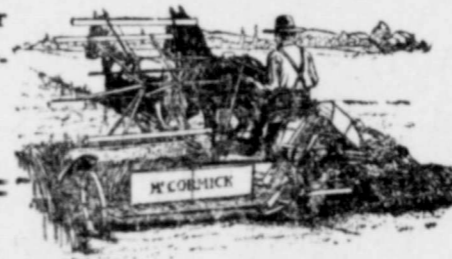
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Fresh meal at G. M. Sharp's.

Mrs. J. E. Nobles of Fort Worth, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. D. Hutcheson, has returned home.

Get pure Sudan Seed at the Bob Martin Grocery Co.

Fresh honey at 10 cents per pound at C. P. Stevens.

Miss Blanch Walker who has been here visiting her sister, Mrs. E. Hall, left Wednesday for Abilene.

Ladies silk hose only 25c at J. A. Duckett's.

Miss Tennie Pope, who is employed as a teacher in the schools at Tye, was at home with her mother last week.

Mebane and Lone Star Cotton Seed at the Bob Martin Gro. Co.

Ernest Costephens who has been here visiting his parents for a short time returned to his home at Roscoe Monday.

Goose dinner with dressing at Quentin's Cafe Sunday 35 cents.

Messr. Jack Smith and Jack Bright both of the Trent country were in town Monday looking after business matter.

Come down to C. P. Stevens' store.

Mrs. John A. Baker of Abilene is here visiting her son, John Morgan, and the family of R. R. Meeks of Route 3 community.

Bell Vernon flour at G. M. Sharp's.

Mrs. Philip Diltz, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Compton, has returned to her home at Sylvester.

German millet seed for sale at the Bob Martin Grocery Co.

R. A. Musgrave of Denton was here on business the first of the week and incidentally to visit his relative, the Hon. J. J. Stallings, Mayor.

Latest thing in ladies waists at J. A. Duckett's.

Dr. Crenshaw of Fort Worth was here last Friday looking after his business property at the corner of Kent and North Front street.

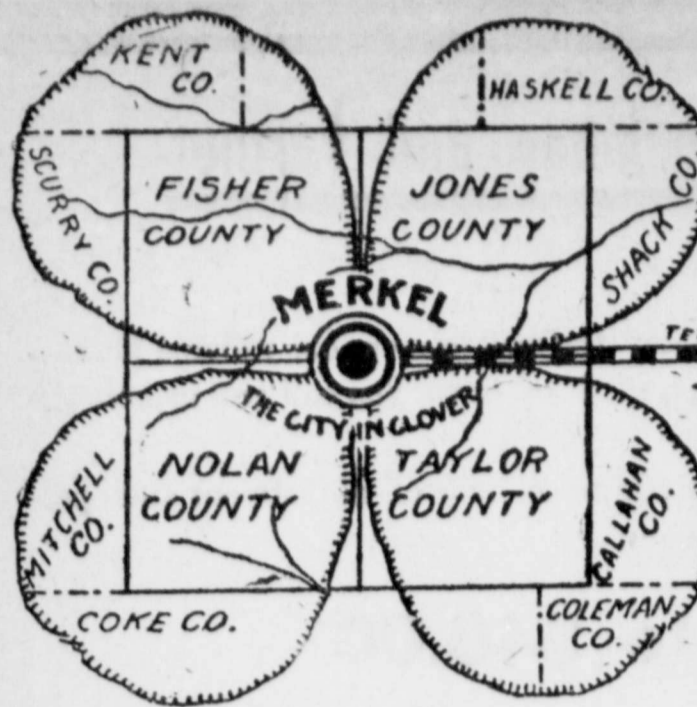
All sorts of candies at G. M. Sharp's.

Mrs. M. E. Orr who has been here for sometime visiting her son, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Orr, left Wednesday morning for Putnam to visit relatives.

A full line of staple groceries at C. P. Stevens.

Mrs. Graves, trained nurse who has been with the family of H. C. West during the past two weeks, returned to her home at Abilene Wednesday.

Will Streamer who has been here visiting relatives and friends left the first of the week for his home at Austin. He was accompanied by W. F. White also of Austin who was here on a visit.



MERKEL

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GOOD CHURCHES; GOOD PEOPLE;—
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TELEPHONE No. 61

VILLA'S END IN SIGHT.

It seems that the end of Gen. Villa is now in sight. Like most desperadoes, over-confidence and an ambition to dictate to the universe have been the direct means of his downfall.

Generals are born and not made. This is true with many of the greatest military commanders the world has ever known. Gen. Sherman went so far as to declare that war is hell. He was right. Each day brings to the front page of our newspapers evidence of this.

Gen. Villa is a born commander. He may be a bandit and a brute, but he is a commander of men, a strategic chief who takes advantage of little things to accomplish successful ends.

Not that he has had any distinguished competitors in Mexico, but we must give the devil his due and give him credit for being a natural born general. Given a greater opportunity and wider latitude Villa might have made a distinguished name for himself.

He is illiterate, but we have had other commanders of wonderful success in war who could not write their names.

That he is nearing the end of his military career seems conclusively indicated by the latest news from Mexico.

The report of Mr. Carrothers to Washington confirms the story of Villa's defeat at Celaya, and that this defeat was overwhelming, the losses numbering 6,000, which means much in Mexico, if not in Galicia or France.

The army of Villa has, according to the report, become demoralized and retreated in scenes of panic to Agua Calientes.

Gen. Obregon, who achieved this success, is a great friend of Carranza. Subsequent reports show that Villa had rallied, but the character of this defeat was so emphasized in the captures and loss of life that he will never regain his lost prestige with his troops.

There is no opportunity to make any definite predictions as to what will happen in Mexico. Obregon himself may revolt before a week is ended, and no one could say how long Carranza would last if Obregon should desert him. Neither man has in him the George Washington elements needed to pacify Mexico. However, the indications look brighter, and President Wilson's policy of watching and waiting may yet be rewarded.—Commercial Appeal.

IN INTEREST OF THE FARMERS.

Gov. Ferguson has just returned from a trip over the Orient road as a guest of the bondholders and stockholders of the road. We have no doubt that the trip was made in the interest of the farmers whose welfare the governor and Peter Radford are closely guarding.—Bonham News.

Again and for the second time, yea, even the third and then more we find the editor of the Bonham News casting slurring remarks as to the actions of a certain State official, namely the governor, whose Lexicon climb to honor was too great for some of his enemies to ever become reconciled to the ascension.

We do not attempt to say what Governor Ferguson was doing while enjoying the compartment of a luxurious private car of some railroad official, but thanks to our presence of mind, we are not going to find him guilty of selling the State or committing some other crime equally as bad until we have evidence to justify our charges. So far there has not been a centilla of proof but what he has made the State a good governor and for

the Bonham News to continue to their nig-nagging petty slurs it reminds us of a cold nosed dog barking up the wrong tree. To our way of seeing it every man should at all times be ready to give credit where credit is deserved and we kindly suggest that the News in their exalted position as one of the foremost semi-weekly paper of the State take time to solve this problem they are continually talking about and if they find Governor Ferguson is deserving of a word of credit to show backbone enough to give him that praise.

CENTRAL WEST TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION.

What do the newspaper men and job printers of the Central West think about organizing the Central West Texas Press and Printers Association? The Reporter is for that kind of an organization and believes that if all printers and publishers in this part of Texas go into the organization for business that a great good will come to those interested.—Abilene Reporter.

Your inquiry is an excellent suggestion to the Central West Texas press. To perfect such an organization some starting point must be taken and real hard work done in the beginning by the instigators. The Mail heartily endorses the move and if the idea meets with the approval of the press throughout our section of the State we suggest that the first meeting of the Central West Texas Press and Printers Association be called in Abilene at some date in the near future.

MAYBE YOU WOULD, BUT I DOUBT IT.

If you were to take your receiver from the hook, And no one seemed to care about it, Would you hang up with never a word? Well! Maybe you would—but I doubt it.

If you were to call for a number some day And the operator was pleasant about it, Would you hang up and run away? Well! Maybe you would—but I doubt it.

Suppose you should call for long distance some day And the operator was cross about it, Would you give her your call in a pleasant way? Well! Maybe you would—but I doubt it.

But if you were to call for long distance some day And the operator was courteous about it, Would you be grouchy and turn away? Well! Maybe you would—but I doubt it.

There are always two sides to the question, you see, 'Though some folks don't know about it, If you are nice to a subscriber, will he be cross to you? Well! Maybe he would—but I doubt it.

—Opie Wilson, Toll Operator.

PRESS PICK-UPS.

A dutiful son will follow the footsteps of a beautiful girl sooner than those of his father.

Anglers report the lake north of town a good place to wear off their fishing fever.

The time for swatting the fly is at hand. In other words make hay while the lesser lights are shining.

Claud Callan of Fort Worth says the best way to maintain neutrality with your neighbors is not to raise chickens, gardens or children.

Today is California Raisin Day. In a few more months we will have California Orange Day, and with what results? Having a raisin day and an orange day is like an advertiser who is spasmodic; the results that he derives from his work fill his mind only and not his pocketbook. Let these raisin and orange days go. If we can't have oranges and raisins but one day in the year then our appetite should remain in hunger.

Unusual West Texas. Two sand storms only during the spring and three inches of rainfall during last week. Plenty of wheat, lots of oats, busy times and excellent prospects makes food for thought and banishes the pessimistic calamity howler. Yes, West Texas is coming to her own.

Illinois women selling their votes for \$3.00 each while men receive \$12.00 for theirs is good evidence, says the Commercial Appeal, that women do know the value of the ballot.

People in mud-sogged countries are not fooling anybody but themselves. They should buy a home in the Merkel country.

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Because of you I bear aloft the standard Of high resolved ideals pure and true; And to ignoble thoughts I have not pondered,

Because of you.

No summer sun but shines with added witensess,

No fair and cloudness sky but seems more blue,

No darkened hour but holds for me some brightness,

Because of you.

Thoughts of your love within my heart are dwelling,

Courage and hope both nerve my heart anew;

Life has a sweetness far beyond all telling,

Because of you.

On last Friday evening Mrs. Earl Lassiter entertained with a Slumber party and luncheon at her home in the west part of town. Various games were played. The guests were Misses Arrie Barrett, Beulah Over-shiner, Lillian McLendon, May Lassiter and Irene Swann.

Mr. J. C. Mason gave a box party at the Cozy Tuesday evening in honor of a few friends. Those in attendance were Mesdames A. J. Leighty, E. M. Rust J. W. Daniel, Sterling P. Miller, Misses Genevieve Rust, Evalyn William. A. J. Leighty and the host.

Another Large Bouquet

For the second time during this week a good Merkel lady has added to the beauty and glory of our print shop by donating one of the largest and most beautiful bouquets we have ever seen.

The last donor was Mrs. E. L. Ash who is reputed to have one of the most beautiful flower garden in the city and we are willing to accept the report. To those who want to see beautiful flowers they should visit the Mail office while it is in bloom. Incidentally that would be a good time to renew your paper for another year, only \$1.00 and we are giving free for six months time Holland Magazine and the Farm & Ranch, another good bouquet of newspapers in fact a regular rose between two thorns. Subscribe today and grow more flowers in Merkel.

Advertised Letters

- Barnett, Mary
Daniels, Myrtle
Evsomo, W. F.
Jones, Lizzie
Martin, Nellie
Richardson, Mrs Marie
Russel, Fred
Smith, Daisy
Taylor, George
Walker, Jno
Willom, John
Wilson, T.

Mexicans

- Aspita, Benselado
Montes, I.
Pendis, Manuel
Sanchez, Melesio

These letters will be sent to the dead letter office May 8.

H. C. Williams, P. M.
Merkel, Texas

Buy New Cars.

Omitted from our last weeks reports of automobile sales were the purchases of a Franklin touring car by T. A. Johnson and a five passenger Ford by L. C. Dubree of Route 5 west of Merkel.

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Book your thrashing dates now. New Case separator. Size 36x58 with gas engine power. Beasley Bros., Noodle, Route 1.

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Methodist Baraca

There are about twenty eight to thirty regular attendants to the class. They all seem to have a great interest in the class and more so in the messages that are brought to us by Mr. Morris.

The lesson of last Sunday was the battle of David and Goliath.

We were honored by having Prof. Mills, one of the public school teachers of Midland, with us Sunday. He is the president of the Baraca class at that place. He made a short talk to the entire class and complimented it very much.

THAT COLD YOU HAVE

may bring sickness, doctors bills and loss of work; you know that serious sickness usually starts with a cold, and a cold only exists where weakness exists. Remember that.

Overcome the weakness and nature cures the cold—that is the law of reason. Carefully avoid drugged pills, syrups or stimulants; they are only props and braces and whips.

It is the pure medicinal nourishment in Scott's Emulsion that quickly enriches the blood, strengthens the lungs and helps heal the air passages.

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I will make stand at Diltz old place, 2 1/2 miles southwest of Merkel, a Rattler Brooks bay horse called Charlie, known as the Boney horse. \$10.00 to insure a living colt. Will not be responsible for accidents should an occur. Fred Peterson, Merkel Texas, Route 5. 30t2pd

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EVERYTHING TO WEAR

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Rain, rain—more mud. Health of the community is fairly good.

On account of rain and mud, our Sunday school was postponed Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wilburn are the proud parents of a new son.

Miss Annabell Moore spent the past week with Miss Myrtle Farris of Noodle.

Our school is progressing nicely. They entertained quite a number of guests Friday evening with an interesting program.

Messrs. S. Sherrill and Hanley made a prospecting trip to Haskell last week.

Miss Rosetta Rister of Warren was the guest of Misses Beulah and Ethel Henry Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Foster and daughter, Elita, spent part of last week with the former's father.

SALT BRANCH

Health of the community is very good at this writing with the exception of a few cases of mumps.

Everything is looking fine since the rain.

Austin Robertson and wife returned from Loraine Wednesday where they visited relatives the past week.

W. L. and J. L. Barker and family were in Abilene Tuesday.

Lula Higgins is visiting relatives in the Warren community this week.

Albert Bradford spent Sunday with friends in Merkel.

Our literary school will be out in two weeks.

Mrs. Rush Buford has returned from Abilene where she was operated on for appendicitis.

Misses Annie and Gertrud Higgins, Messrs. Lester Wheat spent Sunday and Monday with relatives and friends in Merkel.

There was no Sunday School on account of rain.

Emery Petty and family visited relatives near Clyde this week.

Rheumatic Pains Relieved

Why suffer from rheumatism when relief may be had at so small a cost? Mrs. Elmer Hatch, Peru, Ind. writes: "I have been subject to attacks of rheumatism for years. Chamberlain's Liniment always relieves me immediately, and I take pleasure in recommending it to others."

ROUTE 3

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Barnes, Howard Henley, Harriet Harten and Elmer Barnes attended Sunday school at Riney Sunday.

Mrs. F. Brown of Abilene is visiting her cousin, Cleo Barnes this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Robbings of near Sweetwater visited Mr. and Mrs. John Jones Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Riney of Nubia visited Roy Riney and family Sunday.

The young folks enjoyed a dance given at Mr. Greason's Friday night.

A Healing Salve for Burns, Chapped Hands and Sore Nipples

As a healing salve for burns, sores, sore nipples and chapped hands Chamberlain's Salve is most excellent. It allays the pain of a burn almost instantly, and unless the injury is very severe, heals the parts without leaving a scar. Price 25 cents. For sale by all dealers.



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NUBIA

The farmers would be glad to see sunshine and clear weather for awhile so they can get about their work.

Several enjoyed the singing at the home of Dr. Martin Sunday night.

The infant babe of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Stanley was called from this world to a home far brighter on the 22nd of April at 5 o'clock. We know it is hard to say good-bye to the darling baby but God knows best. We all express our sincere sympathy to the parents and know there is coming a brighter day when they will meet this loved one. The babe was laid to rest in Rose Hill cemetery at Merkel. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Bullock.

Miss May Reynolds visited her brother near White Church Sunday.

Floyd Cogburn and wife visited in Jones county Sunday.

Tom Toombs was in town last week wearing a broad smile. "Wonder what's the matter?"

Dan L. Boyd and son, Bob, were in Merkel Monday.

Mrs. Luby Blackburn was shopping in Merkel last week.

SHILOH

There was no Sunday school Sunday on account of muddy roads, but there was singing in the afternoon.

Prof. Rollins of Jayton is teaching a singing school at Shiloh church, beginning Monday night, last. There is a good attendance and it is hoped much good will be accomplished.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ulric Wheeler, who has been seriously ill for the past week with pneumonia, is thought to be slightly improved.

Miss Lettye Jones is visiting friends at Noodle.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wheeler of Colorado City have been at the bedside of their little grandson for the past week.

The fine rains we have had for the past week have put a fine season in the ground and farmers have gone to work in earnest again.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Beavers and family, Mr. and Mrs. McDonald and J. H. Grayson were all in Merkel from Shiloh Tuesday.

ZUDORA PICTURE IS STOPPED

The management of the Royal announces a discontinuance of the serial picture Zudora being shown at that place on Friday nights.

This, however, will not conflict with the printed story in the Mail each week. The many readers who have followed the first two installments would no doubt be pleased to read the entire story and for this reason Zudora will continue weekly in the Mail as advertised.

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No. 34

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A Card of Thanks.
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