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DETAILS OF CITY BUDGET BROUGHT OUT AT MEETING

Total Required for Fiscal Year Amounts to \$28,966.44, Including Bond, Warrant and General Expense Accounts.

Exclusive of fixed charges for bonds, warrants, interest and balance due from previous years in the working fund, the actual budget for operating the business of the city of Merkel for the current fiscal year is less than \$8,000, it was shown by figures taken from the city books by Mayor W. M. Elliott at the public meeting for fixing the budget at the city tabernacle Tuesday night.

The total city working fund, as it is called, is estimated at \$11,785.00, of which \$2,975.00 is balance carried over from previous years and two others items, \$600.00 for night police and \$300.00 for water meter refunds, are charged only as a matter of book-keeping, for which proper offsets show in the receipts column. (The business men of the city pay the amount for night police.)

Mayor Elliott explained that the amount of \$2,975.00 was a reduction in the balance in arrears of the city working fund from previous years, but that provision had to be made for same in the year's budget.

Based on assessed valuations of \$1,400,000 this year, (which are the same as for last year, but a 15 per cent cut from 1931.) at the rate of \$1.50, total estimated revenue for the year, including tax money, water and sewer items and other miscellaneous income, will be \$26,300.00. But, as Mayor Elliott pointed out, estimated revenue from taxes is calculated on 100 per cent collection, which is not to be expected.

Against this, it was shown that a total of \$28,966.44 was the amount required as provided by the budget for the current year: bonds, \$12,215.00; warrants, \$4,966.44, and working fund, \$11,785.00.

These figures, in brief, tell the budget story of the city of Merkel and justify the mayor and members of the city council in asking every tax payer to do his best to pay off a large part of the delinquent taxes, in order that obligations may be met in the current year. For, if this year's taxes were collected 100 per cent and all other sources of revenue materialized as estimated, receipts would still lack some \$2,500 of meeting estimated budgetary requirements.

A summarized statement of the indebtedness of the city of Merkel shows the amount outstanding as of April 1, this year, to be \$157,582.44, against which were offsets in cash balances of \$16,434.93, net city indebtedness as of that date, \$141,147.51.

BADGER SQUAD TO BE GUESTS QUEEN THEATRE FRIDAY

As a courtesy to the Badgers, Manager Frank Benson of the Queen theatre has invited Coach Irvin and his squad tryouts to be guests of the theatre for Friday night's showing of John Wayne in "The Man from Monterey." On the same bill will be shown chapter 9 of "The Hurricane Express" and a comedy, "I Like Mountain Music."

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK.
Friday and Saturday—John Wayne in "The Man from Monterey;" also chapter 9 of "The Hurricane Express" and comedy, "I Like Mountain Music."

Monday and Tuesday—Joan Crawford, Gary Cooper and Franchot Tone in "Today We Live;" also "Motorcycle Mania."

Wednesday and Thursday—Lionel Barrymore and Miriam Hopkins in "Stranger's Return;" also a Charlie Chase comedy, "Bargain Century."

Only One Merkelite On Grand Jury Panel

W. C. Neill is the only Merkel man on the 42nd district court grand jury impaneled by Judge M. S. Long Monday. A. D. Boozer is foreman of the body.

Other members are J. C. Hamner, O. A. Smith, Trent; N. J. Tims, Tuscola; O. G. Six, Ovalo; Paul Copeland, Lawn; Roy Haggard, Tuscola; J. Harvey Clark, Wiley Turner, E. E. Hollingshead, J. O. Keith, Abilene.

School Bus Contract Made With IXL Man

At a meeting Saturday of the county school board, contracts for transportation of high school students from common school districts in the Mulberry canyon area to Merkel was awarded to R. I. Lilly, who lives in the IXL district.

The route will include five school districts: Castle Peak, IXL, Blair, White Church and Butman, and approximately 30 to 40 students will be brought to the Merkel high school, which will open next Monday.

Recent Visitor to World War Fields Guest of Nephew

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Snell visited their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Snell, two days of last week. Mrs. G. Lail, aunt of H. E. Snell, also came and spent an hour or more.

The elder Snell is a prominent farmer and stockman of Martin county, Texas, where he has resided for the past ten years.

Mrs. Lail had just returned from France visiting the battlefield of the late world war, where her son, Joseph E. Lail, gave his life for his country and now his body lies beneath the soil there.

14 ARE KILLED, 100 INJURED AS TRAINS CRASH

Milk Train Plows into Rear Two Coaches of Crack Erie Passenger Train Near Binghamton N. Y. Tuesday Night

Binghamton, N. Y., Sept. 7.—At least fourteen persons were killed and more than a hundred injured Tuesday night when the two rear coaches of a crack Erie passenger train were ploughed into by a milk train.

The coaches were reduced to a mass of bent and splintered wreckage and mangled bodies.

A wooden coach just forward of the steel car on the end of the flier was smashed like an eggshell by the impact.

Passengers in the diner up forward were hurled from their seats in a welter of broken dishes. Many of them became hysterical searching for relatives and friends whom they had left in the rear coaches while they ate.

The wreck occurred just east of Binghamton as the flier, due in Jersey City at 12:45 a. m. Wednesday (E.S.T.) from Chicago, was leaving the city limits.

The milk train, bound from Hornell to Hoboken with a load, swept down the main line and crashed into the rear of the other train, which had stopped. Police said the caution signal had been hung up and torpedoes placed on the track.

22 KNOWN DEAD IN SOUTH TEXAS HURRICANE AREA

Relief Forces in Valley Towns Give Disaster Details; No Lives Lost at Brownsville, But Terrific Damage There.

Brownsville, Sept. 7.—Twenty-two known deaths, hundreds of injured and property damage running into millions of dollars formed the dark-hued picture Wednesday of the great hurricane which lashed South Texas Monday night and Tuesday.

Newspapermen and relief workers, ploughing their way through mud and water and debris of every description, finally were able to communicate to the outer world accurate details of the tropical fury which spread death and desolation through the rich valley of the Lower Rio Grande.

At the same time the astonishing fact was revealed that, on the face of preliminary surveys, no lives were lost in Brownsville, a city of some 30,000 persons near the mouth of the big river, despite the terrific winds and general destruction of property.

Eight persons were known to have lost their lives at Matamoros, four at Harlingen, seven at Rio Hondo and two at San Benito and one at Port Isabel. Brownsville's established list of injured showed twenty at that city, forty-eight at Harlingen, seven at Mercedes and twenty-five at Matamoros.

KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

Gladys Cook, who said her home was in Beaumont, died in a Galveston hospital of injuries suffered when she fell from a fourth floor window of a hotel.

Henry C. Meyer of Rockdale was appointed by Governor Miriam A. Ferguson to the state board of control to fill the unexpired term of Adrian Pool of El Paso.

L. W. Shauk, 38, and his son, DeLand, 9, were drowned in Medina lake when the boat in which they were riding with two others was overturned by waves driven by a high wind.

Bids for the construction of a million dollars of highway projects in Texas under the national recovery plan were called for Sept. 18 by the state highway commission.

Harvey Bailey, outlaw charged with kidnapping Charles Urschel, Oklahoma City oil man, was recaptured on the northern edge of Ardmore, Okla., Monday morning several hours after he escaped from the Dallas county jail.

Dr. John W. Tyndall, president of Randolph college at Cisco, and Dewey Davenport, of Clarendon, were killed and two others carried to a hospital at Altus, Okla., as the result of a collision of automobiles near that place Monday.

During a workout on the polo grounds on the W. B. Floyd ranch near Midland, Jay Floyd jumped a coyote and, with his horse racing after it like a cowpony after a steer, he swung his mallet and cracked the coyote's skull.

The two negro slayers of Miss Kathryn Prince on Wednesday night of last week on a road between Dallas and Mesquite confessed to the double murder of Pauline Carman, of Dallas, and Abe Schreiber, of Galveston, on a lonely road near Dallas June 29, 1931.

Ladies of West Zone Meet Friday at Trent

When Methodist ladies of the west zone of the Abilene district meet at Trent on Friday from 10 till 3 o'clock, the new district secretary will be present and discuss plans for the year. A covered dish lunch will be served at noon.

Mrs. R. A. Burgess is zone leader of this district and all the ladies in the zone are invited to be present.

SUITS HANDED TO 21 TRYOUTS FOR BADGER LINE-UP

Football suits were issued to twenty-one candidates for the Badger football team Monday and Tuesday of this week. Several more are expected to report for practice when school starts next Monday.

Four letter men worked out for the first time this season when practice began Tuesday afternoon at 3:30. Those reporting were: Captain Milton Shannon, David Gamble, Neil Durham and L. V. Moore. Two more letter men, Bessie Boaz and J. R. Graham, are expected to begin practice next Monday.

The Badgers are light again this year and will have several new members in the starting line-up. Hence, the team is anxious to have every boy possible out for the squad Monday, as the schedule calls for eight conference games this year.

This district plays a round robin schedule this season instead of the split district plan followed last season.

The new bus will bring in several good athletes from the schools south of Merkel but, since the bus leaves at 4 p. m. on the return trip, they will be of little help to the teams. The burden of play will rest upon the old members unless the new boys can arrange to go home later than 4 o'clock.

The first game of the season is with Anson at Anson on September 29. Efforts are being made by Coach Irvin to obtain a game here for September 22, since the Anson game is a conference game and the Tigers are reported to be "fast and heavy" and Merkel is neither fast nor heavy this year.

Farmers Co-operative Society Starts Gin

Dirt was broken on Thursday of last week for the new gin being erected by the Farmers Co-operative Society No. 1, of Merkel, on ground just west of Rose Hill cemetery.

The Farmers Co-operative society, a non-profit sharing corporation, has the following officers: H. H. Toombs, president and manager; Comer Haynes, vice president; H. H. Teaff, secretary-treasurer. Besides the officers, the board of directors includes six others: Dr. M. Armstrong, Gene Reece, R. H. Mathews, Sr., Aaron Horton, Arch Teaff and Lee Tipton.

It is expected the gin will be ready for operation on or before October 1.

Will Preach at Noodle.

W. G. Cyfert will preach at the 11 o'clock hour Sunday at the Church of Christ at Noodle. Everyone is cordially invited to hear him.

1933-34 SESSION MERKEL SCHOOLS OPENS MONDAY

Short Program Announced for Opening Day at High School; Merkel's First School Bus Also Starts Monday.

The 1933-34 session of the Merkel Public schools will open on Monday morning, September 11, at nine o'clock. All Grammar school students will report to their rooms at Grammar school building. High school students will report to the study hall of the High school where there will be a short program. The public generally, and especially former students, are invited to attend this program. After the program, registration of students will be completed. Enrollment this year promises to be the greatest in the history of the Merkel schools. The number will be greatly increased by new students from the "Canyon" who are coming in to Merkel High school in a bus.

FIRST SCHOOL BUS.
Almost every neighboring accredited high school has had one or more school buses for some years now. Merkel this year will have its first school bus. The new rural aid law which provides \$2.00 per student per month for each high school student transported to an affiliated high school makes this possible. The financial assistance of the Merkel School board also was a factor in this arrangement. All high school students whose grades are not taught in Castle Peak, I. X. L., Butman, White Church and Blair, will be transported to Merkel. There will be some thirty or forty students thus transported. The bus will be ready to make its first run on Monday morning, September 11, when school opens.

UNDERS.
All children who were six years old on or before September 1 of this year are scholastics and are entitled to attend school. Those who will not be six until after September 1 are under for the entire year. On page 28 of the new State Department of Education Bulletin No. 322 will be found this new regulation: "In classified high schools of the first class no child who is not six years of age on or before the first day of September should be permitted to attend school during the current year except in a school system that maintains a standard kindergarten." Very few schools in Texas do have kindergartens. Supt. Burgess is of the opinion that children under six
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MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, September 5, 1913.)

Merkel sustains reputation and pays highest prices for cotton—Receipts are now nearly 1,000 bales, as shown by the statements from our yards. The prices paid Wednesday and Thursday ranged from 12.90 to 13 cents.

Mrs. John Milliken, who has been here for the past few days visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Thomas, returned to her home in Dallas Wednesday morning.

Miss Mamie Moore returned Sunday afternoon from Abilene after a few days visit there with friends.

New fall showing in Ratine, Poplin, Serges and all the late dress goods. Hogue Hamilton Co.

FISHING PARTY.

A midweek fishing crowd left here last Wednesday morning. They spent three days on the Clear Fork fishing, hunting and enjoying life to its fullness. Camping life and its "eats" will long be pleasantly remembered by Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Burroughs, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Sheppard, W. A. Sheppard, Bill Sheppard, Fannie Bur-

roughs, Olga and Elma Sheppard, Emzi, Merle, Charm and Billie Bob Burroughs.

Mr. H. C. Williams celebrated his birthday Sunday at his home on North First street. Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Williams, Lenora and the baby were dinner guests and greatly enjoyed the dinner prepared by the daughter of the house, Miss Evelyn Williams.

On last Tuesday afternoon Miss Carrol Rister, assisted by her sister, Miss Eugenia, entertained at her home on South Oak street in honor of Miss Mary Reed of Hillsboro. Progressive "42" and Rook were the diversions. Punch was served during party hours. At the conclusion of the games banana cream and cakes were served to Misses Zora West, Dorothy Lee Potter, Nell Tracy, Eva Calvert, Tommie Louise Coggin, Eva Walters, Jackie Jennings, Jessie Sutphen and the honoree.

Mrs. W. F. Hamblet and three children, Quay, Vannie and Roger, left Wednesday morning for Stamford where they will spend several days visiting friends.

BRUCE BARTON

...writes of "THE MASTER EXECUTIVE"
Supplying a week-to-week inspiration for the heavy-burdened who will find every human trial paralleled in the experiences of "The Man Nobody Knows."

NUMBING GRIP OF ANCIENT CREEDS.

Ask any ten people what Jesus meant by his "Father's business," and nine of them will answer "preaching." To interpret the words in this narrow sense is to lose the real significance of his life. It was not to preach that he came into the world; not to teach; nor to heal. These are all departments of his Father's business, but the business itself is far larger, more inclusive.

If human life has any significance it is this—that God has set going here an experiment to which all His resources are committed. He seeks to develop human beings, superior to circumstance, victorious over Fate. No single kind of human talent or effort can be spared if the experiment is to succeed. The race must be fed and clothed and housed and transported, as well as preached to, and taught and healed.

Thus all business is his Father's business. All work is worship; all useful service prayer. And whoever works wholeheartedly at any worthy calling is a co-worker with the Almighty in the great enterprise which He has initiated but which He can never finish without the help of men.

It is one thing to talk about success, and quite another thing to win it. Jesus spoke of crowns and died on a cross. He talked of his kingdom, and ended his days amid the jeers and taunts of his enemies. "He was in all points tempted like as we are," says the Epistle of the Hebrews. We have read it often, heard it read oftener, but we have never believed it, of course. . . . The conception of his character which Theology has given us makes any such idea impossible.

He was born differently from the rest of us, Theology insists. He did not belong among us at all, but came down from Heaven on a brief visit, spent a few years in reproving men for their mistakes, died and went back to Heaven again.

A hollow bit of stage-play. What chance for temptation in such a career? How can an actor go wrong when his whole part is written and learned in advance?

It is frightfully hard to free the mind from the numbing grip of ancient creeds. But let us make the effort. Let us touch once more the high spots in this finest, most exalted success story, considering now the perils and crises of success.

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BRUCE BARTON

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He was not at all sure where he was going when he laid down his tools and turned his back on the carpenter shop—unless we can believe this, his struggle ceases to be "in all points" like our own; for each of us has to venture on life as on to an uncharted sea. Something inside him carried him forward—the something which has whispered to so many small town boys that there is a place for them in the world which lies beyond the hills.

Next Week: Responsibilities of Success.

White Church News

Most everyone here is beginning to pick cotton and quite a few are heading maize.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Wilson and daughter, Miss Beryl, have returned to their home at Levelland after a few days visit with relatives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Patterson and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Piles of the Butman community Sunday afternoon.

Quite a few neighbors gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mose Brown for a singing Sunday night.

Mrs. B. D. Pressly and son, Maurice, and Mrs. Marvin Lindsey were shopping in Abilene Tuesday.

There was a good crowd that gathered here Saturday for a cemetery working and a lot of good was accomplished, as the yard needed work very badly. Some brought lunch and spent the entire day.

Mr. and Mrs. Hicks entertained with a party Saturday night and everyone reported a very nice time.

Mrs. Ray Brown and little son, Dean, visited part of last week at Blair.

Everyone is urged to remember that Sunday School is in the afternoon at 3 o'clock. Everyone come and help with the Sunday School.

DORA DOINGS

Worm poisoning is the order of the day; some have poisoned over three times. Feed is doing fine.

The Dora gin company are doing some much needed repair work now. B. L. Porter and family of Wellington are here visiting his mother, Mrs. S. E. Porter, and other relatives and friends.

Quite a number from here attended the rodeo at the Double Heart ranch last Friday and Saturday and report a good show both days.

School is progressing nicely after a month of lessons under the supervision of J. S. Armstrong and our nice staff of teachers.

Mr. and Mrs. H. West of White Church visited relatives here a few days last week.

Miss Annie Bell Bailey of Abilene returned home Monday after a week's visit with Miss Novis J. Whiteaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Elliott of Sweetwater were here visiting Mr. and Mrs. Albert Elliott Labor Day.

Services at Salt Branch Sunday.

Rev. S. J. T. Williams of Abilene will preach next Sunday at the Salt Branch Baptist church. His subject for the 11 o'clock hour will be "God's Emergency Men;" at 8 p. m., "Christ in the Tabernacle." A model Levitical tabernacle will be set illustrating the provision God made for His people during the travel in the wilderness. Everybody is invited to attend.

Mary Frances Mustard Arrives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Mustard of 1205 Broadway avenue, Fort Worth, are rejoicing over the arrival of a little daughter, Mary Frances, since August 29. Mrs. Mustard will be remembered to her many friends in Merkel as Mrs. Bessie Smith.

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RURAL SOCIETY

UNION RIDGE CLUB.

The Union Ridge Demonstration club met Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock, with 21 present. We are to give a full report of our work next meeting. Roll call will be answered with your favorite cake recipe.

Miss Chambers is to be with us the first meeting in October for cutting of foundation patterns.

At the conclusion of the business session, cake and lemonade were served to Mesdames M. F. Carey, M. L. Douglas, Denzel Cox, O. R. Carey, J. L. McKee, S. O. Patton, Pierce Horton, Vick, Ed Turner, Mrs. Lee of the Salt Branch club, Fred Guitler, W. A. Harris, Misses Alice Carey, Mabel McKee, Ruby, Norma and Wynona Patton, and the hostesses, Misses Marybel Douglas and Blanche Carey.

We wish to welcome Mrs. Mack Tucker as a new member.

All members are urged to be present for the next meeting, September 15.

DINNER HELD ON BIRTHDAY.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Higgins entertained a number of children and friends on September 3, honoring their son, Joe, on his twenty-second birthday.

At the noon hour, a sumptuous dinner was served, picnic style, to the following: Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Higgins and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Higgins, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. McClain and family, Mr. and Mrs. Guy McClain and family, Mr. Eelon Harrell and Jack Higgins, all of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Ed H. Shipley and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Riley, Deward Kerby and Bird Riley, all of Lamesa, Misses Una Mae and Georgie Fay Rister of Tye, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Higgins and the honoree.

TYE COUPLE TAKE MARRIAGE VOWS.

At 8 o'clock on September 3, Mr. Alton Roquemore and Miss Lenora Kimmey were united in marriage at the home of Rev. Lowell Ponder, pastor of both the bride and groom. Present to witness the beautiful ceremony were: Misses Ida Mae Morris, Gladys Petty and Allie Mae King and Messrs. Earl King, Prentiss Roquemore, a brother of the groom, and Floyd Kimmey, a brother of the bride.

Following the ceremony, at the noon hour dinner was served to thirty-two friends of the young couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Roquemore are loved by a host of friends of the community where both the bride and groom are active in church and social life. They will make their home in the Cross Roads community.

BUSY BEE CLUB.

The Busy Bee club will meet with Miss Salena Teaff on Thursday, September 14, when the following program is to be rendered:

Roll call, answered by a salad recipe. "Place of salad in the diet," Mrs. Ollie Higgins.

"Preparation of food for the balanced lunch," Mrs. Angus Garvin.

"Correct packing of the school lunch," Mrs. Pinckley.

The date for Achievement Day will be announced later.

SALT BRANCH 4-H CLUB.

The Salt Branch 4-H club girls met in the home of Misses Annie D. and Evelyn Garvin on Tuesday afternoon, September 5. The 4-H girls made dresses and the visitors judged them. Gladys Petty won first place and Lola Higgins second, of the Senior girls, while Geneva Sheppard and Annie D. Garvin won first and second places of the Juniors.

Prizes were given to each of the winners by the sponsor, Mrs. H. B. Robertson. Those entering the contest, besides the winners, were Wilma Sheppard and Evelyn Garvin. Maxine and Levern Abernathy joined as new members.

Following the judging of the dresses a picnic was enjoyed. Punch, ice cream and cake were served to club members and the following visitors: Miss Lula Bell Sheppard, Mrs. Sheppard, Mrs. Abernathy, Mrs. Garvin and sons, John Angus and Charlie Ben, Mrs. H. B. Robertson and daughter, Genevieve, Jo Marie and Marcie Jean Abernathy, Mrs. Dock Bailey and Peggie Garvin.

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BLAIR ITEMS

The cotton crop is the main subject of farm interest now and the yield in most fields is going to be very satisfactory. Some farmers have already begun picking the fleecy staple. We had two nice showers of rain Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning of last week. The showers have been spotted and it would be impossible to tell how they fell over the county.

One of the best things about the weather is the cooler atmosphere, which seems like the fall of the year.

Brother J. D. Neal of Nubia delivered a simple and impressive sermon at the 11 o'clock hour Sunday morning at the Baptist church and Rev. Mr. Lowery of Abilene preached at the evening hour. Both discourses were well attended, quite a few people being present from other places, who also enjoyed the messages.

Mrs. Johnnie Latimer has been on the sick list, also Mrs. Jack Latimer has been real sick since our last news letter.

Mrs. Lavel Fulton of Lubbock visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Spears, for the past ten days, Mr. Fulton coming over the week-end for a few days.

Virgil Jamison of Oak Cliff, Dallas, spent a day the past week with his cousin, Mr. and Mrs. Will Campbell. Mr. and Mrs. Milton Sherman and daughter, Lena Fay, of Trent, were also week-end visitors in this home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cross and Mrs. Luther Terrell and son, Deverl, of Roton, visited in the home of the latter's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Marcina Doan, the last of the week. John Clovis Sanford of Tuscola, who has been a guest at this home for the past month, returned to his home Saturday, accompanied by his uncle, R. M. Doan, for a week-end visit.

Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Cokeren and family of Knox City visited recently with the latter's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Price and son, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Price, of Trent, spent Sunday with their cousin, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Scoggins.

Mrs. Susie Doan, V. L. Doan and family motored over to Arnon Sunday and spent the day with Mrs. N. E. Mc...

Mrs. Burnette, and Mrs. Doan remained for the week.

Mrs. Lena Thompson and two little daughters, of Abilene, have been visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Phillips, for sometime.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore and son, returned Monday from Red Springs after several days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Wilson. Mr. and Mrs. Eli Brooks and son, John, also visited in these homes recently.

Mr. and Mrs. John Meeks enjoyed a family reunion in their home the past week. Those participating in this joyous affair were: Mr. and Mrs. Ira Thornton and family, Caps; Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell and family, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Campbell and family, Mrs. Myrtle Scott, Mt. Pleasant, Jim Campbell, Caps, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Patterson, Castle Peak, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Meeks and son, of Butman.

Mrs. Fate Scoggins graciously entertained her Sunday School class.

the Juniors, in her home Saturday afternoon. After games were played, some dozen or more Juniors were served refreshment plates of ice cream and cake. All reported a nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Doan and family of Roscoe visited relatives at this place the past week.

NOODLE NEWS

As I haven't seen anything from this place for sometime, I will write a few items.

Cotton picking and maize heading are the order of the day.

Quite a few of our young people are attending school in Anson this term. Among those that left Sunday are: Margaret Calloway, Louise Sosebee and Wayne and Hiram Satterwhite.

Winfred Mayes of the Forest Army, who is stationed at Lampasas, is visiting his parents here at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Goode of Fort Worth spent the week-end with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sosebee and Ray Keith and family of Wichita Falls spent Labor Day with the former's brothers, O. W. and A. C. Sosebee, here.

T. F. Sosebee of Stamford spent the week-end with relatives here.

Ted Bicknell and family of San Angelo were here Sunday, visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bicknell. Mrs. Bicknell has been very sick for several weeks and we regret to report her no better at this writing.

Homer Herring of Bishop is here visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Herring. Mrs. Homer Herring and children have been here sometime, she having been called to the bedside of her mother, Mrs. W. J. Bicknell.

Otto Bicknell and family returned Sunday from South Texas, where he has been working.

Mrs. Dewey Nicholson of Tahoka left for home Sunday to place her son in school, after which she will return to be with her mother, Mrs. Bicknell.

Mrs. Walter Mayes and son, Wayne, have returned home after a two weeks visit with relatives in Kaufman county. Her son, Don, and wife accompanied her home.

Mrs. C. B. Jenkins and Mrs. T. B. Cox visited Mrs. Mack Hodo Sunday.

As this is getting lengthy, I will tell the rest next week.

—Reporter.

Seven citizens of the Destination of Independence were natives of Great Britain.

FREE BATTERY INSPECTION

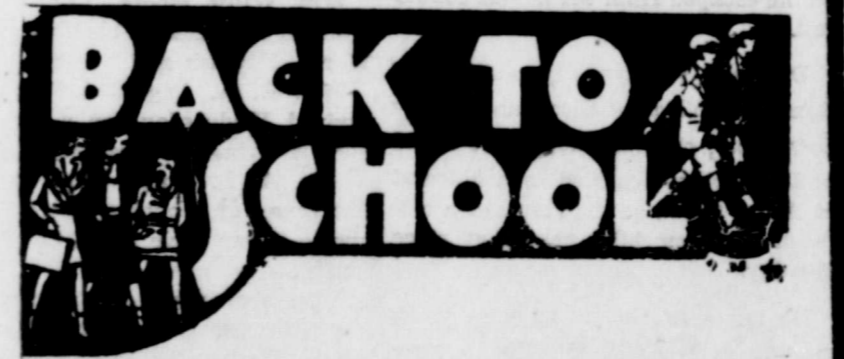
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FOURTH INSTALLMENT.

SYNOPSIS: Ruth Warren, living in the East, comes into possession of three-quarter interest in an Arizona ranch, left to her in the will of her only brother, reported to have died while on business in Mexico. With her ailing husband and small child she goes to Arizona to take possession, thinking the climate may prove beneficial to her husband's weakened lungs. Arriving at the nearest town, she learns that the ranch, "Dead Lantern," is 85 miles across the desert. Charley Thane, old rancher and rural mail carrier, agrees to take them to "Dead Lantern" gate, which was 5 miles from the ranch house. As they wearily walked past a huge overshadowing boulder in a gulch in coming to the ranch house, a voice whispered "Go back! Go back!"

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY— Snavely pursed his lips thoughtfully, then shook his head. "No—no use to see any more lawyers—they'll jest gouge us, stir up somethin' so's they'd have to be hired to straighten it out ag'in. No use in that. You've seen your lawyer an' you've got the will. The will's what counts—jest as long as I recognize it as bein' what it says it is, there's no need messin' around with law." A queer light came into his eyes and his voice took on a curious hollow lift and fall.

"All right," said the girl quickly. She was glad to settle all conversation relative to the law.

"I'm mighty sorry I didn't know you was coming," remarked Snavely. "Me an' Ann ain't exactly fixed for company. But I'll be seein' what I can do. Between now an' supper I'll just be fixin' up the place out back in the old house."

"That old ruin? But—it's falling to pieces!"

For an instant the man's body tensed, then he laughed—a thin, dry little laugh which had in it something of the sound of crumpled paper. "The old place has seen its best days, lady, but it's all we got. There's two rooms that's as good—jest about—as they ever was. Your brother has slept there—it's plenty comfortable—jest a little mite dirty right now."

"But it's full of great cracks—one of those walls might—"

"No, no. Nothing ever falls in this country without there's a rain or a big wind. When it storms, you can come in here in case anything wants to fall. Otherwise, you'll be plenty safe. We don't have more'n a couple of storms a year anyways."

After supper the adobe itself was visited. Huge and dismal the great bulk towered above them in the night. Yet, once inside, the walls looked quite safe by the light of the oil lamp on the table. The adjoining rooms were certainly more spacious and conveniently arranged than anything in the ranch house. As Snavely had said, the place was dirty. But the dirt was the dirt of earth—clean, dry dust. Ann, the giantess, had just finished arranging the bedclothes on three canvas cots.

Ann had picked up a lighted lantern, left the room and took the path which led to the barn, the lantern swinging in long arcs from her arm.

Back in the living room of the ranch house Snavely remarked that he had sent Ann to the gate in the buckboard for the baggage.

"Oh, but that wasn't necessary," said the girl. "We could get along until tomorrow—it's such an awful trip in the dark."

Snavely shrugged. "She'll be back in a couple of hours."

Snavely sat near the fireplace, half facing the man and woman who were seated near the cot. His attitude was that of one who is waiting to be asked foolish questions—as though he were about to be quizzed by a pair of children. Ruth's first question changed this attitude.

"Who is Ann—is she your—"

"No, by God!" The man thrust his body forward and his hands gripped the arms of the chair as if he were about to spring to his feet. His pale eyes glittered. "She's a nigger half-breed I'm hirin' to take care of the house an' help on the place. Anybody says different is a—" he paused.

"I was only going to ask what you have just told us, Mr. Snavely." The girl's heart was in her throat.

Snavely settled back in his chair and his fingers strayed to his forehead. After a moment he spoke casually. "Ann's a queer creature. Strange. Her blood, I reckon. Her father was a heavyweight nigger prize fighter an' her mammy was a Apache

squaw. Big Jackson, her daddy, was born a slave. He was in the army durin' the Indian trouble in this country—stationed at San Carlos. I reckon Ann's the result of a raid on some Apache village. Mostly she's called 'Indian Ann—you can see she favors her mammy's folks—straight hair an' that Indian face. Must have got her size an' color from her daddy, though. Ann don't get along with towns—this here civilization. Down in Texas she run a dance hall an' saloon, but she got in trouble an' drifted out this way. I'd seen her before, an' when I runs onto her in town one day, she was broke an' lookin' for a job. That was just after your brother went to Mexico." Snavely paused, his eyes on the girl's face.

"So—I hires her. Knowin' her like I did, I felt sorry for her. There's nothin' bad about Ann. She jest can't stand bein' in town—spends most of her time in jail when she is in town. It ain't her fault—but folks give her liquor, you see, an' when she's drunk she's a God-a-mighty terror."

"How much do you suppose she weighs?" asked Warren.

"Close to three hundred, I reckon—solid as a rock. She's powerful. You'll look a long ways before you find a man as strong as what Ann is."

"I'll subscribe to that," said Warren. "What kind of trouble did she get into down in Texas—did she just prove too destructive to the city hall?"

"Well, no. She killed a man—beat him to death with a chair. But it was his fault." Snavely paused. "He wasn't no small man, either," he added as an interesting afterthought.

For quite some time the conversation hung fire. Snavely sat as before—waiting.

Ruth began by asking about the ranch. To all of her questions Snavely returned prompt and pessimistic answers. It was soon evident that there would be no need of any one working out the exact value of three-quarters. "But couldn't we get some new cattle if that's what we need," asked the girl.

"We could if we had the money. But it wouldn't be no use—no't enough water for more stock. We've got some water, but it ain't close enough to where the feed is."

"How could we get more watering places?"

"Havin' it rain would help. In this country a waterin' place is a repressa, a dirt tank. You take an' dig a basin in the ground where a gully runs. When it rains the water comes down the gully an' fills the pond. We got plenty of them ponds but they're so silted up an' shallow they don't hold water long an' it don't rain anyways. It rained just enough last winter to fill the biggest pond on the place; that an' the well here, is all the water we got. There's four other ponds but they're powder dry. An' all the grass is sunburned an' wispy-like."

"Mr. Snavely," asked Warren, "perhaps we should wait until tomorrow to see the books—but could you give an idea of the earnings?"

Snavely observed the young man for a moment. "Yes, Mr. Warren, I can. There ain't any earnings. You can see the books any time you want—they ain't complicated neither. We sell twice a year, after the fall an'

spring round-ups. An' we buy twice a year—stock up the commissary. Grey took his share of last fall's sale with him—an' some of mine too, if it comes to that. This spring I sold all I could an' got enough to a little more'n stock up the commissary. If you folks aim to stay on I reckon I'll have to go to town again before fall."

Snavely spoke as though nothing could be more distasteful than going to town.

"But, Mr. Snavely," asked the girl, "isn't there any money?"

Snavely stood up and took an old daybook from the mantel. Slowly he turned the pages, wetting his thumb at every page. He looked up. "There's a hundred an' fifty-one dollars an' eight cents of partnership money in the bank."

Closing the book with a snap, he returned it to the mantel, reseated himself and waited patiently for more questions.

"Mr. Snavely," said Warren, "when we were coming along the road shortly before we saw the house, we heard a—well, we had a queer sensation, as if some one who was very close by spoke to us—"

"You did?" Snavely leaned forward and watched Warren's face keenly. "Was it by a big rock down in the gulch?"

"Yes—yes, that's where it was. At least that's where we thought we heard the whisper—it was rather weird."

"Tell me about it—what did it say?"

"It's hard to describe. We stopped at the rock a moment, and when we were leaving, this voice told us to go back. The unaccountable thing about it was that the words seemed to have been spoken just a few inches from our ears. We were rather tired and a bit unstrung, though, perhaps our imaginations—"

Snavely frowned and shook his head. "No—you heard it all right."

"But what is—who was it and how

in the world was it done? Why was it done?"

Snavely thought a moment. "Oh, it's a superstition—I guess you'd call it."

"I wouldn't!" breathed the girl, with a shiver.

"But we heard something," said Warren.

Snavely rose and entered his bedroom. In a moment he returned and gave the girl a sheet of paper in her brother's handwriting. "Your brother was always interested in legends an' things about this country. He used to try to find somebody who said they'd heard the voice, but he had poor luck. Then some Indians come up in this neighborhood to gather acorns an' your brother got one old bush-head, who'd had education, to come up to the house an' tell about the legend. I was right here when your brother took down what the old buck said."

The girl read aloud from the paper: "THE LEGEND OF THE VOICE."

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TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Miss Dimple Knott returned to her home in Vivian, La., after a visit of several weeks here with her aunt, Mrs. J. P. Roberts.

Among those from here attending the Labor Day celebration at Abilene were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. G. Boswell, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Tittle and Mrs. Orion Tittle, who represented Trent as sponsor.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Kelley are home from a two weeks visit with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Kelley, of Farwell. They also visited the Carlsbad Caverns.

Eugene Murdock is home after a visit of several days with his uncle, Cecil Murdock, of Big Spring.

Huse Crow, an old time resident of this place but now residing at Menard, was a passing guest of several of his old pals here this week.

Mrs. Marvin Murdock had as a recent guest Miss Zoletta Mobley of Hermleigh.

Mrs. H. F. Taylor left by train Friday for Groesbeck to join her husband, who has employment there. She was accompanied as far as Fort Worth by her mother, Mrs. J. B. Winn, and Mrs. R. B. Johnson, who returned Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Williamson had as their Sunday guests Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Howell and family, of Abilene, Mrs. W. J. Beckham and children, of Lamesa, and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stribling and Mrs. C. T. Beckham.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Brown and children of Goose Creek were recent guests of relatives.

Mrs. Joe Alexander and son, Weldon, have returned to their home at Hobbs, N. M., after a visit here with her mother, Mrs. A. Boone.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Beckham and two little sons of Lamesa came last week-end for a visit, Mr. Beckham returning Saturday, while Mrs. Beckham and children stayed over for a longer visit with relatives.

Robert Smith of Lamesa was the guest Sunday of his uncle, Ollie Smith.

Oscar Sherrill Bishop, returned home Saturday after a three weeks visit with Mr. and Mrs. Luke Bishop of Houston. On his return he stopped over in Waco for a short visit with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Crockett.

Mr. and Mrs. Rado Archer and their two small sons of Abilene were guests Sunday and Monday of the former's mother, Mrs. Mary Archer. Mrs. Archer has as guests also her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Archer, of Dallas.

Mrs. Buster Edwards underwent a tonsillitis operation Sunday at Merkel and is reported resting well at this writing at her home. Her sister, Miss White, of Hamlin is with her.

Mrs. Tom Williamson and son, Dow, and daughter, Miss Hazel Wanda, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dempsey, of San Antonio.

Miss Elsie Bishop had as her guest Saturday Miss Marjory Stewart of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell of Anson visited over the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Murry.

Mrs. R. E. Dowdy, accompanied by Betty Lou Howell, attended the Labor Day celebration at Abilene Monday.

Rev. and Mrs. George W. Parks of Roscoe were passing guests Monday of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Brewer, having lunch at Gus' cafe.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reneau and son, Bruce Andrew, accompanied by A. Archer, attended business and visited relatives at Franklin last week and part of this.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Howell and daughter, Betty Lou, and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Dowdy attended the rodeo at Sweetwater last Friday.

Arthur Wiman of Merkel was the Monday visitor of Billie Jo Bowers.

Mrs. E. O. Evans and two daughters of Sweetwater were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Winn Monday. Miss Mary Ruth Evans remained over for the week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Steen of Clyde were guests the first of the week of Algie Steen and John Strawn.

Miss Vera White, a cousin of Mrs. Edwards, has charge of her beauty shop while Mrs. Edwards is ill.

Thurman Jones is home from the Merkel hospital and is improving nicely.

Mrs. Ben Butman and son, Billy Sam, of Butman, are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reneau.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Carey and family of Union Ridge visited Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carey last Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Currington of Polar, Texas, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jordan Gabbert, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McRee were week-end guests in Fort Worth.

Miss Virginia Pior of Norman, Okla., visited Estelle Terry in Lubbock. After a week's tour in New Mexico and to Juarez, Mexico, they came to Trent where Miss Pior spent

several days before her return to Norman.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Brown and family of Goose Creek, were the guests of the former's mother, Mrs. Joe Brown, last week.

Mrs. May Day of Eskota, accompanied by Mrs. B. C. Hamner and children, left for Wink Saturday where Mrs. Day will visit with Mrs. Hamner for several days.

Mrs. J. C. Churchwell sponsored a luncheon at Gus Brewer's Cafe Tuesday and had as her guests Rev. Ernest C. Dowell, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Terry and Mr. Sam Estep.

QUILTING PARTY.

An old fashioned quilting party was enjoyed at the lovely home of Mrs. J. R. Gafford in North Trent on last Wednesday. Guests assembled at an early hour to put in the quilts. The purpose of the quilting was the formal presentation of a friendship quilt by the Home Demonstration club to their president, Mrs. A. C. Wash. Each one who had pieced a block was on hand to quilt their own block. Mrs. Wash acted as assistant hostess to the gala affair and at the noon hour a covered dish luncheon was served buffet style.

Kirby Steadman, grandson of the hostess, posing as a messenger, called at two o'clock and delivered a package, which revealed a friendship quilt for Mrs. Gafford. This was framed and displayed, after which refreshments of angel food cake and hot chocolate were served.

Those present along with Mrs. Wash and Mrs. Walker Steadman, were: Mesdames A. Williamson, Cleve Johnson, Roy Stewart, R. B. McRee, Sr., R. B. McRee, Jr., Cecil McRee, H. H. Jones, Henry Ogilvie, Annie Boone, Ed Burks, A. W. Woods, Will Reneau, Jack Bright, Frank Allyn, Joe Alexander, of Hobbs, N. M., C. T. Beckham, M. G. Scott, Joe Reneau, B. F. Sipe, C. E. Shannon, L. Tarver of Wink, John Payne, J. I. Leamon, Lee Rogers, Tom Vessel, John Abernathy, Hosea Winn. Tea hour guests were: Misses Dorane and Gene Scott, Kathleen and Mary Nell Shannon, Mesdames J. C. Hamner, P. C. Forrester, J. E. Perkins, Brown, R. E. Dowdy, O. A. Smith, John Strawn, Joe Nalley, Misses Maurine Smith and Forest Forrester.

BRIDGE PARTY.

Mrs. Curley Edwards was the charming hostess for a bridge party Thursday afternoon honoring her house guest, Miss Jewel Edwards, of Paris. The guest list read: Misses Estelle Terry, Virginia Frio, of Norman, Okla., Pete Smith, Mae Hamner, Etalee Rogers, Naomi Rogers, Mesdames T. G. Hamner, Bud Burks, Eva Bowman, C. McRee and B. C. Hamner, of Wink.

MR. AND MRS. BEN HOWELL HOSTS.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Howell entertained a few of their friends Monday evening. Music was enjoyed throughout the evening hours and refreshments of home made ice cream and cake were served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. Sam McLeod, Mrs. Ari Sharp and daughter, Margaret, of Merkel, Postmaster and Mrs. R. E. Dowdy, Steve Payne and Zeb Bright, Miss Betty Lou Howell and the host and hostess.

SEWING CLUB.

Our Gang Sewing club met last Thursday with Miss Kathleen Shannon, with six members present.

MISS KNOTT HONORED.

Mrs. R. B. Johnson entertained at her home Thursday evening of last week with a prettily planned party naming as honor guest Miss Knott of Vivian, La. Games were played and

music enjoyed throughout the evening and at the refreshment hour a sandwich plate was served to twenty guests.

SENIOR LEAGUE.

All members of the Senior Epworth league are requested to be present Sunday evening at 7:15 to help with election of new officers. All old officers are to be present. A new president is to be elected. Come, bring some one with you and let's get our league going again.

During the past few weeks the league has not been meeting each Sunday evening but as all revival meetings are closed we will begin now.

REVIVAL MEETING.

Rev. Ernest C. Dowell, pastor of the North Side Missionary Baptist church of Merkel, is here in a revival at the First Baptist church of Trent. Good crowds are coming and great interest is being manifested. Three have been approved for baptism and four by statement.

Whispering Rock

(Continued From Page 3) other Indians for so long they forget how it is.

"One time some bad Indians come quick from the north. These Indian kill what they eat and fight much. All the village and all the field of the good Indian is burn up. All the young men become dead. They do not know how it is to fight.

"But there is one very wise old man. He is medicine man. He take the women and the little children away. He lead them in these mountains when the young men try to fight. But very quick the bad Indians are on the trail. When the wise old man come to the big arroyo with the women and little children he look back. He see the bad Indian follow. Where the trail leave the arroyo he stop. The wise old man say to the women and the little children, 'You must go on. Go in the still places of the mountains and wait. You must stay four days. Then go back into the valley and make again the village and the field.'

"The wise old medicine man go back in the arroyo and wait for the bad Indian by the big rock. He take a little breeze he find playing by the big rock. He make this little breeze into a soft whisper. Then he do other things that medicine man can do. When all is ready he lay down by the big rock and let his life go away.

"The bad Indian come to the arroyo. The chief try to step over the dead old man. But he stop. Into the ear there come a little whisper. All the bad Indian hear the whisper. It tell them things and they are much afraid. They go out of the San Jorge Valley and they do never come back.

"Always there is the little breeze in the arroyo. Sometime it whisper. More I do not know!" Beneath the legend Harry Grey had written, "The old man tells me that for centuries the Indians have used the big bowlder in the gulch as a council place. They believe that when the need is great the voice will advise them."

"What do you think now?" For the first time Snavely had asked a question. Neither the girl nor her husband found an answer.

"Can you tell us any more?" asked Warren at last.

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LEGAL NOTICE.

An Ordinance entitled an ordinance appointing an Equalization Board for the City of Merkel for the year of 1933 and fixing the time for the meeting of such board.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERKEL:

Section 1. T. J. R. Swafford and W. L. Blair and J. A. Stanford, being qualified voters and each a resident and property owner of the City of Merkel, are hereby appointed commissioners and shall be styled the Board of Equalization for the City of Merkel for the year 1933.

Section 2. Said Board of Equalization shall meet at the City Hall in Merkel, Texas on the 11th day of September, A. D. 1933, for the purpose of discharging its duties as provided by law.

Section 3. The fact that the work of the Board of Equalization should be started without delay creates an emergency, and the rule requiring the reading of this ordinance at three several meetings is hereby dispensed with.

Queen Theatre

Friday-Saturday
John Wayne in

"Man from Monterrey"
Also chapter 9 "Hurricane Express" and Comedy, "I Like Mountain Music"

Monday-Tuesday
Joan Crawford-Gary Cooper-Franchot Tone in

"Today We Live"
Also "Motorcycle Mania"

Wednesday-Thursday
Lionel Barrymore-Miriam Hopkins in

"Stranger's Return"
Also Charlie Chase Comedy, "Bargain Century"

and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage and publication.

Passed September 4th, A. D. 1933.
W. M. Elliott,
Mayor.

ATTEST:
Mrs. Juanita Ferguson,
City Secretary.

PERSONALS

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her uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Doss Shepard, on their return to Dallas the first of the week and will visit several days in their home.

Rural Carrier J. Ben Campbell and Mrs. Campbell have returned from a visit to East Texas, which included stops at Bonham and Paris and Honey Grove. The latter place is their old home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fugat, accompanied by Mrs. Fugat's mother, Mrs. M. E. Campbell, and Rachel Patterson and Weldon Tittle, have returned from a visit with Mrs. Campbell's son, W. A. Tittle, at Brownfield.

Coach R. B. Irvin and Mrs. Irvin returned the first of the week from Austin where they had both attended summer school at the University of Texas. They will occupy Mrs. A. H. Thornton's home this school year.

Mrs. A. H. Thornton and son, Lawrence, left last Thursday for Terrell where Lawrence will enter Terrell Military school. Mrs. Thornton has taken an apartment near the school and will spend the school year there.

Upon returning from a week-end visit to Waco, Mrs. George E. Caple was accompanied by Mr. Caple's grandmother, Mrs. Jane Spencer, Mrs. Caple's two little sisters, Jane and Peggy Joyce Smith, also returned with her.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Slayden and family, accompanied by Miss Lela Slayden of Clarksville, Tenn., and Miss Thelma Palmer of Rotan, spent the week-end with relatives in Spur, where horseback riding and other sports were greatly enjoyed.

Miss Mary Kate Campbell, who leaves the latter part of the week to resume her position in the Amarillo schools, will go by auto with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Reid. The Reids will visit several days in that city before returning home.

J. A. Bell of Dallas was here for a week-end visit with his mother, Mrs. J. B. Bell, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hays and son, Paxton, and daughter, Mrs. Dean Higgins, have returned from a visit with relatives at Tahoka, Lubbock and Floydada.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shannon and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Patterson returned Wednesday from a trip to California, stopping en route at Grand Canyon and the Petrified forest. At Catalina island they visited Mr. and Mrs. McMillan, former Merkel folks, who were in the furniture business, and at Long Beach they were guests of Mrs. Patterson's sister.

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School Opening

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should not be bothering their little brains with reading, writing and arithmetic. Kindergarten work should be of value to such children, but regular school work should not be attempted by children so young.

URGED TO START AT OPENING.

During the past week Seniors have been registered, new students have

been enrolled, summer books have been returned, entrance examinations have been given, and all is now in readiness for the opening of school Monday morning at nine o'clock. All children are urged to start on the opening morning. Wherever possible a child should attend regularly from the opening day. Where this is not possible, a child will do better to come on the opening day or for two or three days, get his books and assignments,

drop out to pick cotton, and then drop back into school every time the weather will not permit his picking cotton. This is not a satisfactory arrangement, but it is better than waiting until after cotton picking is over to start to school. Many children every year make their school work this way, but it means some earnest work.

Adding machine rolls at Merkel Mail office.

Will Preach at Mt. Pleasant.

Rev. A. F. Click will preach at the Mt. Pleasant Methodist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. It is announced that this is to be an important service and all who can possibly come are urged to do so. Brother Click will preach Sunday afternoon at Blair and Sunday night at Nubia.

If you have any visitors. Phone 20 or 61.

Specials For Friday and Saturday

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Grapes Concord 5 lb. basket, 2 for 25c

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Coffee Sun Up 1 lb. pkg. 20c

SARDINES, American 6 cans 25c

PORK & BEANS, B & W, 6 cans 25c

Compound 4 lb. carton 33c

PICKLES, quart jar 19c

COCOANUT, Southern Style, can 12c

BAKING POWDER, R & W, 16 oz. 23c

OATS R & W, large package 15c

FLOUR, R & W, 24 lb. sk 99c—48 lb. sk \$1.95

MAYONNAISE, R & W, 8 oz. 15c—16 oz. 25c

Cheese full cream pound 20c

JOWLS, dry salt, pound 7c

BACON, sliced, pound 18c

THE RED & WHITE STORES



CYPERT-TIPTON.

At 8:30 Tuesday evening Miss Maurine Tipton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Tipton, and Mr. Joe Cypert, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Cypert, were united in matrimony at the home of Rev. Ted McGehee. The young couple drove unattended to the pastor's home for the simple marriage ceremony, Mrs. McGehee, the pastor's wife, being the only other person present.

Of marked brunette beauty and a winsome personality, the bride has enjoyed deserved success since she entered the business world as operator for the Tiner Beauty shop. No one of the younger men of the city has more friends than Joe Cypert, who for several years has been in the employ of the McDonald grocery, and not only in business circles but in all other associations of life he has proved himself of steadfast and trustworthy character.

Both of these popular young people are Merkel's very own and a host of friends will take delight in extending congratulations and best wishes.

They will be at home temporarily at the home of the groom's parents.

TACKY PARTY.

Varying from their usual pastime of auction bridge, members of the Delta-Han-Aroun club made merry at a tacky party at the suburban home of Mrs. Charlie Largent on club day. For the occasion one half of the members were hostesses for the other half, those associated with Mrs. Largent in entertaining being Mesdames Johnnie Gresham, Harold Boney, Milton Case and L. C. Zehnpfennig and Miss Lou Largent.

Mrs. Bob Mayfield was awarded the prize for the "envious" honor of being the "tackiest."

Pursuing the prevailing idea, the rooms were decorated in sunflowers and broomweeds. During the games of "42" and bridge cookies were passed and at the tea hour red beans, onions, corn dodgers and pickles were served in tin plates, provided with knives only, while tin cups were utilized for coffee containers.

Participating in the fun were Mesdames Bob Mayfield, George West, J. E. Boaz, Jr., Ed McCrary, and Misses Marian Sheppard of Dallas, Mary Elizabeth Grimes, Neil Durham and Dorrie Durham, and the hostesses, Miss Lou Largent and Mesdames Milton Case, L. C. Zehnpfennig, Johnnie Gresham, Harold Boney and Charlie Largent.

SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

The occasion of the twenty-fifth wedding anniversary of their parents, Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Yeats, was the inspiration for a beautiful dinner arranged by the daughters of the house, Misses Athelda and Helen Yeats, last Sunday. All preliminaries, including preparation of the delectable menu and extending of invitations, were carefully planned by them so that it was not until late the evening before that the parents knew of the affair.

Invited to celebrate with the honorees the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding day—the event having taken place Sept. 3, 1908, at Snyder—were: Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Brazz, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Sheppard, Mrs. H. C. Williams, Mrs. J. P. Sutphen, and Rev. Ray N. Johnson. Alvice Yeats came over from Hobbs in Fisher county, where he is teaching, for the occasion.

KING'S DAUGHTERS.

The King's Daughters class met Monday afternoon in business and social session at the Methodist church. Having taken vacation through the extreme hot months, the class president, Mrs. Lee Cox, called members to resume regular monthly meetings. Several reports were made and future plans announced. Following election of officers, a social program was enjoyed.

Mesdames Durham, Richards and Williams, as hostesses, invited the Gleaners, also holding business sessions.

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ion at the same hour, to join in the social feature. Refreshment plates of angel food, fruit punch and olives, with mint garnish, were served to some twenty ladies. After an enjoyable time, each departed saying "how glad I am!"

Stirring Romance Offered Moviegoers In "Today We Live"

The first joint appearance in a talking film of Joan Crawford and Gary Cooper in "Today We Live" is a happy event for moviegoers. For here is a picture which combines romance of a stirring order with a clean-cut, forceful story of the war with the emphasis laid on the part played by the commanders of the dangerous British two-men torpedo boats, known as the "skeeter fleet."

Miss Crawford, who seems to grow more exciting in appearance with each succeeding vehicle, has a striking role as the aristocratic English girl who cannot stand remaining at home while her brother and the two men who love her are at the front. Franchot Tone, the brother, and Robert Young, the childhood sweetheart, are members of the torpedo squad while Gary Cooper, who is closest to her heart, enrolls in the flying forces. In order to be near these three, Miss Crawford becomes a member of a British ambulance unit.

It is when Cooper is reported killed that the hysteria of the war forces Miss Crawford to give herself to the man who has loved her from childhood. Cooper's unexpected return precipitates a stirring dramatic climax. The picture is brought to a smashing close when two men give up their lives in the sinking of a ship in order to save Cooper for the girl whom they all love.

"Today We Live" will be shown at the Queen next Monday and Tuesday.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

In a county-wide speaking tour explaining provisions of the government wheat production control plan, County Agent C. Metz Heald addressed a mass meeting of farmers at the tabernacle at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. He spoke at Blair Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Holmes, who formerly operated a rooming house at Colorado but who have recently been located at Sweetwater, have re-opened the Oasis hotel, on Front street, upstairs over the Oasis Filling station. After some preliminary overhauling and refurbishing, they announced ready to serve the public Thursday morning.

Lloyd Gilmore, one of the workmen employed in building the new gin here, suffered a broken right ankle in a fall Wednesday afternoon. It is not believed there are any other injuries.

After having been closed all summer, Wiman's Cafe is being made ready for fall business. Saturday will be the opening day, it is reported.

Our Annual School Sale opens Saturday. Oh, Boy! Some surprises for you—Watch for our circular. Brown's Bargain Store.

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CHURCH SERVICES

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

All regular services Sunday. The pastor, Rev. C. R. Joyner, will preach at 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m. B. T. S. meets at 7:15 p. m. and prayer service each Wednesday evening at 8:15.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

The six Sunday Schools in Merkel reported 833 present last Sunday, as compared with 754 on the previous Sunday and with 720 on the same Sunday a year ago.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 o'clock. No preaching services Sunday, as the pastor will be at Baird. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

The pastor will attend the semi-annual meeting of presbytery at Lamesa next Tuesday. W. M. Elliott was named principal delegate from the church, with C. H. Jones as alternate.

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

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

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. Preaching at 8:30 p. m. each Wednesday.

A cordial welcome awaits all who come.

NORTHSIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.

The Lord is blessing our efforts at Trent. Good crowds are coming. There had been seven additions to the church up to Monday night and the joys of salvation have been restored to many. The pastor will be back in his place Saturday night and he wants every-

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body to be there. I am home sick to have sweet fellowship with my dear people.

We covet your prayers for all the services Sunday. We are praying that several will answer the call of God Sunday. Bible School at 9:45. Remember the singing every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

We are asking everyone to bring a new pupil to Bible School.
Ernest Dowell, Pastor.

NAZARENE CHURCH.

Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday 8:30 p. m. Singing Tuesday 8:30 p. m.

N. Y. P. S. program Sunday at 7:15 p. m.
Leader, John Bolls.
Scripture lesson, 1 John 2:15-17.
Responsibility of vice president, Mrs. Vergie Stapleton.
Scripture reading, 2 Timothy 3:1-17, Mrs. Lois Henry.

"What do we mean by the World?"
First speaker, Alvin Brown; second, Mildred Stapleton; third, Dennis Walker; fourth, Howell Henry.
Special song, Eula Mable Stapleton and Beatrice Bishop.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Mrs. W. A. McSpadden announces the opening of her primary school on Monday, September 11.

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Vanilla Wafers 1 lb. pkg. 19c	Tea 1-4 lb. pkg. 19c
Bologna Best Grade 2 lbs. 25c	Salt Pork Best Grade Pound 10c
Pickles Sour Qt. jar 15c	Peanut Butter Veribest Qt. jar 25c
Salt Texaco, 26 oz. Boxes 2 for 15c	Rice Fancy Blue Rose 4 lb. pkg. 25c
Compound In Cartons Vegetole or Swift Jewel 8 lbs. 63c	Flour "Honest Abe" New Car Just Arrived 48 lbs. \$1.90

School Sale

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