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Wilhelm Dieterle directed "Adorable."

BRUCE BARTON

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Two men spoke on the battleground of Gettysburg sixty years ago. The first delivered an oration of more than two hours in length; not one person in ten who reads this page can even recall his name. The second speaker uttered two hundred and fifty words, and these words, Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, are a part of the mental endowment of almost every American.

Many noble prayers have been sent up to the Throne of Grace—long impressive utterances. The prayer which Jesus taught his disciples consists of sixty-eight words, and can be written on the back of a post-card. Many poems and essays have been penned by writers who hoped that they were making a permanent place for themselves in literature; but the greatest poem ever written consists of one hundred and eighty-eight words. It is the Twenty-Third Psalm.

Next Week: Simplicity and Strength.

Exams for Collector Cotton Statistics For Taylor County

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PERSONALS

On Monday Winston Polley left for a summer visit with his uncle, B. F. Polley, at Mineral Wells.

Mrs. M. A. Stewart of Hico is visiting her niece, Mrs. M. E. Ferguson, for the next two weeks.

M. E. Ferguson is in Jacksonville on business, expecting to be there about two weeks.

Misses Lela Patterson and Athelda Yeats, students at McMurry, have returned home with the closing of school.

Mrs. E. Q. Warren of Knox City is here for a visit with her mother, Mrs. H. C. Williams, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Kingsley Williams of Waco spent the week-end with Mr. Williams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Williams.

Miss Elleta Foster has returned from Commerce where she had been attending the East Texas State Teachers college.

Earl Foster and family and Miss Margaret Dean visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Merideth and daughter, Sunny Jo, of Abilene Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Largent and children left Monday for a few days visit with Mrs. Largent's parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Saffle, at Plainview.

Miss Irene Perry is spending this week in Abilene and will probably remain for several weeks, specializing in lines of beauty shop work in which she has already had considerable training.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan W. Bolls and little daughter, Ruth, have returned to their home in Borger after a few days visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Bolls, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bickley and sons, Robert and Jimmie, and James Hiram McMullen, of Chatfield, and Homer Laney and Miss Bonnie Wilhelm, of Brenco, are visitors in the W. H. Laney and Floyd Davis homes.

Mrs. J. M. Garrett, Mrs. R. J. Miller and two daughters, Margaret and Doris Clyde, and Mrs. G. H. Bullock and two daughters, Georgene and Annie Marie, left Tuesday for Waco where they will visit Barney Garrett and other relatives.

Mrs. J. M. Collins is visiting for sometime with relatives in Lamesa.

Miss Lenora Barron of Lamesa is the house guest of Miss Mary Collins.

A recent guest with Miss Christine Collins was Miss Mary Rogers of Tyler, formerly of Abilene.

Mrs. Earl Lassiter had as guests in her home early in the week Mrs. Rufus Grisham of Abilene and Mrs. L. B. Howard of Kerrville. The latter with Mr. Howard and the children are visiting relatives and friends in Abilene and Merkel during Mr. Howard's vacation.

On their return from a visit to Tyler, Mrs. Fred Latham and little Miss Mary Jo Russell were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. John T. Morgan and Mrs. Roberts of that city. The Tyler folks visited until Tuesday in the C. K. Russell home, when they departed for home.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Davis and children, Nell Marie and Curtis Woodrow, visited their son, Seton, at Abilene, Monday, also attending services at the Trinity Baptist church marking the farewell day of Rev. John Lovell, who has gone to Florida a year for his health.

Mrs. Allan D. King of Mulberry canyon had as guests Monday Messdames P. R. Demere, O. W. Reid, Raymond Demere, Frazee Demere and Paul Reid and at the end of the pleasant day they had finished a quilt for Mrs. King. It will be recalled that fire recently destroyed Mrs. King's home, the old Ed Tracy ranch house.

J. T. Warren who drove to El Paso early this week, was accompanied on his return by his daughter, Mrs. Kir-

by Beckett, and her three daughters, Betty Booth, Barbara and Kirby Sue. Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Warren have also been entertaining two grandsons this summer, Dick and Harry Coit, sons of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Coit of Dallas.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

The Intermediate Sunday School class of the Methodist church, of which Alvise Yeats is teacher, having reached 20 in attendance, was taken on a three day outing on Cottonwood creek in Fisher county. Returning Wednesday, they all report a great time.

Volley ball is now the pastime for members of the First Baptist congregation who have just completed a court on the space in the rear of Dr. Gardner's office building.

By a deal completed the latter part of last week, Allen McGehee became the owner of the handsome brick home on Oak street, erected some two years ago by Miss Mollye Shannon, who is now living in Sweetwater. The consideration was not given.

News that J. N. Teaff is seriously ill with pneumonia at Lockhart comes as a great shock to his many friends here. He has been visiting about two weeks in the home of his brother-in-law, John Hurst, at that place.

The Nathan Wood grocery is being enlarged this week by the addition of the next 25-foot front adjoining to the south. The partition separating the two stores is now being removed, giving the grocery a frontage of 50 feet on Kent street.

Mrs. P. T. Allday has opened a hemstitching shop at the City Dry Cleaners, which will prove quite a convenience to ladies both in town and from the surrounding sections.

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AWAKENED WOMAN

by ELINORE BARRY

ELEVENTH INSTALLMENT.
Synopsis: Joyce Ashton, poor stenographer, suffered loss of memory in a skidding taxicab accident in Chicago. One morning two years later she awoke, after a fall from her horse, her memory restored, to find herself as Frills, the wife of Neil Packard, rich California fruit packer. She determined to tell nobody of her predicament but set about learning what she could of her life in the interval. From the conversation of her friends and letters in her desk she gathered that she had been a heartless, pleasure-loving young woman. One letter that troubled her was from a woman signing herself Sophie, blaming Frills for not giving a home to a baby Sophie was caring for. Could it be her baby, Frills wondered! She also found herself involved in an affair with a man named Maitland. In San Francisco, where she went while her husband was away on business, she met Robert Ainsworth, a poet whose work she had always admired. When Joyce returned home, she decided to be pleasanter to Neil than Frills had been. But this line was dangerous, too, for Neil was pathetically anxious to win back Frills' love.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY—
At last they were all gone, and Packard, closing the front door, came back to the living room and began to put out the lights. He yawned widely. "Gee, I'm sleepy. Got to be up early tomorrow, too. Going to bed now, Frills?" he asked, pausing with his hand at the last light.

"Yes, I am," replied Joyce. She couldn't get the words out which she meant to say casually. Turning, she went upstairs, closely followed by Packard, who switched on the bedroom light for her.

"I sure have missed that sleeping porch. Seems as if I never had any real air in those hotel rooms," remarked Packard when they were in the bedroom. "Once you get used to sleeping out anything else seems stuffy."

This hardly seemed an appropriate time to announce that she had decided to sleep in the house hereafter and Joyce, in an agony of embarrassment and indecision wandered over to her dressing table where she sat down and lighted another cigarette.

If he would only go to his own rooms and let her alone! But Packard lingered taking off his tie and unbuttoning his shirt while he talked.

Neil was now taking off his shirt, and Joyce, catching sight in her mirror of the white top of his sleeveless underwear felt a wave of color burn her face and she sat rooted to the spot. To her great relief, however, he went off to finish his undressing elsewhere and she jumped up and hurried to the closet. Just as she had stripped her last garment off and was reaching for a kimono she heard him again in the bathroom. She had left the door of the closet just a trifle ajar so that she could keep track of his movements and the bathroom door stood wide open.

"Shall I run a hot bath for you?" called Packard, "or are you going to take a shower?"

Joyce hastily called out, "No tub, thanks. I'll take a shower when you get through."

"You needn't wait. I'm not using the shower," he called back cheerfully. "I want a real soak after being on the train two nights!"

She sat huddled on a chair in the closet and listened tensely to the process of his bath. He splashed and whistled and to poor Joyce it seemed as if he would never finish.

Suddenly the whistle stopped

abruptly and she heard him ejaculate, "Damm! There goes the soap!" Then raising his voice he called, "Say, Frills, be a good kid and get me the soap, will you? I dropped it out and it skidded way over into the bedroom!"

Joyce was petrified by this simple request. She was so startled that she even failed to take refuge in what had been her salvation in other awkward moments, the conveniently temperamental disposition of Frills.

"Well, wait a minute, I'll . . . I'll get it," she returned, and holding her silk Coolie coat tightly about her she emerged from the closet, found the cake of soap innocently lying on the blue carpet, picked it up, and entering the bathroom, hastily thrust it into Packard's wet outstretched hand. Then she turned hurriedly and left the room in turmoil of emotions.

"I wish he'd hurry," she fumed, with a sigh of relief that that awkward moment was over, though her heart still thumped violently. "I'm tired. If that shower didn't have a glass door I'd go and take a bath now. I simply can't do it, though." She sat down again and listened anxiously.

Presently she heard him rubbing himself vigorously and a few minutes later he appeared in the bedroom in blue pajamas and slippers, his hair sticking up in damp rumpled confusion. How funny a man looked without a collar, she thought, and the pajamas seemed so loose and baggy! Lowering her eyes she went past him into the bathroom. She shut the door after her and very quietly and carefully turned the little catch and locked it.

When she opened the door again she found the bedroom empty, but from the porch Packard implored her, "Say, Frills, bring me a glass of water, like an angel, will you?"

Joyce wanted to retort crossly, but her naturally obliging disposition automatically asserted itself and getting the water she went to the sleeping porch which lay in the shadow. The moon made it light enough, however, to see Packard's face vaguely.

He sat up in bed and took the glass which she handed him. As he did so she said hastily, "Good night! I'm . . . I'm going to sleep inside for a while." She turned away as she spoke, but she scarcely finished the sentence before Packard put down the glass and jumped out of bed.

He stopped her at the door and drew her into his arms, not roughly but with a gently firm movement which she could not evade.

"Oh, say, sweetheart," he protested, "not my first night home, Frills? I've been so . . . so lonesome for you dear."

Packard bent his head quickly and kissed her eagerly, not once but several times, then drew her closer still and kissed the hollow of her neck several times. "Oh, sweetheart,

won't you love me a little?" he whispered, his cheek laid against hers. "Won't you love me? Somehow tonight you were so sweet, going out with me alone that way and I got to hoping you might—Oh, Frills, what can I do to make you come back to me?"

"Oh, let's not talk tonight," she exclaimed impatiently. "I'm dead tired, I tell you." To her relief he did not follow her, but she heard his deep sigh as she went on into the other room and shut the door, her knees trembling a little.

Once in bed with the door locked, she lay and thought over what had happened. This victory was hers, but she did not feel quite the satisfaction in it that she had felt in circumventing Maitland.

Waking the next morning at her usual hour of seven o'clock she heard Packard whistling as he dressed and she debated whether to get up and have breakfast with him or to let him go away without seeing her.

She got out of bed and listened. It was so quiet that she concluded Neil had gone downstairs. She had just taken a dress from a hanger and had come out to put it on in front of the long mirror when she was startled by Packard appearing. "Good morning, wife!" he exclaimed, "how's the world?"

"Oh! . . . Good morning," she re-

sponded, hastily pulling the dress on and watching him apprehensively in the mirror as she fastened her collar and tie.

"Gee, this is great. Are you going to eat breakfast this morning?" he asked, leaning against the foot of the bed.

"We'll give Roxie a surprise, eating breakfast together," she remarked, as they entered the dining room. "Good morning, Roxie, where's my blessed Dickie?"

"Out with Sam," responded Roxie. She too smiled, but there was a puzzled look about her face as she did so.

"Oh, then I'm going out to get him," exclaimed Joyce, "you start eating, I'll be right back," and she dashed out through the kitchen and called to Dickie, whom she saw lying with a bored expression outside the stable door.

"I wonder if he'd get too tired to go along with me if I go out to ride on Rosita. What do you think?" asked Joyce as she began her breakfast.

"Well, I wouldn't take him if you're going more than a short ride. I doubt if he's used to long runs."

"By the way, I heard that Mait has a new horse," remarked Packard toward the end of the meal. "What sort of a cayuse is it? Did he get it from MasBready?"

Joyce's heart thumped. Now was her chance, and she determined to take it. She spoke casually, though the knowledge that she was changing her mind was in her mind.

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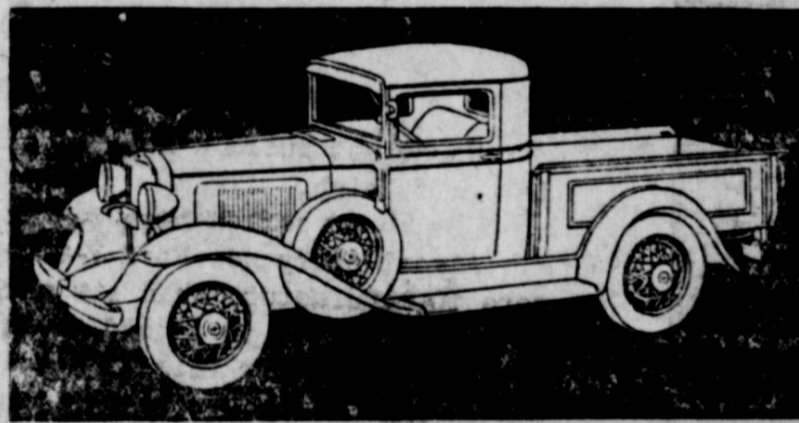
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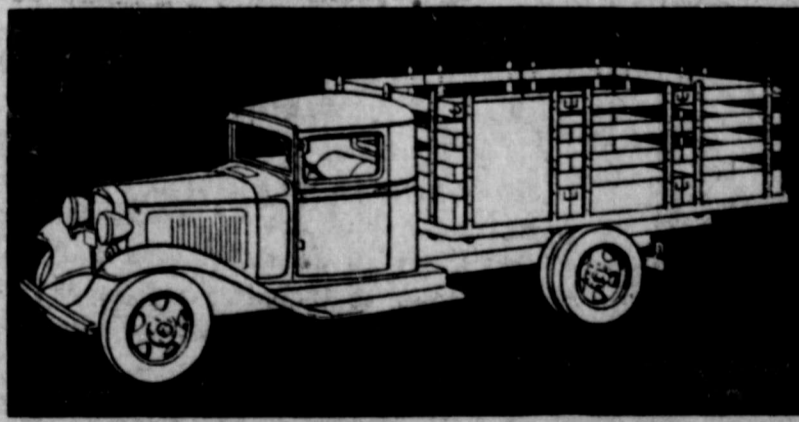


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TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Cecil Junior Rutherford of Abilene spent a few days here last week with relatives.

Joe Nalley attended to business matters in Lamesa a couple of days last week.

Elmer McDonald left last Friday for Penelope where he will visit with his uncle a short while. Before he returns he will visit his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Tekall, of Dawson.

Mrs. Ernest Massey visited a few days last week with her sister, Mrs. Twyman Collins, of Nubia, returning home Saturday.

Miss Louise Owens, who recently underwent a serious operation, spent last week with her mother, Mrs. Pate, who lives at Blackwell.

Cap McLeod got a severe cut on the eye last Monday; as he was cutting some wash wood, a chip flew up and hit him. Medical attention was given at once and there's hope of saving the sight of his eye. Five or six stitches were taken.

Mrs. J. I. Leamon entertained in her home last week some old time friends, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jackson, and family, of Franklin.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Pate and nephew visited recently in the home of Mrs. Ed Burks, Mr. and Mrs. Pate are from Arch, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nalley and Mrs. Walker Steadman were Merkel shoppers last Monday. Afterward Mrs. Steadman visited with Mrs. Nalley the rest of the day.

Several of our good singers attended the singing convention at Abilene.

Mrs. Travathan of Wichita Falls, who has been visiting with the Beckhams, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Stribling and three daughters, accompanied by the former's mother, visited relatives at Floydada this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Poor had as their honored guests the past week the latter's mother and sister, Mrs. Daniel, and daughter of Vernon, also their grandson of that place.

Mrs. Ed Massey of Denton is the guest of her son, Ernest Massey, and family this week.

At this writing Mrs. John Payne's baby seems to be improving.

Arch Williams, formerly of Trent, has been visiting friends here this week.

Mrs. J. P. Roberts has received a message that her mother and sister, who live in Louisiana, were injured in a wreck. They have, however, been discharged from the hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts are planning to leave Saturday for a six weeks vacation trip. While gone, they will visit in the home of Mrs. Roberts' mother.

Ernest Massey slipped from a truck last Thursday, injuring his back. At present he is doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Smith of Denton are guests in the home of their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Williamson, and Ollie Smith. Mrs. Maggie Mingus has also visited in their homes recently.

M. G. Scott and daughter, Doreen, visited in Lubbock Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elery Smith were guests in Sweetwater Sunday, visiting the former's mother.

There was a laymen's meeting at the Methodist church Sunday. Dwan Boswell of McMurry gave an able talk. The meeting was well attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Norton from Sterling City are visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Adrian. Mr. Norton will fill the pulpit of the First Christian church every night this week.

Mrs. J. J. Pee of Clyde visited a few days last week with many friends here. She also attended the services at the Trinity Baptist church at Abilene.

Miss Estelle Terry left Wednesday of last week for Lubbock where she will attend Texas Tech this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Franks, accompanied by Mr. Franks' mother, left Monday morning for San Marcos, where Mr. Franks will attend school for the first six weeks. They expect to spend the remainder of their vacation in Galveston.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mays of Fort Worth visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Woods this weekend.

Last Sunday was the "old time religion day" at the Trinity Baptist church in Abilene. Those who attended the services from here were: Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Woods, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Terry and sons, Johnnie and A. C., Jr., Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Johnson and daughter, Sarah Julia, Mrs. Joe Brown and daughter, Winnie, John Halbrooks, Misses Edith Hale and Medeah Rawlings.

The Fundamentalist Baptist will meet at the Trent school auditorium Sunday morning, June 18, at 10 o'clock for Sunday School. Everybody is invited.

A COVERED DISH DINNER.

Mrs. J. M. Billings was joint hostess with her daughter, Mrs. C. R. Rutherford, Tuesday, June 13, in honor of her sister, Mrs. J. E. Bowers' birthday. Dinner was served in covered dish style, after which the honoree was presented with a beautiful friendship quilt by the following: Mesdames M. G. Scott, G. A. McDonald, George Howell, W. F. Steadman, Ed Burks, Nelson Bright and daughter, Helen, J. C. Howell and daughter, Evelyn, of Abilene, M. B. Jones, J. E. Bowers, the honoree, T. G. Hamner, Ernest Massey, Gafford, Carrie Winn, Jack Bright, J. I. Leamon, Ben Howell, Buck Phillips, C. R. Rutherford and J. M. Billings and Billy Joe Bowers, Billie Ruth Phillips, Betty Lou Howell, Veneta McDonald and Linly Burl Jones.

JACK PARTY.

Betty Lou Howell entertained a group of friends Saturday afternoon at her home with a Jack party. Rainbow tallies were used to denote partners. A scrapbook matching tallies was given as prize to the winner, Elizabeth Winn.

Refreshments, carried out in rainbow colors, were served to the following guests: Elizabeth Winn, Elsie Bishop, Gean Scott, Kathryn Shannon, Vanita and Winnie McDonald, Valree West and the hostess.

After refreshments a sewing club was organized and officers were elected.

BLAIR ITEMS

The measles have started anew in this community in the past two weeks and there have been too many cases to mention. Some have been real sick, others did not hurt so bad. But all look peaked. Those most seriously ill were Miss Joy Juanita Doan and little Willie Dean Patterson.

It is almost smooth and cloudy, with clouds hanging low at this writing, and we hope it will rain, for a nice rain would be appreciated just now. Crops, however, are holding up well under conditions.

Montie J. Moore returned the past week from Lubbock where he has been attending Texas Tech.

Harry Ingram and father of Brownwood visited their friend, J. C. Horton, last week-end. Mr. Ingram is a traveling salesman for a Dallas wholesale house.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Moore, with their two attractive sons and accompanied by their sister-in-law, Mrs. Harry Brook, of Red Springs, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brooks of Winters, were the week-end guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ellie Brooks. Mr. and Mrs. Moore also spent part of the time with Mr. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Moore.

Miss Jessie Clark of Sweetwater spent several days last week with her niece, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Mayfield.

Mr. Olin Clinton and sons of Stanton are staying an indefinite time with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. George Clinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cavette are entertaining for the month their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cavette, of Rotan.

Mrs. Jim Burfeind and children of King county enjoyed a recent visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Neighbors.

Lee Henson and family of Clyde visited recently in the Charlie Chandler home.

J. J. Hunter of Weatherford is the guest of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Elworth Bell, for the past two weeks.

Mrs. Oscar Pollard with her two pretty daughters, Melba and Grace, dined with Mrs. Hugh Campbell Wednesday. Accompanied by Mrs. Campbell, they motored over to Nubia in the afternoon and were graciously entertained in the home of Mrs. Andy Hunter.

D. C. Doan and family of Roscoe were passing visitors with relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Price Melton and children went over to Tuscola Wednesday, enjoying a pleasant visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Doan.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Campbell and son, Jimmie, and Mrs. Pat Addison attended the M. E. conference at Mt. Pleasant Saturday.

Brother Ritchie of Robert Lee, Primitive Baptist preacher, delivered an eloquent discourse Sunday afternoon. A large crowd from surrounding communities also enjoyed the sermon.

Pat Addison and Herman Doan attended court at Abilene Monday.

CARD OF THANKS.

We are sincerely and deeply grateful to the friends and neighbors who were so kind to assist us and extend sympathy in the death of our little son. Their many expressions of love and willing ministrations will long be held by us in tender memory.

May God's blessings rest upon each and everyone of you.
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Speck and Children.

Awakened Woman

(Continued From Page 3)

ing color disconcerted her slightly. "I'm sure I don't know," she replied, "I haven't seen Mait for nearly two weeks."

When she raised her eyes from her plate she encountered a look on Packard's face which filled her with sudden anger. It had always infuriated Joyce to realize that her word was doubted.

Suddenly her pleasure in the day was spoiled. A hurt feeling of resentment against him for ruining her happy mood seized her. She forgot his side of the affair and the things which Frills had done to make this reaction so natural.

She said nothing until they had left the table and were in the living room. Then suddenly she faced him and with flaming face said, "Look here, I want you to know that I wasn't lying just now when I said I hadn't seen Mait for two weeks."

Packard stared at her. He looked bewildered. An expression of eager hopefulness dawned in his face, but it was the cautious hope of one who had been hurt and disappointed too many times.

After fully five seconds' silence Packard said dully, "God knows I want to believe you, Frills, but after that New Year's thing . . ." He hesitated as if he were referring to some painful incident he could scarcely bear to mention.

Joyce was quivering all over. It seemed to her that nothing was more important than to make him believe her. She groped desperately for the right words to convince him. "But I'm telling the truth," she insisted, "you can ask Clarice . . . or ask Mait himself if you won't believe me."

Neil still looked as if he dared not believe and Joyce, exasperated at his obviously unconvinced manner, exclaimed, "Perhaps I was mistaken, perhaps you . . . you don't really care what I do—"

But at this Packard suddenly woke up. His face went white under the tan and taking a step forward he gripped her shoulders with his hands and said, with an intensity of restrained force that frightened her, "By God, Frills, I won't stand for that! When have you ever cared what I thought? When have you ever done anything but give me the

most careless sort of response?

You've lied to me before. You know it and I know it. How can I help doubting you? I've done everything I could to try to make you happy. I've given you every bit of freedom and fun I could just so you might have a good time. I've protected you more than you knew against open scandal. I've stood so damn' much from you that I sometimes wonder what kind of a weak fool I am. But I can't help loving you in spite of it all. I've stood for this business with Maitland . . . I've stood, for all sorts of things—for your sake, and partly for my mother's. And when . . . when you've been a little nice to me, what has it ever meant? Some devilish scheme of yours to put something over on me. I don't know what your game is now, but even you can't tell me I don't really care what you do."

Joyce, listening fascinated to this explosion, recalled the words in "Jeery's letter: ". . . Just remember that a man like Neil won't stand pushing too far."

(Continued Next Week.)

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UNION RIDGE NEWS

(Omitted from last week.)

Mrs. E. O. Taylor and children of Fort Worth have been recent guests in the O. R. Douglas home.

Otho Meeks of Post is visiting in the home of his sister, Mrs. Clyde Irvin. Grandma Pike of Merkel is spending a few days in the Denzel Cox home.

Mrs. Melvin Jones and son, who have been visiting in the Huston Clark home, returned to Anson Sunday.

Mrs. V. P. Sibley and son, Marvin, Jr., of Arlington, are visitors with Mrs. M. A. Douglas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Harris visited recently in the W. C. Lee home at Salt Branch.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Irvin and daughter, Mrs. M. A. Douglas, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Douglas and daughter, Mrs. M. A. Douglas, are in the Golan home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Shelton and O. F. Harwell are visitors in the home of Mrs. M. A. Douglas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lee are in the home of Mrs. M. A. Douglas.

RURAL SOCIETY

UNION RIDGE COMMUNITY CLUB

On last Friday afternoon twenty women met in the S. O. Patton home for the purpose of organizing a home demonstration club. Mrs. W. C. Lee of Salt Branch called the house to order and acted as president until officers were elected. We all wish to thank Mrs. Lee for her help in getting our club started.

Officers elected are as follows: president, Mrs. S. O. Patton; vice president, Mrs. Denzel Cox; secretary-treasurer, Miss Mabel McRee; council member, Miss Ruby Patton; reporter, Miss Mary Bell Douglas.

At the conclusion of business, cake and punch was served to members and guests.

The next meeting will be at the J. L. McRee home, but the date has not been set, for we plan on having Miss Caroline Chambers present for the next meeting. Everyone is invited to be present for this meeting. We shall be very glad to have women from town become members of this club.

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White Church News

We are having some pretty good showers at this time, which are very much appreciated. Cotton chopping is the order of the day here.

Mr. Lyndon Harrison of this place and Miss Lorene Weston of Mt. Pleasant gave their many friends quite a surprise when they slipped quietly away and were married last Wednesday. Both are very accomplished young people and we wish them all the good things of life.

Mr. Jim Norris of Hurley, N. M., was in our midst last week, visiting friends and relatives.

While visiting in the home of a neighbor Sunday afternoon, Mrs. Puck Weston received the sad news of the death of her father at Goldthwaite. Mr. and Mrs. Weston left immediately for that place. We extend sincere sympathy to the family in their great bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seymour of Nubia were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Patterson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Coats are the proud parents of a baby girl. Mother and babe are doing fine at this time.

Mr. Noble Hill and Miss Mary Ellen Frazier were married last Tuesday. They are among the most popular of our young people and we sincerely wish them a long and prosperous life.

Our school year at this place is finishing this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Barnes and sons, Woodrow and Doyal, visited in Cisco last Sunday.

Little Miss Betty Joe Coats of Big Spring is visiting in the home of her grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Pressley and Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Coats.

Everybody remember next Sunday is preaching day.

NOODLE NEWS

Everyone is rejoicing over the shower of rain we received Monday night. Most all of the farmers are through planting their crop.

A large crowd attended preaching services at the Church of Christ Sunday.

Mrs. Spurgin has returned to her home at Comper after visiting her son, V. E. Spurgin.

Miss Leona Sosebee will visit her uncle at Stamford for sometime.

Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Marshall of Comper and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lucas visited Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Tarpley Sunday.

Miss Marie Ward of Meadow is spending the summer with her cousin, Margaret Calloway.

Quite a few of the Noodle people attended the T. P. singing convention Saturday night and Sunday at Abilene.

We have choir practice every Friday night at the school auditorium. Everyone is invited to come and be with us. We are going to have with us Friday night, June 16, a quartette from Johnson county. So come out and hear them.

NOTICE.

By order of the council, and in accordance with the statutes of the state of Texas under which the city of Merkel is working, we are asking for sealed bids for the custody of the city's funds, from any banking institution doing business in the city of Merkel, with the object of making said bank the city depository for a period of one year, from and after the regular meeting of the council in July. The bids for the custody of said funds shall be based on a rate per cent upon daily balances. The selection will be to bankers offering to pay the best rate of interest, and on the approval of bond that said bank wants executed.

W. M. Elliott,
Mayor.

Adding machine rolls at Merkel Mail office.

DORA DOINGS

We are glad to say that Ouida Cross was able to return home Monday after an appendix operation at the Sweetwater sanitarium last week.

Mrs. Vance Cotton and children of Albany are visiting her sisters, Mrs. E. P. Perry and Mrs. John Dudley, for a few days this week.

Misses Laura Wallis and Novis Whiteaker left Monday for Abilene to attend school this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Elliott were Merkel visitors Sunday.

Rev. McLeod of Abilene filled his regular appointment at the Dora Baptist church Sunday morning and evening.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Cook are enjoying a new little Six Chevrolet.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Reynolds of Elm Grove are visiting here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Slater announce the arrival of a grandson to Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Ussery of Sweetwater last week. His name is John M.

The Divide baseball club went to Wingate Sunday, losing 3 to 1. Wingate will return the game Saturday and we also have a goat roping at Divide each Saturday afternoon.

Those on the sick list are: J. T. Perry, Sam Hanks and Mrs. Willie Perry. All are reported better at this writing.

County Honor Roll

WHITE CHURCH SCHOOL.
The White Church school will close Thursday, June 15.

Honor roll students for the last month of school are:
Ninth grade—Ila Mae Snow, 94 1-2; Beulah Harrison, 93 1-2; Etsel Farmer, 91 1-3.

Seventh grade—Edna Lee Odom, 92 8-9.

Fifth grade—J. W. Harrison, 93 3-8.

Fourth grade—Elly Frazier, 90.

Third grade—Irene Snow, 90.

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WOZENCRAFT-McDONALD.
Friends of Miss Myrtle McDonald and Woodrow Wozencraft were surprised to learn of their marriage which was solemnized in a pretty early evening ceremony at six o'clock Sunday. The wedding took place at the home of Rev. and Mrs. W. G. Cypert, with the bride's mother, Mrs. J. H. McDonald, the only attendant and Rev. Cypert, the officiating minister. Miss Myrtle McDonald is well known and loved in Merkel; she is associated with her mother in managing the McDonald Grocery company and is popular in business and social activities.

Woodrow Wozencraft is the very capable proprietor of Wozy's Cafe on Front street and is much respected as one of Merkel's younger business men.

The Mail offers sincere congratulations to them both.

SHARP-CHUNN.
The study of Rev. C. R. Joyner at the Baptist parsonage was the scene of a quiet wedding ceremony last Sunday morning at 7:30 when Mrs. Ida Chunn became the wife of G. M. Sharp, the Rev. C. R. Joyner officiating. Both parties are well known in Merkel and have a host of friends who wish for them God's speed.

Mr. and Mrs. Sharp left immediately after the ceremony for an automobile trip to Doddridge, Ark., to visit Mr. Sharp's daughter, Mrs. D. C. Barnes, but will return to Merkel to make their home.

BARBECUE PICNIC.
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Laney extended delightful hospitality to a large number of friends on Tuesday evening with a barbecue on the well known picnic grounds in Laney's pasture. A sumptuous spread of delicious barbecue and all that goes so well with it was interspersed with informal talks by Rev. W. G. Cypert and Rev. R. A. Walker.

The following guests enjoyed the outing: Rev. and Mrs. W. G. Cypert, Rev. and Mrs. R. A. Walker, Dr. and Mrs. M. Armstrong, Mrs. Nan Armstrong, Mrs. J. M. Toombs, Miss Dora Garoutte, Miss Sis Toombs, Mrs. Joe Rieinger, Mrs. Nettie Milliken, J. S. Thomas, Sam Foster, Messrs. and Messdames Henry Frazier, Lee Cox, C. K. Powell, N. A. Dowell, J. H. Wither, Homer Patterson, Dr. J. P. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bickley, Robert and Jimmie Bickley and James Hiram McMullen, of Chatfield, Miss Bonnie Wilhelm and Homer Laney of Proctor, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Laney, Earl Wither, J. D. Wither, Murray Toombs, Daisy Jo Rieinger, Jasper Penn Howard and Bettie Lou Higgins.

Merkel Members of Baker-Waters Clans Gather for Reunion

Attending the annual Baker-Waters reunion held on the second Sunday in June each year at Forest Park, Fort Worth, the following from Merkel enjoyed the occasion last Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Mashburn and son, Terrell, and Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Patterson and son, Byron, and daughter, Mrs. Claude Dye, with her husband and their son, Billie Gene.

Mrs. G. L. Baker's family name was Waters and the Bakers and Waters families have followed the custom of a joint reunion for many years, the date and place being fixed.

From Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Patterson and Byron drove on to Henderson to visit a daughter, Mrs. E. E. Beech, there, the others returning home.

HINES-KINDALL.
On Sunday, June 2, Mr. John T. Hines of Tye and Miss Frances Kindall of Headley, but who teaches school at Tye, were united in marriage at the Methodist church, Rev. E. L. Yeats, the pastor, officiating. Following the desire of the bride, the marriage was performed at the church altar. Mr. Hines is to have charge of the Blair schools next year, but they will continue to reside at Tye.

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CHURCH SERVICES

Local CE Society is Host to County Union

Tuesday night the Merkel Christian Endeavor society was host for the Taylor County union.

The program was opened by songs led by Kate Gainey of Abilene. Gordon Weir, vice president of Texas Christian Endeavor, told of the International convention which is to be held in Milwaukee, Wis., this year and Rev. R. A. Walker talked interestingly of what he saw at the World's Fair.

Hanson Granger of Abilene, president of the county union, presided at the business meeting, when the First Christian church of Abilene was selected the meeting place in July.

Van Roberts had charge of the social hour, assisted by Mildred Richardson and Billie Gardner. There were 35 present.

The county union flying squadron will journey to Sweetwater Thursday night for an Endeavor rally and council meeting.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sunday School at 10 a. m. The basement department of the Sunday School will present a program at the 11 o'clock hour.

There will be no preaching at the evening hour on account of the Baptist revival.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8:30.

J. J. Russell, Jr., Supt.
R. A. Walker, Pastor.

METHODIST NEWS NOTES
The Young Peoples assembly, which closed at McMurry college last Friday, was attended by over 400 young people. That is the best attendance on record.

Twenty-three attended from Merkel, which was the largest group from any single church in the Northwest Texas conference.

The contest between new members and old members on "Loyalty" is proving right interesting. Herbert Patterson promises a new angle to be shown up next Sunday.

Preaching by the pastor Sunday morning. No service Sunday night—we will all go to the Baptist revival.

Hijackers Get \$30 From Station Owner

About 10:30 Thursday night of last week C. E. Shouse, owner of the Shouse Filling station on Front street, was held up and \$30 in money taken. The holdup occurred just about the time he was leaving the station for the night and some seven dollars in silver and change was overlooked.

Three men, riding in a 29 model Ford coupe, drove into the station and commanded him to hand over a roll of money. They then directed him to get into his car and come with them. Mr. Shouse told local officers. Two men rode with Shouse while the third led the way in the trio's car. When the two cars were about six miles east of town, they disabled the Shouse car, fleeing in their own machine. Mr. Shouse started walking to Merkel and was picked up on the highway.

He notified City Marshal Perry Dickinson when he reached town, which was then near midnight. He was able to furnish a description of the hijackers, but no success has up to now greeted officers' efforts to locate them.

Tadpoles are vegetarians, but become carnivorous when grown.

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Bible study at 9:45, preaching at 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. each Lord's Day, young people's program at 7:30 p. m. each Lord's Day, ladies Bible lesson at 7:30 p. m. and preaching at 8:30 p. m. each Wednesday.
A cordial welcome awaits all who come.

NAZARENE CHURCH.
Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m.

Brother V. B. Atteberry delivered a fine message last Sunday morning. Singing was enjoyed by all present, a house full.

Singing next Tuesday at 8:30 o'clock. Fete Rutledge is director. A hearty welcome to all.

Mrs. Ola Bolls, Pastor.
Mrs. Fannie King, Supt.

BAPTIST W. M. S.

The Baptist W. M. S. met Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock, the time having been changed from 3 p. m. to that hour. Mrs. Byers Petty had charge of the Royal Service program in the absence of Mrs. W. J. Largent, who was visiting in Plainview. "Youth" was the theme of this interesting program.

Next Monday is Bible study day. Brother Joyner will teach the lesson in the third chapter of Revelations.

Henry Garat-Screen's Newest Personality

A personality entirely new to American pictures—one who is expected to prove one of the most outstanding ever brought to the screen—makes his debut in "Adorable," the new Janet Gaynor romantic comedy with music, produced by Fox Film and coming to the Palace theatre, Sweetwater, Sunday and Monday.

He is Henry Garat—charming, talented as an actor and a singer and as handsome as any man on the screen today. For three years he has been the sensation of Europe in French, German and English pictures.

Garat already has been seen by some Americans, those who witnessed his performance in a dual role in "Congress Dances," done in English. Others have seen him in a number of French and German productions. But to most Americans he will come as an entirely new face and personality, one apparently destined to become as popular as any of the great favorites now before the public. A famous critic who described Chevalier fairly accurately as "the French Al Jolson," could find no such easy comparison for Garat.

"He has the charm of Warner Baxter, the singing talent of John Boles and the acting ability of Fredric March," this critic said, which is certainly a combination that should please everyone.

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Once a day take Kruschen Salts—one half teaspoonful in glass of hot water first thing every morning. Besides losing ugly fat SAFELY you'll gain in health and physical attractiveness—constipation, gas and acidity will cease to bother—you'll feel younger—more active—full of ambition—clear skin—sparkling eyes.

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NECROLOGY

CHARLES M. HOLCOMB.
Fort Worth papers Sunday carried the report of the death of Charlie Holcomb, a former resident of Merkel and well known to most of the old timers here. He died Saturday in a Fort Worth hospital. Funeral services were held at 10 o'clock Monday morning at the Polytechnic Methodist church, with Rev. C. Q. Smith officiating. Interment was at Greenwood cemetery in Fort Worth.

He is survived by his wife; a son, Carlos, and a daughter, Miss Mabel Holcomb, all of Fort Worth; a brother, J. J. Holcomb, Dallas, and a sister, Mrs. Minta Henderson, Amarillo.

STEPHEN YORK SPECK.
Stephen York Speck, two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Speck, died Saturday afternoon about three o'clock. While he had been ill for several days, his death came suddenly and was a great shock to his parents and friends of the family.

The burial was held at 10:30 Sunday morning at Rose Hill cemetery.

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MARTIN-THORN.

The marriage of Miss Lois Thorn and Mr. Rexal Martin, popular Merkel folks, was solemnized at 11 o'clock Sunday morning at the Nazarene parsonage, with Mrs. Ola Bolls, pastor, officiating. Best wishes for a happy and prosperous future are being extended by a large circle of friends.

SPECIALS

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OATS Mother's Crystalware 55 Ounce Package	19c
A Ball of Juice	
Oranges 15 for 15c	
Fancy Winesaps	
Apples, 15 for 15c	
Quick-Jel	
Dessert, pkg. 5c	
Sours	
Pickles, qt. 15c	
Campbell's 12 1-2 Ounces	
Tomato Juice	5c
Our Darling	
Corn, No. 2	10c
Saltine—2 lb. Box	
Crackers,	21c
Elfood—8 Ounce Jar	
Mayonnaise,	17c
LETTUCE Large Firm Heads	5c
FLOUR Primrose	
48 lbs. \$1.20	
Pork & Beans, 16 oz.	5c
Grape Juice, pt. bottle	17c
Fig Squares, 2 lbs.	19c
Peanut Butter, qt. jar	20c
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