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DEATH CLAIMS ONE OF AREA'S EARLY SETTLERS

Gene Patterson, 69, Who Had Lived on Same Place Past 35 Years, Passes Away After Four Months Illness.

E. H. Patterson, 69, retired pioneer farmer, died Saturday night at 9:40 at his home south of town after an illness of four months.

Funeral services were held from the First Baptist church at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon, with Rev. C. R. Joyner, the pastor, in charge, assisted by Rev. John H. Crow, Methodist minister, and Rev. R. A. Walker, pastor of Grace Presbyterian church. Interment was in Rose Hill cemetery.

Born in Alabama on Jan. 13, 1868, Mr. Patterson came to Texas as a baby, his family settling in Grimes county. For 46 years he had lived a resident of this area and had lived the past 35 years on the same place where he died. He was married Oct. 14, 1894, to Miss Roberta Hughes, the ceremony having been performed at the Methodist church here.

Besides his wife, he is survived by six children: Henry, Tommie and Virgil Patterson, and Mrs. A. D. Barnes, Mrs. J. K. Blair and Mrs. John H. Fulton, all of Merkel; nine grandchildren; one brother, E. E. Patterson, and four sisters, Mrs. J. C. Whitfield of Dublin, Mrs. J. L. Casey, Mrs. Tom Malone and Mrs. Minnie Reeves, of Abilene. A large number of nieces and nephews also survive.

Pallbearers were: Lee Cox, Dewey Sandusky, Booth Warren, Bob and Max Malone of Merkel and John Toombs of Abilene.

Flower girls were nieces of the deceased: Alma Cox, Louella Hughes, Verne Hughes, Sarah and Neva Malone and Ola Pearl Casey, and Mrs. Julian Pace of Abilene.

Among those from out of town who came for the funeral were: Messrs. and Mesdames Burl Wheeler, Earl Hughes and children, J. H. Hughes, Harold Hughes, Claud Dudley, Julian Pace, J. L. Casey and daughter, Tom Malone and family, Dee Malone and daughter, Tommie Malone, Jr., Comer Patterson, Mrs. Sam Dryden and daughter, Mrs. J. V. Edington and children, Mrs. Elmer Patterson and children, all of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Blackburn and daughter of Vera; Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Neill and children, Mr. and Mrs. Dresden Casey and Daniel Casey of Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. Wade Casey of Brownwood.

W. B. Barrett

W. B. Barrett, 50, Baird automobile salesman and a brother of Mrs. Eli Case of this city, died Monday night at the Griggs hospital in Baird of injuries received in a highway crash three miles west of Baird Monday afternoon, Mrs. Case left as soon as news of the accident was received and was at his bedside when death came.

Funeral services were held at 3:30 Wednesday afternoon from the Methodist church at Baird, conducted by Rev. J. A. Scoggins, the pastor, with interment in the Ross cemetery.

Mr. Barrett is survived by his wife, one son, Billy; a daughter, Wanda; three brothers, Jim Barrett of Abilene, Dee Barrett of Ada, Okla., and Clint Barrett of Winters, and two sisters, Mrs. Case and Miss Betty Barrett of Winters.

Attending the funeral from here, besides Mr. and Mrs. Case and their son, Milton Case, were three cousins, Messrs. F. E. Church, C. P. Church and W. C. Church and their wives, also Mr. and Mrs. Dee Grimes and Rev. and Mrs. John H. Crow.

Cal Buford

Funeral services for Cal Buford, 54, were held at 3:30 Friday afternoon at the Church of Christ, conducted by A. J. Rollings, minister, with interment in Rose Hill cemetery.

Mr. Buford died at his home in Fort Worth at 4 o'clock Thursday morning, May 6, the body having been brought to Merkel, his former home, for burial.

Pallbearers were: M. B. Bell, W. F. Golladay, Pete Rutledge, George Woodrum, O. B. Leach and Tom All-day.

Born in Bell county, Mr. Buford came to West Texas with his parents in 1900. He had resided in Fort Worth since 1917, having lived in Abilene about nine years between the time he left Merkel and moved to Fort Worth.

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DEATH CLOSES CAREER OF MISS DOTA GAROUTTE

Teaching Experience Covers 50 Years in Texas; Had Resided in Taylor County 44 Years; One Sister Survives.

With the passing away of Miss Dota Garoutte at 8:15 Wednesday night, the messenger of death claimed one of life's truly great characters, bringing to a close a beautiful and useful career. Miss Garoutte died at her home after an illness of several weeks.

Funeral services were to be held at 4:30 Thursday afternoon from her home, with Rev. Willis P. Gerhart, rector of Heavenly Rest Episcopal church, Abilene, officiating. Interment will be in Rose Hill by the side of her sister, Miss Olive Garoutte, who died in September, 1931, and of the family lot where rest her parents, brothers and sisters, all of whom are now dead except one, Mrs. S. G. Vaughan, of South Gate, Calif. Mrs. Vaughan arrived Tuesday to be at her sister's bedside.

Pallbearers named are: Herbert Patterson, Joe Risinger, H. C. West, Warren Higgins, Aubrey Witcher and Wilbur Thomas.

Miss Garoutte was born in Adel, Dallas county, Iowa, in 1860. She came to Texas when only ten years of age in a covered wagon 66 years ago. Her family first settled near Black-jack Grove in Hopkins county, later moving to Honey Grove and then to Merkel. She had lived in Taylor county 44 years.

During her career of more than 50 years as a teacher in Texas, Miss Garoutte claimed many prominent men, including former Governor W. P. Hobby, as among her pupils.

Surviving, besides her only sister, are the following nieces: Mrs. Mary Mercer, Fort Worth; Mrs. Mary White, Austin; nephews: Edwin, Theodore and Ralph Vaughan; Willie Scramer of Austin, and Frank and Melville Allen, of Kansas City, Mo.

Rains During Week Mildly Beneficial

While heavier rainfall was reported in sections north and west of town both Sunday and Wednesday nights, the gauge of Volunteer Weather Observer Grover Hale recorded only one-half inch for the first occasion and a quarter for Wednesday night. The precipitation received, however, was most welcome and will prove mildly beneficial. April rainfall here was only one-half inch.

The total for the year now stands 5 7-8 inches.

To Broadcast Goodwill Program Over KRBC

The Student Forum on International Relations, made up of pupils of Mrs. G. W. Wilhite, have been given the honor by the World League of International Education association of broadcasting a Goodwill program May 18, 10 a. m. to 10:30 a. m., over KRBC, Abilene.

The program will include an introduction by Felix Stalls and a play, "Friendship's Convention," with the following taking part: Helen Heeter, Sue Grimes, Doris Clyde Miller, Billie McGehee, Billy Baze, Dwight Swafford, Peggy Joyce Toombs, Moody Kaufman, Buddy Winter, Bonnie Church, Tommy Grimes, Doris Jean Dudley, Becky Gardner, Johnnie McDonald, Jerry McGehee, Nedra Swafford, Dora Gaither.

Old Age Assistance Awaits Federal Funds

Austin, May 13.—Due to the fact that the federal allotment for old-age pensions for May has not been received, old age pensioners will get their May checks later than usual, W. A. Little, state pension director, said Tuesday.

Checks are ready for mailing, but will not be sent out until the federal money is received.

Pays \$6,000 for Bull.

Roby, May 13.—Jack Frost of Dallas, owner of the White Hat ranch at Blackwell, paid \$6,000 for Supreme Advance Domino at the John B. Stribling private Hereford sale here Tuesday afternoon.

PROGRAM FOR CLOSING DAYS SCHOOL YEAR

Graduation Comes on Friday, May 28, With Former Abilene Mayor as Speaker; Baccalaureate Sermon Sunday, May 23.

The Merkel public schools will end the 1937-38 session on Friday, May 28, when fifty-one Seniors will receive diplomas.

Thomas E. Hayden, former mayor of Abilene, will deliver the graduation address. Supt. Roger A. Burgess will present the diplomas.

Commencement, sermon will be preached on Sunday evening, May 23, by Dr. O. P. Clark, pastor of St. Paul's Methodist church, Abilene.

The seventh grade will have their exercises on Thursday evening, May 27.

The Senior class will present their play, "Uncle Timothy Comes Home," on Friday evening, May 21. Mrs. Comer Haynes is coaching the play.

Each of the exercises will be in Merkel High School gymnasium-auditorium, and each exercise will begin promptly at 8:15 o'clock in the evening. Girls from the High School Choral club will furnish music for the sermon and for the graduation exercises.

LIST OF GRADUATES.
The following are candidates for graduation on May 28:

Edith Akin, Leta Faye Barbee, Janet Berry, Ina Mae Berryman, Vernell Bland, Nadine Clack, Lucille Crick, Iva Jewel Dickson, Elweena Doan, Levena Douglas, Jane Ferguson, Sis Gamble, Betty Grimes, Lela Higgins, Pauline Higgins, Willie Mae Hudson, LaVerne Hughes, Earline Kelso, Pauline McAninch, Margie Melton, Catherine Osborn, Opal Palmer, Nell Pruitt, Phyllis Smith, De La Vergne Teague, Elna Tucker, Lorene Whisenhunt.

Woodrow Clark, Eteyl Church, M. C. Church, Weldon Davis, Billie Dunning, Murphy Dye, LeRoy Eason, L. B. Gibson, Royce Gray, Robert Grimes, Jr., Roy Hagler, LaRoy Hester, Norman King, John Malone, Sylvan Mellinger, Marvin Perkins, Paul Riney, Jack Sublett, Stanley Toombs, Lloyd Vick, Dutton Williamson, Bobbie Woodrum, Elmer Woolsey, Morris Wozencraft.

Cast of Characters Senior Class Play, Friday Night, 8:15

"Uncle Timothy Comes Home," a three-act comedy by Gene Neal, will be presented by the Senior class of the Merkel High school at 8:15 on Friday night, May 14, at the High School gymnasium. The price of admission will be 15 and 25 cents.

The cast of characters in their order of appearing on the stage follows:

Rachel, negro maid who wants to receive the title of "Duchess," Sis Gamble.

Mathuslah, her "melancholy beau," Roy Hagler.

Dick Barry, an expert physical trainer as well as a splendid money finder, Weldon Davis.

Three sweet P's: Patsy, (Miss Chicago), De La Vergne Teague; Patricia, (Miss Philadelphia), Phyllis Smith; Prunella, (Miss Boston), Jane Ferguson.

Lindy Lou Evans, the lovely niece that only Kentucky could produce, Vernell Bland.

T. Timothy Tweedsome, the uncle who made his million in the tobacco fields, Doyle Gray.

Big Boy Roberts, all American full-back at Penn and a drawback at love, Sylvan Mellinger.

Benjamin Blackstone, a magnificent gesture from Hollywood, Murphy Dye.

Ethelbert, his social secretary, if you please, Jack Sublett.

Dolores Del Monte, Spanish, so what?, Betty Grimes.

Duchess of Londonberry, Uncle Timothy's fiancée from across the "pond," LaVerne Hughes.

Radio announcer, Billie Dunning.

RODEO CATTLE PUT UP TIPTOP PERFORMANCE

Added Features Combine With Big Time Exhibition by Contestants to Make Second Rodeo Outstanding.

With fifty-five head of rodeo cattle in tiptop show condition, many added features including the thrills of bronc busting and bull-riding combined with the regularly scheduled card of calf roping, cow milking and steer riding events to make Saturday's show, second in the series of free rodeos sponsored for the summer season by the Merchants Trade Extension association of Merkel, one of the best exhibitions yet staged under their auspices.

As usual, a very large crowd was present and every vantage point around the arena was fully utilized by eager spectators, while the grandstand was almost a sell-out.

One of the most spectacular features of the show was the appearance of Bud Spillsburg of Pecos, world champion bulldogger, who bested a battling Brahma steer in 14 seconds. Another feature that brought variety to the colorful program was a ten minute exhibition of whip-cracking and rope spinning by Bob King, of Wichita Falls, who is to tour Europe with the famous Cowboy band this summer.

Winners in the various events were: Calf roping—Tommy Hodges of Tuscola, first money, time 23 1-5 seconds; Monroe Marburger, Abilene, second, 23 2-5 seconds; Leo Huff, Dora, third, 25 2-5 seconds, and Homer Laney, Merkel, fourth, 26 seconds flat.

Cow milking—Albert Oliver, Dora, first, 17 2-5 seconds; Alton Whiteaker, Dora, second, 18 2-5 seconds; Vester Parrish, Wingate, third, 20 4-5 seconds, and Giles White, Tuscola, fourth, 23 2-5 seconds.

First money in steer riding went to Mike Shipley of Anson, with Raymond Hudson, second, Len Sedberry of Abilene, third, and Bill Brabber of Merkel, fourth.

Ten Highest Ranking Contestants in Each Rodeo Event Listed

The ten ranking contestants for the seasonal cash prizes of \$25.00 in each of the three events of Merkel's summer rodeos follow—(figures in calf roping and cow milking are in seconds and fractions thereof while in steer riding the average is quoted.)

CALF ROPING.	
Joe York	23 1-10
Ray Sewalt	25
Sig Faircloth	26 1-5
Monroe Marburger	27 3-10
Leo Huff	28
Wayne Boyd	28 1-5
Tommy Hodges	28 1-5
J. O. Warren	31 1-5
Earl Stevens	32 2-5
Buck Weston	34 1-5

COW MILKING.	
Zelma Herrington	22 1-10
Sig Faircloth	23 1-5
Clem Hodges	25
Alton Whiteaker	27 1-10
Joe York	27 7-10
Leo Huff	30 4-5
Arb Stoker	30 4-5
Burl Hinson	31 3-10
Dolph Elter	31 3-5
Wesley Jay	31 4-5

STEER RIDING.	
Mike Shipley	84.33
Herbert Straw	83.33
Len Sedberry	82.17
Ray Caldwell	81.33
Raymond Hudson	80.50
Bill Brabber	73.33
Chris Wimberly	68.33
Gerald Derrick	58.33
Johnny Downs	46.67
Clesty Hopper	45.00
G. K. Lewallen	45.00

Bi-County School Election Called

A special election has been called on order of county judges of Jones and Taylor counties for May 22 on the proposal to consolidate five common school districts in these two counties.

School districts in which elections will be held are: Salt Branch and Mulberry in Taylor county, and Stith, Warren and Midway in Jones county.

High school students at Salt Branch, Mulberry and Stith have been attending at Merkel, being transferred via busses. No plans for location of the proposed consolidated school were disclosed in petitions for the election.

IT'S TRENT VS NOODLE IN INTER-COMMUNITY LEAGUE; GAME CALLED 2:30 P. M.

KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

Mayor John R. Miller of Borger was indicted Saturday by the Hutchinson county grand jury on charges of bribery and violation of the election laws.

A woman identified as Mrs. E. D. Barnes, 48, of Lubbock, plunged to her death from the sixth story level of a Lubbock office building fire escape.

Fire early Saturday destroyed a \$30,000 barn at Arlington Downs, but 22 horses inside when it started escaped injury. A yearling was killed on a side road when it ran into an auto.

Chris A. Steinmann, Sr., 63, Fayette county official, died suddenly in the tax assessor's office at La Grange Saturday, four years to the day after his wife died in an automobile wreck on her way to a Mother's day program at Texas A. & M. college.

The body of W. M. Elrod, 70, early settler of Anderson county, was found entangled in a wire fence, with a shotgun charge through his breast. A coroner's verdict reported his death as accidental.

Clarence (Puny) Abston, previously sentenced to the chair for the slaying of Miss Rebecca Coursey, aged Haskell county woman, was given 50 years imprisonment in a new trial at Claremore after the court of criminal appeals had reversed the first verdict.

Dr. H. Y. Benedict, president of the University of Texas since 1927, died Monday in an ambulance on his way to a hospital after he had been stricken as he started to step into an automobile on a street near the university.

Mrs. Addie Lee Donahue, 51, was instantly killed and her husband, William Donahue, seriously injured when struck by lightning as they sat on the back porch of their home a mile east of Brookland Monday afternoon.

The commissioners court of Bell county has authorized the state board of control to erect on the court house lawn a monument of Peter H. Bell, a former governor of the state and the man for whom Bell county was named.

Robert Lee Hazelwood, 19, ambulance attendant for a Fort Worth funeral home, died Monday afternoon of injuries received when the ambulance in which he was riding collided with a trailer attached to a truck on highway 10 west of Fort Worth. The ambulance at the time was returning the body of Horace Morrison, truck driver who had been killed in a truck-auto collision in Parker county.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, May 18, 1917.)

MRS. RUST DIES.

Very suddenly last Saturday evening the hand of death came to relieve Mrs. Mattie Ramsey Rust. At the time of her death, at 6:30, she was sitting in a chair, presumably much improved. Death was due to heart affection and diabetes. Surviving here are three children: Miss Genevieve, Dem and Q.

Bill Brown, Roger Hamblet, Merle Burroughs, Booth Warren and Roy Adams returned from a fishing trip at Menard and Del Rio on the border last week.

SIX O'CLOCK DINNER.

Miss Lillie Pratt Sears entertained the S. T. C. club last Saturday evening in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Sears, where a delicious dinner was served.

Those present were Misses Maurine Cobb, Maurine Angus, Loyce Dry, Alice Bigham, Lola Armstrong, Evelyn Hamm, Hazel Harkrider, Lucille Edwards, Johnnie Sears and the hostess.

Harry Bullock, who has been connected with the hardware department of the Anchor Mercantile company for the past two years, has accepted a position with the Strawn Mercantile Co. and is leaving for that place.

J. C. Childress, agent of the T. &

Play-by-Play Report Via Loud Speaker to be Furnished Again for Benefit of Fans; Plenty of Shaded Seats.

Next carded game in Merkel's Inter-Community league comes Saturday of this week, when Trent, winner of the 11-inning battle with Hawley-Truby opening day, and Noodle face each other.

The official starting time of each game is 2:30 p. m.

Again Saturday the play-by-play report via loud speaker, which proved so satisfactory two weeks ago, will be furnished fans.

Every comfort is provided those who wish to avail themselves of grandstand seats, as the whole section is completely shaded.

Prices of grandstand seats are: 10 cents for children under 12; 10 cents for girls over 12 and ladies, and 15 cents for boys over 12 and men.

Called Meeting of Softball Managers

With the purpose of organizing a softball league for the summer, managers of all community softball clubs are requested to meet with the Merkel softball committee Monday night, May 17, at 8 o'clock at the Lions hall in Merkel.

It is planned to arrange a playing schedule at that time.

R. T. Gray is chairman of the local committee, with the following other members, Dr. L. C. Zehnpennig, Byers Petty, Wren Durham, Byron Patterson and Booth Warren.

Merkel Lions Take Opener From Abilene

In the first inter-city game of the softball season, the Merkel Lions bested the Abilene Lions on the local diamond 10 to 3 last Friday afternoon.

Opposing batteries were: for Merkel, Byron Patterson and Wren Durham; for Abilene, Red George and M. Shaw.

A return game will be scheduled probably next week.

Local games are being played daily, the Lions and State bank team having met in several exciting games, while the Lions with outsiders have played Stith, Salt Branch and other clubs.

Noted Artist Dies.

Paris, May 13.—Paul Chabas, who painted the famous picture, "September Morn." in 1912, died Monday after a long illness. He was 68 years old.

Will Preach at Noodle.

Elder John M. Rice of Stamford, formerly of Merkel, will preach at the Noodle Church of Christ Sunday, May 16, at 3 o'clock.

P. has moved in from Kent. He lives in the Causseaux house.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Burns and two children, Jewel and I. L., and their married daughter, Mrs. W. P. Banner and son, W. P., Jr., visited Mrs. Burns' sister, Mrs. Lucy Bumpas, and her mother, Mrs. Mary E. Bernard, in San Angelo last week from Saturday till Monday.

J. K. Angus of Merkel visited in Abilene Monday.

Taylor County's \$115,000.00 good road bonds were defeated in the election held here Saturday by a majority of 169. Abilene went for the bonds by 26 and Merkel against them by 46; the total vote was 642 for the bonds and 811 against them.

Bernie Bell, H. L. Propst, Chas. Russell, Frank and Ross Ferrier left Tuesday morning for a fishing trip.

Little Miss Nellie Holloway celebrated her birthday Saturday by inviting a number in for games. Ice cream and cake was served to Mary Parten, Myrtle McDonald, Mary Allen, Viola Brown, Elsie Boden, Isla Mae Hughes, Amy Bradshaw, Mabel Russell and Ruth Holloway.

F. H. Duncan of Trent was a visitor at the Mail office the past week.

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COMPERE NEWS

Ben Adkins, who is ill with an infection in his hand, is better at this writing.

A large crowd attended the Mother's day program at the Baptist church Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Marshall spent the day Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Terry.

Mrs. D. C. Palmer had as her guests Saturday and Sunday her daughter and granddaughter from Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Bigham from the Cross Roads community and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Merritt from Abilene visited their mother, Mrs. J. F. Merritt, Sunday.

Francis Terry from Aiken, Texas, visited with his father, A. F. Terry, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Johnson, who have been visiting their daughter at Hamby for the past three weeks, have returned home.

There will be preaching at the Baptist church the fourth Sunday in this month. Every one is invited to come.

This week finishes up our school for this term, and vacation time is at hand.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Davis had as their guests Saturday and Sunday two of their daughters from Dallas.

White Church News

As we haven't had anything from White Church in quite a while, we thought we would put her on the map again. The health of this community is fine at this writing.

There was a good attendance at Sunday School last Sunday and we hope to have a larger crowd next Sunday.

A large crowd who went to spend Mother's day with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris went down on the river and spread a bounteous dinner, spending a most enjoyable day.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Harris and daughter, Esther, Mrs. P. A. Riggan and son, Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Kelly and children, Fay, Donald and baby, from Blackwell, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Harris and children, Betty Sue and Jerry, Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Riggan and children, Elsie, Carl, Lola Mae, Marrell, Denzel, Betty Sue and Donald, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Riggan and children, G. H., Alva Jean and Wanda Fay, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Conley and children, Berdon, Deverle, Hazel, Gloria Dean and Waymon, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris and children, J. H., Bobby Joe and Billy, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Russom and children, J. R. and Cleo, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Conley and children, E. A., Doyle and Helen, Guy Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Frazier and children, Wallace, Billy and Fay.

Messrs. Lloyd Harris and Ernest Conley went to Abilene Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Rodgers motored over to Abilene Monday afternoon.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to take this method to thank our friends and neighbors for their help and devotion to our dear husband and father in his long illness, to every one who helped in any way, and for the beautiful flowers, and especially do we thank Dr. Sadler for his untiring efforts to do something for him and for his kindness in every way.

May the blessings of the Lord be with each and every one of you in our prayers.

Mrs. E. H. Patterson and Children.

Birth Announced.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Martin of 1557 E. Street, San Bernardino, Calif., are announcing the birth of a nine-pound daughter on May 7. Mrs. Martin will be remembered as Miss Flossie Campbell, daughter of Mrs. W. J. Campbell of this city.

Complete line of office supplies at Mail office.

LOST ANYTHING? A little ad in our Lost and Found column may bring it right back.

We fill all doctor's prescriptions. Vick Drug company.

Has your subscription expired? Come in and renew it next time you are in town. Special club rates on Semi-Weekly Farm News, Pathfinder and several Magazine Offers.

"Men in Exile," Sea Island Film, Coming to Queen

"Men in Exile," an intriguing romantic adventure story of an island paradise in the Caribbean, has been booked as the feature attraction at the Queen theatre on Bargain Night Friday of this week for one day only.

With a cast headed by Dick Purcell, June Travis, Alan Baxter, Margaret Irving, Victor Varconi, Olin Howland, Veda Ann Borg and others, First National has turned out a number one entertainment.

The story concerns the adventure of a former gangster who flees from an unjust accusation of murder to an island in the Caribbean which has no extradition treaty with the United States, to start life anew.

He becomes involved with a friend of the old days who is engaged in smuggling firearms and helping promote a revolution but his determination to go straight is strengthened when he falls in love with the beautiful daughter of the hotel proprietress.

The girl's brother, in love with the smuggler's wife, betrays him to the police when a cargo of machine guns is being smuggled ashore under cover of night. Thirsting for revenge, the gangster starts after his former pal determined to kill him. He learns the identity of his betrayer but as he draws his gun the youth whips out his weapon and shoots him down.

The boy's sister, a witness to the killing, hides the gun in her sweetheart's pocket which results in his being arrested on a murder charge. She repents her rash act and tries to force her brother to confess, which he finally does when he thinks the other man is facing a firing squad.

Restored to good standing, the ex-gangster and the girl decide that marriage for them means happiness ahead and they are on their way to the nearest minister as the picture ends.

Boyd Plays Detective In Newest "Cassidy"

"Hopalong Cassidy" turns detective in his latest screen adventure, "Borderland," coming to the Queen theatre Saturday only, in which he matches his wits with a border desperado who has eluded the combined forces of the Texas rangers and the Mexican secret police.

Boyd is assisted by Jimmy Ellison, who returns to the Cassidy series after scoring a huge success as "Buffalo Bill" Cody in "The Plainsman." George Hayes, who also played in "The Plainsman," is on hand again as "Windy." The cast also includes Stephen Morris, as the "heavy"; Charlene Wyatt, child star of "Valiant is the Word for Carris"; Nora Lane, John Beach and others.

Thrilling Threesome Of Flickers Step Out In "Love is News"

The romance of a thrilling threesome whose kisses crash the headlines and whose escapades sell extras, with handsome Tyrone Power outmaneuvering his "Lloyds of London" role, lovely Loretta Young bringing her fresh charm to a portrayal that is enchantingly different, and Don Ameche creating a dashing new screen characterization, provides hilarious excitement in the Twentieth Century-Fox streamline hit, "Love is News," opening Saturday night prevue at the Queen theatre and showing Monday and Tuesday nights.

With Loretta in the role of a beautiful heiress heckled and pestered by sensation-seeking newspapers, the enjoyable pace is set at once when she vows vengeance against Tyrone Power ace newshawk who has just tricked her again into the headlines, without, however, reckoning with his dynamic, hard-driving managing editor, Don Ameche, (radio star of "The First Nighter.")

To give newsmen Tyrone a dose of his own medicine, Loretta determines to make him a public figure, and not only announces her engagement to him but also states that she has presented him with a million dollars.

Besieged on every hand, Tyrone strives to expose the hoax, but his efforts serve only to increase his notoriety, as well as his unpopularity with his managing editor. On a wild chase into the country both the newshawk and his quarry are arrested for speeding and jailed by County Judge Slim Summerville, an incident which results in some of the most hilarious moments in the film.

Loretta's revenge works itself up to a bewildering and amusing climax in which the fables are suddenly turned and the pair find themselves, as the newspapers had so often repeated, really "That Way" about each other. Slim Summerville, Dudley Digges, Walter Catlett, George Sanders, Jane Darwell, Stepin Fetchit and Pauline Moore are featured in the cast, while Tay Garnett directed.

Use The Mail Want Ads.

RURAL SOCIETY

MISCELLANEOUS SHOWER.

In one of the most delightful social affairs of the season Mrs. Hugh Campbell held open house on Monday afternoon of last week naming Mrs. Johnnie Latimer as honored guest for a miscellaneous shower, every detail of which was developed in the honoree's chosen colors, blue and gold.

After guests registered in the memory book in the reception room, games furnished diversion for the social hour. The honoree was presented with a huge bundle of gifts of every description, designed both for comfort and pleasure in the home, with a card enclosed conveying the wishes of all for happiness and prosperity for the year.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Latimer had burned down the previous week, and the number of friends present for the shower indicated the deep interest and sympathy in behalf of the misfortune that had overtaken them.

At the refreshment hour, ice cream, cake, punch and mints were passed to Mesdames Dick Melton, Eli Brooks, Jim Maddera, Susie Doan, A. L. Farmer, Carl Doan, Ellsworth Bell, Will Campbell, J. C. Horton, Jim Campbell, J. B. Jones, Luther Osborn, J. W. Latimer, Claude Derrington, Addison, W. A. Harrison, R. E. Windham, Arthur Moore, J. W. Moore, Chester Godwin, N. H. Moore, A. H. Murphree, E. H. Martin, E. M. Blackburn, V. L. Doan, A. B. Harris, Oscar McLean, Alonzo Peterson, Herman Doan, S. L. Scoggins, Vernon Cosdin, Otis B. Moore, Noma Neighbors; Misses Madlyn Addison, Evelyn Latimer, Mary Frances Harris.

Those who were unable to be present but who sent presents were Mesdames T. R. Francis, E. J. Osborn, Crate Wilson, R. B. Horton, John Meeks, T. A. Mitchell; Misses Louise Addison, Nina Bell Russell, Eleta Foster, Hallie Melton.

Children present were: Burnard Lyle Bell, Alton Ray Bell, Ruth Bell, Kenneth Harold Maddera, Doyle Melton, Patsy Ann Melton, Barbara Gene Derrington, Dale Doan, Joe Dellia Doan, Bertha May Moore, Julia Fay Moore, Emmett Alonzo Moore, Billie Harrison, Vernell McLean, Jacquelin Moore.

THE BLUEBONNET CLUB.

The Bluebonnet club met Tuesday, May 4, with Miss Peggy Taylor, county agent, present to demonstrate the principles of poultry cooking and serving.

Those present were Mesdames Wade Ensminger, Ben, Sam and Will Butman, A. R. Toombs, W. C. Matthews, Dewell McLean, B. H. Riney, Tommie and Jess Russom, I. V. Garrett, Earl Perkins, Adrian Farmer, Martha Bagby and Mrs. Bagby, Wood Turner, A. D. Scott, Carl Moore and Misses Mildred Cook and Agnes Perkins.

The club will meet again on May 18 at Butman.

FAMILY REUNION IN MUNDAY.

Relatives and friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Rister, former residents of the Warren community, spent Mother's day with them at Munday where they now reside. Dinner was brought and served to sixty-six people, who spent a most enjoyable day.

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Rister were: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hobbs and son, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Barley and family, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Patton, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Edwards and son, Miss Dora Rister, Oliver Rister, Mrs. B. B. King and family of Munday, Mrs. E. Reidenbach and family of Merkel, Mrs. D. W. Cook of Anson and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Rister of Gorea. Relatives were Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Patton, Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Reeder and family and Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Patton and family, all of Merkel. Among friends present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Green, Wilford Green and family, A. C. Parker and son, all of Knox City; Mrs. Sarah Patton, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pearce and daughter, Mr. McGregor, all of Munday; Misses Helen Region of Merkel and Mildred Howeth and Bernice Henderson, Douglas Whetton and Elna Dee Usery.

WHITE CHURCH CLUB.

Mrs. E. R. Rutherford was hostess to members of the White Church Home Demonstration club on Wednesday, May 5. Miss Taylor, county agent, who met with the club, demonstrated the principles of poultry cookery.

Members present were Mesdames Roy Coats, R. J. Harris, E. E. Conley, Beryl Brown, A. L. Shugart, W. L. Brown, Lester Hopper, E. R. Rutherford and Miss Elsie Riggan; visitors, Mesdames Hunter, Pearson and Dennis.

The next meeting will be May 19 with Mr. R. J. Harris. Every one invited.

WARREN 4-H CLUB.

The Warren 4-H club met May 6 in the home of their sponsor, Mrs. W. H. Kelo, with Miss Martin, the county agent, in attendance.

Those present were Winnie Kelo, Dessie and Frances Baker, Winnie B. Cross, Margie Griffin, Jewel Dean

Addison, Odessa and Beatrice Reeder, and one visitor from Anson.

With Miss Martin in charge, the meeting was devoted to working on dresses.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WEINER ROAST.

The two Sunday Schools of Tye went together for a weiner roast Saturday night in the French pasture. Games were played and a good time was reported. Then the weiners were roasted and served with iced fruit to the following:

Misses Blanche, Glenn and Wilma Kinsey, Dorothy Johnson, Ruth Smith, Doris Whisenhunt, Edith Braune; Messrs. Arlie and Dewey Whisenhunt, J. R. Johnson, Loyce, Royce, Irlis, Dwight Curb, J. C. Brown, Shorty Braune; Messrs. and Mesdames R. S. Darden, Jr., Lee Darden, Walter Henslee. Visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Daniels, George and Elsie Mayberry, Mrs. C. J. Whisenhunt, Mrs. Arthur Braune.

MT. PLEASANT NEWS

Rev. Gene Hall filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church Sunday. Instead of night services, an impressive Mother's Day program was rendered by the children and young people of the community. A large crowd attended.

The many friends of J. T. Anderson regret to learn of the car accident that resulted in his serious injury Monday afternoon. He is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Anderson. We sincerely hope that he will be well again soon.

There will be an entertainment at the school house Friday night, May 14, for the closing of school. A play entitled "Kidnapping Bettie" will be given by the school children. There will also be other numbers given by primary grades. The Smith string band will furnish the musical part of the program, which will begin at 8 o'clock. Every one be sure to come, and we are sure you will enjoy the program. School closes the following Friday, May 21.

We are glad to say that our team, composed of boys and girls, which was one of the ten competing in softball at Buffalo Gap last Friday, won second place and a cup to show for it. They were defeated in the final game by Salt Branch, but they put up a good fight. The community is very proud of its girls and boys. The team is coached by W. L. Karrh, a teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. Price Floyd and little daughter, Patsy Jean, Mrs. Jay Greenfield and sons, Junior and Billy Gene, and Mrs. Hamblet, all of Merkel, were Sunday visitors in the E. A. Click home.

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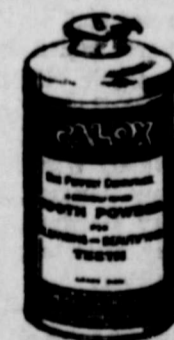
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EXAMINATIONS.

No, we don't want to be in the same grade again next year.

The final examinations are on their way, so let's be ready for them. Every spare moment we have, we must study, because we don't want to save it all until the last minute—it might not be long enough.

Let's all resolve to study and pass our exams; and then, when vacation time is here, we can forget books entirely for three months.

SPEECH CLASS IN RECITALS.

Speech students are closing their second semester's work by giving class recitals. Each morning at the class hour three pupils will appear in a varied program, consisting of four selections from each one participating: a memorized short story, a group of poems, an original oration and a cutting from some longer scene in literature. This new experience is proving to be profitable, especially to those who plan to continue their speech study.

PERSONALITIES.

Opal Palmer.

Opal has attended Merkel High school two years. During this time she has made many friends with her pleasing personality. She has been a member of the Choral club two years, Dramatic club two years and Senior Girls' club one year. Opal says she would like to go to college when she finishes High school, and there after become a private secretary. Luck to you, Opal.

Stanley Toombs.

In the four years Stanley has been in Merkel High school, he has made many friends. Stanley has been active in all sports activities. He has played on the football team four years and lettered in football the last two years. He has also played one year of softball. Stanley has been a member of the Glee club three years. Stanley intends to farm when he finishes school. We wish you all the success possible, Stanley.

JUNIOR NEWS.

"All's quiet on the western front"—that's us. We've all buckled down to work again in order to be exempted—or passed!

By the time you read this, we'll probably be fishing—what fun! School is practically out, and everyone is rejoicing with thoughts of sleep and the ole swimmin' hole.

We missed the Seniors an awful lot Senior day. They were gone on their annual picnic, you know. It seemed that something was missing—not a bit of noise, and no meanness, which all goes to prove that the Seniors cause

all the disturbances—so say the underclassmen. But, I guess it didn't hurt us so much to stay at home, since it'll be our turn next year.

THRU THE KEYHOLE.

(By "The Peeper.")

Verne and Rachel robbed the cradle last Friday night when they went with Don Warren and Bubba Sears. Say, who taught those babes of the woods so much?

Some people have been complaining about the "Triple F" club, but I think they are cute 'cause that's where I get most of my dates.

Ben Robert, how do you do it? He walks to school with some good looking girl or other nearly every day.

A certain blond and brunette were seen Friday night, Apr. 30, with Oscar Adecock and Jack Stanford. By the way—what made Oscar's face

turn so red when asked whom he was with? He surely wasn't ashamed.

Oscar, I saw you down at Fannelle's late Friday afternoon; are you figuring on seeing her around? See A. C. Sears.

When Pauline presented Miss Clements with a permit for Fannelle's absence the other day, Miss Clements made the mistake of inviting the others to leave. They took her at her word, and when the migration was over there were only a few left in her Senior English class. Aren't these upper classmen playful?

It's a pity Doyle and Vernon can find only one girl to date between them in this town. It must be most unsatisfactory.

Herbert is still in love with Verne; have you seen the ring he gave her?

A choice morsel of advice: say, kids, grow up—you too, Anne Lee.

Junior, have you been slumming lately?

JOKES.

Ask Joyce Renfro if she is still interested in J. L. Holmes.

Mr. Myers: "Are we going to try out Linsey for the squad next year?"

Vincent: "We'd better not. Anybody who can spell such words as plenipotentiary, erysipelas, and plebiscite is no good as a football player."

Mr. Coffman: "If a man can do one-fourth of a piece of work in three days, how long will it take him to finish it?"

Sampey: "Is the man on his own, or is he working for the government?"

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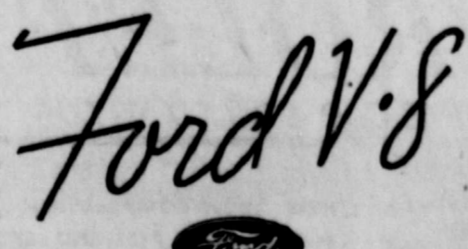
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TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Ideal Howell and two daughters of Fort Worth came Friday and continued their visit until Sunday. They visited the old home place in the White Flat community with Mrs. Howell's brother, Wilbur McRee, and family. They also visited with Mrs. R. B. McRee, Sr., and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Hamner and Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Tittle motored to Burnet Thursday on a fishing trip and to visit Mr. and Mrs. Buddie Burks.

Elvis Cooley received a tonsillectomy in the Merkel hospital last week. Mrs. Frank Allyn was also a medical patient there Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. T. J. Carleton, mother of Rev. Alsie Carleton, pastor of the Methodist church, departed Saturday morning for Houston to spend Mother's day with her mother. She plans to be away a month.

Mrs. Maga Minnis of Fort Worth spent several days here visiting her brother, Ollie Smith, and her sister, Mrs. Tom Williamson. She attended the graduation exercises of Trent high school, of which Dow and Hazel Williamson were members, and also attended the Mother's day service at the Methodist church.

Mrs. J. C. Randle of Quanah, Mr. and Mrs. John West and daughter of Merkel and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Johnson, Jr., of Trent spent Mother's day in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Johnson, Sr.

H. J. Kegans, employed at Odessa, spent the week-end with home folks.

T. L. Stevens, who suffered a heart attack last week, is reported resting well, but is still under the care of a physician. His children, Mrs. Jack Crawford of Odessa and J. P. Stevens of Big Spring, attended his bedside.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Burks and Mr. and Mrs. Isom Burks spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Buddie Burks. Isom Burks remained for employment while the remainder of the party returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Orand of Abilene attended the graduation exercises of his sister, Lois Orand, from the local high school Friday evening. Miss Lois returned with them to Abilene and continued her visit to points of interest in Oklahoma.

Mrs. O. L. Reaves, teacher of the primary grade of the local grammar school, departed for her home in South Texas by way of the Sunshine Special Sunday morning to spend her vacation. She will return next fall to take up her duties in the school.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Price of Yuma, Ariz., are announcing the birth of a baby girl Apr. 25, 1937, named Joyce Jeannine and weighing 9 1/2 pounds. Mrs. Price was the former Miss Odessa McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Woods attended a special Mother's day service in Abilene Sunday, sponsored by the Men's Bible class, William McCraw, attorney general of Texas, was the principal speaker.

J. F. Roberts, local amateur radio enthusiast, attended a meeting of that group in Abilene the past week-end. Mr. Roberts' call station is W5DMA.

B. K. Cooley and family of O'Donnell have moved to a farm northeast of Trent and plan to remain there indefinitely.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Dingle of Stamford were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Dingle, owners of the Highway confectionery.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nalley and two daughters spent Mother's day with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Rutherford of Abilene.

Miss Alice Bigham of Abilene spent the week-end with Mrs. Frank Allyn and family.

Bry Burkhart has returned home after attending the bedside of his mother at Lamesa, who received major surgery last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Norton and daughter of Stephenville were weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Adrian.

REUNIONS HELD SUNDAY. Mother's day found the reunion of many families here. Several get-togethers are as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Shouse entertained several of their children. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Andy Shouse, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Shouse and two sons, Clyde Shouse and son, O. C. Jr., of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. John Payne and children. Afternoon callers were W. I. Decker of Merkel and Mrs. Helen Carter of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Bailey had Mrs. Bailey's sister, and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Rawlinson and daughter, Mrs. Carter, all of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. John Strawn and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Strawn were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Steen of Clyde and Miss Virgie Strawn of Sylvester. After attending Sunday services they motored to Hamlin to visit relatives and acquaintances.

Descendants of the late R. B. McRee, Sr., and Alex McRee quietly revered the day with morning church worship, then serving luncheon at Sweetwater lake. They returned home

early in the afternoon. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Cecil McRee and son, Robertus, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. McRee, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. H. H. McRee and three children, Virginia Clo, H. L. and Carolyn, Mrs. Bob Dennis, Mrs. R. B. McRee, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Louie McRee and daughter, Sue, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur McRee and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ideal Howell and two daughters of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hale entertained her children Sunday with a luncheon served at the noon hour. Present were her daughter, Mrs. John Crain, also Mr. Crain and Lady Fred Crain, Eil and Hale, all of Trent, and Clayton Hale of Longview.

Mother's day was a double honor day for Mrs. J. S. Armour, it being her birthday also. Relatives surprised her with a dinner and informal gathering. Those present were her mother, Mrs. J. M. Smith, her brother, Ellis Smith and family of Lubbock, also Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Titsworth and daughter, Peggy, and Mrs. Thelma Coleman of Odessa. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ogletree and son, Smith, of White Flat, and Mr. Armour, Don, Lowell and John Armour.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Smith also visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Howell.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooley had as their Sunday guests Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Cooley and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cooley, all of Anson, also Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Bagley of Hamlin.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT ELECTED. Trustees of the Trent Independent school district have announced the election of R. L. Fortune as superintendent for the 1937-38 term.

Mr. Fortune is a school executive of 15 years experience. He received his B. A. degree from Daniel Baker college, Brownwood, and is doing work for his M. A. from Texas Tech. He served five years in the Valera, Coleman county, school, followed by five years experience at the Blanket school in Brown county. This year he has taught in the Goodman consolidated school four miles north of Trent.

Mrs. Fortune also has been elected to teach in the grammar school. She, too, was educated at Daniel Baker college and has had seven years teaching experience. The Fortunes have one child, a daughter.

MOTHER'S DAY PROGRAM. The following program was especially arranged for the worship hour at the Methodist church Sunday morning preceding the usual church school lesson:

Opening song, led by Hughie Cooley; scripture reading, Mrs. H. J. Kegans; prayer, Mrs. R. B. Johnson, Sr.; "Welcome to Our Mothers," poem, Billy Payne; "The Mothers of Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow," reading, Mrs. John Payne; special song, Lola Fern Martin and Dorothy Jo Strawn; "A Tribute to Mothers," Elsie Bishop; "A Prayer for Our Mothers," poem, Tracy Kegans; reading, "My Mother," Virginia Clo McRee.

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DORA DOINGS

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Mother's day was observed at the Methodist church Sunday in connection with the Baptist church. Rev. Dean Elkins preached an impressive sermon in the morning, then dinner was spread at the noon hour and an interesting program rendered in the afternoon under the supervision of Mrs. Dean Elkins, Mrs. J. B. McCoy and Ross Artman.

Our senior play will be presented at the gym Friday night. It is entitled "When a Man Hesitates." The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered Sunday morning at the gym, with the Methodist and Baptist Sunday Schools meeting together in the gym before the service.

Mrs. Bertha Magee visited her son, Frank, and family in Loraine Tuesday.

Billie and Lavern Middleton of San Angelo spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wes Middleton.

The Junior-Senior banquet proved a very enjoyable affair Friday night at the Allen hotel in Sweetwater. Both classes and the faculty enjoyed the occasion with Zollie Steakley speaker for the evening.

Mrs. T. E. Reynolds of Elm Grove was a week-end visitor here with Mrs. E. P. Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ernest Enminger and Ed Elliott and family spent Mother's day in Merkel with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Elliott.

Mrs. Ruth Jones was calling in Colorado Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Oliver made a business trip Tuesday to Colorado and Loraine.

BLAIR ITEMS

Several from here attended the funeral services of Gene Patterson of the Castle Peak community held at Merkel Sunday afternoon. The bereaved ones have the sympathy of the entire community. May the sustaining grace of the Almighty be with them and bring comfort and peace to them from on high.

Mrs. Susie Doan, Mrs. Hugh Campbell and Mrs. Herman Doan spent

Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Horton of the Salt Branch community. Mrs. W. Davis and two attractive children of Caps visited Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Peterson last week-end.

Miss Mae Melton of Sweetwater visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Melton, and other relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brown and family visited relatives at Sweetwater Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore left Tuesday for Weslaco upon receipt of news of the serious illness of his son, Ernest Moore.

Miss Dora Mae Meeks of Merkel spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Meeks.

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FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Garage formerly occupied by Hunter & Sublett. See W. E. Lowe.

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LOST—Green Parker's fountain pen, arrow holder. Reward for return to Morris Wozenceaft or the Merkel Mail office.

LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS.
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Taylor County—Greetings:

You are hereby commanded to summon Leona E. Gates by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, to appear at the next regular term of the 104th District Court of Taylor County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Abilene, Texas, on the first Monday in June, A. D. 1937, the same being the 7th day of June, A. D. 1937, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 26th day of April, A. D. 1937, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 2857-B, wherein Robert L. Gates is plaintiff, and Leona E. Gates is defendant, and a brief statement of plaintiff's cause of action, being as follows: That plaintiff and defendant were married July 15, 1915, and on August 1, 1932, defendant voluntarily left his bed and board with the intention of abandonment. There is no community property. That there are four children, Henry, age 17, Lillie, age 15, Dorothy, age 12, Berlin, age 8, all of whom have continuously lived with and been under the care, control and support of plaintiff since said separation. Wherefore, plaintiff prays for divorce and complete care, custody and control of said minor children.

Herein fail not but have before said Court at its next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, on this 26th day of April, A. D. 1937.
(Seal) Belle Wellborn, Clerk, District Court, Taylor County, Texas.
By Zola McKee, Deputy.

NOTICE.

is hereby given that the stockholders of the Farmers State Bank in Merkel will reduce the Capital Stock from \$40,000 to \$25,000 as prescribed by law.

SIMPSON-McCOY,

With Justice of the Peace Lee D. Williams of Noodle performing the ceremony, James Ferrill Simpson and Dola Mae McCoy, both of Hodges, were united in marriage last Saturday evening. The Mail joins many friends in extending best wishes.

Read Merkel Mail Want Ads.

PERSONALS

Miss Peggy Barnett had as her guests over the week-end Miss Aura Ely of Abilene and Messrs. Grantland Barr and Charles Moore of San Angelo.

Rev. Charles Tucker and Mrs. Tucker and children of Cordell, Okla., spent Wednesday and Thursday of last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tucker. Another son, A. J. Tucker, of Vernon, was home for Mother's day.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Clawson and Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Rankin and little daughter, Janice Ann, of Big Spring, were guests for Mother's day with Mrs. M. L. Holden. Their aunt, Mrs. N. J. Penix, who had been visiting in the Holden home, returned with them to her home at Colorado.

Guests in the Tom Jinkens home this week are Mrs. Lloyd Jinkens and little daughter, Maurine, Lloyd, who came out for Saturday's rodeo, returned Sunday to his home at Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Rhodes and two children of Overton were here to spend Mother's day with Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Reagh. A. R. Whatley of May, Texas, was a visitor Friday and Saturday in the Reagh home. Mr. Whatley is a brother of Mrs. Reagh.

Editor Tom Durham of the Crane County News was a week-end visitor with his family here. A daughter, Miss Nell Durham, who is now employed at Midland, Texas, accompanied him for a Mother's day visit.

Charley Driskill of Santo, Texas, and Mrs. H. L. Driskill and daughter of Clyde were guests last week-end in the U. S. Reeder home in the Warren community.

Judge and Mrs. N. D. Cobb, accompanied by Mrs. G. R. Holloway, spent last week-end visiting in Fort Worth and Dallas.

Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Sadler returned Tuesday night from Fort Worth where they attended the annual session of the State Medical society. They accompanied Dr. and Mrs. R. O. Peters of Sweetwater.

Lester Paul Wilson, who is now employed with an oil company at Midland, was home to spend the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Wilson.

Mrs. Jackson E. Parker is spending the week with her mother, Mrs. J. S. Blair. Her husband came Tuesday to attend the Stribling barbecue and auction at Roby and was accompanied by Mrs. Parker and her sister, Mrs. C. D. Hutchins.

Silas Stevens, who is in the employ of the Banner Creamery in Abilene, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Stevens.

Rev. C. R. Joyner, pastor of the

First Baptist church, left Monday to attend the Southern Baptist convention at New Orleans this week.

Mrs. Jack Higgins returned Sunday from a week's visit with her parents at Chico. Her husband went down to accompany her home.

Norman T. Hodge, manager of the Queen theatre, spent Tuesday and part of Wednesday attending the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention at Brownwood.

Billie Wood, who entered competition in "My Home Town" contest at the Brownwood convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, returned home Wednesday night. His grandmother, Mrs. J. H. McDonald, accompanied him on the trip.

All of the children except one of Constable and Mrs. J. T. King were home for Mother's day. Those here were Mr. and Mrs. S. E. King and daughter of Hobbs, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. C. C. King of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. George King and Mr. and Mrs. E. T. King of Abilene and Minter King of Merkel.

Rev. Wade Campbell, who has the Baptist pastorate at Monument, N. M., and Mrs. Campbell and their little son were week-end and Mother's day visitors here.

Business Changes.

J. B. Foster, Jr., has purchased the J. D. Porter Sinclair Filling station and is now in active charge.

M. W. Knight, formerly of Abilene, has joined his brother-in-law here, Clesby Patterson, as operators of the Oasis Filling station.

W. A. Stockbridge, Magnolia agent, has located his office one door north of the Oasis station, space formerly occupied by J. L. Speck.

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Merkel Girl Among List H-SU Graduates

Willie Evelyn Boaz, Merkel student attending Hardin-Simmons university, will be among candidates for graduation at June 1 commencement exercises, notice from registrar's office shows.

University Queen in the summer of 1935, Miss Boaz has long been prominent in campus activities, having been a member of the famous Cowgirls since 1933, becoming vice-president of the organization in 1937. She has also been an active member of the Young Women's association, History club, Choral club, and Home Economics club.

Judge William H. Atwell of Dallas will be commencement speaker for Hardin-Simmons university's forty-fifth annual graduation program. The June 1 exercises will follow only two days the baccalaureate sermon by Dr. R. C. Campbell, secretary of the executive board of the Baptist General convention of Texas.

Adding machine rolls 15c or two for 25c; regular retail price everywhere. For Sale at Merkel Mail office.

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Oranges, Florida Sweet
6 for 25c

Lettuce, 2 heads 9c

Spuds, washed, white,
5 pounds 23c

Blackeyed Peas, 2 lbs. 15c

Carrots, bunch 4c

A-1 Soda
Crackers, 2 lb. box 19c

Early Riser
Coffee, pound 17c

Sun Spun
Salad Dressing, 8 oz. jar 13c

Cut
Green Beans, No. 2, 2 for 17c

Iowa Club
Corn, No. 2 can, per can 11c

Red and White
Peaches, No. 2 1-2 can 17c

Dole's
Pineapple Gems, per can 13c

Red and White
Bran Flakes, pkg. 10c

Pure Cane
Sugar, cloth bag, 10 lbs. 55c

Red and White
Flav-R-Jell, all flavors .. 5c

Red and White
Marshmallows, pound .. 15c

Red and White
Coffee, pound 29c

Red and White
Meal, 5 pounds 28c

Staley's
Golden Syrup, gallon 65c

Red and White
Milk, 4 small or 2 tall .. 15c

Post's
Huskies, 2 packages 25c

Gold Label
Baking Powder, 2 lb can 25c

Red and White
Soap, 5 bars 22c

Shortening, 4 lb. carton 55c

Sliced Bacon, pound 29c

Lunch Meat, 1-2 pound 15c

Picnic Hams, pound 19c

Jowls, pound 15c

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T. E. L. CLASS PARTY.

Mesdames W. J. Largent and W. B. Stephens were hostesses to the T. E. L. class of the First Baptist church at the lovely suburban home of Mrs. Largent on Wednesday afternoon of last week.

The devotional on "In the Lord's Hands" was given by Mrs. J. C. Childress and prayer was offered by Mrs. J. L. Winter. The class voted to change the meetings from the first Thursday to the first Wednesday in each month.

A refreshment plate of sandwiches, olives, strawberry cream and angel food cake was passed to the following members: Mesdames Sam Swann, Joe Self, J. L. Winter, Frank McFarland, Lake Renfro, Clyde Deavers, C. R. Joyner, Walter Ford, O. R. Dye, A. D. Fulton, A. R. Booth, Booth Warren, J. C. Childress and the hostesses, Mesdames Largent and Stephens.

CHEERFUL WORKERS SOCIAL.

Miss Ruby Jinkens and Kit Carson were hosts to the Cheerful Workers class of the Methodist church on Friday evening of last week. The party traveled by automobile to Sweetwater lake for an enjoyable picnic feast.

The following members and guests were present: Misses Mary Collins, Wanda Hunter, Elna Tucker, Lela Patterson, Lois Whiteley, Ruby Jinkens, Frances Scoggins, Mildred Humphrey, Marjorie Garrett, Margaret Calloway; Messrs. Woodrow Wilson, Lynn Shelton, Roy Robbins, Dean Higgins, Virgil Lee Perkins, Pinky Cyper, Kit Carson, Byron Curb; Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Terrell Mashburn.

ALATHEAN CLASS.

The Alathean class of the First Baptist church met in the home of Mrs. E. O. Carson on Wednesday afternoon of last week with Mrs. W. T. Johnson co-hostess.

Following a short business meeting, Mrs. Causseaux led the opening prayer, the devotional was given by Mrs. Meeks and Mrs. W. L. Johnson led the closing prayer.

After an enjoyable social hour, delicious refreshments were served to Mesdames W. O. Boney, W. L. Johnson, J. M. Ashby, Meeks, Whatley, Patterson, McCandless, McNiece, Sharp, Porter, Zollinger, Tate, H. P. Allen, T. J. R. Swafford, West, Harris and the hostesses.

THEATRE PARTY.

A number of friends helped Jerry Warren in celebrating his birthday Monday evening when his mother, Mrs. Booth Warren, entertained for him with a theatre party. After a showing of "The King and the Chorus Girl" all returned to the Warren home where delicious pineapple sherbet and cake was served to Misses Marilyn Sue Grimes, Louise Patterson, Dora Marie Gaither and Evelyn Sears; Messrs. Jerry Warren, Forrest Glen Barnett, Frank McFarland, Jr., Billie Wood and Walter Leonard.

NECROLOGY

(Continued From Page One.)

He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Ruby Moore, to whom he was married June 19, 1910; one son, J. C. Buford of Glendale, Calif.; one daughter, Mrs. Gene Reynolds of Chicago; one grandchild; his father, J. A. Buford, and three brothers: Houston Buford, Los Angeles, Calif.; R. R. Buford, Portland, Ore., and Oscar Buford of Merkel.

Texas Theatre

Sweetwater

Friday-Saturday

George Brent, Beverly Roberts in "God's Country and the Woman" (In Color)

Sunday-Monday

"Wake Up and Live" With Walter Winchell, Ben Bernie, Alice Faye

Tuesday-Wednesday

Margaret Lindsay, Jeffrey Dean in "Song of the City"

Thursday Only

"Her Husband's Secretary" With Jean Muir, Warren Hull

R. & R. PALACE

Friday-Saturday

Buck Jones in "Sandflow"

CHURCH SERVICES

Special Invitation to M. H. S. Seniors '32

Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Herbert Patterson, general superintendent. Sermon by pastor.

At the evening hour, Rev. Paul Collins of Cloud Chief, Okla., who with his wife and son, John, are visiting home folks, will preach. Members of the graduating class of Merkel High school of 1932, of which Paul was a member, are especially invited and a section will be reserved for them.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. John H. Crow, Pastor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

There were 680 present at the six reporting Sunday Schools here last Sunday, as compared with 663 on the previous Sunday and 720 on the same Sunday a year ago.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Every one is cordially invited to attend these services. Strangers welcome. R. A. Walker, Pastor.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. B. T. S. meets at 7 p. m. Sunday. W. M. U. at 8 o'clock Monday afternoon. Prayer meeting at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening.

All are cordially invited to attend these services.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. each Sunday by Brother A. J. Rollings. Young people's program 7 p. m. on Sunday.

A service of song, prayer and preaching for each Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

You are cordially invited to attend these services. The Elders.

NORTH SIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.

Preaching Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock. Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. B. T. S. at 6:30 p. m. Wednesday night prayer meeting at 7:30. W. M. S.

meets at the church Thursday at 2:30 p. m. All are cordially invited to our services. R. C. Reagh, Supt.

NAZARENE CHURCH

Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. NYPS at 6:30 p. m. Preaching 7:30 p. m. Midweek prayer services each Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

We appreciate your co-operation in all services. R. T. Smith, Pastor.

Group Attends OES School of Instruction

The following members of Merkel Chapter 212, Order of Eastern Star, attended a school of instruction held in Stamford on Thursday, May 6: Mesdames Bessie Merritt, Bessie Cummins, Georgia Allday, Viola Ensinger, Virgie Davis, Nannie Causseaux, Priscilla Williamson and Lila Rea and Miss Pearl Collins. Four "A" certificates and four "B" certificates were secured for Merkel chapter.

Worthy Grand Matron Florence Read of Coahoma is now holding schools in district No. 2, having completed schools in the other four districts of the state.

Grand chapter session will convene on the fourth Tuesday in October this year in El Paso.

O. J. Cooper, about 60, resident of a Dallas hotel for several years, was found dead in his tenth-floor room Friday night, a Thursday afternoon newspaper clutched in his hand. He apparently was the victim of a heart attack.

Notice to the Public

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With Dick Purcell, June Travis and Alan Baxter Added: Two-Reel Comedy, "His Pest Girl," and Bedtime Vodvil. Also "Jungle Jim"

SATURDAY—ONE DAY ONLY

New Feature and Short Subjects

William Boyd (Hopalong Cassidy) in "BORDERLAND"

With Jimmy Ellison and George Hayes, Stars of "The Plainsman"

The Texas Rangers put a price on Cassidy's head and send his own pal, Jimmy Ellison, to bring him to justice. Plus "Jungle Jim" and "Picadore Porky" Cartoon

SATURDAY "OWL SHOW", ALSO MONDAY AND TUESDAY

This IS News—the screen's most thrilling threesome step out together in a laugh-sparking, skylarking kiss-and-romance!

Tyrone Power Loretta Young Don Ameche in

"LOVE IS NEWS"

With Slim Summerville, Walter Catlett, Jane Darwell and Stepin Fetchit. Added: "Pixilated," Two-Reel Comedy and Musical Short Subject

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

Ruby Keeler and Lee Dixon in

"READY, WILLING AND ABLE"

With Ross Alexander, Allen Jenkins and Louise Fazenda Added: Selected Short Subjects

DON'T FORGET THURSDAY NIGHT

List of Petit Jurors Called Next Week

The jury panel in 42nd district court for next week includes the following names:

D. C. Doan, B. F. Williams, Sam Butman, Jr., E. W. Turner, J. E. Richardson, Dr. W. T. Sadler, R. L. Adcock, Merkel; Geo. W. McDaniel, R. P. Adams, A. V. Moore, K. L. Swindom, F. C. Vaughn, L. W. Michael, T. N. Beard, E. B. Surface, E. C. Whitefield, R. P. Mozenoy, J. H. Cunningham, N. H. Mitchell, Herman Galle, T. W. Clark, L. Z. Simmons, P. P. Dickinson, H. T. Strickland, H. C. Harrell, V. D. Payne, Jr., O. K. Smith, Henry Weltman, W. R. Truss, W. A. Lofland, W. A. Ferguson, M. T. Cornelius, Austin Pitts, F. H. Moore, E. Moore, J. D. Milton, R. O. Thomas, H. W. Claxton, J. M. Garcia, Abilene; Furman Abernathy, James G. Jones, H. H. Guy, Buffalo Gap; R. H. Middleton, Guion; T. J. Middleton, Bradshaw; W. R. Zimmerer, Jesse Little, Lawn; B. A. Honeycutt, Winters; R. C. Satterwhite, W. Z. Williams, Ovalo; R. W. Hill, Tuscola.

Mellinger Presents Rodeo Pants as Prize

Making fastest time of 23 1-5 seconds in the calf roping event of last Saturday's rodeo, Tommy Hodges of Tuscola not only won first money, but was also presented with a pair of Branded Lee Riders, trademarked rodeo pants, as a courtesy from Max Mellinger, Merkel merchant.

Mr. Mellinger announces that a similar prize will be awarded the winner in cow milking at the next rodeo and he will offer a pair of Lee's rodeo pants as a special prize in some event in each of the remaining rodeos of the season.

Merkel Hospital Notes

Patients for major surgery during the past week at the Merkel hospital included Eugene Powell of Stith and Mrs. R. A. Talley of Trent, while three others, Bill Cain of Lovington, N. M., Waymon Richards of Merkel and a son of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Dudley of Trent, received minor surgery.

Mrs. S. E. Williams of Noodle and Mrs. Frank Allyn of Trent entered the hospital for treatment, while injuries of J. T. Anderson of Mt. Pleasant sustained in a car accident were also given attention.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to take this method of expressing our sincerest appreciation for the sympathy and kindness shown us in our recent bereavement, the loss of our dear loved one, also for the beautiful flowers.

May God's richest blessings be with you all. Mrs. Cal Buford and Children. J. A. Buford and Family.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the sympathy and kindness shown us during the illness and death of our dear wife and mother, also our thanks for the beautiful floral offering.

James L. Baker. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Baker and Children. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Baker and Children. Mrs. Mattie A. Baker.

The merchants who advertise in this paper will give you the best values for your money.

Old-Fashioned Party, Cake Walk on May 17

Woodmen Circle members will have an old-fashioned party and cake walk at the W. O. W. hall on Monday night, May 17. Old time games and stunts such as candy-pulling, snap, "who's got the thimble," etc., will be engaged in.

The public is invited. Admission is free.

Wheat Forecast.

Washington, May 13.—The department of agriculture Monday forecast a winter wheat crop of 654,295,000 bushels, the largest since 1931.

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New Potatoes, large size, pound 5c
Large Firm Heads Lettuce, each 5c
New Crop Onions, lb. 4c
Large Firm Heads Cabbage, lb. 5c
Snow White Cauliflower, lb. 15c
White Squash, 2 lbs. 15c
Fancy Pinks Tomatoes, 2 lbs. 25c
Bananas, large yellow fruit, dozen 15c
Apples, Winesaps, 2 dozen 29c
Oranges, Calif., nice size, doz. 25c
Limes, large size, per dozen 15c
Grapefruit, Seedless, 2 for 15c

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Pure Ribbon Cane Syrup, gallon 59c
5c Boxes Salt, 3 for 10c
Armour's Star Potter Ham 7 for 25
Baby Size Milk, 7 for 25c

Sausage, per pound 15c

Steak, chuck cut from baby beef, lb. 17c

Calf Liver, 2 pounds 25c

Mutton Chops, pound 33c

Fresh Chanel Cat Fish, pound 30c

Pork, any cut, per pound 23c

Dry Salt Jowl Meat, lb. 15c

Armour's Sliced Bacon, lb. 29c

Kraft's Elkhorn Cheese, lb. 19c

Sliced Bologna, 2 lbs. 25c

Sugar Cured Bacon, lb. 30c

Pard Dog Food, 3 cans 25

Hamburger, lb. 15c

T-Bone Steak, lb. 20c

Fancy Chuck Roast, lb. 15c

Fleishman's Yeast, 3 for 10c

Frankfurters, lb. 17c

Kraff's Glass Cheese Spread 20c

Smoked Bacon, lb. 28c

Oleomargarine All Sweet Pound 20c