



# TRAILS' END

## FIRST INSTALLMENT.

Life was not real. It was a castle of lovely brittle glass and it was crackling and splintering all around her.

The girl in the cream-colored roadster tried to realize it in all its ugly implications, tried to see her way through the bristling wreckage which had closed in on her.

Things didn't happen like that; they simply didn't. To some, perhaps, to the reckless and hardboiled who did things that invited disaster; lived on excitement and wild parties. Not to girls who led normal, healthy lives and did the usual pleasant, agreeable things, and were thrilled to pieces over their work and the glorious chance of success in it. It could not happen.

But it had. What was she going to do about it?

The girl kept haunted young eyes on the road ahead, mechanically efficient while her thoughts darted and turned, hunting frantically for a way out. The speedometer needle trembled at sixty, and slid back to forty-five. She must not drive too fast, and risk being stopped for speeding. Of all times, not now.

What was she going to do?

For the first time the firm little hands on the wheel slackened and shook, but she steadied them again resolutely. The roadster hummed softly on. The wind that rushed by her face was sharp with the night chill and damp with the smell of the Pacific. Long fingers of light reached out for her and were dimmed; a nondescript car rattled past, its driver sending a curious glance at the smart roadster with the pretty girl at the wheel, alone.

The air on her cheek was noticeably wet, bringing its own message. A thin fog was creeping in from the sea. Presently it would be thicker, a fleecy white blanket. She saw its woolly whiteness closing silently around a dark beach bungalow, miles back of her, shrouding it, hiding it, smothering sight and sound.

There were no lights in that bungalow, to heat through in a golden haze. She saw it as she had last seen it, blank-windowed, dark and furtive on its strip of sheltered beach. A silhouette against the pale rectangle of a door. A man's silhouette.

Memories came like black wings, swooping down on her. Other things . . . things that were said. She didn't want to think of them.

The road curved again. She saw a single light ahead, and her own headlights picked up a motorcycle drawn to one side of the highway, and a man in uniform bending over it. A motorcycle policeman. He looked up, with a professional eye on the oncoming car.

She wanted to step on the gas and go roaring past him, but she didn't. Somehow she stopped. Somehow she kept his voice cool and natural.

"Any trouble, officer? Can I call up a garage for you—or anything?"

"Why no, lady. Much obliged."

The man in uniform was disillusioned and hardboiled, but he grinned appreciatively at the small creature competently offering help. Drivers of speedy cars didn't usually waste much grief over a motor cop stalled by the roadside. And this was a pretty girl, pretty even for this favored strip of the coast, where pretty girls flocked from all over the country. A little thing, with big soft eyes and a red beret pulled at a gallant angle over a small, dark head. Looked like a nice kid, for all she was tearing around the country alone at this hour of the night. A swell car, too; it must have cost a hatful of money. Later he was to remember that car, and the girl who had driven it.

He swung a sturdy leg over his saddle.

"Better detour inland if you're going far. The fog's getting thick back there. Driving's going to be bad before long."

"Thanks, I'll remember."

She smiled, and the cream-colored roadster slid past him. Fog, and dangerous driving along the coast road. It was so very simple.

She had been up and down this road a score of times since the new roadster had been hers. She knew its curves, its grades, its ragged coast line. She knew, now, where she was going. The speedometer needle crept a little higher.

A road appeared branching obliquely from the main highway. Tall trees marched along each side of it, and a denser planting showed ahead. In the darkness beneath the trees she brought the roadster to a standstill, and let her hands drop from the wheel.

It was lucky that she had remembered this place. So accessible and yet so secluded, with no curious eyes to see the queer preparations that she had to make. . . . Funny how wobbly she felt, now that she could just drop back and let go. . . . It wouldn't do. She must get herself in hand, keep her head clear and her nerve steady.

It was not so easy. She seemed to be two people, and one of them was a sly, persistent imp which hovered close to her ear, fleeing and wheeling.

"You're running away! Running away! You've never been a quitter before."

"But I've never," she found herself arguing, "been in such a ghastly jam before."

"If you go now, you can't come back. You'll be giving up everything. All this that you've worked for. You can't ever go back to that."

"I know. That's all finished . . ." She shook herself impatiently and swung the door open with a vigorous jab.

The pocket of her light sports coat bumped clumsily against her as she stepped down. She stood very still for a moment, with an odd, arrested look on her face. Then she thrust her hand into the overloaded pocket and drew out the thing which had weighed it down.

Starlight had all but vanished before the stealing mist, but even in that obscurity it was a bright and lovely trifle, a woman's jeweled bag, extraordinarily full. The strained catch must have been too hastily snapped shut, for it yawned open at a touch, and the bulging contents oozed into view. Bills, the bag was fairly stuffed with them, high denomination bills, tightly crammed in.

The girl in the red beret stared at it soberly. It seemed to give her no pleasure, not even any particular sense of the risk she ran in carrying such a sum with her, through lonely roads and at all hours of the night. She just let the bag lie there on her open hand, looking at it.

There was a faint aversion in that look. The palm tilted slowly, as though she meant deliberately to let that opulent roll slide to the dust at her feet. Then with a brief grimace of distaste she righted her hand again, thrust the bag deep into the coat pocket and turned, a little blindly, back to the car.

The girl looked very small beside the big car, very young and troubled, yet somehow determined, and every move now was brisk and efficient. A vigorous tug, and a smart traveling case came out of the car—was hidden behind a mass of shrubbery.

"Lucky," she reflected, "that I was all set to stay . . . If there is any luck in such a miserable snarl as this."

She slipped quickly into her seat again, and the engine's heavy purr cut abruptly into the stillness. The roadster swung smoothly out of the shadowed drive and down toward the highway. The fog had thickened perceptibly and the road was dark, but she drove without lights. Time enough to switch those on. There must be no one who could remember, later, a distant glimpse of flaring lights.

On the last turn she had a good view of the main road in both directions. No dazzle of oncoming lights showed either way, blurring through the fog. She swept out into the highway, and her own came on.

There was no placid strips of beach here; only rough ground and dark rocky headland, now fairly close, now farther away, dropping sheer. About an eighth of a mile beyond there should be a place where it jutted boldly into the sea.

There it was. A queer little tingle went skipping over her as she caught sight of it, vaguely outlined. How much distance would she need? Ten—no, twenty feet before striking the incline. It would be too dangerous beyond that. She brought the car slowly to a standstill. Shut off the engine.

For a moment she sat listening, every nerve alert. There was not a sound, except for the heavy murmur of the sea below. Even though fog might muffle distant sounds, it wasn't dense enough yet to matter. She started the engine again.

Her heart was beating fast as she stepped down. The roadster was pointing at a strange angle. It looked so sleek and beautiful, and she let a hand rest on it softly. This was a shabby trick to play on a good friend, but it had to be done. She would miss it, too.

There was no time to be wasted. She stepped up and leaned in, and her

hands moved swiftly and competently. She gave a last tug and a hasty glance toward the naked ledge beyond.

The car lurched and started, and left the smooth road with a protesting heave. It was gathering speed, bumping over the uneven ground. She jumped, staggered for a few steps and fell.

Huddled there on hands and knees, panting but unhurt, she saw the big car strike the slope and go hurtling down. Lurching, with lights flaring toward the empty sea. On the brink it seemed almost to rear back, hung for a split second and flashed down. She saw it turning, and pressed her hand to her ears against the grinding crash of its fall.

The silence that followed was blank and empty. She pulled her hands down shamefacedly and found the palms moist.

"That's done!" she muttered shakily, and got to her feet. Her face was a white patch against the darkness.

She knew that she must hurry away, before some belated motorist came by and saw her. A girl in a red beret had ceased to exist, and her flitting ghost must not be seen. How queer it seemed . . . there wasn't any such girl any more.

A dusty train oiled steadily through empty country. It was a short train, only three coaches and a baggage car, and the coaches had left their first youth far behind. But this was a branch line, crawling long miles out of the beaten track of the big transcontinentals, and Number Twelve's patrons did not expect the pampered ease of Pullman and dining car.

About midway of the last car a girl sat looking out of the window. The outlook was not particularly interesting, that she should be so absorbed in it. Sand and low bushes, endlessly slipping by. A distant peak. A smear of blue which might be still more distant mountains. Sand, bushes, sand. The girl hadn't seen a house for miles.

The scattered half dozen of her fellow passengers looked at her with undeniable frequency, partly because she was the pleasantest thing there was to look at in their whole journey, and partly from a healthy curiosity. Strangers, and particularly strangers as pretty as that, did not often travel on Number Twelve.

The girl felt that friendly scrutiny. She had been restless under any interested glance for days, and it was not merely interest in the harsh waste beyond the window which kept her face so steadily turned that way. She wondered, with a prickle of uneasiness, what newspaper people saw out here.

Newspapers! She turned a little further toward the window, remembering a terrifying, heart-squeezing day when she had last heard them cried on the streets of a big city.

What a morning that had been! The cheerful Saturday crowd thronging the downtown streets, jamming good-naturedly at the crossings; newsboys shouting their wares; people buying them, talking about something that had just happened. Herself among them, feeling curiously unreal as she handed over her pennies, and rather small and quaking as she looked at a front page splashed with headlines and pictures. Her picture. Feeling all chilly and gone inside, even though the face on the front page was so different from that of the girl on the street, with her hair pulled forward in loose, dark waves under a low-brimmed hat. Putting nervous finger tips up to the framing hair, to make sure that it completely hid the uncomfortable strips of adhesive which gave her eyes and eyebrows that long, unfamiliar tilt. Wondering if the tiny pads under her lip were still properly in place, and if they really did change her mouth as much as she had thought—and then passing a long mirror and seeing a queer looking stranger there. Thanking her stars—her one remaining star—that she had learned how to do such things. Hurrying at last to a railroad station, to get as far away as she could before another day came.

In the nearly empty station, with an hour's wait for her train, she had sat in a secluded corner and read the paper from the first page to the last.

It had been rather ghastly. All those pictures of a girl who was supposed to be dead and mustn't ever come back to life again; insets of other people whose lives had touched hers; a snapshot taken from a boat, showing curling waves against a cliff's dark background, black, ragged rocks thrusting out of the water, and sprawled helplessly on one of them the twisted shattered wreckage of a car.

It was news. There had been several columns about it. Reports, conjectures, interviews. A motorcycle policeman had testified to meeting a young lady in that same roadster and warning her about the thickening fog. No, there had been nothing in the young

lady's manner to indicate any suicidal intent.

One thing had puzzled her badly. There had been all this about one roadster found wrecked at the base of a cliff, but not one line in the whole story about the thing she had feared most. How could that be suppressed?

The man across the aisle was saying something to another man several seats back. Everybody here seemed to know everybody else. Perhaps it would have been better, after all, to have buried herself in a big city. One can be lost so quickly in the shifting crowds. But there would be always someone who knew some day, or someone who knew her: In shop or office, in restaurant, or on a crowded street.

She wasn't going to be actually in any town. It was some miles out of this town of Marston, whatever that was like, at the end of a long private road, the agent had admitted. She had named it already. Trail's End. She liked the sound of that. Remoteness. Safety. Home. And work, of course.

Marston Station barked in the afternoon sunshine. Northeast and southwest the long line of rails winked and flashed to a disappearing glimmer. Southward, beyond the limits of the little town, dun-colored desert sand stretched on and on, simmering with heat and dotted sparsely with the low, greyed brush of the waterless lands. To the north and northwest lay a similar stretch, cut off obliquely by an abrupt line of hills.

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# THE BADGER WEEKLY

## ALL ABOARD FOR HASKELL AND A FOURTH VICTORY

Football season has opened with the Badgers going strong. Under the coaching of R. B. Irvin, who has some thirty-six men coming out, the Badgers have stopped three opponents. Clyde, the first victim, gave the first game for the Badgers. Although outweighed considerably, Merkel turned them under by the score of 13 to 6. Anson, who invaded the local field for the first conference game, left on the little end of 19 to 0. Stamford, another conference foe, also returned home minus a victory. Again the Badgers won 13 to 0.

Friday night at 8 on the Haskell field, Merkel will meet a strong conference foe. The Badgers have been training hard and are expected to put up a strong fight. Let's go to Haskell and help those Badgers win!

### CHORAL CLUB

The Choral club was organized Thursday, September 20, 1934. The following officers were elected: president, Billie Bernice Gambill; vice-president, Anna Lou Church; secretary-treasurer, Mary Helen Mashburn; reporter, Mildred West.

The chorus has been learning several new songs and will be ready to give some of these numbers in chapel within the next week or so.

We are very enthusiastic about our operetta this year and we are planning to give it much earlier than usual.

## The Badger Weekly

Published weekly by the students of Merkel High School and sponsored by the Senior class of '35—Mrs. R. B. Irvin, Sponsor.

### The Staff:

Editor-in-Chief—Mary Helen Lancaster.  
Assistant Editor—Clara Frances Largent.  
Society Editor—Vivian Davis.  
Sports Editor—Lloyd Robertson.  
Joke Editor—Joe Earl Lassiter.

## Senior News

The Senior class of 1934-1935 met October 4, 1934, in order to elect the Badger Weekly Staff. The following Seniors were elected:

Mary Helen Lancaster—Editor.  
Clara Frances Largent—Assistant Editor.  
Vivian Davis—Society Editor.  
Lloyd Robertson—Sports Editor.  
Joe Earl Lassiter—Joke Editor.

### FOOTBALL COURTESY.

Some people think that courtesies should be applied only at a banquet or formal function, but courtesy at a football game is just as important.

Some discourtesies we should avoid when we go to Haskell are:

- (1) Hooting the opponent;
- (2) Cheering when a Haskell player is hurt;
- (3) Cheering when the opponents are penalized;
- (4) Crowding over the side lines during the game;
- (5) Leaving the field before the end of the game;
- (6) Throwing apples or cushions;
- (7) Drinking at the games or on football trips;
- (8) Taking part in petty fusses with discourteous home-townners on the sidelines.

### OFFICERS ELECTED.

The Senior class, which has fifty-eight members, was called to order on October 1, 1934, by their sponsor, Mrs. Irvin, in order to elect officers for the year 1934-1935. The following were elected:

Harry Boaz, president.  
Joe Cook, vice-president.  
Anna Lou Church, secretary.  
Aline McAninch, reporter.

### JOKES.

Harold: "But how did the police spot you in your woman's disguise?"  
Vondell: "I passed a milliner's shop without looking in at the window."

Robbie: "What is the difference between capital and labor, Miss Patterson?"  
Miss Patterson: "Well, the money you lend represents capital and getting it back represents labor."

The laziest guy, Jack Stanford, handed in his examination paper, on which he said, "Please see Smitty's paper for my answers."

M. Cribley: "The road to success

## PURPLE AND GOLD OF PEP SQUAD IS BACKING BADGERS

The Pep Squad was organized the first week of school. Billie Bernice Gambill, the leader, is really working this year and Merkel has a wonderful Pep Squad. Betty Grimes and Clara Frances Largent are assistant leaders. At the first meeting Mary Helen Mashburn was elected secretary and treasurer and Opal Buzbee, reporter. Little Joy Frances West was chosen as mascot and she plays a very important part in our Pep Squad.

The Pep Squad has presented two formations and are planning to go to Haskell Friday night and show off those purple and gold dresses. Everybody be there and back those Badgers! ! !

### DRAMATIC CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS.

Richard Burton has said, "Actors are more than glad to play in drama sound as art and as life."

On Wednesday, September 19, Merkel High school proved the truth of this quotation as seventy of her members met in their club room to elect new officers for the year 1934-1935. Under the guidance of the president, Vivian Davis, the following were chosen as leaders:

Lynn Shelton, vice-president.  
Billie Bernice Gambill, secretary.  
Clara Frances Largent, reporter.  
A committee composed of Mary Helen Mashburn, Billie Bernice Gambill, Clara Frances Largent, Anna Lou Church, Mildred West, Lynn Shelton, Bessie Boaz, Charles Tipton, James Smith and Clifton Bellamy will entertain the club on Friday night, October 19. Two one-act plays will furnish the dramatic study for this initial meeting.

Harold: "But how did the police spot you in your woman's disguise?"  
Vondell: "I passed a milliner's shop without looking in at the window."

Robbie: "What is the difference between capital and labor, Miss Patterson?"  
Miss Patterson: "Well, the money you lend represents capital and getting it back represents labor."

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## News That Is News

Through the aid of our professional caves-dropper, we are able to publish this "newsical" conversation between a Sophomore and a Freshman.

Soph: "Nice little freshman, don't you cry; you're not the only new thing in Merkel High."

Nor the only green one either. We are proud to display a pretty lawn which extends from the east side of high school to the west side of grammar school, adding color and beauty to the whole campus.

Fish: "What is that thing out by the football field?"

Soph: "Bleachers! Bleachers for the fans! You must come out and sit on them sometime, next time."

Fish: "Well, let's go in and see what's on the inside. Here's a stack of new books, several stacks, and Mr. Burgess says there are more to come."

Soph: "Wait till you see room eleven."

Fish: "What about it?"  
Soph: "Last year the seats faced south, with the only two windows in the back of the room. Now they have changed the seats so that they face east."

Fish: "What did they do that for?"  
Soph: "To improve the lighting system, of course, Greenie."

Fish: "Oh."

Soph: "Come here and see the new book shelves in the Junior room—pardon me!—in the Senior room." (The Seniors sit in the old Junior room now.)

Fish: "What did they change for?"

Soph: "Because of an 'overproductive' complex among the Seniors."

Fish: "Oh."

Soph: "Here we are downstairs again. Look what's written on the bulletin board."

Fish: "What?"

Soph: "Badgers beat Bulldogs, 13-0. That was a good game. Say, did you know that the football boys are dolled out in new suits this year?"

Fish: "No."

Soph: "Well, they are, and they have a new hot shower, too."

Fish: "I hear mamma calling me. Bye."

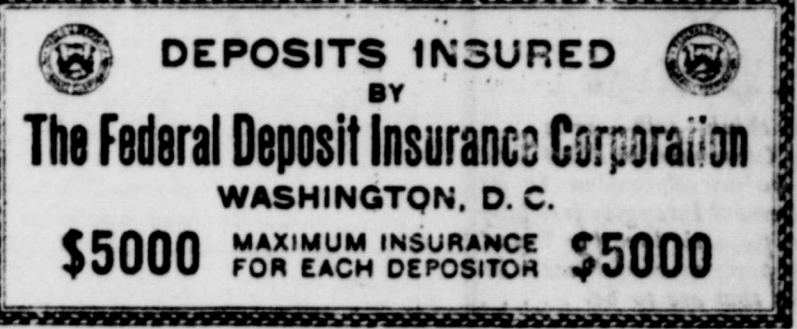
Soph: "Goodbye. He's gone and I forgot to tell him about the new bus. Gee, new lawn, new bleachers, new books, new shelves, new arrangements, new football suits, new shower and new bus. M. H. S. certainly has a great deal to be proud of."

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Austin, Oct. 11.—The state common school fund received the record total of \$8,496,212 as its one-fourth "cut" of Texas' gasoline tax income for the fiscal year which ended August 31, or nearly \$1,000,000 more than in every previous year, Comptroller George H. Sheppard announced Monday. Schools receive one cent of the four-cent state gas tax.

Working his first full fiscal year with an adequate field force under the state's strong new "anti-bootleg" law, the comptroller boosted gas tax income \$4,036,845 above last year to an all-time high total of \$33,984,848, his annual report showed.

The total income is broken up into three parts. In addition to the \$8,496,212 for schools, another \$8,496,212 goes to county tax relief in the refunding of county road bonds. Whereas the fund last year was able to pay all interest on such bonds but only 30 per cent of the principal the increase will permit paying this year of all interest and at least half the principal maturities, if not more, Mr. Sheppard estimated.

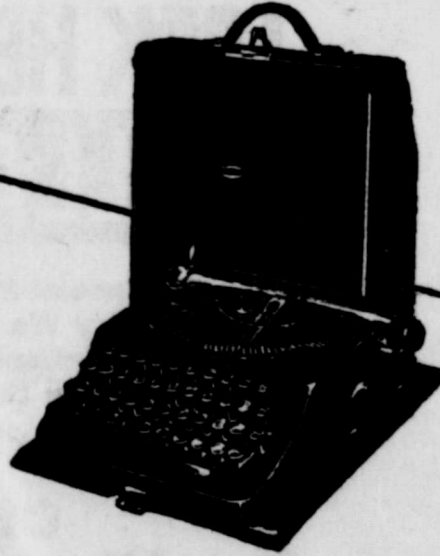
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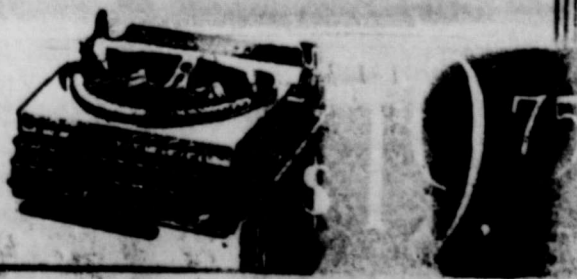
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Four boys from Merkel were included in the latest quota to be sent to CCC camps from Taylor county. They are: Clements Carey, Thomas Hunter, Holley Clay Allen and E. R. Thompson...

728 head of sheep were shipped to Fort Worth this week as part of the government's drought relief program. Merkel and Troscola ranchmen...

Preaching at Stith. Rev. DeWeese of Anson will preach at the Stith Baptist church Sunday afternoon, Oct. 14, at 3 o'clock.

Record of Births. Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Darby, Trent, Thursday, October 4, 1934.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Kelson, residing near Stith, Sunday, October 7, 1934.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lillmer, in IXL community, Monday, October 8, 1934.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. William Townsend, residing north of town, Tuesday, October 9, 1934.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Price, residing north of town, Wednesday, October 10, 1934.

White Church School Opens. The White Church school opened Monday, October 8, with a good attendance.

TELEPHONE THE MAIL... The Mail will be glad to receive news of entertainments or visitors in Merkel homes...

Chevrolet to Sponsor Sectional Broadcasts Of 56 Football Games

Detroit, Oct. 11.—Fifty-six of the most important college football games of the 1934 season will be covered play by play in a series of sectional broadcasts sponsored by the Chevrolet Motor Co.

The novel plan of blanketing a large proportion of the United States with sectional broadcasts was adopted by Chevrolet in lieu of national broadcasts of single games in order to give listeners in each area the opportunity to follow the details of the one game in which they are especially interested.

To supplement the detailed description of each sectional game, there will be broadcasts during "time outs" and between periods of telegraphic bulletins covering other leading games of particular interest in the same region.

The scheduled broadcasts of particular interest to listeners in the southwestern area, together with the stations carrying the reports, are as follows: Stations, Southwest Network (KRLD, Dallas; KTAT, Fort Worth; KTSA, San Antonio; KTRH, Houston; WACO, Waco; KFDM, Beaumont; KGKO, Wichita Falls; KLRB, Little Rock, KNOW, Austin).

Oct. 13, Texas vs. Oklahoma at Dallas. Oct. 20, TCU vs. Texas A. & M. at College Station. Oct. 27, SMU vs. Fordham at New York City.

Clarifies One Phase Reduction Program

Definite statement from the AAA in regard to the status of the tenant farmer under certain conditions is conveyed in a letter, dated October 9, received by T. H. Kell, Route 3, in reply to his letter to the United States department of agriculture.

Colored School Will Open Monday, Oct. 13

The Merkel colored school will open next Monday, October 15, and all colored people of the district are asked to co-operate, especially to see that their children are entered at the opening of school, if possible.

Read the advertisements in this paper. There's a message in every one of them that may enable you to save money. At least you will know where to find what you want without doing a lot of hunting and asking questions.

Use The Mail Want Ads.

FLOWERS For ALL OCCASIONS MISSIE'S FLORAL SHOP

Badgers Win

(Continued from Page One.) ball to the 5-yard line from where Boaz crossed the goal line.

The line-ups: Stamford Pos. Merkel Louis RE Joyner Russell RT Carson Massey RG Tipton Bounds C Toombs Astin LG Sublett Pruitt LT McAninch Meeker LE Patton Terry Q Adeock Rucker RH Higgins Flourquiran LH Richards Selman, capt. FB Boaz, Capt.

The score by periods: Merkel 7 0 0 6—13 Stamford 0 0 0 0—0 First downs, Merkel 10, Stamford 0. Penalties, Merkel 1 for 5 yards; Stamford 5 for 25 yards.

Fasses, Merkel 5, 1 complete, 4 incomplete; Stamford 5, 1 complete, 3 incomplete, 1 intercepted.

Punts, Merkel (Boaz) 5 times, average 44 yards; Stamford (Terry) 7 times, average 31 yards.

Yards gained, Merkel 197, Stamford 47. Substitutes: Merkel, Robertson, Cypert, Cook, Blair and Gambill; Stamford, King for Watson.

Urgent Plea to Protect Shrubs on Highway Plot

Despite the devastating effects of the drought, many of the shrubs planted along the railroad right-of-way through the activity of the local highway beautification committee have survived and, as a matter of town pride, it is hoped that those who have been thoughtlessly making cows or other livestock to graze will stop the practice.

Mrs. R. A. Burgess, chairman of the local committee, has asked The Mail to make the request through it.

Temporary space for sale at Merkel Mail office. Advertisements in The Merkel Mail, office supplies—Mail office.

THINGS YOU MAY NOT KNOW... ABOUT YOUR TELEPHONE

The telephone had its birth 58 years ago in a make-shift Boston research laboratory, where Alexander Graham Bell watched a tiny straw attached to the eardrum of a human skull trace a wavering line on smoked glass.

Since then, telephone history has been told in countless scientific problems solved. Bell Telephone Laboratories, research arm of the telephone service, is the reason you now may talk across continents and seas, that most telephone wires are underground, that a single long distance line may carry four simultaneous conversations.

Research scientists at the Laboratories search constantly for inventions and improvements that may be developed by the Southwestern Bell company, and the other Bell operating companies, to keeping the price you pay for telephone service low.

Back of this fundamental policy is the belief that in an undertaking planned like the telephone service for the long pull, what is best for the telephone user becomes in the end the policy that will bring us the sounder, more enduring measure of success.

SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY

Wedding of F. A. Sanders and Mrs. Morris Announced

Congratulations are being extended Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Sanders since the announcement of their wedding which was solemnized at six o'clock Wednesday evening at the home of Rev. W. G. Cypert, who performed the ceremony.

Audie Sanders is the popular and efficient mail carrier on Route 3 and his bride, before marriage, was Mrs. Lula Morris, also of Merkel and possessing a wide circle of friends.

They will, of course, continue to make their home here.

J. H. Ensminger, Miss Bertha Tucker, Wed

Mr. J. H. Ensminger and Miss Bertha Tucker were united in marriage at five o'clock Sunday afternoon at the home of the bride in Southwest Merkel, with Rev. C. B. Joyner, pastor of the First Baptist church, officiating.

The groom is one of this community's pioneer citizens and large land owners, while the bride is also a member of one of the community's early families, being the daughter of J. C. Tucker.

The Mail joins many friends in extending congratulations and best wishes to the contracting parties.

Complete line of office supplies at Mail office.

Adding machine rolls at Merkel Mail office.

When Theodore Roosevelt went to Cuba to fight in the Spanish-American war, he took twelve extra pairs of spectacles with him, knowing that he would be helpless should he break his eyeglasses in battle.



SERVED FREE SATURDAY, OCT. 13 at "M" SYSTEM STORE

Offers Week-End Fare 1c Per Mile Each Way

The Texas and Pacific railway is offering a special week-end fare of one-cent a mile each way for the State Fair at Dallas, which, according to Frank Jensen, general passenger agent, "is one of the lowest State Fair rates we have ever put on."

"This very low rate," Mr. Jensen said, "should be particularly attractive this year because of the race meet being held along with the Fair. This is the first time races have been held at the State Fair in more than twenty years."

Such a low fare should also appeal to people who can attend the fair only on the week-end or who can spare only a day or so at the fair.

Week-end Fair tickets are good in chair cars and coaches on all trains arriving in Dallas Saturdays or up to 3:30 p. m. Sundays during the Fair.

Returning in Dallas Saturdays or up to 3:30 p. m. Sundays during the Fair.

Return limit to leave Dallas before midnight Sunday. Tickets are on sale at all Texas and Pacific stations in Texas.

The Texas and Pacific is also offering extremely low rates to the State Fair every day.

RUMMAGE SALE. The Stith Missionary society will have a rummage sale in the Rainbolt building, next door to the West Texas Utilities office, on Friday and Saturday, October 12-13. They will also sell eggs, butter and canned goods.

SPECIAL for another ten days: \$6.50 oil steamed permanents for \$2.00; \$4.00 oil waves now \$1.00 (two for \$1.50); special to school children, two permanents for \$1.00. Wave sets 15c. At Cozy Inn on Oak street.

PALACE THEATRE BY AND FOR MERKEL PEOPLE

Starting Saturday, October 13 A BIG MERCHANTS' FREE MATINEE From 1:30 to 5:30 p. m. Sponsored by Merkel Merchants

Go to the merchants where you trade and secure a free ticket to the Palace Theatre Saturday Matinee. You don't have to buy anything—just ask for a ticket at your merchant's. This show is a gift from them to you. It's FREE. Look for the sign in the windows and ask them for all details. Trade with the merchants who have made this possible.

The following merchants are making this FREE MATINEE possible:

- West Co., Inc. Max Mellinger Merkel Drug Co. McDonald Grocery Barrow Furniture Co. Merkel Motor Co. Jones Dry Goods Co. Reid Variety Store Farmers State Bank W. I. Peters Bragg Dry Goods Co. Woozy's Cafe Dandy Bakery Patterson's Market Sie Hamm Drug Co. City Shoe Shop J. L. Speck, the Jeweler Wood Grocery City Dry Cleaners Pence Cafe "M" System Store
- Bullock Hardware Co. J. N. Carson Grocery Blake's Dry Cleaners Case Grocery Church Motor Co. American Cafe J. T. Dennis Wheeler and Vaughn Good Eats Cafe Bird and Whatley W. E. Carr Hughes Motor Co. J. D. Porter Jay Greenfield S. H. Pittman Emory (Naphtha) Jones City Barber Shop Floyd McCoy Palace Barber Shop Petty & West Sanitary Barber Shop Bob McDonald

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**FOR SALE**

**FOR SALE**  
**MARES AND HORSES**  
We have several  
**WEST COMPANY, Inc.**

**FOR SALE**—40 head of fine calves, still with their mothers; will sell any number \$6.50 per head. Sam Butman.

**FOR SALE**—One fine Jersey milk cow with calf 6 weeks old. See C. B. Williams at Merkel Mail.

**WANTED**

**WILL BUY** or trade for a good used coupe; must be worth the money. Patterson's Market.

**FOR RENT**

**FOR RENT**—My home furnished and my two-story brick building on Kent street Jan. 1. See Mrs. A. H. Thornton.

**FOR RENT**—Three room apartment, first house north of Christian Church. Mrs. M. C. Sadler.

**FOR RENT**—Modern 5-room house, east front, on Oak street. L. R. Cade.

Typewriting and carbon paper at Mail office.

**RURAL SOCIETY**

**DINNER COMPLIMENT.**

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hays elaborately entertained a group of friends Sunday at their home in honor of their son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hays.

At the noon hour a sumptuous dinner was served to the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hays, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bigham and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Higgins, Gladys Petty, Lula Rister, Neva Higgins, Leonard Turner, Ryle Griffith, Jack and Paxton Hays and the hosts.

**BLAIR ORGANIZES CLUB.**

The women of the Blair community organized a Home Demonstration club at the school auditorium on Wednesday, October 3, with thirteen members.

The following officers were elected: president, Mrs. John Russell; vice president, Mrs. Carl Hughes; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. T. A. Mitchell; club reporter, Mrs. Hugh Campbell.

All school patrons and visitors from the surrounding communities are urged to come. Your influence will help make this club one of the best in the county.

Date for the next meeting will be announced later.

**UNION RIDGE CLUB.**

Friday afternoon the Union Ridge club met in the home of Mrs. Selma Russell, with Mrs. Kenneth Pee as co-hostess.

The house was called to order by the president, Mrs. W. A. Harris and, after the business session was concluded, Mrs. O. R. Douglas was elected chairman of the recreation committee.

Miss Norma Patton was awarded the club basket and she in turn presented

it to her sister, Mrs. Dale Burleson, who was until her recent marriage Miss Ruby Patton and who was very active in club work. After each club member granted a wish to the bride, another basket of gifts was bestowed on her.

Sandwiches, cookies and punch was served to the following visitors: Mesdames W. D. Burleson, W. A. Thornton, Philip Diltz, D. A. Lee, W. D. Butler, Islea Walker; club members present were Mesdames Dale Burleson, S. G. Russell, Jr., O. R. Douglas, Lige Harris, O. E. Harwell, J. L. McRee, Chester Bonds, Melvin Carey, Burley Bonds, W. A. Harris, M. L. Douglas, S. O. Patton, Kenneth Pee, Misses Mabel McRee, Norma Patton and Mrs. W. C. Lee and the hostess.

Mrs. W. A. Thornton, who recently visited in Washington, presented the club some ginger in preserve form, which was brought over from China.

The club quilt was finished and was also presented to the ladies. It will soon be ready for sale.

The next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Kenneth Pee on Friday, October 19. Plans are being made for selling the quilt and each member is asked to bring patterns for pot holders, wall brackets and other miscellaneous patterns.

**STITH WMS.**

Members of the Methodist Missionary society of Stith met in called session Tuesday, October 2, in the home of Miss Louise Hudson. After the business hour, punch and sandwiches were served.

Those present were: Mesdames Baker, Bill Mashburn, Clark Church, Bob Mashburn, Mattie Martin, W. P. Mashburn, Ed Spurgin, Charlie McCormick and Miss Myrtle Massey.

Try a Classified Ad for Results.

**Chevrolet Leads in Total Registrations in August**

Detroit, Oct. 11.—Chevrolet Motor company again led the entire industry in passenger car and in truck registrations in the United States during August, the company has announced. Full returns from all states, just completed, give Chevrolet a total of 71,413 units, or a lead of 3,001.

Chevrolet obtained 37.3 per cent of the passenger car registrations in its price class, and 42.8 per cent of the truck registrations in its weight class.

The name of Albuquerque, N. M., is derived from "albus," meaning "white," and "quercus," meaning "oak," but there are no white oaks here. The name was given in honor of the Spanish duke of Albuquerque.

Mail want ads pay dividends.



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**"M" SYSTEM STORE**

**Specials at THE RED & WHITE STORES**  
**FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, OCT. 12-13**

Fancy Delicious	APPLES, dozen	30c
Firm	LETTUCE, head	5c
Fresh	YAMS, 5 pounds	15c
Texas	GRAPE FRUIT, 3 for	10c
School Size	ORANGES, each	1c
Tokay	GRAPES, pound	5c
Idaho	SPUDS, 10 pounds	19c
Sun Spun	SALAD DRESSING, pint	19c
Red and White	PEACHES, No. 2 1-2 can, 2 for	35c
Red Pitted	CHERRIES, No. 2 can, 2 for	25c
Blue and White	PINEAPPLE, No. 2 can	15c
Red and White	PEAS, No. 2 can	18c
Red and White	CORN FLAKES, package	10c
Sun Up	COFFEE, pound	19c
Pure Cane	SUGAR, 10 pounds	54c
Singleton's	SYRUP, No. 10 can	59c

Sour, Cut	PICKLES, quart	15c
Swans Down	CAKE FLOUR, large package	32c
Red and White	PANCAKE FLOUR, package	11c
Red and White	MAPLE SYRUP, pint jug	23c
Red and White	CATSUP, bottle	18c
Baker's	COCONUT, 1-4 pound	10c
Whole Wheat	FLOUR, 6 pounds	33c
Blue and White	PORK & BEANS, 4 cans	25c
Kellogg's	PEP, 2 packages	25c
Kellogg's	WHOLE WHEAT BISCUITS, 2 pkgs.	25c
Red and White	TOMATO JUICE, 3 cans	25c
Blue and White	COCOA, pound	15c
Red & White	SOAP, 5 giant bars	19c
Pilgrim	COOKIES, package	19c
Sliced	BACON, pound	25c
Full Cream	CHEESE, pound	19c
Salt Pork	MEAT, pound	18c

**CHRISTMAS CARDS OF DISTINCTION**

We have just received the most beautiful array of CHRISTMAS CARDS and the largest assortment we have ever carried.

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# LEGAL NOTICES

### SHERIFF'S SALE.

The State of Texas, County of Taylor:

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Taylor County, of the 14th day of September, 1934, by Belle Wellborn, Clerk of said District Court for the sum of Seventy Six & 83/100 Dollars and costs of suit under a judgment, in favor of The City of Merkel, a Public Municipal Corporation, in a certain cause in said Court, No. 1959-B and styled The City of Merkel, a Public Municipal Corporation, vs. T. G. Turner and T. I. Harwell, placed in my hands for service, I, Burl Wheeler, as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the 28th day of September, 1934, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows: Being part of lot No. 25 of a 75 acre Survey out of league 117, Grimes County School Land, the part of said lot No. 25 hereby conveyed being described as follows: Being on the east boundary line of said lot No. 25, 243.2 vrs. south, nine degrees west from the north-east corner of said lot No. 25; Thence north 81 degrees west, 150.4 vrs. for corner; Thence north 9 degrees west, 113.6 vrs. for corner; being the south boundary line of Johnson Street; Thence south 81 degrees east with the south boundary line of Johnson Street 150.4 vrs. to the east boundary line of said lot No. 25 for corner; Thence south 9 degrees west with the east boundary line of said lot No. 25, 113.6 vrs. to the place of beginning containing 3 acres of land, more or less; and levied upon as the property of T. G. Turner and T. I. Harwell and that on the first Tuesday in November, 1934, the same being the 6th day of said month at the Court House door, of Taylor County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said order of sale I will sell above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said T. G. Turner and T. I. Harwell.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Taylor County.

Witness my hand, this 26th day of September, 1934.

Burl Wheeler, Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas. By E. D. Davis, Deputy.

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The State of Texas, County of Taylor:

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month at the Court House door, of Taylor County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said C. A. Mattingly.

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Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Taylor County, of the 14th day of September, 1934, by Belle Wellborn, Clerk of said District Court for the sum of One Hundred Three & 96/100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of The City of Merkel, a Public Municipal Corporation, in a certain cause in said Court, No. 2008-B and styled The City of Merkel, a Public Municipal Corporation, vs. Ben Jones, placed in my hands for service, I, Burl Wheeler, as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the 25th day of September, 1934, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: Being lots Nos. 1 and 2 in block No. 23 of the College Addition to the Town of Merkel, according to the official plat of said addition as same appears of record in the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas; and levied upon as the property of Ben Jones and that on the first Tuesday in November, 1934, the same being the 6th day of said month at the Court House door, of Taylor County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale I will sell above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Ben Jones.

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out of the Honorable District Court of Taylor County, of the 14th day of September, 1934, by Belle Wellborn, Clerk of said District Court for the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Eight & 46/100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of The City of Merkel, a Public Municipal Corporation, in a certain cause in said Court, No. 2007-B and styled The City of Merkel, a Public Municipal Corporation, vs. W. H. Hathaway, placed in my hands for service, I, Burl Wheeler, as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the 25th day of September, 1934, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows: Beginning at the point in the east line of Oak Street 190 feet south of the north line of said block 6, for the northwest corner of this tract; Thence south with the east line of Oak street 150 feet to a stake for southwest corner this tract; Thence east parallel with the north line of said block 6, 160 feet to a stake for the southeast corner; Thence north parallel with the east line of Oak Street, 150 feet to a stake for the northeast corner; Thence west parallel with the north line of said block 6, 160 feet to the place of beginning, and being the same property conveyed to Hasting and Morrison by J. B. Cranfill by Deed recorded in Vol. 55, Page 483 of the Deed Records of Taylor County, Texas; and levied upon as the property of W. H. Hathaway and that on the first Tuesday in November, 1934, the same being the 6th day of said month at the Court House door, of Taylor County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale I will sell above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said W. H. Hathaway.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Taylor County.

Witness my hand, this 25th day of September, 1934.

Burl Wheeler, Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas. By E. D. Davis, Deputy.

### SHERIFF'S SALE.

The State of Texas, County of Taylor:

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Taylor County, of the 14th day of September, 1934, by Belle Wellborn, Clerk of said District Court for the sum of Two Hundred Sixty One & 68/100 Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of The City of Merkel, a Public Municipal Corporation, in a certain cause in said Court, No. 1948-B and styled The City of Merkel, a Public Municipal Corporation, vs. J. E. McGaughey, placed in my hands for service, I, Burl Wheeler, as Sheriff of Taylor County, Texas, did, on the 25th day of September, 1934, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: Being a part of block 12 in the college addition to the town of Merkel, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Beginning 95 feet north from the southwest corner of said block 12; Thence east parallel with lines 140 feet; Thence north 55 feet; Thence west 140 feet to the corner of west boundary line of said block 12; Thence south with said line 55 feet to the place of beginning; and levied upon as the property of J. E. McGaughey and that on the first Tuesday in November, 1934, the same being the 6th day of said month at the Court House door, of Taylor County, in the City of Abilene, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale I will sell above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said J. E. McGaughey.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper published in Taylor County.

Witness my hand, this 25th day of September, 1934.

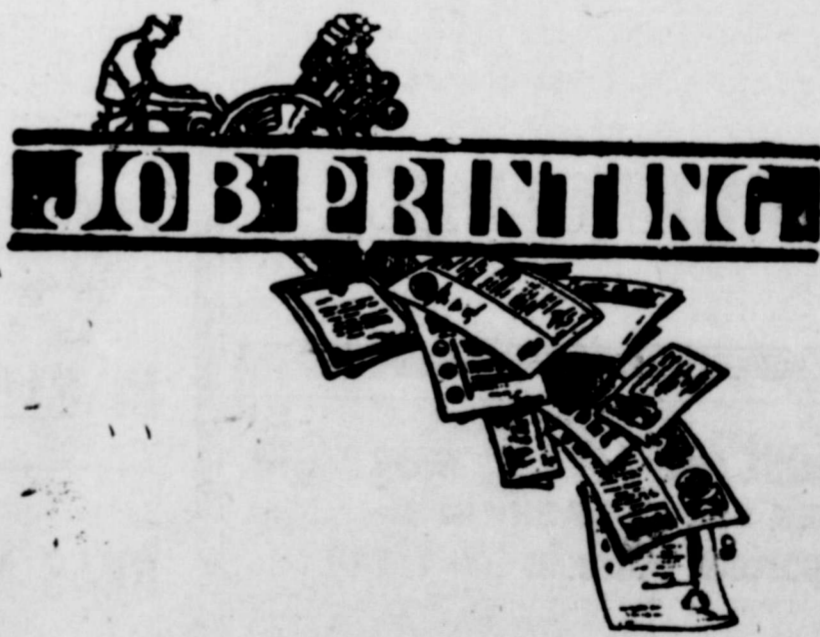
Burl Wheeler, Sheriff, Taylor County, Texas. By E. D. Davis, Deputy.

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