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DISTRICT LION CLUB OFFICIAL VISITS MERKEL

Here at the Weekly Meeting of Lions Club.

T. N. Carswell of Abilene, district deputy governor of Lions clubs, complimented the local club on it progressiveness at the meeting Tuesday at noon. Mr. Carswell delivered an interesting address, urging the Lions to render real service to mankind and enumerating instances where Lions clubs had found cases of distress and affliction and relieved them. VISITOR URGES HOTEL.

E. W. Clark, also of Abilene, for merly a resident of Merkel congratulated the club and the town on the unmistakable signs of progress, and urged that the building of the proposed hotel be not allowed to lag. He expressed the belief that everybody

las, and Envoy George Lambert, in Collum. charge of Salvation Army work at Lamesa will be the future home of volving fund and a commission of tor from his district in 1923 and 1924, and Dee, Hamilton. His mother died of himself and wife overseas dur- place, where he will devote his atten- as, empowers the legislature with wide ing the world war, and Envoy Lam- tion to farming. bert told of the work being done in Mr. Collins was formerly in the to cotton and levying an equalization

MAYOR TALKS PAVING.

Mayor Henry C, West was toast- years. master and took occasion to urge members of the Lions club and others New Name Asked to keep the wheels of progress moving, declaring that conservative progress was always in order. Discussing the proposed paving of Oak street, Mayor West said the one and only question | Austin, Texas, Jan. 24 .- The Texas fund.

paving. "To pave or not to pave is the big question now," the mayor said. "With this settled, we are then in position to accept the best bid."

Rev. Ira L. Parrack was named toastmaster for next week's meeting, and Roger A. Burgess for the week ping the play at 1,405 feet and flow- Admitting his identity, but denying he following.

Methodist Mission Women Meet Monday

The Methodist Missionary society will meet Monday afternoon in social Develop Plans For session with the following program: Song; devotional, Rev. Willett; prayer; solo, Boag Sears; China After Fifty Years, Mrs. Durham; After the Jubilee, What?-Hutchinson; song; reading; round table talk, Is Church Membership the Only Requisite?leader, Mrs. Richards; pledge, Mrs. Whitley. All Methodist women are urged to attend.

New Manager For

been made manager of the Merkel Produce Co. and haas assumed his

Mr. Nations, who is an experienced produce, poultry and creamery man, Produce Co., and has assumed his come acquainted with the producers in this section. He believes that he can render co-operative service and his efforts will be directed to that end.

Officiates at 2,537

present week, when Dr. Armstrong The charges made thus far are that at two homes, making the grand total he has proven diliatory in handling two homes, making the grand total disputes between railroads and their O. J. Adeock officiating. 2,537.

Condition Improved.

Friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. M. Armstrong, who has had a severe attack of the flu, is improving age 28, owner of the Midget Cafe shot and able to be up. Mrs. N. J. Arm- and killed himself at his place of busi- mally sentenced to die in the electric strong, Dr. Armstrong's mother, who has been quite ill, is considerably improved. Two daughters, Mrs. T. M. Robinson of Big Spring and Mrs. here for a week attending the sick.

Merkel Lions Greet

Seventeen members of the Merkel Lions club went to Abilene last night, where they joined with representasqub squb of viewixordde of sand T. N. Carswell, E. W. Clark and Salvation Army Officers are of West Texas in welcoming Benjamin oil well in the Snowden & McSweeney about a mile and a half north of the of Lions International.

to Abilene Thursday.

Merkel members who signed to represent the local club at the Abilene Johnson, C. K. Russell, H. C. West, E.

Clarence Saunders Store in Merkel is

J. M. Collins of Lamesa has bought would be surprised at the liberal pat- from J. A. Collum the Clarence Saunronage accorded a new modern hotel. | ders store in Merkel and has assumed Ensign F. O. Burdick of the Salva- charge of the business. He has also tion Army, with headquarters at Dal- purchased the home place of Mr.

Abilene, spoke briefly. Ensign Bur- Mr. Collum, who with his family, are three to administer the fund, for the died at San Angelo after a brief ill- in November, 1899. Half brothers and dick related some of the experiences preparing to move immediately to that protection of cotton growers of Tex-ness.

> grocery business at Lamesa, where he fee, was before the senate this week. has been living for the past sixteen | The measure, a joint resolution in-

For South Texas

for the property owners to decide was | College of Arts and Industries is the whether or not they wanted that name proposed for the South Texas Accused Leader of thoroughfare paved; that inconsequen- State Teachers' College at Kingsville, tail matters should be avoided. If the Cousins, president of the institution, ajority favor paving, the mayor it has been announced by Dr. R. B. council will then get together and ask in name will be offered at once. It ruse played by two police officials, lin of the robbery of the Krum bank, Until about 6 th year and Mrs. Modyne Sheppard 91; Ben Sublett for bids on the different types of

Pecos Oil Gusher Rates 25, 664 Barrels

Boy Scout Camp

Abilene, Tex., Jan. 24.-Well devel- Dallas Attorney is oped plans for a permanent scout camp, of great interest to hundreds of boys throughout West Texas, will be revealed here February 3 at an area

Withholding details of the plan un- jail for contempt of court. til the entire area has had an oppor-Merkel Produce Co. tunity to suggest and act on the pro- the jail sentence Tuesday when he reposition, local scout officials are en- fused to sit down when ordered by S. O. Nations, for the past eighteen thusiastic over the movement. For Judge Williams during the trial of months located at Sweetwater, has several years scout leaders have Clifford Clements, Fort Worth, for sought the establishment of a perman- negligent homicide. The original fine nent scout camp where boys of West was only \$25, but the 'extras" were duties here, succeeding I. S. Simpson. Texas might gather annually in a big tacked on for "back talk." out of door encampment.

Resume Pat Neff Hearings Monday

Washington, Jan. 24 .- The Senate committee on interstate commerce crashed into the supporting wall. announced today that hearings will be resumed next Monday on protests Visits of the Stork over the nomination of Pat M. Neff as member of the Railroad Meditation Present as physician at 2,537 visits board. This will afford opportunity of the stork during approximately 38 for the former Texas Governor whose years of practice, 23 of them in Mer- reappointment to this board is opposkel, is the record of Dr. M. Armstrong. ed by representatives of the railway This total was reached during the brotherhood to submit his defense. employes and that his attitude has been unfriendly to the employes.

Cafe Owner Suicides.

Big Spring, Jan. 24 .- W. D. Arthur ness here.

Visiting Relatives. . Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Bragg left Johnnie Cox of Abilene, have been Thursday for Stephenville, where they dent Anson Jones retired in favor of will visit relatives.

DRILL TOPS LIME IN Ruffin at Abilene SNOWDEN & M'SWEENY **BICKLEY WELL NO. 5**

Indications point to another good, a pay well. The No. 1 Campbell is A. Ruffin, Richmond, Va., president No. 5 Bickley, south offset in the Noodle Creek pool and approximately confined to his bed for about a nonth President Ruffin has only three dent No. 3 Smith, which was dry last producing area. speaking engagements in Texas-San week. The drill topped the lime at Activity is on the increase in the Rev. Ira L. Parrack of the Paptist running the 5-inch casing.

south and 1590 feet west of the north- one. meeting are: L. B. Scott, Booth War- east corner of the northwest quarter | An official of one of the larger com-

Shaheen producing area to Indepen- the same distance south of the Tiner and in ill health for the past five

Antonio, Abilene and Amarillo. He 2508 feet and the crew was engaged three oil areas. Phillips Petroleum church, assisted by Elder W. G. Cycame by airplane from San Antonio Wednesday night and Thursday in Co. has made three new locations, pert of the Church of Christ, Inter-Snowden-McSweeny one, and Cosden Bickley No. 5 is located 330 feet panies, in the field this week, predict- with Odd Fellows in charge at the

ren, Sam Swann, Sie Hamm, Stan of section 50, block 18, T. & P. survey, ed that this section was due for the ducted a shoe repair business in Mer-Following a good showing of oil in biggest play during the spring and kel. He had been a resident of this Yates Brown, Herbert Patterson, C. the Phillips Petroleum Co. No. 1 summer that the oil industry has section practically all of his life, mov-S. P. Nesmith, H. P. Hulsey, R. O. An- being a dry hole, or at the most only a that this was due to the fact that the 1884 and to Merkel in 1885. In early derson, Ira Windham and Dee Grimes. small producer. The drill is still in high gravity oil encountered here was manhood he was married to Miss the blue shale, which gives hope that responsible for the predicted developthis wildcat test will yet develop into ment.

Sold to Lamesa Man COTTON BILL BY ABILENE SOLON

Austin, Texas, Jan. 24.—A measure which would create a \$50,000,000 reauthority to control acreage planted

troduced by Senator Oliver C. Cun- McMurry college at Abilene has re- Former Resident of state bonds to exceed \$50,000,000 flu epidemic. and levy an equalization fee not to Automobile accidents in Texas took Teachers College exceed \$1 a bale to pay interest on a toll of eleven lives over last week-

is equivalent to being made a South posing as prohibition agents, Ara C. the jury recommending a minimum (Ace) Pendleton, 31, accused leader sentence of five years. . of a notorious bank robbers band, is leged lawlessness..

More than 20 bank robberies and eight killings are attributed by police San Angelo, Texas, Jan. 24.-Top- to "the ace" and members of his band. ing steadily from 1,440-43 feet, Calif- had ever robbed a bank, Pendleton ornia Company's No. 1 Smith, Lease viewed the officers, who took him into 1, in Pecos County, Tuesday gauged custody, under the pretense of for ina rate of 25,664 barrels daily, before vestigation as to whether he had vioa "bunco game."

> get you sooner or later," Pendleton observed in his cell.

Dallas, Jan. 24.-Unless Judge Nomeeting of scout leaders, Judge James land G. Williams changes his mind in three feet of water near Mexia when of Texas student, sentenced to four-F. Stinson, president of the Chisholm the next few days, Ted Monroe, Dal- Slippery roads caused the truck in teen years on a charge of the holdup Trail area, announced Wednesday. las attorney, may spend three days in which they were riding to skid into a of the Farmers National Bank at

Monroe was fined \$100 and given

Clements was charged with negligent homicide after the death four months ago of Miss Bobbie Lewis of off of the Oak Cliff Viaduct when the automobile in which she was riding tion insurance.

Infant Dead.

uary 14th. Truly we are made to islature. realize the truth of the song "Jesus is gathering beautiful buds; buds for His garden above."

Funeral services were held Tuesday

Death Date Set.

San Antonio, Tex., Jan. 24.-John McKenzie, convicted of the fatal shooting of Chief of Detectives Sam Street on September 10, 1927, today was forchair on Saturday, March 23.

On Feb. 16, 1846 Texas was annexed to the United States and Presi-Gov. J. Pinckney Henderson.

KEEPING

pioneer, died Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Harry Snoddy of

ningham, Abilene, would amend the sumed chapel exercises following susconstitution so as to permit issuance pension before the holidays due to the

the bonds and create an emergency end and a score or more persons were resident of Merkel, was buried in the seriously injured.

farms near Midland.

John Wesley Meyers, son of a meth- from Franklin, Robertson county. facing the end of a long trail of al- odist minister, has been indicted on department store on Dec. 24.

won over two opponents in the July

Rip, the world-famed horned frog, being shut in at 1,443 feet for storage. lated the prohibition law and operated taken from the Eastland county courthouse with the claim that he had liv-"Records and finger prints will ed there for 31 years without food or water, is dead.

Total value of Texas farm crops for 1928 is \$783,000,000, compared to \$738,000,000 in 1927, according to the Given Jail Sentence report of H. H. Schutz, United States Rebecca Bradley Rogers, former statistician at Austin.

the volunteer band of citizens who trial Wednesday by the Court of Crimshot it out with a gang of outlaws that inal Appeals. attempted to rob the state treasury 64 years ago, was buried recently at Death Sentence in Austin. He was 82 years old.

The mother of Lucian Shook, who was killed in September of last year by Clyde Thompson, at Shook's cabin the electric chair was assessed against northwest of Eastland, has filed suit Lee Roy Merriman by a jury in Judge Fort Worth, who was killed in a fall for \$6,480 against the Southern Sure- Grover Adams' court Wednesday, one ty company for workmen's compensa- week after the supreme penalty had

is conducting an extened speaking Oak Cliff girls on Dec. 9. The infant daughter of Mr. and tour in the interest of land title vali-Mrs. T. R. Melton of the Shilo com- | dation and water priority rights, both munity died about noon Monday, Jan- issues being now before the Texas leg-

Surplus Crop Control. Dallas, Jan. 24.-A demand for legislation to guarantee surplus crop around 300 feet.

noon at Rose Hill cemetery, with control and asking a high restrictive tariff on foreign farm products was made Wednesday by H. G. Lucas, president of the Texas Farm Bureau Federation, in an address at a federation meeting here Wednesday.

> Cattle Sales This Week. Jasper McCoy sold to Joe Henshaw of Abilene one car of mixed cattle. James Patterson shipped one car of cattle to the Fort Worth market.

One car of mixed cattle was shipped by Baker & Collins to Joe Henshaw of Abilene.

Lingering Illness

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the Baptist church for E. L. Ash, 46, well known Merkel citizen, who died early Thursday That Number Made Average of morning at his home here after being years. Services were conducted by ment was in the Merkel cemetery,

For several years Mr. Ash has con-H. Jones, R. A. Burgess, W. O. Boney, Campbell, indications pointed to this known in a long time. He added ing to Sweetwater with his parents in Pearl Eldridge of Gorman, living one year in Merkel, two years in Gorman, then moving back to Merkel, where they have resided since.

Mr. Ash was a member of the Baptist church and the Odd Fellows aand took an active interest in both as long as his health permitted.

Survivors are his wife and two children, Floy and Eris; his father, D. G. Ash, and step-mother; three W. J. Carson, 63, cowboy legisla- brothers, Oscar, Fort Worth; Oron of Albany; Roy Ash of Seminole 94; Carabel Mansfield 93; Harold Mrs. Sarah Jones, Callahan county and sisters surviving are Paul Ash Reese 92; Sarah Sheppard 92; Lois Okla., Jack Ash of Merkel, and Mrs. Dent Gibson and Mrs. Clarrence Perry, both of Merkel.

Following funeral services at Abilocal cemetery Sunday afternoon. She died at the home of her daughter, M. B. Bell was killed and two Mrs. L. O. Cooper, in Abilene, at an Bernice Gambill 90; Mary Helen Lanother men badly injured when a steam early hour Sunday. Burial was in caster 90. Robber Band Caught boiler exploded on the Magnolia tank the family burial plot by the side of her husband, Robert O'Rear, who

ing moved here with her husband

Services were conducted by Rev the charge of robbing a Dallas chain O. C. Turner, pastor of the Walnut Springs Baptist church at Abilene, rum 91. Coleman has a deaf and dumb peace assisted by Rev. R. H. Williams, forofficer. Rush Johnigan qualified as mer pastor, and Rev. Ira L. Parrack, constable the first of the year, having pastor of the Merkel Baptist church.

Besides her daughter in Abilene, Mrs. O'Rear is survived by three sons, Jim and Tom Bowman of San Angelo: Robert O'Rear of Trent, and eight grandchildren.

Rebecca Rogers is Granted New Trial

Austin, Texas, Jan. 24.-Mrs. stenographer in the Attorney Gen-J. C. Brown of Waco and E. A. eral's Department when Dan Moody Taylor of Hubbard were drowned in held that office and former University Hicks 91; Lucille Gilmore 90; Evelyn Buda, sixteen miles south of Austin, Fernando Raven, last survivor of on Dec. 11, 1926, was granted a new Sallie Mae Salter 90.

Dallas Assault Case

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 24.-Death in been given in the same court to Ben Andy Bourland, president of the Aldridge, Merriman's alleged compan-West Texas Chaamber of Commerce, ion in kidnapping and assulting three

Well Near Blair

The Grisham-Hunter Campbell No. 1, located near Blair, was spudded in last week, and is now drilling at

Wesley Brotherhood

Discussion of future work for the organization featured the meeting Tuesday night of the Wesley Brotherhood at the Methodist church.

the ensuing twelve months.

HONOR ROLL AT Fatal to E. L. Ash GRAMMAR SCHOOL HAS 87 PUPILS

90 or More Over Six Weeks' Period; Neither Tardy or Absent.

The following pupils of the Merkel Grammar School have for the sixweeks' period ending January 18 been neither tardy nor absent, have made 90 or more in deportment, have not made less than 75 on any one subject, and have for the period made a general average of 90 or more:

Seventh Grade, Mrs. Sublett. Nell Hughes 97; Imogene Middleton 96; Opal Huskey 95; Thelma Leach 93; Nadine Field 93; Duncan Briggs 92; Voncille Gilbert 91; Harold Brown 91.

Seventh Grade, Mr. Duke. Nell Barrett 95; Mildred Richardson 95; Faye Vantreese 95; Jim Patterson 94; Jack Tucker 94; Margaret Miller 94; Joyce Wheeler 94; Maurine White 94; Roy Robins 93; Mardell Shouse 91; James West Jr. 91; Emma Simms 91; Melba Taylor 91; Floy

Sixth Grade, Miss. Rodden. Annie Lee Owen 94; Julia Proctor Whitely 92; Clara B. White 90; Lloyd Robertson 90.

Sixth Grade, Miss. Coates. Walderine Huskey 94; Wilma Gardner 94; Rogene Dye 92; Ruth Davis 92; Laverne Holden 92; Neal Dur-Buried in Merkel ham 92; David Gamble 92; Wanda Hunter 91; Ralph Hayes 90; Thomas Jones 90; Vivian Lasiter 90.

Fifth Grade, Miss. Hayes. Mary Grace Dunn 91; Clara Frances Largent 91; Deverle Brown 91; Jesse Margaret Berry 90; Billie

Fifth Grade, Mrs. Davis. Ethelda Tucker 94; Wanda Owen 93; A. C. Sears 92; Alice Russell 91; 1: Jackie Slater 90. Fourth Grade, Mrs. Cookston.

Dorothy Dell Spurgin 93; Louise Toombs 93; Armie Love Toombs 92; Thelma Patterson 91; Billie Wood-Fourth Grade, Miss Guitar.

Ora Derrick 94; Mable Maddox 94; Janet Hayes 93; Beth Holloway 92; Juanita Burns 92. Third Grade, Mrs. Anderson. Betty Lou Grimes 93; Robert Junior

Grimes 93; Waymon Adcock 92; Davis Beasley 90; Billy Dunning 90; Juanita Dunn 90: Elma Mae Gamble 90: Altie Grayson 90. Third Grade, Miss Heizer. Marvin Perkins 94; De La Vergne

Teague 93; Lawrence Thornton 92; Sylvan Mellinger 90. Second Grade, Miss Poque. Tally Jr. Holloway 93; Dovis Diltz 92; Charles Iddings 92; Ben Robert

Second Grade, Miss West Dick West 94; Clyde Sears 92; Othar Suber 90; Rachel Patterson 90; First Grade, Mrs. Teaff.

Johnston 90; Jep Kerr 90.

Hubert Pierce 93; Lloyd Gilmore, First Grade, Miss Russell. Ralph Russell 92; Frances Owen 91.

Legislature Votes Probe Land Office.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 24.-An investigation of the general land office and the governor, the attorney general's office and the board of regents of the University of Texas in their re lations with the land office was ordered by the Legislature Wednesday when the House adopted the concur-Drilling at 300 Feet rent resolution passed Friday by the

Valiant efforts were made by a group led by Representative George C. Kemble to head off the probe but the House voted down Mr. Kemble's motion to refer the resolution to the Public Lands and Building Committee Plans Future Work by a vote of 73 to 50. The resolution was adopted, 94 to 33.

Rowden Gets 99 Years.

Breckenridge, Texas Jan. 24-Al Rowden, 41, was given a ninety-nine-Interesting talks were made by Rev. year sentence by a jury late Wednes-T. C. Willett and Rev. R. A. Walker, day for the murder of his wife, Mrs. following which a committee was ap- Pauline Rowden, 26, who was shot to pointed to study and recommend ac- death Dec. 21 as she lay in bed in tivities for the Brotherhood during her room here. The jury deliberated less than an hour.

Condensed Statement of Condition

The Farmers State Bank

Merkel, Texas, Close Business Dec. 31, 1928

RESOURCES.	
Loans	\$362,542.03
Overdrafts	121.32
Banking House	25,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	7,500.00
Other Real Estate	
Due from Guaranty Fund	4,105.88
Due from City of Merkel	
U. S. Bonds\$ 41,300.00	
Bills of Ex. Cotton 72,762.67	
Cash and Ex132,769.55	
Total Available Cash	246,832.22
	\$659,243.03

LIABILITIES Capital Stock\$	50,000.00
Surplus and Profits	
Bills Payable	NONE
Other Borrowed Money	NONE
Deposits	603,958.17
\$6	659.243.03

Upon the merits of the above statement we solicit your business. Our funds are loaned locally for the benefit of this community.

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HERBERT PATTERSON, Assistant Cashier B. L. HAMILTON, Assistant Cashier

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WHAT'S DOING In West Texas

Baird is building a new brick structure on Market street between Fourth and Fifth to house the West Texas Utilities Company. The Utilities Company will use it as an uptown salesroom and office. It will be furnished with the very latest office equip-

Plans are to start the preliminary survey for the new city lake for Hamlin within the next few days. The new lake will be north of Hamlin on the T-Diamond ranch and will supply water for a town of from 15,000 to 22,500 people.

A volunteer fire department is being organized in Junction and as a result the fire insurance rate will be reduced fifteen percent within the year. Thirty-five men compose the department and drill twice a month. The city is planning to buy one thousand additional feet of hose.

Construction work is progressing on the new tile and brick home of the Texas Furniture Company at Olney. The foundation and walls have been completed of the hundred foot front and one hundred foot extension to the back.

Bleachers intended to seat approximately 350 people have been set up in Sul Ross College gymnasium. They run the entire length of the west side of the building and are five tiers in height. They are portable and can be used at the gymnasium, at the tennis courts, etc.

Snyder is soon to have a modern commercial airport. The 200 acre plot was recently purchased for \$50,-000.00. It joins the northern city limits, and will have camp, water, gas, electricity, and sewerage disposal, filling station and other conveniences.

West Texas Today, official magazine of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, will be in the mails this week. The January issue carries more pecan stories, but is not a pecan special as last month. Development in different West Texas towns and reports from secretaries of chambers of commerce served by the regional organization are given space.

County Teachers to Meet at North Park School January 26

M. A. Williams, county superintendent of public instruction, has announced the following program for the meeting of the Taylor County Teachers' Association, with the North Park school on January 26: 10:00 a. m., Sing-song led by Jesse

10:20 a. m., Invocation-Rev. Willis

10:40 a. m., Address-Dr. Hunt, McMurry College.

11:10 a. m., Sectional Meetings: Primary led by Mrs. O. C. Howell; Intermediate led by Miss Ada Landers: High School led by R. S. Glaze. 12:00 Noon (Chicken dinner may be purchased at the school for about

1:00 p. m., A. C. C. Quartet. 1:20 p. m., Entertainment from

North Park School. 1:40 p. m., General discussion-

Superintendent M. A. Williams. 2:00 p. m., Discussion of Interscholastic League work led by E. H. Boulter.

3:00, Adjournment.

This meeting is also Institute and teachers are required by law to attend.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation to our many friends and neighbors for every kind word and deed done in the recent death of our baby Geraldine and also for the beautiful floral offerings. May God's blessing rest on each and every one

> Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Lucas. Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Lucas. Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Marshall.

BLACKSMITH WORK.

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Statement of Condition

Close of Business Dec. 31st 1928.

THE OLD RELIABLE Farmers & Merchants National Bank

MERKEL, TEXAS

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES	
Loans, Time and Demand \$232,046.75 Overdrafts \$1,486.45 Furniture and Fixtures 6,750.00 5% Redemption Fund 312.50 Stock in Federal Reserve Bank 2,250.00 Bankers Acceptances \$64,127.19 Commercial Paper 77,500.00 Bills of Exchange (cotton) 39,923.32 U. S. Bonds (owned) 111,300.00 Cash & Sight Exchange 160,451.58	Capital Stock Surplus Undivided Profits Circulation Borrowed Money Bills Payable Rediscounts	25,000.00 14,344.10 6,050.00 NONE NONE
CASH AVAILABLE\$453,302.09 \$696.147.79	DEPOSITS	\$600,753.69 \$696,147.79

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Funeral Directors and Embalmers

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Sweetwater Offers "Hit the Deck" As Attraction Feb. 2

In all its sprightliness, and with ill with appendicitis is getting along flavor of the deep salt sea, the new nicely. Vincent Youmans' international success "Hit the Deck" will arrive the flu. at the City Auditorium, Sweetwater, Texas, Saturday, Feb. 2.

such pleasurable anticipation on the fant of Mr. and Mrs. Ri and Melton has since the first announcement that interred in the Rose All cemetery at the Youman's nautical musical com- Merkel. edy with its ravishing tunes "Hallelujah" and "Sometimes I'm Happy", was on the way here.

Vincent Youman's "No No Nanette" music is familiar everywhere, and the the former's brother, Mr. and Mrs. announcement of the coming of a new Campbell Morris, of Cross Plains, musical comedy by Youmans would Texas, the week-end. in itself create a great deal of interest; but the appearance of "Hit the ited his cousin, Arthur Moore, the past Deck" here is of double interest, for two weeks. Mr. Youmans is not only its composer, but its producer as well.

In producing "Hit the Deck" Mr. Youmans has had the assistance of such well known collaborators as Herbert Fields who wrote the book, and Leo Robins and Clifford Grey who wrote the lyrics.

CARD OF THANKS.

We take this means of thanking every one who so kindly assisted in the care of our dear mother, Mrs. M. J. Dudley, during her recent illness and for the words of sympathy extended us at her death.

Her Children.

Texan Modification Leader.

Washington, Jan. 24.-Chesley W Jurney of Waco, for twenty years secretary of the late Senator Culberson of Texas, and now secretary to Senator Copeland of New York, is president of a new organization known as "The League for the Modification of the Volstead Act," operating under a ten year charter issued in the District of Columbia.

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

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Blair Items

Allie Lois, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bryant, who has been seriously

Mrs. Lewis Ryle is recovering from

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Melton attended the Not in many moons has there been funeral of their granddaughter, inpart of the theater patrons, as there of Noodle Dome. The the body was

Mrs. J. W. Wilson returned last week-end after a weeks visit with relatives at Blackwell, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Emitt Morris visited

Hayne Blackburn of Seymour, vis-

Peggie Marie Mayfield of Tye, visited their friends at Kale, Mr. and Boston Bargain Store. Mrs. J. W. Mayfield, one day recently. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. D. Chappell

Mrs. J. D. Bollin, last week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cavett and son; Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Scoggins and daughters, motored to Sweetwater

visited their friends at Kale; Mr. and

Mrs. Pat Brewer has been seriously ill at her home the past weeek. Mr. and Mrs. Riley James are the proud parents of a son; born 17, weighing 11 pounds.

Paul La Grave Dies

El Paso, Texas, Jan. 24.-Near death for about a week from a heart attack, Paul La Grave, secretary of the Fort Worth Texas League baseball club, succumbed here Monday at a sanitarium.

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ONE of the first things you will notice when you drive the new Ford is the quick, effective, silent action of its six-brake system.

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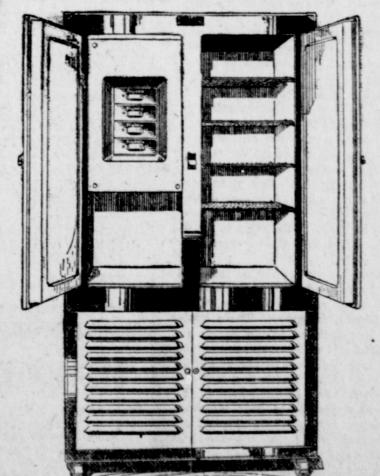
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THE ELECTRIC YEAR.

of marked progress and achievement igrated to Texas. for the electric industry. In all phases of operation it further improved the efficiency and economy of its service to the public:

Wherever possible, refinancing was carried out at lower interest costs, resulting in large savings, that have, in general, been passed on to the customers by reduced rates throughout the nation.

Much additional area was added to that served by electric utilities, and many more communities now have the advantage of adequate electric power. A number of important construction projects were executed to the further enchancement of service.

In the new and outstanding field of farm electrification, great progress was made. Scientific research, carried on over a period of years, has definitely established that if electricity be properly employed in agriculture, the United States senate would exit will more than pay for itself in comfort, efficiency, speed, certainty of operation, economy and labor saving.

The outlook for the future is encouraging. The industry's great past triumphs are but a beginning: there are vast potentialities for electric power yet to be exhausted. In the farm, the home and in industry new uses are appearing almost daily.

At the root of our industrial expansion is the tireless hand of electricity. Without it, our great modern givilization could never have deweloped.

A high official of one of the major pil companies predicts unprecedented oil development in this section during the next few months. The high quality oil in the Merkel area places the field in a class second to none.

Paving work on Oak street and the new hotel going up at the same time will make the old town look like a million dollars. Both projects are more than probabilities.

to devise ways and means to minimize the loss of life from automobile accidents. It is in order for some of our 6, 1861, met in caucus and adopted millionaires to offer a big money prize resolutions recommending to their to accomplish this result.

Texas remained an independent Republic from 1836 to 1846 under the successive administrations of Presidents David G. Burnett, Sam Houston, Mirabeau B. Lamar, Sam Houston (second term) and Anson Jones.

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TEXAS SENATORS IN U.S. CONGRESS

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JOHN HEMPHILL (1859 - 1861)

John Hemphill was born in the Entered at the postoffice at Merkel, Chester district, South Carolina on December 18, 1803. He graduated from college in Pennsylvania in 1825 located in Sumter, S. C., where he TWELVE 2-year old Monthly Bloom- LOST-Bunch of keys on ring with Nineteen-twenty-eight was a year years 1832-1833, and thereafter em- satisfied. Cash with order. A. C.

> Hemphill was an astute lawyer and in 1840, he was appointed chief justice ards, Merkel, Texas. of the supreme court of the republic. He resigned that judgeship in 1842 WHITE Leghorn chickens for sale, to become adjutant general, and accompanied General Somerville in the Patterson. unfortunate Mier expedition to capture reprisals for Texans held as prisoners in Mexico.

He was a member of the convention of 1845 which adopted the ordinance of annexation, and of the convention which framed the state constitution. After the annexation of Texas to the United States, he was, in 1846 appointed chief justice of the state supreme court and held that position until elected to the United States Sen-

As General Sam Houston's term in pire before the meeting of the state can put car in on any new or used car legislature in 1859, the legislature of for price paid. 1857 elected his successor. The can-John Hemphill and William S. Old- 1924 Chevrolet Roadster, good ham, both of whom were known to be states rights men, with very strong 1925 Chevrolet Touring-O.K. southern sentiments. Both resided in

Judge Hemphill was the chief justice 1927 Chevrolet Touring, a dandy of the supreme court of Texas. Judge Oldham was a distinguished lawyer and a good political speaker. He had 1925 Ford Touring been on the supreme court bench in Arkansas before coming to Texas. of the republic and of the state of Texas for fifteen years continuously. Having held courts since 1851 in Austin, Galveston and Tyler, Judge Hemphill had more extensive personal acquaintances in the state which gave him a decided advantage over Judge Oldhama. Though scarcely known in Eastern Texas Judge Oldham received a considerable vote in the legislature. Judge Hemphill was elected and took his seat in the United States senate at the expiration of General Houston's term, March 4, 1859.

Judge Hemphill was one of the fourteen Senators who, on January states immediate secession. In the FOR SALE-My home place in South following February he was made a Merkel. A. V. Dye. deputy to the Confederate provisional congress in Montgomery, Alabama. FOR SALE-Pure Hasting seed oats, from the United States senate by res- \$1.00 per bushel. J. E. Boaz. olution adopted by that body on July 11, 1861.

supreme court bench Judge Hemphill gain. I. S. Simpson. established many important precedents, and settled many questions Kansas, a large portion of Central which had been long in conflict in the old States. He was one of the most learned of his time and one of his outstanding judicial achievements was his success in harmonizing the common and civil law elements of Texas FOR SALE OR TRADE-Just com-

Judge Hemphill was never married. though he was ever a champion of iences, close to school. Will sell on the widow and the orphan, a staunch liberal terms or trade for equity in under 50 years of age. The pastor advocate and protector of the legal will preach at both hours, 11 a. m. rights of married women, and invariand 7:15 p. m. All B. Y. P. U's meet ably gave to laws regarding them a FOR SALE-Threethousand bundles at 6:30 p. m. Come, find a place to liberal construction. One of the de- sorghum high grade maize; worth the cisions of an eminent judge styled him money. Jasper McCoy. . the great champion of the homestead rights in Texas. His name is indelibly inscribed upon the jurisprudence

and incisive language. These qualities are exhibited in his speech on R. A. Walker, Pastor. the right of a state to withdraw from the Union, delivered in the senate in January, 1861. In that speech he Beginning February 1, 1929, and showed that Texas having been an intil further notice, the undersigned dependent republic of good standing iks will open at 8:00 a. m. and among the nations at the time of its annexation, would, in withdrawing rmers State Bank, Merkel, Texas. from the Union, only resume that sovrmers and Merchants National ereignty and independence which she had laid aside when she entered it. In answer to charges of ingratitude then made upon Texas in view of her I am now able to supply a few more threatened secession, he showed that sible for the Mexican war, and that it was not waged by the United States

even for the benefit of Texas. Judge Hemphill died in Richmond, Virginia, on January 4, 1862. His remains were brought to Austin and interred in the state cemetery, where they repose by the side of those of some of his judicial associates.

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or will trade for good team. Homer

FOR SALE-A few more nice Nagan-

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Good rubber, new paint, new top (License Paid)

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FOR RENT-Light housekeeping rooms, modern conveniences, close in, For information, see J. F. Holloway, White House Cafe.

cockrels and pullets. See Robert FOR RENT-Rooms furnished or unfurnished, also bed rooms; reasonable. Five blocks out on Noodle Dome High-

> FOR RENT-Three unfurnished frooms, also one bed room; close in. C. S. Higgins Garage.

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CANYON NEWS

Nelia Hudson came from California two were highly enjoyed by all present o her mother's bedside. After her Parents, remember the P. T. A. mother's death she visited her sister, night Jan. 25, at the Butman school. Mrs. G. L. Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Robinson and Miss Sylvester (Mutt) McGee of Abilehe visited Harry's sister, Mrs. Odie Latimer, Saturday night and the usual hours, and a cordial invi-Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Swinney are the proud parents of an eleven pound boy, born Jan. 20. Mother and babe are getting along nicely.

The county demonstrating agent was at Sam Butman Jr's farm Monday, demonstrating how to terrace land. A number of farmers of the

community were present to witness the successful lesson.

A number of young people enjoyed the "surprise" musical and chevoree The Merkel Mail friends extend at Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Russoms deepest sympathy to the bereaved Tuesday night. Lots of string inloved ones of Grandma Dudley. Mrs. strument music and games of forty-

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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W. G. CYPERT.

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MEMORIES OF THE CAMPUS. A little bird sings, a bell rings - - -The curtain rises on Merkel High. In flaring letters time has written Across the green campus, two dates. The years of '28 and '29 are history. In a panorama of fun and work, Of smiles and tears and happiness, They have fled, and now they nestle In the bosom of old man time, and

memory! The football boys in purple and gold, Royal colors for royal men. Pass, leading the cheery pep-squad

The basketball girls smile and flee, The Dramatic club waves a graceful hand,

Yell club de Espano'ldice "Adios a toda,"

While the orchestra a pianist plays A soft melody, and a singer sings To the faculty, cheerful and firm. And books, tattered and worn Seem to smile on the Badgers As they follow the trails of the four

Leaving deep footprints on "the sands of time."

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"The Best of Pictures to the Best of People"

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REX BELL IN "TAKING A CHANCE"

A great Western with lots of action. Part Three of the exciting serial "Terrible People"

MONDAY AND TUESDAY

EMIL JANNINGS IN "THE PATRIOT"

One of the finest things you will see on the screen in many

With Florence Vidor, Lewis Stone and Neil Hamilton

WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY

With Clive Brook, Evelyn Brent and William Powell

SAY, DIDJA' KNOW-

sinking back into slumber, from which opened the H. S. season by defeating they startled up last Tuesday for Tye 54-10. Coach Davis used his en

men, the Sophs, and the Seniors respectively?

-That in spite of a poor bunch of managers, the beauty contest conducted by the annual is showing lots

-That when Leela and Will went to visit their sick classmate, Velma FRESHMEN NEWS. Walker, the other night, Bro. Walker started to take down his Bible and ask to see the marriage license, but finally calmed himself when he learned the object of the visit. Guess Will has not raised enough nerve yet.

-That the Junior candidate in the annual beauty contest-Missie Dveis not outclassed in looks, even tho' the class purse strings are not loosened to proclaim the fact?

bers, Willie Harris and Mildred Bird, toes. (I think she was trying to kick sweet disposition. who are absent on account of illness the wall down when the accident hap-A high school circus, a party or two, and that they have shown their sym- pened). pathy by sending flowers and sympathy cards.

-That the beauty contest will end Friday at the chapel period.

organized for the new term, Econom-M. H. S. ics and Trigonometry.

MERKEL BADGERS VS. TYE.

tire squad of 13 men. Horton Wil--That according to present plans, liams took high point honors with 12 the next three issues of the Badger points, closely followed by Beene and Weekly will be put out by the Fresh- Spurgin with 10 each. It was a clean

News Events

game and good sportsmanship was shown on both sides.

Friday at 7:00 p. m. Merkel Badgers battle Simmons freshmen in Abidene at Cowboy corral.

Coach Davis is trying to get the team in shape for the county tournament February 15 and 16, which will be held in Abilene at McMurry college.

EXEMPTION LIST.

(Continued from last week)

English 9-Elvis D. Richardson, Elsie Lasater, Vera Richie, Harold Leeton, Louise Booth, Audry Farris. General Science-Audry Farris.

Physics II-Thad Doty, J. T. Darsey Jr., R. E. Cole, Ruby Patton, Ima Gene Mangum.

Algebra 9-Jess Higgins, Thelma McAnich, Margaret Turner.

Everyone is rejoicing because Exams are over, but some of us are weeping because we "flunked." The you can't save spent money. Fish are not doing so well in their work this half year, but I think we will all do better the rest of the year. think that this poor little lamb was day, patrons of a high class Paris cafe Deck," companies enjoying tremen-(Hope so anyway). I don't think the cut down in its youth to satisfy our were shown in a panic, running for dous popularity in San Francisco, Fish are settled good at High school appetites." yet, they are a little bit nervous, but | I think we will get over that.

We are all very sorry to hear about -That the Juniors miss their mem- Mary Elizabeth breaking one of her

The classes have all had their meetings and elected their "class beauty." Thad Doty: "No, I use one of my We are all proud of her and are going for a pencil rack." -That two new courses have been to put her over. It takes the Fresh-

the most annuals and I am sure we ing Monday morning to elect the class are going to win the beauty contest. beauty. Marcelena Partridge was -That the students are gently Last Friday the Badger cagers We are going to try real hard anyway. chosen by a majority of votes and did

This was overheard in a conversa- third?

tion the other day. Terrell Mashburn: "Listen, boys" my father thinks I look like Abraham Lincoln."

Bill Hamm: "Shoot! My father ays I look like George Washington.' Ross Ferrier: "Well, I am ahead of you all. The other day I got on a treet car and I accidently stepped on the conductor's toe and he said, "Jesus Christ, get off of my toe."

SENSES AND NONSENSE.

Miss Baker: "So you are going to

Miss Sloan: "He is the most upright, highminded, honorable fellow in the world."

Miss Baker: "Goodness, you'll starve to death."

You can spend saved money but

Mr. Burgess: (struggling with his portion) "Yes, it is tough."

Can your troubles and preserve a

Lee Darden: "Have you an ear for No. 2.

The Freshmen beauty is Oleta Moore. ears for the telephone and the other

SOPHOMORE NEWS.

We won the half holiday for selling | The Sophomore class held a meet

So watch the Fish put this race over! you know that our candidate is only "Hit the Deck" at

Well, watch our smoke! Reporter.

Gigantic Sea Fight in "Old Ironsides," Queen Attraction

in "The Ten Commandments" is de- January 31. clared to be the terrific battle between | Sweeping the country as did Youthe glorious frigate "Constitution" mans' "No, No Nanette", the two marry George at last. What is he and the pirates of old Tripoli in Para- popular excerpts from the new piece riotic and romantic sea spectacle show- singing and fox-trotting. There is ing at the Queen Theatre Monday and hardly a home where the music of Tuesday.

What price realism?

Considerable in the movies. When the supposed air raids were staged for "Out of the Ruins," the dent in the fact that the play enjoyed Richard Barthelmess starring vehicle a run of over a year in New York, Mrs. Burgess: "Isn't it hard to at the Queen Wednesday and Thurs- six months in London, with "Hit the

cover into the basement of the cafe.

Get a roast or steak from our choice Home Fed Baby Beef. to pay cash and trade at the Chickens and Turkeys dressed to Boston Bargain Store. order. Fresh Oysters and Cat Fish. Quality Market. Phone

Abilene Fair Park Auditorium Jan

Mail orders are now being receifor the coming engagement of V cent Youmans' international music comedy success, "Hit the Ded with its famous songs. "Halleluj Even more gigantic than the charge and "Sometimes I'm Happy", whi of the clansmen in "The Birth of a will be presented at the Fair Paris Nation" or the onrush of the chariots Auditorium, Abilene, Thursday night,

mount's "Old Ironsides," mighty pat- have literally set the whole nation "Hallelujah" and "sometimes I'm Happy" is not familiar. "Hit the Deck" is the young musical genius' first venture as a theatrical producer and how he has fared is but too evi-Melbourne and other cities of like importance.

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sorry if you don't see it Also Comedy "Imagine My Embarrassment" and News

> WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY RICHARD BARTHELMESS IN "OUT OF THE RUINS"

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he had almost gone to sleep when he lings of the lodge. was awakened by the lights of the

JUNIOR LEAGUE PROGRAM Roll Call.

Scripture, Luke 15:4-7, by leader, Kennedy Whiteley. Story, "A son of Japan," by Neil

Story, "A Tongue-cut Sparrow", by Cullen Tittle. Bible Story, Imogene Middleton.

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is charged with negligent homi- draft resolutions in memory of broth- thirty days. in justice court here as the re- er J. T. McDonald, beg to submit the

Whereas, on the 11th Day of December A. D. 1928, it pleased the Grand Ford is held in the county jail at Master of the Universe, in his infin-Baird pending action of the grand ite wisdom, to remove from among us jury, which will convene on March 4. our dear brother, J. T. McDonald, and Mrs. Neil died in an Abilene hos- to transplant him a member of that pital on January 11 from injuries sus- Celestial Lodge Above, where the Supreme Architect of the Universe

in which she was riding collided with Whereas, Brother J. T. McDonald a light roadster, driven by Ford. The had been an honored member of this latter whose home is at Sweetwater, lodge for a number of years, being at all times loyal to the principles of the service and quality meats. Wheeler He attributes his part in the fatal order, during his active life, was collision to drowsiness, declaring that punctual in attendance upon the meet-

other automobile just in time to brother, this lodge has lost a worthy we believe you will become one of our throw on his brakes. He has express- member, one who lived and practiced regular customers. Wheeler and ed deepest regret over the occurrence the true principles of our order, and Vaughn Market, and appears highly disturbed over in his every day life was a living exit, according to County Attorney ample of those great tenets, Faith, Hope and Charity, having Faith in God, Hope in immortaality, and Charity towards all mankind, ever ready to lend a helping hand to a brother

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of this lodge, a copy delivered to the family of the deceased brother and a copy published in The Merkel Mail, and that the members of this Lodge We, your committee appointed to wear the usual badge of mourning for

C. L. Boswell,

W. W. Wheeler, Tom Toombe Committee Passed and approved this 19 day of

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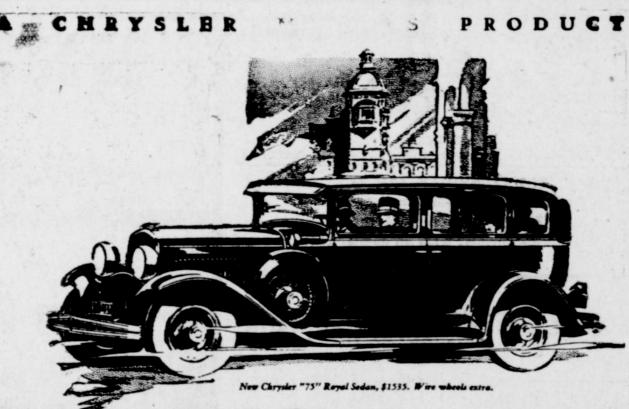
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IDLEWISE.

Mrs. Geo. White opened her home this week with two pretty parties. were entertained on Thursday after- Rev. T. C. Willet, Merkel, Sunday, and used also as plate favors. Tables Smith. She graduated with high lectable salad plate with individual pany for an indefinite period. pies and coffee was served to Misses Lucy Tracey, Mary Eula Sears, Iva where they will reside until after Bragg, Christine Collins, Boag Sears, March 1, after which they will be at Mary Cleo Booth, Johnnie Sears, Mesdames Edward McCrary, L. B. Scott, Roy Largent, Jim Sears, Tom Largent, Warren Smith, W. S. J. Brown, Matt Dillingham, R. I. Grimes, E. church met at the parsonage Mon-Charlie Jones, S. D. Gamble, F. C. day afternoon. An interesting pro-McFarland and John Cox of Abilene. gram was rendered. Mrs. M. G.

BRIDGE GAMES.

hospitality on Saturday afternoon "Handicapped," from the Voice. A with bridge games, interspersed with leaflet giving the statistics of the radio music as an afternoon's diver- Jubilee year was given by Mrs. E. L. sion. At the tea hour a dainty sand- Mangum, wich plate with sweets and tea was served to Misses Iva Bragg, Christine ve for the social meeting to be held Collins, Boag Sears, Mary Cleo Booth, at the church next Monday afternoon. Mary Eula Sears, Roberta Sloan, Every member of the society and Mesdames Roy Largent and Geo. every woman of the church is urged

Personal Mention

Miss Eska Gage of Abilene was the week-end guest of Misses Mary Eula and Boag Sears.

Miss Lala Hayes of Denton spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hayes.

Miss Mollye Shannon accompanied by Mrs. Vernon Sublett spent last week in Lubbock, the guests of friends.

Mrs. John Cox of Abilene is the guest of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Sunday.

Mrs. Nat Anderson and baby daughters of Abilene spent the week- Baptist Sanitarium, Abilene, has end with her mother, Mrs. T. J.

Miss Lola Dennis of Simmons spent turn home. last week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Dennis.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. McDonald ac companied by Mrs. T. G. Bragg spent last week-end with their mother, Mrs. Barnes of Westbrook.

Misses Alva Wheeler and Nellie Swann enrolled in Simmons University last week.

The Robert N. Campbell family is now domiciled in their new bungalow, recently erected on their farm six miles south of Merkel.

Mrs. L. R. Thompson, who is in Greensbury, Kansas, where her mother, Mrs. E. T. Hood, has been seriously ill, reports that her mother is improving and will return with Mrs. Thompson within about three weeks to visit in Merkel.

Mrs. W. Z. Harris, who has been visiting Merkel for several months. left last week to visit her son, A. E. Harris, in Haskell.

Mr. and Mrs. Goldie Weatherford of Rule have returned to their home after visiting their grandmother here, Mrs. W. Z. Harris, and Mrs. Weatherford's father, A. E. Harris of Has-

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The members of the Idlewise club quietly married at the parsonage of visiting relatives in Sweetwater. noon with a pretty mid-winter party January 20. This came as a surprise featuring a color scheme of yellow to their many friends, for Mrs. Ruth- Loss was not very heavy, due to the and green. House decorations were erford was one of Trent's most popof mistletoe, massed in profusion ular young ladies. She is the oldest Chambliss were away at the time and throughout the entertaining rooms daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elery did not know how the blaze originated. arranged for bridge games held honors from the Trent High school in dainty tallies in yellow and green and 1927. Mr. Rutherford comes from one candies in harmonizing pastel shades. of the prominent families of Tuxedo, At the culmination of the games a de- having been employed by a gin com-

They left imediately for Tuxedo their new home in Stamford.

MISSIONARY PROGRAM.

The Missionary Society of the M. Scott, vice-president, led the devotional, reading the 101 st Psalm. Mrs. Jno Mrs. Geo. White again extended Payne, of Merkel, read the topic

Committees were appointed to ser-

Clinton Bryon, student of John Tarlton College, Stephenville, spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Bryon, returning Sunday to resume his studies.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Pass spent the week-end here with Mrs. Pass' grandmother, Mrs. T. J. Williamson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Freemon are announcing the birth of a son, Jan 21. weight 9 1-2 pounds. Mother and babe are reported doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Altman, Roscoe visited Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Watson,

Mrs. Jno. Payne of Merkel, who underwent a major operation at the been visiting her mother, Mrs. W. E. Shouse, and will soon be able to re-

Mr. and Mrs. Hosca Winn are the proud parents of a baby boy, born

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Dr. G. H. Watkins of Lubbock was a visitor here last week attending to business matters and shaking hands with old friends.

Mrs. Bunk Tipton of Merkel was a Trent visitor Tuesday of this week, Mrs. Tipton was formerly Miss Carrie

The youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Terry is reported quite ill at this writing.

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