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FOUR AMENDMENTS TO BE VOTED UPON Merkel Mail, Merkel, Texas: I have received several com

Permit us to call the atten- and it seems that whenever a tion of the readers of The Enter- house becomes vacant the boys prise to the fact that on the 24th look upon it as a playhouse and of May four amendments to the proceed to take possession, often constitution of the State of Tex tearing down the doors, breakas will be voted on by the voters ing the locks, breaking out of the state. Let us urge you to glass and destroying everything begin now to inform yourself on in general. I do not believe most these subjects in order that you of the boys realize the seriousmay vote intelligently The state ness of their acts, but do these wide prohibition amendment will things in a spirit of fun and adbe voted on at this time. We venture, but the damage is done, have statewide prohibition now, and should be stopped. Little however, that is statutory, and things grow into big things and the next session of the legisla- boys grow into men, so if the ture may repeal that law or it boys violate the law in this manmay not stand in the higher ner while they are small, when courts of the state, whereas, the they get older they are likely to legality of the constitutional a- do bigger things and get into mendment would never be ques- more serious trouble. The growntioned. To be on the safe side, ups owe it to the boys to endeavlet's vote for the prohibition con or to stop this practice, and they stitutional amendment and keep owe it to the owners of the pro-Pexas dry. An amendment to the party. And to the boys I will say c titution granting the right that unless you stop this we will

of the ballot to women will be have to bring you down to Court voted on this time. Woman's suf and see if we can't find a strongfrage is coming sooner or later, er way to deal with you, which I so why not vote for that and trust will not be necessary. have it settled at once. Then, there is another amendment whereby the state may lend its ney. credit to farmers who desire to buy a farm of their own or to im prove the one already owned. In our opinion every farmer week when Opal Patterson, acshold vote for this amendment, companied by Miss Sophia How-It is one of the most advanced ard, made a trip to Austin the steps taken by this state in a past week and engaged in the long time. Last, the Governor of State spelling contest. She won the state of Texas receives a sal- fourth place in the contest. She ary of only \$4,000.00 a year. An is only twelve years of age, in amendment will be voted on at the Fifth grade and had to go up this time to increase his salary against juniors and seniors from from \$4,000.00 to \$10,000.00 a all over the State. Her schoolyear. This, also, ought to carry, mates are proud of her achieve-On the 24th day of May we ex- ment. She has easily classified the above mentioned amend- spellers of the State. ments to our state constitution. She stood until all the selected -Clyde Enterprise.

expect to do likewise. Prohibition and even then she stood quite ought to be written into the con- while. She is undaunted and says stitution of the State. We believe she will go into the contest again women should be allowed to vote if they want to. When the words NOTICE TO PARENTS AND of Patrick Henry come ringing down through the years that has the privilege. It will be a next term. great advance measure. That law would have saved millions to West Texas this year. And the very pride in our state would nec essitate the raising of the salary NOTICE WOODMAN CIRCLE of the Governor to \$10,000. We are a great believer in making Grove No. 563, will assemble at our offices such that men of abi. the Woodman Hall, Sunday after lity and not of wealth may strive noon, May 11 at 3.30 for the creased beyond all expectations. If you can not operate your it has become a model farm. Mr. her chance, seeing the possibinfor them. A poor man can not af- purpose of going to the cenieford to run for the office and live tery to place flowers on the gree on a \$4000 salary. People in es of decesaed members. A full many instances do not under- attendance is desired and all re- city, and while our investment stand to what extent the Gover- quested to bring flowers. nor is called upon. We do not recall a single one who built up a bank account on the salary of THE FEDERAL LAND BANK 4000 a year, but we do know of more than one who left the office cation for a loan now and have very much poorer.

DISMISSED

Dallas, May 6 .- The indictment against Felix Jones charging him with the murder of Miss Florence Brown on July 28,1913, was dismissed in Criminal District Court here today after the State for the third time failed to: have its witnesses present.

Jones, who is under sentence in El Paso County to twenty-five years' imprisoment on a charge of killing Thomas Lyons a cattle man, will be held in jail here for El Paso authorities.

DESTRUCTION OF PROPER TY MUST STOP

Abilene, Tex., May, 5-

I have received several complaints about small boys depredating on property in Merkel,

Your very truly, W. E. Martin, County Attor-

WINS FOURTH PLACE

Merkel was honored the past pect to cast our ballot for all of herself as one of the very best

words were exhausted, until We agree with the above and French words were resorted to.

GUARDIANS

Any one having under his or | Conditions confronting us in just.

R. M. Parker, Supt. Schools. time.

The members of the Merkel

Pearl Hollingsworth, Cork.

Wants you to make your appliit ready by the time your note is due this fall. All delay in getbenefit and not to make money. It is your friend then why not use it?. See W.W Wheeler. 18t4c

Remember the 10th and save your discount by paying your Electric accounts.

Bring your eggs to W. P. Duckett and get 30¢ a dozen.. W. P. Duckett.

T W. S. S. of the War Savings Society means We shall Succeed.

Plenty of shorts and bran at Bob Martin's Grocery Company.

PROTEST AGAINST RAISE IN TELEPHONE RATES---A NEW SYSTEM IS PROPOSED

Southwestern Tel. & Tel. Co., Merkel, Texas.

Gentlemen:

we have been appointed as a com the public. mittee to protest against a raise tions and circumstanes.

The time is deemed inoppor- time is reasonable, fair and just. two years, and a raise in rates per month. will work a hardship on nearly Residence, Special Line . . . \$1.75 every subscriber.

think you are wholely unjusti- rendering the telephone service. fied in raising the rates.

We make no complaint what- and Telephone Company. ever against the local management or the operators, the sub. The above is very nice, if we underpaid.

terest, we beg to remain

Your very truly, R. O. Anderson

To Our Patrons:

ance and operation has also in- on your patrons, in this manner, rangements perfected whereby The man that gives little Nan

the progress and growth of the field. and our operating expenses have been rapidly increasing, our rev- second hand furniture. J. T. Dar- have obtained splendid results of the sea enue is inadequate to continue to sey.

Merkel, Texas May 2, 1919. meet these conditions. It is necessary that the company should be able to earn a reasonable return upon its investment and At a mass meeting of the only by these means can it surcitizens of Merkel and vicinity, vive and meet its obligations to

We believe our subscribers in telephone rates here at this will appreciate the conditions entime and under present condi- umerated above and that they will agree that our action at this

tune from the fact that your | Effective May 1st, 1919, the clients have been struggling following rates will be charged with the worst drouth in the his for telephone service in Merkel tory of this country for the past Business, Special Line . . . \$2.75

per month.

It is further suggested that This company is operating its you are operating with equip-telephone property under the ment entirely out-of-date and us- direction of the Postmaster Gened only by few towns in Texas, ral for the United States Govand further that this is a good ernment, and must secure suffitelephone town, therefore we cient revenue to cover cost of

The Southwestern Telegraph

scribers being fully convinced have no regard for the truth. If that they are doing the very best the exchange has not earned a they can with the equipment at reasonable return the past few hand. We believe they are sadly years, it is more attributed to drouth than to other conditions We suggest and urge that the It is wonderful how the increase rates be not raised until a flash- in the cost of local maintenance ight, or other modern system is and operation has necessitated Unless this concession is grant used here are a joke We didn't ed, and we expect a reply with as know that old worn-out equipittle delay as possible, we feel ment was increasing so rapidly received as we go to press: free to recommend that a com- in price. It looks like the price on mittee already appointed go a- cast-off stuff from other excang lions of dollars short subscribed. head with the organization of a es would not be so high. Who Nothing but a great big effort on local company for the purpose of ever heard of the Southwestern the part of every man and wominstalling a modern automatic endeavoring to keep peace with an can put over the loan. The Awaiting your reply with in- with nothing, except the natural state, your county, your com-Walter Jackson, Chairman hardly be secured. Yes, dear pect to be considered. If you have value of a lady W. O Boney, Committee. bers appreciate the conditions ed yourself for every dollar you A SMOOTH EXPLANATION they are in one accord in agree- months get in touch immediate-

"Taxation without representa- her control a child or children the operation of our exchange at And then we note how seduc- sense in notes of the liberty loan tion is unjust," we will just have over seven and under eighteen Merkel make imperative an in- tive you are in imposing the The safest investment in the to apply it to our own political years of age on September 1,1919 crease in rates. The Merkel ex- threat that the people are to sub world pays 43/4 interest. And life and let our women vote. And must look aftr the enrollment of change has not earned a reason-mit to your whims and your un- when you have bought you feel the borrowing power of the farm same at once. Apply to Guy Dar- able return upon our investment reasonable increase in rates by that you are a true American. er ought to be secured. If he do- sey or R. M. Parker, either will for the past few years and this your reference to the fact that F. M. Smith Federal Director of es not use it, he has not deviated attend to the matter for you. Do unsatisfactory condition is due you are operating under the di- War Loan. from the law we already have not put this matter off if you to the inadequacy of the rates. rection of the Postmaster Geneand if he does want to use it he want your child in Free School The present rates were establish ral of the United States Governed under conditions vastly dif- ment. Why didn't the Postmast- Mr. and Mrs. R. O Anderson Yours very respectfully, ferent from those of the present er General order the increase? have just completed extensive keep justice from doing its You are acting cowardly. You improvements to their beautiful share. It is well known that the in- are taking advantage of the fact suburban home just north of crease in the cost of materials that as the government is per- town and moved out the past in the past few years has been mitting the property to revert week. At considerable expense man)) his sister Sarah Choke. enormous. The cost of mainten- to your hands, you will impose additions have been made and ar Mr Enlow a man of wealth.

> The Telephone Company has system to profit, better get out Anderson has a number of ties that a school would do for endeavored to keep pace with and let a new company have the thorough bred Durocs, of which and let a new company have the thorough bred Durocs, of which and let a new company have the

SCHOOL TAXES MUST BE PAID

Merkel Mail:

May I again make use of your valuable columns in an endeavor to collect delinquent taxes for Merkel Independent School Dis-

School Board now informs me once. that there is not enough money Repairs are nearing completerm which is in about two more ing to the utmost. ering conditions the past three pected to be at any time. years with so many extra de- H. L Houghton, President of mands for money for various the Security Banking & Investpurposes, but your school teach- ment Company, is expected to ar ers have labored faithfully with rive Saturday in his airplane. the children, and of course you This will prove quite an innovadon't want to see them unpaid or tion to the oil game in this secembarrassed in any manner, and tion. you are going to make a special effort and pay up these taxes, (in THE LITTLE GIRL OF THE most cases very light) in order to put the schools "over the top."

I do not want to enter suit on added to the amount of the taxes and make an extra burden to be paid, so to avoid this extra expense call around to the tax collector's office, Mr. G W. Johnson, and pay them.

Respectfully. W. E. Martin, County At.

A LAST APPEAL

this action. And the materials Will the Liberty Loan Fail To Go Over The Top

Following is a telegram just

The Liberty loan is many m Merkel. They have kept pace reputation of your country, your demand made for phones, and up munity is at stake. Last but not until recently a new phone could least there is your own self restelephone company, your subscri- not done your utmost and pledgyou have enumerated above and can spare during the next six ing with your action. Yes, your ly with your liberty loan chairaction is entirely reasonable and man or go to your bank and sign up. There is patriotism and good

Movs to New Home

he is justly proud.

They have the place equipped Am in the market for all your for considerable irrigation and what he calls his little wild rose even in the dry years. Possibly there is no section in this vicinity better adapted to truck, orch- wer to these questions come and ards and the raising of hogs and find out for yourself Friday poultry.

The house is equipped with all water, lights, phone etc., and is a most comfortable home.

We pay spot cash for eggs. Bob Martin Grocery Company

H. W. Derstine has been on the sick list for the past two

weeks Sharp's Grocery Company

Miss Hettie Poe of Caps visited Miss Johnie Warren last Sun-

9tlp coffee at Bob Martin's Grocery. lated upon their enterprise

ON MIDDLE BLOCK

No great changes have taken The notice calling attention to place in the oil situation this these taxes which was publish- week. The timbers are being ed some time ago brought good hauled to the location on the results and a good part of the Middle Block, just west of town. taxes have been paid, but the and the derrick will be built at

in the treasury to square action on the Sears well, and the counts at the close of the School new contractors will push drill-

weeks. I know that it is a hard- The South and Trent blocks ship on many to pay taxes consid are not yet closed but are ex-

LIGHTHOUSE

these taxes as the cost would be Dont Fail To See This Senior Class Play at The Cozy On May 16, 1919

The Little Girl Of The Lighthouse will be presented to the public by the High School Seniors at the Cozy Theater May, 16.

This play is a beautiful Comedy Drama that every one will enjoy. The part of Little Nan will give you plenty to laugh about and at times your heart will beat with sympathy for this little Wild Rose of the Light house. When she has her chance and after going off to school every one will help share her

Ned Blake, Nans best friend will cause you to admire his man hood and his true friendship toward little Nan. Although reared in luxury and wealth he will show you he has the true conception of life and knows the true

Mr. and Mrs. Buzzer lighthouse keepers) will you in an uproar. Their comedy will make you forget all your troubles and will find that it will drive away the blues at once

As you have often heard-There is a sweet with every bitter and so it is with this play. "Injun Jim a Villen" an escaped convict shows up and does every thing that he can to mar the happiness of others.

Hortence Enlow the lady of cluture plays a great part in the life of little Nan, to keep her social position she is willing to

Others that will be seen are Sir Auther Choke (an English-

cause freely and watches with satisfaction the development of

Who is Nan?. Is she a common lighthouse brat? To find the ans night May 16, 1919.

modern conveniences, such as PURCHASES HOTEL BUILD-ING

Misses Ada and Sadie Woodrum purchased the building they have been occupying for years as a hotel from J. C. Mason. They intend to remain permanently in the hotel business and will strive to operate the very best hotel they are capable of operating. Plenty of oats now at G. M It is their intention to keep abrest of the development of Merkel and they hope at no distant date to do considerable remodeling and possibly build extensive additions. These enterprising Chase and Sanborn high grade young ladies are to be congratu-

No ad. taken for less than 15c.

1 cent a word for each insertion.

ting a loan is your fault. The WANTED-Single hand to do FOR SALE-One large rebuilt FELIX JONES INDICTMENT Land Bank was set up for your ranch work. Good pay. Tom Lar- Cyprss tank for sale cheap. M. L. tf Estes, Merkel

FOR SALE-Tomato and cab- FOR SALE- 5 bushels of cotbage plants. See W.P. Duckett, ton seed, at Crown Hardware Co. S. H. L. Swafford FOR RENT-Five room house on North Front Street, modern WANTED-Good young milk

FORSALE—Mebane cotton seed Smith typewriter. \$50 for planting. S. F. Haynes. 9tf 245, or see B. F. Cox.

Let me do your screen work FOR SALE-Moon Bros. phaeand patch that leaky roof John McClary Phone 9012F21

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conveniences. See H. C. Williams. cow. S. F. Haynes. 9tf. FOR SALE—Late model L. C. Phone

See ton buggy, rubber tire, at bargain. See E. W. Kelly at Merkel 21t8 Lumber Co.

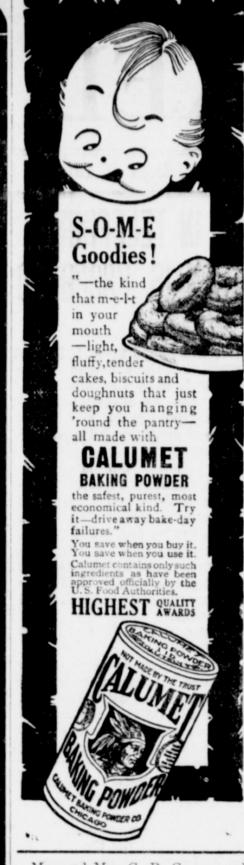
THE FARMERS STATE BANK

You insure your Home and your Life; why not your Money?

This Bank is a Guaranty Fund Bank and offers you the protection afforded by the State Guaranty Fund of Texas.

We Pay The Premium

Capital and Surplus Fund \$65.000.00



Mr. and Mrs G. R. Greer, and Mrs. Rufus Grisham and little daughter, who have been visiting relatives and friends in Merkel returned to their homes in Hillsboro Monday

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days

Druggists refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails
to cure Itching, Biind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles,
Instantly relieves Itching Piles, and you can get
restful sleep after the first application. Price 60c.

Mrs. E E. Dawson and little son, Joe, returned Monday from an extended visit to relatives at Italy, Frost, Waco and other points.

Plenty of shorts and bran at G M Sharp's

Mr. and Mrs. T. E Ragan are spending the week in Dallas.

Fresh candy, cake and bread at the Metropolitan Bakery and Cafe.

J. J. Shelton, of McKinney, Texas is visiting in Merkel this week. He says this country got so oily he just had to drop back in and take a look at it.

Maize, Feterita, Sorghum and all kind of seed at Bob Martin's

The greatest possible profit is made out of machinery when it is used continuously for profitable work until it is worn out.

Buy your groceries and grain from G. M. Sharp

The average farm implement is only about half worn out by use alone. The rest of the wear is due to rust and decay.

Second hand furniture bought and sold. J. T. Darsey.

Waste neither time nor money but make use of both; buy W. S.

When you are in Merkel call on Rogers, the groceryman, and see if you can not save money.

Some one is saving what you spend foolishly. Who is depositing your dollars? Invest them in W. S. S and save them for yourself.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. One Hundred Dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Medicine fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills for constipation.



Why You Should Have Your Bank Account With

THE

Farmers & Merchants NATIONAL BANK

MERKEL, TEXAS

BECAUSE—Its shareholders have large holdings in the community and their interests are mutual.

BECAUSE—The strength of this Bank lies not alone in its resources, but in the character and financial responsibility of the men who conduct its affairs.

BECAUSE—Its business is governed with that conservatism, combined with enterprise and upto-date methods which make for soundness and satisfactory banking service.

BECAUSE—It enjoys the patronage and confidence of many leading firms, corporations and individuals in this community which should be satisfactory evidence that your business also will be handled properly.

"SINCE 1904"

J. T. WARREN PRESIDENT THOS. JOHNSON CASHIER

LOCAL NEWS

J. P. Sharp, who has been in Eastland for some time, has returned home.

Remember the 10th and save your discount by paying your Electric accounts.

Mrs. W. J. Largent and baby are spending a few weeks with the former's parents at Plainview.

Car oats Expected on any train. G. M. Sharp.

Miss Levie Tittle has accepted a position with the Merkel Dry Goods Company.

Every sack of Marechal Neil flour guaranteed, or your money back. Bob Martin Grocery Company.

J. T. Anderson, father of R. O, was out on an oil prospecting trip the past week, to Burkburnett, Petrolia and Fort Worth.

Fresh candy, cake and bread at the Metropolitan Bakery and Cafe.

Mr and Mrs. Snowfrots, East land and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Shelton and son visited Mr and Mrs. J. B. Bell this week.

Get your shoes shined at The Pate Barber Shop. Best of facilities offered for ladies and gentlemen.

Mr. Kelley, brother of E. W. Kelley, is visiting the latter. He has just returned from service.

Dwarf and standard maize seed at G. M. Sharps.

Work serves simply when salary's saved. W. S. S. win sure success.

Cow feed at G. M. Sharp's.

Bree ler's Notice.

Bay draft stallion at my barn two miles east of Compere. Price \$15.00 for season, \$3.00 cash. A B. Cranston, Merkel, Route 1.

Take a Shot

NOT A GAMBLE--JUST YOUR GAIN

A Suit at Half Price

UNLINED "KOOL CLOTH"
Suits for men and boys

Men's prices \$7.50 to \$12.50 Boys' \$2.40 to \$7.50

LADIES, SEE OUR SILK DRESSES
GET OUR PRICES ON DRY GOODS

The Brown D. G. Co.

LOCAL NEWS

Will Merritt of Abilene spent Sunday wiht home folks.

Plenty of fresh groceries at

G. M. Sharps.

Miss Lura Adkisson, who has been in Dallas several months,

has returned home.

Come to Rogers for your groceries and fresh vegetables.

Miss Olive Teaff, who is attending Simmons College, visited homefolks Sunday.

Marchal Neil flour is the best.
Try a sack Bob Martin's Grocery
Company.

Miss Gussita Couch of the Panhandle is visiting her sister, Mrs. N. Hancock.

Peace Maker flour is the best. G. M. Sharp.

Miss Ruth Vaughn of Simmons College spent the week end with Misses Nell and Lucy Tracy

I have a few copies of "Our Victory Atlas" to be given to customers who have soldier boys Call before they are gone. A. L.

Miss Jessie Mae Cox of Abilene visited he cousin, hiss Zoe West this week.

Try a can of our Seal bran of Chase and Sanborn coffee. Bob Martin's Grocery

While out picnicing the other evening, Ruth Dawson had the misfortune of spraining her ank-

We have plenty of John Deere cultivators and planters in one and two rows. Crown Hardware Company.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B Scott and little son, Burneal, visited in Abi lene Sunday, and in the afternoon, joined by Mr. Scott's parents and sister, they vsited his grandfather at Buffalo Gap.

Fresh bulk peanut oil at G M

CARRY ON! ON!! ON!!!

Uncle Sam is releasing from his service the men who went "over there" to free the world from autocracy. Thousands of soldiers are daily receiving their honorable discharges; they pocket their pay, bid farewell to their comrades and go forthcivilians.

There is one army, however, which must not be demobilized. That is the army of War Savings Stamp buyers. More recruits are needed to carry on the campaign of readjustment which follows the signing of the armistice.

The army of fighters has achieved its purpose.

The army of savers must remain in "action."

"Orry on" to a lasting peace under the banner of W. S. S.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXA-TIVE BROMO QUININE (Tablets) can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. E.W. GROVE'S signature on box. 30c.

Birds of a feather flock togeather. Are you flocking with the Thrifty or the Spendthrifts.

Marchal Neil flour is the best. Try a sack B b Martin's Grocery Company.

Thrift is not necessarily a habit but a conviction Get convinced now and buy. W. S S.

For a Weak Stomach.

As a general rule you need to do is to adopt a diet suited to your bowels regular. When you feel that you have eaten too much and when constipated, take one of Chamberlain's Tablets.

Purchased Fine Duroc Boar. J. T. Warren has just purchased a fine registered Duroc boar of the Taxpayer Orion strain to head his herd of registered Durocs on Mulberry. He is an advocate of raising fine hogs believing that one year with another, they are a highly profitable side line to farming. His strain has been very popular over this section. He never over looks an opportunity to add better blood to his already highly developed herd.

Do your Best

Everyone should do all he can to provide for his family and in ord er to do this he must keep his physical system in the best condition possible. No noe can reasonably hope to do much when he is half sick a good share of the time. If you are constipated, bilious or troubled with indigestion get a package of Chamberlain's Tablets and follow the plain printed directions and you will soon be feeling alright and able to do a day's work.

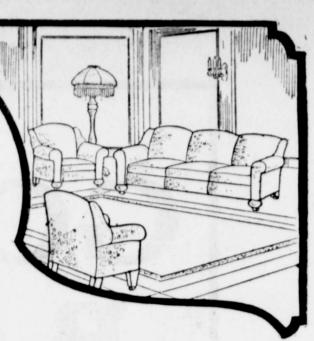
V-L-L

The holes in a sieve are small but water runs out mighty fast. Does your money dribble away Save it in Thrift Stamps.

In the whole field of medicine there is not a healing remedy that will repair damage to the flesh more quickly than Ballard's Snow Liniment. In cuts, wounds sprains, burns, scalds and rheumatism, its healing and penetrat ing power is extraordinary. Sanders Drug Stone.

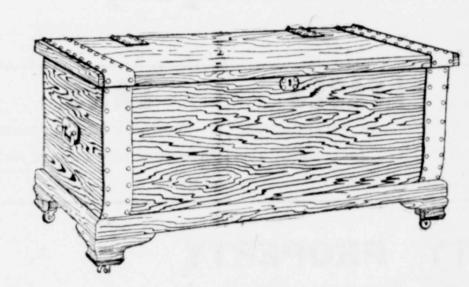


WERE NOT SHOP KEEPERS WERE HOME MAKERS



A Special Showing

Fine Furniture



Sealy

Gives You Sound

Refreshing Sleep

You will find just the pieces of dependable furniture on our floor that you have always wanted.

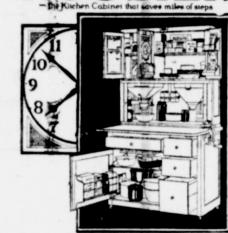
The policy of this store is to serve every Furniture want of the most particular and exacting.

The Quality and Durability of our furniture makes it a prized possession in any home

Come in and see.



HOOSIER



Barrow Furniture Company

Nifty Clothing

In Latest Cuts

The Anderson Line is the Best and the Cheapest. Look over my samples before you buy. Have expert man to take your measure.

MRS. C. L. CASH,

Cleaning and Pressing



Phone

windmill tower and is prepared Harman and Lena, of Abilene. to do irrigation. He has a small visited relatives and friends in onion patch in a corner of his Merkel the past week. yard from which he has sold \$4,15 worth off of a space 20 by 12 feet, besides what he used came in Saturday from Colton, himself. He estimates the pro- Cal., and will make Merkel their ducts of the patch to be worth home. \$10.00. He also has a nice strawberry patch and is proving that the berry does splendidly in Merkel. Improvement is the order of the day in Merkel.

Grove's Tasteless chill Tonic

restores vitality and energy by purifying and enriching the blood. You can soon feel its Strengthening, Invigorating Effect. Price 60c.

There's a "V" in every War Saving Stamp If you don't believe it, look again. Or hold W. S. S until maturity and be shown

see W. O. Bonev at once.

Mr. Ross has put in a new! Mrs. J. S. Bond and children,

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Holloway

Mrs. E. C. Snyder and children left Friday for Tylor, Texas where they will join Mr. Snyder.

When the baby takes too much food the stomach turns; the result is indigestion, sourness and vomiting. Frequently the bowels are involved and there is colic pains and diarrhoea. McGee'c Ba by Elixir is a grand corrective remedy for the stomach and bow If you are going to want a el disorders of babies. It is pure, loan on that farm you had better wholesome and pleasant to take. Sanders Drug Store.

ATTENTION! EX-SOLDII AND SAILORS

Your War Risk Insurance soon be convertible into the o nary forms of insurance. Th policies must be converted w in five years after signing a treaty of peace.

The following forms of policies will be issued by the Bureau of War Risk Insurance to persons making the conversion:

1. Ordinary Life.

Twenty-payment Life. Thirty-payment Life.

Twenty year endowment Thirty-year endowment.

Endowment maturing at age of 62

The necessary applications will be furnished by the Burer of War Risk Insurance, Treasury Department, Washington.

Further information concerning the policies may be secured by addressing Bureau of War Risk Insurance, Conservation Section, Washington, D. C. Specimen policy, rates a other information are now in possession and I will furnish formation to parties interesta

E. M. Overshiner, Cha. man, Home Service Section, Tay, lor County Chap. A. R C.

ADLER-I-KA DID IT!

"I had pain in the pit of niy stomach, no appetite, sour stomach and very much gas. Doctors could not help me. The first dose of Adler-i-ka helped me." (Signed) Henry Welp, Lake View, Iowa.

One dose Adler-i-ka relieves sour stomach, gas an constipation Instantly. Empties both v per and lower bowel, flushing entire alimentary canal. Ren es all foul matter which pois system. Often cures costipat Prevents appendicitis. We'! sold Adler-i-ka many years. It a mixture of buckthorn, casca glycerine and nine other sim drugs. Sanders Drug Store ad

A Further Warning.

I wish to take this method again warning the people th all auto driving must to round the blocks. It has co to my notice frequent of that there is entirely too my fast driving at night. Twelve es an hour is the limit wit the city limits. This thing m stop before an accident happ J. J. Stallings, Ma

A TEXAS WONDER

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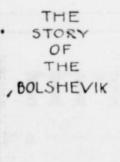
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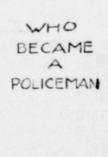
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Methodist Church Notice

We reached high tide in the beat. I will be for everybody. Sunday School last Sunday the pest attendance of the year. We are going to have to fix a new song books and the order has has awarded a merit to one of raised \$200 in seven minutes to medal will be pinned on him by make our first payment on the the Scoutmaster at the morning piano. That's going some. Get service next Sunday at the First to Sunday school promptly at Baptist Church. Who is he? Well, 9:45 next Sunday morning.

At the eleven o'clock hour we ling. will observe Mother's Day. Let It is a distinguished honor to your mother is living, a white the government bestows on an one if she is dead. At the even- individual who has made himing hour the subject will be "No self especially useful to the gov-Man's Land," what it is, where ernment in its plans and proit is, and how to keep off of it. grams. The local Troop is justly

of the regular prayer service, Dr give Scouting a new hold on the Miller, our Presiding Elder, will popular mind. preach at 8:45. Please take notice and hear him.

W M. Murrell, pastor.

At The Baptist Church

experience. 219 reported for Sun grass. day school, aand the offering The young people have had a ran to \$34.78. The offering was great time going to school, singjust normal too, there being no ings and parties, but they are special cause appealing to the having to lay such things aside membership.

Next Sunday is Mother's Day for awhile

At the evening hour, 8:45, already white unto harvest. the pastor will preach on the There was a large crowd at theme, How The Bible Classifies Uncle Dan Matthews Sunday

the Annex. Let Juniors and Sun- Matthews. beams see how good a record on attendance that they can make.

Cross Roads school house for a program at 4:30. This place is located about four miles east and taken place in The Merkel Lumthree miles south of Merkel, and ber Company, whereby E. W. is otherwise known as the Teaff Kelly has resigned the manage-

spirits over the prospects, both Schrum of Oklahoma City, Ok., spiritually and materially. For Mr. Kelly is a very capable all the blessings, let us thank and efficient lumber man and a God and take courage.

meetings.

Walter Jackson, Supt. time.

B. Y P. U. Program MAY 11 rendered by the B. Y. P. U. at ing. They are given a cordial Cross Roads, south of Tye Sun- welcome to our city. day afternoon at 4:30. Those making the visit will meet at the Baptist Church promptly at 4:

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evangelist of large success, is house. slated for a meeting of two weeks beginning July 13 and keenly the need of spiritual up- in France. lift are the responsible parties behind the meeting, and give people of the community at large | Estes last week to give the enterprise their hearty sympathy and support. Perfect freedom of the individual, visited his homefolks the past without constraints or entangle- week.

ments, is the purpose of the promoters. Everybody is invited, and nobody will be coerced or brow-

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The Treasury Department of goal. We will soon have our new the United States government been made for our new piano. We the local Boy Scouts, and the you will see him Sunday morn-

every one wear a red flower if wear a medal of this sort that Next Wednesday night instead proud of this honor, and it will

CANYON NEWS

We are having some splendid weather. Crops are doing nicely. The high tides of last Sunday The people are all very busy were good for all the workers to wrestling with the weeds and

and dance to the tune of the hoe

and will be observed in a fitting We are going to organize a vay at the morning hour. Lov- Sunday school at Nubia Sunday ng invitation is given the moth- if nothing happens and want all ers to attend, and also the moth- to be present. Rev. A. Matthews trs of the babies on the Cradle will preach at the 11 o'clock hour Roll. Room at the front will be Let every one come and be a reserved for the Cradle Roll help. We ought to be busy in the Lord's work, for the fields are

Those present were M. A. Matth Juniors will meet at 3 in the ews and family, F. Z Turner and afternoon at the church and the wife, Mr. and Mrs. J P Richie Sunbeams at the same hour at and daughter, Mr. and Mrs -

Uncle Ned

The B. Y. P U. will go to the CHANGE IN MANAGEMENT

A change in management has ment to accept a position with Things are very hopeful and Burton-Lingo Lumber Company everybody seems to be in good at Cisco. He is succeeded by Ed.

good citizen and we regret to re-Everybody is invited to all our cord his leaving He will take up his new duties on the 15th, and E. E. Dawson, pastor. his family will follow in a short

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A Delightful Social

the rendition of a spicy program. afforded much enjoyment. those present resorted to the out of-doors, where a dainty dinner served, and every one enjoyed was served. Following this fea- the meeting very much. ure, various games were played Those present seemed delighted Entertain in Honor of Opal Patwith the evenings entertainment and diversion and it is purposed. to repeat the adventure at an honor of Opal Patterson, who early date.

A Pleasant Outing

A very pleasant outing was had on Clear Fork last Sanday afternoon by he following par-

Misses Dorothy Duck tt, Jewel Pate, Maurine Cobb, Burnidine Freeman, Clara Horton, lawn. Mesdames Pate, Cash, Philmore and Messrs. Pate, Underwood. teachers of the fourth and fifth Garrison, Boggs, H. L. Johnson, grades assisted Mrs. Rose in Tom and W K. McClure and O.C. entertaining the young folks. Miller. A most delicious lunch was served

Hamill-Boney Wedding

The marriage of Miss Carrie Boney and Percy Hamill, which at 10 o'clock at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. W. O Boney was very impressive in the beauty and simplicity of its sola few intimate friends.

home was enhanced by baskets favor of the 3rd grade. It was a of pink roses and ferns, the open hard fought game, and the ing between dining room and third grade is to be congratuparlor being converted into a lated upon its success as ball floral arch beneath which the players. We now know who the ceremony was performed.

Miss Ethel Hamill's sweet voice and are hoping the teachers wil was again heard in "Elyseum". To the accompaniment of Lohengrin's Bridal Chorus, played by Mrs. E. L. Hawkins, the bridal pair descended the stairway preceded by little Misses Sylvia and Carmen Boney, nieces of the team put it over the Sweetwater bride, carrying pink ribbons High School team in a game of which formed an aisle from the baseball last Saturday afternoon stairway to the floral arch.

The beautiful bride wore a handsome blue tailored suit, hat kel team was as follows: and accessories in harmony, and immediately after the ceremony Pike, pitcher; Doyel Garrett,1ts the young couple left via auto base; Fielden Smith, 2nd base for Wharton where they expect- Howard Laney, 3rd base; Willie ed to board the west bound Stevens, shortstop; Roy Moore, Southern Pacific.

the dining room evidenced the Fergusson and Elmer Nelson. cordial interest of many friends substitutes. here and elsewhere.

The groom has been identified for some time with the Bay bridge, Harkins, Isral, Finley City Bank and Trust Co., where Johnson, Ellins and Farris. he holds a responsible position, and the bride one of Bay City's loviest daughters, and univer- latter's ground next Wednesday sally admired by all who know

After a brief honeymoon. Mr and Mrs. Hamill will be at home in their cottage on 6th Street, which has been completely furnished by the groom's parents .-

Miss Boney is a niece of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Boney of this City. She is a daughter of the late W O Boney, uncle of W O. flour, meal and feedstuff. See Boney of this city.

The Kings Daughters Eentertain

The King Daughters of the Methodist church met last Tuesday in the home of Mrs. Duncan Briggs. Mesdames Sanders and Briggs as hostesses. A good Walter Jackson, Editor number of the class were present and several visitors also. After the business session ended a so-A delightful social was held on cial feature was enjoyed. Each the lawn of the Baptist church one was given a card with namlast Friday night by the mem- es of Bible characters written in bers of the Philathea and Khaki a jumbled up manner, and each classes and the B. Y. P. U. There one holding a card was supposed was a large attendance. After to rewrite them correctly, which

Delicious cake and cream were

terson

Ona Fae Rose entertained in won fourth place at the State University in the Spelling con-

About 30 of the fifth grade pupils were present and various games were enjoyed out on the beautifully lighted lawn.

Delicious refreshments of cake and cream were . served on the

Misses Campbell and Houston

All present had a most delight ful time.

Entertained With A Pinic.

The teachers of the first, secand third grades, Misses Burns, Yates and Dry, entertook place yesterday afternoon tained their pupils with a picniclast Thursday afternoon.

A delightful lunch was spread on the ground and all partook of same declaring it the best lunch emnization, the ceremony being they had ever eaten. Games of performed by Rev. J. P. Gilliam all kinds were entered into and in the presence of relatives and a ball game proved a striking feature of the afternoon, which The beauty of the attractive ended with a score of 21 to 20 in

star players in the future will be Just preceding the ceremony, All had the time of their lives entertain them again soon in the ame manner.

Merkel Beats Sweetwater

It was almost a shame the way the Merkel High School The score was 18 to 1 in favor of Merkel. The lineup of the Mer

Alvis Curb, Catcher; Russel left field; Joe Holmes, Jr., cen-Beautiful gifts arranged in ter field; J J Russell; Raymond

> The Sweetwater lineup was: Derrick, Browning, Bain-

The Merkel team will again play the Sweetwater team on the

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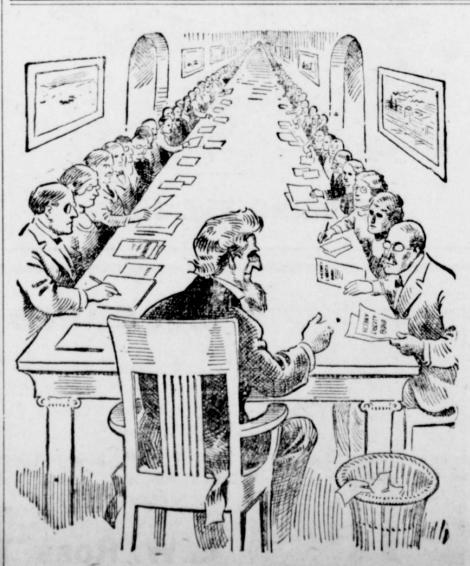
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Now as to what is paid: In the eight counties in which agents of the United States Department of Agriculture made a survey of highway improvement the annual taxation to pay the road bonds ranged from thirty Hutcheson complete the board. to seventy cents per \$100 valuation. Suppose the average to be ago R. J Miller was elected as 50 cents per \$100 valuation; if a farm is worth \$6, 600 which is an average for the farm of one of the richer black land counties per year or \$2.75 per month.

her the advantages are worth what he would ordinarily spend for cigar money. Really the above showing is not complete because the increase in farm values haulage costs are not shown in continue his oil business. dollars and cents. If they were, there would be no possible doubt as to where the farmer's inter ests lie.

Texas must invest more in good roads until every road in the State is improved.

Officers of Parents-Teachers As sociation Elected.

The Parents-Teachers Assoc ation met in the School auditorium last Tuesday and elected the following officers for the summer months:

Mrs. Will Hutcheson, Presi lent; Mrs. J T Browning, Vice President; Miss Ruby Campbell, Secretary and Treasurer.

Mesdames, C. K. Russell, G. M. Sharp and J. H Cook joined the organization.

Aneat sum has been raised to start the laying down of walks around the School building, and ir is hoped great things can be accomplished during the summer months. The ladies have some great plans laid out and if each and every one will do his or her part, the school grounds will show decided improvements before another term opens.

IS IT WORTH ADDED TAX VICTORY LIERTY LOAN SUB-SCRIPTIONS

List of Subscribers to the Fifth Liberty Loan Through The Farmers State Bank

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Booth Warren	100
Thos Johnson	500
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H. C. Williams	50
Mrs. Sallie C. Boyce	. 2500
Magnolia Petrolum Co	750
Gulf Refining Co	250
W. O. Boney	
J. C. Mason,	
J T Warren	
Miss Florence Hill	50
T. R. Lassiter	
Miss Eva Williams	50
Mrs. G M. Sharp	100
J. T. Shaffer	50
Mrs. Amanda J. Curtis	100
Total	57:
Grand total	11,7504
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Elects New Members A full School Board has been elected. The new members are H. C. West, Asa Sheppard and R L. Bland. R O. Anderson, W.O. Boney, J. T Toombs and W D

At a meeting a few evenings teacher of the Seventh Grade

Parker Sharp has received his discharge after being in over in Texas, the tax amounts to \$33 sea service for several months. He is well and says he is glad Each tax payer will settle the to be back home. He says the juestion for himself as to whet- French girls do not look good to

look quite differently before a Henry Rose is associated with Pate & Son, barbers. He is an and the worth of the decreased old time barber He will, however

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