

OIL BELT MEET TO BE ATTENDED BY 16 TEACHERS

Former Governor Pat M. Neff One of Banquet Speakers; Sectional Meetings Scheduled For Saturday Afternoon.

The spring meeting of the Oil Belt Teachers association will meet in Mineral Wells on Friday afternoon and Saturday of this week. There will be a meeting Friday afternoon at 4 and a banquet Friday evening at 7. The banquet is to be the feature of the meet. At the banquet there will be a pageant entitled "One Hundred Years of Texas History." Speakers at this banquet will be Pat M. Neff, president of Baylor university, and President Hubbard of C. I. A.

At the Saturday morning session, W. B. Bizzell, president of Oklahoma university, C. N. Shaver, president of the Texas State Teachers' association, and B. B. Cobb, secretary of the latter association, will be the will occupy the Saturday afternoon main speakers. Sectional meetings meeting.

Sixteen teachers from Merkel will attend the meeting. The following will leave Merkel at noon Friday to be in Mineral Wells in time for the afternoon meeting and the Friday evening banquet: Miss Alma Morgan, Miss Evelyn Curb, Mrs. R. B. Irvin, Miss Julia Martin and Supt. and Mrs. R. A. Burgess.

Mesdames Holland Teaf, Elsie Nash, Spencer Bird, Len Sublett, Comer Haynes and Elmo Collins and Misses Vennie Heizer, Emma Joyner, Alzada Pogue, Stell Ledger and Imogene Hayes will arrive in time for the Saturday morning sessions.

R. B. Irvin, T. D. Riddle and Miss Helen Patterson will be unable to attend because of three preliminary events of the county meet which are scheduled at Abilene for Saturday.

To permit teachers to attend his meeting, the local schools will dismiss Friday at noon.

Three carloads of cattle were shipped from here via the Texas and Pacific railway Tuesday for California points, two having been purchased by Charles Nowlin of Los Angeles, to be shipped to Brawley, Calif., and the other, a carload of fat cattle shipped by J. A. Patterson, Jr., to Los Angeles.

Three Carloads Cattle Shipped to West Coast

Messrs. Patterson and Nowlin left overland Tuesday for California.

To Present Two Plays.

Two one-act plays, "The Minister's Son" and "Elmer," will be presented Friday night at Union Ridge. Everyone is invited. There will be no admission charge, it is announced.

KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

Texas Ranger, humor magazine published at the University of Texas, has been judged one of the four best in America.

Lefty Hambricht, one-handed hurler from Roby, has signed a contract with the San Antonio Missions of the Texas league.

Miss Hazel Elizabeth Allred, sister of Governor James V. Allred, was married in the executive mansion to William Bayard Stokes, Jr., of Glade-water.

The ninth birthday anniversary of the town of Borger was celebrated Friday with the largest street parade the citizens of that town have ever sponsored.

J. A. Carter, of Parker county, and C. C. Carter of Snyder, brothers who had become separated and had not seen each other since 1881, were reunited last week at Weatherford.

Mrs. Georgia Caldwell, 73, who lived alone in a one-room house about 15 miles north of Dickens, was found dead in a pasture about 400 yards from her home Tuesday morning.

Annual operating cost per man in the state prison system was reduced from \$430 in 1929 to \$252 in 1934, thereby reducing the annual loss to the state per inmate from \$293 to \$76.

George H. Spencer, cotton company employee of Recife Pernambuco, Brazil, was wedded by proxy Monday to Willie R. Robinson at Lubbock, with County Judge E. L. Pitts performing the ceremony.

Clinton Palmer, arrested at Sulphur Springs, was quoted by officers as admitting the slaying of two men in a Utah range dispute, and was held for the killing of Dillard Garrett of Sulphur Springs.

Governor James V. Allred Tuesday signed a bill to authorize issuance of \$3,500,000 relief bonds remaining of a \$20,000,000 issue in 1933, expenditures to be budgeted through the remainder of the year.

J. R. Parten, widely known Houston oil operator and ex-student of the University of Texas and who is a close friend of Governor James V. Allred, has been appointed on the board of regents of the school, succeeding Beauford Jester of Corsicana.

Convicted of conspiracy to obstruct justice, N. C. Outlaw, West Texas attorney, was sentenced in federal court at Dallas to 15 months in federal penitentiary and assessed a \$1,500 fine. C. M. Loe, jointly charged, was given a 12-months jail sentence but released on probation.

Record of Births.

Twins, a boy and a girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Dent Gibson, Thursday, March 7, 1935.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. U. T. Richie, Monday, March 11, 1935.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ellisor, residing northeast of Stith, Wednesday, March 13, 1935.

Messrs. and Mesdames O. M. Sharp, Austin Boyd, A. J. Leighty, L. J. Renfro, Mesdames John Sears, A. C. Rose, H. C. Burroughs, M. D. Angus, Misses Ona Hamblet, Elma Sheppard, Fannie Moore, Frances Burroughs, Lou Sears, Evaline Williams, Pet and Mollie Sears, Maude Jinkens, Zula Huffaker, Zelma Fletcher and Lillian McLendon, Hollis and Eufee Cypert, Mamie Moore and Messrs. Ralph Bigham, Luther Grimes, Roy Sheppard, George Woodrum and "Chief" Ferrier.

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FERA MAKING EMERGENCY SEED LOANS

Aid Available, Whether Applicant on Relief Rolls or Not; Applications to be Taken at County Relief Offices.

Austin, March 14.—Special funds have been made available to the Texas relief commission by the Federal Emergency Relief Administration for the purpose of making emergency seed loans for spring planting of commercial and forage crops, it was announced Monday by Adam R. Johnson, state relief director.

"These funds have been made available to meet the emergency created by temporary lack of funds in the farm credit administration which heretofore has made such loans," Mr. Johnson said. "Loans will be made in all cases of emergency regardless of whether the applicant is on relief rolls or not. Applications will be taken by county relief offices."

Mr. Johnson said the relief commission will discontinue making these loans immediately upon resumption of activities by the farm credit administration.

Schedule for School Inspector Announced

Schedule of visits for Miss Myrtle L. Tanner, secretary of the rural school division, of the state department of education, who comes to Taylor county Friday of this week as inspector of schools, was announced Wednesday by County Superintendent Tom McGehee.

Twenty-five districts are included in the list which Miss Tanner will inspect relative to requirements for state aid. The schedule for west Taylor county follows:

Tuesday—Blair, 9 a. m.; White Church, 10:30 a. m.; Butman, 12 p. m.; I. X. L., 2 p. m.; Tye, 3:30 p. m.

Wednesday—Salt Branch, 9 a. m.; Union Ridge, 10:30 a. m.; Trent, 12 p. m.; Hillside, 2 p. m.; View, 3:30 p. m.

Miss Tanner will be accompanied by the county superintendent and Miss Madge Stanford on the survey, and trustees of the school districts have been asked to meet the group at their respective school houses. At noon Tuesday the group will be guests of the Butman trustees for lunch.

Women Organize Health Class Here

Individual and personal hygiene will be the subject of the first lesson for a class in home hygiene and care for the sick, organized Tuesday of this week here. The class will meet for first study next Tuesday afternoon from 2 o'clock in rooms provided in the Merkel sanitarium by Dr. R. I. Grimes.

Aim of the first lesson will be to teach the value of health to the individual, the factors affecting health, the extent to which the individual may change these factors and the relation between mental and physical health.

Fifteen members were enrolled at the initial meeting of the class, which will be directed by Miss Beulah White, Red Cross nurse for Taylor county. The course will last twelve weeks.

Those already enrolled are Mrs. Orpah Patterson, Mrs. Madge Butman, Miss Maurine White, Mrs. Mary Click, Miss Lottie Butman, Mrs. Alto Shouse, Mrs. Gladys McLean, Mrs. G. Richie, Merkel; Mrs. Grace Thomas, Tye; Mrs. Mae Bush, I. X. L.; Mrs. Roxie Curb, Mt. Pleasant; Mrs. Lula Harris, Mrs. Ona Ray Blanton, Union Ridge, and Mrs. Ada Mae Butman, Butman.

Little Claude McCoy Accidentally Killed

Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon from the Northside Missionary Baptist church for little Claude Odell McCoy, two-year-old son of Mrs. Willie Griffin, 417 Cypress street, Abilene, who died Tuesday afternoon from injuries incurred when he was knocked down by a truck as he emerged from the garage of his mother's home into the alley in the rear.

Rev. Ernest C. Dowell, Baptist pastor, conducted the rites and interment was in Rose Hill cemetery beside the grave of the child's father, Thurman McCoy, who died in 1932.

Claude was born June 4, 1932. Survivors, besides his mother, are two brothers, Billie, 7, and Glenn, 5. Mrs. B. E. McCoy of Merkel is his paternal grandmother.

Many Come to Honor Late Judge Wheeler

Among the many out-of-town relatives and friends who came for the funeral of the late Judge W. W. Wheeler on Thursday of last week were the following nieces and nephews:

Frank Turner and daughter, Louise, of Haskell; Elmer Turner and daughter, Martha Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Turner, Mrs. Hartwell Smith and children, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Henick and children, all of Rule;

Grandsons: W. L. Johnson, Jr., and daughter, Mary Faye, and Howard Johnson, San Antonio; and the following friends from Abilene:

Bud Sears, Tom Bledsoe, Austin Fitts, Mrs. Lilla Touchstone, Miss Anna Lou Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Davis, and Mr. and Mrs. Perry Dickinson.

NEW LAWS TO EXEMPT TWO-BALE FARMER

Regulations Providing for Appeal Also Included in AAA Set-Up; 10,500,000 Bales 1935 Limit.

Washington, March 14.—Regulations to exempt the two-bale farmer and to provide for appeals of producers dissatisfied with their allotments under the Bankhead cotton production control law were announced last week by the AAA.

Last fall President Roosevelt advocated exemption of the two-bale farmer from payment of the ginning tax on all his excess up to the maximum of two bales and there has been a demand throughout the Cotton Belt for a system of appeals from production allotments made by county committees.

This year's production of tax-exemption cotton is limited under the Bankhead act to 10,500,000 bales of 500 pounds each. On the ginnings of cotton not tax exempt the act levies a tax at the rate of 50 per cent of the average central market price on seven-eighths-inch middling spot cotton.

The national allotment of 10,500,000 bales would indicate, however, that producers may expect to receive a tax-free allotment equal to 65 per cent of the average production in the base period.

Judge Cobb New Justice of Peace

To fill the unexpired term of the late Judge W. W. Wheeler, Judge N. D. Cobb was appointed justice of the peace for the Merkel precinct at the regular meeting of the county commissioners' court Monday.

For eight years, 1908-1914, Judge Cobb served this precinct in this capacity, four years of which time he was also county commissioner. He has also served as mayor of the City of Merkel at two different terms and was president for four years of the volunteer fire association.

Donation Made by Merkel HD Club

For the purchase of 25 crepe myrtles planted in the civic beauty spot along the railroad right-of-way, the Merkel Home Demonstration club, through its president, Mrs. C. P. Church, has donated \$5.00 to the local highway beautification committee, of which Mrs. R. A. Burgess is chairman.

It is also announced that this club will arrange for tiling this plot, the work to be done for demonstration purposes as well as being most serviceable in the development of the plot.

Win Grand Champion Bull at Houston

Besides winning grand champion bull of the show, with their Publican Domino 10th, C. M. Largent and Sons won 9 blue ribbons out of 14 classes entered at the Houston Fat Stock show.

Wednesday night their herd of exhibition Herefords was shipped to Fort Worth for showing at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock show.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Largent visited the Houston Fat Stock show the first of last week and will leave Friday of this week, accompanied by Mrs. Willie Joe Largent and two children, to spend several days at the Fort Worth show.

BENEFIT PLAYS TO BE PRESENTED AT QUEEN MAR. 25

Through courtesy of Manager S. F. Nesmith of the Queen theatre, himself a Lion, this theatre has been offered and accepted as the setting for the presentation of three one-act plays by local talent for the benefit of the fund to beautify the highway within the city limits, a civic work already well under way.

The date for the entertainment, which is being sponsored by the Lions club of Merkel, is Monday night, March 25, and on this date Manager Nesmith will waive his regular program, giving way to the benefit bill.

Cast of characters for the three plays will be announced in next week's issue of The Mail, it is announced by Mrs. J. Olin Lusby and Mrs. R. O. Pearson, co-directors.

"Crow Shoot" to Be Staged Here Friday

The novelty of a crow shoot will be afforded Merkel sportsmen Friday afternoon of this week, the event to be sponsored by the local Lions club. The place is yet to be determined, but all interested may inquire of C. H. Jones, president of the Lions club, or any one else at the Magnolia station for this information.

Using a trap modeled after the ones demonstrated at Big Spring on the occasion of the big "crow shoot" there, Charlie Jones and associates have succeeded in trapping exactly 143 ravens since the trap was first set last week on McClain's farm north of town.

The movement for exterminating the horde of ravens that have haunted Taylor county farms and towns for several years and that have made their presence highly objectionable already this spring gained momentum when the county commissioners court in their meeting Monday ordered traps for the other three precincts besides those already in use in this precinct.

Commissioner Jack Canon presented plans to the county commissioners leading to the county-wide movement.

Cotton Meeting Here Largely Attended

Between 75 and 100 farmers from west Taylor county assembled at the tabernacle Wednesday afternoon to hear an address by County Farm Agent Knox Parr in explaining the 1935 cotton acreage reduction program. D. I. Shelton, local committee chairman, presided.

This was one of series of 12 educational meetings held, or to be held in Taylor county for the purpose of getting first hand information as to the AAA program to the farmers. Wednesday morning Mr. Parr spoke to the farmers at Butman school.

Rainfall Quarter Inch

Sleet and a slight flurry of snow were in evidence here Monday accompanying a slowly-falling rain that lasted for several hours. Precipitation here was measured at five-sixteenths of an inch, bringing the year's total to 3 3-16 inches.

LIONS ENGAGE BRECKENRIDGE BASKETEERS

Hotly Contested Game Between Semi-Pro Lion Teams of Two Cities to be Staged Here Friday Night at 7:30 O'Clock.

Friday night at 7:30 Merkel will see the long-talked-of clash between the Merkel Lions and the Breckenridge Lions on the basket ball court at the school gymnasium for the small price of ten cents to everybody.

Lion District Governor Bowles of Breckenridge was through Merkel Tuesday and stated that they would probably bring a few local entertainers other than their basket ball team.

Whether practice will help or handicap the local Lion tryouts remains to be seen, but among those coming out for the first string are Milton Case, Tracy Campbell, Carlton Vick, Dr. L. C. Zehnpfennig, Vaughn Holt, Isadore Mellinger, Byers Petty and Benny Sheppard.

The committee on arrangements here is planning to have a get-together immediately after the game at the home of President C. H. Jones in order that Merkel Lions and their wives might meet the players and their wives from Breckenridge. The services of the Merkel string band have been secured and they will furnish music throughout the evening at the gymnasium.

Popcorn and peanuts will be on sale by some of the tenderfoot Lions. All proceeds from both concessions and game will go toward outfitting a meeting place for the local organization.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, March 19, 1915.)

L. Brown of Arlington, formerly a pill-roller of our town, but who is now a full-fledged drummer calling on the drug trade throughout the state, was in Merkel Sunday shaking hands with his many old-time friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Counts, are at home from a month's visit in El Paso with their daughter, Mrs. Edgar Maxwell.

Two purchases of automobiles by Merkel parties were omitted last week: a five-passenger Studebaker touring car by G. F. West and a five-passenger touring car by Thos. Douglass.

Guy Hamilton came in Monday night from San Francisco to spend a day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Hamilton.

Mr. Hamilton was a witness to the tragic death of Lincoln Beachey and stood only about two hundred yards from the spot where Beachey and his machine struck the bay of San Francisco.

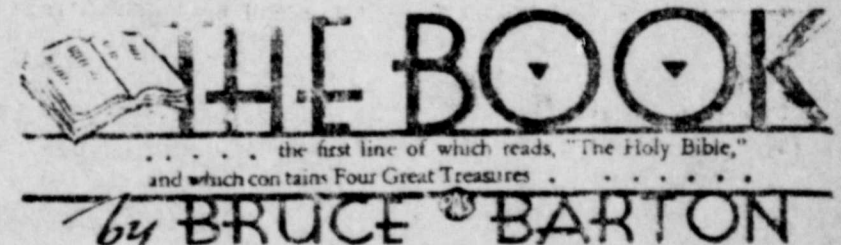
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ABRAHAM.

Most of the pioneers since the world began have lived and died and left no memory of their deeds. They blazed the trails which those who followed trod to paths, and by the time that these had become macadamized highways it was too late to find the record of him whose adventurous feet had first passed that way. Edward Everett Hale found himself profoundly moved by his contemplation of the nameless saints whose heroism we have inherited:

What was his name? I do not know his name; I only know he heard God's voice and came. No pealing trumpet thunders forth his name: He lived, he died; I do not know his name.

But a few of the heroic adventurers left authentic records that defy the effects of oblivion. Prince of the pioneers is Abraham. He lived, as his ancestors had lived, in the fertile valley of Mesopotamia, a great landowner and shepherd.

Lot, his nephew, was also rich.

And there was strife between the herdmen of Abram's cattle and the herdmen of Lot's cattle.

More pasture was needed for their flocks, and to their neighbors that was a sufficient explanation of their migration; just as many historians regard "economic pressure" as the whole explanation of the journey of the Pilgrim Fathers and of so many other important movements in history.

Now the Lord said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee.

And he went out, not knowing whither he went.

In those two sentences, one from the Old Testament, the other from the New, you have the real story of Abraham's migration. He was already on the way when the message came to him.

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NOODLE NEWS

Brother W. G. Cypert filled his regular appointment at the 11 o'clock hour Sunday at the Church of Christ here. This is the first time Brother Cypert has been with us since his recent illness and we were indeed glad to have him.

School is progressing nicely, but the attendance has been light, owing to sickness; "flu" and whooping cough have been prevalent, but almost all of the students are well now and able to be back in school.

Miss Leta Faye Barbée, who has been confined to her home for the past month with a fractured ankle, is able to be up with the aid of crutches.

W. J. Bicknell and son, Otto, went to Kilgore last Wednesday, returning Friday. They were accompanied on their return by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Eller, of Birmingham, Ala., who expect to visit here for an indefinite time.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jinkens and baby of Merkel visited Sunday in the home of his brother, Claude Jinkens.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Cantrell and two children of Stamford spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sosebee.

Prof. and Mrs. Bell and little son, Ronald Lee, accompanied by Mrs. Bell's mother, Mrs. Irvin, spent the week-end at Denton, the guests of Mrs. Irvin's daughter, Mrs. Madge Wright.

While at Denton, Mr. Bell visited C. I. A., dining there Sunday. He stated it was a novel experience, as there are about 600 girls in the dormitories there.

Ollie Sosebee, Plymouth salesman of Anson, was in our community Tuesday.

Mrs. Frankie Cox and children returned home Thursday after a two weeks visit with her mother at Anson.

E. W. Herring, who has been at Jahl, N. M., for several weeks, had a serious accident as he was returning home Friday night. He narrowly escaped death when a produce truck struck his car near Stanton. His car was overturned and completely demolished, but he escaped with a few cuts and bruises.

Messrs. William Neill and Minter King of Merkel were visitors in the Noodle community Monday night.

NOODLE SCHOOL NEWS.

The Noodle girls won the Jones county championship in basketball from Nugent by a score of 24-22. Juana Ely was high point scorer of the game with 11 points to her credit. The girls who brought the first county championship to Noodle were: Mozelle Payne, Juana Ely, Leta Faye Barbée, Louise Carter, Lucille Justice, Cama Perrin, Monty Reese, Mildred Sosebee, Ruth Love and Missie Spurgin. Mrs. Finis T. Bell coached the winning team.

The Noodle girls also won three games of volley ball from Goodman.

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"Wild Bill" Cummings Drives Second Chevrolet



"Wild Bill" Cummings, national A. A. A. racing champion, recently took delivery of his second Chevrolet—a new 1935 Master De Luxe sedan with which he is pictured above. Cummings became a Chevrolet owner following his victory at Indianapolis last Decoration Day. In the oval he is shown as he finished the Indianapolis classic, wearing the new type crash helmet that was recently adopted by the A. A. A. Contest Board for all racing drivers in 1935.

which gives them the right to play in county meet.

The Noodle junior boys defeated the Hawley junior boys in a game for the championship of Jones county by a large score. The junior boys who played were: Melvin Jinkens, Ivey Lucas, Roy Satterwhite, Arvis Henderson, Norman Winters, H. R. Chancey, Cleo Sosebee, Jasper Brown and Wallace Ely. The coach of the junior boys is Conway Pickard.

Those who will represent Noodle for the literary events at the Jones County Interscholastic league in Anson on March 15-16 are:

Senior declamation—Wilson Williams, Nellie Williams.

Junior declamation—High school, Mozelle Sosebee, Roy Satterwhite; Grammar school, Carl Jackson, Jr., Mattie Bell Spinks.

Senior essay writing—Mildred Sosebee.

Extemporaneous speaking—Cornelia Williams, Watts Davis.

Spellings—High school, Jasper Brown, Nellie Williams; Grammar school, Geraldine Sloan, Burneal Merritt.

Arithmetic test—Burneal Merritt.

Doctors Know!

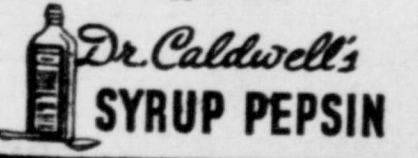
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THE BOOK

(Continued from Page One.) God changed the name of Abram to Abraham.

Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee.

He was given children when more than 90 years old, and he lived to be a hundred and seventy-five, "an old man and full of years." Among many elements which combined to make him great, one is particularly worthy of remembrance—he was the real head of his own household. God said:

Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him.

Why? For I know him, that he will

command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord, to do justice and judgment.

If leaders were chosen in our day on the basis of their proved power to govern their own families in righteousness, how many would qualify?

Next week: Joseph.

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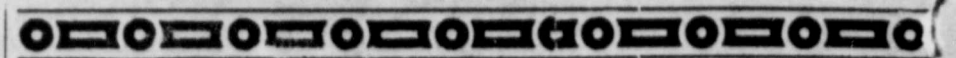
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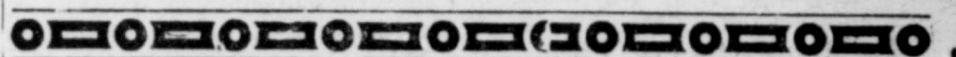
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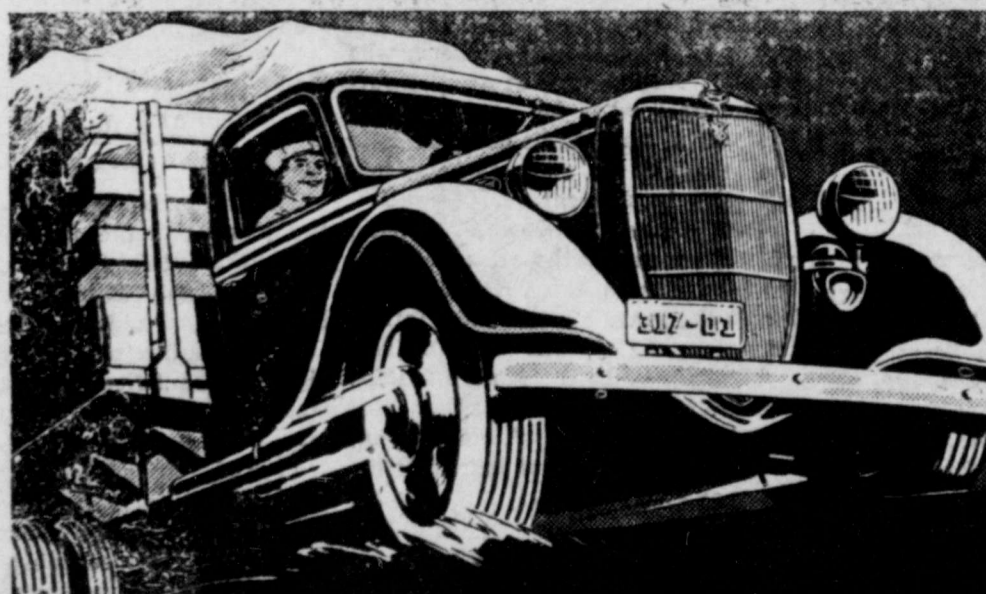
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EXTRA! EXTRA! ALL ABOUT 1935 SENIOR BEAUTY

Shall we hold you in suspense much longer? The Seniors have elected Billie Bernice Gambill as their beauty candidate.

Billie has three talents: she is beautiful; she is a talented dancer, and she is a promising singer.

Not yet eighteen, she has become one of the most beautiful in Merkel. It is rumored that she is bound for Hollywood. Even strangers that gaze upon her charming face, framed by titian hair, exclaim that she is as pretty as a picture. Her smile is as appealing as that of Greta Garbo. Why shouldn't it be appealing when one sees those perfect, white, dazzling teeth? Her energy and enthusiasm are inexhaustible. And her complexion!

She plays tennis in this March wind. Fearless for the lovely texture of her skin.

Isn't she the candidate you want most to vote for? Isn't this a splendid characterization for a beauty queen? Be truthful, vote for the most beautiful—Billie Bernice Gambill.

The Baron of Monchhausen
Comes to Life
As Portrayed by Jack Lowe
(By Tracy Wood.)

"Und so I shot vun thousand times und kilt ten thousand ducks. Und they were dead, chess, and me dorg Piffliritz ate de ducks, all in vun meal, und ve had duck butter and ducks for fourteen days and ve neffer got so filled up on ducks in all me life. Und, to top de whole story off, ve lost de gun und de dog died und I have an awful stomach ache."

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.

R & R PALACE

Sweetwater

Friday-Saturday
Paul Muni in
"BORDERTOWN"

Sunday-Monday
Claudette Colbert in
"IMITATION OF LIFE"

Tuesday-Wednesday
Gene Raymond in
"TRANS-ATLANTIC
MERRY-GO-ROUND"

Thursday Only
George Raft in
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R. & R. RITZ
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The Two Wonder Dogs in
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Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

The Sophomore class hereby announces Betty Grimes as our candidate in the beauty contest.

She has many good features! She has blonde hair, blue eyes, olive skin, weighs 105 pounds, is 5 feet, 4 inches tall, and most of all what a personality!! After all of these descriptions if you have never seen her would you know her?

We want all your support in helping us to put our candidate in the run-off. You'll hear from us later about the finals! We want our beauty's picture in your Seniors' Memory Book. You'd better watch out. We're pretty stubborn, and you should hear the money rattling in our pockets.

OUR SENIORS.

Mary Helen Mashburn.

Mary Helen is one of our debaters to represent Merkel at the county meet; she will probably make so many points and win so many on her side on the subject debated that she will change the patch work on the seat of our government. To know Mary Helen is to love her, for she and loveliness are as inseparable as a pair of pants.

Zerk Robertson.

Zerk is friendly, neat and so popular that he is referred to as the appendix boy, the kind that gets taken out. He is a good extempore speaker when he lets loose the practiced scalpel of his tongue.

SOPH NEWS.

Murphy Dye was elected the class president, to our delight. Lloyd Vick was elected vice-president. Roy Hagner was elected secretary-treasurer, and Sylvan Mellinger was elected reporter.

HORACE BONEY.

(By Tracy Wood.)

There are many funny incidents that are called to mind by someone who notices everything that takes place out of the ordinary. While down in town the other day I happened to be watching Horace Boney, age two, distributing circulars for the store where he works. Now, Horace, isn't given over to forgetfulness, but he seemed to forget himself this time, upon coming close to one car he opened the door, happened to notice the window was down, closed the door and put the circular through the window.

JUNIOR STATIC AND FIRST NEWS OF BANQUET

(Newspaper of the Air.)

"Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. This is NEWS, the High School Station in Merkel, with studios in the Junior class, Merkel schools' class of distinction.

"A great deal of excitement took place here Wednesday when the Junior sponsor, Miss Helen Patterson, called together the members of the Junior class in a special session. At 10:50 the entire class was assembled in its official chamber on the second floor of the High School building, the doors were closed, and business transactions were begun at once. The class elected its officers and discussed plans for the Junior-Senior banquet. The officers were these: Oscar Adcock, president; Clifton Ballamy, vice-president; Jack Stanford, secretary and treasurer; Juanita Husky, reporter.

"We hope the banquet goes over with a bang, as it will if we work hard with Miss Patterson, who seems to have a knack at making banquets go over with bangs. An inflation of the currency may be necessary to make it possible for the forty-eight Juniors to serve approximately one hundred-eleven people and have money left over to meet the other expenses of a banquet. Secretary and Treasurer Stanford said.

"Well, I see my time is getting short, so until next week, cheerio."

"Friends, you have just heard Cooke Barter reviewing the news flashes from the Junior class. This program has come to you through the facilities of MHS network. This is the High School Broadcasting company. Tune in again next week for another news report, same speaker, same time, same place. Your announcer—Johnnie Q. Reporter. Good morning."

SWEETS OF THE SWEEPSTAKES.

Hey! All you folks out there on the grandstand! Have your eyes examined and get your field glasses ready to see the beauty! And listen, just let me give you a little confidential tip-off. Bet your five grand on Number Ten, Hattie Mae Dwigins, the winner-to-be. Everybody knows Hatt' Mae to be that sweet, obliging, lovable, graceful, charming, rav-

Fish Stuff

When the Freshmen met in room 2 last Friday it was their unanimous decision to have Miss Freida Farmer represent them in the annual beauty contest of Merkel High school. Freida's dark, wavy hair serving as a background for her lovely complexion and beautiful brown eyes was fully enough to convince every Freshman that she is the perfect representative of the 1935 Freshman class.

The organization of the Freshmen got under way last Friday by the election of officers under the supervision of Miss Martin. Pauline Joyner was elected president; Jannell Black, vice-president; Waymon Adcock, secretary and treasurer, and Dick West, reporter.

enously beautiful little rosebud of the Junior class. The grandstand is packed; field glasses adjusted; contestants on their mark; the gun is fired; and they're gone!! Come on Hattie Mae!!

SENIOR MEETING.

The Senior class met Monday, March 11, to elect the Senior beauty candidate. We elected Billie Bernice Gambill, although the number of votes between Billie and Mary Helen were few.

The class also selected its colors and motto. The Senior colors are blue and silver, and its motto is: "Strive not to equal, but to excel."

FAVORITE BOOKS.

"Twice Told Tales"—Absence excuses.
"Professor at the Breakfast Table"—Mr. Burgess.
"The Howling Mob"—Volley ball fans.
"The Beginning of Wisdom"—Freshman year.
"The Iron Woman"—Miss Patterson.
"Up From Slavery"—Graduation.
"An American Tragedy"—Flunking three subjects.
"Freckles"—Jr. Grimes.

JOKES.

Loreta Cox: "You think more of that old kirrings than you do of me."
Robert B.: "Well, I get less interference from it."
Mr. Irvin: "Roger, your handwriting is terrible. You must learn to write better."
Roger D.: "Well, if I did, you'd find fault with my spelling."

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English Department
Noodle School in
Cinderella Play

"A Southern Cinderella" was
presented to the Noodle school on
Thursday, March 7, to a large and
appreciative audience. The proceeds
from the sale of tickets at five and
ten cents were used by the English
department. Miss Thelma Suber,
English teacher, coached the play,
which was to be presented again at
Goodman school house on Wednesday
or Thursday of this week.

The cast of "A Southern Cinderella"
is as follows:

- Madame Charteris, Nellie Williams.
- Mammy Judy Johnson, Leta Tarpley.
- Enid Charteris, Johnny Chadwick.
- Johnnie Bell Randolph, Sybil Martin Samson.
- Rosie Winterberry, Enola Samson.
- Kathrine Hawke, Louise Cox.
- Caroline Hawke, Sybil Dixon.

UNION RIDGE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Weed and Mrs.
W. E. Weed of Abilene and Mr. and
Mrs. J. T. Biggs of Merkel were Sunday
guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. L.
Douglas.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ponder and sons
were several days guests recently of
relatives at Winters. They were accompanied
home by Miss Merle Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clark and family
were Sunday guests of Mr. and
Mrs. M. B. Jones of Anson.

Miss Eddie Lee Marr of Abilene
was guest Saturday night of Mr. and
Mrs. V. L. Hobby.

Everyone is asked to remember
that there will be church next Sunday
afternoon at the Methodist
church.

Several have visited in the Rosa
Baker home since Mrs. Baker has
been confined to her bed with the
"flu." We hope for her speedy recovery.

Messrs. Carl and Ottis Rogers
were week-end guests of Mr. and
Mrs. Arthur Rogers.

Miss Blanche Carey of Sweetwater
visited in the home of her parents,
Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Carey,
Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Douglas and
sons were accompanied to the Fat
Stock show at San Angelo by Mrs.
M. F. Carey and sons, being joined
there by Mr. Carey, who is with the
show. They enjoyed also the rodeo
performances given by many famous
riders from all parts of the United
States and Canada.

CARD OF THANKS.

We take this method to acknowledge
with grateful appreciation the
kindness and sympathy shown us
during the illness and death of our
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- Mrs. W. M. Turner and
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BUSY BEE CLUB.

The Busy Bee club met Thursday,
March 7, with Mrs. W. C. Lee as
hostess. The meeting was called to
order by the president and the club
prayer was repeated in concert. The
program was on the AAA.

Mesdames J. S. Pinckley, W. C.
Lee and Raymond Higgins each received
a birthday gift and Mesdames
Angus Garvin and Raymond Higgins
received baskets.

The hostess served delicious cake
and tea to the following: Mesdames
Raymond Higgins, P. L. Castleberry,
H. B. Robertson, Ollie Higgins, J. S.
Pinckley, R. E. Harris, Luther Land,
Joe C. Higgins, W. J. Higgins, Roy
Harrell and Misses Celia Heister and
Ruth Pinckley.

The next meeting will be in the
home of Mrs. Will Hays, and the
subject for the program will be
"Poultry" led by Mrs. Castleberry.

NOODLE CLUB.

The Noodle Home Demonstration
club met in regular session on February
26 in the home of Mrs. C. C.
Bristow, the meeting being called to
order by the president.

Miss Jewel Faulkner, the new
agent, gave a demonstration on tile
making to the 4-H girls and club
members. The program for the afternoon
was on "Education" and was
given by Mrs. C. W. Seago and Mrs.
Carl Bonneaux.

Refreshments were served to the
following visitors and members: Mesdames
J. M. Williamson, Oscar Justice,
Vessie Justice, Jim Sloan, Jane
Peggs, C. W. Seago, Carl Bonneaux,
Carl Jackson, H. V. Merritt, Miss
Jewel Faulkner, Mrs. Jim Spurgin,
Mr. and Mrs. Roundtree and Mrs.
J. H. Grayson, visitors.

UNION RIDGE P. T. A.

The Union Ridge P. T. A. met in
regular session Friday night. An
opening song was sung in unison,
followed by prayer by J. H. Clark.
"How Do You Tackle Your Work?"
was read by Dorma Lee Shelton, a
piano solo given by Larverne Harwell
and "The Footpath to Peace" read
by Mrs. D. Cox.

During the business hour the
minutes were read and approved and
the treasurer's report made. Council
report was given by Mrs. M. F. Carey.

Miss Beulah White, Red Cross nurse,
was introduced by Mrs. Holland
Holt and Miss White gave a general
outline of her three months health
work in Taylor county and what she
would expect of our school.

Requirements for the P. T. A. to
be a standard organization were
read by Mrs. Holt, who also gave a
talk on regular P. T. A. work.

New officers elected were: president,
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BIRTHDAYS CELEBRATED.

On Saturday evening Mr. and
Mrs. Rogers entertained with a party
in honor of Messrs. Ottis Rogers
of Clyde, whose birthday is March
14, and A. L. Rogers, whose birth-
day is March 5.

Music by the Rogers brothers and
part of the string band from Merkel
was the chief entertainment of the
evening. The honorees received many
birthday presents, of which they
were very proud.

Cake and fruit were served to Mr.
and Mrs. E. B. Wallace, Mr. and Mrs.
Paul Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. C. P.
Church and B. Wheeler, all of Mer-
kel, Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Hobby, Mr.
and Mrs. M. L. Douglas, Mr. and
Jack Pannell, Misses Vada Gabbert,
Effiebell Pannell, Mary Bell Dou-
glas, Eddie Lee Marr of Abilene,
Hazel Eastman of White Flat and
Levera Douglas; Messrs. J. C. Brew-
er, Dub Ford, Winston Polley, Duane
Pangle, Dub Harris, J. D. Sosebee,
Carl Rogers, several boys from Neo-
dle and the honorees and hosts.

Where's Elmer?

We fill all doctors' prescrip-
tions. Vick Drug Co.

White Church News

Most everyone was talking of corn
planting until the arrival of a very
cool spell on Monday of this week.

We have had quite a bit of "flu"
and la grippe here, but most every-
one is better at this writing.

Mrs. W. L. Brown has returned
to her home after some few months
stay with her sister near Big Spring.
We hope Mrs. Brown will soon be
able to be up again.

L. R. Harris and G. S. Phillips
were in Abilene on business Monday.
Mrs. Minnie Reeves is visiting in
the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Far-
mer.

We are glad to report Mrs. Homer
Two is greatly improved after being
sick for several weeks.

Mrs. P. F. West is at home after
having been dismissed from the Scott
and White sanitarium at Temple.
Mrs. West was suffering from cancer
and everyone is so glad that she
has returned home well again.

Raymond Demere is attending the
rodeo in San Angelo this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Toombs and
small son, Leon, Jr., of Merkel visited
Mrs. Frazier Demere's, Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Brown is spending an
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ita Falls. Mrs. Brown accompanied
her grandson, Wilford McLean, home
after a week's visit with relatives
and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Barnes visited
Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Blair of Noodle
Sunday.

Mrs. Nell Pressly and daughters,
Jean and Mrs. Marvin Lindsey and
little daughter, Joy, were in Abilene
last Thursday on business.

"A Woman Won't."

CARD OF THANKS.
We wish to thank each and every
one who were so kind to us in ren-
dering assistance and extending sym-
pathy during the illness and death
of our beloved wife and mother; es-
pecially do we wish to thank Dr. W.
B. Adamson for his untiring efforts
and the neighbors who so thought-
fully brought in meals and aided us
in any way; also we wish to express
our thanks for the beautiful floral
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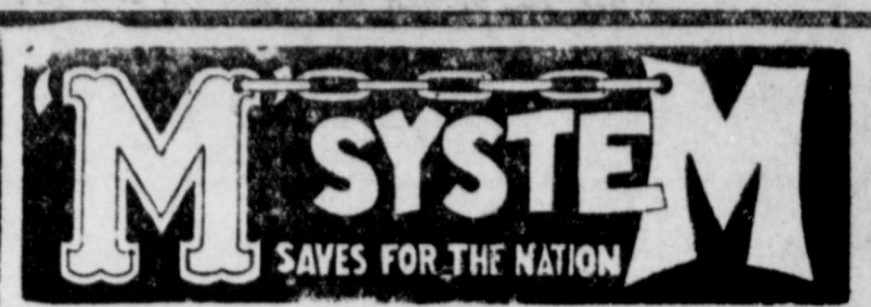
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LARGE SIZE, DOZ. 25c

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WINESAPS, DOZ. 25c

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State Captain Drills Local Degree Team

Mrs. Stella Shelton of Fort Worth, state captain of the Woodmen Circle Supreme Forest, was here Monday drilling Merkel's degree team. Mrs. Jannie B. Garner and Mrs. Tress Goldsticker, district managers, were also here to assist Mrs. Shelton.

The Merkel-group, directed by Mrs. Sallie Gantt, will enter state competition in the Waco convention the latter part of March. Mrs. Lila Rosa, guardian, is to go as a grove delegate.

The following members of the Abilene drill team were also in attendance: Mrs. W. T. St. John, captain of the team; Mesdames H. T. O'Bar, Winnie Mae Smith, Anna Robertson, Gertrude Walker, Vincent Joyce, Margaret Harris, Miss Viva Jones and Miss Fay O'Bar, state attendant.

Attend Funeral of Brother-in-Law

J. J. Harkins, 64, brother-in-law of Mrs. W. O. Boney of this city, died Friday of last week at his home at Roscoe, following a stroke of paralysis, the third from which he had suffered, about ten days before his death. Besides his wife, he is survived by a number of brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were held at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon from the Baptist church at Roscoe, with interment in the Roscoe cemetery.

Mrs. Boney and her husband, also Mr. and Mrs. Harold Boney and little daughter, Sylvia Ann, attended the funeral.

Elmer Adcock Accepts Ministry at Happy

Elmer Adcock, ministerial student at Abilene Christian college and son of Postmaster and Mrs. O. J. Adcock, has accepted appointment for full time work as minister of the Church of Christ at Happy.

He will assume his new duties the coming Sunday, carrying with him the best wishes of many friends and former schoolmates for success in his chosen field of labor.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

A more favorable report was given out Thursday morning as to the condition of Mrs. Ray King, who has been critically ill at the West Texas Baptist sanitarium since Thursday of last week. Her sister, Mrs. Raymond Neal, arrived Friday from Hugo, Okla., to be with her.

Among those from here who attended the San Angelo Fat Stock show and Hereford sale Tuesday were: Mesdames W. S. J. Brown, W. E. Lowe, C. E. Gardner and Miss Johnnie Sears; Messrs. Booth Warren and Tom Largent. Bill Brown had remained over there since the show started.

Warren Smith has been confined to his home since Sunday with the "flu," but was reported Thursday morning as convalescing. His parents, Dr. and Mrs. N. J. Smith, of Anson, stopped by for a visit Tuesday, Mrs. Smith remaining here for several days.

Ollie Higgins, who underwent an appendix operation at the West Texas Baptist sanitarium Friday of last week, was reported Thursday morning as doing as well as could be expected.

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Mrs. J. M. Kelso, 70, Passes Away at Stith

Mrs. J. M. Kelso, age 70, who was affectionately known as Grandma Kelso by nearly everyone in the Stith and Hope communities, passed away Sunday night at her home at Stith.

Funeral services were held at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon from the Baptist church at Stith, conducted by Rev. Berry Baker of Tye, Methodist pastor, assisted by Rev. Mr. Fulgham, Baptist pastor at Stith, and Rev. Walter Fielder, former Baptist pastor there. Interment was in the cemetery at Prairie View, west of Anson.

Mrs. Kelso, who was born in Tennessee, moved to the Stith community with her husband and family in 1906.

She had been a member of the Baptist church for 50 years.

Besides her husband, she is survived by seven children: six sons, Lee Kelso, Anson; Robert M. Kelso, San Diego, Calif.; Earl Kelso, Lansing, Mich., and Walter, Horace and Lloyd Kelso, Stith, the latter making his home with his parents, and one daughter, Mrs. J. M. Worsham, Plainview. Robert, the son from California, arrived too late for the funeral, but all of the other children were present except Earl Kelso, Lansing, Mich., who was unable to come.

Three sisters, two in Tennessee and one in Kansas, and one brother in Tennessee, also survive.

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Volley Ball, Tennis Playoff Saturday

Interscholastic league volley ball and tennis champions for Taylor county schools will be decided at Abilene Saturday.

Ten teams have entered the volley ball tournament which starts at 9 a. m. in the Abilene high school gymnasium. Merkel's first game will be with Trent.

The tennis playoff is slated for the same hour at the Hardin-Simmons courts. Merkel has entries in all events, boys' singles, girls' singles, boys' doubles and girls' doubles.

Track and field events are slated for Saturday of the following week at the Hardin-Simmons athletic field. F. W. Hogue of Ovalo is direc-

tor-general of the league in Taylor county and Briggs Irvin of Merkel is athletic director.

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TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mrs. J. P. Stevens and little daughter, Frances, returned last week from a visit with her mother...

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Riggins and children were guests over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hayes...

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Dowdy of Odessa were here for the weekend; Mrs. Dowdy remaining over for a longer visit...

M. L. Jones is visiting his father, T. A. Jones, of Silver City, Miss.

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Adrian of Colorado were guests Friday of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Adrian.

Mrs. Rose Edwards, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Curly Edwards, went to Temple last Friday where the former entered Scott and White sanitarium for surgery.

Mrs. Joe Alexander, who recently underwent surgery at the West Texas Baptist hospital, is now at the home of her mother, Mrs. Ann Boone, and is reported as improving rapidly.

Mrs. O. L. Bishop was elected delegate to the annual meeting to be held in Waco the latter part of March...

Mrs. O. L. Bishop, Mrs. John Payne and Miss Edythe Hale were hostesses and served sandwiches, cake and hot chocolate...

Mrs. Joe Wash and children of Hamlin were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Hamner and Mesdames W. E. Hamner and Ansel Martin, of Sweetwater, visited Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Hamner of Wink the first part of the week.

Mrs. Joe English and children of Lamesa are guests of relatives.

Jack Bowers spent the week with the home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Blackman and daughter of Lamesa spent Sunday visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. L. McLeod.

Miss Dorene Scott of McMurry was home for the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Gade were guests Sunday afternoon of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Woods.

Mr. and Mrs. Orion Tittle and little daughter visited relatives in Merkel over the weekend.

WILLIAMSON-BRIGHT.

Mr. and Mrs. N. O. Bright are announcing the marriage of their oldest daughter, Miss Helen, to Robert Worth Williamson of Breckenridge on March 5 at 1:15 o'clock in the afternoon at the Methodist parsonage, with Rev. Pruette officiating...

The bride is a charming young lady, having been reared here, where she finished high school in 1933. She attended Draughon's Business College in Abilene in 1934 and has a host of friends who wish for the couple a long and happy married life.

They will reside at Eliasville where the groom is employed.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Mrs. J. E. Bowers, assisted by Miss Thelma Nalley, entertained Friday evening with a party honoring Bill Joe on his fourteenth birthday. Contests and music were enjoyed throughout the evening.

Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and punch were served to Misses Elsie Bishop, Betty Lou Howell, Jean Scott, Lucile Howell, Kathleen Shannon, Gladys Stribling, Winnie McDonald, and T. G. Murdock, A. C. Terry, Clois Shannon, Nealy Tittle, Milton Riky, Jake Roberts and Lorey Stribling.

HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB.

The Trent Home Demonstration club met Wednesday, March 6, in regular session with Mrs. H. T. Ogletree, club president, in the chair.

Mrs. Cleve Johnson, wardrobe demonstrator, gave an interesting lecture on storage space for clothing, giving special emphasis on light and coloring for the modern closet. She

also supplied members with a pattern of a convenient shoe rack and urged the use of these in caring for shoes. Mrs. Ernest Nemir gave a report on the recreation program held recently in Abilene...

Other members present were: Mesdames A. C. Wash, Roger Williams, H. H. Jones, D. H. Jones, L. Z. Titsworth, Tom Williamson and Hosea Winn.

A poultry demonstration will be given at the next regular meeting.

WOODMEN CIRCLE.

A new drill team was introduced at the meeting of the Woodmen Circle on Thursday, March 7, at the W. O. W. hall. Introduction of distinguished guests, flag presentation and official balloting were studied besides holding the regular business session.

Mrs. O. L. Bishop was elected delegate to the annual meeting to be held in Waco the latter part of March, and plans were made for a class initiation to be held soon.

Mrs. O. L. Bishop, Mrs. John Payne and Miss Edythe Hale were hostesses and served sandwiches, cake and hot chocolate to the following members: Mesdames Roy Elliott, guardian, Ed Burks, J. R. Gafford, Hurlst O'Kelly, J. P. Roberts, Hub Kegans, Faye Burks and Gladys Hamner.

HISTORY CLUB ORGANIZED.

The pupils of the High School Texas history class met Thursday morning, March 7, at their class period to organize a history club, the purpose of the club being to learn more about Texas.

With Miss Maggie Payne presiding as chairman, the following officers were elected: Edgar Lee Mangum, president; Gladys Hamner, vice-president, and Dorothy Reaves, secretary.

The class decided the name of the club should be "The Lone Star Club," using the star as their emblem.

A motto committee was appointed by the president as follows: Jimmie Titsworth, Leonard Robinson and Wilson Bright. They decided to meet every Friday at the regular class period.

Members of the club are: Gladys Hamner, Lois Orand, Dorothy Reaves, Jimmie Titsworth, Dow Williams, John Howell, Wilson Bright, Edgar Lee Mangum and Leonard Robinson.

FAMILY REUNION.

The occasion of the 55th birthday of N. L. McLeod was celebrated with a family reunion and dinner when all of the children were present except three sons-in-law. Each of the children brought a covered dish and the birthday cake was lighted with 55 candles. Many beautiful and useful gifts were received.

Sharing the pleasure of the day with Mr. and Mrs. McLeod were: Mr. and Mrs. Otto Blackmon and daughter, of Lamesa; Mrs. Mattie Rosson and the following children, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Winter and son, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McLeod and children, Mrs. Joe English and children, Mr. and Mrs. Sam McLeod and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Homer McLeod and children, Mr. and Mrs. Delmer McLeod and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer McLeod, Mrs. Bill Springer and son, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mayfield and son, Mrs. Donald Leverich, N. L. McLeod, Jr. Those calling in the afternoon were: Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith, Mrs. L. Z. Titsworth and Peggy and J. W. Mayfield of Merkel.

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CHURCH SERVICES

METHODIST CHURCH.
Sunday School 9:45 a. m. The following is a short grammar for Sunday Schools:

"Three little words you often see Are articles a, an and the."

Is your school an article like any of these.

Or is it a makeshift, idly at ease? your school a noun with an honored name, say that you are right in the name?

ad of nouns, the pronouns stand, head, her face, your arm, my hand."

es each member stand in his rightful place, striving to win in life's great race?

Adjectives tell the kind of noun, As great, or small, or white, or brown."

Is your school selfish, small or dead? What of its members may be truly said?

"Verbs tell of something to be done, To read, study, laugh, sing or run."

What do verbs tell of your school or class?

Is it hustling, serving, leavening the mass?

"How things are done adverbs tell, As slowly, quickly, ill or well."

What would they tell, if suddenly they should speak of your school? What could they say?

"Conjunctions join words together, As cat and dog, wind and weather."

Does your school unite men and the world?

Does it connect up action with what they've heard?

"The preposition stands before The noun as in or through the door."

Is it in your school that Christians grow And through its plan does the kingdom go?

"An interjection denotes surprise, As O! how pretty, ah! how wise."

If your school does aught, is there commotion?

Is there surprise if it has a notion? If these nine parts of speech are bound together, You will have a school, never mind the weather.

The whole are called nine parts of speech, Which reading, writing, speaking teach.

Read them again and try not to stammer

When you range them for use in your Sunday School grammar.

Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Young people's meeting 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

P. H. Gates, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Our Sunday School starts at 10 a. m. Try to be on time. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

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Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. B. T. S. at 6:45 p. m. W. M. U. at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon. Y. W. A. at 4:50 Monday afternoon. Prayer meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.
Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. Young people 6:30 p. m. Junior young people 7:15 p. m. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday evening at 7:30 there will be a song practice and Bible lesson. Come and be with us.
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Ernest C. Dowell, Pastor.

NAZARENE CHURCH.

We are happy to announce that Rev. J. L. and Sister Minnie Bates of Tuxedo, Texas, will be in a revival at this church May 14 to 26. Our aim, a far reaching revival in every Nazarene church at this time.

We want this revival well advertised; therefore, we are making our announcements now and trust that everyone will make preparation to attend.

Our work, after a sharp decline through the winter months, is taking on new life and all departments of the work are showing not only an increase in numbers but in interest also.

Preaching Sunday 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School 10 a. m.

N. Y. P. S. 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Come be in all these services. The prayer life of any church is the thermometer of the church, and the individual. Are you helping to bring the church to zero, or, on the other hand, are you helping to bring the reading up to fervent heat, and the church to a normal condition? Remember that for anything to grow and prosper there must be warmth and sunshine. Stay at home and squeeze; come to church and grow and glow.

J. L. Mayhall, Pastor.

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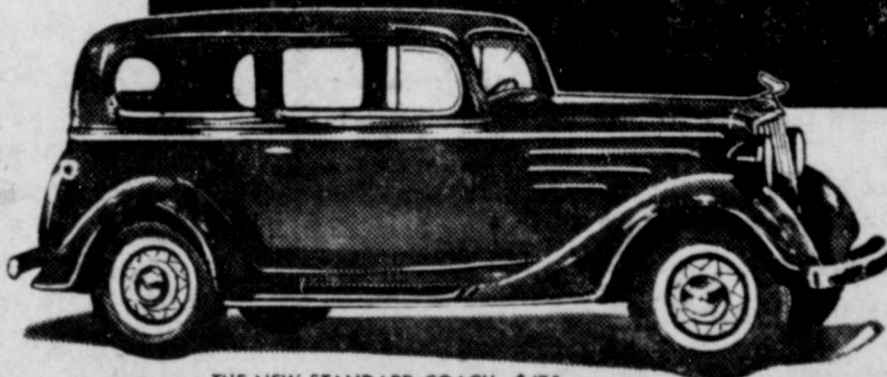


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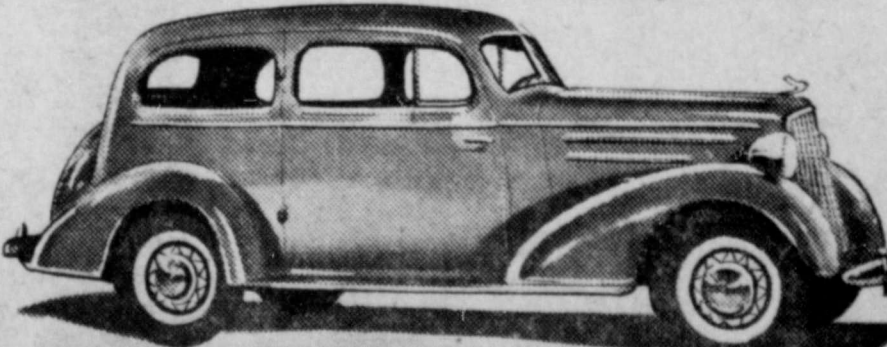
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SOCIETY

MESDAMES SADLER AND WHITE GIVE PARTY.

Mesdames W. T. Sadler and George White were hostesses at a lovely springtime party given in the home of Mrs. White, Saturday afternoon March 9th. The St. Patrick's Day theme was most effectively carried out in house decorations and in appointments for games of contract bridge and "42."

Levity in keeping with the spirit of Ireland's patron saint prevailed during the game hour; scores were "swapped," fines imposed for talking, laughing, bids reversed—all combined in an hilarious afternoon of fun.

At the refreshment hour baskets of beautiful sweet peas lent their charm to the tables where green and white brick ice cream, angel food squares in decorative icings, olives and Shamrock favors were passed to:

Mrs. Wesley Edwards and Mrs. Jack Edwards of Maryneal; Mesdames Ernest Old, Claude Young, G. C. Farrow, Abilene; Mesdames John West, W. L. Diltz, R. A. Burgess, W. W. Haynes, Fred Hughes, John Grable, W. J. Largent, A. R. Booth, T. E. Collins, Booth Warren, Yates Brown, Frank Golladay, Henry West, Ross Ferrier, Nathan Wood, Comer Haynes, Frank McFarland, R. I. Grimes, Ralph Duke, Dick Pearson, Briggs Irvin, John Olin Lusby, Bob Dennis, Alfred Costephens, George West, Jr., Ted Nichols, Warren Smith, Byers Petty, Sam Swann, Dee Grimes, Jim Cook, Bob McDonald, Elmer Lowe, Lige Gamble, C. B. Gardner, Castle Ellis, Bob Mayfield, Milton Case, Ernest Higgins, H. L. Duffer, J. E. Beaz, Jr., L. C. Zehnpfennig, Ed McCrary, Charlie Jones, William Sheppard, W. H. Eysen, Tom Largent, Misses Julia Martin, Vinnie Heizer, Maimie Walker, Luna White, Nell Durham, Dorris Durham, Helen Patterson, Johnnie Sears, Stell Ledger, Christine Collins and Vera Walker.

GLEANER CLASS.

The suburban home of Mrs. Homer Patterson was the meeting place for members of the Gleaner class in their monthly social meeting Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. D. H. Vaughn and Mrs. Ross Ferrier co-hostesses with Mrs. Patterson in entertaining.

The St. Patrick's motif was observed in all party appointments. Mesdames Fred Hughes and Edsel

Church entertained during the social hour, singing "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling," after which Master Harold Hughes entertained with readings. Games of "42" proved happy diversion for the afternoon.

(At the refreshment hour chicken salad, wafers, olives and Shamrock cookies were served with hot tea. Guests for this delightful occasion were Mesdames Eli Cass, Fred Latham, Fred Guitar, Fred Hughes, Edsel Church, Buck Mashburn, Herbert Patterson, John Shannon, Verner Sublett, R. A. Burgess, J. E. Richardson and the hostesses.

BIRTHDAY DINNER.

Mrs. Elmo Collins entertained with a dinner Wednesday night of last week in honor of her sister, little Vannie Sue Pinckley's tenth birthday.

A white cake topped with ten pink candles centered the table and a delicious dinner was served family style to the honoree, Mr. and Mrs. Jarrett S. Pinckley, Jr., Miss Ruth Pinckley, Elmo Collins and the hostess.

MERKEL HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB.

In a business meeting held recently in the home of Mrs. Lake Renfro, members of the Merkel Home Demonstration club voted to donate \$5.00 worth of crepe myrtle shrubs for the beautification of the city.

Mesdames George White, E. B. Wallace and Tracy Campbell were appointed as the program committee for the county recreational meeting, which will be held in the Merkel gymnasium on Saturday, March 23.

The hostess served refreshments to Mesdames Betty Sue Berryman, Mack Buzbee, Watt Blair, E. O. Carson, C. P. Church, T. J. R. Swafford, Misses Clara White, Connie Fogue, Mary Keny, and to one new member, Mrs. Bob McDonald.

STUDIO PARTY.

Members of the music class of Christine Collins held their monthly class lesson on Thursday afternoon of last week in her home. Vocal, piano and dance numbers made up a very entertaining program which was climaxed with three brilliant piano numbers by Mrs. Anne Brown, who appeared as guest artist for the class.

A dainty color scheme of pink and white was reflected in a refreshment

plate of heavenly hash and coconut macaroons.

Those appearing on the program were: Fredda Nell Huddleston, Dorothy Lee Shannon, Helen Heeter, Hollis Perry, Elna Tucker, Wanda Huddleston, Mrs. Homer Patterson, Mrs. W. A. McSpadden, Norman King, Melvin Howard, Mrs. Anne Brown, Barbara and Jenora Brown and the hostess.

PHILATHEA CLASS.

Mesdames P. H. Gates and Arthur Steele entertained members of the Philathea class with a lovely St. Patrick's party in the home of Mrs. Steele Tuesday. Mrs. Cecil Guthrie presided at the business meeting. Mrs. C. V. Shelton was elected as new president and Miss Lottie Butman, vice-president.

After an enjoyable social hour, refreshments were served to Mesdames Cyrus Pee, Ted Bicknell, W. A. Whiteley, Jr., Tracy Campbell, Tom Allday, Ray Spurgin, Kenneth Sharp, C. V. Shelton, Ernest Higgins, J. A. Grable, Leon Tombs, B. M. Williams, Cecil Guthrie, E. B. Wallace, Misses Lottie Butman and Ruby Jinkens and the hostesses.

Swann Print, "Desert Sunset," on Exhibit

Jimmie Swann, Dallas artist and son of Mrs. J. S. Swann of Merkel, is represented in the International Print Makers exhibition in Los Angeles this month. Swann's dry-point, "Desert Sunset, Mexico," has been accepted and is being exhibited there throughout March, in a showing sponsored by the Print-makers' society of California.

In December, last year, the Highland Park Art Gallery of Dallas presented a one-man show of prints and pencil drawings by Jimmie Swann. Similar shows also have been presented in Sherman, Amarillo and Canyon, and an exhibit has been announced for the middle of May at the Ney museum in Austin. Swann is a member of the Dallas Art association, the Highland Park Society of Fine Arts and the Southern States Art League.

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PERSONALS

Thaxton Neill returned Monday from a visit in Sweetwater.

Mrs. George T. Moore is visiting in Seymour with Mr. and Mrs. John Dunn.

Mrs. J. D. Morrow of Wichita Falls is the guest of her sister, Mrs. B. M. Williams.

Mrs. Smith Bradley of Midland is spending the week with Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Zehnpfennig.

Cephas Wozencraft has returned from Dallas where he has been for the past month or more.

Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Grubbs of El Paso were guests of the E. Clyde Smiths over the week-end.

Miss Berdelle Adcock, who is teaching school at Menard, was home for a week-end visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Adcock.

B. A. and Doyle Garrett are spending the week-end with their parents in Merkel.—Waco Tribune-Herald.

Mrs. M. D. Angus, accompanied by Mrs. Nat Anderson of Abilene, returned Tuesday from a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Esker Curtis, in Electra.

Mrs. H. C. Williams had as her week-end guests her daughter, Mrs. E. Q. Warren, and a granddaughter, Miss Josie Mae Pence, both of Knox City.

Mrs. E. Clyde Smith and Mrs. P. H. Gates attended the north zone meeting of the Methodist Woman's missionary society at Roby on Tuesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Hale returned Tuesday from a visit of several days at Mineral Wells and Lipan. At the latter place they visited Mr. Hale's father.

Mrs. Doss Sheppard and daughter, Miss Marian Sheppard, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sheppard of Dallas were week-end guests of their mother, Mrs. S. W. Sheppard, and other relatives.

Mrs. Flavil R. Yeakley and little son, who have been visiting her parents at Post, are expected home the latter part of the week. Mr. Yeakley will drive over Friday to bring them home.

Mrs. J. W. McConnell and son, Earl, returned to their home at Pampa Monday after a brief visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Murray, the latter being a sister of Mrs. McConnell. Miss Madeline Mur-

List of Petit Jurors Called Next Week

The following is the list of those summoned as petit jurors in 104th district court for next week:

M. G. Reed, Lawn; D. D. Nail, Guion; N. J. Tims, Tuscola; L. F. Pierce, Abilene; Vergil Sandall, Tuscola; H. Jno. Adams, Guy Smit; Floyd Lowe, W. Fulwiler, J. R. Davis, J. T. Ragsdale, Abilene; F. A. Polley, C. S. Higgins, Merkel; Allen Rasey, C. W. Guthrie, Frank J. Richards, Lee Baker, Abilene; J. G. Bradley, Merkel; W. R. Griffith, Guion; L. L. Higgs, Abilene; J. K. Higgins, Merkel; L. L. Peterson, E. H. Mansell, R. M. Randerson, Luther Hollingshead, Abilene; L. J. Renfro, Merkel; J. W. Ferrell, Abilene; R. M. Doan, Merkel; J. F. N. L. Nance, H. W. Saunce, T. Y. Landingham, V. H. Griffith, Guion; T. J. Abilene; A. L. Colclazer, Guion; Griffith, Ed Marlow, C. H. O. Williams, Abilene; Lon Trent; G. G. Dodd, C. G. M. Abilene; H. H. McRoe, Trent; Estes, Merkel; James Jenkins, Ishaw; J. L. Chapman, Thos. R. Jiams, Wilford Lewis, Abilene; F. Rogers, Winters; Ben F. Lynch, Jene.

Merkel Church Host to Taylor County Singers

The Taylor County Singing Convention will meet in Merkel in called session at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the Northside Baptist church.

Wade Willis of Lawn is president and Buster Horton of Merkel, secretary of the convention. All singers are invited to attend.

Has anybody here seen Elmer?

Attends District Session.

A number of Taylor county relief workers, headed by County Administrator Doyle T. Brooks, attended the monthly meeting of district workers, conducted by H. N. West, field representative of district 10, at Brownwood. Miss Lona Bryan from the local relief office was included in the group.

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