

THE BADGER WEEKLY

COUNTY VOLLEY BALL, TENNIS, DEBATE ENTERED

The county meet was held at Abilene Saturday, March 16. The tennis events were held at Hardin-Simmons courts. Both single and doubles were played. Merkel boys' doubles won in the finals over Ovalo (6-2) (6-0). The girls' doubles were defeated in the finals by Lawn (6-4) (6-4). Lawn also won both boys' and girls' singles.

The weather was rather bad for tennis, because the north wind was sending a stiff freeze with plenty of dust.

The boys' doubles will represent Merkel at the district meet at Sweetwater March 30.

Merkel debate team consisting of Mary Helen Mashburn and Thelma Mathews won second place at county meet, being defeated by Wylie.

SPEECH TOURNAMENT.

The second invitation speech tournament held at A. C. C. on March 16 was a great success, according to the number of speakers. The eight representing Merkel High school contested against some hundred and fifty others.

Clifton Bellamy, representing Merkel in extempore speech, placed third in that event. This was the only place won by Merkel.

The other contestants, who represented Merkel were: Betty Lou Grimes, Etsel Church, poetry; Mildred West, Robert Bickley, declamation; Eva Faye Bush, Clifton Bellamy, extempore speech; Clara Frances Largent, Charles Tipton, story telling.

This week is the county meet and these representatives are going to walk away with every first place.

The Badger Weekly

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Question Box

Dr. Gossip:
 How long is a string?
 Yours, U. R. Fooled.
 Dear U. R. Fooled:
 Twice the distance from the center to the end.
 Yours truly, Dr. Gossip.

Dr. Gossip:
 Why is Shorty's name "Slopback-et"??
 Yours Truly.

Dear Truly:
 Well, Joe, psychologists claim that only people of inferior mentality give other people dirty names.
 Yours, Dr. Gossip.

Dear Dr. Gossip:
 Why can't Jack Lowe pick a fight?
 Yours, J. W. Cook.

Dear J. W.:
 Fate protects the ignorant, the helpless, and the intoxicated.
 Yours, Dr. Gossip.

Dear Dr. Gossip:
 Does Edwin Vanlandingham love me, or is he just fooling?
 Yours, Thelma Patterson.

Dear Thelma:
 I bet a cookie he's just fooling you.
 Yours, Dr. Gossip.

Dear Gossip:
 Why can't I be rich instead of good looking?
 Cal.

Dear Cal:
 Fate, my boy, fate.
 Yours, Dr. Gossip.

Dear Dr. Gossip:
 Is Cal McAninch Joe Cook's only rival for Mary Helen Lancaster?
 Yours, 4F.

Dear 4F:
 Do a general and a corporal constitute the American Legion?
 Yours, Dr. Gossip.

Dear Dr. Gossip:
 If there were 26 cats going down the alley, what time would it be?
 Yours, R. T. Blair.

Dear R. T.:
 Twenty-five after one.
 Yours, Dr. Gossip.

Dear Dr. Gossip:
 Do you believe in miracles? Why?
 Yours, D.

Dear D.:
 Sure—Look at Leslie and Lois.
 Yours, Dr. Gossip.

My Dear Dr. Gossip:
 If it takes 12 large hen eggs to

make a dozen, how many Bantam eggs will it take?
 Very truly yours, I. Wonder.
 Dear I. Wonder:
 It will take two times six.
 Yours, Dr. Gossip.

Dear Dr. Gossip:
 How is Bud G. acquainted with Mary Joe Bell?
 Yours, Sigma Theta.

Dear Sigma Theta:
 Personally.
 Yours, Dr. Gossip.

Dear Dr. Gossip:
 What does Robert Malone have that makes all the girls fall for him?
 Yours, Lettuss Know.

Dear Lettuss:
 They call it "sex appeal" but I think he uses "Lifebuoy."
 Yours, Dr. Gossip.

Dear Dr. Gossip:
 What will the girls do while the stock show is on?
 Yours, W. H.

Dear W. H.:
 Conceit is the salt of the ocean.
 Yours, Dr. Gossip.

Dear Dr. Gossip:
 Do you believe in love at first sight?
 Yours, Edwin Vanlandingham.

Dear Edwin:
 Yes, but it's the second squirt that counts.
 Yours, Dr. Gossip.

Dear Dr. Gossip:
 Does Robert Malone have sex appeal that causes Opal to fall so hard?
 Sincerely, Worried.

Dear Worried:
 Nope—Opal believes in conquering the world—just a beginning.
 Yours, Dr. Gossip.

Dear Dr. Gossip:
 Who killed Cock Robin?
 Yours, Alvin.

Dear Alvin:
 Is he dead?
 Yours, Dr. Gossip.

VOLLEY BALL NEWS.
 Although the volley ball girls did not win the county championship, they certainly did some nice volleying. They won in the game with Trent, but were defeated by a small margin in the game with Bradshaw. That afternoon they had a practice game with Abilene. Miss Patterson thought they did some good playing if they did not win the first or second place for county championship. They won third place. Watch out for

PROGRAM FOR BEAUTIES HELD IN SCHOOL GYM

Monday the beauties were presented. Everyone agreed that the presentations were the best that had been given in years.

The Freshmen were trying to find a very beautiful actress to play the part of the heroine of a book. From a group of very pretty girls, they chose Fredia Farmer.

The Sophomore's beauty, Betty Lou Grimes, was represented at the Texas' Centennial.

The Junior beauty, Hattie Mae Dwigkins, acted the part of the heroine. Oscar Adcock, the hero and Jack Lowe, the villain, while Opal Buzbee sang "No! No! A Thousand Times, No."

The Senior beauty, Billie Bernice Gambill, was chosen by Bussie Boaz, a rancher, for his wife, after he had refused Joe Cook, Zerk Robertson and Cal McAninch, all of whom were dressed as girls.

Friday, the preliminaries were held. Of the four, Billie Gambill and Hattie Mae Dwigkins will be in the finals.

Merkel's volley team next year, for they are going to start practicing now.

SENIOR BOYS ORGANIZE.
 The Senior boys organized Monday, March 11, and elected officers. The following gives the officers and members, colors and slogan: Cal McAninch, president; Leslie Welsh, vice-president; Tracy Wood, secretary and treasurer; Joe Cook, reporter.

Costume, blue and white striped overalls and white shirts.

Members: Randall McNiece, Bussie Boaz, D. C. Johnson, Robert Malone, Neil Durham, William Hughes, Elton Harrell, Harold Reese, Verner Hester, J. V. Patterson, Smitty Smith, Ben Sublett, Weldon Hudson, Charlie T. McCormick, Charles Tipton, Lloyd Robertson, Zerk Robertson, Jack Moore, Robert Bickley, Vernon Davis, A. C. Sears, Pinky Cypert, Fred McMinn, Vondel Wood.

The above signed persons will be required to wear to school on Tuesdays and on Fridays the above costume.

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MERKEL MAIL WANT ADS

Hodges Happenings.

(Omitted Last Week.) Well, here we are again; everyone is feeling fine over the nice rain and snow, which fell yesterday, March 11, and last night. The sun is shining brightly this morning and we think of the old poem, "God's in his heaven and all's right with the world."

Most of our farmers have got their land put up and are waiting for planting time; prospects are good for the farmers and we are indeed thankful.

The health of this community is not so good at this writing, but it is better than it has been, as the terrible strike of typhoid fever is over. At least, no new cases have developed and all the old ones are fastly improving. Mrs. Blue McCoy has been up and able to do her housework for several days now; her daughter, Opal, is up part of the time, and Opal's cousin, Lloyd McCoy, who was seriously ill so long in the Abilene sanitarium, has been moved to his home in Abilene and is rapidly improving. His parents plan to move back to their farm here this week. All the other typhoid patients are able to be up.

Nora Ray McCoy, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Blue McCoy, was called to meet her Maker on January 28. She was a fine, sweet girl, loved and respected by everyone that knew her; she was converted last summer and joined the Baptist church. Her life was an example anyone would do well to follow. She was ready to die and left this world with a smile on her face. May God bless and comfort her loved ones and help each one of us to say in times like this, "Thy will be done."

Our community was made sad last week by the passing way of Grandma Thompson at the home of her only daughter, Mrs. Jones. The funeral service was held here at the Baptist church, with interment in the Sixth cemetery by the side of her husband. She was a true Christian and will be missed by all her loved ones and friends. Besides the daughter, she left two sons, George and Walter Thompson, and several grandchildren to mourn her absence.

Ross Spradlin and Hiram, Davis of Oakland, Ark., visited their niece, Charles Walsh, a while a few days ago. They spent several days with their nephew, Marion Spradlin, at Tye. Marion has been in a serious condition most of the time since November. We hope he will soon be well again.

Our letter is getting rather lengthy; so will close for this time. But first will say that preaching Sundays are still first and third Sundays at the Baptist church. B. Y. P. U. every Sunday night 6:45. Preaching at M. E. church every fourth Sunday. Sunday School at both churches every Sunday at 10 a. m. Everyone welcome at all times.

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GOODMAN NEWS

School is progressing fine. Everyone is happy over the ribbons won at Anson interscholastic meet, as our school came away with 12 ribbons.

The play put on by Noodle school was greatly enjoyed by a large crowd.

The Shiloh church is putting on a play at the school house Friday night, March 22. If you want to see a real play, and one that will be a laugh from start to finish, come and see "Aunt Jerushy on the War Path." The cast includes Mrs. Carl Bonneaux as Aunt Jerushy; C. W. Seago, as Hiram Fish, her husband; M. O. Woolam, as Sufficiency Fish, the son, who will make you laugh as you've never laughed before—he's a scream all the way through—Morris Phillips, as Elder Snuffles; Edgar Grayson enacts the part of the show manager; Mrs. M. O. Woolam has a comical part as Sis Popkins, the hired girl; also Miss Cook as a fortune teller, Daisy Brown as a carnival girl and Mrs. C. W. Seago as the broken-hearted old maid. Proceeds are to go for painting the church.

Mrs. J. H. Grayson spent Monday with Grandma Horn in the Horn community.

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

Carl Bonneaux was home last week-end from Breckenridge where he has been the past two weeks on business.

Mrs. C. W. Murphy was on the sick list last week, but is able to be up at this time.

Miss Audie Pomroy and Fred Barries were married last Wednesday afternoon at the Presbyterian manse in Merkel, with Rev. R. A. Walker, the pastor, officiating. We join a host of friends in extending congratulations and best wishes.

Rev. N. J. Westmoreland filled his regular appointment Saturday night and Sunday.

Goodman girls won over Noodle girls in tennis Monday at Noodle. Annazel Seago was winner in singles and Walter Pearl Phillips and Jimmie Williams won in doubles. Goodman boys lost to Noodle boys.

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BLAIR ITEMS

Little Miss Lila Mae Lowery has been on the sick list the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Red Cox and little son, Jimmie Warren, of Clint spent the mid-week with the latter's father, Sam Province, and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Doan. Mr. and Mrs. Cox were en route to the Fort Worth Fat Stock show.

Harry Ingram of Brownwood was the interesting guest of J. C. Horton Thursday night.

Mrs. Minnie Reeves of Knox City has been visiting in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Akins and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Malone the past week. Mrs. Reeves is down looking after her property.

Mrs. A. C. Abbott and attractive little daughter, Marjorie Lou, and mother, Mrs. Lula Watts, of Abilene were the house guests of the latter's sister, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Orsborn, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Mayfield and two daughters of Sweetwater spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mayfield.

Miss Dorothy Patterson has returned home after several months stay with relatives at Dallas.

Dale West of Mt. Pleasant visited with John and Bill Campbell recently.

Miss Laverne Hughes of Merkel spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Campbell have been attending the bedside of their son, Redden Campbell, who has been critically ill for the past ten days at San Angelo.

Rev. Gilbert Webb of Simmons university delivered two interesting discourses at the Baptist church Sunday.

Brother C. S. Williams of View attended services at the Baptist church Sunday and dined with Mr. and Mrs. John Russell at the noon hour.

Miss Dora Mae Meeks and sister,

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Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Patterson, motored over to the Fort Worth Fat Stock show for the week-end.

Mrs. R. M. Doan of Tuscola visited relatives at this place recently.

Miss Frances Russell of McMurry spent the week-end with home folks. Sunday, March 24, is the regular appointment day at the M. E. church.

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For City Secretary:
YATES BROWN.

Yates Brown Asks For Voters' Approval

To the Voters of Merkel: Judging by the number of friends that have expressed themselves since my appointment as City Secretary, a few months ago, and believing that the citizenship is satisfied with the way in which I handle the City's business, I am offering my name for your approval on April 2nd.

It is my purpose to give the City the same diligent, efficient and honest attention as it has so recently required.

Yates Brown.

Death Claims Mrs. Effie D. Stephenson

Mrs. Effie Dora Stephenson, 31, wife of C. A. Stephenson, of Hawley, died Friday night in an Abilene sanitarium. She had been ill since the birth of a son, 13 days before.

Funeral services were held from the Hawley Church of Christ at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon, with Eugene Mahan, minister, officiating, and burial was in the Hawley cemetery.

Besides her husband and parents, survivors include two sons, Clarence, aged 10, and the infant, Douglass Wayne; and three brothers, J. J. and H. T. Collins of Hawley and Bart Collins of Baird.

Warning as to Chickens.

City Marshal Chester Hutcheson has asked The Mail to call attention to the fact that there is a city ordinance against permitting chickens to run at large. At this time of the year, the neighbor's chickens are a great nuisance, when one is trying to plant a garden.

"Old Maids' Convention."

The drill team of the Woodmen Circle will give a play, "The Old Maids' Convention," at the school gym this Friday night, beginning at 8 o'clock. An admission charge of 10c will be made.

"A Worthy Vagabond."

The Union Ridge P. T. A. is sponsoring the play, "A Worthy Vagabond," to be presented at the Stith school auditorium Friday evening of this week at 8 o'clock. A small admission will be charged, the proceeds to be used to purchase stage curtains for the school.

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HSU Male Quartette Here Sunday Evening

The male quartette of Hardin-Simmons university will render a program at the First Baptist church here Sunday evening, March 24, at 7:30. They will present a "Sermon in Song."

"Everyone is invited to come and enjoy this service; it will be an inspiration to your spiritual life"—is the message from Rev. C. R. Joyner, church pastor.

Office supplies—Mail office.

List of Petit Jurors Called Next Week

The list of petit jurors summoned for next week in 104th district court follows:

L. R. Robins, J. T. Blackburn, J. B. Hughes, E. A. Foster, Ennis Reid-enbach, L. L. Murray, Merkel; Carl Newton, R. G. Lee, C. R. Horton, W. E. Taylor, Walter G. Thompson, J. F. Navins, E. E. Blank, T. B. Blain, J. N. Sewall, J. W. Day, J. A. Martin, Alvin S. Markham, B. B. Little, Wiley Turner, E. O. Griffin, Hinsler Trantham, Robert Dunson, J. E.

Montgomery, Hernan Halsey, A. J. Hoover, E. C. Tucker, Elbert E. Hall, J. S. Ipa, W. Milam, Tom Zimmer, W. F. Youngblood, E. T. Harber, Walter Franks, C. J. Hardwick, Abilene; J. E. Bush, H. O. Stewart, C. S. Kelton, W. W. Day, Ovalo; A. E. Coggin, A. N. Blair, H. T. Askins, Tye; J. E. Tomlinson, Jas. O'Neal, M. H. Carr, Tuscola; H. L. Childress, S. V. Shores, Lawn; J. W. Bailey, Guion; D. B. Herring, Wingate; S. W. Browne, Bradshaw.

Chain Gang Starts.

By order of the commissioners court, nine prisoners from the county jail, classified as "chronic boarders," were put on road work in Commissioner Cannon's precinct. The gang is in charge of J. A. Stanford and Sam Bankston.

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APPLES, dozen 19c	POTTED MEAT, 4 cans 15c
Texas	Del Dixi, sour or
GRAPE FRUIT, large size, each 5c	Pickles Dill, quart 15c
Fresh	Dried
Lettuce 2 Heads 9c	PRUNES, 2 pounds 23c
Fresh	Steamboat
Green Beans, 2 lbs. 17c	SYRUP, gallon 49c
New	Red and White
Potatoes, pound 7c	Soap 6 Giant Bars 25c
Red Ball	Lady Godiva
ORANGES, dozen 29c	Soap, 2 bars 9c
Idaho	Lux or Lifebuoy
Spuds 10 pounds 15c	SOAP, 2 bars 17c
Red and White	Blue and White
TEA, 1-4 pound 19c	Pork & Beans 16 oz. can 5c
Blue and White	Red and White
TOMATOES, No. 2 can, each 9c	12 lbs. 58c
Cut	Flour 24 lbs. \$1.00
GREEN BEANS, No. 2 can, 3 cans 25c	48 lbs. \$1.93
Kuner's	Post
PEAS No. 2 can, each 15c	TOASTIES, large package 10c
Baby	Maxwell House
LIMA BEANS, 3 pounds 22c	COFFEE lb. 32c
Water Pack	Maple
APRICOTS, No. 10 can 49c	SYRUP, pint 24c
Gold Metal	Red and White—Glass Jar
WHEATIES, 2 packages 25c	Coffee 1 lb. 33c
Pure Cane	2 lbs. 65c
Sugar 10 lbs. 53c	A-I Soda
Red and White	CRACKERS, 2 pounds 19c
CATSUP, bottle 15c	Sliced
Crisco 3 lbs. 63c	BACON, pound 31c
6 lbs. \$1.19	Sliced
Yankee Doodle	BOILED HAM, pound 39c
MACARONI, 2 packages 9c	Shortening 4 pound Carton 57c



McANINCH-CANON.

On Saturday evening at 7:30 in a pretty home wedding, Miss Margaret Canon became the bride of Weldon McAninch.

Wedding music was given by Miss Thelma McAninch, sister of the groom, who sang "At Dawning."

The bride was especially lovely in white tailored crepe suit, with white fur trimmings and accessories in white.

Mrs. McAninch is the lovely and accomplished daughter of Commissioner and Mrs. A. J. Canon of this city.

Mr. McAninch is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McAninch, long time residents of this community.

EASTER PARTY.

Mrs. Bob Dennis, one of Merkel's newest matrons, entertained Tuesday afternoon with a prettily appointed party.

At the culmination of the games Mrs. W. S. J. Brown was presented dainty "what-not-baskets" as a reward for high score.

BETTER BRIDGE CLUB.

Mrs. Bob Mayfield entertained members of her bridge club on Thursday afternoon of last week in the home of Mrs. W. T. Sadler.

BUILDERS CLASS PARTY.

Mrs. W. L. Diltz was a most gracious hostess Wednesday afternoon to members of her Sunday School class.

FORTNIGHTLY STUDY CLUB.

Three well known Abilene club women—Mrs. E. E. Traweck, president of the City Federation of Women's clubs, Mrs. Howard L. Schug and Mrs. J. R. McGraw—were in Merkel Monday evening.

Mrs. C. B. Gardner opened her home for the club meeting, which was presided over by Mrs. R. O. Pearson.

CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

The six Sunday Schools here reported a total attendance of 727 last Sunday, as compared with 772 on the previous Sunday.

Jr. club president, Miss Stoll Ledger served as program chairman.

Mrs. Traweck gave the main program talk, discussing Federation work. Mrs. McGraw talked on "Industrial Texas," and Mrs. Schug presented an interesting review of the book, "Age of Confidence," by Dr. Henry Canby.

The personnel of the Merkel club reads: Mesdames Ralph Duke, Fred Hughes, Bill Brown, R. A. Burgess, W. L. Diltz, Lige Gamble, R. J. Grimes, R. B. Irvin, Charles Jones, Tom Largent, J. O. Lusby, F. C. McFarland, R. O. Pearson, W. T. Sadler, A. T. Sheppard, Henry West, Misses Evelyn Curb, Johnnie Sears, Helen Patterson, Julia Martin, Stoll Ledger, Christine Collins, Dora Garoutte.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION.

Little Miss Dorothy Nell Groene held a merry celebration of her ninth birthday, March 4th, in the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Fred Groene.

Many "happy birthdays" rang out as the cake was cut and served with ice cream to Dorothy Nell and George Anne Groene, Lora Pearl and Dorothy Nell Haynes, Dorothy Hagler, Bobbie Nell Reagan, Mary Lou Foster, Wanda McCoy, Clarice Higgins, Joy Holloway, Mary Joe Hutchins, Faye Walker, Dixie Hensley, Gene Ferris and George Mack Owens.

T. E. L. CLASS LUNCHEON.

Members of the T. E. L. Sunday School class were guests in the hospitable home of Mrs. L. B. Scott, Abilene, a former class member, on Wednesday of last week.

WILLING WORKERS CLASS.

Mrs. W. M. Elliott entertained members of the Willing Workers class of Grace Presbyterian church on Wednesday, March 13, when an interesting program on prayer was given.

VOTA VITA CLASS.

The Vota Vita class met Tuesday afternoon at the Baptist church with Mrs. Bill Fugate as hostess.

TURKEY DINNER.

Enjoying the hospitality of Mrs. Sam Butman, Sr., on Wednesday when a delectable turkey dinner was served at the noon hour were Miss Dora Garoutte, Mrs. Kate Cotton of Dallas, Miss Pauline Mercer of Fort Worth, Mrs. Van Mitchell and Misses Mabel and Margaret Butman.

day a year ago, only 589 were present, due to severe weather.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Sunday School each Sunday at 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Young people's meeting 6:30 p. m. Women of the missionary societies meet Monday 2:30. Boys and Girls' World club Monday and Tuesday 4 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

P. H. Gates, Pastor.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

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 4:30 Monday afternoon. Prayer meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. There will be no preaching service, as pastor will be at Baird. As Sunday School will be the only service at this church, everyone is asked to make a special effort to be on time so that the service may be dismissed and those present can attend some other hour of worship.

R. A. Walker, Pastor.

NAZARENE CHURCH.

We had one good day last Sunday, wonderfully blessed of the Lord. Our work and labors in the Lord are not in vain.

Rev. Howard Baird will preach here Saturday night. Everybody is invited to attend this service.

Don't forget our big campaign for souls. Where? Nazarene church, Merkel, Texas. When? May 14 to 26. A real "Crusade for Souls." Don't forget the time and place. Be on hand for the first service, and for every service. Preaching directed by Rev. J. L. and Christina Bates. Choir director will be announced later. Make up your mind to attend these services and do it now.

Our regular services throughout the week as usual.

J. L. Mayhall, Pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Sunday School meets at 10 a. m. and preaching begins at 11. Young people meet at 7 p. m., junior young people at 7:45, and evening preaching at 8 p. m. The sermon for the evening is "The Shocking Christ." Come and be with us for this and other services. Mid-week song practice Wednesday 8 p. m.

Flavil R. Yeakley, Minister.



Coiffures For Easter

In arranging the Coiffures you should do more than consult both face and figure. You should also take into consideration the type of hat.

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Lions Report Record Attendance Tuesday

For the first time since the re-organization of the Lions' club in the fall, a record attendance of 100 per cent was reported at the Tuesday luncheon at the American cafe.

Four new members were elected: Byers Petty, Benny Sheppard, Vaughn Holt and Stanley King.

Reports of the basket ball game with Breckenridge and of the crew shoot were made, respectively, by Yates Brown and Charlie Jones; advertising plans for the benefit plays Monday night were outlined and announcement made of the Methodist negro minstrel, which is to be repeated at Noodle Friday night.

The club voted to go on record with a wire to state senator and representative from this district opposing the additional one cent gasoline tax, now being discussed.

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NOTICE!

Beginning April 1 Ice Prices Will Be As Follows:

Table with 2 columns: Ice weight (12 1-2 lbs., 25 lbs., 50 lbs., 75 lbs., 100 lbs.) and Price (10c, 15c, 30c, 45c, 60c)

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SPECIALS FOR FRIDAY & SATURDAY

Table with 2 columns: Item (Green Beans, Lettuce, Carrots, Potatoes, Bananas, Apples, Grape Fruit) and Price (10c, 5c, 5c, 25c, 15c, 25c, 6 of 25c)

Table with 2 columns: Item (Palmolive Beads, Catsup, Sunbrite Cleanser, Dry Salt Squares) and Price (3 PKGS 14c, 2 FOR 25c, 5c, POUND 19c)

Table with 2 columns: Item (Flour LIGHT CRUST, BEWLEYS BEST, YUKON'S BEST) and Price (48 lbs. \$2.10, 48 lbs. \$2.00, 48 lbs. \$2.00)

Table with 2 columns: Item (Pork & Beans, Salmon, Salt, Palmolive Soap) and Price (16 OZ. CANS 5c, 3 FOR 25c, 3 BOXES 25c, reg. size 5c)

Table with 2 columns: Item (Crackers, Peanut Butter, Graham Crackers, Corn) and Price (A-1 Saltines 19c, 2 lb. box 21c, Full 2 lb. Qt. jar 31c, A good one No. 2 can, 2 for 25c)

MERKEL MAIL WANT ADS FOR RESULTS

LIGHTING... Yesterday and Today

DID YOU KNOW THAT—musical compositions, frequently dwelling on candle light, are but recollections of a luxury in bygone days?

That such spectacular illumination from candles would compare as only modest electric illumination today?

That one modern electric lamp (50-watt size) gives the same illumination as 48 candle light give?

That the wax candle will burn about 4 hours, necessitating 250 replacements to one replacement of the electric lamp?

That an average home today has the equivalent of approximately ten such electric lamps (50-watt size) in use, and with 24 months or 1,000 burning hours as their useful life, the two-year total lighting costs, including cost of lamps and cost of electric service, is only \$27?

That a comparable illumination from wax candles (not considering the inferior light or the danger accompanying any flame, its fine soot floating or gaseous odors) would necessitate consumption of 120,000 wax candles over such a two-year period at a cost to you of more than \$2,400, yet complete electric "lighting" service is supplied by this company and enjoyed by all members of your household for less daily costs than a cigar to one member of the household.

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