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Business in the County Court
at Abilene during this week has
been very busy, many cases have
been called and a number dis-
posed of.
Tuesday: State vs. Joe Lee
Lockhart, passed to Friday.
Wednesday: State vs. John
Henry Willis;State vs. John Hen-
ry Willis.
Thursday: W.C.Petree vs. Ben
Halstead; State v. Hart.
Friday: J. M. Radford Grocery
Co., vs. W. D. Diltz.
The following cases have been
disposed of as follows:
W. F. Belcher vs. Texas \& Pa-
cific Ry. Co., suit for damages;
continued by agreement.
J. M. Radford Grocery Co. vs.
R. T. Owen, et al., suit on debt;
plea of privilege filed.
J. M. Radford Grocery Co., vs.
Jungman Bros. suit on account;
dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

Merkel Baseball Fans and baseball players are showing a keener the in thersehide this year ing of players and enthusiasts being held Monday night which marked the starting of the seaon here. Workouts are given about 20 prospects each afternoon at Highland Park. The material to be picked from is the best that could
be asked and if the writer is not too greatly enthused, we believe the Merkel Club will be one of the fattest if not the fastest team raying the primary expenses will be obtained by the receipts Groene and Harrison of the Cozy agreed to allow their piace to be

## Among those who are working

 out are Howard, Renfro, Dye, Pendleton, Boring, Burroughs, Sharp, Adams, Stanley, Grimes,Pate, Rose, Woodrum, the old time Ferrier Bros., battery, and the Iron man twirler, Bill Brown, ones and others.
From these a winning team can be picked and every Merkel Fan should lend a helping hand. highland park will be cleaned made to the place Everybody

## AEENT LEBHTY

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These increases are figured in comparison with the same month of the preceding year. The in-
crease of sales credited to the Merkel office for March was 80.8 percent over March of 1914. The next nearest town on the Texas
\& Pacific either in Louisiana or Texas was in Colorado where the sales jumped 42.8 percent. Letters from various officials of the Texas \& Pacific system bear out the fact that Mr. Leighty is do-
ing good work and that Merkel s increasing in business so far as the railroad is concerned

## COTTON GOES TO ID CENTS POUND

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OUR CAFE, in connection with our Con. fectionery, makes it possible for the very best of service to be given at all times.

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In view of these facts we see no reason why all our people should not be hopetul and active. Let us go forward in the development of our.splendid country, in the building up of all our institutions in every way that will make for the betterment, prosperity and happiness of all our people.

But let us use judgment and conservatism in all things. Let us be active, but let us at the same time be vigilant and calculating.

## THE <br> Farmers \& Merchants national bank

stands ready and has ever been ready to assist in all these things.

We thank the people of the Merkel country for the patronage they have always given us. We have never had an unsatisfactory year; business is better with us than usual for this season of the year. But we want more business. We are not satisfied. We want more deposits. We want more loans; that is where we get our income; all we ask is that the paper is good.

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have done work comparable with this. A group of these men under Gunner G.D. Stilson has been
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Deep diving is difficult because of the enormous pressure of the water. The pressure
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jected to a total pressure of nearly 94 short tons At 300 feet the pressure would be $130^{1 / 2}$ pounds per square inch and 141 tons for the whole body It is necessary, as greater and greater depths are attained by a descending diver, that pressure within the body be continually increased to match the increasing external pressures. In practice it is found that this takes place very rapidly, if the pressure of the air supplied by the diver is progressively added to at the rate of increase of the external hydrostatic pressure. That is to say, a diver may go down rapidly if the air pressure is kept right Apparently, the body automatically responds and permits a rapid increase of interna cending, however, all this is changed. A diver depth but he may not safely make the return trip quickly. There must be stops of consider able length to permit the body to accommodate itself to the reduced internal pressure. Recent practice seems however, to favor making the first half of the ascent a single, fairly rapid operation. The remainder of the distance is then divided into sections, with the rests at the ends ichita Falls is having a time-a regular out


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