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#### **MERKEL POULTRY-** SPLIT TAX BILL **RABBIT SHOW TO COMPROMISE NOW OPEN ON FEB. 12 UP TO GOVERNOR**

**Big List of Cash Premiums: Business Men Offer Prizes To**talling \$150.00 also; Will Last Three Days.

FEDERAL

Measure, as Passed by Both Houses, Defers Time of Pavment to Oct. 15, Without Penalty; Includes School Tax.

RELIFF INAN

Feb. 12, 13, and 14 have been set as the dates for the Merkel Poultry and state legislature passed by more than Rabbit show, which is being sponsored a two-thirds majority vote a comby the Lions club with the co-opera- promise tax bill, embodying the saltion of the chicken fanciers and rab- ient features of both the O'Neal bill bit breeders of the community. The and the Weinert plan, which had prevshow will be held in the building own- lously been passed by the senate and ed by the Sears estate between the house, respectively, and the measure Farmers State bank and Max Melling- is in the hands of Governor Sterling er's.

iums, more than \$150 has been offer- the governor will sign the bill and thus ed by the merchants and professional afford relief to tax payers on the curmen of Merkel as prizes. H. M. Rose | rent year's payments. of Sweetwater is to be poultry judge. R. A. Ellis has been named superin- the time of payment of all state, countendent of poultry and Castle, Ellis ty, special school, school district, road superintendent of rabbits. Robert district, levee improvement district Hicks is secretary of the show.

tion and promotion of the Merkel visions of the county other than cities Poultry and Rabbit show are: prem- and towns and poll taxes levied for iums, John West, chairman, Bob Mc- 1930, is extended to Oct. 15, 1931. The Donald, Robert Hicks and Matt Dill- act does not apply to independent ingham; building, O. R. Dye and Matt school districts and water improve-Dillingham.

ens will be given in the building dur- other than the annual basis. ing the show, it is announced.

of rabbits. All owners of rabbits are newspaper summary of the bill, Supt. Each entrant will be requested to fur- payment in Merkel independent school nish his feed. All entries should be district?"

February 13. district." ion of Castle B. Ellis, who will see that | Therefore payment of not only they are properly fed and cared for. county and state taxes may be deferred The show will be governed by the by the tax-payer without penalty, the American Poultry Association rules. only cost attaching being ten per cent

On Wednesday both branches of the at the time this is printed, (Thursday EIGHT COUNTIES

Besides a long list of cash prem- afternoon.) It is considered likely that

The compromise bill provides that and irrigation district taxes and all Committees active in the organiza- other taxes of the political subdiment districts, which are legally en-A picture show and lecture on chick- titled now to collect their taxes on

In order to clarify the reference to There will be a general exhibition independent school districts in the invited to participate in this non-com- Burgess wired to State Superinten- 20th, the east end of the El Paso dispetitive show. There will be no en- dent Marrs Thursday morning as fol- trict and the 21st, a section along the snapped. trance fee charged nor prizes offered. lows: "Does split tax bill defer tax coast from Aransas through Willacy

put on display Thursday, Feb. 12, but | The following reply was received will be accepted until 5 p. m. Friday, from the state superintendent: "Tax bill applies to Merkel Independent would go out under the Metcalfe bill internal injuries.



### **OUT OF DISTRICT Proposed Redistricting Bill Re-Moves Eight Counties from**

Blanton's Group. sional district, represented by Thomas

L. Blanton of Abilene, will undergo resentative Fenrose B. Metcalfe gets through the legislative mill in its present form.

Metcalfe's bill would create three new districts, the 19th representing playing golf at Austin, when, driv- ed by a designated representative of the south half of the Panhandle; the counties.

The 17th district would lose eight control head gate of a gas well exploof its present 19 counties, and gain ded, the victim suffering fractures of two, a net loss of six. Those which a leg, ankle, elbow and forearm and

**BLANKS RECEIVED APPLICATIONS FOR** FOR APPLICATIONS FOR RED CROSS AID

MEETING FRIDAY

On the "Broadway of America"

Headquarters Opened at Lions Club Hall by J. T. Warren, Hall by J. T. Warren, Merkel Representative, and Rev. R. A Walker; On Hand Daily.

Application blanks for Red Cross aid have been received by J. T. Warren, Merkel representative. Families needing aid in this school district may able to Taylor county farmers in Mermake application to Mr. Warren, or kel and this section Saturday. Rev. R. A. Walker, who will assist him in this work and those knowing of needy families are urged to report them to this committee so that such cases may have attention from the Red ing will probably be held at one of the Cross agencies.

For the convenience of those desiring to make application for Red Cross "Dan Moody, attorney-at-law," has aid, an office has been opened at the been painted on the doors of an office Lions club hall and either Mr. Warren building in Austin where the former or the Rev. Mr. Walker will be there governor re-entered the general prac- each afternoon from 2 till 4 o'clock, C. M. Heald, county agent, and atten-They may be reached at all hours in ded by 170 farmers and merchants, a cases of emergency.

Attention is called by the leaders in The Red Cross work to the fact that a free clinic is held in Abilene each Tuesday and Friday, beginning at 12:30, in the Red Cross dispensary State Insurance Commissioner W. A. at the court house.

Applcations for aid are to be receiving off a tee, as he turned, he put his the Red Cross in each of the school 240 pounds on one leg and the bone districts. Besides the Merkel district, of which Mr. Warren is representa-Elm Grove, L. A. Dudley. White Church, D. D. Coats.

Salt Branch, J. E. Higgins. Castle Peak, J. D. Jones. IXL, W. C. Neil.

LOAN AVAILABLE HERE SATURDAY Machinery for Farm Relief Plan

5c PER COPY

Set in Motion; R. O. Anderson, Booth Warren and Sam Swann Named Local Committee.

Applications for federal loans under he \$45,000,000 farm relief measure recently passed by congress and approved by the president will be avail-

A community-wide mass meeting has been arranged to be held in Merkel this Friday evening, beginning at 7 o'clock, when the details of the plan will be further explained. The meettheatres here, the place to be designated later, and all interested farmers are urged to be pesent at this maks meeting.

Following a conference here Tuesday morning, which was addressed by committee of three, consisting of R. O. Anderson, Booth Warren and Sam Swann, was appointed to handle all applications for loans for this territory on seed and livestock. This committee will certify the applications to a county committee and the applications will then go to St. Louis for final approval.

So that the local committee may function with greatest efficiency, Sam Swann will give his full time to handling the detail work of receiving these applications and he will make headquarters at the Lions club hall in Merkel, beginning Saturday morning. He will be at this location all day long each week day until the work is completed

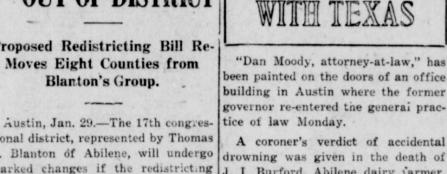
A general summary of the most im-

portant regulations governing the loan

is appended to this article, but one

preliminary, which Mr. Heald stressed

O. B. Martin, chairman of the Tex-



drowning was given in the death of marked changes if the redistricting J. I. Burford, Abilene dairy iarmer, bill introduced in the house by Rep- whose body was found in Cedar creek, east of Abilene, Monday morning.

KEEPING

MASS

Tarver broke his leg Monday while

J. J. Bourland, 31, welder, died at tive, those so designated in adjoining Cisco of injuries received when the school districts are:

are Concho, Runnels, McCulloch, San Mayor Walter E. Monteith of Houston was re-elected in Saturday's demo-

cratic primary over Oscar Holcombe,

whom he defeated two years ago but

12, in order to compete for prizes of- pendent school districts. fered. The judging will begin Friday morning, Feb. 13.

CASH PRMIUMS.

The following cash premiums will of voting. be paid on each variety of chickens,

turkeys, ducks, geese, guineas, pheas- paid before the expiration date, Feb. (Continued on Page 8.)

All birds must be in the show room interest, but the same provision apnot later than 4 p. m. Thursday, Feb. plies to the Merkel and other inde-But the payment of poll tax must

be made before the end of this month, if one wishes to exercise the privilege

Automobile licenses must also be

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## **MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO**

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, February 3, 1911.)

Te furniture and office fixtures | Mrs. Tracy attended the Bible insti- calfe said. of Dr. E. Wilder were loaded the first tute at Abilene Tuesday, making a delightful trip in the former's touring First to Send Quota of the week and consigned to Ashcar. ville, N. C., where he is located. The many friends and patients of Dr.

L. H. King, Courtney Hunt, Ross the visitors from Abilene this week Ferrier and Skinny Evans made a and gave us a dollar. We wish with business trip to Potosi this week ..

J. M. Pate has opened a restaurant of a century coming to him yet and we the Elite and reports that his place until he dies. has received popular patronage since the opening day.

West were among the visitors to pay county capitol Tuesday. their last respects and taxes to Baylor Crawford. The rest of our population had gone before or went the next took advantage of our club and reday.

We have opened a mule and horse barn on Front Street. We will buy and sell mules and horses and also will Irishman while in town Saturday, for handle feed stuff-Jones and War- he had just lost another one of his nick.

sell my land at a bargain. I also have finest pup there would be some shootsome good horse stock to sell. Apply ing in this peaceful precinct. to or write Jas. Baker, Trent, Texas.

ing school at Caps, renewed his sub. son by E. L. Woodroof, senior partscription to The Mail this week.

W. E. Britain, Mrs. H. T. Merritt and stores.

J. H. Thornton, a bit feeble, looking

Wilder regret that he is to leave us. pale as the result of a recent illness. but still much improved, was among his friends that his improvement will continue for he has about a quarter in the building formerly occupied by believe he will read the Buzz-Saw report from W. O. Boney, Merkel two weeks before while flying with

Judge W. T. Fotter, Dr. J. H. Warnick, J. A. Sosebee, V. B. Walters and J. W. Teaff, A. C. Boney and Chas. W. M. Jenkins were visitors at the

> J. M. Provine was among those who newed his subscription to The Mail and Dallas News Saturday.

C. W. Childers was a very sad

fine pups. It must be a mean citizen who will poison a good dog and if J. On account of my health I am not W. knew the address of the one who able to farm or raise stock and will administered the deadly poison to his that afternoon. Mrs. Long was 67

W. D. Woodroof left Monday for Prof. R. L. Adcock, who is teach- St. Louis. He will be joined at Deniner of the firm, and they will visit

the eastern markets for spring stock Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Warren, Mrs. for the Merkel and Waxahachie Harris, residing east of town, Sun- killed by a blow on the head with an day, January 25, 1931.

Saba, Mills, Lampasas, Burnet and Nolan. The two that would be added are Hamilton and Throckmorton. The deleted counties lie south of the Colorado river.

Nolan and the seven other counties removed from the 17th congressional district are combined with a number of other Central Texas counties to ple, trussed Robert D. Sparks, manamake up the new 20th district.

take in part of John Garner's district receipts of the theatre. and would break up the old San An-

gulf was cut in half. Harris, Dallas and Bexar counties were made one-county districts strictly on the basis of population, Met-

who had previously served Houston iour terms as mayor. Two masked men early Monday held up the Arcadia theatre at Tem-

ger, to a chair with adhesive tape and Metcalfe said the 21st district would escaped with \$1100 in cash, week-end

tonio to the gulf 'shoestring' district they "stayed sober and worked hard," day. now represented by Representative Mr. and Mrs. John Wesley West, both Wurzbach, only republican representa- past 90, finished 70 years of married tive from Texas in congress. The dis- life at Coleman Friday, with three trict that ran from Texarkana to the of their children present.

> John W. Brady, former judge, entered the walls of the Huntsville state dially invited to attend. penitentiary at 6:06 p. m. Tuesday to begin his three year sentence for the murder of Miss Lehlia Highsmith, in Austin, November 9, 1929.

Carl C. Wilson, Rotan attorney, has been appointed by the county commissioners as county judge of Fisher county, succeeding R. R. Patterson, who lately became superintendent of the State Confederate home at Aus-

The body of Corporal Philip Schur-

for the WTCC from Rule in District | By an overwhelming vote of 8,075 No. 3 and Merkel in District No. 5, to 4,511, based on unofficial returns, were received at the headquarters of- the voters of Fort Worth approved fices here Wednesday, T. P. Hornbeck, municipal ownership of the domestic Rule's director in the West Texas and industrial gas system over which chamber, handled the raising of the they now receive their supply of natquota in that town and W. O. Boney, ural gas through a privately owned

C. V. Terrell, senior member of the railroad commission, was elected chairman of the body Wednesday to serve two years, dating from that date. He succeeds Pat M. Neff as chairman, the latter continuing, however as a member for the six year term under his election in November. For the first time in the history of Texas criminal courts, a jury sentenced a woman to death at San Antonio, when Mrs. Clara Uhr, 49, was found guilty in connection with the laying of her husband, Daniel Henry Bory, to M. and Mrs. Robert E. Uhr, bed-ridden paralytic, who was

axe while he slept in his home.

Butman, W. Mac Perkins, Union Ridge, O. E. Harvell. Cross Roads, M. G. King.

Youth's Condition Unfavorable.

in his address and which will assist The Abilene Morning News of the committee materially is for the ap-Thursday stated that disquieting replicant to have the designation of the ports were had at midnight Wednessurvey to the farm he is working. This day on the condition of Kenneth Crib- | does not mean the field notes, but just ley, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. the descriptive survey as it is general-E. E. Cribley of Trent, who underwent ly referred to, especially in the tax a major operation at the West Texas records. It is stated that the only ex-Still happy and married because Baptist sanitarium at Abilene Monpense to the applicant will be a notary fee of 50 cents.

Will Preach at Trent.

as drouth relief committee, together W. G. Cypert will preach at the with his associates, visited three of the Church of Christ at Trent at the 11 larger centers last week, concluding o'clock service Sunday. All are cor- with an address at Abilene last Thurs-(Continued on Page Five)



One day last winter I was riding with the gentleman who runs a livery stable and provides food and lodging for my horse. It was some weeks after the stock market unpleasantness.

"How is business?" I asked him.

He answered that he had never known it to be worse. "Only a few of our horses are saddle horses," he said. "The others are owned by the butchers and bakers and candlestick makers who supply the fashionable people on Park and Fifth Avenues. And do you know that those little merchants can't collect enough even to pay my oats bills? It is terrible."

A little later I was repeating the conversation to a friend who makes his home in a fashionable suburb. He has ample means but, compared with some of the multi-millionaires whose estates are in the same community, he is comparatively poor.

He told me that he had been protesting mildly to the butcher about the steady increase in his meat bills. "I do not understand," he said, "We always pay promptly on the first of the month. We do not eat extravagantly, and yet our meat seems to cost more all the time."

The butcher confessed that the bills were high. He shrugged his shoulders helplessly. "What am I to do? You and the other people of moderate means are the only ones who pay your bills. The rich men on my lists keep me waiting for six months or even a year. Everybody's meat costs more in consequence."

I suppose the percentage of four-flushers in the Park Avenue district. and in the New York suburbs is very high. There must be thousands of families struggling to "keep up with the Joneses." But all over the country the same thing occurs to'a greater or less degree. It is due not merely to the fact that people are living beyond their means. Much of it is nothing more or less than downright thoughtlessness.

I used to be a great believer in reforms. I enrolled in Causes and sup-

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For 1931 for WTCC Stamford, Jan. 29 .- Rule and Merkel take the honors in their respective West Texas Chamber of Commerce districts for being the first towns in

those divisions to send their 1931 innancial quotas to the regional organ- chmann of the third attack group, ization completely paid in cash. The army air corps, who lost more than director, was the first of the two to Lieut. Jonathan Grasty from Matareach headquarters.

director at Merkel, did the same work concern.

#### there. **Conducts Funeral at Anson.** W. G. Cypert was called to Anson Monday to conduct the funeral services for Mrs. L. H. Long, which were held at the Church of Christ there

years of age and had resided in Jones county for about 35 years.

**Record of Births.** 

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lee Criswell, residing east of town, Sat urday, January 24, 1931.

gorda Bay to Galveston, was found

Remittances covering assessments on the beach near Galveston.

#### PAGE TWO

#### Chevrolet Co. Plans Another Aggressive **Campaign** in Papers

Editors Literary Guild

mysteries of hidden lodes of gold and

Treasure that belonged to Monte-

zuma, LaFitte, Santa Anna, Max-

ubjects of interesting description.

To half pint of water add one ounce bay rum, asmall box of Barbo Compound

and one-fourth ounce of

glycerine. Any druggist can put this up or you can

mix it at home at very

little cost. Apply to the

hair twice a week until

the desired shade is ob-

It will gradually darken

Another aggressive advertising campaign, with newspaper display columns carrying the brunt of the attack, is promised for this year by R. K. White, advertising manager of the Chevrolet Motor company.

Long one of the nation's leading of the Southwest Press of Dallas, pubadvertisers, the Chevrolet organizalishers. tion lent its endorsement to the pulling power of the newspaper by using 6,700 dailies and weeklies to announce its new 1931 car in November, the largest newspaper schedule ever used time a book from a publisher outby Chevrolet in one campaign since side of New York and Boston had been the inception of the company. This chosen by a club. move was made despite sub-normal The book is a collection on lost business conditions and the generally mines and buried treasure current slackened promotional activities of in the southwest, the author telling kel Mail for one year for \$2.00. manufacturers in and out of the auto- of what is generally known about the mobile industry.

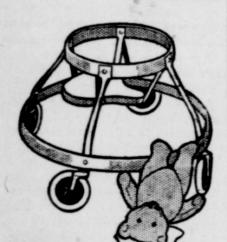
"We made this move," Mr. White silver which tradition had scattered fice. explained "because, we are in direct over Texas, New Mexico, Arkansas, accord with the frequently expressed Oklahoma and Arizona. view that the only way to make bad business good and good business better is to put abnormal effort into your imiliar and Jesse James, and other activities when you face sub-normal picturesque figures in history, are conditions.

"Not only did we carry the largest Dobie tells of how more than \$1,000,newspaper schedule we ever used, 000 had been spent searching for "the but we enlisted new forms of adver- lost Bowie mine," somewhere northtising to put our new car message across. Both the radio and the motion The BEST Gray Hair picture screen were added this year. Both are new media in our program **Remedy is Home Made** and both were added because a manufacturer with a national market intensively cultivated cannot afford to overlook any new means of approach to that market.

"We are continuing to use the radio and the screen to supplement and but. tress our newspaper campaigns just as we have always used national magazines, outdoor boards, direct mail and other media for the same purpose.

"The newspaper, however, continues to form the backbone of our campaigns, and for the present will continue to do so. It, in the parlance of the gridiron, carries the ball and the rest run interference."

Adding machine rolls at Merkel Mail office.



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west of Austin, between Llano and San Saba rivers. He said there had Choose Dobie's Book never been a time during the past 90 years when treasure hunters were not Dallas, Jan. 29 .- "Corondo's Child- actually looking for it.

Dobie, himself a cowboy, is widely ren," latest book of J. Frank Dobie, known for his legends and tradiprofessor of English in the University tions of the cattle country, and for his of Texas and native Texan, has been activities as secretary of the Texas chosen by the editors of the Literary Folk Lore society. A year ago he pub-Guild of America as their February lished "A Vaquero of the Brush selection, according to announcement Country."

#### NOTICE TO FARMERS.

Not only is this the first time a If you are going to need maize, if volume by a Texas author had been you will give me your name and address and amount you want, will have the bowler. selected by one of the national monthly book clubs, but the first it brought to your barn. See me for

L. L. Murray.

prices.

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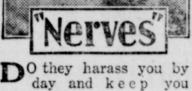


#### THE WAY OF LIFE

(Continued from Page One) ported high grade Candidates, and was generally loud and vigorous. In my old age I have come to feel that most of our troubles would be washed away if we would only be just reasonably courteous and decent to one another.

Electric motors installed in the bowling alleys of the German Lloyd S. S. Bremen permit the setting of the pins and return of the ball to





awake at night? Don't neglect them. They'll

ruin your charm and beauty, alienate your friends, interfere with your success.

When you're nervous, take Dr. Miles' Nervine. It's the prescription of a successful Nerve Specialist, put up in convenient form.

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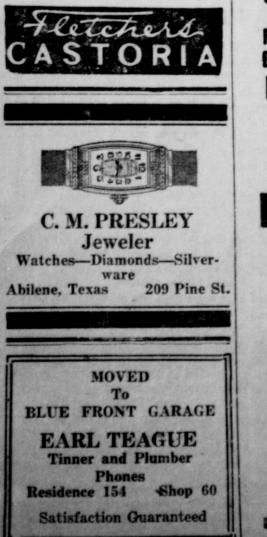
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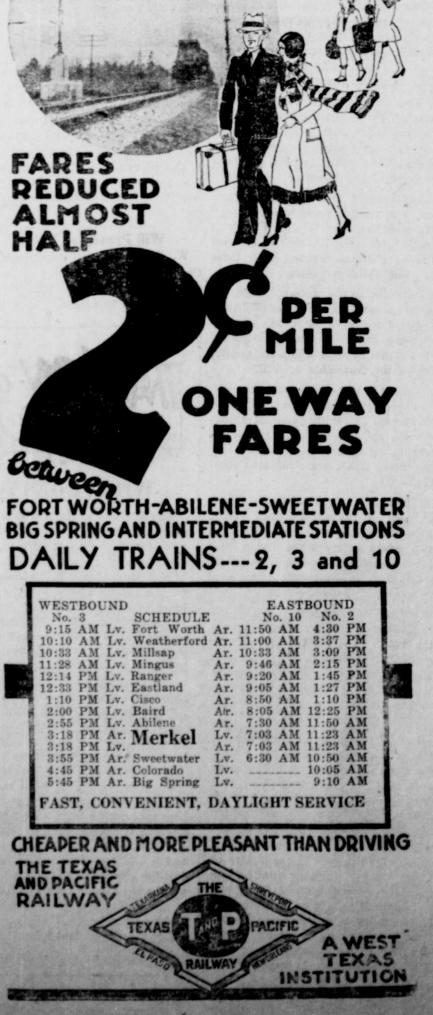
## BABIES are Upset

When

**BABY** ills and ailments seem twice as serious at night. A sudden cry may mean colic. Or a sudden attack of diarrhea. How would you meet this tmergency—tonight? Have you a bottle of Castoria ready? Castoria ready?

For the protection of your wee one-for your own peace of mind-keep this pld, reliable preparation always on hand. But don't keep it just for emergencies; let it be an everyday aid. It's gentle influence will ease and soothe the infant who cannot sleep. It's mild regulation will help an older child whose tongue is coated because of sluggish bowels. All Iruggists have Castoria.





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West Texas Utilities

#### Friday, January 30, 1931.



FIFTH INSTALLMENT.

hurts anyone.

Maggie Johnson, whose father is a She was far enough from any apr-carrier, is the domestic drudge preciation now, at all events, as she about cooking," Joe confessed. of the humble home where her mother chattered on of everything she found does little except bemoan the fact that interesting, sometimes making him any?" Maggie asked. The has "seen betterdays" and her laugh, sometimes-oddly-giving him sister Liz, who works in a beauty shop, a prick behind the eyes that owed it- use around the house than a paper lies abed late. Maggie has to get the elf to a very different sensation. Mag- monkey!" family breakfast before she starts gie had never thought of love, for out to her job in the Five-and-Ten- herseli. Cent Store. Her own affairs, indeed, were en-

There's a new boy at the Five-and- tirely secondary. But she betrayed herself to Joe Ten, Joe Grant. He tells Maggie that he has been assigned to work as her with almost every word and glance. "I'll tell you what, Joe, I like you helper in the stock room. He seems rather dumb, but Maggie helps him better than anyone else except my own through his first day at the store fam'ly!" and shares her lunch with him in a cubbyhole of a place that belongs to ter, huh?" a mattress factory next door to the

Five-and-Ten.

"Well, I like some things about you as well as I like anythin' about Liz," They are looking over some cheap she might finally decide.

from magazines and newspapers.

final consonant any more.

her all her luck.

"Don't like me as well as your sis-

picture cards. One of them has a mot-The little figure drooped against a to that strike's Maggie's fancy. "The length of drab-painted brick wall, the way to begin the ideal life is to besmall, hard-worn hands were clasped gin." She and Joe talk about that and in one of her rare moments of idleness, Joe is surprised that the girl has high- and her absently staring eyes wore an er standards than he had suspected. unusual expression of sorrow and When he goes home that night he is doubt. Joe's heart pricked him.

thinking about Maggie. And his home "I hope you're not beginning someis the home of the owner of the Mack thing that you can't finish, Maggie!" Five-and-Ten-Cent Stores, though he said to himself more than once. Maggie does not suspect that he is the One day he brought her a long envelope, which, upon opening it in an steady.

boss' son. Maggie, at home, begins to suspect that her mother's complaints are due to that lady's belief that happiness depends upon material things, while at the store she continues to surprise Joe by her appreciation of the realities of life.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY

"A lot of it's bluff." he said carelessly. But he liked her blind admiration, nevertheless. .

"Does your mother work?" she asked him one day.

"My-?" He started, considered. "Not now," he said. "She split a Board the other day," he said, after thought.

Maggie saw nothing unnatural in this. She visualized a sturdy, bareheaded old woman helping with the family supply of kindling.

"What does your father do, Joe? "The only real work Dad does now in me, an' in everything."

is on a golf course, at a country club," "I see a difference in you," he said on in the Mack. Even Smith and

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right," Joe laughed. "Leave it to you to think a thing like that!" he said. "My aunt was a school-teacher. Joe," she said, "Joe, how would a person who wasn't a lady get to be one? Somebody must of commenced, once, you know."

"Well, reading the backs of newspapers and magazines about manners, for one thing."

looking for the right way to do things, to be quiet and gentle and listen to the "None. Doesn't know a darn thing way nice persons speak. And then, of course, there's always the rule that "Don't your father help her none a lady puts the feelings of others be-"Never. The old man is no more fore her own-thinks of others first." "Nice things all join together, don't

> "I don't get you, Miss Johnson." "Here's what I was thinkin'. Last Sunday in church they said something about believin' that you have a good thing, an' you have it. Not will have it, but have it. An' that's like the ideel life-I wrote that up on the same card. It was in my prayer book, an' I got it all straight. Now, those two

"They do," he said, struck. "But I think that you were smart to see that, Maggie."

CARD OF THANKS. We want in this way to send a tender message of thanks and apprecia-

tion to our neighbors over the community for the many kind needs and top this teasing, when he saw her aid given us during the sickness in suddenly daunted face, the gallant ef- our family. May God's richest blessforts she made to appear quite herself. ings be with each and every heart and

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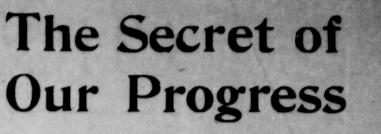
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"That helps a lot, and to be always

they, Joe?" she said, in deep thought. "Joe, I do think that's pretty hard on you! Who makes your bed?"

"Oh, anybody. Last night I had dinner with some friends of ours named Russell," Joe volunteered. "And did she give you a good din-"Oh, yes-she cooks all right." An

odd look came into Joe's eyes. "Her things go together, don't they, Joe?" "Daughter? An' her husband?"

"No. Mill-Milly's not married." (Continued Next Week.)

"Just a little girl, huh?"

ner?"

daughter was there."

"Nope."

"The daughter ain't?"

"Nope. Milly's about-nineteen." "I guess she's pretty, ain't she?" "She's beautiful."

But he told himself that he must

But he saw that her colour had life. ebbed and that the little hand that steadied the boxes were itself un-

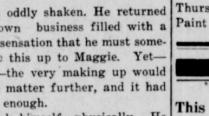
expectant flutter, Maggie found full He felt oddly shaken. He returned of printed "G's" large and small, cut to his own business filled with a wretched sensation that he must some-"Oh, Joe, it's awful cute the way how make this up to Maggie. Yetyou learn me!" she said, her betraying hang if!-the very making up would eyes luminous, her whole being melt- carry the matter further, and it had ing toward him visibly, irresistibly. gone far enough.

And she presently reported that her mother and sister had made dry, half- could not shake the thought away. He contemptuous reference to the fact unlucky-with the roadster parked a that she did not drop the ubiquitous few blocks away, and the comfort of

She told him that he had brought homes back of the roadster. He unlucky-e. Merrill playing at work, here "It was the day you first"-she in one of the stores he would largely

briskly, deciding upon her verb, "that ] More bewildering still, he was be-I got on to the ideel idea. And then | ginning to like this play work. 'member that you gave me one that Lut oddly, unexpectedly there were night, going home? Well, I put it up moments when the Mack filled his soul Our regular prices are as folby the clock, and we-we just about with a deep content. Joe revelled in live by that card. It's made a differ-

ence in Pa, an' it's made a difference the rush and hurry, the absurdity and yet seriousness of everything that went



He shook himself physically. He one of the State's most beautiful

paused-"first came," she resumed own some day!

Joe answered scrupulously. seriously. "A gardener?" she asked, widening "Oh, Joe, honest-do you?" "Honest, I do."

her eyes. "A caretaker?" It was a shame to tease her, but then

she was such a simple little dumbbell, Joe reflected. Grimy little face, talk, the way you look, the way you grimy little hands, mud-coloured act," he said. apron, and boots a size too big.

Maggie was talking. ". . . But she was quite a swell in our kitchen! Pop an' I ask each

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She didn't have much money, mind ju, other every night, 'Is it ideel?' And but he did. Mackenzie was in the we won't go to bed unless it is!" business then, an' they say he named It soothed him to have her so openly, so completely adoring. his son for him." She thought him brilliant, she

And her laughter! The divine, the

inimitable gift of mirth had been

given her-Joe first thought Maggie

That little soft touch on his coat,

things, his thoughts would agree.

ho heard her call herself lucky.

A hundred times, a thousand times,

"How?"

There was a familiar ring about these facts; could she possibly be thought him well educated, she thought speaking of her employer and of his him wise and witty and lovable, when father? his own failed him.

"What on earth are you talking about?" he asked blankly.

"Merrill," she answered readily. "Mackenzie was the brains, they sayhe was the 'Mack'-but he's dead. pretty when first he saw her laugh. But Merrill is the soul of houour, and She lived in a delicious gale of it. he not only has the faculty of drawin' good men about him, but he has made that little soft girl-person jumbled a small fortune out of the Mack, took against his shoulder for a minute, in care of most of her family, an' has the crowded aisle, those black-fringed kep' sev'ral of her relatives out of jail eyes brimming with mirth and affec- lady?" Joe asked. for what they done profiteering in tion-those were all darned agreeable wartime as well!"

Joe was staring at her oddly, a slow smile spreading on his face. "Who taught you that piece?" "Ev'ryone knows that."

tives of his mother kept out of jail, corribed as "genteel," her dashing sisch? That was probably Uncle Irv- ter, who had such a good job, and her ing and young Irv.

He looked at her, musing in his Maggio's yearnings toward the "ideal turn.

"I'd like to walk Maggie in on the bud, and whose companionship meant old man some day-or better yet, waik everything to the washer of the Johnhim into the store and introduce Mag- son dishes and the keeper of the John- librarians would be young ladies all gie as the fine, independent girl he's son kitchen. always talking about," Joe reflected. "But you've had hard luck, Joe," "I'd say, 'You keep suggesting that she agreed pityingly. I get out somewhere and meet a real This yexed him, too. Or perhaps girl-well, she's real, Maggie. And the pricking, uncomfortable emotion she's going to step right off the floor it aroused, was not vexation, but someof the Mack into the position of your thing deeper-something nearer com-

only daughter-in-law!" "I might bluff it, anyway," his rotten deal. But for Maggie to be the thoughts ran on. "Maggie's such a one to see it! part. She'd make up for it and carry lack?" it off like a comedienne!"

sort of generous pity. "She'll have it girls here in the Mack?" bad. But it won't hurt her, it never "Does your mother cook well?" she

counsels, as they wandered importantly to and fro.

Joe's championship of Maggie helped her from the very beginning-"Well, in everything. The way you an obvious fact that made her still more his abject slave. On a dismal, early January day Maggie first ap-"Oh, I wisht-" she said elatedlypeared in what might have been called "I wisht you could see the difference her normal form, he heard the congratulations that the busy girls flung at her from all sides, and congratulated himself that he was partly responsible at least.

> She had done no more than electrify everyone by discarding magnificently, and without permission, the disfiguring ticking apron. That was all. But the effect was astonishing.

> Everybody looked at her, everybody praised her, and the packing-room boys went down like a row of ten-pins. It was on this same day that she said to Joe, with a carefully careless

"I'll bet, if you fell in love, Joe, it would be with a regular young lady, wouldn't it?"

"How do you mean, regular young

"Well, I mean-you know, a-a nice -sort of smiling-" Maggie floundered-"I mean-" she began again desperately-"mean, for instance, that With her usual eager rush she rethere are lots of girls in this store triled a hundred reasons. Her health, that you couldn't call young ladies!" "Is-that-so?" He grinned. Rela- her wonderful family, her mother- she said, turning scarlet.

"No, you might call them nice girls," Joe conceded, "and you might ather-without whose assistance call them smart girls. But, no, you'd hardly call them young ladies." life" would have been crushed in the "Like school-teachers and lib'arians," said Maggie.

"Yep, I guess school-teachers and

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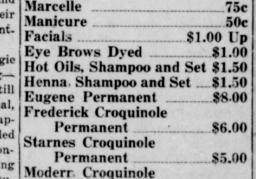
"Hook, Line, Sinker"

R. & R. PALACE Sweetwater Week of February 1 Sun., Mon. punction. Of course he had had a Walter Huston "Abraham Lincoln Tues., Wed.

Polly

little sport, she'd enjoy playing the "How d'ye mean I've had hard

"Oh. well, every way! You weren't But he couldn't play any games with raised for this kind of work-and you Maggie. The poor kid was falling in hate it, and you keep thinkin' you love with him fast enough as it was hate it, and you keep thinkin' that. "It's probably her first crush," Joe you'd rather be somewhere else, doin' thought, watching her not without a something else, an' you don't like these



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#### SECRECY OF A GRAND JURY INDICTMENT.

In matters of law, precedent, as established by some decision of a higher tribunal, governs without contro- says, by "regeneration, which deals versial argument in practically all with our actual trangression, and by cases in trial courts. Similarly in ed- sanctification, which deals with the itorial rooms throughout the state, it principle that causes us to transhas been customary for court report- gress." ers to follow a precedent well established among the faternity and equally arrest of the party against whom the and be thou perfect." (Gen. 17:1.) indictment is brought.

ed his experience in a newspaper of- perfection for the human race. And fice largely from the viewpoint of the this line of thought is substantiated business office, he became familiar by the following scriptures: with certain usages followed in the editorial department and believes that in his generations." (Gen. 6:9.) there is no reason why a reporter "Job was a perfect man and eschewshould break from this precedent and ed evil." (Job. 1:1.) feature a sensational item of a grand | Jesus in furnishing the Sermon on the party by the officers of the Taw. perfect even as your father which is every member be present Sunday and

editors in this territory have come to trine of Christ, let us go on into per- weather conditions. the defense of Parks on the grounds | fection." that he was within the law. The of-(supposedly a member of the grand tion did God have in mind when he at 6:30 p. m. jury or someone within court house commanded Abram to be perfect? We Merkel's fine citizenship is cordially circles, who disclosed the information feel sure he did not mean absolute invited to all our services. as to the indictment with such posi- perfection, for that belongs to God

tiveness as to leave no doubt in the and Him only. We are fallible creareporter's mind.) If the ends of justice had been main in these bodies, for we are sure

thwarted by the advance information to make mistakes, which may prove to of the indictment and the party should be deterimental. Since this is true. not have been brought into the court's we do not believe that He meant abjurisdiction, would there not have been solute perfection. a fine legal point as to whether the Again, there is that state of angelic reporter and his newspaper had been perfection, which belongs to the aninstrumental in blocking the law-en- gels and them only and we can never severyone come. forcement machinery of the county? attain to that state of perfection. Is there not sufficient reason, after Then there is the state of Adamic all, for the established and unchallen- perfection. When Adam fell from the prior to the act of arrest?



"CHRISTIAN PERFECTION."

tures and will be as long as we re-

is not in him." (I John 2:15.)

gress. In regeneration we get forgive-

ness for every sin we have ever com-

By the work of sanctification the

principle that causes us to trans-

away. The evil tendencies are removed

ables us to say with the apostle Paul

Last Sunday showed a further gain

in Sunday School attendance at the

five reporting Sunday Schools in Mer-

ket over the previous Sunday, there

me and be thou perfect."

WEEKLY SERMONETTE. having been 763 present last Sunday. For this week Rev. W. P. Sibley, The Baptist organization with 285 present had only one more than the pastor of the Nazarene church, has prepared a special sermonette for porting 284. Attendance at the other readers of The Mail on the theme, Sunday Schools was: Presbyterian, "Christian Perfection." The method 72; Church of Christ, 67, and Nazarby which man is made perfect in love ene, 55. is accomplished, the Rev. Mr. Sibley

#### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

THE MERKEL MAIL

ing at 11 a. m. At this service special Harbors and Miss Pearl Old passed a music will be given by Paul West, lovely salad plate, reflecting the colwho will sing "Face to Face," and by or theme of red in salads on red leaves

"And when Abram was ninety a prelude "Souvenir Romantique" by coffee to the following: Mesdames as well justified by actual procedure years old and nine, the Lord appeared Nevin and "Song in the Night" by F. C. McFarland, R. O. Anderson, S. to consider a grand jury indictment to Abram, and said unto him, I am Sheppard as an offertory. The offer- D. Gamble, Robert Mayfield, Edward as of the utmost secrecy prior to the the Almighty God; walk before me ing will go to the Reynolds Home. The McCrary, Amy Sears, H. C. Harbors, communion service will conclude the R. I. Grimes, Ernest Old, Charlie

> W. M. Elliott. Supt. R. A. Walker, Pastor.

"Noah was a just man and perfect THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. "Go to church Sunday and give God chance." The spirit and fellowship of our church is growing and deepjury indictment prior to the arrest of the Mount said: "Be ye therefore ening with each passing week. Let

In the case in point, the commitment in heaven is perfect." (Matt 5:48.) have part in our worship. of George Parks, a Sweetwater repor- Then Paul, the apostle to the Gentile The pulpit will be filled by a visit ter, to jail for three days by Judge nation, said in Hebrews 6:1: "There- or both hours Sunday. We are expect-Fritz R. Smith for contempt of court, fore, leaving the principles of the doc. ing a large attendance, regardless of

Our Sunday School revival begins Now, as there are so many kinds Saturday afternoon at 2:30, with Secfender, in the eyes of the editor's of perfection, the question would nat- retary Hopkins present. Do not miss quoted, was the reporter's informant, urally arise: Just what kind of perfec- this first meeting, B. Y. P. U. meets

J. T. King, Pastor.

#### B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM. 1st part, Hail Derstine. 2nd part, Howard, Carson. 3rd part, Dallas Sharp. 4th part, Joe Earl Lassiter. 5th part, J. R. Lassiter. 6th part, Harry Hatchet Boaz. There is going to be a social soon,

#### BAPTIST CIRCLE.

The Blanche Rose Walker circle ged custom of respecting grand jury plastic hand of God he was perfect will meet with Mrs. W. O. Boney next indictments as secret instruments as God had designed him to be, but Tuesday, Feb. 3, at 2:30. The program through the deception of the arch follows:



VALENTINE PARTY.

Mrs. Ernest Old of Abilene complimented a number of ner Merkel friends with a Valentine party on Wednesday afternoon. The beautiful Methodists registered, the latter re- new home was gaily decorated with Valentine suggestions, which theme was carried out in clever game appointments at tables arranged for games of auction bridge.

The games progressed happily for two hours when the hostess assisted Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preach- | by Mesdames C. H. Jones and H. C. Mrs. C. W. Delmer, who will play as and in candies, wafers, olives and According to our conception of the service. Prayer meeting Wednesday Jones, L. B. Scott, Misses Mary Eula While the writer of this article gain- Bible God holds up a standard of evening. Come and worship with us. Sears, Loyce Dry, Lola Dennis, John-

nie Sears, Christine Collins and Pearl Old.

PHILATHEA CLASS PARTY. On the evening of January 19, Mrs. to the Philathea class at the home of Mrs. Guthrie. A hymn was sung, lowed.

Several interesting Valentine con- that he is unusually well prepared tests were engaged in. A candle game to meet the demands of his customers was played in which the lucky month in the above lines.

of each class member was revealed. A refreshment plate of mince pie a la mode and coffee was served to the jump of which there is record was Julia Martin, Opal Patterson, Mary man named Blanchard. Fulz Sears, Annie Lou Russell, Alma Cox, Stella King and Lillian Cole and Mesdames Kenneth Pee, W. L. Johnson, Jr., Claude Dye, Cyrus Pee, V. B. Sublett, S. M. Hunter and the hostesses, Misses Rose Laney and Sis

Toombs and Mrs. Cecil Guthrie. cordially invited to hear him on these

occasions.

All other services are regular throughout the week as follows: Bible study Lord's Day at 10 a. m., communion service at 12 m., young peoples' study at 6 p. m., ladies Bible study Tuesday at 2 p. m. and prayer service and Bible study Wednesday at.

Friday, January 30, 1931.

#### Chief Dowell Gives Return to Radio Warning of Penalty **Driving Over Hose**

Local radio listeners will be pleased hear that Paul Whiteman returned to the air on Tuesday evening. Jan- To the Public:

uary 27, at 8 o'clock Eastern Standard Time. His program to include a half-hour of the latest popular melothe above date.

The program is sponsored by a turers known as the Allied Quality take into consideration the value an Paint Group and will be broadcast necessity of good fire hose. over the Blue network of National Broadcasting company and additional stations. Paul Whiteman and his band, now on tour, will return to Chicago with a full repertoire of unique arrangements and novelties such as only that Whiteman remakes jazz tunes | dentally or otherwise.

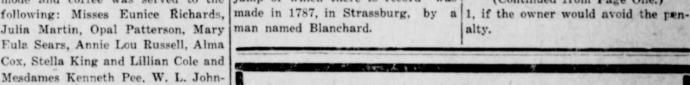
into melodies of classic beauty.

#### Former Merchant Has **Opened Grain Business**

G. M. Sharp, formerly one of Mernot been engaged in business for of Merkel. sometime, has opened a grain business in the building now owned by votional and Mrs. S. M. Hunter led in commodities already on hand. In fact, pay hereafter. prayer. A short business session fol- while he just opened for business this

week, it appears to the Mail editor

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The City of Merkel has bought about one thousand dollars worth of new fire hose, which we appreciate; dies, both orchestral and vocal, takes and wish the co-operation of the pubplace every Tuesday evening after lic in helping take care of them. Here tofore the hose has been run over h people coming or going to fires, which group of paint and lacquer manufac- can easily be avoided if everyone wi

There is a state law prohibiting

anything running over fire hose, and after this there will be fire police to help the fire department prolong the life of our hose by enforcing the penalty of a small fine for each and every he can produce. It has often been said one who runs over the fire hose acci-

There is also a city ordinance prohibiting anyone from driving his car closer than one block from the fire; and I ask that, if you are not a member of the fire department, you please stay out of the way and give the boys

who have volunteered their service a kel's leading merchants, but who had chance to do their best for the City

Not long ago some of the good city officials were with us and saw several Cecil Guthrie and Misses Rose Laney him, which was formerly occupied by run over the fire hose. Up to the presand Sis Toombs were joint hostesses the Crown Hardware company. Mr. ent they have been very lenient with Sharp announces that he will carry the people for this offense; therefore, grain and field seed and flour and we take this method of warning one Miss Annie Lou Russell read the de- meal. He has a large stock of these and all that there will be a fine to

> Please co-operate with us and the Thanks. city council. N. A. Dowell,

Chief of Fire Department.

**Penalty Deferred** 

(Continued from Page One.)

•We, therefore, like to add our en- fiend of night he partook of the fordorsement to the resolution adopted bidden fruit and fell from the holy chi. by the Nolan county grand jury and estate and brought sin on his posteraddressed to Judge Smith as follows: ity. This has left a scar on the human lins. "We wish to advise you that your family which will never be erased this

efforts in attempting to maintain the side of the Judgment. secrecy of the grand jury investiga- Since we cannot attain to any of tions and your efforts to discourage the above mentioned states of perfecthe publication of our work before the tion we come to the conclusion that officers can make arrests meet with God intended that we should be perour unanimous approval."

#### Walter Huston Superb As "Abraham Lincoln"

"Abraham Lincoln," which opens We find these words in the Bible: Mrs. F. A. Polley. Sunday at the Palace theatre, Sweet- "Love not the world neither the things water, is pictorial drama at its great- which are in the world. If any man Mrs. W. J. Largent. es: Though the picture possesses all love the world the love of the father of the ingredients of an historical spectacle-big sets, battle scenes and mobs-its greatness is founded on for every child of Adam's race to be sions." the simplicity of its direction and the made perfect in love. sympathetic treatment of its romantic and tragic scenes.

The whole of Lincoln's life is pa- deals with our actual transgressions raded on the screen, from the time and sanctification which deals with of his birth to his assassination at the principles that causes us to trans- Dana Derstine. Ford's Theatre in Washington just as he had realized a successful conclusion to the Civil War.

Lincoin's heroic figure is seen in all its multiplicity of strange moods. The these words: "Therefore being justiartistry with which this feat in characterization is accomplished is largely God through our Lord Jesus Christ." due to the superb acting of Walter Huston.

Huston makes Lincoln a human being who loves and reacts to disappointments as any other man might. Through his interpretation Lincoln becomes one of the best drawn character portraits shown on the screen.

The cast, which numbers over one hundred principal speaking players, we should not serve sin." (Romans was chosen wisely. Una Merkel, a 6:6.) newcomer to the screen, plays the role eo: "Ann Rutledge," Lincoln's boyhood sweetheart.

Kay Hammond plays the irascible "Mary Todd Lincoln" perfectly, since her voice and mannerisms are ideally suited to the nagging, caustic Mary Men's Prayer Service to be held at the Todd of history.

sinister "John Wilkes Booth," whose John, the leader for this meeting to vices with us. cruel shot ended Lincoln's life. Others be John Toombs. Last Sunday Roy in brilliant portrayals are Jason Ro- Harrell was the leader and the meetbards, as "Herndon;" Hobart Bos- ing was held at the Baptist church. worth, as "Robert E. Lee;" Frank Campeau, as "Sheridan," and Lucille SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

Le Verno, as the matron officiating at the birth of Lincoln.

Read Merkel Mail Want Ada

Devotional, fourth chapter of Mala "Growth of Israel," Mrs. T. E. Col-

"Birth of Moses," Mrs. W. O. Bon-

"Moses Keeps Jethro's Flocks," Mrs. W. L. Johnson, Sr.

"Moses' Rod Turned to a Serpent." Mrs. W. R. Conder.

"Pharoah Chideth Moses and Aaron fect Christians and that means that we love God with all our soul, mind for their Message," Mrs. Jim Meeks, and strength and our neighbor as "The Plagues," Mrs. Causseaux. ourselves. When we reach this place "The Passover is Instituted." Mrs. in divine life, the sinful pleasures of O. B. Tatum.

"Pharoah Pursues the Israelites," the world have no attraction for us.

"The Middle Waters of Morah."

JUNIOR B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM. Subject: "Why We Believe in Mis-So God has made ample provisions

"Why Should We Believe in Missions," by leader. The method by which this work is

"God Believes in Missions," Heraccomplished is by regeneration which man Carson.

"God's Book is a Missionary Book,"

Mathews.

"Jesus was a Missionary," Rose mitted and we stand perfectly clear Mary Lassiter. before God. In Romans 5:1 we find

fied by faith, we have peace with Polley.

out Christ," Clara Frances Largent. Mrs. Rollins. "Jesus Commanded Us to Tell Othgress the law of God is taken ers," De La Verne. Teague.

"Jesus is Depending on Us." Madand the heart is purified and this en- ra Nixon.

#### NAZARENE CHURCH.

"Knowing this, that our old man is There was some increase in attencrucified with him that the body of sin dance last Sunday over the previous might be destroyed, that henceforth Services were real good throughout the day. Again, I call your attention to God's

The revival is on; people are being command to Abram: "Walk before blessed; we are looking forward to a great time in the Lord. Rev. H. B. White of Byers, Texas, is our evangelist, Brother Rule of Abilene will THE MERKEL HOME LAUNDRY. be with us to lead the singing and Miss Ina Mae Childers will be our I dan Keith does splendidly, as the ternoon is the fifth chapter of I pianist. Come over and enjoy the ser- with our work each day, delivering

Song and prayer service begins at 6:30 p. m. Sunday School each Sun-

CHURCH OF CHRIST. Brother Forest Waldrop of A. C.

C., will preach for us next Lord's Day at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. You are

In love, The Elders. **BAPTISTS HOLD GREAT SUNDAY** SCHOOL REVIVAL.

The Baptists of the Sweetwater association will assemble in Merkel at 2:30 p. m. at the First Baptist church for their first associational-wide meeting for a general Sunday School revival throughout the entire association. The meeting will be presided over by the state secretary, J. C. Hopkins, of Dallas and his assistant, Mr. Allen. Study classes will be held in all the churches and an inspirational address delivered both day and night by some outstanding Sunday School leader. Beginning with Saturday, Jan. 31, the meetings will Continue through Sunday, Feb. 8.

All Baptists are urgently requested to attend all these meetings and the public is most cordially welcomed.

METHODIST NEWS NOTES. Mrs. N. G. Rollins of Abilene will speak at the eleven o'clock hour next Sunday. There is no need for an in-"Jesus Believes in Missions," Pearl, troduction. Mrs. Rollins is known throughout Southern Methodism and is loved for her efficient work and thorough understanding of the pro-"Millions are Still Lost," Winston gram of the church. We are expecting a congregation that will fill the church "The Lost Cannot be Saved With- auditorium to its capacity to hear

The lecture given by Dr. Hicks of 9. M. U. during the Sunday School conference at Abilene this week has provoked great interest. Quite a few of the Merkel people have attended. Despite the weather, 74 attended the lecture by Rev. Watson here at our church last night. The purpose of Sunday. Thre were about 55 present. these conferences is to visualize the possibilities of the adult class and to stimulate activity.

> The first quarterly conference for the year will be in the form of a banquet Thursday evening at the church.

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in the building formerly occupied by the Crown Hardware Co. and will handle Grain and Field Seed and Flour and Meal-that good old PEACE MAKER FLOUR AND MEAL and would like all my old friends to drop in and see me and new ones to get acquainted.

G. M. Sharp

MEN'S PRAYER MEETING. The subject for the lesson at the Presbyterian church next Sunday af-

> day at 9:45 a. m. W. P. Sibley, Pastor.

Friday, January 30, 1931.

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#### FOR SALE

SEE HARRY BARNETT' for anything in the McCormick-Deering line. ams and Leverett, Merkel and Abi- pany has announced. lene Texas.

FOR SALE-Priced \$52.00 per acre; of farm and pasture, joining Merkel the west and containing 179.9 months. acres; about 70 acres in cultivation, a house with three rooms, a barn about 40 feet square, sheds on three sides; good well of water; all under fence. Part cash , balance terms. Write Vol Martin, Los Angeles, Calif., 5437 Eighth Avenue.

ELBERTA PEACHES, DOZEN postpaid \$1.50; dozen 2-year-old grapes, postpaid, \$1.25; hundred California privett, 3 feet, \$4.75; lots of other bargains. Money back if not satisfied. A. C. Benge, Arlington, Texas.

#### WANTED

WILL DO SOME CUSTOM hatching \$4.00; baby chicks from English White Leghorns, \$12.00 per hundred, 500 for \$58.00. Write me if you want eggs set January 26. J. S. Touchstone, Hawley, Texas.

YOUR LAND needs terracing. I know how and am willing to do it. Lee D. Williams.

WANTED-A good two-wheel trailer. Telephone 217.

#### FOR RENT

FOR RENT-Two and three room furnished apartments. J. L. Riddle. Phone 91.

FOR LEASE for poultry farm-Nice 4-room house, good garage, well and water, and about 15 acres of for garden plants, \$1.30 an acre for with Miss Christine Collins. ground; close in. John S. Hughes.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST-Pair of manicure nippers; initials J. P. on handle. Reward for return. Modern Marinello Shop.

LODGE NOTICES

Stated Meeting 0



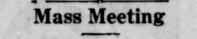
Twenty-three new body types, designed to meet the specialized needs daughter in Tulia, Texas. of various classes of commercial transportation, have been added to the over to San Angelo Tuesday. standard line of Ford trucks and light

Several of the new trucks and com-

mercial cars already are in produc- her mother. tion. The others will be placed on a and friends.

The addition of the score of new body types, ranging from a smart ployed at San Antonio for sometime, town car delivery for the use of ex- is again at home. clusive shops to police patrols and | Messrs. Leo Thompson and Gaines coal and coke trucks, was made in Short of Baird were recent guests in accordance with the Ford Motor com- the L. D. Boyd home.

pany's policy of offering a complete Little Helen Heeter is much improvline of commercial vehicles to meet ed, according to reports Thursday, from his work among the prisoners al! sorts of transportation require- after a serious case of pneumonia. ments.



(Continued Fiom Fage One) day, outlining the working features Fort Worth to be with her sister, Mrs. of the plan.

THREE MILLION FOR TEXAS. Texas will be alloted about \$3,375,-

this season; set January 26 and on 000 to be distributed in 32 counties Monday thereafter; 175 egg tray already certified as "drouth stricken," and in as many more as may be approved later. Loans can be applied only on the purchase of feed for work of Waco were here Monday attending stock used in the production of the to business and visiting their father,

crop, planting seed, fertilizer, garden S. F. Haynes. seed and gasoline and oil for tractors. stituted for fertilizer.

bankers, is expected to be about \$230.

scribing those eligible to receive it:

4. Tenant farmers who use their

for the loan.

tractor land.

The exact amount to be allowed for home in Tyler. the purchase of each item has been

worked out, and county agents, bank- Burns have returned from an extenders and farmers at last week's meet- ed stay in Port Arthur with their son ings expressed the opinion that the and daughter there.

sum allowed would be ample. The Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McGowen and TWO McCal following is the maximum loan to be son. Thaxton, and daughter, Glenn one. allowed each farmer: \$8 per month of Baird were week-end guests of Mr. for each head of work stock for five and Mrs. L. D. Boyd.

months, \$1 an acre for cottonseed, 25 Misses Edna Marie Jones of Abilene cents an acre for grain sorghums, and her guest, Miss Maimie Copping-\$1.50 an acre for spring oats, \$15 er of Cross Plains, spent the week-end

Little Miss Jannell Black was com-The limit to each farmr is \$600. pelled to miss school this week on The average in West Texas, worked account of illness but was reported cut by Martin, county agents and key much improved Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Black and Following are the most important daughter Jannell, and their niece regulations governing the loan and de- Miss Winona Elliott, spent the weekend with relatives in Lamesa.

1. Only those farmers who are with-Miss Lucille Cole, who suffered inout credit will be permitted to borrow. juries from a fall several weeks ago Merkel Lodge No. 710 However, farmers with collateral, such at the Texas State Woman's college A. F. & A. M. Satur- as livestock and farm equipment, will Denton, has returned home for awhile. not be barred, if the banks with which | Mrs. Earl Lassiter has returned Members urged to they deal are unable to extend further from Fort Worth where she visited in the home of her sister, Mrs. Thomas 2. The borrower will give a first A. Bearden, who is ill with pneumonmortgage to the Government on his ia. 1931 crop, and anyone holding a mort- Miss Mary King, who accompanied gage on this crop must waive it in her sister, Miss Maggie, to Baton favor of the government. All of the Rouge, La., last week, where the latbankers attending the three meetings ter had accepted a position at the expressed a willingness to do this. state capitol, has returned home, fol-3. The rate of interest will be 5 per lowing an attack of appendicitis. Miss cent and will run from the day the Maggie returned home with her but cattle division, although midweek re- farmer receives his check until he pays expects to go back to Baton Rouge ceipts amounted to only 1,800 head off the note. It was decided in West the end of the week. Texas to make notes payable Nov. 1.

THE MERKEL MAIL

#### Veteran Chaplain of **Texas Prison Resigns**

Miss Martha Bird was home from

Mrs. J. S. Swann is visiting her

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Guthrie drove Miss Iva Bragg has returned from a as chaplain of the Texas penitentiary eau of mines. delivery cars, the Ford Motor com- visit to Stephenville and Glen Rose. for that period.

The Rev. W. E. Miller, 65, admitt-Miss Loyce Dry is here from Clarks. ville for a visit of several weeks with ed that he would be compelled to do er state in the union-496,007 accord-Mrs. Glenn Elliott is here from ner of ministering to those who us- 361 over 1920.

production basis within the next two Hobbs, N. M., visiting her parents ually turn to the church in time of religious need, because, he said, the Truett Meeks, who has been emviewpoint "out in the world" isn't

the same one encounters behind "the walls" of a prison. The veteran chaplain will be re-

placed by a younger man, the Rey. C. E. Garrett of Huntsville.

The Rev. Miller said he turned with reluctance, although there he was apprised of the heartaches that was a passing visitor in Merkel Wed- only restrained men can have and his own heart became heavy with impressions placed there by men who sought him in an almost end-

less string through the years to give Thomas A. Bearden, who is ill with vent to their pent-up feelings. Not any prison official had seen

Dr. L. C. Zehnpfennig spent the as many condemned men go to their week-end at Dallas and Garland as death through the "little green door"

the guest of his friend, Dr. J. E. Leonthat led to the electric chair as the ard and wife. retiring chapl Messrs. Hollis and Buster Haynes who were pu messages for He said con ister. receive

Do You

How to

W. D. Swann, after a visit of sevened by tran In Texas insect poisons will be sub- eral days here with his brother, J. cept his spir S. Swann, returned Tuesday to his set the unple

> ience. Fire Marshal Will Burns and Mrs. McCALL Just receiv Spring. For o

Mrs. C. L. Boswell of Sweetwater

nesday en route with friends to Abi-

Mrs. W. B. Stephens has gone to

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pneumonia.

More than

production of American mi

176 Ounces of Gold. Washington, Jan. 29 .- Actual Pro-

Huntsville, Jan. 29 .- A white-hair- Texas mines last year produced 176 trast to the trend a year previously. ed Texas minister is seeking a new ounces of gold, 389,000 ounces of silfield for his talent as soother of world. ver, 400,000 pounds of lead, and 120,ly troubles, after listening for 16 000 pounds of copper according to years to the woes and hurts of felons, Chas. W. Henderson of the U. S. bur- 000 by the U. S. Department of Agri-

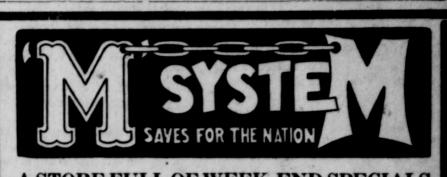
Texas has more farms than any othconsiderable readjusting in his man- ing to the 1930 census, a gain of 30,-

New York, Jan. 29 .- General Moduction for 11 months of 1930, with tors corporation has reported a sharp estimates for December, show that gain in sales for December, in con-

**Business Picking Up.** 

Texas 1930 farm crops, exclusive of livestock, were valued at \$434,,512.culture. The cotton crop represented \$3332,872 of the total.

Texas uses more than half the cans used in home canning in the United States .- Authority: American Can Co.



A STORE FULL OF WEEK-END SPECIALS Every item in our store could be used as a week-end SPECIAL. We are glad to advertise a few specials each week, but the thing we are most proud of is the consistently low prices on each article every day.

| ring chaplain, and many of those<br>were put to death gave him   | SPECIALS FOR FRIDAY and SATURDAY |                                      |        |
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| sages for relatives and friends.<br>said consolation, he, as a min-<br>r, received from seeing men hard-<br>d by trangressions repent and ac-<br>t his spiritual ministrations, off- | Spuds                            | 10 pounds<br>Limit 10 pounds         | 19c    |
|  | Beans                            | Pintos, 10 pounds<br>Limit 10 pounds | 40c    |
| the unpleasant side of his exper-<br>ce.<br>McCALL PATTERN SALE.   | Raisins                          | Market Day<br>4 pounds               | 28c    |
| ust received our new Patterns for<br>ing. For one week only we will sell   | Chili                            | Block, pound                         | 19c    |
| O McCall Patterns for price of   | · E                              | VERY DAY PRICES                      |        |
| J. T. Dennis.<br>More than 50 per cent of the world  | Coffee                           | Maxwell House 3 pounds               | \$1.10 |
| duction of gold comes from South<br>herican mines.   | Coffee                           | Folger's, 2 pound                    | 87c    |
|  | Coffee                           | Hill Bros., 2 pounds                 | 87c    |
| Do You Read<br>BRUCE BARTON?   | Coffee                           | Peaberry, 1 pound                    | 150    |
| Millions of People Find<br>Inspiration in His<br>Weekly Talks  | Pork                             | dry salt                             | 16c    |
|  | Jowls                            | dry salt                             | 12c    |
| A Successful Man Tells   | <b>Corn Meal</b>                 | 20 pounds                            | 55c    |
| How to Live Successfully<br>READ   | Flour                            | * 48 pounds                          | \$1.25 |
| "THE WAY OF<br>LIFE"   | Butter                           | country, (fresh)                     | 30c    |
| Every Week in  | Cheese                           | 1 pound                              | 25c    |
| THE MERKEL<br>MAIL   | Matches                          | 6 boxes                              | 12c    |
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day night, 8 p. m. attend. Visitors wel- credit on this kind of security.

Andy Shouse, W. M. C. L. Bosweil, Sec'y.

Ft. Worth Livestock

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 29 .- Another slow, dull, unsatisfactory market was experienced Wednesday in the of cattle and 500 calves.

Demand was at a very low ebb and the market resolved itself into a peddling affair. Several cars of steers more desirable for feeder purposes than for killers.

Only 400 hogs arrived. The market butchers and \$7.85 to the big packers. No good loads were available.

On sheep and lambs the market was called steady, receipts being estimated at 300 head. Nothing of much importance was available.

Cattle Movement.

On Tuesday Howad Laney shipped one car of cattle to the Fort Worth market, which was the only movement here.

#### Rainfall Exceeds Inch.

Rain that fell Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday measured more than one inch, bringing the total for January up to 1.75 inches. Like the previous rains earlier in the month, the rains Rome, this week were slow and of the kind that soaked into the ground, yielding the greatest benefits to growing grain and toward providing seasoning for future crops.

THE NEW HI-VOLT.

Has your old battery played out? Is ae motor slow to start? Drive in and let us check up on it. We have a new Hi-Volt battery that is built to meet our car's requirements; priced from 95 up.

We specialize in all kinds of repair

Blue Front Motor Company.

MCCALL PATTERN SALE. Just received our new Patterns for Spring. For one week only we will sell TWO McCall Patterns for price of

J. T. Dennis.

#### Continues to Improve.

Mrs. George T. Moore, who underown equipment will be eligible, but not share farmers who use the landlord's went a major operation last week at were shown, most of the supply being equipment. In the latter case, the the West Texas Baptist sanitarium, landlord is eligible for the loan. Abilene, is sufficiently recovered that 5. Loans in each county will be it was expected she could be removed passed upon by a committee of three, Thursday afternoon to the home of lost 10c to 20c. The top was \$7.90 to consisting of a banker, a business man her mother, Mrs. J. H. Elliott, 218 not a banker and a farmer not eligible Sycamore street, Abilene. It will probably be a week or more yet before

6. Loans will be in installments, the she can be brought home.

size of each installment to be left to the discretion of the committee. In Mayflower Burns and Sinks. Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 29 .- The West Texas the first installment will run around 40 per cent of the entire Mayflower, famous as the presidential loan, so that the farmer will be enabled yacht of five American presidents, to purchase at one time his stock feed sank in twenty-four feet of water at for several months. Before the bor- her pier at the Philadelphia navy rower can receive another installment, yard Saturday night after fire had in cattle and livestock during the week he must give a detailed account of destroyed her. An hour before she sank flames had burned her to the how the preceding one was spent. 7. Applications must be made in the water line. Then she listed and went county within which the applicant re- to the bottom of the Delaware.

sides, even though he may do business in another county.

Bears are nearly all left-handed. A wild bear will practically always The turnip originally came from throw its weight on the right paw and work with its left.

#### **BABY CHICKS! ! BABY CHICKS! !**

If you have not been making money with your chickens, let me start you with some that will make you money. Let me sell you some of those famous "money makers," Egg-A-Day Leghorns. Winners of National Egg-Laying contest at John Tarleton in 1930.

Prices \$12.00 and up per hundred. I will allow you 10 per cent discount if orders booked now. 20 per cent deposit will book your order, balance due 5 days before shipping date. Can sell you any other variety of chickens, too. I will cull your flock and allow you 2 cents per pound above market price for your old chickens. Will also trade

for cow, hog, feed or anything of any value. Write or see HERBERT HUDLER at Burton-Lingo Co., Trent, Texas.



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THE MERKEL MAIL

Friday, January 30, 1931.

## Rural Community Correspondence West Texas Woman 101.

Flains this week-end.

Petit, of Throckmorton.

White Church News

Several in this community are on

Mrs. A. M. Brown has been enjoy-

A. D. Barnes and family visited

Mr. and Mrs. H. West spent the

There will be a program at the

We had a good crowd in Sunday

Little Geraldine Riggan is slowly

The E. J. Patterson family visited

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Brown of Blair

in the A. V. Henslee home recently.

Vegetables Aid

There is no substitute in all nature for

vegetables. That's why Carter's Little

Liver Pills work so naturally when you

are troubled with torpid liver, bilious

ness and constipation. Made only of

most pure vegetable calomel, they move

your thirty-two ounces of bile thor

Nature Besi

visited his mother recently.

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ing a visit from her daughter, Mrs.

#### TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Hurley Cogburn and

children of Fort Worth visited in the

home of Mrs. Cogburn's parents, Mr.

and Mrs. Ed Sherman, from Sunday

Mrs. Quincy Roberts of Loving, N.

Frank Craddock of Lockhart at-

Mrs. Sam Estep had as her guests

Friday her mother, Mrs. McGowen,

and her daughter, Mrs. C. F. Roggie,

Shiloh Happenings

M., is visiting relatives here and at

### **COMPERE NEWS**

Mrs. M. K. Milner spent the past week-end with her parents at Sylves-The T. E. L. class met in regular ter. She was accompanied nome by session Thursday afternoon, January her sister, Ima Brown, who will spend 22, at the home of Mrs. J. B. Winn. the week there. The president, Mrs. Bud Brown, be-

Miss Maude Cook, who is attending ing absent, Mrs. Winn acted in her school at Sylvester, spent the weekplace. After a scripture lesson, taken end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. from the Psalms, and prayer, a busi-George Cook. She entertained several ness session followed. Members atof her friends with a dinner Sunday. Throckmorton stopped over Saturday and families of Sweetwater are visittending were: Mesdames J. A. Brown, Rev. Mr. Walker filled his regular C. T. Beckham, Jake Roberts, J. E. appointment here Sunday. On Monday Bowers, Buena McLeod, J. B. Winn, morning at the chapel hour he made Gordon Howell and Miss Cora. Scott. an interesting talk to the school child-Visitors were Mrs. Jim Roberts and

Mrs. Hosea Winn. The next meeting Miss Foy Wilburn entertained sevwill be held at the home of Mrs. Jake Roberts on this Thursday, January day night. eral of her friends with a party Fri-29. All members are urged to be pres-

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Adkin gave a "42" party to a few friends Saturday night.

After enjoying the games for a time the girls went into the kitchen and made candy.

The singing Sunday afternoon was well attended. Mr. Cadmus Brown of Sylvester was a visitor Sunday afternoon at the singing.

Gertrude Harris had as her dinner guests Sunday, Misses Flora Adkins tended to business and visited with and Valley Bond and Messrs. Owen old friends here-Monday and Tuesday. Smith, Watts Davis and John Henry Mrs. J. I. Leamon visited her Palmer.

daughter, Mrs. E. D. Massey, of Ham-The Mars Junior ball team played the Compere boys at this place Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Boyd of Hamlast Wednesday afternoon. The score lin visited friends here last Sunday was 8 to 7 in favor of Compere.

Messrs. Roma: Palmer, J. H. Palmer and George Smith were Anson visitors Monday.

Clyde Chancey was a visitor at the 'chicken ranch" Saturday night after several weeks absence.

M. K. Milner is in San Angelo on business this week.

A large crowd was out Sunday for Mrs. A. W. Clemer entertained the Sunday School and all seemed to be teachers with a six o'clock dinner last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Rutledge and Contpere welcomes Mr. and Mrs. babies visited Mr. and Mrs. Manson J. J. Rister and family of Salt Branch into their community.

Mrs. E. H. Grayson and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. MT. PLEASANT NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Bert James took sup-A week's drouth is broken again by per with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Seago a heavy rain.

Lonie Sandell and wife and daugh-Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Deavers and ter, Loveta, of Tuscola attended Mr. and Mrs. Bert James took sup- church at Mt. Fleasant Sunday and and Mrs. J. H. Grayson and Tom visited in the home of O. D. Pruitt. Greene awhile Sunday night listening We regret very much loosing Mrs. to Frank Norris over the radio. W. T. Anderson and son, Jesse, from

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Seago and Miss our community. They are leaving this

#### BLAIR ITEMS

Mrs. Tom Spears, who has been on the sick list, is still sick at this writing, but we hope for an early recovery. Those from here who attended the funeral of Miss Justice of Noodle were the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Deavers, Misses Maimie and Vera Walker and Miss Vernie Derrick.

Messrs. Fred and Willard Brown Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Pettit of n route to the Canyon to visit the ing in our midst. Elgin Riggan has been suffering latter's mother, Mrs. John Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Thornton and with blood poison in his hand, but he Jim Campbell of Caps visited Mr. and is some better now. Mrs. John Meeks Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Blair of Noodle Miss Caroline Chambers of Abilene

and Mrs. Walter Hunter of White Saturday. Church were guests of Mrs. Hugh Campbell one day the past week. day Sunday with their nephew, Char-Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Moore spent Monles West, of Merkel. day with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs.

Elzie Mayberry of Abilene. school house Jan. 30. Everyone is in-Master J. L. Meeks visited several vited. days with relatives at Caps. School Sunday. But we would be very Mrs. Provine and daughter, Miss

Nola, visited Mr. and Mrs. Luther glad to have a lot more new faces in Osborn Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Swafford and

son, Bobbie Joe, spent Saturday with her aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sherman oi Trent.

George Clinton and Herman Doan attended court in Abilene Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Pribble moved to Portales, N. M., the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sandusky spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Claud Doan of Baird.

ma of Abilene, attended service at

Marshall Provine of Merkel visited his brother Sam Provine, Saturday. Miss Sybil Horton of Trent is this week's guest of her sister, Mr. and

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Phillips are en-



joying a visit from relatives from the

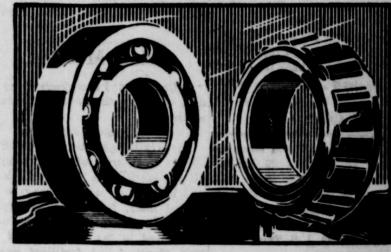
To Cut Wheat Acreage. Amarillo, Jan. 29 .- Seeking to "save

Lamesa, Jan. 22 .- Mrs. M. E. Blair themselves from further financial of Mungerville, near here, Saturday losses," Panhandle wheat farmers at began her 101st year of life. Rev. T. a meeting here launched a campaign A. Boycan, the other Dawson county to effect a valuntary cut of 40 per centenarian, will celebrate his 101st

birthday in February. cent in wheat acreage. Complete line of office supplie Typewriting and carbon paper at Mail office. Mail office.



# SMOOTHNESS



#### The new Ford has more than twenty ball and roller bearings

EVIDENCE of the high quality built into the new Ford is the extensive use of ball and roller bearings. There are more than twenty in all - an unusually large number. Each bearing is adequate in size and carefully selected for the work it has to do.

At some points in the Ford chassis you will find ball bearings. At others, roller bearings are used regardless of their higher cost. The deciding factor is the performance of the car.

The extensive use of ball and roller bearings in the new Ford insures smoother operation, saves gasoline, increases speed and power, gives quicker pick-up, decreases noise, and gives greater reliability and longer life to vital moving parts.

Other outstanding features that make the new Ford a value far above the price are the Triplex shatter-proof glass windshield, silent, fully enclosed four-wheel brakes, four Houdaille double-acting hydraulic shock absorbers, aluminum pistons, chrome silicon alloy valves, three-quarter floating rear axle, Rustless Steel, the extensive use of fine steel forgings, and unusual accuracy in manufacturing.

# tle of Trent.

Mr. H. C. Doan.

Harrell Hughes and sister, Miss Althe M. L. church Sunday.

oughly cleansing system. All druggists Red bottles. Take Carter's.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Campbell spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Lit-

Velma Rutledge visited in the H. A. week for Shelby county, where they Deavers home Sunday. will make their home this coming

Mrs. J. W. Tiner visited Mr. and year. Mrs. Hugh Grayson Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Anderson had Mr. and Mrs. Hardie Rutledge and as their guests Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. family spent Sunday night with Mr. D. J. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs, Irvin

and Mrs. Lowell Rutledge. Humphreys, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mrs. B. L. James and Miss Florence Humphreys, Miss Elnor Mae Hogan

spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. and Miss Etta Pruitt. Bill James of Noodle.

Messrs. Lowell and Hardie Rut- Mrs. Pruitt's father and mother in ledge, Misses Avis and Thelma Deav- Moran Thursday and Friday. and all reported a fine time.

real sich for the past three weeks, is the Scurlock boy, in the home of Mrs. able to be up a little at this writing. Sam Castleberry, is very ill. Sunday School next Sunday at 10:30

A hearty welcome is extended to all. Texas Bankers Favor

On last Wednesday evening Mrs. C. W. Seago was hostess to the Happy-Go-Lucky Bridge club. At the culmination of games, the guests were served with ham sandwiches, caramel pie, topped with whipped cream and cherries, and hot coffee. Those enjoying the afternoon were Mesdames Grimes, Murphy, Bonneaux, Beech, Greene, Anderson, Smith, Hamner and Stevens.

HEBRON NEWS

There was a good crowd at the B.

ers and Miss Velma Rutledge attended Mrs. T. F. Hogan visited her niece the singing at Merkel Sunday night of the Nubia community, who is ill, Monday. M. S. Canningham, who has been We are sorry to report that the lit-

O. D. Pruitt and family visited

## Certified Cottonseed

Dallas, Jan. 29 .- Unqualified support by the banking fraternity of Texas for the program of the Texas Certified Cottonseed Breeders association, in its campaign to eliminate iow-grade, short staple cotton from the fields of the Southwest, was pledged here by the agricultural committee of the Texas Bankers association at

a reent special meeting. Under the plan, the Texas State

Cartified Cottonseed Breeders have united with the A. & M. college, the Y. F. U. Sunday night. Mr. Williamcounty agents, Texas Cotton associason's group presented the program. tion, Texas Cotton Cooperative assoc-We are glad to welcome Mr. and iation and other leading agricultural Mrs. Verner Merritt to this commuinterests, to distribute to 50,000 Southnity, also M. and Mrs. Odis Horton. western farmers this spring suffi-

Miss Marybel Douglas entertained cient seed to plant the entire cotton her friends with a dinner Sunday. acreage of these farms in pedigreed Those present were: Bernard Clark, longer-staple seed in 1932, and even-Leo Harris, Dale Burleson, Paul Pan-tually the program plans to make nell and Misses Blanche Carey, Beravailable to all Southwestern farms nico Clark, Margaret Dean, Ruby this pedigreed seed at prices little above the oil mill price.

Carey and Annie Mae Harris. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pannell were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carr Sunday.

CARD OF THANKS. To friends and loved ones of the

Thomas Harris of Fort Worth spent Cross Roads community, Merkel nd the week-end with his parents, Mr. and elsewhere we wish to express our neartfelt thanks for the beautifui Mrs. Lige Harrise

'Sveral from here were at Union floral offerings in Brooksie's honor Ridge for service Sunday morning. and for the many acts of kindness

Woodrow and Junior-Clark visited shown us during the period of illness M: and Mrs. Charlie West at Merkel and sorrow in our home. Sunday.

May God's richest blessings rest Effiebel and Vedalee Pannell were upon your noble hearts and lives is the wish of the ones who love you.

guests of Dormalee Shelton Sunday. O. L. Justice and Family. Tune in WBAP and WFAA every Try a Classified Ad in the Mail

Thursday at 3 p. m. for Lowe Bros. Paint Program. If you he ve any visitors, Phone 29

Try a Classified Ad for Results

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I have a supply of SUNSHINE COTTONSEED

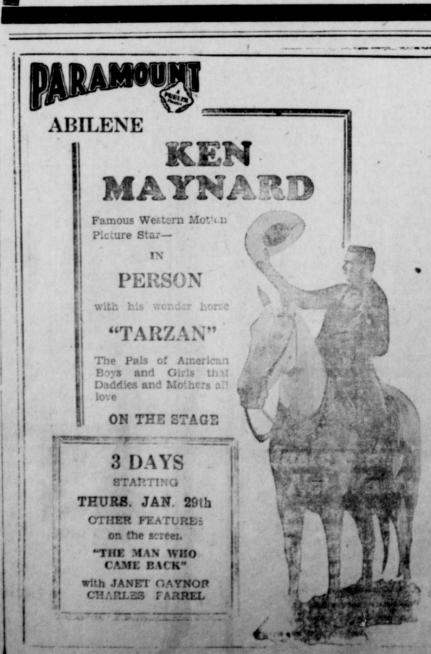
for sale at \$1.25 per bushel. These seed are from

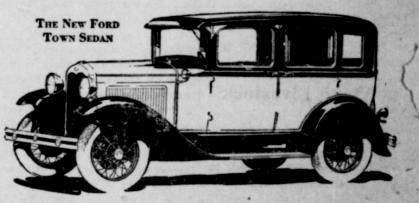
pedigreed seed raised in this community.

GOOD STAPLE-LARGE PRODUCTION PER

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Friday, January 30, 1931.

## **HONOR ROLL OF 151 PUPILS ANNOUNCED**

Juanita Huskey, a sixth-grade pup-193; J. V. Patterson, 92; Alice Russell, in Grammar School, leads the en- 92; Burneal Scott, 92; Truett Patterschool this six-weeks period with son, 91; Clifford Williams, 91; Felix a general average for the period of 99 Stalls, 90; Jack Stanford, 90; Ben per cent. In the High School depart- Sublett, 90.

nt this time there are seven pupils Seventh Grade, Mrs. Sublett. who top the list with a general aver- Aline McAninch, 95; Billie Bernice BADGERWEE KLY age of 96 per cent. They are Gambill, 95; Mary Helen Lancaster, Billy Gardner, Walderine Huskey, 94; Jesse Margaret Berry, 93; Lena pils on the honor roll this time is high Barron, 91; Harry Boaz, 90; Genethere being 30 per cent of the High vieve Bryan, 90; Loreta Cox, 90; Lena School meeting the requirements and Mae Moore, 90.

31 per cent of the Grammar School. This means that about one in every three have met the requirements of the key, 96; Julia Proctor, 94; Lois Whitehonor roll. These requirements are: ley, 93; Fay Pinckley, 92; Sarah Shep-

during the period for any reason.

any subject for the period. (c) Make an average of 90 per cent

or more in deportment.

period of 90 per cent or more.

pils on the honor roll for the past six- treese, 92; James West, 91; J. R. Hig- cent. Per cent above 90: Freshmen, weeks period:

#### GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

First Grade, Mrs. Shelton. Roy Owen, 96; O. C. Shouse, 95; Robert Price, 92; Earl Mashburn, 92. First Grade, Mrs. Teaff.

Maria Duran, 95; John R. Dye, 93; Winona Fay Thomas, 90.

Second Grade, Miss Pogue. 94; Billy Cox, Ralph Eoff, 93.

Second Grade, Miss Curb. Don Wood, 92; J. C. Thomas, 91; Geraldine Teague, 91; Joe Glenn Wells, 90; Edwin Renfro, 90.

Third Grade, Miss Heizer. 92; Ralph Russell, 91.

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Third Grade, Mrs. "Anderson. W. S. Dickinson, 92; Joyce Hays, 91; Pearl Mathews, 91; Mabel Murray, 91; Comora Hughes, 91.

Fourth Grade, Miss Patterson.

Sports Editor-Fred A. Baker. Society Editor-Lona Bryan.

Opal Huskey, Lucille Campbell, Elvis Fae Harrell, 93; Ima Ruth Brown, 92; Junior class, next week by the Sopho- game between the boys and girls. Richardson, Audrey Farris and Mar- Annie Lee DuBose, 92; Nell Contres, more class, and the next week by the They gave several of their yells. garett Turner. The percentage of pu- 92; Milton Hokit, 91; Doris Mae Freshman class. By this plan each

> Eighth Grade. Billy Gardner, 96; Walderine Hus-

class. (a) Be neither tardy nor absent pard, 92; Frances Adcock, 91; Raf-

mond Wilson, 91; Lloyd Robertson, HONOR ROLL. (b) Not make below 75 per cent on 90; La Verne Holden, 90; Vivian Lasater, 90.

Ninth Grade. Opal Huskey, 96; Lucille Campbell, 16, 1931, the following report was d) Make a general average for the 96; Nell Hughes, 95; Florene Rider, made: per cent on honor roll; Fresh-95; Meyer Mellinger, 94; Gordon Mur- men, 24 per cent; Sophomores, 26 per The following list contains the ray, 92; Mildred Richardson, 92; cent; Juniors, 27 per cent, Seniors, names of one hundred fifty-one pu- Imogene Middleton, 92; Faye Van- 50 per cent; and whole school, 30 per

gins, 90; Margaret Miller, 90. Junior Class. Oleta Moore, 94; Lela Patterson, per cent; and the whole school, 40 93; Isadore Mellinger, 91; Ross Fer-

rier, 90; Zada Bell, 90; Margaret Canen, 90; Madaline Murray, 90. Senior Class.

Elvis Richardson, 96; Audrey Far-

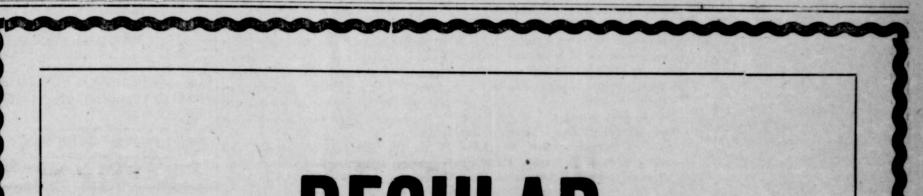
90; Mattilou Largent, 90. EXTRA OFFER.

Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Daily and Sunday, six months, and Merkel Mary Jo Russell, 96; Billy Wood, Mail for one year for \$4.25; special 96; Mary Nell Morgan, 95; Frances price during January for Star-Tele-Owen, 94; D. S. Price, 94; W. I. gram for six months is \$3.75, Merkel Wozencraft, 94; Mary Love Tipton, Mail for one year is \$1.50-two com-93; Edgar Tipton, 92; Don Warren, bined for only \$4.25-save a dollar on the deal.

Legal covers at Merkel Mail office 5 1-2 per cent Federal Loans are Better Loans. Longer time, lower rates; plenty of money; never come rles Andy Shouse, 95; Irene due. W. Homer Shanks, Sec'y.-Treas.,

THE MERKEL MAIL

#### PAGE SEVER PROFESSIONAL THE BADGER WEEKLY DR. R. I. GRIMES Published weekly by the students of Merkel High School and LEN SUBLETT sponsored by the Senior Class of '31-Hazel Williams, sponsor. **PHYSICIAN & SURGEON** Water Well Driller, all work -X-RAY-The Staff: guaranteed first class Phones Editor-in-Chief-Ola Ellen Smith. Miscellaneous Editor-Margarette Merkel, Texas Office 163 **Residence 165** Turner. Assistant Editor-Audrey Farris. Phone 164w P. O. Box 224 Joke Editors-Elvis Richardson and Lois Clark. PAULINE JOHNSON EXIDE BATTERIES School Pep Squad of fourth, fifth, Successor to 13-Plate now \$7.50 Editors Note: The Badger Weekly sixth and seventh grade girls last G. W. JOHNSON Exchange is to be sponsored this week by the Tuesday. They were present for the Insurance-Notary Public **15-Plate now** \$11.00 In New City Hall-Front St. Exchange Merkel —:- Texas S. M. HUNTER class has representation in the editing MUSIC MEMORY CONTEST. Tuesday afternoon was the begin- LEE R. YORK Phone 25 **Corner** Garage JOHN L. CAMP of the school paper. We, the Seniors, are very sorry that the Junior class ning of the Music Memory contest for did not collect or write any news the fifth, sixth and seventh grades. YORK AND CAMP for the paper. Therefore, we take The child that enters the contest **Curley's Repair Shop** Attorneys-at-Law All kinds of auto work. privilege to apologize for the Junior must be able to recognize the name of Civil Practice in all Courts. Special the piece, the composer, theme, and the attention to 1.nd titles and probate type instrument. It is taught by Miss matters. Generator and Starter Service Patterson. 711 and 712 Mims Building especially featured ABILENE, TEXAS Nearly one-third of the water pow-At Corner Garage Phone 25 er of the United States is in the States JEWELER ENGRAVER of Washington, Oregon and Idaho. EXPERT WATCH REPAIRING SWEETWATER MARBLE Records show that the weather men **JOSEPH L. SPECK** AND GRANITE WORKS have been right in their predictions, MERKEL, TEXAS for 88 per cent of the time. MEMORIALS OF MARBLE Phone 18 City Drug Store OR GRANITE ALSO CONCRETE COPING **11 Years Constipation** Dr. L. C. Zehnpfennig J. T. COATS, Local Rep. **Glycerin Mix Ends It** Merkel, Texas Dentist "For 11 years I tried to get rid of Phone 274W. constipation," says Chas. E. Blair. **General Practice of Dentistry** "Then at last the simple mixture, Adlerika, made me regular." Office, Merkel Sanitarium G. Burton Fain, M. D. The simple mixture of glycerin, Phone 163 ris. 96; Margarett Turner, 96; Velma had a baseball game Tuesday after- buckthorn bark, saline, etc., (Adler-Physician and Surgeon General practice, with special atten-FRANK E. SMITH tion to obstetrics and diseases of children. thought were in your system. Let Attorney-at-Law Office-Boney Building. Adlerika give your stomach and bow-405 Citizens National Bank Bldg. Phone 93 Residence 118 Phone 8419 Abilene, Texas Merkel, Texas



The Junior Boys and Junior Girls

91; Jess Higgins, 91; Vera Richie, and Miss Fatterson kept score.

Miss Coffey organized a Grammar good you feel! Merkel Drug Co.

Due to the courtesy of Mr. Burgess, the following report has been given: at the end of the first semester, Jan.

36 per cent; Sophomires, 31 per cent; Juniors, 33 1-3 per cent; Seniors, 68 per cent.

JUNIOR BOYS AND GIRLS GAME.

Lee Holden, 95; Norma Patton, 94; noon. The boys beat by a score of ika) acts on BOTH upper and lower Betty Jane Diltz, 94; Euvalda Fox, Ola Ellen Smith, 94; Elsie Lasater, 20 to 2. Several home runs were made bowel, relieving constipation in 2 94; Helen Heeter, 94; Guy Manscill, 94; Inez Robbins, 92; Beth Hamm, by the boys. Mr. Duke called the game hours! Brings out poisons you never

GRAMMAR SCHOOL PEP SQUAD. els a REAL cleaning and see how

Johnston, 92; Goldie Hawkins, 92; Othar Suber, 90; Eva Mae Williams, lene, Texas.

Fourth Grade, Miss Hayes. Jannell Black, 94; Dorothea Sue Bird, 93; Frances Higgins, 93; Frank Dyc, 92; Juan Duran, 91; Preston ickinson, 91; Mary Jo Garland, 91; Marvin Hunter, 91; Elizabeth Cypert, 90; Dana Derstine, 90.

· Fifth Grade, Miss Coffey. Junior Grimes, 95; Billie Dunning, 92; Murphy Dye, 92; J. C. Foster, 92; Bud Gambill, 91; Wayman Adcock, 90; P. A. Diltz, 90; Norman King, 90; Elma Mae Gamble, 90.

Fifth Grade, Miss Sloan. Morris Wozencraft, 95; Laurence Thornton, 94; Sylvan Mellinger, 94; Pauline McAninch, 92; Marvin Perkins, 92; De La Vergne Teague, 91; Jack Sublett, 90.

Sixth Grade, Mrs. Patterson. Harold Morgan, 95; Billie Woodrum, 95; Emmitt Price, 92; Overton Patterson, 91;; Winston Polley, 91; Murry Toombs, 91; Willie B. Toombs, 91:

Sixth Grade, Mrs. Irvin. Juanita Husky, 99; Mabel Maddox, 95; Ora Derrick, 94; Janet Hayes, 93; Opal Buzbee, 93; John A. Jones, 90; Horace Boney, 91; R. L. Blair, 90.

Seventh Grade, Ralph Duke. Ethelda Tucker, 96; Robbie Walker, 94; Lois Perkins, 93; Louise Toombs,



Jackson, 95; Dick West, 94; Charles Citizens N. F. L. A. Farms, Ranches, Iddings, 94; Hollis Perry, 93; Evlyn Business Property for sale or exchange. Room 1, Penney Bldg., Abi-

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"Put more time in writing your ads, and then talk it over with the printer. It pays in the long run to spend this extra time.

"Create a desire to possess, in your ad, and it will get the business.

"If you had a whole bushel of chain links it would not pull a load. Put them together in a continuous chain, and you have a strong and powerful thing with which to pull a load. So it is with advertising. Link your ads together, run them in a continuous string, week after week, and you will have a power that will produce results."

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## SAYS EXPERIENCE A SCHOOLMASTER

Leading Industries Discover There is no Worthy Substitute for Experience.

ENTRY FEES. Entry fees will be 25 cents for single birds; \$1.00 for pen, (1 male and Louisville, Ky., Jan. 29 .- Exper-4 females.) Birds entered as pen may

fourth, ribbon; fifth, ribbon.

**Poultry Show** 

(Continued from fage One)

ants, etc.: singles, first, \$1.00; sec-

ond, 50 cents; third, 25 cents; fourth,

ribbon; fifth, ribbon; pens, first,

\$2.00; second, \$1.00; third, ribbon;

bank.

show, (all breeds competing)-5 gal-

lon Socony Motor oil, Magnolia Pet-

roleum company, C. H. Jones, agent.

breeds competing)-3 bushels Russell

Big Boll Pedigree planting cottonseed,

No. 10. Best pullet in entire show,

(all breeds completing) -- \$5.00 in gold,

No. 11. Best solid cock bird-\$1.50

in merchandise, J. M. Collins Cash

grocery; one chick fountain, Earl Tea-

gue Tin shop; 3 pound jar of Handy

Jar coffee, L. D. Boyd grocery; 25

pound Furina Baby Chick scratch, J.

pound sack Bob White flour, M. Sys-

tem grocery; \$1.00 worth of Baby

poo and set, Modern Marinello Beau-

ber shop; \$1.00 in merchandise, Bob

dise, City Drug store; \$1.00 in eats,

vice station; recharging one battery,

Blake's Dry Cleaners; 48 pound sack

West Texas Utilities company.

Farm Bureau Gin.

M. Garrett Feed store.

ty shop.

No. 9. Best hen in entire show, (all

ience is the only safe guide to sucbe entered as singles also by paying cessful aggressiveness. It is the little single entry fee and compete in all schoolmaster who alone teaches both prizes offered.

industry and individual how to avoid There must be seven or more entries hidden pitfalls and gain the best rein each class in each variety to receive sults with minimum effort, according first money, five or more to receive to Donald McDonald, Jr., vice presisecond money, except pens where there dent of the B. F. Avery & Sons, Co., must be three or more. Otherwise, Louisville. ribbons and honors only will be receiv-

"Colonel Lindbergh was the "34th ed man to fly the Atlantic. But as every-

All birds must be leg-banded. There one knows, he was the first man to fly it alone," said Mr. McDonald in contention of his point that experience them banded. is the foundation of success. "Fur-

SPECIAL PRIZES.

thermore," went on Mr. McDonald, The following special prizes, ex-"Lindbergh flew the great circle ceeding \$150.00 in value, will be ofroute, which was the shortest distance fered by the business firms and pro- pany; \$1.50 in groceries, Dr. L. C. don and Mac to grieve for her, bebetween New York and Paris but the fessional men of Merkel:

longest distance over the ocean. In other words, he had confidence in himbreeds competing)-One turkey alself and he had confidence in the 'Spirit of St. Louis.' While recognizing company; one 48 pound sack of flour, pany; \$1.00 barber work, Palace Bar- day, He knows what is best for us. the unknown hazards of a trans-At-Dr. R. I. Grimes; one gallon cane syrup and one peck spuds, J. T. Den- Martin Grocery company. lantic flight and braving them gamely, he knew, other things being equal, nis; one pair Humming Bird silk ladthat he could make his destination. ies' hose, Jones Dry Goods company; pound sack of Light Crust flour, A. He was sure of it! Why? Because he'd one year's subscription to the Merkel R. Booth grocery; \$2.50 in merchan- Weep with you for the little one whose been flying the mails for months. Be-Mail.

cause he knew his machine, he knew No. 2. Best pen of young birds, (all Busy Bee cafe. what it would do, how far it would go, breeds competing)-100 pounds lay- No. 16. Best parti-colored cockrelhow it would behave under all exing mash, West company; one 28x4.75 One carton cigarettes, Ed's cafe; one cept abnormal conditions, which forheavy duty auto tube, Merkel Motor pair of shoes half-soled, N. A. Dowell; tunately he didn't have to face. company; one bath room mat, Bar- 5 gallons Sinclair gasoline, Sumpter Knowledge based on actual experience row Furniture company; one 5 pound Service station; one Chevrolet inner was his guide. And, as all the world knows, he made Paris without wetting company, Mack Buzbee, agent; 20 pany. a wing."

loaves of bread, Merkel Dandy Bak- No. 17. Best parti-colored hen-5 Mr. McDonald then went on to say ery; \$1.00 barber work, Petty and Bu- gallon Conoco gasoline, Middleton Ser- I would like to be of service, say some that experience was as much a factor ford.

of success on the farm as in the air. No. 3. Best old pen of solid color E. L. (Shorty) Patterson battery sta-He said that hundreds of farmers birds-One gallon of Lowe Brothers tion; one gallon Pittsburg Sun Proof owed their prosperity today to their paint, Burton-Lingo company; 48 paint, Clay Lumber company. willingness to profit by experience in pound sack of Primrose flour, Eli No. 18. Best Parti-colored pulletthe selection of their farm imple-Case Cash grocery; 5 gallon No-Nox | 5 pound bucket of Magnolia cup ments. gasoline, George Woodrum Filling grease, Horton and Windham Service

Following this up he told an interstation; \$1.50 blacksmith work, F. A. |station; 5 gallons gasoline, Hi-Way esting story of the early days of the Polley; one side of bacon, Wheeler and | Service station; \$1.00 in cleaning, company of which he is now vice Vaughn market. president. "Over one hundred years No. 4. Best young pen of solid color of Shawnee's Best flour, Wood groago," he said, "in 1825, the founder birds-5 gallon Ethyl gasoline, Earl cery. of the company, Benjamin Franklin Stanford Service station; two hand- No. 19. Best trio of turkeys, (all Avery, began making plows and plowmade chairs, J. T. Darsey Furniture varieties competing)-\$2.50 in cash, shares. company; one suit and one dress clean- Farmers State Bank; \$1.00 in cash,

"He made the first ones with his ed, City Dry Cleaners; \$2.00 in mer- W. O. Boney, insurance and real esown hands," said Mr. McDonald. "He

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Farmers and Merchants National one quart Cook's 502 paint, all given Christy Mathewson, Jr., Junell is Supervisor by Merkel Lumber company. No. 25. Best Rhode Island red pul-No. 8. Best cockrel bird in entire

let-one setting of Rhode Island Red eggs, R. A. Ellis, (his entry not competing.) No. 26. Best dark Cornish pullet-

One setting of dark Cornish eggs, Robert Hicks, (his entry not competing.) No. 27. Donated to expense of show -\$1.00 Bob McDonald Barber shop, \$1.00 McDonald Beauty parlor.

> IN MEMORY OF WILNA FORRESTER.

When God, in His infinite mercy, saw fit to pluck another rosebud from this earthly garden to place in his heavenly garden, He came to the home

their daughter, little Wilna, whom No. 12. Best solid color cockrel-48 He had loaned to them for six short precious years. Heaven is nearer to us now since we know that she is there, will be a fee of ten cents eack charged. Chick feeders, Joe Garland; one heavy basking in the sunlight of our Blessed for banding, if owner does not have work shirt, Max Mellinger; one sham- Saviour's smile, where she will never have to suffer any more. She was so patient in the eight months' suffering, No. 13. Best solid color hen-One she endured during her last illness. 300 pound ice book, Nichols Ice com- I ask not the father, mother and Wel-

Zehnpfennig; one pair of Buck Brand cause Jesus cares and grieves with us, No. 1. Best pen of old birds, (all overalls, Bragg Dry Goods company. but, we often question why He takes "No. 14. Best pullet solid color-One our loved ones, we must submit to His uminum roaster, Liberty Hardware gallon Globe Dip, Merkel Drug com- will, we will understand it all some

> Let me come in where you sit weeping,

have known much of.

The little arms that slowly, slowly loosed

hands you used to kiss, Conoco cup grease, Continental Oil tube, Delmer-Delaney Chevrolet com- Such hands, such arms I once knew.

Between the tears that would be comforting, But Ah, no sadder than yourself am I,

There are about 340 structures of 20 or more floors in the United States. about half of them being in New York city.

Office supplies-Mail office.

## Is Full-Fledged Bird Of WTU Ice Properties

Mitchel Field, N. Y., Jan. 29 .-Like father, in this case, not like son.

thorities as John L. McGraw and an announcement from the compa Connie Mack agree, was the greatest baseball pitcher of all time.

He is Christy Mathewson, Jr., secand as soon as there is a vacancy and a commission for him in the re- family to Abilene. of Bernic Forrester and wife and took gular army he won't be a reserve officer any more.

> living in case he has to wait quite ested to the extent of 26 plants, and awhile for that commission, young ice sales stations in 34 towns through-Mathewson has acquired at nearby out the properties. Roosevelt field a transport pilot's license, after one of the most skillful perience in the ice business, as well student flights the department of as in the light and power industry. commerce examiner had witnessed in He was associated with the Light and some time.

Christy Jr., is an only child. He before becoming manager of the Cryblue-eyed, with hair which he de- ago. scribes as "mouse-colored." His mother

ed overseas during the World War.

No. 15. Best parti-colored cock-48 Let me who have had a child to die,

love

Their pressure round your neck; the

May I not weep with you?

thing

Who have had a child to die. Mrs. Alex Williamson.

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Abilene, Jan. 29 .- Dan R. Junell, Among the reserve officers on ac- for the past four years manager of the tive duty at Mitchel Field, flying out recently-purchased Crystal Ice comonce or twice a week in an army pany at Brady, has been made super-Falcon to "defend" New York, is a visor of ice properties for the West young man whose father, such au- Texas Utilities company, according an announcement from the combined headquarters at Abilene and is visiting the larger ice companies ond lieutenant in the 99th squadron, Texas, gaining information regarding

Friday, January 30, 1931.

company's business. He will move his The new position has been created

to foster the development of ice busi-Meantime, so that he may earn a ness, in which the company is inter-

Power company of Sulphur Springs

s 24, a little more than six feet tall, stal Ice company at Brady four years

Jimmie Flack will assume the manastill lives up at Saranac Lake, N. Y., gership of the Crystal Ice company. where Christy Sr., died during the Flack is also in charge of operations world series of 1925 from tuberculosis, at Rochelle and merchandise salesman which came on him after he was gass- in the towns of Rochelle, Melvin and Eden.

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During January the FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM

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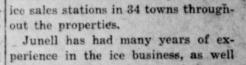
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Ninth observation group, U. S. A., new methods which may be used in the

beat them out, tempered them and assembled all the parts in his own little blacksmith shop in Virginia. Then when the plows were finished, he went into the field, watched the plows in operation, saw how they turned various soils, improved their designs, shop; \$1.00 in eats Woozy's cafe; one added new models and in his plows suitcase, Brown's Bargain storle. and plowshares developed a degree of perfection which only such actual experience could ever have made possible.

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handise, J. H. McDonald grocery. tate; \$1.00 in cash, Dr. C. B. Gard-No. 5. Best old pen of parti-color- ner; 50 cents in cash, L. A. Watts. ed birds-One 30x4.50 Goodyear tube, chicken buyer.

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No. 21. Best turkey hen in show-5 gallons gasoline and one gallon oil, No. 6. Best young pen of parti-col- Warren Higgins shop.

ored birds-One group of hen's nests, No. 22. Best pair of geese, any var-Rose Tin shop; \$1.00 in blacksmith iety-\$1.00 repair work, Curley's Rework, J. T. King; 25 pound sack of pair shop.

Startena Chick feed, Merkel Produce No. 23. Best pair of ducks, any varcompany; 20 pound sack of White iety-Recharging battery, Bishop Dove Peace Maker Cream meal, G. M. Hunter Battery station.

Sharp Feed store; 5 gallon Texaco No. 24. Best pen of White Plymouth gasoline, Ferrier Service station; Rocks-One quart Cook's 502 paint; \$3.00 in merchandise, Adams and Lev- best pin of Cornish games, one quart Cook's 502 paint; best pen of An-

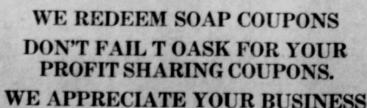
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|----------------------------|--------|
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| APPLES, school size, dozen |        |
| OATS, 3 Minute             | 25c    |

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|----------------------------------|---|--|
| MEAL, 24 lbs. 55c                | 3 lbs\$1.00                               |  |
| LARD, Swifts Jewel, 8 lbs. 90c   | TOMATOES, No. 2, 3 for25c                 |  |
| SUGAR, pure cane, 25 lbs. \$1.40 | GREEN BEANS, No. 2<br>Empson's, 2 for 25c |  |
| SPUDS, peck No. 1, 15 lbs. 35c   | CRACKERS, Brown's, 3 lbs. 30c             |  |
| SOAP, Lighthouse, 11 bars 35c    | TOILET SOAP Palmolive                     |  |
| SYRUP, White Karo, No. 10 65c    |   |  |
| CORN, Primrose, No. 2 15c        | BAKING POWDER,                            |  |
| OATS, China, Mothers and         | Calumet 1 lb. 25c                         |  |
| 3 minute, 30c                    | PINTO BEANS, Recleaned                    |  |
| CEREAL, all 15c sizes, 2 for 20c | per lb4 1-2c                              |  |

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