# THE <br> MERKEL <br> MAIL 

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After several weeks delay on account of the drouth causing a
shortage of water for drilling purposes the Bland well was
started up again Wednesday im-- stadtediately again wedtersday ime great rains which fell here first of the weet
This test was shut down gas has A strong showng showing in th
geell for some time now, and
withen it is only about 90 feet down the point where the Sears, we
ruck the oil bearing sands, expected that much intere be manifested in the Bland
from this day on. The ofof the company, the drill
and those closest and those closest connect-
ith the project are indeed
nistic over the present show and feel that it is only er of reaching the proper 1 when they will bring in a producer.
ers's hoping boys, you have
best and most sincere wish-

## Mexke Moronco. <br> A HeW BuIDING

Announcement was made in
this paper some time ago the this paper some time ago that
the Merkel Motor Company had
purchased the building adjacent purchased the building adjacent
to their place of ${ }^{\text {d }}$ business and woutd soon begin the consolidation of the two buildings into a
modern Automobile supplyhouse modern Automobile supplyhouse
with garage in connection. And immediately after the rains this
week, P. L. McClary who has the contract for this work start-
ed a large crew of men at wored a large crew of men at wor
tearing out the partition an otherwise making ready for con-
verting the two buildings into one of the finest automobile sup-
uly houses in this part of the country.
The buildings are to be e
tended fifty feet, making th total length $50 \times 140$ feet, wit modern front, an
up to the minute.

## Chadwick Wins <br> The wrestling match here Monday night was the best ever seen here. Chadwick winning 2 straight falls.-Cisco Morning straigh News. <br> The Farmers State Bank 5 $=$ RESOURCES <br> 

METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday school at ten o'clock, there on time and help reach he three hundred mark again. baracea boys say they will
have fifty. Now how many will oclock hour Mr. L. R. Thompon will speak on the relation o
the church to the business worl Come and get a business man's
idea of what the church means to the business world. Othe announcements will be made
the morning hour. W. M. Murre

## OUR Averaitiffs PELEASE NTICEE

SII ANO PRIMCPPLL SIITH WELL SOON

## NORTH SIDE CHRISTIAN CHURCH <br> Elsewhere in this paper will found the program for the Fifth Sunday meeting to be held <br> MERELE COUNFYY GETS BIG RAllls

 with the North Side church inthis city, which will begin Fri-

According to Jas. A Cullum,
president of the C. \& H. Oil De-

Me oth
other important matters tran- Ga., which company has the rig Burgess and Principal, R.J. Mil- up and most of the material on ler, were unanimously re-elected ${ }_{\text {miles }}^{\text {the ground for the deep test }}$
to their respective positions for Merkel, the Both school term.
Both of these gentlemen have made good in their efforts to
make Merkel a school of the first class, as when the school began last fall it had a rating of 8 and one half points, and after a re
cent inspection by an inspector
from the state Boad irom the state Board of Educa
tion recommendation is made that the Merkel schools be given a rating of 19 points, thus
making it a school of the first
class.
With the election of capable teachers, of high character for
the other departments of our
school there is no reason why
the patrons should not have the
pleasure their children being TRACTOR COMPANY GET-
taught in a school of the first TING READY FOR BUSI'SS class. But for any school to suc-
ceed there must be the strict est cooperation be the strict- We are informed that the tween the Superintendent and $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sweetwater, is progressing nice- } \\ & \text { the balance of the faculty } \\ & \text { ly toward getting their plant in }\end{aligned}$. Every school should employe readiness, having bought and competent teachers, teachers paid for the material for their
who are not teaching just for building, which it to be $74 \times 150$ who are not teaching just for building, which it to be $74 \times 150$
the money there is in the posi- feet, and made of steele, which ness to spud in the well, and hich will likely take place earnext week.
The managers of this com-
any have been busy for several eeks trying to assemble material for spudding this test in, but like most every other kind of
business it is a hard job to get material and after finding it is material and after finding it is
quite a job getting it transported. But to say the least of
it these men are constantly and ever on the job, and it is our opinion that they will give us a good clean test.
feet, and made of steele, which
makes it absolutely fire proof day night May 28 and continue Besides an interesting program, there will be a number of
 boile was fired up yesterday come out and hear the interest
tion, but teachers who have the
welfare of the boys and girls,
who in the years to come are to
who in the years to come are to
be the men and women who wil
carry on the affairs of the state carry on the affairs of the state
and nation. Much depends on
the kind of teaching given the the kind of teaching given the
children in their schooling.
NORTH SIDE CHURCH IMPROVEMENTS

Carpenters and painters are
busy remodeling and painting
the North Side Christian church
the North Side Christian church
and which when completed will
be among the neatest and nicest
in this part of the country.
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## PMOGRAMI FFFH SUIURX MEEIIIV

Beginning Friday night May 28, and continuing over Sunday, at the church of Christ in this city, which will be of interest to
all, and especially to the mem-
bers of the church, and which will be as follows
Friday night the subject will of Christ toward the Inter church World Movement, by
member of the faculty Abilene Christian College.
Saturday at 11 a. m. Congre-
gational Cooperation in Missio work, by O. E. Phillips, of East and.
Satu

from this plant.
Mrs.J. M. Garrett was called the week by a message announcing the serious illness of her
daughter, Mrs. Geo. Bullinck. We daughter, Mrs. Geo. Bulleck. We
join the family's man: 'riends join the family's mans. 'riends
in the hopes that Mrs. Garrett found her-daughter her arrival.
Geo. Ferrier returned week from California, where he
has been for some time.

BAPTIST CHURCH NOTICE
Sunday school $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. with organized classes for all advanc-
ed grades. Mr. Walter Jackson the superintendent urges a full our banner crowd. Preaching at $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. by Eld.
J. B. Parrack. the B. Y. P. U. at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. rehearsal.
Jr. Union meets at Annex, to
practice their part for Sunday practice their part for Sunday $15,449.19$
$4,324.85$

Three or four big rains, vary ing in amount at different point in this section, at from six to
twelve inches all told has falle hroughout the country sur rounding Merkel. And which sems to have been general over West Texas.
The rain will
The rain will be of untold benfit to the farmers and stockmen of this country, as there since the first of January. It is believed that most of the wheat and oats was too far gone with he exception of a small per-
centage, which will be light. entage, which will be light.
However, with the weath However, with the weather
favorable from now on, the chances are very bright for cothe principle crops in this soun-
The country as a whole is in nost excellent condition from ess is expected throughout the

## BC WeFEIIIIG MICHT TOMGIGIT

Hassell to arrive today for big mat bout with Chadwick Everything set for great bout at
the Airdome Friday evening in he Airdome Friday evening in Hassell, champion wrestler of Houston, Texas, who is matcher o meet John Chadwiek in finish bout at the Airdome Friday night, is expected to reach
Merkel Thursday. Word received Tuesday is to the effect that he is in the best of condition and will be ready on his arrival here Wrestling fans of Merkel are showing unusual interest in this match, as both men are consider he busin the most scientific in 68 pounds and Chadwick's will ip the scales at 164. With His ell in his old time form and Chadwick up to his usual class, best ever staged in Merkel. Chadwick has been training reg and the former star expects to be in tip top condition when he steps on the mat Friday night main event will begin at eight o'clock.



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| MEETING AT CHILDRESS |  |

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T. J. TOOMBS JOHN SEARS R. L. BLAND F. Y. GAITHER.

President Vice President Vice President
Cashier Asst. Cashier

We have a few more Fans in stock and no doubt we will not be able to get any more. Better get yours.

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