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38 CANDIDATES PRESENT CLAIMS AT RALLY HERE

Almost Full Quota of Aspirants Participate in Political Speak- ing Here; Large Crowd Gather- ing to Hear the Speakers.

Thirty-eight candidates for district, county and precinct offices spoke at the candidates' rally here Friday night, and one other speaker, Hon. W. W. Hair, of Abilene, appeared in behalf of Judge W. R. Chapman, who could not be present.

A crowd estimated at 800 listened to the group present their claims via loud speaker, furnished through courtesy of Manager S. P. Nesmith of the Queen theatre.

Rev. R. A. Walker presided as master of ceremonies, presenting the candidates in the reverse order from which they appear on the ticket, that is, beginning at the bottom and going up.

The committee on arrangements included W. O. Boney, chairman; Fred C. Hughes and C. J. Glover.

The list of speakers and the office to which they aspire follow:

For constable, precinct 5: J. T. King, W. H. Laney, Bert Melton; for justice of the peace, precinct 5: E. L. Wilson, S. C. Vick, N. D. Cobb; for county commissioner: A. J. Canon, Philip Diltz, Houston Robertson, Charles Orr.

For sheriff: Mervyn Meeks, Burl Wheeler, Sid H. McAdams, Ross L. Miller; for tax assessor-collector: C. O. (Pat) Patterson, John W. Pool, W. I. Bounds, Jess Hamilton; for county treasurer, Roy Fuller; for county clerk: E. D. (Dean) Davis, G. B. Tittle, Clarence Darden, Vivian Fryar, Eugene Wood; for county attorney, Esco Walter; for county judge: John J. Watts, A. A. Heathington, Lindsey P. Walden, John Camp.

For district clerk: Walter R. Griffith, Miss Belle Wellborn, G. P. Holland; for representative: Dent Gibson, J. Bryan Bradbury; for district attorney, 104th district: Otis Miller; for district judge, 104th district, Owen Thomas, Hon. W. W. Hair, speaking for W. R. Chapman; for district attorney, 42nd district: J. R. Black; for state senator, Harry Tom King.

Order of Candidates As Listed on Ballot

With five candidates in the field stumping the state for the executive's office, considerable interest is being aroused in state politics as the date of election draws near, while some county races bid fair to develop heat in keeping with summer temperatures before the ballots are cast.

For the convenience of readers, The Mail this week prints the ticket for the first primary, Saturday, July 25, with the candidates appearing in the order in which they drew for place.

The sample ballot follows:
United States senator: Morris Shepard, J. Edward Glenn, Joseph H. Price, Joe H. Eagle, Richard C. Bush, Guy B. Fisher.

Governor: F. W. Fischer, Tom F. (Continued on Page Six.)

Test Near View Drilling At Depth of 1,080 Feet

The Illinois Petroleum company No. 1 Mrs. G. A. Bigham test, southeast of Merkel, near View, was drilling at 1,080 feet, it was reported Wednesday morning, the work going smoothly and encountering no difficulty.

The test, which was spudded some two weeks ago for a 2,600-foot drill, is on a block of 3,500 acres originally held by Illinois after being assembled by Gilbert Johnson, well known operator in this section. It is in the vicinity of oil and gas production drilled in 1927 by Phillips Petroleum company, and is southeast of the Dunagin Brothers oil production.

Calls Meeting of Boys Interested in VA

C. H. Hollingsworth, vocational agriculture instructor in the Merkel High school, is calling a meeting of all the boys expecting to take vocational agriculture this year, at the High school Saturday morning, July 18, at 10 o'clock.

The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss prospective projects and become better acquainted with each other.

KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

The state board of education Wednesday fixed the per capita aid to public schools for the next school year at \$19, highest in the state's history.

Miss Eula Mae Fish, 18, died of shock when lightning struck an out-house at the farm home of her father, M. F. Fish, south of Newton in Southeast Texas.

John W. Pope, Jr., assistant to the attorney general, was killed instantly when he plunged from a seventh-floor window of his burning hotel room at Tyler.

T. L. Hancock, 55, was crushed to death at Slaton when caught between two trucks at his gasoline service station. Officers reported the accident was unavoidable.

Two members of the Fort Worth squad of cruising radio patrolmen were suspended indefinitely when found asleep in their radio car on the outskirts of town at 5:30 a. m.

Geraldine Robertson of Lamesa was elected queen of the West Texas Queen's night at the Texas Centennial, and Nancy Cochran of Sweetwater was named as alternate.

June Alex Clinard, 8, was killed when a pistol was discharged accidentally as she was playing with her sister, Frankie Lois, 11, at the home of their uncle, Charles Holster, San Angelo.

Heart failure, induced by the 100-degree temperature which prevailed at Texarkana Tuesday, caused the death in a parked automobile of John A. Conley, 60-year-old bicycle repair shop operator.

Ladene Cunningham, 12, of Arlington, received a fractured skull when a diver struck her as she swam in Schneider's lake near Fort Worth and drowned before lifeguards could rescue her.

Arrangements have been completed for the marriage Saturday at Dallas of Violet Hilton, 24-year-old Siamese twin, to James Moore, 25, Cleveland dancer, at the Texas Centennial's cotton bowl.

Two robbers, one armed with an old-fashioned six-shooter, robbed A. L. Seyster, cashier of Monnig's dry goods company, of \$4,500 in a daring daylight hold-up on a downtown Fort Worth street.

Allotment of \$390,800 to Texas for operation of national youth administration work projects during July-August-September was announced at Washington Monday by Aubrey W. Williams, executive director.

J. R. (Bob) Silver, who four times prepared for the electric chair and was released after serving a reduced life sentence, married Margaret Foster, 20, of Marshall, an hour after he was released from the Texas penitentiary Saturday morning.

John B. Lang, 31, of Progresso, drowned in the gulf at Brownsville Sunday after he had rescued his 12-year-old daughter, his body being swept into deeper water after he had held the girl long enough for a companion to come to his aid.

Three men died in the electric chair at Huntsville early Friday morning, July 10: Grady Warren, of Tyler, for the killing of E. C. Brown, who was slain during a \$70 holdup, and two negro brothers, Mack Brown and Oscar Brown, convicted of killing Byron Belschner, a filling station operator at Edna.

May Organize Softball League in Territory

As is the case elsewhere, softball seems to be the rage in summer sports here and interested fans are studying the possibility of organizing a local softball league.

Already several teams are in shape, including the Lions club, the fireboys, the business men's Bible class of the Baptist church and Ex-Badgers. Blair and Trent also have teams and it is expected that a circuit of eight or ten teams could be perfected.

Those interested in organizing and sponsoring a team in the league are asked to confer with Dr. L. C. Zehn-pfennig, Byers Petty or Byron Patterson.

PLANS FIXED FOR REUNION OLD SETTLERS

Prominent Speakers Include Both United States Senators; Old Timers From Many Other States Also Expected.

United States Senators Tom Connally and Morris Sheppard will headline the list of prominent speakers at the 17th annual reunion of the Taylor County Old Settlers' association at Buffalo Gap Friday of this week.

Railroad Commissioner Lon A. Smith, State Agriculture Commissioner J. E. McDonald and Federal Judge T. Whitfield Davidson have also accepted invitations to speak on the program.

Owing to another engagement during the day, Senator Connally will speak at 11 a. m., although his appearance was originally scheduled for the afternoon.

T. A. Bledsoe, president of the association, announced that all candidates for state, district, county and precinct offices have been invited to attend the reunion, but none will appear on the program.

A number of old timers have notified Bledsoe of their intention to be on hand Friday. Letters have been received from former Taylor county residents now living in Arizona, New Mexico, California, Arkansas and Oklahoma. Small delegations are expected from each of these states.

Special invitations have been extended to all descendants of the Texas Republic, and all the oldest settlers and citizens of Taylor and adjoining counties. There will be a number of family reunions Friday at the Buffalo Gap grounds.

Mr. Bledsoe said that ice water, coffee and bread will be furnished by the association, and that barbecued beef will be available on the grounds.

Fort Worth Frontier Centennial Opens to Public on Saturday

Dedication of the All-West Texas resource and community exhibit housed in a permanent structure on the grounds of the Frontier Centennial will draw many West Texans to Fort Worth on Monday. The exhibit was sponsored and prepared by the West Texas chamber of commerce as the only collection of all of the major resources of any section of the state shown at either the Fort Worth or Dallas exposition. Dedication of the building, the Old Frontier depot, and the exhibit is booked for 5 p. m., with Van Zandt Jarvis, WTCC president and mayor of Fort Worth, to present it to Walter Woodul, lieutenant-governor of Texas, acting for the state Centennial board of control. The dedication ceremony will be continued at 7:30 Monday evening with an all-West Texas dinner at the Fort Worth club.

DINNER FOR PRESS.
Newspapermen of West Texas will preview Fort Worth's Frontier Centennial celebration, opening Saturday of this week, at a dinner staged exclusively for the press in Casa Manana on Friday evening.

Amos G. Carter, chairman of the invitation and program committee, extended the invitation, saying the Friday evening performance will be a final dress rehearsal before the official opening and will be finished and complete in every respect.

The program, starting at 6 p. m., will include dinner at Casa Manana, largest open air cafe-theatre in world; a cavalcade of world's fairs, including such stars as Everett Marshall, Ann Pennington, Sally Rand, and the orchestras of Paul Whiteman and Joe Venuti; and a special performance of The Last Frontier, a great combination of the old-time West show, modern rodeo and spectacle, and Jumbo, Billy Rose's sensational musicalized circus.

Record of Births.
Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rutledge, Friday, July 10, 1936.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Newberry of Sambo, Monday, July 13, 1936.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Glen Talbot, residing at Golan, Thursday, July 15, 1936.

Hebron Revival Starts July 24.
The revival meeting at the Hebron Baptist church will begin Friday night, July 24. Brother Payne will do the preaching. Everyone is invited to these services.

834 STUDENTS ENROLLED HERE, REPORT SHOWS

Supt. Burgess Submits Figures Revealing 301 in High School, 533 in Grammar; State Aid About Half of Operating Cost.

The annual report of the superintendent to the state department of education just made shows that during the past year the Merkel schools enrolled 834 students, 301 of these were in high school, the remaining 533 being in grammar school. 138 of these came from outside the Merkel district from seventeen surrounding districts.

The state made its apportionment to Merkel this year on a basis of 751 scholastics, which at \$18.50 per scholastic amounted to \$13,893.50. Added to this coming from the state is slightly over \$2,800 in high school tuition. The total budget for the Merkel schools for the past year was \$32,000. The state, therefore, furnishes about one-half the operating cost of the local school now. About three years ago, the state was furnishing only one-third.

The report shows the cost of instruction alone to be \$3.12 per month per child in daily attendance. Last year this cost was \$2.93. The total cost of the operation of the school was \$5.38 per month per child as compared to a Taylor county average of \$6.35. Some small schools near Merkel run as high as \$18.20 per month per child. This is due to the fact of operating on a small scale.

SCHOOL BOARD BUYS NEW BUS.
The Merkel school board recently purchased a new bus to be used on the route through the Canyon for next year. This will replace the private bus which has been operating to serve those schools for the past three years. The bus is slightly larger than the new bus purchased last year serving Stith and Salt Branch.

Select Betty Grimes To Represent Merkel At Water Carnival

Merkel will be represented at the Sweetwater Water carnival and sports revue on Friday night by Miss Betty Lou Grimes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dee Grimes, who was asked by the Lions club to again represent this city, having won first place in the bathing beauty contest at the district convention of Lions clubs at Cisco in June.

The pageant on Friday night will select the "Goddess of West Texas," the regional winner to be awarded an all-expense trip to the Frontier Centennial celebration at Fort Worth.

The "Goddess of West Texas" contest, which begins at 8 p. m., is to be held at the Sweetwater municipal swimming pool and a large number from Merkel are planning to attend.

Death Claims Mrs. W. D. Stalls, Age 78

Mrs. W. D. Stalls, 78, mother of Mrs. L. L. Murray and J. S. Stalls, who had been a frequent visitor here, died Saturday at the home of another daughter, Mrs. Walter McConnell, at Pampa.

The body was carried to Deport in East Texas, where burial took place at 3 p. m. Monday.

Attending the funeral from here were Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Stalls and two sons, Marshall and Felix, and Mrs. L. L. Murray and two daughters, Misses Madelyn and Mabel, while the two Murray boys, Dean, his wife and little son, and Gordon, went from Pampa.

Besides the son and two daughters, already named, Mrs. Stalls is survived by five other children: Miss Willie Stalls, Dallas; A. J. Stalls, Deport; Felix J. Stalls and Lundy Stalls, Pampa, and Mrs. Dick Jackson, Clarksville. Sixteen grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren also survive.

Watches Train Run "Over" Her.
Green Bay, Wis., July 16.—Little Nancy Carol Freward, 16-months-old, got only bumps and bolts when she was run over by a locomotive and three cars of a freight train. She lay between the rails and escaped with a few bumps, retaining two railroad bolts given her as "souvenirs."

PRIZE WINNERS FOR SEASON IN ROPING AND COW MILKING EVENTS WILL BE ANNOUNCED

DIVIDE LEADS LEAGUE RACE

Defeats Noodle, Later Loses to Tye, But Still Retains Top Position in Circuit.

By defeating Noodle 8 to 5 while their rivals from Truby lost to Tye, 12 to 3, Divide moved into first place of the Merkel Inter-Community league Saturday, and, although losing to Tye, 14-12, in Wednesday's game managed to retain top place in the percentage column with Truby idle.

The Union boys did not show up Wednesday to meet Trent; hence only one game was played.

Divide scored four runs in the seventh inning to cinch Saturday's game over Noodle when Priest tripled with three on and scored later on an infield out.

Errors were largely responsible for Truby's loss to Tye as they outthrew winners in Saturday's nightcap by a wide margin.

Box scores of the Divide-Noodle and Tye-Truby games appear elsewhere in this issue of The Mail, while that of the Tye-Divide game played Wednesday, which was a free-hitting affair, will be printed next week.

The line score of the latter game follows:

Tye	305	300	300	—14	15	1
Divide	004	004	013	—12	12	5
Mashburn, J. Jowers, Ashby and Darby; Barton, Priest and Jones.						

TWO GAMES WEDNESDAY.
With the final rodeo of the season scheduled for Saturday of this week, the next ball games will come on Wednesday of next week, July 22, a double-header with Truby vs Trent in the first game and Noodle vs Union in the nightcap.

TEAM	W	L	Pct.
Divide	5	2	.714
Truby	4	2	.667
Trent	2	2	.500
Noodle	2	3	.400
Tye	2	4	.333
Union	1	3	.250

Jack Patterson Home For Summer Vacation

Jack Patterson, Rice university sophomore, who competed in several national track meets—preliminaries to the final tryouts at New York for the Olympic team—is home for summer vacation.

The record he made in these meets reflects much credit on the Merkel boy and his coaches. At Chicago he placed third in the 400-meter high hurdles, while he ranked fourth at Cambridge and fifth at the Princeton tryouts.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, July 21, 1916.)

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Boney and Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Boney left Wednesday morning for Mineral Wells, in the latter's car, to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Jones with their entire family left in their Buick car Tuesday for a drive across the Plains. They will visit at various places en route.

Constable Laney, who has been suffering from a bad case of the measles for the past two or three weeks, was able to be on the street the first of the week.

Mrs. W. B. Alsbrook of Cisco is the guest of her mother, Mrs. S. B. Alsbrook, and friends here this week.

GETS ARM BROKEN.
The 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sears of Abilene, formerly of Merkel, sustained a broken arm from a Ford kick Saturday.

PASSES THE DENTAL BOARD OF EXAMS.

Ollie Shaffer, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Shaffer, who has been attending a dental college in Atlanta, Ga., for the past two years, received a let-

Final Rodeo of 1936 Series Carded Saturday; Designated as Loud Shirt Day; Watch the Color; Special Match Roping.

The 1936 series of six free rodeos, sponsored by the Merchants Trade Extension association, draws to a close on Saturday of this week, one of the features of the afternoon program being the announcement of the winners of the shop-made boots in the calf roping and wild cow-milking contests immediately after the roping events.

Contestants with best average for the season in each event and who has appeared in at least four shows will be awarded a pair of shop-made boots.

Saturday has been designated "Loud Shirt" day, with cash prizes to be awarded at the conclusion of the show to the three loudest shirts in the arena. First prize is to be \$5.00, second, \$3.00, and third, \$2.00. This contest is open to rodeo contestants only, three disinterested judges to make the awards. Every arena exhibition has been colorful, but the "Loud Shirt" contest should literally add color to the affair.

SPECIAL ROPING EVENT.
A matched roping event has been arranged between two 14-year-old boys, fast developing as de luxe ropers: Ralph Russell and Leonard Huff, each of whom has older brothers in the show. They will rope three calves a piece, the winner to receive a cash prize of \$5.00.

GRAND STAND SEATS.
Grandstand seats will go on sale at 12:30 p. m., with those coming first getting the best seats, and, as heretofore, no more tickets to be sold than the five sections provide seating capacity.

The ten ranking contestants and the number of events in which each has appeared follows:

CALF ROPING.			
Lavega White (4)	—23	3-10	
Giles White (4)	—27	7-10	
Burl Hitson (4)	—28	1-20	
Tommy Hodges (5)	—29	17-25	
Alton Whiteaker (4)	—33	3-20	
Leo Huff (5)	—41	19-25	
Vester Parrish (4)	—54	1-5	
Cub Young (4)	—55	6-20	
Guy Caves (4)	—55	11-20	
Ralph Russell (5)	—61	22-25	
COW MILKING.			
Alton Whiteaker (3)	—25	4-15	
Cub Young (4)	—26		
Earl Stevens (5)	—45	12-25	
Giles White (4)	—49	6-20	
Lewis Cook (4)	—52	12-20	
Rural Stoker (5)	—62	18-25	
Orion Tittle (5)	—62	20-25	
Leo Huff (5)	—64	15-25	
Clinton McCain (3)	—67		
Elmo Williams (5)	—69	2-25	

ter a few days ago telling him of his proficiency in having passed the state examining board. With this most excellent start Dr. Shaffer has made in his chosen profession he is worthy of much recommendation and his numerous friends will be very glad to learn of his success.

Within a few days Dr. Shaffer will open an office for active practice in the Adkisson building at the rear of the offices now occupied by Dr. W. B. Foster.

TORNADO WEDNESDAY EVE.

Late Wednesday afternoon a small tornado completely demolished the house commonly known as the Hogue place, southwest of Trent. Mrs. Harter, who was in the house at the time, was painfully injured by having two large splinters driven into her right lower limb. The force of the wind was sufficient to lift the two story house from its foundation, tear it to pieces and drop it in a nearby lane some fifty yards away, a mass of ruins and wreckage.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Whiteaker of Cameron were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Whiteaker and other relatives of the Dora community.

The Box Scores

DIVIDE—	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Hammonds, lf	3	3	2	3	0	0
Greer, 3b	4	2	3	1	2	0
D. Seymore, rf	4	1	2	1	0	0
Priest, ss	5	1	1	3	3	2
Lane, lb	4	0	0	8	0	0
McCoy, cf	4	0	0	1	0	0
Neill, 2b	2	1	1	0	1	0
T. Seymore, 2b	2	0	0	1	1	1
Jones, c	4	0	1	9	0	0
Barton, p	4	0	0	0	1	1
Totals	36	8	10	27	8	4

NOODLE—	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Justice, cf	5	1	0	1	0	0
Derrick, ss	5	2	2	2	5	0
Goode, rf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Palmer, c	4	0	1	5	2	0
H. Vick, lb	5	0	1	13	0	1
Eason, lf	5	1	2	1	0	1
Williams, 3b	5	1	1	2	4	0
C. Vick, 2b	4	0	1	3	3	1
Walker, p	4	0	1	0	1	0
Totals	41	5	10	27	15	3

Score by innings: Divide 012 010 400—8 Noodle 002 011 010—5

Summary—Runs batted in, D. Seymore 3, Lane 2, Priest 2, Palmer, H. Vick, Goode, Williams, Walker. Two-base hits, Neill, Hammonds, Eason. Three base-hits, Hammonds, Priest, Derrick. Double plays, C. Vick to Derrick to H. Vick. Bases on balls, Barton 3, Walker 4. Hit batter, by Walker, (D. Seymore.) Wild pitch, Walker. Passed ball, Palmer. Struck out, by Barton 9, by Walker 5. Left on base, Divide 6, Noodle 11. Stolen bases, Greer, D. Seymore, C. Vick. Time of game, 1:50. Umpires, Hollis and Ferrier.

TYE—	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
W. Jowers, lf	4	0	1	3	0	0
M. Street, 2b	4	2	1	3	0	0
J. Jowers, c	4	2	0	5	1	0
B. Jowers, cf	4	3	1	3	2	0
Boyd, 3b	3	2	1	2	1	0
Ashby, rf	4	0	1	1	0	0
Dwiggins, ss	4	1	1	3	3	1
McDonald, lb	4	1	2	6	0	0
Burns, p	4	0	1	1	2	0
Totals	35	12	8	27	9	1

TRUBY—	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Hampton, lf	5	0	1	0	0	0
Scott, c	4	0	1	3	2	1
Justice, ss	3	2	1	3	6	0
Hollis, lb, p	4	1	5	10	0	0
Hall, rf	4	0	2	0	0	0
Grogan, 2b	3	0	1	1	5	3
Payne, cf, 3b	4	0	0	4	0	0
Strawn, 3b	3	0	1	1	1	1
L. Garner, p	2	0	0	0	0	0
Price, p	1	0	0	0	0	0
McCaleb, 3b	1	0	1	0	0	0
Eason, lb	1	0	1	1	0	1
Totals	35	3	11	24	15	6

Score by innings: Tye 300 030 60x—12 Truby 001 020 000—3

Summary—Runs batted in, Ashby, Boyd 2, Dwiggins 2, Burns 2, McDonald, Hollis, Hall 2. Tye scored runs in the first and fifth on passed balls and in the 5th on an infielder's two-base error. Two-base hits, Boyd, Hollis, Hall. Bases on balls, Garner 2, Price. Hit batter, by Garner (M. Street), by Burns, (Justice, Grogan.) Wild pitch, Burns. Passed balls, Scott 2, Struck out, by Burns, 3, Garner 2, Price 2. Stolen bases, W. Jowers, Street, B. Jowers. Left on base, Tye 5, Truby 8. Innings pitched, by Garner, 2 hits, 3 runs in 3 innings; by Price, 5 hits, 9 runs in 3-2-3 innings; Hollis, 1 hit and no runs in 1-1-3 innings. Losing pitcher, Price. Time of game, 2 hours. Umpires, Hollis and Ferrier.

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I am a mature man with some 30 years of business experience as teacher in the public schools of this state, as a county school superintendent, with two years experience in the comptroller's department in Austin, 8 years experience as a practicing attorney in Taylor county. During the World War, I served my country over two years in the army, 14 months of which was spent overseas, and I saw service in the front line trenches.

I earnestly seek to serve you as your county judge and pledge my very best efforts to a business and a courteous administration of the affairs of the office. Thanks for our help.

Respectfully yours,
A. A. HEATHINGTON,
Candidate for County Judge, Taylor County, Texas.
(Political Advertising.)

BLAIR ITEMS

Remember the services at the Baptist church Sunday, July 19. These preachers are both of unusual ability. Rev. Roy Audings delivers plain and logical messages. If you want a blessing, attend these services.

Mrs. Duke White of Buffalo Gap visited recently in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Mayberry and family of Abilene spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Mayberry and both families motored over to the Sweetwater park and enjoyed a picnic eating Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Pruitt and family visited the latter's mother, Mrs. Martin, of Merkel Sunday, and in the afternoon they drove over to Abilene to visit relatives there.

Miss Nell Seoggin spent Sunday visiting in Seoggin.

Mrs. C. A. Tague en route from Sanatorium to Crowell stopped over

for a few days visit with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Smith. Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Tague spent one day the past week with the former's daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Patterson of Abilene.

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BUFORD-VARNER.

Marriage of Mrs. J. B. Varner and J. A. Buford was solemnized at 4:30 Saturday afternoon at the home of Elder W. G. Cypert, who officiated for the ceremony.

Best wishes are being extended this estimable couple, both well known residents, by a host of friends.

Have you cashed your **RAT DAY** Tickets.

Read Merkel Mail Want Ads.

Salt Branch School Elects New Principal

Miss Jennie Bess Bigham of Abilene has been elected principal of the Salt Branch school, to succeed Mrs. Buster Horton, resigned, it was announced Wednesday by W. O. Higgins, chairman of the board of trustees. Miss Pearl Elliott of Merkel is primary teacher.

A bachelor of arts graduate from McMurry college, Miss Bigham taught last year at Rule. She has had extensive study in music and is well qualified to direct the instruction in that course at Salt Branch.

Trustees, besides Mr. Higgins, are O. W. Paine and Carl Baccus.

The hurricane season in the Gulf Coast region began in June.

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There was not a public library in the United States 100 years ago.

Use The Mail Want Ads.

Young Men's Class Entertain for Wives

Members of the young business men's class of the Methodist church entertained their wives with a watermelon party at Shannon's pool on Tuesday evening. The flurry of rain and wind cut down the attendance somewhat, but a most enjoyable evening was spent.

Victor Harris is teacher of the young business men's class, who arranged this happy compliment for their wives and friends.

Former Residents of Trent Back for Visit

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nalley of Fort Worth are visiting in the homes of his brother, Joe Nalley, and sister, Mrs. M. G. Bryan, of Trent and are shaking hands with many old friends of this section.

They will go from Trent to Lamesa, where Mr. Nalley has business interests, and continue on an extended vacation through the Northwest.

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FOR CONVENIENCE—Your refrigerator must be able to freeze ice quickly—must have a high degree of usefulness. Before you buy, be sure it will produce fresh ice during the hot hours of the day.

FOR ECONOMY—Your refrigerator must maintain the above performance at low over-all cost. Before you buy, be sure.

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Remember this when you buy. All refrigerators cannot provide all three of these basic requirements. Tests prove this to be true by actual use in the home. So don't buy on claims alone. Ask for and be sure you get convincing evidence of value. Only then can you be certain you are getting your money's worth. Choose carefully and you will choose a modern electric refrigerator.

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A. J. CANON (Re-election.)
P. A. DILTZ.
For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 4, Jones county:
E. F. VANTRESE.
L. R. CADE.
For County Clerk:
(MISS) VIVIAN FRYAR.
CLARENCE L. DARDEN.
E. D. (Dean) DAVIS.
G. B. TITTLE.
For Sheriff:
S. H. (Sid) McADAMS.
BURL WHEELER.
MERVYN MEEKS.
ROSS L. MILLER.
For District Clerk:
MISS BELLE WELLBORN (Re-election.)
For County Attorney:
ESCO WALTER.
For County Tax Assessor-Collector:
C. O. (Pat) PATTERSON.
W. P. BOUNDS.
For Representative, 116th District:
DENT GIBSON.
For Judge, 104th District Court, (Taylor, Jones, Fisher Counties):
OWEN THOMAS.
W. R. CHAPMAN (Re-election.)
For Attorney, 104th District Court, (Taylor, Jones, Fisher Counties):
THOS. E. HAYDEN, JR.
OTIS MILLER (Re-election.)
For Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 5:
S. C. VICK.
N. D. COBB.
E. L. WILSON.
For County Judge:
A. A. HEATHINGTON.
JOHN CAMP (Re-election.)
LINDSAY P. WALDEN.
JOHN J. WATTS.
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LOST—Ladies' black leather purse containing one dollar bill and change, also cream ticket. Notify Mrs. T. E. Butler, Route 1, or return to Merkel Mail office.

GOODMAN NEWS

Miss Lemont Cox is on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Fleming of Midland are visiting her sister, Mrs. Barnes.
Mrs. Roy Williams, who is in school at Parsons at Abilene, spent the week-end at home.
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Greene and son, Donald, of Hobbs, N. M., who spent their vacation here and at the Centennial returned home Monday.
Mr. and Mrs. Austin Cooper of Crane were week-end guests with her mother, Mrs. Arden Jones.
Hoyt Barnes of Monument, N. M., spent the week-end at home.
Sunday is our regular preaching day. Everybody is invited.
Mrs. Phoebe Greene returned Monday to New Mexico after an extended visit with relatives here.
Karl Bonneaux, Jr., is enjoying a vacation at the Boy Scout camp.
Rat Tickets are worth cash IF Economy Grocery.

Comings, Goings, Doings

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Adcock have as their guest Mrs. Adcock's father, A. A. Williamson, of Menard.
Mrs. John Templeton of Wheeler is visiting her nephews, A. D. and E. B. Barnes, and families.
Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Campbell spent several days last week with their son in Abilene, returning Friday.
Joe Barron left Monday for Gorman and from there he carried his mother, Mrs. J. J. Barron, to a Dallas sanitarium.
Mr. and Mrs. Don Reeder of Lubbock were week-end visitors with Mrs. Reeder's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Hunter.
Mrs. W. F. Armstrong and daughter, Mary Joe, of Fort Worth are here for a visit with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. M. Armstrong.
Miss Berdelle Adcock has returned from Sul Ross State Teachers college at Alpine, where she has been taking special summer work.
Mrs. A. L. Lee and daughter, Eugenia, of McGregor, and nephew, Dick Torrance of Waco, were guests of relatives here last week.
Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Spears and family returned Sunday to their home at Wink after a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Spears.
Mrs. J. Y. Melton and son, Jack, returned Saturday from East Texas, having also enjoyed the sights of the Texas Centennial while away.
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Warnick of Phoenix, Ariz., summer visitors with relatives here, have gone this week to the Texas Centennial at Dallas.
Rev. and Mrs. John H. Crow returned Wednesday from Briscoe, where they had been to visit a sister of Mrs. Crow, who is seriously ill.
Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Barnes and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Barnes and family of Cross Roads, N. M., have returned home after a visit with relatives here.
Mrs. George Swain returned Saturday to her home at Moffett after a visit of several weeks with her brother, Tom Grimes and family and sister, Mrs. Nannie Armstrong.
Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Latimer left Tuesday for Corpus Christi in response to a telegram telling of the serious illness of the latter's brother, who had entered the sanitarium at that place.
Returning from Fort Worth Tuesday, Mrs. S. D. Gamble was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. E. F. Nix, and son, Wayne, who will visit her father, W. A. Sheppard, and in the Gamble home.
Messrs. Jim and Roland Toombs, accompanied by the former's son, Jimmy Toombs, have returned from a trip to the Plains. They carried Misses Fern and Arnie Love Toombs, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Toombs, of Meadows, home.
Miss Jess Sutphen left Sunday for a summer trip to Old Mexico, which includes an art study tour with a teacher from Denton. They will visit many points of interest from Vera Cruz to the Pacific coast.
While Manager S. P. Nesmith of the Queen theatre was away on a fishing trip the first of the week, Mrs. Nesmith had as her house guests Misses Fay Holcomb of San Angelo, now visiting in Abilene, and Rogene Beasley and Georgia Ruth Crandall of Abilene.
Eight local rodeo enthusiasts drove over for the Tuesday night's show at Coleman. Included in the party were Bob Malone, John West, John Collins, Tom Jinkens, Booth Warren, Dee Grimes, S. D. Gamble and Dr. L. C. Zehnpenning.
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith of Kilgore are visiting Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Westenhover, in Sweetwater and relatives and friends here. Mrs. Smith was former Bessie Westenhover, a niece of Mrs. J. H. McDonald.
Mrs. T. L. Grimes and daughter, Tommie Evelyn, accompanied her mother, Mrs. G. J. Jones, on her return last week to her home in Nevada, Collins county. They will also enjoy a visit to the Texas Centennial while away.
W. L. Diltz, former cashier of the Farmers State bank here and now credit manager of Whittaker Bros., San Angelo and Ballinger, was a visitor here this week. He brought his daughter, Betty Jane, for a visit with Misses Dorma Lee Shelton and Mabel Murray.
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Warnick of Phoenix, Ariz., who are visiting Mrs. Warnick's mother, Mrs. A. A. Baker, and other relatives here, spent last week with Mrs. Warnick's brother, J. L. Baker, and family, also visiting her nephews, Lee and Andrew Baker and families.
Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Howell and two daughters, Melba Marie and Jacqueline, of Fort Worth were callers at the Mail office Saturday afternoon and renewed for another year's subscription. They were en route to Trent to visit with their aunts, Mrs. R. B. McRee, Sr., and Mrs. J. E. Bowers.
Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Gamble have had as their recent guests his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Chenault of New York City, who were accompanied from Houston by another brother, Frank Chenault. The latter returned at once, while Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Chenault departed Tuesday.
Mrs. R. G. McElyea of Fort Worth was a passing visitor Tuesday morning with her brother, George E. Caple. In company with Mrs. Ed Sproles and daughter, Miss May Katherine, and Miss Edith Blakeway, they were en route to California.
Miss Dora Armstrong of Goodman is spending the week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Armstrong, of Salt Branch.
Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Bailey and daughter, Patsy Joyce, of Wink, are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kelso, of Stith.
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kelso and daughters, Earline, Muriel and Winona, visited Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Fielder and family of Anson Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Patterson and son, Truett, are on a vacation visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Nevitt, at Dallas, and will enjoy the Centennial while there. They were accompanied by A. C. Sears.
Mrs. M. E. Campbell returned Tuesday from Cisco where she had been in the hospital for several weeks and is greatly improved.
Dr. J. P. Howard and son, Jasper Penn Howard, left Wednesday for a trip to California.
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Click and little son, Leon, and Mrs. Monie Pickett and little son, Jimmy, of Fort Worth spent the Fourth with Mrs. Click's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Click, Sr., on Route 3. Mr. and Mrs. Jay Greenfield and little sons, Junior and Billie Gene, and Mr. and Mrs. Price Floyd also spent the Fourth with Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Click, Sr. When Mr. and Mrs. Lee Click and son returned home Monday, they were accompanied by their little daughter, Billie Joyce, who makes her home here with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Click, Sr., and who will visit them a short time.
Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Click and children have just returned from a short visit with relatives in Durant, Okla.

They were accompanied home by Mrs. Reed, Lynward Harrison, Joe Weston and the hostess.
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fugat and Misses Mary Collins and Fanny Belle Boaz have returned from a week of fishing and squirrel hunting on V Bar H ranch at Junction.
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Elliott of Dallas arrived Tuesday night for a vacation visit with his parents, Mayor and Mrs. W. M. Elliott. After spending a few days at Galveston, they also stopped at San Antonio on their way here.
Miss Hazel Rhoades of Clyde is visiting Miss Maymie Webb this week.
Dorothy Nell Bradley left Tuesday for a visit with her grandmother, Mrs. Cup, of Stanton.
Misses Lena Webb and Gertrude Cook of Abilene were visitors in the home of Mrs. Will Webb last week.

RURAL SOCIETY

LAWN PARTY.
Mrs. Frank Demere entertained with a lawn party on July Fourth in honor of her little granddaughter, Mary Tom Weston's birthday. After an hour of many thrilling games, the gifts were displayed and refreshments of lemonade and cake served to the following little guests:
Don and Billie Harrison of Blair, Bettie Joe Coats of Big Spring, Mary Alice Reed, Pauline Reed, Leon Toombs, Jr., of Merkel, Jacky Reed, Pattie Sue Harrison, Mary Tom and Stanley Joe Weston of Sterling City; and Mesdames W. A. Harrison, H. Weston, Leon Toombs, Raymond Demere, Fraser Demere, O. W. Reed, Paul

White Church News

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weston and children spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Demere and other relatives.
Mrs. H. Weston returned from Sterling City to spend the Fourth with Mr. and Mrs. Lynward Harrison.
Mrs. John Coomer and mother visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Demere Sunday.
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Oranges, dozen	25c	Ice Cream Mix, vanilla and maple, package	9c
Apples, Gravenstin, doz.	25c	Ice Cream	
Lettuce, head	5c	Salt, 4 pound box	9c
Spuds, No. 1 white, 5 lbs.	23c	Red and White	
Green Beans, 2 pounds	25c	Cleanser, pkg.	5c
Black Walnut		Red and White	
Cookies, per box	19c	Soap, 5 bars	19c
Sun Spun		Red and White	
Salad Dressing, qt.	32c	Fruit Cocktail, No. 1 can	15c
		Red and White	
COFFEE		Peaches, No. 2 1-2 can	17c
Early Riser, pound	17c	Gallon	
Mart, pound	25c	Apricots, water pack	39c
Red & White, pound	29c	Blue and White	
		Apple Butter, 34 oz. jar	19c
Small		Egg	
Crisco, 3 pounds	59c	Noodles, pkg.	10c
Pure Cane		Red and White	
Sugar, 10 pounds	54c	Tomato Juice, 3 cans	22c
Red and White		Kuner's	
Meal, 5 pounds	19c	Green Beans, 2 cans	25c
Red and White		Red and White	
Tea, glass Free with 1-4 lb.	23c	Peas, No. 2 can	17c
Red and White		Blue and White	
Grape Juice, pint	15c	Pork & Beans, 16 oz. can	5c
Red and White		Iowa Club	
Corn Flakes, pkg.	10c	Corn, No. 2 can	9c
WEST CO., Merkel		Red and White	
D. C. HERRING & Son, Noodle		Pimientos, 4 oz. can, 2 for	15c
A. W. WOOD, Trent		Red and White	
BRADLEY MER. CO., Stith		Baby Food, 3 cans	25c
HERRING & TOUCHSTONE, Blair		Sliced Bacon, pound	25c
		Salt Pork, pound	19c

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Denton, July 15.—Finis Temple Bell is enrolled this summer as a graduate student of North Texas State Teachers college. From an enrollment of sixty-five students last regular session, the first time the college offered graduate work, the graduate division has grown to 480 this summer. Work leading to the master of arts and the master of science degrees is offered in thirteen departments.

Names on Ballot

(Continued from Page One)

Hunter, P. Pierce Brooks, James V. Allred, Roy Sanderford.
Lieutenant governor: Walter F. Woodul.
Attorney general: William McCraw.
Chief justice of the supreme court: C. M. Cureton.
Associate justice of the supreme court: Richard Critz.
Judge of the court of criminal appeals: O. S. Lattimore.
Railroad commissioner: H. O. Johnson, Ernest O. Thompson, Carl C. Hardin, Frank S. Morris, Goodson Rieger.
State comptroller of public accounts: Sam Houston Terrell, Walter Walton Covington, George H. Sheppard.
Commissioner of the general land office: William H. McDonald, John W. Hawkins.
Treasurer: Harry Hopkins, Charley Lockhart, Garland Adair.
State superintendent of public instruction: A. A. (Pat) Bullock, L. A. Woods.
Commissioner of agriculture: Kal Segrist, George B. Terrell, Cliff Day, J. E. McDonald.
Representative in congress for the 17th district: Fred O. Jay, Thomas L. Blanton, Clyde Garrett.
Chief justice of the court of civil appeals in 11th supreme judicial district: W. P. Leslie.
Associate justice, court of civil appeals, 11th district: Clyde Grisom.
State senator of 24th district: Y. L. Thomason, Wilbourne B. Collie, Harry Tom King.
District judge, 42nd district: Milburn S. Long.
District attorney, 42nd district: J. R. Black.
District judge, 104th district: W. R. Chapman, Owen Thomas.
District attorney, 104th district: Othis Miller, Thos. E. Hayden, Jr.
Representative to legislature, 116th district: Deny Gibson, J. Bryan Bradbury.
District clerk: Walter R. Griffith, Belle Wellborn, G. P. Holland.
County judge: John J. Watts, John Camp, A. A. Heathington, Lindsay P. Walden.
County attorney: Esco Walter.
County clerk: E. D. (Dean) Davis, G. B. Tittle, Clarence L. Darden, Vivian Fryar, Eugene Wood.
County treasurer: Roy C. Fuller.

Tax assessor and collector: C. O. (Pat) Patterson, John W. Pool, W. F. Bounds, Jess Hamilton.
Sheriff: Mervyn Meeks, Burl Wheeler, Sid H. McAdams, Ross L. Miller.
County commissioner, precinct 2: A. J. Canon, Philip A. Diltz, Houston Robertson, Charles Orr.
Justice of the peace, precinct 5 (Merkel): E. L. Wilson, S. C. Vick, N. D. Cobb.
Constable precinct 5 (Merkel): J. T. King, W. H. Laney, Bert Melton.
Constable, precinct 7 (Trent): H. H. Tittle.
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County chairman: Jas. P. Stinson.

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- Christian Herald 6 mos.
- Flower Grower 6 mos.
- Household Magazine 1 year
- Junior Home (for Mothers) 1 year
- McCall's Magazine 1 year
- Movie Classic 1 year
- Needlecraft 1 year
- Open Road (Boys) 2 years
- Parents' Magazine 6 mos.
- Pathfinder (weekly) 1 year
- Pictorial Review 1 year
- Progressive Farmer 2 years
- Romantic Stories 1 year
- Screen Book 1 year
- Southern Agriculturist 1 year
- True Confessions 1 year
- Women's World 1 year
- Modern Mechanic & Inv. 1 year
- American Girl 1 year
- Delinquent 1 year
- Judge 1 year
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for one full year
And 4 Big Magazines

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1 Magazine from Group A; 3 Magazines from Group B; 4 in all

GROUP-A

- Select One Magazine
- Better Homes & Gardens 1 yr
 - Christian Herald 6 mo
 - Flower Grower 2 yrs
 - Household Magazine 1 yr
 - Junior Home (for Mothers) 1 yr
 - McCall's Magazine 1 yr
 - Movie Classic 2 yrs
 - Open Road (Boys) 6 mos
 - Parents' Magazine 1 yr
 - Pathfinder (weekly) 1 yr
 - Pictorial Review 1 yr
 - Romantic Stories 1 yr
 - Screen Book 1 yr
 - True Confessions 1 yr
 - American Fruit Grower 1 yr
 - Casper's Farmer 2 yrs
 - The Farm Journal 3 yrs
 - Progressive Farmer 2 yrs
 - Southern Agriculturist 1 yr

GROUP-B

- Select three Magazines
- American Poultry Journal 1 yr
 - Country Home 1 yr
 - Dixie Poultry Journal 1 yr
 - The Farm Journal 1 yr
 - Gentlewoman Magazine 1 yr
 - Good Stories 2 yr
 - Home Circle 2 yr
 - Home Friend 1 yr
 - Household Magazine 1 yr
 - Illustrated Mechanics 1 yr
 - Mother's Home Life 1 yr
 - Needlecraft 1 yr
 - Poultry Tribune 1 yr
 - Progressive Farmer 2 yrs
 - Southern Agriculturist 1 yr
 - Successful Farming 1 yr
 - Woman's World 1 yr
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NOODLE NEWS

The Church of Christ meeting began Sunday at the 11 o'clock service. R. C. Bell, formerly of Nashville, Tenn., but who lives in Abilene at present, is doing the preaching.

The farmers are busy plowing their cotton after the rains. Prospects were never better for a bumper crop in this section.

Mrs. T. B. Cox returned Sunday from McKinney, Plano and other points in the eastern part of the state, where she has been visiting for several weeks. She also visited the Texas Centennial and on her return trip she stopped at Rising Star and spent a week with her son, Roy and family, who accompanied her home, returning to their home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Roden and two children of Ballinger spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Justice.

C. B. Jinkens and family went to the Divide Sunday. They were accompanied by her niece, Imagee Poole, who had been visiting here for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Cantrell and children returned Friday to their home in Carlsbad, N. M. They were accompanied by her brother, J. D. Sosebee.

Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Burton of Stith were recent guests of Mr and Mrs. J. M. Sloan.

B. N. Wheeler of Merkel attended church here Sunday.

Miss Maggie Weeks of Abilene was the guest of Mrs. Inez Chadwick and Miss Gusta Cook Sunday.

Jack Pierce was a dinner guest Sunday of Naylor Eoff and wife.

Wanee Tarpley spent the night last Wednesday with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Hudson, of Comper.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Cook of Carpenter's Gap spent Sunday in the home of his mother, Mrs. J. M. Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. Dois Melton and little daughter of Carpenter's Gap returned home Monday after spending several days in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Tarpley.

Mrs. R. I. Jackson honored her daughter, Dorothy Jean, with a birthday dinner Sunday. The following girls were present: Virginia Rainwater, Jewel Chaney, Elaine Goods, Radie Tarpley, Gita Bumpas, Teria Mae McDock, Geraldine Sloan, Bobbie Charlene Burnett and Ruth Burnett.

Merchants Sales Books 5c, six for 25c or 25 for \$1.00, At Merkel Mail office.

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HEBRON NEWS

Vedalee Pannell served iced watermelon to a few of her friends at a party Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Lige Harris and daughter, Syble, and Doris Price and Veda Pannell were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Whatley at Blair Sunday.

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Vick Drug Company
J. H. McDonald Grocery
Whiteley Bros. Service Station
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Fox Wrecking Shop
City Dry Cleaners
Economy Grocery
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Sheppard & Shelton
Dandy Bakery
Booth Grocery
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Bullock Hardware Co.
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Hi Way Service Station
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Speck's Jewelry Shop
Blake's Dry Cleaners
West Texas Utilities Co.
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SUNRISE BREAKFAST.
Members of the Gleaner Sunday School class were treated to a most delightful swim and breakfast Tuesday morning when Mesdames Ross Ferrier, Dee Grimes and John Shannon entertained at the spacious Shannon pool.

After a refreshing swim, a three course summer menu was served to Mesdames Frank Armstrong and Deverle Johnson of Fort Worth and the following class members: Mesdames Hughes, Latham, Vaughn, Cox, Buzbee, Hicks, Largent, Smith, Mashburn, Burgess, Rea, Church, Gaither, Briggs, Grimes, Shannon and Ferrier.

PALETTE CLUB.

Miss Nadine Clack was hostess to the Palette club on Saturday evening, July 4. Games were played, stories were told and a number of popular songs sung, after which the hostess served ice cream and cookies from a table decorated in red, white and blue, with small United States flags placed in the center of gum drops as plate favors, to the following guests:

Felix Stalls, William Hughes, Billie Wood, Jimmie Leeton, Morris Clack, Laverne Hughes, Edith Hughes, Vernelle Bland, Ina Mae Berryman, Robbie Walker, Billie Nelson.

BRIDAL SHOWER.

Complimenting Mrs. L. E. Ford, Jr., a recent bride, Miss Aliene Parks was hostess for a shower in the late hours Monday afternoon.

After the gifts were presented and admired, a social hour followed and refreshments of punch and cake were served to Mrs. Ford, Misses Sue Hickam, Lois Perkins, Dorris Diltz, Elizabeth Cypert, Mrs. Bill Dowell and daughter, Janet, Mrs. Bill Callahan and Jackie Crawford.

Garrett Speaks Here In Race for Congress

Hon. Clyde L. Garrett of Eastland, candidate for congress from the 17th district, spoke on the streets here Tuesday afternoon in the interest of his campaign.

In his address, which was delivered from a loud speaker system, he outlined his platform and discussed many of the national issues before the public.

Marries Danish Lifeguard.
Hyde Park, N. Y., July 16.—Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen, United States minister to Denmark, was married Saturday to Capt. Boerge Rohde, member of the Danish king's lifeguard, in a quiet ceremony attended by President and Mrs. Roosevelt.

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CHURCH SERVICES

Methodist-Presbyterian San Antonio Man To Lead Church of Christ Meeting
Co-Operative Revival From July 19 to Aug. 2



REV. R. N. HUCKABEE.

Congregations of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches will sponsor a co-operative revival beginning Sunday, July 19, at Grace Presbyterian church.

Rev. R. N. Huckabee of Haskell, one of the best known evangelists of this section, will do the preaching. He will arrive in time for the Sunday night service at 8:15, and thereafter services will be held twice daily, at 10 a. m. and 8:15 p. m.

Each church will have their regular Sunday School and preaching service Sunday morning, uniting in the opening service Sunday evening at the Presbyterian church.

Roosevelt Victory Certain.

Dallas, July 16.—President Roosevelt not only will carry Pennsylvania and New York in the November election but will carry at least two states in New England, stronghold of the republicans, Senator Joseph F. Guffey of Pennsylvania said here Monday. In fact, the senator said there is a chance of Roosevelt carrying every state in the union.

Announcing New Arrival.

Mrs. Seth Hamilton received a message by wire Saturday afternoon announcing the arrival of a son to Rev. and Mrs. Paul M. Collins, of Cloud Chief, Okla. Mrs. Hamilton is the young man's maternal grandmother, while Mrs. J. M. Collins, his paternal grandmother, has been visiting in her son's home for several weeks.

Attend Grandmother's Funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wallace and little son, Colonel James, went to Ranger Monday to attend the funeral of Mr. Wallace's grandmother, Mrs. C. C. Freeman, who was 85 years of age.

Yokohama, Japan, has a population of 704,290, according to the latest census.

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Elder E. S. Fitzgerald, of San Antonio, will lead the revival meeting of the Church of Christ beginning Thursday night of this week (July 16) and continuing through July 28.

Elder Fitzgerald is a preacher of wide experience whose services the local church is very fortunate in securing.

The singing will be in charge of Ben Newhouse, summer student doing postgraduate work at Abilene Christian college.

The city tabernacle has been engaged for the revival, where services will be held twice daily, 4 p. m. and 8 p. m. An invitation is extended to everybody to come.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

A total of 641 were present at the six reporting Sunday Schools in Merkel last Sunday, as compared with 548 on the previous Sunday. On the same Sunday a year ago, 731 were present.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Sunday School as usual next Sunday at 10 o'clock, Dr. N. A. Moore, head of the Bible department of Hardin-Simmons university, will fill the pulpit at the 11 o'clock hour. There will be no Sunday night preaching service nor prayer meeting service during the Presbyterian-Methodist revival, for we will worship with them during these services.

WMU at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon.

NAZARENE CHURCH.

Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. NYPS at 7:15 p. m. Preaching at 8 p. m. Mid-week prayer meeting each Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

R. T. Smith, Pastor.

NORTHSIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.

Follow the crowds to the Northside Baptist tabernacle and hear the gospel preached in a simple, unusual and powerful manner.

Next Sunday evening the pastor will bring a special message on "The Anti-Christ, Who is He?" Be sure and come.

A very surprising thing will happen Sunday evening. Don't miss it. We welcome all, rich and poor alike, to our services. Come like you are. Bill E. Dowell, Pastor.

John Garner Favors Allred.

Uvalde, July 16.—Vice-President John Nance Garner, returning from a fishing trip to Southwest Texas, broke his traditional silence about politics to announce that he was in favor of the re-election of Governor James V. Allred.

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Sunday-Monday "These Three" With Miriam Hopkins, Merle Oberon and Joel McCrea

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Wednesday-Thursday Jane Withers and Ralph Morgan in "Little Miss Nobody"

R. & R. RITZ Friday-Saturday Gene Autry in "Guns and Guitars"

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Coupon Will Bring Details of Free Trip Offer to Frontier

In connection with publicity for the Fort Worth Frontier Centennial, which opens Saturday, Billy Rose, director-general, is offering a free trip plan.

Details as to how to get the free trip will be explained, it is stated in an advertisement elsewhere in this issue of The Mail, upon receipt of a request by mail enclosing the entire ad and giving the name and address of the applicant.

Members of Baptist Sunday School Enjoy Picnic and Outing

A picnic outing in the Tom Largent pasture was enjoyed on Tuesday evening by members of the Sunday School of the First Baptist church, of which W. J. Largent is superintendent.

Games of softball engaged the junior and senior departments of the men's sections, while the ladies and girls passed the time less strenuously but just as pleasantly.

A picnic supper was spread on long tables and every one had a genuinely good time.

To Speak Here in Behalf of Allred

Hon. Howard C. Davidson is scheduled to speak at Merkel Friday afternoon in the interest of the campaign to re-elect Governor James V. Allred. The hour and place had not been selected up to Thursday noon, but the speaking will probably take place on a downtown street.

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Wednesday-Thursday Jack Haley and Grace Bradley in "F-MAN" Paramount Shorts, "Spanish Overture" and "Shorty Goes South."

Don't Forget Thursday Night

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Grapes Malaga's Lb. 10c	Blackeyed Peas, lb. 5c
Plums Santa Rosa Doz. 15c	Okra, per pound 15c
	Beets or carrots, 2 bunches 15c
	Cucumbers or Squash, pound 5c
	Bell Peppers, lb. 15c
	Cabbage, pound 6c
	Bermuda Onions, lb. 4c
	Burbank Spuds, lb. 5c
	Peaches, Cantaloupes, Plums, Watermelons

Salad Dressing, Ex-Cel, quarts 25c
Pineapple, broken slices, No. 2 can 15c
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Mustard, Schillings, 6 oz. jar 5c
Pickles, sour or dill quart jar 15c 48 oz. jar 29c
Vinegar Distilled, Gallon 25c Pure Apple, Gallon 40c Heinz White Pickling, Gal. 60c

Fruit Jar Lids Kerr—Mason	Coffee Maxwell House
3 doz. 25c	3 lb. can 75c

Strawberry Preserves, gallon \$1.09
Baking Powders, Calumet, 1-4 lb. 10c
Stick Candy, 20 sticks to the pkg. 10c

Pork & Beans, 16 oz. 5c	Corn No. 2 can
Kraut, No. 2 1-2 10c	3 for 25c
Smax Crackers, pkg. 9c	Salmon No. 1 Tall
Orange Juice, 3 for 25c	Each 10c
Grape Juice Punch, 10c	

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