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## EXHIBIT OF FINE PICTURES TO BE DISPLAYED HERE

Arrangements Completed for Group 150 Reproductions of the Works of Great Artists to Be Shown Here at Early Date.

Mrs. Len Sublett, principal of the Grammar school, has announced that an exhibit of 150 of the finest reproductions of recognized masterpieces of art has been engaged to be placed on display to local students and the general public within the near future. The exact date and place of exhibition will be announced in the next few days.

A small admission charge will be made and the fund thus raised will be used to purchase pictures for the school.

In making the announcement Mrs. Sublett said:

"It has been the privilege of students and the general public to enjoy the masterpieces of music and literature for generations; but an enjoyment of the masterpieces of art has, until very recently, been restricted to those who were wealthy enough to travel throughout the world, visiting the museums in which the original paintings hang.

"Recent improvements in color photography and printing now make it possible to bring the art of the world to even our smaller towns and villages through the medium of faithful reproductions. These reproductions are true to the originals in all respects, with the possible exception of size. Even the most delicate variations in color are maintained. In most instances the brush strokes in the original picture are clearly discernible.

"I feel that we are fortunate indeed to be able to bring to Merkel a collection of these splendid pictures."

### Record of Births.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McMan, Abilene, Friday, February 23, 1934.  
Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson, residing south of town, Saturday, February 24, 1934.  
Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hutchins, Tuesday, February 27, 1934.

### Writer Dies in Taxi.

New York, Mar. 1.—Charles W. Storm, 46, financial writer and editor, died in a taxicab while on his way to the city from Yonkers, N. Y.

### Attend Beauty School.

Mrs. M. D. Angus and Miss Irene Perry from the Orchid Beauty shop and Mrs. Nell Lee from the Modern Beauty shop are in Dallas this week attending Weichsel's Beauty show.

### Feed Destroyed.

An unoccupied dwelling on the J. A. Buford farm on Salt Branch was destroyed by fire last Saturday, the contents of feed, cultivators and farm implements and harness being a total loss.

## MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, February 27, 1914.)

### POOL HALLS ARE OUT.

At only one voting place in Taylor county did the pool halls get a majority of the votes in Saturday's election, that being Abilene.

\$1,000,000.00 in currency was manufactured in Fort Worth last week for the constitutionalists of Mexico, the printing shop being guarded by representatives from the border country while the work was being done.

Bugger Red, Jr., was awarded first money at the Broncho Busting contest in Dallas last Saturday. This is the secondary event of its kind staged at Dallas during the National Corn Exposition.

Clarence Hamm was a social visitor in Abilene Sunday afternoon.

Master Wilber Parten visited relatives in Sweetwater last week.

I will install an auto filling station at my shop. See me for gasoline & auto oils. H. M. Rose.

Miss Ora Hester left Monday for Mineral Wells where she will be for some time.

## WELL KNOWN SINGER COMES FOR REVIVAL

The dates for the revival at the First Baptist church, which were set some several weeks ago, are March 4 to 18, inclusive.

Rev. C. R. Joyner, the pastor, who conducted services last year for the First Baptist congregation in their revival at the tabernacle, will do the preaching during the two weeks, while Joe Trussell of Brownwood, one of the best known singers in the South, will lead the singing.

During his pastorate here, Rev. Mr. Joyner has established himself as an able and earnest gospel preacher, and through his instrumentality souls have been steadily gained for the Lord's kingdom. As a forceful and eloquent speaker, he is thoroughly prepared for evangelistic leadership and people of all churches as well as members of his own flock are looking forward with zeal to the revival season.

Services Sunday will be held at the usual hours; on week-days, at 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

## On Program of Joint Meeting at Colorado

Baptists of the Sweetwater and the Mitchell-Seury association are to hold a joint meeting next Thursday, March 6, at the First Baptist church in Colorado.

Representatives from both associations will take part on the program, for which the theme will be "The Pre-eminence of Christ."

Rev. C. R. Joyner, pastor of the First Baptist church here, will discuss "Christ, the Pre-eminence Character in the Bible."

Lunch is to be served at 12:15 and the W. M. U. and the associational boards will meet at 1:30 p. m.

## Railway Official Pays Visit to City

Following up correspondence with the local committee on highway beautification, A. E. Pistole of Big Spring, division superintendent of the Texas and Pacific railway, paid a visit to Merkel Wednesday to confer with Mrs. R. A. Burgess, committee chairman and others of the group.

It is contemplated to plant trees and native shrubs along the railway right-of-way from the west entrance to town to the location of the Nichols Ice and Coal company and, in behalf of the railroad corporation, Mr. Pistole has shown a commendable spirit of cooperation.

## Rabbit Drive to be Staged at Tye Friday

Weather permitting, a rabbit drive is being planned for Friday by the people of Tye, with Walter McCartney in charge of arrangements.

Those participating will gather at 9 o'clock at Tye.

It is also announced that dinner will be served on the grounds at noon.

## DEATH OF MISS DEMERE SADDENS THIS COMMUNITY

Beloved Woman Passes Away at Home of Sister-in-Law at White Church; Last Survivor of Immediate Family.

Miss Pauline Demere passed away at the age of 79 years at 3:23 Friday morning, February 23, at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. P. R. Demere, in Mulberry canyon.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church at White Church Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Arthur Kendall, assisted by Rev. Marvin Williams of Moran.

Pall bearers were: W. H. Ensminger, Fat Patterson, H. E. Morris, E. J. Patterson, Luther Jones and W. E. Malone, and the body was placed by the graves of her brothers in White Church cemetery.

Born December 28, 1854, at Saint Simon Island, Ga., she was christened at the M. E. Sunday School at White Springs, Fla., for a period of twelve years, not missing a Sunday. This is a record not many will be able to leave behind. As a friend so eloquently described Miss Demere, "Characters like Miss Pauline are what make life worth while. She was always interested in children; wherever she was, she always had time to take their little bodies in her arms and tell them stories of long ago. All that human hands could do was done for her, but God in His wisdom knows best. We cannot call her back to this world of suffering, but we can go to her. She had a sweet and lovable disposition, was so sweet and kind; she lived a true Christian life and died trusting in the Lord."

Till the death of her parents some 25 years ago she spent her life in her home in Florida. Then she lived by herself in the old family home for 20 years and in the summer of 1928 Raymond Demere went and brought her here to make her home with her brother and family. P. R. and Frank Demere, brothers, preceded her in death some few years, leaving her to be the last of her immediate family to pass on.

She is survived by one sister-in-law, Mrs. P. R. Demere, at whose home she died, and a large number of nieces and nephews.

## Bob Mayfield Shows Champion at Odessa

Out of 400 birds entered in the poultry division of the second livestock and poultry show of Ector county, which closed at Odessa Saturday afternoon, Bob Mayfield of Merkel displayed the outstanding bird, a Rhode Island Red male, which was awarded the grand championship.

At the Merkel poultry show this year Bob showed the best bird of the show, also a Rhode Island Red cock, but a different bird from the champion displayed at Odessa.

## Attends Funeral of Brother at Santo

Jim White, age 68, brother of J. J. White of this city, died at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning at his home in Santo. His brother from here had visited his bedside early in February and upon receipt of the news of his death returned Wednesday to attend the funeral, to be held Thursday.

Mr. White was joined here by another brother, Bill White, who lives at Andrews, and besides these two brothers, the deceased is survived by his wife and three children and a third brother.

## Merkel Girl Elected Alumnae President

Miss Odelle Hunter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Hunter and now instructor of nurses at West Texas hospital, Lubbock, was elected president of the alumnae society of the institution Monday evening at an annual meeting at the hospital.

Miss Hunter succeeds Miss Edna Engle, who was president last year.

## BENEFIT SHOW FOR FIREBOYS WELL RECEIVED

"Crashing Thru" With Cast of Local Players Presented Two Nights for the Benefit Fund of Volunteer Firemen.

Despite bad weather, which interfered with the attendance, members of the cast of "Crashing Thru," benefit play for the Merkel Fireboys, came through with a most creditable presentation on both Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

The benefit was staged by contract with the National Producing company, with Charles Eaton as business manager of the local presentation and Miss Alice Shoudy, the capable director, and Miss Iris Garrett, the talented pianist.

The plot, as revealed in the prologue, concerned the progress of three generations through life, with the grandparents looking on in reminiscence. First, the grandfather as a young man entering the Spanish-American war; second, his son, an advertising specialist in 1928, and lastly, Thomas Jackson III, in the future, (1958). Their love affairs and marriages occupy the center of the stage in each cycle.

The cast of the first generation included Miss Dota Garoutte as the grandmother, Charles Eaton as the grandfather, with Tracy Woods as Thomas Jackson III. In the next stage Delmer Derrington was the young man; Lona Bryan, his sweetheart, Grisham Dowell, enlistment officer, and Nelle Durham as Priscilla, the other girl, and in this case "the poor working girl."

In the second generation Clyde Mayfield represented Thomas Jackson, Jr.; Mary Elizabeth Grimes, his sweetheart; Marshall Stalls, the business man; Nola Mae Callahan, office girl in Jackson's advertising office; Louis Carson, impersonator of Roscoe Ates; Marie Stanford, Gracie Allen; Jack Lowe, Baron Munchausen; Mrs. L. C. Zehnpfenig, Mae West, and Charles Tipton, Jimmy Durante.

The cast of the year 1958 (in the future) was: Dr. L. C. Zehnpfenig, as Thomas Jackson III, a grown man; Blanche Simmons, his sweetheart, and Woodrow Wilson as the rival suitor, with the following boys as government inspectors: Arthur Wiman, chief inspector; Preston Dickinson, water inspector; Bob Woodman, license; Joe Young, census; Arlie Joe Barron, inferiority complex inspector; Otis Rayburn, modesty; W. G. Dickinson, age; Charles Escue, air, and W. J. Miller, posture inspector.

Outside of the chorus and dance numbers, a clever bit was added to the program in the song and dance specialty of Miss Helen Heeter.

Members of the girls chorus were: Hollis Perry, Mary Frances Cook, Opal Busbee, De La Vergne Teague and Betty Lou Grimes; the double chorus, Clyde Mayfield, Marie Stanford, Marshall Stalls, Lona Bryan, Jack Lowe, Mary Elizabeth Grimes, Oscar Adcock, Kennedy Whiteley, Delmer Derrington and Nell Durham.

## Urges Observance of First Roosevelt Year

Austin, Mar. 1.—The first anniversary of the inauguration of President Roosevelt, March 4, has been proclaimed by Gov. Miriam A. Ferguson as a day of Thanksgiving to "once more give voice to our faith in our great leader and renew our pledge of loyalty and co-operation."

Gov. Ferguson issued the proclamation in accordance with a resolution adopted by the Texas legislature. Churches, schools and civic organizations were urged to join the observance.

## Egg With Three Yellows.

A Rhode Island Red hen, belonging to J. H. Stone, gets into the headlines with an egg having three yellows. Mr. Stone reported the phenomenon to The Mail office Thursday of last week, but too late for last week's edition.

## Will Preach at Trent.

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

## KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

Mrs. Kate Evans, 80, died in an Abilene hospital Wednesday from burns received the day before when her clothing was ignited from a gas stove in her room.

Death in the electric chair is the penalty which a jury in Dallas criminal court Saturday decided was the just deserts of W. D. May for his part in the Handley triple murder.

E. E. Oberholtzer, superintendent of the Houston schools, was elected president of the National Education association's department of superintendence, holding its annual convention at Cleveland, Ohio.

Thomas W. Vardell, 62, president of the Southwestern Life Insurance company, died at Dallas Tuesday following injuries received three weeks ago when he fell off a horse breaking all the bones in one ankle, and requiring several operations.

Wm. H. Kittrell, Sr., 83, Cisco pioneer who was born March 13, 1851, in Sam Houston's house at Huntsville and whose early life was spent among scenes now perpetuated in Texas history, died at his home shortly after 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Henry Hutchings, 69, wife of state Adjutant General Henry Hutchings, was found dead in bed Tuesday morning by her daughter, Mrs. W. N. James, of Austin. Mrs. Hutchings had been ill for about three months.

In a special election Tuesday Nolan county voted to legalize the sale of 3.2 beer by a majority of approximately 300. The balloting was light, only 2,149 votes being cast out of a voting strength of approximately 4,000.

With the passage of a bill authorizing \$5,000,000 more in bonds for relief work and of a moratorium measure, the two major subjects for which they were called, the special session of the legislature adjourned at 2:05 Wednesday morning after a 30-day meeting.

A blanket order by Federal Judge T. M. Kennerly at Houston Monday released approximately 600 federal probationers in the southern district of Texas who had previously been convicted of violating the prohibition laws and who were in the custody of the probation officer.

Gerald W. Peck of Chicago, president of the Texas Hydro-Electric company, was killed and A. J. Wirtz of Seguin, former state senator, was wounded when Tom Hollamon, a Seguin farmer, walked into the director's room where they were meeting and fired at the two men and others.

## LARGENTS WIN TOP HONORS AT HOUSTON SHOW

Awards for Champion Hereford Breeding Bull and Champion Hereford Cow Taken by Merkel Exhibitors in South Texas.

Houston, March 1.—C. M. Largent and Sons of Merkel and the Singleton farms of Midlothian shared first honors in the breeding cattle awards at the annual Houston Fat Stock show.

Publican Domino 4th, owned by Largent and Sons, was adjudged the grand champion Hereford breeding bull. The Largents also won the grand champion Hereford cow award with their "Bloom Domino."

A 975 pound Hereford steer, Ed, was declared grand champion of the show. He was fed by Miss Ruby Ludwick, 20-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Ludwick of Pear Valley in McCulloch county. Miss Ludwick is a 4-H club member. The champion steer was sold to a Houston restaurant man on a bid of 75 cents a pound.

In the short horn class, Singleton's Stamp was adjudged the grand champion bull and Cloudberry Lady 5th the grand champion cow. Both are from the Singleton farms.

The Texas Hereford association sale netted owners of registered breeding cattle more than \$3,000. The top sale was a Hereford bull from John M. Gist of Odessa to Seth Campbell of Kermit for \$320.

OTHER LARGENT WINNINGS. In addition to winning grand champion cow and grand champion bull, Willie Joe Largent has wired his father, C. M. Largent, that they won every blue ribbon competed for except one. There were eleven herds competing in the show.

## This Section Blessed By Substantial Rain

Most substantial of the winter rains, and the only one of any consequence since late fall, visited Merkel and this section of West Texas Wednesday night and Thursday morning. Up to noon Thursday, the precipitation here was an inch and a half, according to the gauge of Volunteer Weather Observer Grover Hale.

Starting with a cold drizzle late Wednesday, the rain fell slowly, soaking into the ground as it fell, the steady downpour continuing practically all night.

Rains were also reported over the south plains, following a long dry period in that section.

Prior to Wednesday's rainfall, the year's figure here was only three-eighths of an inch.

## THE BOOK

... the first line of which reads, "The Holy Bible," and which contains Four Great Treasures

### PRICE BARTON

## PROVERBS, POEMS AND PROPHETS.

Ten fairly representative people were asked, "What do you know about Solomon?" Four of the ten answered, "Nothing." Other answers were: He had two thousand wives; he was the husband of the Queen of Sheba; he built Solomon's Temple; he was the wisest man that ever lived.

The statistics regarding Solomon's marriages as given in the Book of Kings are "seven hundred wives, princesses, and three hundred concubines." The Queen of Sheba was not officially among this distinguished company. A monarch in her own right, she was so impressed by the stories of Solomon's splendor and wisdom that she made a long journey to visit him and after a series of receptions and banquets returned to her home. The present kings of Abyssinia claim their descent from Solomon and this queen. If they are justified in their proud boast her visit was not wholly Platonic. It may have been true of her, as she said of Solomon that "the half has not been told." All that we know certainly is that she never appears in the Bible again.

Solomon did build the temple and it remained the pride and glory of Jerusalem until the destruction of the city by the Babylonians in 586 B. C. But the most enduring monuments left by this great ruler were not in stone or bronze, but in words—The Proverbs, a rich mine of wisdom wherein every nugget is solid gold. One can only marvel after reading them how a man so wise in other ways could have been so unwise about women.

He made a fine start as king. The Lord appeared one night in a dream, asking him to name his heart's desire, and Solomon answered:

Thou hast made thy servant king instead of David my father: and I am but a little child: I know not how to go out or come in...

Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people?

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THE BOOK

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To which the Lord replied:  
Because this was in thine heart, and thou hast not asked riches, wealth, or honour, nor the life of thine enemies, neither yet hast asked long life; but hast asked wisdom and knowledge for thyself, that thou mayest judge my people, over whom I have made thee king:  
Wisdom and knowledge is granted unto thee; and I will give thee riches, and wealth, and honour, such as none of the kings have had that have been before thee, neither shall any after thee have like.

Without this wise choice on the part of Solomon we probably never should have had the Proverbs; but something more than inspired knowledge went into them. They bear evidence of comprehensive experience with every phase of human nature and conduct. Some of them as might be imagined from Solomon's own record, contain warnings against the unrighteous woman.

Next Week: Solomon's Shrewd Proverbs.

RURAL SOCIETY

**BUSY BEE CLUB.**  
The Busy Bee club met at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon at the home of Miss Celia Hester, with the president, Mrs. H. B. Robertson, in charge. Kell call was answered by a historical event in honor of Washington's birthday. As the secretary was absent, there were no minutes of the last meeting read. Miss Hester, council member, gave an interesting report of the last council meeting, and plans for the year were discussed.

The program consisted of a clever story, read by Mrs. Pinkley and Mrs. Robertson, and a quilt piecing contest. Each member made a quilt block. The blocks were judged and the winner, Mrs. Robertson, received all the blocks as a prize.  
Next month each member is to make a kitchen apron. A prize will be given the one making the best apron. It was decided to have what is known as a "hostess hour" at each club meeting.  
The hostess served punch and nut cake to the following: Mesdames W. C. Lee, W. U. Beene, L. B. McClain, Will Higgins, Joe Jaynes, J. R. Hester, H. B. Robertson, Guy McClain, W. E. Petty, J. S. Pinckley and Castleberry and Miss Ruth Pinckley.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. L. B. McClain on Thursday, March 9. Each woman in this community, or elsewhere, who is interested in the club is invited to come.

**STITH CLUB.**  
The Stith Home Demonstration club met Wednesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Sam Mashburn with twenty-two members present. The following program was rendered:  
Cotton program, Miss Louise Hudson.

Song, by the club.  
Council talk, by Miss Sue Bonner, agent.

Mrs. Bradley invited all club members to spend the day with her Friday, March 2, to cut foundation patterns. Bring a covered dish or sandwiches.

Mrs. Bradley gave a splendid report on her work as wardrobe demonstrator, having finished fourteen patterns with several more almost finished.

Refreshments were served after the business session was over.

Salt Branch Club Girls  
Plan Carnival Mar. 3

The Salt Branch club girls are sponsoring a carnival at the school house Saturday night, March 3. Proceeds will be used to send a girl to Short Course at A. & M. college next summer.

There will be side shows, a fortune teller and the "witch's den." Candy, pie and balloons will be on sale. Plenty of free entertainment for everyone. Old time fiddling.

Admission is five cents. Children under school age are admitted free. Think of it: a whole evening of fun for only a few cents!

Try a Classified Ad for Results.

W. J. Cunningham in  
Race for Re-Election



W. J. CUNNINGHAM.

W. J. Cunningham of Abilene, famed prosecutor, Saturday announced his candidacy for re-election as district attorney for the 104th judicial district of Texas. His formal announcement follows:

To the voters of the 104th judicial district:

In making this, my formal announcement for re-election to the office of district attorney of the 104th judicial district I want, first, to express my appreciation for the support given me in the past, and to assure all my friends that I will appreciate, beyond measure, their active interest in my behalf in my candidacy for re-election.

My time belongs to the state, and most of my time will be taken up in the performance of official duties, which, of course, will prevent me from seeing all the voters in the district, yet, nevertheless, I intend to devote just as much time to the campaign as possible under the circumstances.

I promise, if elected, to earnestly endeavor to perform the duties of the office in such a way that those who vote for me will never have cause to regret having done so, and to give to the state the very best service within my power.

Respectfully,  
W. J. CUNNINGHAM.

PERSONALS

Miss Margie Coats is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. Ethel Barbee.

Mrs. D. D. Coats and children were Sunday afternoon guests of Mrs. J. W. Barbee.

Mrs. Cowan Hudson of San Angelo is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Higgins.

Misses Helen Hogue and Viola Smith of Trent spent the week-end with Miss Zada Bell.

Miss Kathryn Russell was the week-end guest of Mrs. Bennie Butman of the Butman community.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Perkins of Trent spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Borden Perkins north of town.

Miss Doris Durham, who is teaching at Cross Plains, was home to spend the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Durham.

Mrs. R. G. Looney of Oplin was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Davis and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Irvin. Mrs. Looney is Mr. Irvin's sister.

Supt. and Mrs. R. A. Burgess were week-end visitors to Lubbock. They were accompanied by Miss Margaret Miller, who visited with Miss Nell Hughes at Texas Tech.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Roberts and children and Mrs. D. C. Turner and son arrived from Overton the latter part of the week to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Reagh.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Mellinger and two sons, Isadore and Sylvan, visited Sunday with relatives in Big Spring.

Miss Lucille Owens of San Angelo is spending a few days with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Banner.

Rev. E. L. Yeats and Mrs. Yeats, accompanied by Miss Athelda and Alvice, were visitors here the latter part of the week. On Saturday they were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Shannon, being joined also by Miss Helen Yeats and her friend, Miss Ruth Hitchcock, from McMurry.

After an extended visit with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Slayden, Miss Lela Slayden has returned to her home in Clarksville, Tenn. She was accompanied by Mrs. W. S. Slayden and two sons, Mrs. J. L. Riddle and Elmer Adcock, the party making the trip in Elmer's car.

**COTTONSEED WANTED.**  
We want to buy your cottonseed or will trade meal and hulls for seed; also want to cull your seed. See Bill Sheppard or C. V. Shelton.

ESKOTA NEWS

Little Herba Faye Johnson, who has been ill, is now attending school again. Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Utley and children, Jack, Virgil and Mattie, and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Nichols and Donnie Yearl were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Anderson Tuesday evening.

The young folks of this community presented their play, "A Cousin from Coon Ridge," at Goodman Friday night and at Longworth Saturday night. It will be presented at Newman this Friday night and everyone is cordially invited.

Miss Edna May Price, who has been visiting relatives here, returned to her home at Abilene Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. C. B. Johnston and Mrs. Clayton Nichols attended the Woman's Home Demonstration council meet at Roby Saturday afternoon.

Tom Henry, who has been residing with Mr. and Mrs. L. E. F. Johnston, left Sunday for Chattanooga, Tenn., where he will stay with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Utley and family visited Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Brazelton of Newman Sunday.

Charlie Allyn of Clovis, N. M., is visiting his mother, Mrs. F. E. Allyn, this week. His wife and daughter are with him. Mrs. Owen SoRelle of Rotan is also visiting her mother, Mrs. Allyn.

Fred Allyn of Trent was the Saturday night guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Nichols.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Mathews had as their guests, Sunday Brother Hardcastle of Abilene and Mrs. R. G. Pendergrass and children of Palava, also C. L. Rogers of White Flat.

Singing was well attended here Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allyn of Trent visited the former's mother, Mrs. F. E. Allyn, here Thursday. Mr. Allyn, who is employed at Cisco, was home on a short visit.

Chase for \$2.50 Award  
Affords Lively Time

"Have you seen the new 1934 Plymouth?"

For a half hour last Saturday Merkelites asked that question. It was a game, sponsored by the Church Motor company, Plymouth dealers here, and Joe Barron won it.

C. P. Church and Eteyl Church, Plymouth dealers, announced that a man would appear on the streets between 2 o'clock and 3 o'clock with a \$2.50 cash prize to be given to the first man who asked the question. The Merkel Mail cooperated in the game and selected Ed Anderson, Mail employe, to carry the prize money.

Joe Barron came out of a restaurant and saw Anderson on the corner. "Hey, Ed, have you see the new 1934 Plymouth?"

"Yes, and I got the money here for you."

"Yeah?"

"Come on around to the Plymouth people and I'll prove it."

The game will be played again this coming Saturday, the Church brothers announced.

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Standard Typewriter Ribbons 7c each at Merkel Mail office.

Outstanding Pictures  
Booked to Show Here

For Friday and Saturday nights and Saturday matinee of this week, the Queen theatre will present Tim McCoy in "Straightaway," also a comedy and serial.

In making the announcement that the management had been forced to close its Monday and Tuesday shows on account of insufficient patronage, Mr. Hodge states that the show will continue to operate on Friday nights, Saturday matinee and night as long as patronage will justify running and that he hopes he will be able to continue the Friday and Saturday shows throughout the summer. He further states that he has selected only the best pictures produced and that the patrons may come with the assurance that they will see a really good show.

Some of the outstanding pictures to be shown are: "Prize Fighter and the Lady," "Wild Boys of the Road," "Her Sweetheart" with Marie Dressler, "Dancing Lady," Zane Grey's "To the Last Man," "Thundering Herd," "Lone Cowboy" and other great pictures.

"The Three Musketeers," a new serial, will start March 9 and 10 and there will always be good comedies, cartoons, etc., to make a very entertaining show.

WHITE-HAFNER.

With Rev. O. D. Pruitt, the bride's uncle, officiating, Miss Evelyn Hafner and Mrs. H. V. White, both of Ovalo, were united in marriage at the Pruitt home on Saturday afternoon at three o'clock.

The sixth traffic fatality in Dallas since January 1 was recorded Wednesday when O. C. Smith, 50, succumbed to injuries suffered in an accident four days ago.

**Mrs. Foster's Sister Improving.**  
Mrs. Ruth Foster has returned home from Abilene where she has been most of the past two weeks at the bedside of her sister, Miss Ruby Duncan, who underwent an emergency operation for appendicitis at the West Texas Baptist sanitarium. Miss Duncan is reported somewhat improved.

TWO PAPERS FOR \$1.50

For a limited time, we can offer The Semi-Weekly Farm News and The Merkel Mail, both papers one year for only \$1.50. This is the best time for you to not only receive the Farm News, but also to get The Mail at this special rate.

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R & R PALACE

Sweetwater

Saturday  
Joe E. Brown in  
"SON OF A SAILOR"

Sunday-Monday  
Wallace Beery in  
"THE BOWERY"

Tuesday-Wednesday  
Barbara Wieck in  
"MISS FAIN'S BABY IS STOLEN"

Thursday-Friday  
Fredric March in  
"ALL OF ME"

R. & R. RITZ

Friday-Saturday, Ken Maynard in "Strawberry Roan"; Monday-Tuesday, George Raft and Mae West in "Night After Night"; Wednesday-Thursday, "King Kong."

Palace open Sunday - 2 p. m. and runs continuous. Complete show after 9 p. m.

Money To Loan

We will be glad to consider YOUR application for a loan whether or not you have heretofore been doing your banking business with us.

We have ample resources to take care of our old friends and new customers as well. It is gratifying to us to observe the new names on our ledgers and we are always ready to make reasonable loans to responsible farmers and business men.

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# CLASSES PRESENT BEAUTIES

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The campus and the class room are fairly buzzing with beauty gossip. The time has arrived to choose the Queen of M. H. S., and each class is eager to have its candidate pictured in the Annual.

On Wednesday morning, February 21, the separate classes met and elected their candidates, whom they presented to the school on the following Friday.

### FISH.

The Freshmen elected De La Vergne Teague to represent them in the contest. Miss Teague is a small brunette with wavy brown hair and brown eyes. She was presented to the High school in the following manner. A jury of Freshmen boys, with Bud Gambill as foreman, was instructed to choose the Queen. First the Senior, played by Sis Gamble, was called in, but she was made up to be so ugly that the jury turned away in horror. The Junior, played by Betty Lou Grimes, and the Sophomore, Mary Frances Cook, were scarcely more presentable. Then Miss Teague herself came in, looking her best in a blue skirt and printed blouse. Of course, the jury declared her guilty.

### SOPHS.

The Sophomores are represented by Eva Faye Bush, a pretty brown-eyed blonde, who is famous for her "peaches and cream" complexion. At assembly Friday Juanita Bishop wore green to represent Spring, the Freshman. Thelma Patterson and Alice Carey in darker colors were Autumn and Winter, the Junior and the Senior. Summer was the last to appear. Miss Bush wore a charming summer frock of green and white. Some Sophomore boys proceeded to carry her off, leaving ye other candidates standin' an' lookin'.

### JUNIORS.

The Juniors have decreed that the Queen of M. H. S. should be a slim brunette with big brown eyes and flashing white teeth. Miss Billie Bernice Gambill is their candidate. She was portrayed Friday as a successful young actress attending the premier of one of her pictures. The student body was kept posted on details by the radio announcer, Charles Tipton. A group of junior boys and girls represented the many stars who attended the premier, each one expressing his or her appreciation of the occasion: Bessie Boaz caused an unusual outburst of mirth when he appeared as Will Rogers. The last to come in was Miss Gambill herself, escorted by Gary Cooper (Milton Shannon). She wore a striking black evening gown with sash of rose.

### SENIORS.

The Senior candidate is Julia Proctor Lancaster, a dainty little blonde. Julia has shining blonde curls and a fair complexion and is well known throughout the school for her pretty blishes.

Thursday, having been George Washington's birthday, the Seniors presented their beauty as the kind of girl the father of our country would have chosen as Queen. David Gambill represented George Washington, and a group of Senior girls were the candidates for his inspection. One was not feminine enough, one was too business-like, one was too conceited and still another was too much of a gossip. At last Julia came forward, wearing a green crepe dress which set off her beauty remarkably, and was immediately chosen by Washington.

Tuesday, February 27, was set as the day for the preliminary vote. Each penny counts as one vote. The two receiving the highest number of votes will be in the run-off one week later. Now is the time when money can talk!

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## OUR SENIORS

### CLARA LEE PETERSON.

Clara Lee is another one of our friendly Seniors. She came from Blair into Merkel. She is a member of the Senior "Blue Badgerettes" and also a member of the Dramatic club. Since she has been going to school here, she has made a number of friends and we hope she will strive to keep them.

### J. B. WOMMACK.

If you see a tall black headed boy with brown eyes who is coming out for track and who did come out for basketball, you will know it is J. D. He lettered in basketball this year and we're sure he'll come out with an excellent record in track. He is a very studious boy and is liked by everyone. Luck is yours, J. D., we hope.

## Principal Dudley, Abilene Schoolman, Makes Chapel Talk

On Tuesday, February 20, Mr. L. E. Dudley, principal of the Abilene High school, spoke in chapel. He discussed the character of a high school student: the student should be honest, hard-working and striving for leadership. Mr. Dudley also encouraged the students to enter Interscholastic League events.

## Members of English Iia Enjoy Program

English Iia met Wednesday, February 13, 1934. There was a program arranged by a committee consisting of Ora Derrick, Mabel Maddox, Willie B. Toombs and R. T. Blair.

The program was as follows: Roll call, class.

Talk, "Why We Should Have English Club," Clifton Cox.

Piano duet, Opal Buzbee and Bessie Church.

Dialogue, R. T. Blair.

Guitar solo, Winston Polley.

Reading, "Arabel and Sally Ann," Mabel Maddox.

Refreshments of cake and candy were served by the program committee.

After that, the class sang several songs.

## Oscar Adcock Named President of Sophs

The Sophomores elected officers last week. Oscar Adcock was elected president; L. V. Moore, vice president; Victor Joyner, secretary and treasurer, and Etoile Bell, reporter.

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## AS SEEN BY THE INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE SCOUT

Well, it won't be long now until the Interscholastic League events will be held.

Saturday in Abilene there will be an invitational debate contest. Helen Joyner and Wanda Hunter will be the Merkel participants. The county contest will be March 10.

Although it hasn't been fully decided what the one-act play will be, it probably will be "Elmer." A definite cast will be picked by next week.

There are now only six people diligently working in spelling. The final tryout will be at the end of this week. And now to extra-curricula activities! Sometime next week there will be a track meet in Abilene. Although Shannon is the only outstanding member of the team, several may develop later.

## Fish Aquarium Reports Progress

We are still here, though you may not be aware of it, and are just as dumb and green as ever. We elected class officers last week. For our president we elected Bud Gambill and our vice president is Sylvan Mellinger. Our secretary is Ruth Smith and the reporters are Junior and Betty Grimes. This is about all we can say for ourselves this week, but maybe by next week some Freshman will have married or committed suicide or something.

## Local Tennis Stars Even Up With Trent

Coach Riddle and his team of tennis players shared their first meet with Trent Thursday afternoon. A high wind was blowing, making it a very disagreeable day for tennis.

Mr. Riddle has several good players and hopes to go places in the county meet.

Results of the games with Trent were:

Singles—Gamble lost to McCarty, 6-0, 6-2; Reese won from Terry, 6-2, 6-0; Reese won over Tittle, 6-4, 6-2.

Doubles—McNiece and Joyner lost to Tittle and McDonald, 6-3; Carson and Smith lost to Tittle and McDonald, 6-3; Carson and Smith won over Terry and McDonald, 6-2, 6-4.

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## Seniors Unanimous For Class Annual; Select Caps, Gowns

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Our president, David, told us and showed us exactly how the Annual would be when it was finished. His committee consisting of the "Badger Weekly" staff and the class officers is the Annual staff. With this committee and the help of the rest of the school, we are sure the Annual will be one of which the whole school will be proud.

We also had a meeting not long ago about the caps and gowns and diplomas. We decided on the grey serge caps and gowns with white collars and cuffs. We decided on the diploma which is always furnished by the school—the one which can be framed.

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"If you stay—if they come to get you before you pay it back—it will kill them both—I mean father and mother. You must go, Roddy!"

"You're a trump, Sis!" he said thickly. "you've saved me—I feel like a brute to let you do it, I—I'll go, but I've got to tell them first, I mean the governor and mother."

"I'll tell them!" Nancy shivered. "You can't stop for it—if you lose this train they—they might arrest you, they may be on their way now!"

She kissed him suddenly. "Oh, Rod, be good now!" she sobbed.

He could not speak, but he wrung her hand; then the gate slammed and he was gone.

Nancy rose slowly, steadying herself an instant with one hand on the old bench where she had sunk, and then she went slowly into the house.

Her mother was sitting in a rocker by the window, her face hidden in her hands. Her father sat in the same chair where he had slept that morning. His gray hair was standing up on top of his head and he had not shaved; he looked older than ever.

He stared around at Nancy.

"Where's Roddy?" he demanded hoarsely. "Where's he hiding? I haven't seen him this morning—my God, I can't think where he got his streak from—my son a common thief!"

"You shan't say that of Roddy!" Mrs. Gordon cried for the hundredth time. "It isn't true, he never meant to take it, it's some mistake. He meant to pay it back!"

"Yes," her husband assented harshly, "he did. You're right about that, Sarah, I never knew a thief who didn't mean to pay it back. They all do!"

"We've got to pay it back then!" his wife sobbed, "we've got to save him—if I take the clothes off my back, if Roddy's sent to jail I shall die!"

"Die?" Mr. Gordon raised his haggard face and stared at her, "I'd rather see Rod dead this minute than a common thief. God knows I wish I had him in his coffin now—nailed down tight!"

"Papa!" Nancy's tone startled him, he raised his eyes again to her face, his lips twitching with intolerable pain.

She swayed toward him, her blue eyes beautiful and soft; she loved him in this agony. She understood it. He had lost his pride in his son and he was too poor to pay; he was thinking of her and of her mother. Nancy's lips shook but she commanded herself.

"Papa," she said softly, "Mama—she held her hands out to them tenderly. "I've come to tell you—Roddy is safe; he's got the money, all of it, and he's gone to pay it back. I think he'll get there before they even find it out."

Her father merely stared, incredulous, but her mother uttered a choked cry.

"Oh, Nancy! How did he get it? Who lent him all that?"

Nancy held her breath. If she told them, she did not know what her father might do. He loved her, he might take it hard, he might even go to Richard about it, and he could not pay it back, it would ruin him. She looked from one worn white face to the other and her eyes misted; she was doing it for them, she knew it now, for all of them—because she loved them, she loved them so much it was an anguish to see them suffer.

"I borrowed it, Mama," she answered softly, "I got it and—and Roddy and I will pay it back."

Mr. Gordon half rose from his chair. "Who did you get that money from, Nancy?" he demanded hoarsely. Nancy backed away from them; they were both dazed but their eyes followed her. "I can't tell you today," she gasped, "that's part of it—the pledge. I mean, but I'll tell you next week."

She broke away; she must not tell them, she dared not—yet! She turned a little wildly and ran out of the room.

Nancy lay quite still, face downward on her bed, hands clasped close over her eyes, shutting out the light. Her head ached terribly, it ached so that the throbs ran down through her body and shook her with anguish. It was fearful, yet it was a blessing, while it ached like that she could not think. If she tried to think she would remember that she had promised to marry Richard on Monday. She did not want to think.

Through her went the crashing and rushing of Roddy's train going to New York; she felt as if the steel wheels passed over her and left her bleeding. She had saved him, he would get there in time to pay the money back, they would never know. And she had spared the two downstairs, too.

It had crushed her father to think of his girl shamed for her brother. Nancy's lips twitched with pain at the thought; he had looked so like death in his sleep. The feeling had come to her with a horrible swift surprise—her father was growing old! She clutched at her pillows, shaking. Her world might tumble down and she would have no one left—no one but—it was too much.

She rose on her elbow and stared out of the window with pain blurred eyes—Richard! She gave a little cry and plunged her head down again into her pillows, sobbing and shaking with fear.

Then the pain in her head began again and she stopped thinking, she lay after a while very still and limp, like a shot bird unable to use its wings. Sheer exhaustion, a sleepless night and the long racking of her nerves had told. The girl had fallen into a heavy, dreamless sleep.

She was still sleeping when her mother quietly opened the door and came in. The huddled figure on the bed startled her; there was something in Nancy's very attitude that suggested misery and apprehensions. Mrs. Gordon came hurriedly across the room and touched her flushed cheek and her hot forehead. She had the skillful mother hands and she knew the feel of fever.

Nancy started up on her elbow. "What is it, Mama?" she cried feverishly.

Her mother shook her head. "Nothing at all now, dear. Papa went out to the bank for a while, he had to do something. He wanted to come up here and see you but I stopped him. Don't you think you ought to tell him—about the money you borrowed Nancy?"

Nancy, sitting on the side of her bed now, slipped her arms about her mother's neck, laying her cheek against hers.

"I'll tell him—I'll tell you both next week—I promised that. Oh, Mama, don't ask me—I was so glad to get it for Roddy."

Mrs. Gordon drew a long breath, a sob in her throat; her face puckered and quivered with tears like a child's. "Oh, Nancy!" she sobbed.

They clasped each other, weeping. They held each other for a long time and then Mrs. Gordon felt the girl's hot cheek. She drew back, looking at her.

"You're ill, child!"

"Only my head, Mama, I didn't sleep last night."

Her mother rose. "You lie down," she said gently, struggling to be herself again. "I'll get you a cup of tea."

The hot tea and toast revived her a little, and the touch of her mother's hands on her forehead soothed her. She felt like a child again, being comforted after a hurt.

"Don't go yet!" she whispered, and in the twilight Mrs. Gordon sat for a long time beside her daughter's bed, holding her hand.

They did not talk much. The older woman was thinking of her son; the

girl, of tomorrow. But after a while they heard the front door open and Mrs. Gordon rose hurriedly.

"There's Papa; I'll go get his dinner for him. I hope he can eat! You needn't come down, child, if your head still aches."

Nancy let her go; her head did not ache so badly now, but she was glad to escape her father's questions.

She had work to do. She packed a handbag with a few things, she would need. She hurried, tumbling things over. Her wardrobe was small enough; she had not much choice, but she selected the simplest things she had, a dark blue serge and a plain hat.

The moon had risen splendidly and across the window was stretched the long branch of the pine, etched black against the silver sky. It was very still in the house. Nancy knew her father and mother had finished dinner. They were sitting in the library now, on the other side of the house. She could not even hear their voices, but the pine trees swinging a little, tapped on her window. Then she heard another sound, soft and sweet but penetrating, the faint notes of a lovesong strummed on a guitar. Page! The girl trembled like a leaf; he had come, of course, with his guitar.

Nancy stumbled to her window and looked down. The moonlight made the old garden like day. Below her, the grass-plot looked as if a hear-frost had whitened it. Nearer still was Page Roemer.

Nancy looked at him. How tall and slim he was—so much lighter in build than Richard. She could see his sleek profile and his white forehead. He strummed on the guitar again, calling her with the old soft notes appealingly. Nancy answered. Page stopped playing instantly, and in the moonlight she saw the joy in his face.

"Come down, Nancy; it's a lovely night!"

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"The moon will cure it. Come down," he pleaded, "I've got something to say to you tonight. Nancy, please come down."

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"I can't come down tonight, Page. No, really! Didn't mother tell you?"

He drew down his brows anxiously. "Yes, but I didn't believe you'd stay up there—a night like this. Nancy, when can I come?" he added gravely.

She trembled. She could make no more promises! "I—I don't know—don't ask me tonight, Page, my head aches so!"

He looked up earnestly. He could not read the eyes so far above him, but he felt a change, an incredible change, in her.

"Are you really ill, Nancy?" he cried.

Where he stood, with his face lifted and unshadowed, she saw him plainly. She could see the look in his eyes. It set her heart beating again and her fingers tightened on the sill.

"No," she said faintly, "not really—but my head did ache dreadfully. I—I'd come down if I could, but I—can't!"

Her voice broke and he caught the change in it. Hope mounted into certainty; he was sure she loved him, but she was coquetting with it, playing with it, like a girl. He lifted his handsome head confidently.

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She said nothing, and in the stillness the pine branch tapped against her window like a warning finger. Again he felt that there was something amiss.

"Nancy, come down!" this time his voice pleaded.

"I can't, Page, I—good night!" she waved her hand to him.

"Cruel!" he said, and then: "tomorrow, Nancy!"

She did not answer. She was leaning against the window now, watching him go. He swung his guitar under his arm, waving his hat to her. But half-way to the gate she called to him.

"Goodbye, Page," she called to him softly, "goodbye!"

She could see his figure receding down the long quiet street. He was going out of her life and he did not know it. It was incredible but it was true.

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"I can't, Page, I—good night!" she waved her hand to him.

"Cruel!" he said, and then: "tomorrow, Nancy!"

She did not answer. She was leaning against the window now, watching him go. He swung his guitar under his arm, waving his hat to her. But half-way to the gate she called to him.

"Goodbye, Page," she called to him softly, "goodbye!"

She could see his figure receding down the long quiet street. He was going out of her life and he did not know it. It was incredible but it was true.

(Continued Next Week.)

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## GOODMAN NEWS

Miss Lamont Cox has been sick but is some better.

The junior girls went to Anson last Wednesday night to play Noodle junior girls, the game resulting 21 to 17 in favor of Goodman, and the junior girls get to go to Anson to play for the county championship March 2 and 3.

The sixth grade class entertained with a weiner roast Friday evening.

Misses Ethel and Verlin Cook spent the week-end with home folks at Winters.

Mrs. Tom Green entertained W. R. Grayson with a birthday dinner Sunday.

Mrs. Mae Seago was in Merkel Saturday shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Williams spent Sunday in the home of Oliver Carey of Kayle.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Dell Carter entertained several friends Sunday. Games of "42" were played and cake and whipped cream was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Hodges were in Merkel Saturday.

Mrs. Cade went shopping in Merkel Saturday.

(Omitted Last Week.)

Miss Lucille Crick entertained a few friends with a party Saturday night.

Lora Hail is able to attend school now after a severe case of tonsillitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmer McLeod are announcing the arrival of a new baby girl, named Jimmie Lue.

Mrs. Russell Allsup has returned home from Abilene where she was called to the bedside of her parents.

Mrs. Roy Williams is reported on the sick list this week.

Odella and Lamont Cox were in Merkel shopping Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Williams made a business trip to Merkel Saturday.

Mrs. Aubrey Dell Carter spent last week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henderson, of Abilene.

Audie Phomroy and Augusta Euckert were in Merkel Saturday.

Mrs. Florence Berry of Longview and Cecil Taylor and Jack Pate of

## BLAIR ITEMS

Weatherford spent the week-end in the home of Roy Williams.

The senior girls went to the Divide to play ball Thursday evening; the game being called off, they spent the evening on a weiner roast.

Annazell Seago was in Merkel Saturday.

The Misses Cook were in Trent shopping Saturday.

The senior and junior basketball girls will play at Anson Tuesday night against Noodle.

Mrs. J. W. Tiner has been sick the past week.

Mrs. Ashley Bryan, who has been seriously ill for the past week, is getting along nicely.

Will Campbell has been a mighty sick man for the past three or four days, but is doing well now.

Miss Catherine Orsburn, who has been real sick with the measles, is convalescing satisfactorily.

Rev. Kendall, Methodist pastor, delivered two spiritual discourses at the morning and noon hour. There was a good attendance, considering the bad weather. It was encouraging to see people put the work of the Lord before bodily comfort.

A cordial invitation is extended to the public to worship with us, Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. by the Rev. John Walker, pastor of the Baptist church, next Sunday, March 4.

Mr. Faulkner, the blair man, assisted by Mr. Cloud of Austin, delivered an interesting program one day the past week at the High school auditorium, which was appreciated very much. Our school is moving along nicely and everyone seems to be intensely interested.

Little Lula Bell, the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Patterson, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Sparty Barnes and sons of White Church and attended Sunday School at the Baptist church Sunday morning.

Mrs. Minnie Reeves of Knox City spent several days visiting in the homes of Mesdames Bob Malone and E. E. Akins' recently. Mrs. Reeves

was down looking after property interests here.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Moore and sons are here from Red Spring for a few days visit with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Brooks. Mr. Brooks' health is not the best and has not been for a year or more. Mrs. Jessie Wilson and son, Jessie Earl, who accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Moore, are visiting her father, Jim Moore, and other relatives here.

Misses Novia and Billie Malone of Hamby were house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Malone and family the past week.

Mrs. Roy Doan and her two charming children, Otto and Lucille, of Rattan, and Miss Mabel Scott of Trent attended services at the M. E. church Sunday and visited relatives and friends also at this place while here.

Misses Lorena and Lillian Estall of Butman visited Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Moore and daughter, Miss Lucy, motored to Abilene and visited over the week-end with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Mayberry.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Estall and family of Butman spent Saturday in the home of Albert Patterson and family.

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- For Sheriff:
  - BURL WHEELER** (Re-election.)
  - RUCK SIBLEY.**
  - PERRY P. DICKINSON.**
  - S. H. McADAMS.**
- For Public Weigher, Precinct No. 5:
  - ORLEN HIGGINS.**
  - A. D. BULTON.**
  - CLYDE SHOUSE.**
- For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2:
  - A. J. CANON.** (Re-election.)
  - L. L. MURRAY.**
  - ANDY SHOUSE.**
- For County Tax Assessor-Collector:
  - GRADY PARMELLY.**
  - C. W. BOYCE.**
- For County Clerk:
  - W. P. BOUNDS.** (Re-election.)
- For District Clerk:
  - BELLE WELLBORN.** (Re-election.)
- For County Supt. of Schools:
  - M. A. WILLIAMS.** (Re-election.)
  - C. A. COCKRELL.**
  - NENA KATE RAMSEY.**
- For Public Weigher, Precinct No. 21:
  - JOHN PAYNE.** (Re-election.)
- For District Attorney, 104th Judicial District:
  - OTIS MILLER.** of Jones County.
  - W. J. CUNNINGHAM.** (Re-Election.)

**Postmaster Honored  
At Birthday Dinner**

Postmaster O. J. Adcock had another birthday—his 54th, by the way—on Sunday, February 25, and to celebrate the occasion he was made the honoree of a sumptuous birthday dinner in his home.

Included in the list of guests who extended happiest felicitations were: Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Adcock and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stalls and family, Hubert Roach, A. C. C., Mr. and Mrs. W. B. West, A. C. C., Mr. and Mrs. Willis Cox and son, Abilene, Hurley Toombs, Mrs. A. A. Betterton and family, Miss Alma Morgan, Miss Lela Slayden of Clarksville, Tenn., Miss Lena Webb, the honoree and Mrs. Adcock and their family.

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**TRENT NEWS AND  
PERSONALS**

Messrs. Fred Hale and J. P. Stevens attended to business matters at Kilgore last week. On their return home Mr. Stevens visited with relatives at Seymour.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Leonhardt of San Francisco, Calif., left last Tuesday after visiting in the home of the latter's brother, John Crane, a few days. They will make their home at Greenville. Mrs. Leonhardt will be remembered as Miss Hattie Jo Crane here. Mr. Crane has had his mother, Mrs. Hattie Crane, of Hunt county, visiting him also the past few days. Hubert Beckham is at home this week after looking after business at Lamesa the past week.

A happy miscellaneous shower was given Thursday afternoon of last week in honor of Mrs. R. T. Pace. Many nice gifts were received and cake and hot chocolate were served. Out of town guests were Mrs. Cecil Aultman and Mrs. Lenora Butler, both of Roscoe.

Mrs. F. Nugent has returned from Dallas after paying her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, a visit.

We are rejoicing with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reid in the arrival of a fine girl, who made her appearance Wednesday of last week. Mother and baby are both doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Winter have as their guest the former's brother, George Winter, of Abilene, for some few days.

Mrs. Copeland of Loraine is here for an extended visit with her daughters, Mrs. Claud Swann and Mrs. L. E. Adrian.

Mr. and Mrs. Boswell and daughter visited with the former's parents at Abilene last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mauldin have returned from a trip to Erath county where they visited relatives.

A farewell shower in honor of Bob Cole was given in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Bright by their two daughters, Misses Helen and Vera Bright. Refreshments of chicken sandwiches, cocoa and cake were served to Misses Mona Robinson, Mildred Steadman, Doreen Scott, Louise Allan, Dorothy Reeves, Lillian Grace Reeves, Hazel Dell Clinton, Gladys Hamner, Elizabeth Winn, Gladys Roberts, Ola Martin, Ida V. Estep, Messrs. Wilson Bright, Weldon Forrester, Earl Bright, Leonard Robinson, Henry Bright, Cullen Tittle, Jack Perkins, Eugene Murdock, Jimmie O'Rear, Earl Duncan, Harold Terry, Roland Duncan, Foy Steadman, F. H. Dunne, Freddy Allyn, the honored guest and the hostesses.

Mrs. L. E. Adrian attended services at Abilene Christian college some last week and had in her home her son-in-law, Brother Ted Norton, of Victoria, as overnight guest, who was also attending the meeting there.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Stribling are spending this week in Corpus Christi in the home of the former's mother, who lives there.

Mrs. Selba Duncan of Sweetwater visited Saturday with friends and relatives here.

Miss Lora Bright is attending the bedside of her sister, Mrs. L. C. Lester, of Tulsa, for a while.

Mrs. B. Bell of Merkel, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Zada Bell, were visitors Sunday in the home of Mrs. Bell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell.

Wayne Boyd is recovering from a tonsillitis operation.

Mrs. R. B. McRee, Sr., attended the bedside of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Jim Williamson, Sunday and reports Mrs. Williamson's condition improving.

Floyd Jones of Ronecok, a cousin of Lee Stevens, is here for a few days.

L. E. Adrian attended the district bankers convention at Fort Worth last Thursday. He was accompanied by his wife, also Mr. and Mrs. Cecil McRee, who visited in the home of relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Ideal Howell, there.

Deon Brown of the White Church community is residing here for the time being in the home of his aunt, Mrs. J. E. Perkins, and is a student in our school.

Mrs. Cox of Merkel visited with her daughter, Mrs. Earl Stevens, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Sipe Saturday attended the bedside of Mrs. Burl Sipe, who is ill in the hospital at Sweetwater.

Clarence Freeman and Miss Hester Newton were happily united in the holy bonds of matrimony last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Winn motored over to Hermleigh Sunday after the Sunday School hour and spent the remainder of the day with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. English.

Mr. and Mrs. John Payne attended the ball game at Abilene Friday night between A. C. C. and McMurry.

Little Joy Rossen is expected home

**UNION RIDGE NEWS**

(Omitted Last Week.)  
Carl Rogers of Clyde, who has been visiting in the home of his brother, A. L. Rogers, has returned home.

Miss LaVerne Harwell was the Saturday night guest of her cousin, Miss Dorothy Harwell, of Abilene.

Misses Jewell and Vada Gabbert were week-end guests of Miss Fanny Vessel of Trent and Miss Vessel returned home with them to spend the week.

Messrs. O. R., M. L. and J. L. Douglas made a business trip to Abilene Monday.

W. D. Watson and son, Carl, accompanied by Dale Burleson, made a business trip to DeLeon last week, returning Friday afternoon.

Miss Louise McBride has as her guest her cousin, Miss Louise Butler, of Tuscola.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Dean and family were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Foster of the Noodle Community.

Messrs. Bob Campbell and Ross Baker attended the bedside of the latter's sister, Mrs. Lacks of Zephyr several days last week.

Mrs. J. M. Taylor, who has been spending several days with her daughter, Mrs. O. R. Douglas, left Saturday for Big Spring where she will visit another daughter.

We are glad to have Mr. and Mrs. Bright move back into our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McMinn are spending several days with the latter's parents in Abilene.

Among those who were seen in Abilene Saturday were: Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Harwell, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Carney and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McBride.

Leland Nabors of Comanche was Friday night guest in the home of his aunt, Mrs. W. D. Watson. He was en route to Snyder.

Mrs. Betty Rendells of Memphis, Tenn., is visiting in the home of her son, W. R. McBride.

Our community is saddened at the death of Miss Pauline Demere, which occurred Friday, February 23, and the sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved family.

We are having some very cold weather here after having had such a mild winter.

H. E. Farmer, Sr., has been real sick but is better at this time.

Mrs. W. H. Brown and Mrs. B. D. Pressley and little daughter, Jean, are making a visit in the home of Mrs. Brown's daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Wilson, of Levelland.

Mrs. Minnie Reeves of Knox City visited in the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Farmer, recently.

Mr. P. A. Riggan and daughter, Mrs. Raymond Russom, were shopping in Merkel Tuesday.

Our teachers, Misses Baucum and Dunlap, spent the week-end in Abilene.

Mrs. John Coomer of Sweetwater spent part of last week at the bedside of her aunt, Miss Pauline Demere.

Friends of Mrs. W. L. Brown will be glad to learn she is improving some.

Little Miss Lula Bell Patterson of Butman spent the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Barnes.

O. W. Reed, who has been down for some four months, is showing a slight improvement and we hope with the coming of spring he can be up again.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Evans and children of Sweetwater were seen in our midst last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Demere and Mrs. Mims of San Angelo attended the funeral of their aunt, Miss Demere, here Friday.

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In an addenda to the report of receipts and disbursements by County Commissioner A. J. Canon, precinct 2, for the past year, which was published in The Mail last week, County Auditor L. R. Thompson accounts for a further saving of \$1,800 under the budget, as follows:

"In March, 1933, precinct 2 paid for culverts in the amount of \$1,800, which were ordered and placed in 1932, which will show an additional saving in that amount, or a total saving in budget allowance of \$4,907.77, instead of \$3,007.77, as reported."

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**BACON, sliced, pound** 19c

**Cheese Full Cream pound** 20c

**QOWLS, dry salt, pound** 7c

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**SPECIALS  
FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY  
MARCH 2 AND 3**

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dozen**

**ORANGES, large Sun Kist, dozen 27c**

**GRAPE FRUIT, large Texas, 4 for 25c**

**LETTUCE head 5c**

**YAMS, Kiln Dried, 5 pounds 17c**

**Coffee Sun Up, pound 19c  
R & W, 1 lb. 35c  
2 lbs. R & W 69c**

**OATS, B & W, large package 14c**

**Spuds 10 lbs. 23c**

**JELLO, all flavors, pkg. 6c**

**BAKING POWDER, Calumet, pound 25c**

**GRAPE NUTS FLAKES, package 10c**

**RAISIN BRAN, 2 packages 25c**

**TEA 1-4 lb. R & W 19c  
1-2 lb. R & W 37c**

**DRIED PEACHES, 2 pounds 25c**

**PINTO BEANS, 5 pounds 23c**

**Pears No. 1 can R & W 14c  
No. 2 1-2 can R & W 39c**

**FRESH PRUNES, No. 10 can 39c**

**PEACHES, No. 10 can 39c**

**MARSHMALLOWS, R & W, pound 19c**

**MEAL, R & W, 5 pounds 13c**

**Cocoa Blue & White pound 15c**

**WHEAT CEREAL, R & W, pkg. 19c**

**PEANUT BUTTER, quart 25c**

**Mayonnaise 8 oz. Jar 15c  
16 oz. jar 25c**

**ASPARAGUS, No. 1 tall can 18c**

**GREEN BEANS, No. 2 can Kuners, 2 for 25c**

**Sugar pure cane, cloth bag 10 pounds 49c**

**PEAS, No. 2 can R & W, Sifted 19c**

**SPINACH, No. 1 tall can, R & W, 2 for 23c**

**Soap R & W Giant 5 bars 19c**

**TOILET SOAP, Palmolive, bar 5c**

**SUPER SUDS, package 9c**

**PANCAKE FLOUR, pkg. 10c**

**SYRUP Ingleside No. 5 can 39c  
Ingleside No. 10 can 69c**

**MINCE MEAT, package 10c**

**Flour 12 lbs. R & W 59c  
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48 lbs. R & W \$1.95**





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MUSICAL-SHOWER.

The lovely home of Mrs. Philip Diltz was the scene of an enjoyable surprise party on Wednesday afternoon, naming Mrs. Bob Watters, who was until her marriage Miss Phala Diltz, as honoree with Mesdames Marvin Smith and Emory Jones, co-hostesses with Mrs. Diltz. Miss Mary Eula Sears gave appropriate vocal selections with Christine Collins at the piano; following her, Mrs. George Groene played request numbers at the piano.

The bride was taken upon a treasure hunt by Miss Vera Walker, revealing a display of lovely and useful gifts. Party colors of pink, green and white were carried out on a delectable refreshment plate of individual wedding cakes, hot chocolate, olives and mints with miniature brides and grooms as plate favors.

The following guests registered in the bride's book: Mesdames Bob Watters, R. M. Diltz, Homer Mayfield, Anson, R. L. Bland, Abilene, Janice Vanope, H. C. Reid, Roy Baeus, Will Toombs, Forrest Gaither, Booth Warren, Fred Baker, Amy Sears, A. C. Boney, Pearl Hollingsworth, Joe Bray Cypert, Bob Dunn, S. G. Russell, Sr., S. G. Russell, Jr., D. W. Diltz, George West, Harry Barnett, Bob McDonald, John Russell, Charlie Russell, Ralph Walker, R. A. Walker, Cotton Owens, George Groene, Oerie Pye, W. B. Stevens, Thomas Bearden, Inez Chadwick, R. B. Johnson, Trent, Bonnie Turner, Amarillo, E. L. Turner, Jr., Abilene, Carl Elliott, Mollie McCulloch, Dee Blain, C. H. Jones, Myrtle Boden, L. T. Toombs, T. D. Compton, Ansel Coats, Ethel Tucker, Sam Derstine, Opal Derstine, Henry West, John Shannon, W. M. Elliott, Juanita Ferguson, J. M. Watters, Abilene, Sam Redwine, Sam Nunally, Abilene, J. R. Pee, Cecil Guthrie, Chas. Higgins, Letha Baker, A. A. Baker, Andrew Baker, Jim Baker, Seth Diltz, Vernon Sublett, Misses Mary Derstine, Missie Dye, Alleyne Riley, May Dell Mayfield, Anson, Christine Collins, Mary Eula Sears, Mary Anna Mayfield, Selma Lee Russell, Iris Garrett, Jess Higgins, Marjorie Bland, Mildred Hamm, Edith Baker, Irene Warren, Mamie and Vera Walker and Hazel Watters, Abilene.

INFORMAL SHOWER.

A number of friends of Mrs. Homer Mayfield, nee Miss Ola Ellen Smith, very much surprised her on a recent visit home, with a shower of beautiful gifts. On Friday, Feb. 23, a group of ladies called in the home of Mrs. Marvin Smith, mother of the honoree, for the purpose of quilting two quilts for the bride; remaining through the noon hour, the number was greatly augmented during the afternoon when delicious refreshments of cake and hot chocolate were served.

Mrs. Mayfield was the happy recipient of gifts and congratulations all during the day. Those calling were Mesdames Homer Mayfield, Emory Jones, Marvin Smith, R. A. Walker, A. Coats, H. C. Williams, Sam Derstine, S. G. Russell, Ralph Walker, B. F. Middleton, Joe Cypert, W. J. Derstine, L. L. Murray, Ira Davis, Cora Curb, Jim Baker, Andrew Baker, Robert Watters, Earl Diltz, Bob Dunn, W. M. Elliott, A. A. Baker, W. L. Diltz, C. E. Jones, Virgil Hassey, P. A. Diltz, Harry Barnett, Misses Irene Warren, Lona Bryan, Vera and Mamie Walker, Mary Derstine, Mary Keny, Jess Higgins and May Dell Mayfield of Anson.

T. E. L. CLASS PARTY.

Members of the T. E. L. class held their open house meeting on last Wednesday in the home of Mrs. W. J. Largent, with Mrs. W. B. Stevens and Earl Lassiter co-hostesses with Mrs. Largent. George Washington's birthday furnished inspiration for the party arrangements and the lesson which was brought by Mrs. E. W. King.

Following a business session a delightful social hour was climaxed

# CHURCH SERVICES

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Our attendance at Sunday School and preaching was larger last Sunday than for some time past.

We had a fine training course last week with an average attendance of about a hundred. Brother Joyner taught "Christian Principles." He is a great Bible student and his lessons were greatly appreciated by a large class.

We had an attendance of 110 at prayer meeting Wednesday evening. Our prayer meetings are growing all the while and the lessons that Brother Joyner has been bringing us from Hebrews are truly inspiring.

Our meeting will begin next Sunday, March 4. Brother Joyner will do the preaching and Joe Trussell of Brownwood, one of the best singers of the South, will lead the singing.

Sunday School at 10 o'clock. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. B. T. S. at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

Attendance at the six reporting Sunday Schools here last Sunday was 675, as compared with 580 on the Sunday before. On the same Sunday a year ago there were 791 present.

METHODIST NEWS NOTES.

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Herbert Patterson, superintendent. Broth- er Patterson is very desirous that each superintendent of the depart-

with the serving of delicious tongue salad and individual cherry pies with coffee to Mesdames L. J. Renfro, T. E. Collins, E. W. King, Melvin Carey, Booth Warren, O. R. Dye, A. R. Booth, J. J. McNeese, Hail Lancaster, Lassiter and Largent.

LEAGUE SOCIAL.

Paul Collins entertained the young people's Epworth league with a social at the Methodist church Saturday evening.

A devotional taken from Galatians was given by the host and Rev. P. H. Gates led prayer. W. A. Whiteley was in charge of a short business session and Wanda Hunter read the minutes of the last session. Marcella Pinckley was elected chairman of the standing committee on citizenship and community service.

A number of interesting games were played in which the guests were divided into two groups and each group presented a stunt, concluding the enjoyable recreational hour.

Delicious pineapple pie and coffee were served to: Florene Rider, Thelma McAninch, Eleanor Mae Hamilton, Johnnie Middleton, Pauline and Marcella Pinckley, Vivian Lasater, Waldernie Huskey, Mary Collins, Wanda Hunter, W. A. Whiteley, Ward Berryman, Johnnie Kelly, Weldon McAninch, Elmo Collins, Kenneth Cribley and Rev. and Mrs. P. H. Gates.

THE WORLD CLUB.

The Boys and Girls World club, of which Miss Flo Rider is superintendent, was entertained at the Methodist church Tuesday afternoon. After many games were enjoyed, sandwiches and fruit were passed to the following:

Dorina Lee Shelton, Bonnie Church, Ainsworth Gates, Joe Gates, Mary Jo Russell, Eloise Perry, Becky Gardner, Udie Camp, Johnie McDonald, Gwendolyn Vaughn, Mary Margaret Boden, Billie Wood, Bub Esau, Leola Marshall, Buster Marshall, Evelyn Sears, Sampie McGehee, George Watford, Joe Glen Wells, Gertie Lou Pee and one visitor, Doris Gay West.

ments be on time and see that each teacher is before his class; if the

teacher cannot and will not be able to be at Sunday School Sunday, will please let the superintendent of his department know, so that some other teacher can be arranged for. Come to Sunday School next Sunday at 9:45.

Preaching at 11 a. m. This will be sacrament day and we will observe the Lord's Supper. The subject will be, "The Importance of Salvation." Come and worship with us.

The young people will meet at 6:15 p. m.

There will be no services at the evening hour, as the revival will begin at the Baptist church and we will attend the service with our Baptist friends.

P. H. Gates, Pastor.

LEAGUE PROGRAM.

The League program for Sunday, March 4, is entitled "When You're a Boss."

Leader, Marcella Pinckley. Scripture—John 15:9-17 and Philom 1:10-18.

Part 1, Jess Higgins; 2, Curtis McAninch; 3, W. A. Whiteley, Jr.

Reading, Vivian Lasater. Part 4, Pauline Pinckley.

The material is found in the March issue of "Epworth Highroad."

League meets at 6:30. Every young person is especially invited to attend.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. You will find a friendly welcome and classes for both young and old. We'll be glad to have you enroll with us at the start of the new month.

Preaching at 11 a. m. by the pastor, followed by a communion service. Offering for Reynolds Home.

In order to co-operate with the Baptist revival there will be no preaching service Sunday night nor prayer meeting on Wednesday night.

R. A. Walker, Pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Services for the week are as follows: Lord's day, Bible study 10 a. m., preaching 11 a. m., young people's program 5 p. m. and preaching 7:30 p. m. Subject for 11 a. m., "The Resurrection of Christ." For 7:30 p. m. "The Conversion of the Samaritans." Wednesday: Bible study conducted by Brother West at 7:30 p. m. and a sermon by one of the young A. C. C. preachers at 8 p. m.

We invite all to come.

The Elders.

NAZARENE CHURCH.

Despite the cold weather we had an increase in our Sunday School and preaching service Sunday morning and we had a real good time in the Lord.

Our Sunday School is moving along nicely under the efficient leadership of our superintendent, Sister Fannie King.

Our N. Y. P. S. was reorganized with Edna Mayhall as president, Easter Campbell secretary and Juanita Bishop pianist. We are looking forward to better days in the near future.

Come worship with us. Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. N. Y. P. S. 7 p. m. Preaching 8 p. m. Singing every Tuesday night 7:30. Prayer meeting Thursday night at 7:30.

J. L. Mayhall, Pastor.

NORTHSIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.

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"The Spirit of Anti-Christ" will be our subject Saturday night.

Brother Calvin Rister from Tye preached a fine sermon last Sunday.

Brother Sam Morris preached a fine sermon Monday night on the text, "My feet had almost slipped."

Brother and Sister Frank Carr are now directing our choir. Chester Reagh is directing the junior choir. Let all the juniors come and be in that choir.

The pastor has a little gift for all the juniors Sunday night.

That Ford is still ahead. Let everybody be in Bible School Sunday.

Ernest Dowell, Pastor.

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