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SCHOOL BOARD ADOPTS RULES FOR GYM USE

Public and Surrounding Communities Invited to Make Full Use of New School Gymnasium-Auditorium.

Resolutions concerning the use of its recently completed gymnasium-auditorium were adopted by the school board of the Merkel Independent school district at its regular monthly meeting on March 5. This building has been built by public money, and the board is anxious for the public and the surrounding communities to make full use of it. The building is tendered to such people at no charge except for the actual use of electric current for lights and for whatever extra janitor work is required. They ask that the public co-operate in their regulations to make the building usable to as many as possible and at the same time care for the building.

CHARGES FOR ACTUAL COST.

The following is a list of charges which the board estimates will cover only actual cost of lights and extra janitor hire. When out-of-Merkel communities or non-school Merkel organizations wish to use the gym for a game of basket ball, volleyball or other game, the charge is to be \$2.00 for the game and \$2.50 if a double-header game is scheduled. Practice for a game or practice for a play when lights are used will be \$1.00 per night.

When a play or other program for which admission is charged is put on by a non-school organization, or by organizations of other communities, the charge will be \$2.00 per night.

When a non-school public meeting of any sort to which no admission is charged is held at night, a charge of \$1.00 is to be charged.

In each case above, the charge is to cover both lights and extra janitor work necessitated by the use of the gym.

When the gym is used for day-time meetings for which admission is not charged, the board will make no charge.

In no case are the non-school programs to interfere with the school programs or games. People wishing to use the gym will please confer with the superintendent of schools at least several days before the time when the gym is wanted so that the superintendent may arrange to accommodate all without conflict of dates and so arrangement can be made in advance for having the janitor open and light up for the occasion.

It was further decided that the gym was in no case to be used by a

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KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

Everett Johnson, 33, was injured fatally in a 30-foot fall down a freight elevator shaft at a Dallas cafe.

Two bandits held up the Central hotel at Ballinger Sunday night, netting \$75 in cash and \$780 in endorsed checks.

Spring football training is scheduled to start at the University of Texas Friday with 100 candidates expected to report.

Mrs. Nettie Bringham Bush, granddaughter of Gen. Sam Houston, first president of the Texas republic, died at San Antonio Saturday.

John S. Hart, 59, highway maintenance foreman of Comanche, died Saturday of a heart attack while driving his automobile to work.

Two negro children lost their lives and property damage in excess of \$100,000 was caused by a tornado which swept through Forney just before dawn Monday.

Leland Knight, 14, who hails from the cow country around Beeville, has posted a reward of a good young bull for the capture of Raymond Hamilton, much sought Texas killer.

The senate voted \$500 Friday to purchase an oil portrait of Vice-President John N. Garner, which has been on exhibition in the senate hall. The artist is Lucy W. Rice of Austin.

Plans to float \$2,000,000 in bonds to finance part of the Texas Centennial Central exposition at Dallas in 1936 got under way with the subscription of \$1,252,100 at a banquet of citizens Monday night.

Arthur T. Gaul, 25, Dallas aviation school flying instructor, was killed almost instantly when he was run over by an airplane as he emerged from an airport ramp without being aware of the approaching ship.

Trial of N. C. Outlaw, West Texas lawyer indicted for alleged conspiracy to obstruct justice growing out of a grand jury investigation of the slaying of Spencer Stafford, federal narcotic agent at Post February 7, will start Friday at Dallas.

Will Preach at Noodle.

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

Justice Holmes Dies.

Washington, Mar. 7.—Peaceful death came Wednesday to Oliver Wendell Holmes, the "great dissenter" of the supreme court. He succumbed after a ten-days illness.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, March 12, 1915.)

The social event of the month was the party given Friday evening by Miss Evalyn Williams at her home on North 1st street. Promptly at 8 o'clock twenty guests had been welcomed into the inner circle of the home. Score cards appointed places at six tables for four games of "42", altho Mrs. Rust and Miss Mabel Collins, who remained at the head table all the evening, claimed to be champions as they showed five (?) punches in their score cards. The guests were invited to the dining room where they found chafing dishes and the necessary articles for the ever tempting Welsh rarebit and roasting peanuts. In a short time all were merrily engaged in the culinary. "The eating was the proof of the pudding." All were delightfully entertained. Those present were Misses Ruby and Elva Payne, Maude Jinkens, Zula Huffaker, Ruby Jones, Duncan Browning, Mabel Collins, Veneta Hamblet, Genevieve Rust, Pet, Mossie and Lou Sears, Beulah Burkett, Annie Burnett, Zelma Fletcher, Maude Martin, Lillian McClendon, Mesdames E. M. Rust, Sterling P. Miller, O. W. Williams, J. W. Daniels, W. H. Dickson, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Williams and little Miss Leona Williams and the hostess.

Sunday morning eight young lad-

ies motored to the Clyde Sear's ranch in Mulberry Canyon where they enjoyed a ranch-cooked dinner by Messrs. George Ferrier and Clyde Sear. The boys put on a number of frills in honor of their guests. Kodaking was a feature of the day's pleasure, which ended in a mud hole en route home. The party included Misses Lou Sears, Zelma Fletcher, Zula Huffaker, Maude Jinkens, Lillian McLindon, Beulah Burkett and Pet and Mossie Sears.

Miss Bertha Boring of Fort Worth returned to her home Monday night, being called here to attend the burial of her brother, Dean Boring, who was buried Sunday.

Mrs. A. D. Templeton of this city received a telephone message from Mrs. John Mann of Clyde giving details of an injury to A. J. Mann, her fourteen-year-old son in an accident at Clyde Sunday morning. The child's coat became entangled on a box car and in the sudden jerk his foot was caught under the wheels, crushing the limb. A. J. was brought to Abilene immediately by his parents where his limb was amputated above the knee.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Woodroof came in Wednesday from Waxahachie in their Ford auto, as a partner to W. D. Woodroof, his brother

OVER A HUNDRED SHRUBS AND PLANTS BEDDED IN HIGHWAY BEAUTY SPOT

All told, 112 shrubs and plants were bedded Saturday in the ten sections of the plot along the railroad right-of-way, west of the Nichols Ice house, augmenting the number of plants and shrubs which last year formed the nucleus for this beauty spot within the city limits.

Included in the group of 112 specimens were: 10 mock oranges, 40 crepe myrtles in two shades of pink, 10 bush honeysuckles, 20 coral berry, 20 flying quince (cydonia), 6 hydrangeas and 6 forsythias. (The latter two selections were donated by the nursery from whom the purchase was made.)

This feature of the beautification program locally was handled by a committee consisting of Mesdames Frank McFarland, Sam Swann and C. H. Jones, who contracted for the plants and stayed with the job Saturday until it was done.

Assistance in cutting weeds and cleaning the plots before planting was rendered by L. A. Blount and a corps of 15 or more volunteer workers from the relief rolls.

Under the supervision of City Marshal Chester Hutcherson, these beds were flooded with water Monday and he also arranged to have a furrow trenched around the new plot of ground and the latter levelled off.

Mrs. R. A. Burgess, general chairman of the local committee, asks that volunteers are wanted to contribute and haul rocks, donate cacti and canna bulbs for rock gardens, which are also to be put in at either end of the plot.

The group from the beautification committee who are assisting in putting on the benefit play are Mesdames C. H. Jones, Frank McFarland and Roger A. Burgess.

TO GIVE THREE ONE-ACT PLAYS

Local Talent Presentation Later Part of March. Under Sponsorship of Lions Club.

Three one-act plays, enacted by local talent, are to be presented on one bill the latter part of this month, the program to be sponsored by the Merkel Lions club for the benefit of the fund to beautify the highway within the city limits. The date and place will be announced at a later date.

These playlets are to be staged and presented under the direction of Mrs. J. O. Lusby and Mrs. R. O. Pearson, co-directors, both of whom have had the benefit of both training and experience to fit them for directing theatricals.

The purpose for which the funds are being raised is one that every resident of Merkel feels keenly interested in: beautifying the highway through the city limits both as a matter of civic pride and by way of co-operating with the state-wide Centennial movement.

Breckenridge Lions Accept Challenge

Jim Cook, manager of the Merkel Lions basket ball team, reports that he has matched a game with the Breckenridge Lions for one night next week, the exact date yet to be determined. This game is to be played in the Merkel school gym in a joint program with the Merkel string band.

There will be only a small charge for admission, and, as some one has already said, it will be worth more than the price of admission to see the Merkel Lions in basket ball suits.

Study Class in Home Hygiene is Organized

Following a visit made by Mrs. Louis Montgomery of Abilene, county chairman of the child welfare group, and Miss Beulah White, new Red Cross nurse; the latter was to meet here again Thursday afternoon with women from Merkel and the surrounding communities to organize a study class in home hygiene and care for the sick.

The class will include women from Merkel, Blair, Tye, Trent, Salt Branch and Union Ridge. It will require twelve weeks to complete the course outlined for the class.

Presence of a Red Cross nurse for work in rural schools of Taylor county is by way of realization of a promise made during the annual Red Cross drive when many school districts responded so generously.

America's Outstanding Actress

New York, Mar. 7.—Katharine Cornell was judged one of the two outstanding actresses of the theatre for her performance in "Roméo and Juliet." She shared honors with Elizabeth Bergner as the two winners from the ten best performances on Broadway during the last season.

DEATH CLAIMS JUDGE WHEELER

One of City's First Mayors. Justice for Thirty Years. Dies Early Wednesday.

Judge W. W. Wheeler, 78, one of the first mayors of Merkel and whose tenure of office as justice of the peace covered a span of thirty years, passed away at 5 o'clock Wednesday morning, victim of a combined attack of influenza and pneumonia, at his home here.

Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon from the First Baptist church, conducted by Rev. C. R. Joyner, the family pastor, assisted by other local pastors: Rev. P. H. Gates, Methodist; Minister W. G. Cypert, Church of Christ, and Rev. R. A. Walker, Presbyterian. Interment was in Rose Hill cemetery, with the Masons in charge. He was a past worshipful master of Merkel Lodge No. 710 and the last surviving charter member of this lodge.

Active pallbearers were: Tom All-day, Booth Warren, Wrenn Durham, Ollie Dye, Dee Grimes and C. D. Hutchins.

Named as honorary attendants were Judge M. S. Long, Judge W. R. Chapman, all Taylor county officials; Ruck Sibbey, Abilene police chief and his force; O. D. Brown, deputy U. S. marshal; Ben L. Peavy, Earl Lassiter, Herschel Fleming, J. M. Wagstaff, W. C. Fisher, Austin Fitts, all of Abilene; A. J. Canon, J. T. Warren, Max Mellinger, Frank Golladay, George, Frank and Harry Woodrum, N. D. Cobb, Dr. M. Armstrong, Dr. R. I. Grimes, Eli Case, Dave Hendricks, Sam Butman, Buck Moore, George West, Henry, James H., John R. and Paul West, Bernie Bell, Bob Martin, Doc Vaughn, W. D. Hutcherson, Bob Reagan, George Boyce.

As a tribute to Judge Wheeler as a former mayor and alderman of the city, the department fire truck, driven by Bill Callahan and carrying Frank Ferrier, oldest living chief, N. A. Dowell, present chief, and Ollie Sanders and Bill Burns, charter members of the fire fighters, took place in the funeral procession.

CAME HERE IN EIGHTEEN-NINETY. William Walter Wheeler was born in Shreveport, La., on July 26, 1856. Soon after the death of his parents, he came to Ellis county, Texas, at the age of 12 to live with relatives. On November 4, 1877, he was married at Ennis to Miss Mary Ann Smith, who survives. Since 1890 he had been a resident of Merkel, following his profession as a lawyer and having served the city as mayor and alderman. In the two periods before he served the city and afterward, he had officiated as justice of the peace for 30 years. In this capacity he administered the oath of office to his son, Burl Wheeler, when the latter was sworn in as sheriff six years ago.

Besides his wife, he is survived by four daughters, two sons, 11 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. Daughters are: Mrs. W. L. Johnson and Mrs. Connie Leppard, Merkel; Mrs. A. B. Harris, Blair, and Mrs.

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SUGGESTIONS FOR IMMUNITY TO DIPHTHERIA

Dr. C. B. Gardner, assistant county health physician, presents some interesting facts with reference to diphtheria toxoids in the following statement:

"With a case or two of diphtheria occurring in children of school age, my opinion is being sought concerning the degree of immunity to be expected by those who have taken toxoid or the so-called life time serum. Experience has shown that children vary greatly in the degree of immunity obtained with one treatment. There are some few who are naturally immune and would never take diphtheria regardless of whether they have taken toxoid and the number of times they had been exposed. That represents one extreme. The other is that child who will acquire the disease on the slightest exposure. Others fall between these two extremes. It would only be natural then that one child would require more toxoid than another, depending upon the amount of natural immunity he has.

"Fortunately there is a way of checking up on the degree of immunity any child has. About twenty years ago a doctor by the name of Schick found that by injecting a drop of attenuated toxin between the two outer layers of skin a certain reaction takes place that will demonstrate whether or not the child is susceptible to diphtheria. Hence the name, the Schick test. The test is absolutely without danger and is 95 per cent efficient.

"My suggestion is then that it would be well for those that have taken the life time serum to have a Schick test made and those that are not immune as shown by the test should have a second treatment with toxoid."

Auto Owners May Buy License Plates Here

Auto owners will have the opportunity of getting their 1935 license plates in Merkel when Comer Patterson, deputy county tax collector, will be at the city hall here three days the latter part of this month, March 21, 22 and 23.

He will be prepared to issue licenses for autos, trucks, transfers and chauffeur badges.

Urge Preferential Ballot.

Austin, Mar. 7.—Substitution of a preferential primary ballot for the double primary long used in Texas was recommended Monday by the senate privileges and elections committee.

PLANS FORMING FOR PROGRAM OF SUMMER SPORTS

Committee of Three Named From Lions Club to Work With Merchants in Renewing Summer Baseball and Rodeo.

With the appointment of a committee of three, viz., Booth Warren, Henry West and W. O. Boney, to work with a similar committee of the same number selected from merchants of the city, first steps were started at the Tuesday luncheon of the Lions club for arranging a program of summer entertainment along the lines of the rodeo and baseball features that proved so popular in Merkel's trade territory last year.

The Tuesday luncheon was marked by the presence of 22 out of 26 members, those not present being either out of the city or engaged professionally.

To co-operate with the local highway beautification committee in staging a benefit play, President Jones named the following committees:

Advertising: Booth Reid, chairman; Dee Grimes, Booth Warren, C. J. Glover, L. C. Zehnfpennig and W. W. Haynes.

Ticket sale: S. D. Gamble, Dr. W. T. Sadler and A. T. Sheppard. Theatre: Dr. L. C. Zehnfpennig and A. T. Sheppard.

Other features of the meeting were confirmation of plans for a match basket ball game with the Breckenridge Lions, date to be announced later, and a report at first hand from Booth Warren of the "crow shoot" at Big Spring last Saturday.

104th District Court Grand Jury Impaneled

R. F. Babé of Abilene is foreman of the new grand jury impaneled in 104th district court by Judge W. R. Chapman Monday morning. Only one Merkel man, L. L. Murray, is on the inquisitorial body. Other members are: Alex Williamson, Trent; M. A. Horton, Ovalo; E. W. Whittle, Lawn; B. B. Williams, Horace Embree, Tuscola; W. A. Graham, Guion; H. D. Austin, Roland Jones, J. M. Hooks and Ben L. Peavy, Abilene. District Attorney Otis Miller of Anson and County Attorney Esco Walter are working with the grand jury on investigations.

Arkansas Prohibition Ends.

Little Rock, Ark., Mar. 7.—The Arkansas legislature wrote the end to 19 years of state prohibition with senate passage of a house bill to legalize "immediately" package liquor sales.

THE BOOK

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

by BRUCE BARTON

NOAH.

Carlyle said that no age need go down to destruction if only there arise a man who knows his time and can lead. Noah had one of these qualifications but not the other. He could not lead. He preached for one hundred and twenty years to an ever-diminishing congregation.

You can imagine the derisive comments of his neighbors. Forty days and nights of rain, indeed! It never had happened before, it never could happen. Noah was a crazy old fool.

But it did come. In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the second month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened.

And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights.

And every living substance was destroyed. It is an interesting question for every man to ask himself: "If I had been on the earth in the days of Noah, should I have been one of the survivors or one of the wise ones who knew it all? If I had been in Jerusalem in the days of Jesus, should I have been one of the few who saw Truth, even in its rough peasant garb, or should I have stood with the respectable, well fed majority, shouting, 'Away with this disturber. Crucify!'"

Only a few have courage and vision to stand against the crowd; Noah had both in plentiful amounts.

Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he.

A grand tribute to a man who stood firm and true when humanity as a whole went wrong. He did what God told him to do, and he was justified in the result. And then?

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Judge Wheeler

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V. W. Leland, Anson. The sons are Burl Wheeler of Abilene and Ross Wheeler of Merkel. One sister, Mrs. Mattie Turner, only three years younger, survives and is here for the funeral.

Gym Regulations

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travelling show to whom any part of the admission charge might go. The board is glad to have the gym used to make money for local organizations and those of surrounding communities, provided the actual expense of lights and janitor hire is taken care of, but want such organizations to get all the admission charge, and none of it go to a travelling, out-of-town show or organization.

THE BOOK

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If you or I had written the story we should have pictured the serene old age of Noah, in his uniform as a retired admiral of the navy introduced to the fast multiplying posterity of mankind as the man who saved the world. We should have provided for him a future worthy of his great achievement. The record shocks us:
And Noah was drunken.
Drunk perhaps with his success. Drunk with pride when people told him how all his weather predictions had come true. Drunk with the prospect which he had richly earned and could not wisely appreciate. Drunk also with wine. A shameful scene as he lay in his tent, hark peering in with mocking laughter, and the other sons doing their sorrowful duty.

Record of Births

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Rex Morton, Thursday, February 28, 1935.
Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Claude H. Butler, Trent, Friday, March 1, 1935.
Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Garcia, Trent, Saturday, March 2, 1935.
Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller, residing in the Canyon, Saturday, March 2, 1935.
Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Stephenson, Hodges, Sunday, March 3, 1935.
Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Frizzell, Sunday, March 3, 1935.
Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Light, Tuesday, March 5, 1935.
Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Patterson, residing south of town, Wednesday, March 6, 1935.

ELECTION NOTICE

By virtue of authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Merkel, Texas, and as the time for regular election is drawing near, notice is hereby given that an election shall be held in the City of Merkel, Texas, on the first Tuesday in April, same being the second day of the month, A. D. 1935, for the purpose of electing a Mayor, two Aldermen and a City Secretary, each to serve two years.

Said election shall be held in the Fire Station and shall conform as nearly as possible with state election laws. Polls shall open at 8 o'clock a. m. and close at 6 o'clock p. m. Mr. W. M. Rovee is hereby appointed the election judge.

Given under my hand and seal on the 5th day of March, A. D. 1935.
W. M. Elliott, Mayor.

All doctors' prescriptions from Wick Drug Co.

See in The Merkel Mail
next ads pay dividends.

Confederate Veteran, Brother of Mrs. Banner, Dies at San Angelo

R. C. Bates, age 87, one of the few West Texas Confederate veterans and a brother of Mrs. J. L. Banner of this city, died Monday of pneumonia at his home in San Angelo. On account of her own health, Mrs. Banner was unable to attend the funeral. Mr. Bates was a member of Company I, first Georgia regiment, and took part in many of the important battles of the Civil War.

Sam Weaver, 40, Dies Sunday at Big Spring

News dispatches in the daily papers chronicled the death of Sam R. Weaver, 40, prominent Midland business man, who died in a Big Spring hospital Sunday of pneumonia. Mr. Weaver, it will be remembered, was at one time manager of the Burton-Lingo Lumber company here.

Following a funeral service in Big Spring Monday morning, the body was taken to Fort Worth, where his mother, who is ill, viewed the remains. She was unable to accompany the funeral party to Memphis, where last rites were held Tuesday afternoon.

Besides his mother, Mrs. Willie Weaver, of Fort Worth, survivors are his wife, a ten-year-old daughter, Rebecca Rae, and five brothers.

PERSONALS

C. B. Williams returned Tuesday after a visit of several weeks in Dallas, Houston and Richmond.
Tom Wilson was out from Dallas Sunday for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Wilson.
Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Webb and little daughter have returned from a visit with relatives at Burleson.
Wilkes Holden returned Friday of last week from Big Spring where he had visited a sister and brother.
Hollis James of Mesquite is here for a visit with his aunt, Mrs. S. A. Coates, and grandfather, T. H. Hass.
Miss Ernestine Bealy and Johnnie Elliott of Abilene are guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. George T. Moore.
Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Duffer spent the week-end with Mrs. Duffer's parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. R. McAllister, at Seminole, Okla.
Both Warren, his two sons, Don and Jerry, and C. H. Jones and W. S. J. Brown took in the "crow shoot" at Big Spring Saturday.
Mrs. Bess Brown and son, Jr., of Abilene visited Miss Dora Garoutte last Wednesday. Mrs. Brown went to school to Miss Garoutte.
Miss Minnie Coates, who teaches in the schools at Coleman, was a week-end visitor with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Coates.
Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Grayson and family of Stillwater, Okla., were guests last week of their brothers, S. L. Hugh and J. H. Grayson, and families.
Mrs. J. H. McDonald has received word that her niece, Mrs. Bessie Westenhover Smith of Gladewater, who has been very low with pneumonia, was on the road to recovery.
Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Boney had as their week-end guests Mrs. Boney's brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Montgomery of Pampa, and sister, Mrs. Cavin, of White Deer.
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Eysen arrived from Tyler last week for a visit with Mrs. Eysen's mother, Mrs. Amy Sears. For the week-end Miss Mary Eula Sears from Dallas and Deverle Johnson of Fort Worth were also guests in the Sears home.
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Brewster of Sudan, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Thelton Hamilton, and baby daughter of Lubbock, are visiting in the home of J. S. Thomas, Mrs. Brewster's father, and also in the home of Mr. Brewster's mother at Caps.
Mrs. Bessie Derstine had as her guests the past week her two brothers, J. J. Graham, of Oklahoma City, Okla., and W. H. Graham, of Long Beach, Calif.; also a niece and nephew, Mrs. Douglas Graham, of Long Beach, and Lester Postwaite of Lynwood, Calif.
Paul Collins left Friday of last week for Hereford to serve as junior pastor under Rev. T. C. Willett, Methodist pastor there and remembered as a former pastor of the Merkel church. Prior to this assignment, Paul had been attending McMurry college.
George Caple returned Sunday from a week's visit to Waco. He had accompanied his mother, Mrs. J. E. Caple, home the previous week after she, her son, Ben Caple, and daughter, Miss Gladys Caple, and granddaughter, Miss Virginia Lake, had visited here.

Adding machine rolls at Merkel Mail office.

RURAL SOCIETY

VISITOR HONORED

Sunday, March 3, Mesdames J. L. Perry and Laura Neill gave a turkey dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Perry in honor of Messrs. Orval and O. C. Johnson of Eastland visiting in the Neill and Perry homes.

At lunch time the guests were led to the dining room where turkey and all the fixings were served. In the afternoon the young people went kodaking on Elm.

Those enjoying this occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Matthews, Messrs. Bud Perry, R. G. Toombs, T. J. Neill, little Bobby Glenn Peterson and Orval and O. C. Johnson, and Misses Una Muryl Garrett, Ruby Brown, Lily Mae Neill and Jimmy D. Perry.

STITH HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Stith Home Demonstration club met in regular session on Friday, March 1, in the home of Mrs. Clyde Mashburn. The house was called to order by the president, Mrs. Sam Mashburn.

Four members of the club went to Willow Creek last Wednesday to cut foundation patterns. Those going were Mesdames E. Bradley, Walter Kelso, W. I. Burton and Guy Glenn, and they gave interesting reports on their work there, also of their trip.

Those present were: Mesdames Sam Mashburn, W. I. Burton, W. A. Ford, Ted Kelso, Charle Sherrill, Mrs. Bill Dunagin, Bryan Dunagin, Paul Bradley, Clyde Mashburn, Earl Dwiggin, Guy Glenn, J. S. Varner, T. E. Woolsey, E. Bradley and Miss Louise Hudson. Refreshments of fruit and fudge were served, and the grab box was featured as usual.

The next meeting will be March 15 in the home of Mrs. E. Bradley for an all-day meeting to cut foundation patterns. Come bring a covered dish and spend the day.

BLAIR CLUB

The Blair Home Demonstration club met on Thursday, February 28, with Mrs. Price Melton. With the president in charge, the club prayer was led by Mrs. Carl Hughes and the minutes read by the secretary-treasurer. Recreation games were led by Mrs. Ed Sandusky. The club voted on 50c for educational funds.

There were sixteen members present, Mrs. Tom Spears being an honored guest. Mesdames Will Watley and Luther Orsborn were appointed to select a pattern for the club quilt, and following the business hour dainty refreshments were served by the hostess.

The club will meet with Mrs. Will Watley on March 14 for an all-day affair. Each lady is asked to bring a covered dish. The program will center on "Uses of the Foundation Pattern," to be discussed by Miss Vara Crippen, county home demonstration agent.

ESKOTA H. D. C. NEWS

Mrs. A. D. Dodson was hostess to members of the Woman's Home Demonstration club at her home Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. C. B. Johnston gave a demonstration of tufting bedspreads, pillow cases, etc., and year books were distributed and monthly reports turned in. The AAA program was discussed among the members. Among those present were Mes-

dames L. E. F. Johnston, C. B. Johnston, Ollie Matthews, SoRelle, M. T. Head and the hostess.

The club will meet with Mrs. Ollie Matthews on Tuesday afternoon, March 12, and Miss Evelyn Jennings, home demonstration agent, will conduct the demonstration. All members are urged to be present.

The following from this community will represent our club at the recreational program at Reby Monday night: C. B. Johnston, Brit Hassell, L. H. Jack and Virgil Utley, Hazel Nichols, Vada E. Bullard, Elena O'Rear, Roberta and Ouida Johnston and Mattie Utley.

UNION RIDGE DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration club met with Mrs. O. E. Harwell Friday in order to learn how to cut the foundation pattern and how to cut other garments by it. A dress was cut by the pattern by Miss Crippen, county agent, for one of the members.

Mrs. O. R. Douglas gave the reports of recreation meetings.

Refreshments of sandwiches and tea were served to one new member, Mrs. Clarence Shouse, and the following club members: Mesdames O. R. Douglas, O. E. Harwell, M. F. Carey, W. A. Harris, Lige Harris, Kenneth Poe, Chester Bonds, Lee Tipton, Berley Bonds, S. G. Russell, Jr., M. L. Douglas, J. L. McRee, Denzel Cox and Misses Vara Crippen and Mabel McRee.

The birthday basket was given to Mrs. W. C. Lee.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Denzel Cox to study poultry protection.

MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS

We will appreciate the privilege of sending in your subscriptions to the leading magazines. On a great many of them, if you want to include your subscription to The Mail, we are in position to make special clubbing offer. See us before you renew.

NEW CLUBBING OFFER

Abilene Morning News, by mail from date of subscribing until October 1, this fall, and the Merkel Mail, a full year, either new subscriber or renewal, for only \$3.45. The quicker you take advantage of this special clubbing rate, the more you get for your money.

Where's Elmer?

Another car of Yukon's Best Flour, Meal and Feeds - Eli Case Grocery.

Constipation

If constipation causes you Gas, Indigestion, Headaches, Bad Sleep, Puffy Skin, get quick relief with ADLERIKA. Thorough action, yet gentle, safe.

ADLERIKA

Merkel Drug Company

Carpenter Work

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THE BADGER WEEKLY

VARIOUS SPORTS PRACTICED FOR COUNTY MEET

In case some of you may wonder why you see boys running around the school ground after school, I might say "Track season is here." Coach Irvin has several boys coming out this year and Merkel may have a good track team. Last year Merkel won one final place at the state meet at Austin. Milton Shannon, crack miler, ran the race in record time. He is now at Rice and is coming along fine there. In case some more boys get the idea they can do that too, well, come out for track and maybe you will. Who knows?

Riddle, tennis coach, does not know for sure who will represent Merkel this year at the county.

Both boys and girls junior baseball teams are improving greatly, and intend to make things hot for someone at the county meet.

The Merkel girls' volley ball team has been working out and it seems as though they are going to have a fair team. So far they have played two games and have won one and lost one.

So when the county meet comes off, Merkel will be represented in nearly every athletic department and should carry off several first places. Let's go to Abilene and watch them win! Let them know you are behind them!

VOLLEY BALL.

Most of the volley ball girls are showing quite a bit of interest and they are improving right along. Last week they played two match games. On Tuesday they defeated Trent and on Friday they were defeated by Anson. The girls will visit Anson Wednesday, and Wylie will visit Merkel Friday. The girls are planning to do some real team work and defeat both Anson and Wylie.

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—Tracy Wood.

Our Seniors

Gladya Mosburn.
Gladya is industrious, lovable and intelligent. She is a member of the Dramatic club. Everyone likes Gladya. Can she play ball!

Lloyd Robertson.
Lloyd is friendly, neat and intelligent. He is our sport editor and a good one. He can certainly debate, especially if the class is discussing "Farm vs City Life."

DECIDE ON MEMORY BOOKS.
The Senior class of 1935 met Monday, March 4, to decide finally whether the class would get Annuals or Memory Books. They are to have Memory Books with pictures of the Senior class and the favorite if these can be financed. Committees were appointed to select the class motto and colors.

S. O. S. CLUB.
The S. O. S. club had a business meeting last week to select the pattern and the material for the club dresses. A very attractive pattern has been chosen and they expect to get our dresses made in the near future.

AS YOU LIKE IT.
The Generousness of Leslie Welch
or
The Cheekiness of "Anonymous"
(Comedy in Three Chapters)
—By Robert Bickley.

One bright, sunny morning when the wind was blowing around the school building like air through a bass horn, Mr. Anonymous wanted to do something instead of type all period. Sooo—he just got an invitation to drive a pretty little girl (played by Lois Whiteley) to town, and did Mr. Anonymous take her up? But the lack of a car and a calamity stared Mr. Anonymous in the face. Oh, yeah! He would just borrow a car, beat fate, and take the fair maiden to town or wherever else she would go.

Mr. Anonymous politely went to study hall, conversed with Leslie Welch a little while, and emerged a victor. He had the key to Leslie's car and his girl. Was he lucky? Nope, it was just because Leslie is so generous.

THE OLD, OLD STORY.
Gimme started way back when Adam and Eve ate the apple. I suppose Adam asked Eve for a bite of the apple. There are some choice gimme artists around Merkel High school. We could make a list that would cover up three sheets of notebook paper, written on a typewriter.

THEME OF FLAG DAY IS CARRIED OUT IN PROGRAM

Flag Day made a very interesting theme carried out in the Dramatic club cast Friday night. The studio was decorated attractively with American flags and red, white and blue crepe paper. This theme was also carried out in the interesting games. The entertainment committee, consisting of Cleo Henly, Edith Neil, D. C. Johnson, Robert Malone, Frances Scoggin, Thelma Mathews, Marizoe West, Edgar Bradley, Mabel Butman and Doris Mae Barron, provided a very interesting program and games.

Eva Faye Bush gave a very pretty piano solo. Mildred West, Frances Largent, Aline McAninch and Robert Bickley delivered orations. "The Beau of Bath" was read by Loreta Cox and extemporaneous speeches were given by the following: Eva Faye Bush, Felix Stalls, Zerk Robertson and Thelma Mathews. The one act play "Ashes of Roses" was presented in the studio since the Grammar school stage had other equipment on it. The cast consisted of Billie Gambill, Loreta Cox, Charles Tipton and Mary Helen Lancaster. It was a colonial play and enjoyed by everyone.

Then frozen drum sticks were served. After a short business meeting, the club adjourned.

Some of these famous artists waste their talents. They should go to a big city and develop themselves into the greatest of this day. Cigarettes seem to be the main object in view and just to let this be a warning to all gimme artists. The author has no more—!

WE WONDER.
Who called Truett P. a nut when he got his ring back?
What Neita did to Murphy?
Where Neil and Oscar went Friday night?
Why the boys all go to Abilene now?
Why Clara, Betty and Mary Helen L. can't learn to play tennis?
Who asked Joe Cook for a date for last Friday night?
Why Betty had so much trouble with Oscar's sweater last Tuesday week?
Why Eelon doesn't ever have any Camels any more?
Why Leslie is generous enough to let a guy have his car to take his girl places?

Pen Slips

Thelda: "Why is there so much electricity in my hair?"
Mr. Riddle: "Because it's connected to a dry cell, I guess."

"Gone-Gone."
Billie Gambill: "What became of that hired man you got from the city?"
Bussie Boaz: "Aw, he used to be a chauffeur, and one day he crawled under a mule to see why it wouldn't go."

Don't Try It.
Sarah and Sis were at sea during a storm. After a silence of some time Sarah asked:
"Are you seasick Sis?"
Sis: "No, but I'd hate to yawn!"

"Spring Is Here."
Lynn S.: "What do you think of this little poem of mine, 'She Would Not Smile?'"
M. H. L.: "I think if she had read it she would undoubtedly have smiled!"

CRACKS.
"The more praise a man bestows upon himself, the wiser he isn't."
Many a man has hatched out a scheme by having his mind set on it.
Extract from a sentimental letter—"Last night I sat in a boat on Lake Erie—drinking it all in."

Too much religion will destroy a man's talents as a horse trader.
Don't be satisfied to pay as you go. Save enough to get back.
Many a case of love at first sight is due to dim lights.
People who wander in their minds can't stray very far.
Poor Zebra! He must wear stripes the rest of his life.

ASK.
Jack D. what Neita calls him that makes him blush?
Neil D. why he doesn't like Wilma Ruth?
Oscar why he is quitting Merkel? Janior who the girl in glasses was?
Clara F. L. what funny crack Jr. made about her?
Cal how he is going to like his reserve sweater?
Edwin what he had a fight about? Murphy and Jack what T. B. means?
Neil why he didn't fill his date last Friday night.

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DORA DOINGS

March is here, roaring like a lion, and we hope it goes out like a lamb. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Magee were business visitors in Merkel Monday, returning home via Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert James announce the arrival of a son named J. R. Mother and baby doing nicely. Little Joyce Dudley is able to be in school again after having her tonsils removed last week.

Mrs. J. D. Ware left Monday in answer to a telegram from Crossania saying her sister-in-law, Mrs. Tinkle, had passed away at 6:30 Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Elliott were Merkel visitors last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Porter made business trip to Roscoe Monday.

The Methodist people have completed moving the parsonage to Nolan, locating it on the west side of the school campus. This will place the parsonage nearer the church and more in the center of the community. Tom Lane and Oscar Rape were in Merkel Thursday transacting business.

Mrs. J. T. Perry spent last week visiting several of her long ago neighbors, Mrs. H. West, Mrs. Pierce McCain and Lem Dudley.

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TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Kelley and children of Rochester spent Sunday in the home of Mrs. Kelley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Reynolds. Mr. and Mrs. Spurgeon Scott and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Billington were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Reynolds at Blair. Mrs. Hub Kegans honored her father, Oliver Bright, on his 62nd birthday with a dinner in her home last Sunday. Guests were: Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Shannon and children, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Spence, Jr., and little son, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Spence, Miss Beulah Bright, Henry and James Bright and Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Bright. Mr. and Mrs. A. J. English and Mrs. Joe English of Hermleigh were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Winn Tuesday. Mesdames H. Poor and W. E. Steadman visited in Odelle and Vernon from Wednesday to Friday. Mrs. Maggie Daniels, Mrs. Poor's mother, returned with them for a visit. Mrs. Maurine Taylor of Coleman was a recent guest of her sisters, Mesdames H. West and Arthur Duncan. Miss Thelma Nalley and Opal Freeman visited Saturday afternoon in Sweetwater. Jack Frost of Abilene was greeting old friends here Saturday and Monday. Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Murray visited relatives at Clyde Wednesday of last week. Mesdames Andy Shouse, O. L. Roaves and Louie McRee and Misses Virgie Strawn and Maggie Payne attended the teachers meeting at the high school building in Abilene Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Blanton were called to Fort Worth last week to attend the bedside of their son, Alex, who was seriously ill in the hospital. They returned Friday, reporting him as being some improved. J. C. Murdock, who has been in Sherman for the past several months, visited here last week with his son. He went on to Big Spring Sunday for a visit with another son, Cecil Murdock. Little Miss Betty Jane Tittle entertained a number of her little friends Saturday afternoon in her home, the occasion being her birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Westbrook were called to Greenville Sunday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Westbrook's father. Mrs. J. B. Winn and little son, J. R., and Earl Duncan were guests Sunday of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. English, in Hermleigh.

WOODMEN CIRCLE. The Woodmen Circle met in regular session Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Meeting time of the group has been changed until 4 p. m. Following initiation and ritualistic work, refreshments were served. Those members present were Mesdames O. L. Bishop, J. P. Roberts, W. R. McLeod, Hurler O'Kasley.

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BLAIR ITEMS

Miss Thelma McAninch, teacher in the junior department, and Miss Frances Scoggins have been on the sick list since our last news letter. Mr. and Mrs. John Meeks and family attended the funeral of their niece, Miss Waldine Thornton, of Caps, last week. Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Latimer and children also attended the funeral. Rev. H. D. Richardson of San Angelo, primitive Baptist preacher, delivered several interesting discourses at the M. E. church Sunday, and many visitors from the surrounding communities attended these services. Mrs. P. A. Riggan, Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Riggan and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Riggan and their charming little son, J. R., Jr., visited Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Campbell Saturday morning. Miss Norma Haguewood is visiting with relatives at Abilene for an indefinite time. Rev. Harvey Carroll of Abilene will fill the pulpit at the M. E. church Sunday, Mar. 10, at 11 a. m. Mrs. Will Taylor and son, Roy, of Plainview, spent the past week with her brother Mr. and Mrs. Pat Addison, and family. Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Phillips and family enjoyed a week-end visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Phillips. Miss Margaret Thomas motored over to Bronte and spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Margie Thomas, and other relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Latimer have returned to Corpus Christi to spend an indefinite time there and at other points of interest in that part of the state. Paul Epples of Stanon was the guest Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. John Russell.

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J. A. Williams is visiting his mother, Mrs. S. J. T. Williams, of Whitesright and was present for her 89th birthday dinner. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hill of Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hill of Hermleigh visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hill, Saturday and Sunday.

Dr. C. Q. Smith, president of McMurry College, preached at the Methodist church Thursday night. Dr. Smith was accompanied from Merkel by Rev. P. H. Gates.

Thursday night, March 7, is recreation night. All will meet at the school house at 7:30. We have church every second and fourth Sundays. Sunday School every Sunday morning. League every Sunday night and singing every first and third Sunday afternoons. Visitors are always welcome. Lunch will be spread at the tab-

ernacle Thursday of this week for the "rabbit drivers."

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WHEAT STRAW for sale, baled or loose. P. A. Diltz.

FOR SALE—Young Jersey milk cows. L. C. Murray, five miles northwest of Trent. Inquire at Home State Bank, Trent.

FOR SALE—White Leghorn eggs for hatching, 5c per dozen above market price. G. L. Baker, Merkel, Texas, Route 1, first house east of Warren school house.

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NOTICE BREEDERS—I will stand my Percheron stallion and black Mammoth jack for service one mile west of Merkel; terms, \$10.00, \$2.00 cash at time of service, balance when colt is foaled. Pierce Horton.

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Merkel Farmers Get Cotton Pool Checks

Knox Parr, county farm agent, and A. E. Arthur, assistant in cotton, were in Merkel Wednesday afternoon continuing distribution of the first batch of payments on Bankhead tax exemption certificates pooled at Washington by Taylor county producers.

For the whole county 1,976 checks totalling \$57,963.10, a two cents per pound payment, were received. There are 652 checks on first payment yet to come.

Second payment checks are to represent the balance due on the number of exemption certificates sold—at 4 cents per pound—minus the expense of the pool, estimated at approximately \$1 per bale. Unsold certificates will be returned to their owners.

Eight Purchase "Baby Bonds" at Local Office

Up to Thursday morning a total of \$600 in maturity values of "baby bonds" had been sold at the local post office since the bonds went on sale Friday of last week. Four purchasers bought \$50 bonds and four, \$100 bonds.

Postmaster Adcock still reports that no \$25 bonds have been sold here, but that he has had application for one of the \$1,000 bonds.

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List of Petit Jurors Called Next Week

One hundred and fourth district court cases set for trial next week will be tried before petit jurors selected from the following list of fifty men summoned by the sheriff's office:

- A. A. Adams, Lawn; J. B. Harrison, Ovalo; O. R. Sanders, Lawn; Ray Stephenson, Tuscola; R. E. Davis, G. W. Waldrop, Joe Thresher, T. O. Mason, James Price, Abilene; J. P. Jackson Guion; H. H. Hamilton, Abilene; S. C. Baker, Trent; W. W. Gibson J. E. Brewer, F. W. Schroder, W. L. Nelson, Joe Pechack, F. W. Hopkins, W. S. McAndrew, B. A. Davidson, W. M. Rankin, Abilene; R. F. England, Tye; C. A. Wilson, T. J. Hulsey, Abilene; A. Young, Buffalo Gap; J. P. Hefley, G. C. Helvety, B. W. Travis, W. W. Fairbrough, A. V. Williams, J. M. Garcia, J. H. Bullock, Percy Jones, Abilene; J. W. Joiner, Tye; Carl H. Smith, H. C. Haynes, Abilene; F. F. Smith, Merkel; J. F. Rumpy, Abilene; Geo. Hafner, Tuscola; C. H. Lackey, Ovalo;

Ray H. Brazile, Frank Earney, Abilene; R. L. Hicks, Merkel; J. W. Edmondson, C. C. Higgs, Abilene; W. S. Edenborough, Guion; D.M. Strong, W. V. Powell, Abilene; Barney Day, Bradshaw; G. D. Davidson, Abilene.

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The Mail will be glad to receive news of entertainments or visitors in Merkel homes, as well as other news items of a general nature. If you have company, entertain friends or return from a trip please telephone 81 or 29.

Burgess Re-Elected For Two Year Term

Supt. Roger A. Burgess, who is now completing his thirteenth year as head of the Merkel Public schools, was re-elected for a two-year term, sessions of 1935-36 and 1936-37, at the regular meeting of the school board Tuesday night.

Supt. Burgess assumed the duties of superintendent of the Merkel schools in 1919 and, with the exception of three years, 1925 through 1927, when he was superintendent at Childress, has since directed the affairs of local school management. Prior to his election as superintendent in 1919 he had previously served as principal.

Marking one of the chief achievements of his entire administration, the much needed \$10,000 auditorium-gymnasium was realized in his thirteenth year just closing.

It's here another car of Yukon's Best Flour, Meal and Feeds, Eli Case Grocery.

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Named Housing Director. Dallas, Mar. 7.—W. H. Clark, Dallas attorney, was named director of the federal housing administration in Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico.

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Pure Cane
Sugar 10 lbs. 52c 25 lbs. \$1.27

Idaho
SPUDS, 10 pounds 18c

Blue and White
COCOA, 1 pound 15c

Sun Up
COFFEE 1 Pound 19c

Red and White
PEACHES, No. 2 1-2 can, 2 cans 35c

Fresh
PRUNES, No. 10 can, each 35c

Post
Toasties Large package 10c

Red and White
OATS, large pkg. 22c

Maxwell House
COFFEE, pound 33c

Maple
SYRUP, pint 23c

Brer Rabbit
No. 2 1-2 can 19c

Syrup No. 5 can 35c No. 10 can 63c

Kuner's
PEAS, No. 2 can, 2 cans 27c

Kuner's
GREEN BEANS, No. 2 can, 2 cans 21c

Red and White
CORN, No. 2 can, each 15c

Blue and White
Pork & Beans 16 oz. can 5c

A-1 Soda
CRACKERS, 2 pounds 19c

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FORTNIGHTLY STUDY CLUB.

The suburban home of Mrs. Tom Largent was the meeting place for members of the Fortnightly Study club this week. Miss Evelyn Curb led a program on "Argentina of Today," discussing "Government and International Importance." Mrs. W. L. Diltz gave a description of the "Geographical Features, Climate, Industries and Commerce" while Mrs. Lige Gamble discussed the "People and Their Culture." "A Comparison of the Argentine Government with that of the United States" was made by Mrs. R. I. Grimes and Mrs. W. S. J. Brown told of the "Rivers of Argentina and Their Commercial Importance."

Following the lesson plans were formulated for a "Federation Day" when guest speakers, Mrs. E. E. Traweck, Abilene, and Mrs. John Perry, Sweetwater, will discuss, respectively, "City Federation" and "State Federation." The meeting March 18th will be in the home of Mrs. C. B. Gardner with Miss Stell Ledger leader.

BETTER BRIDGE.

Mrs. Charles M. Largent, Jr., delightfully entertained members of her bridge club on last Thursday afternoon. Dainty appointments for contract games along with baskets of delicious candies made the tables especially attractive for Mesdames Sadler, White, Mayfield, McCree, Largent, Boaz, Gamble, McFarland, Pearson, Zehnpfennig, Higgins and Miss Christine Collins.

KING'S DAUGHTERS.

Members of the King's Daughters Sunday School class met in the church parlors Tuesday afternoon in a delightful social meeting with Mesdames Amy Sears, W. L. Harkrider and J. R. Pee the hostesses. Mrs. Charlie Russell gave the devotional and Mrs. Armstrong read an original paper on "Why I Go to Church."

In the business meeting, plans were formulated for the observance of "Day of Prayer" Friday, March 15th. During the social hour enjoyable readings were given by the three guests, Mrs. P. H. Gates, Miss Pauline Joyner and Ainsworth Gates. At the refreshment hour delectable pecan pie, fritos and coffee were served to Mesdames Dry, Williams, Sutphen, Golladay, Cox, Coats, Durham, Richards, Armstrong, Patterson, McSpadden, Black, Butman, Hollingsworth, Ellis and Russell, the three guests and three hostesses.

TACKY PARTY.

Mesdames Tracy Campbell and E. B. Wallace were hostesses to members of the Merkel Home Demonstration club and their husbands at a tacky party in the Campbell home on Friday night of last week.

Prizes were given to Mrs. E. O. Carson and C. P. Church for being the tackiest dressed. Games were progressive "42" and anagrams.

Refreshments were served to the following: Messrs. and Mesdames C. F. Church, E. B. Wallace, Raymond Wilson, George White, E. O. Carson, Tracy Campbell, Tye Sublett; Mesdames Lake Renfro, W. A. McCandless, Misses Maurine White, Clara White, Joyce Renfro, Luna White, Gwendolyn Renfro; Messrs. Don and Billy Wood, Charlie and Bonnie Church and Jim Sublett.

ALATHEAN CLASS SOCIAL.

Mrs. E. O. Carson graciously entertained the Alathean Sunday School class in her home Friday afternoon of last week. Mrs. F. A. Polley brought the devotional and Mrs. W.

CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

Attendance at the six reporting Sunday Schools here last Sunday was 698, 33 short of the previous Sunday when 731 were present. On the same Sunday a year ago the attendance was 836.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a.m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. B. T. S. at 6:30 p. m. W. M. U. at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon. Y. W. A. at 4:30 Monday afternoon. Prayer meeting at 7:15 Wednesday evening.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Why not attend next Sunday. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Young people's meeting 6:30 p. m. W. M. S. Monday 2:30 p. m. Boys and Girls World club Monday and Tuesday 4 p.m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

P. H. Gates, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. This will be the only Sunday service, as it is the pastor's day at Baird. Everyone is urged to come at the appointed time so that the service may close in time to attend church worship elsewhere.

R. A. Walker, Pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Bible study meets at 10 a. m. and preaching begins at 11 a. m. The subject is "Things that Make a Strong Church." Young people meet at 6:30 and preaching for the evening service is at 7:30 p. m. The subject is "Come and See the Works of God." Each Wednesday evening our mid-week service includes both song practice and Bible study. Come and be with us at these services.

Flavil R. Yeakley, Minister.

NORTHSIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.

Brother Drenon, a young minister of our church, preached a fine sermon Sunday morning. Brother Bill Dowell preached Sunday night. Both of these young ministers are growing in grace and understanding of the word of God.

Next week three of our ministers, Brothers Ritor, Drenon and Dowell, with the co-operation of their pastor, will begin a continued evangelistic work from city to city, and out in the country as well. Bring your offering Sunday morning if you want to have a part in this work.

Everybody welcome to all our services.

A. McCandless led the prayer. Talks were made on how to get new members for, and to arouse new interest in, the class. Mrs. R. H. Mathews, the president, appointed a committee to help with the class socials.

After the business hour an interesting contest was solved and at the refreshment hour delicious cherry pie, topped with whipped cream, was served with coffee to class members. Date of the regular class meeting has been changed from the last Thursday to the fourth Wednesday each month. The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Fred Baker and all members are urged to come.

Services. Sunday afternoon we always teach a Bible course. "A Study Through the Bible, Chapter by Chapter."

Ernest C. Dowell, Pastor.

NAZARENE CHURCH.

We will observe Friday, March 8, as day of fasting and prayer. There will be all-day services at the church Friday.

Services Friday night, Saturday night, Sunday, Sunday night, and probably will continue the next ten days. We are expecting in the next few days to see a great ingathering of souls.

Let everybody come to our week-end services. Be on hand at 10 o'clock for Sunday School.

J. L. Mayhall, Pastor.

UNION RIDGE P. T. A.

The Union Ridge P. T. A. meets Friday night, Mrs. Holland Holt, accompanied by Mrs. Louis Montgomery and the new Red Cross nurse, Miss White, will be with us. Members and all parents are urged to attend.

Mrs. O. E. Harwell, President.

WOODMEN CIRCLE NOTICE.

On account of the funeral of the late Judge W. W. Wheeler Thursday afternoon, the Woodmen Circle meeting will be postponed until Tuesday afternoon, March 12, at 2 o'clock.

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Honor Roll

UNION RIDGE SCHOOL.

The following students were on the honor roll for the fifth month at the Union Ridge school, of which V. L. Hobby is principal and Mrs. Hobby is primary teacher:

First grade—Othel Carey, Billy Bob Douglas.

Second grade—Floyd Gabbert, Billy Newton, James McBride.

Third grade—Ollie Blanton, Patsy Ruth Cox, Gladys Pearl Johnson.

Fourth grade—Laverne Douglas.

Sixth grade—Jodie Gabbert, Vernie Dean, A. Z. Johnson.

Seventh grade—Ettie Bell Pannell.

WHITE CHURCH SCHOOL.

The honor roll for the fifth month of the White Church school includes the following pupils, as reported by Miss Pearl Dedmon, principal:

First grade—Billie Frazier, 92; Floyd Hanley, 94.

Sixth grade—Homer Tye, 94; M. H. Farmer, 91.

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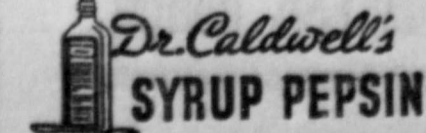
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