the coming of these five numbers to Merkel. The Redpath- Baptist Church Announcements Horner Lyceum Bureau, the same bureau giving programs at Simmons College, Abilene classes for all. Christian College, Sweetwater, Stamford, Lubbock, Snyder and other progressive west Texas series of programs. The school, School. the churches, and all people who believe in bringing such high class entertainment to our town even at a financial risk are back ing the course. We hope that ough to show these guarantors that there is a demand for such entertainment in Merkel.

The first number on Saturday evening, October 9th, is to Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. be a good one to start on. This will be a program given by Miss these meetings and will find a Clarrissa Harold, reader and im personator. Those who heard Jean McDonald last December with me and let us exalt His know what is in store for us. In the entire range of readings and impersonations offered, it is doubted if an artist could be secured who will afford greater in structive pleasure to the public

all, will come to us. Then the practice each Friday evening is to be furnished at once throu orderly marketing, would go far ham Brothers and L. E. Sand-sympathizers of both sides. It evening program. This trio contenary fund please remember and Parents-Teachers Association for outsiders the contenary fund please remember and Parents-Teachers are purchased the fixtures at the letters and please remember and Parents-Teachers are purchased to the Cafe locat at the letters and please remember and Parents-Teachers are purchased to the Cafe locat at the letters and please remember and Parents-Teachers are purchased to the Cafe locat at the letters and please remember and Parents-Teachers are purchased to the Cafe locat at the letters and please remember an sists of three young lady artists the 2nd Sunday in October is the tion. one a violinist of note, one a pi- This fund is doing a great work anist and all three singers. This will be such a varied and high class program that all are certain to enjoy it.

Victrola Mr. Taggarts "Old Country Fiddler" know the class of entertainment due for us that evening. He is graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music and a Humorist that points upward, leaves a good taste in the mouth and cheers the heart for the sober realities of life.

Jones, famous lecturer and ora- to Merkel each day, and farmers tor will come to Merkel to deliv-er his message on "The Creed of holds on sixty days the bulk of Democracy". He is well known the crop will have been gathered to those who hear lyceum and Up to noon Thursday there had chautauqua lectures of note. You been weighed in the local cotton will do well to hear this orator yeard about 1,075 bales, and of the southland whose coming weigher Garrett stated that ais made possible by the Redpath bout 150 bales a day was a good Horner Lyceum Bureau.

The fifth and will come to us on April 20th. ed at the yard each day there is This, "The Lucile Price Compossibly hauled home by the pany" is another of the best and farmers 50 bales per day... strongest numbers. This program will be filled with readings Mail on Oct. 3, last year, the vocal duets, violen numbers, and statement is made that on that other music. This varied pro- date there had been weighed at gram will have something that the cotton yard here 4,500 bales, will appeal to any one desiring and a bale of the fleecy staple something wholesome, entertain was bringing around \$200. and ing and instructive.

them at much less price than year, so we learn. This entitles you to hear all

basis. Season tickets to adults will be \$2.50 for the five numbers, and for all school children, \$1.50 nd more for the best and more Mc's for the best fresh meat. tf of age.

expensive numbers. Thus you will make quite a saving by buy ing a season ticket even if you cannot attend all five of the num bers. This year there will also be offered reserved seat tickets to those desiring that a seat be kept for them. Many who would Merkel is to have a five- otherwise come do not for fear. As per announcement there course lyceum course this win- they will have to stand if they was held at the High School Au- To the Editor: ter. The first number is to be do come. Reserved seat season ditorium Tuesday evening of The press reports of the re- with folded hands, expecting the ed at Abilene for the first game on Saturday evening, October tickets will be sold at \$3.00 to ad this week, a get-to-gether and cent conference between the A-Federal Government or other of the season. Many local fans 9th, at eight o'clock at the High ult and \$2.00 to school children. get-acquainted meeting of the merican Cotton Association, and sectins of the nation, to finance were there from Merkel to root School Auditorium. The people Children not in school who are parents and teachers of the Mer- the Federal Reserve Bank Board the marketing of her cotton. for their team. To the surprise of the town who believe in the over twelve years of age are kel school. The meeting was ably have been so misleading and This criticism by Gov. Hard- of the Abilene team. Merkel lost right kind of clean, uplifting classed as "adults". Boost the presided over by the president have placed so many erroneous ing has been distorted by the dis to them by the very close score entertainment for old and lyceum. Buy a season ticket of the Parent-Teachers Associa-constructions on what occurred patches and the public led to be- of only 7 to 6. young alike have guaranteed when the opportunity is given. Ition, Mrs Walter Jackson, and there, that I have decided to give lieve that it was particularly ap-

Sunday School 10 a.m. with

The new literature is here and and all classes are entering on a new line of study. This is the towns, is to give Merkel this best time to start to Sunday

> Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. B. Y. P. U. at 5 p. m.

Jr. Union at the Annex 5 p.m. the patronage will be large en- Prayermeeting Wednesday at 7: Training class Monady 7:30. 30 p. m.

> Baptizing at the Brown Gin tank Sunday at 4 p. m.

Ladies meeting at the church

You are invited to come to warm welcome. Come and "Magnify the Lord

name together."

Ira L. Parrack, Pastor.

#### Methodist Church Notice

Sunday School at 10. Preach-On October 20th, the second ing at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by number of our course, and pro- the pastor. Prayermeeting Wedbably the best and strongest of nesday evening at 7:30 and choir needed for our school, and which essary to promote gradual and "Angelus Trio" will give the Let every subscriber to the Cen- the efforts of the Teachers, the toward relieving the situation. ers have purchased the fixtures certainly does not make for clean one a reader and impersonator, day to pay your subscriptions. and we must keep it going. W. M. Murrell P. C.

At this writing hundreds of On December 29th, Granville bales of cotton are coming in last number And besides the amount receiv-

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when opportunity is given you The cotton yard received better you, and has many friends who been refused a hearing. They con week for Waxahachie, where she most every church in the disto purchase one. This will in- than 21,000 bales. It is likely regret the sad occurrence. sure you all five of the entertain that the crop this year will be the course on a firmer financial around 15,000. The accreage is

for the five numbers. Single ad- of you we know and would like \$2.00 bill made May 9, 1776 our delegation. This criticism mission will be 75 and 50 cents to know you all. Come to Mc. & making the bill about 125 years was leveled at the entire South

while the attendance by the par- a plain statement of the facts. I plied to our delegation. In fact it down in the first quarter, and ents was not so good in numbers am doing this expressly to pre- was just a criticism of the entire their quarterback kicked the as one would have expected, and vent the farmers of Texas from South. Mr. Harding's denuncia- pigskin between the goal posts, as should have been, it was in- being made to believe that the tion of the campaign of criti- making the score at the end of and every one present.

who rendered a beautiful Vocal the Board. ers & Merchants National Bank, ports.

the question of "What play bank credits, and the suggestion ican Cotton Association. ground equipment means to the that in our opinion, such renewschool.", and incidentally men- als by local banks, on agricultutioned a number of things badly ral loans, as should be found nec-

It was all in all, one of the ed with the Board. finest meetings of the kind we Mr. Harding, in reply stated have ever attended, and let us that sometime ago the Board say now that if every parent in held a meeting and adopted a pol the district will show the same icy of limiting Non Essential date Cafe. disposition for co-operation as Credits, and that this action has Our 3rd number, Charles R. Barney Casey came in first of was shown at this meeting, the been widely misquoted and misbe thoroughly experienced and support given by the visitors Taggart, musical humorist, com the week from Scurry county Merkel School will succeed and construed. That the Board has

#### SENOR CLASS ORGANIZES

The senior class of the Merkel High School now consisting of steady expansion of Bank credeleven students, and more will its of thirty to forty million dolmonth when some conditions are and of fifty million dollars per remooved. A good working week for the last year and of fifsenior class means much to a ty million dollars per week since high school. This is their last September first. year in high school, and all should work to make it their best year. Most pleasure will come from having done the work well and honestly.

At a recent meeting of the class the following officers were Vice-President Hazel Harkrider; average for a days receipts now. Secretary-Treasure Wade Dar-Sgt.-at-arms Kenneth Sharp. Those who have qualified as Seniors to date are as follows:--May Bidleman, Wade Darsey, Evelyn Hamm, Hazel Harkrider, Sewell Harvell, Iva Landreth, Roy Largent, Lucille ed, Governor Harding himself The High School and town sym-Russell, Myrtle Scott, Kenneth prepared a statement for the As- pathizers will be there in large portunity of a demonstration of Sharp and Willie Stephens.

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The real source of these misthese or a part of them the The price of seed is also about Blackburn, was bitten by a big leading reports seemed to be the short men, come in and see our eapest is to buy a season tick- half as much as this time last rattle snake at her home near ffices of the speculative interests line of all wool suits just receiv- Missionary Society of the Abi-Vera, in Knox county, recently, at Washington, which had on ed this week. Four new ship- lene District, was held at the The Merkel Mail in the issue and died the following night their bulletin boards, at nine ments. The Brown D. G. Co. if admission were paid each time mentioned above, predicted a from the effect of same. Mrs. o'clock in the morning, the state you go. Buy a season ticket 20,000 bale crop for last year. Petty was reared in the Canment that our delegation had Miss Ona Faye Bland left this attended by delegates from the dis-

> has in his pocession likely one of entire day. the oldest pieces of currency to Mr. Harding did, however, ut- undertaking.

teresting and enjoyed by each Federal Reserve Board has cism, misquotation and misrep- the first quarter 7 to 0 in Abimade it impossible for them to resentation was evidently sup-lene's favor. During the second A most excellent program had secure bank loans, enabling them pressed by the news agencies. I and third quarters the ball shifbeen arranged and was fully ap- to hold their crops off the mar- have not seen it printed in any ted back and forth in the middle preciated an enjoyed by all. ket until fair prices can be secur- paper. Evidently, the campaign of the field. Most of the gains Those taking part on the pro- ed. No such action has been or to discredit the Federal Reserve made by Abilene were made on

Solo, likewise the splendid Violin The Press Dispatches insinu- scaring the farmers into dump- through the huskey Merkel line. Solo by Mrs. Miller, and the Read ate that our Committee asked ing them on the market, iss to be Merkel made some good gains ing by Miss Lucy Tracy, was also this Board for millions of dollars continued. The people should not around ends and on forward highly enjoyed and appreciated, of new agricultural credits and be imposed on by such reports, passing, Dr. R. I. Grimes very ably discus was flatlyrefused. No state- Cotton and other products shou- In the forth quarter, with the sed the "importance of having a ment could be farther from the ld be marketed gradually and ball in Abilene's possession, Abiphysical examination of all the truth or more calculated to de- fair prices demanded, just as has lene fumbled the ball which was school children, and urged the ceive farmers and scare them in been done during the last three recovered by Bill Stephens who mothers to assist the teachers in to dumping their products on years. keeping down contagious dis- the market without regar to the The American Cotton Associ- down. Despite their efforts to eases in the school, and L. R. price, and I firmly believe this is ation has rendered another sig- prevent it, Bill outran the whole Thompson, Cashier of the Farm- the motive behind these false re- nal service to the public by expos back field. Hutcheson failed to

between the parents and teach- ed for nothing except a clear and public spirited citizen. Supt. R. A. Burgess, discussed policy concerning limitation of Manager, Texas Division, Ameri kel's goal, but the Clover boys

financial dictator, limiting bank the business in this city. traction as to seriously hamper business. As a proof of the falsity of such charges, Mr. Harding read official figures showing a qualify before the end of the lars per week for the last year

explicit assurances of the sympa School Building this (Friday) handsome line of Pathe Phonogen thetic support of the Reserve after noon at four o'clock in the graphs, a large and complete Board for any legitimate meas- second football game of the sea- stockk of which, together with ure necessary to the orderly mar son. Merkel last Friday played all the latest records, they have keting of the crops, stating more Abilene with the close score of on hand at all times. explicitly that no member of the 7 to 6 in Abilene's favor. Sweetelected. Pres., Willie Stevens; explicitly that no member of the 7 to 6 in Abliene's layor. Sweet tion to their friends and patrons any further contraction of bank Sweetwater to the tune of 13 to credits, and that such a policy 0 in Sweetwater's Favor. If would be the height of folly, at a "dope" counts for anything, this ments, see and hear them demtime when the great argicultural game promises to be one full of onstrated, whether they are in products were coming on the thrills and close playing. As a market.

sociated Press, that the Reserve number to root for the locals the Pathe. Board was prepared for any nec- and help them to put one acrose essary expansion incident to the the visitors. Come.

tinued to give out false state- will attend for the second time, trict, as well as visiting memments concerning our delegation Trinity University. Her host of bers from other churches in the T. A. Biedleman of this city and its mission, throughout the friends regret to lose her but city.

be found throughout the United ter one vigorous criticism, and We are here to stay. The most States. He has an old Colonial it had the complete approval of Bigham, a son on the 28th. and was substantially as follows: Football. Merkel vs Sweetwater. the ladies of the local church.

"The South has been very slow to take advantage of the opportunities actually within her reach. The Edge Law makes it possible and the South is abundantly able to form export Cotton Corporations and to finance the marketing of her own pro-Dallas, Texas, Sept. 24, 1920. ducts. This she has not done. The

ing this campaign of misrepre- kick goal, which made the score very ably demonstrated the Our Committee presented a sentation, and its efforts should 7 to 6 where it stood when the great necessity of "Co-operation typewritten statement which ask be supported by every patriotic game closed. In the last few

definite statement of the Board's D. E. Lyday, V. P. & General

#### Will Open New Cafe

were stated in our resoultion fil- ed in the Beasley block, and will to attempt to arrouse the anger move them to the building on of any player by shouting to him Front Street formerly occupied that he is getting a dirty deal, by the McDonald Motor Co., and trerefore for the offended where they will open an up to- player to retaliate by giving dirt

es on Monday, November 22nd. to accept a position with the Anclimb to the highest point ob- been denounced in the Press as a expected to enjoy their share of Next friday.

Those who have heard on the derson Gin Company.

Next friday

result, the attendance at the After the hearing was conclud game will be unusually large.

wish for splendid success in her

Born to Mr. and Mrs.. Geo.

One of the closest and hardist South should not sit supinely by, fought games of years was play-

gram were Mrs. L. B. Howard, will, in my opinion, be taken by Board and to still further depres forward passes or end runs, bethe price of farm products, by ing able to make but little

> ran seventy yards for a touchminutes of the game Abilene got within three yards of Merheld them for downs.

Good sportsmanship was shown throughout the game. Some nupleasantness was caused by some We understand Messers Lat- over-ardent, but injudicious, in return. The Merkel boys ap-These gentlemen are said to preciate very much the rooting

Next friday, October 1st, the Clover boys try their luck with the team from Sweetwater at at the grounds in Merkel.

#### Merkel Drug Company Makes Handsome Additions.

The proprietors of the Merkel Drug Company have recently completed arranging a beautiful The Merkel "huskies" will parlor and exhibit room where meet trose of Sweetwater on the they are prepared to properly Mr. Harding gave us the most local gridiron near the High show and demonstrate their

> They extend a cordial invitato call at their convenience and look over their splendid instruthe markekt for one or not, figuring that if you are not then in the market for one, that you will be when they shall have the op-

#### District Meeting Woman's Missionary Society.

A meeting. of the. Woman's Methodist church in this city on last Wednesday, which was well

The service begun at 10 a. m. when Mrs. H. C. Williams deliv ered the opening address, afte which the regular poogram cor tinue d throughout the day.

At noon lunch was served



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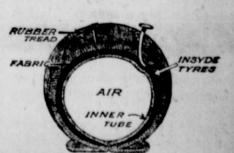
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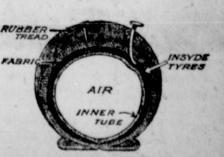
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H. Turner prominent business man of Sialoam Springs, Ark., was here this week for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs.G. F. Turner. The former Mr. Turner was several years ago a citizen of Merkel, and has many friends here who were glad to see him again.

W. N. Hall and wife of Detroit, T. J. L. Swafford. Michigan, were here last week greeting old friends, having once FOR SALE-New Dodge tourbeen citizens of Merkel.

Messrs J. W. and N. B. Teaff returned last week from a visit for a subscription to the Merkel Mail and receive reward. 3tp. Mail to be sent to the brother at O'Brian for the next year.

give us a trial.

The Mail \$1.50 year in advance



new johnson grass next few days-by the bale or by the ton.

ing car. See Merkel Garage. 24t2

LOST-A knife bladed bar to their brother at O'Brian Tex. pin with small diamond stone. We are thankful to tre former Finder please return to Merkel

LOST-Two gin books, one for Tuscola and the other for Sweet-Commercial Motor Company water. Owner thinks they possiis now ready to supply your bly placed unintentionally in the wants in the Automobile line, wrong car. Any one having or It finding same will do the undersigned a favor if they will return same to him. G. B. Brown

#### STATE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF INDIANA

Protects you in case of BODILY INJURY OR DIS-EASE-Doubles the face of Policy in case of accidental death.

To appreciate the real value of State Life Policies ask the widow of a man who carried one.

#### YOU NEED THIS

For yourself, your wife, your children, your estate. Without obligation on your part I will be glad to show you this liberal policy,

> "An Old Line Life Insurance Company" No War Clause

> > PARKER SHARP, Agent

Merkel, Texas

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FOR SALE—Seven registered boned Poland China pigs. Five boar and two sow. One ex- and receive reward. tra good boar and sow and pigs. Cony Deavers, Merkel Texas, Route, 2.

SAVE MONEY-Buy your flour and meal at A. L. Jobes and ave money.

FOR SALE—A nice line of fresh California Fruits and vegetables Staple and Fancy Groceries. We Deliver to any part of the city bills that are too heavy to carry.

WANTED-A few more milk and butter customers, can deliver. Mrs. J. Ben Campbell, Phone

CORD WOOD-I have some good cord wood for sale. See R.L. Bland.

#### FOR SALE

One seven-room house and six ots. One seven-room house and two lots. One Store building to rent. Call on W. P. Duckett at store or residence.

STRAY MULE in the city pound about 5 years old, 15 hands high, black in color and has long main. Call T. M. Pribble.

TAKE ALL YOUR COTTON & MERCHANTS NATIONAL CHECKS TO THE FARMERS BANK.

To remove billious impurities n the system and be made internally clean and healthy, you need the fine tonic and laxatives properties of Herbine. It acts quickly and thoroughly. Price, 60c. Sold by Sanders Drug

I must have money therefore must sell goods. I need your busi ness. A. L. Jobe.

Store your car with Commer-

## Meat Market

We have just opened in the Boney building on Front Street a First-Class Meat Market and will have on hand at all times, the best

### BEEF, PORK AND OTHER FRESH MEAT

obtainable, and will appreciate a share of your patronage in our line.

As a token of our appreciation of a share of your business, we intend to sell our meat in a way that will Bring Down High Cost of Living.

Everything is strictly Sanitary and Clean. Come in and try some of our juicy steaks and be convinced that it will pay you to buy your meat from us.

> We make a Specialty of Pure Pork Sausage

## McCoy's Meat Market

STRAYED COW-A brown jer- Many farmers have gone East or W. W. Campbell.

LOST-A black hand bag, containing, two childs dresses and a new bright red, childs wool coat, with a bar collar. Finder please. We would like to have your

24t2p First house west of J. B. Bell. J. Grain. Phone 230. S. Burkhead, owner, Box 283, Eastlland Texas.

sey in good condition, has one and secured some hands for cotnubbed horn, may have young ton picking, gathering feed etc., calf. Left my home in Merkel on Some have secured about all the the night of Sept. 28th. If you help they need, while most of know of her notify G. W. Boyce them just secured a part of the 1tp. help needed. And yet there is a great demand for cotton pickers.

#### LISTEN!

return to the Merkel Mail Office Eggs, Butter and Chickens. Be 1tp. sure and get our prices before you sell. W. W. Wood, Staple FOR RENT-A four-room house and Fancy Groceries; Feed and

You will find everything in school supplies, Patent Medicin-Come around and let us figure est Toilet Articles, cold drinks, with you on that new Car. Hud-including all fountain drinks, so-FOR SALE—Span of mules, son, Essex, Oakland, and Ranger da pop and bottle goods. Also a wagon and harness. J. R. Baze. also some used cars for sale fresh line of candies, at A. C. 17tf. cheap. Commercial Motor Co. 1t Boney's on Front Stree.t

### LONE STAR PLANTING SEED

FOR 1921

Austin, Texas, Sept. 1, 1920

CAGE SEED CO. Austin Texas.

Gentlemen:-

Regarding my 200 acres of your Lone Star Cotton on my Onion Creek place, I can say that it has given good satisfaction this year. It opened early and has produced a premium staple. Regarding the fruiting, I can state that it has put on and held a very fine crop, some of it running more than a bale to the acre. Its characteristics, as regards the stalk and growth are, to my mind, what we want in a cotton in this section of Texas, as it is very short jointed and the bolls are close to the stalk and early maturing. In fact, I consider it a very fine general utility cotton. (Signed) Geo. Begg. Yours truly,

Lone Star Seed sold by McDonald & Anderson, Merkel, Texas B. C. Moore, Trent, Texas

#### **GEM CONFECTIONERY**

- Wishes to call the attention of the public to the fact that it has added to its business a full line of Magazines, and invite their inspection of same.
- We are also head quarters for Cold Drinks, Ice Cream, Fresh Fruits, Candy & Cigars.

## **PULLMAN BREAKFAST** NOOKS

One of the latest home conveniences is this cozy builtin breakfast nook.

The table and seats are built in a corner of the kitchen or between the kitchen and dining room.

This is one of the novel features in many of our model home plans or we will gladly assist you in planning one to be built in your home.

To help you make your house more of a real HOME is both a pleasure and a duty with us.

## BURTON-LINGO CO.

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L. D. Levy Local Mgr.

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A Full Line of Needles

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Our Prescription Department is complete and your prescriptions will be filled by Registered **Pharmasist** 

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Merkel merchants were never better prepared to serve their trade than at present. They have large and complete stocks and we feel sure will make the price, when quality is considered as good or better than can be

found elsewhere.

Who's causing the low price of cotton? Certanly no one will say it is the Southern Banking financiers and manufacturers. And we know it is not the Democratic politicians. Then it must be the northern financiars and manufacturers, most all of whom are republicans, who were that the goods are worth the never know to do anything to price asked and advertised, but help the Southern farmer.

#### PROGRAM OF THE

October 3, 1920 Subject—"Our Church Privi- stock of the home merchantat of Pollows leges and Obligations."

Prayer by tre pastor Song

Song

church"-Rev. W. M. Murrell "The Privelages of Church Mem- kel Merchants, where the goods bership" (1) The church is a channel of satisfactory returned and ex-

God's grace to man — Hazel changed. Harkrider (2) It affords the greatest op-

portunities for christian service -Rosie Lanie (3) It has a definite purpose

to accomplisr-Paul Stamford (4) It is the greatest brotherhood in the world—Iva Landreth "The Obligation of church membership"

(1) Be subject to the Decipline of the church—Joe Reidenback. (2) Attend upon the ordinances of the crurch-Murphy Thomas.

(3) Support the institution of the church-Delma Compton. Reading-Christine Collins. Song

Roll call League benediction

We do not believe there is one time in a hundred when it pays to send to the Mail Order House for any kind of goods that can be bought from a dealer in your home town. We feel sure that there is a wide difference in the quality of the article purchased from the Mail Order House and the article purchased from the local merchant, the latter in almost every instancebeing superior in quality. One will frequently find the Mail order House sending out great advertising matter announcing great bargains in this and that, inclosing photographic views of the suposed bargains on paper, all of which looks very nice, and the price, well that is just too tempting to resist. Bu t how about the quality of the goods when they arrive? In many instances he person ordering the goods rite in that the goods are not good as was expected, and the ui Order concern will reply

### PHOTOGRAPHS THAT

We guarantee our photographs to be as good as can be made. We do our best to satisfy.

SPECIAL OFFER on our \$10.00 per doz. grade and up.

THE BEST TIME FOR SITTINGS MADE BY APPOINTMENT.

Special appointments made during week for Sundays "Get "Photographs of the Better Kind"

#### THE COZY STUDIO

PHONE 314

JNO. C. REINHARD, MGR.

that if the goods are not satiswith an additional sum of so both day and night. EPWORTH LEAGUE much and a better quality of goods will be sent. And in which event, the buyer can always find the same quality of goods in

the same price or less. chants one is helping to build up by Sanders Drug Store Scripture reading-(Psalm 84,1, the home town, which will in turn help to make a better market for the commodities raised may be seen tried on, and if not See McDonald Motor Co.

from them and get the best. 1tf 3, Merkel, Tex.

NOTICE PUBLIC

factory they may be sent back yard fees at Kent Street Yard BANK.

A. L. Jobe

Ease the pain of a rheumatic Tabernacle.

Buick 1920 modle at a bargain. prompt service.

head of good mules and six head of horses, also two good jacks. Every thing clean and sani- Sale will be at my place on the We are steadily growing. Join fine running condition, and are ton pickers. He says his crop is tary at Mc and Mc's Market. Buy 16th day of Oct. J. L. Casey, Rt. the crowd and try the best at now prepared to serve the far-

TAKE ALL YOUR COTTON

1t ROOMS FOR RENT-Furnished or unfurnished. Apply to Mrs W. Z. Price, just north of the

Oct. Motor Company.

If you are eating meat why FOR SALE-I have for sale 40 not the best? Mc. & Mc's have it.

2tp. Mc. & Mc.'s Market.

FORD FOR SALE

#### BIG AUCTION SALE

Baker. Rout 1

tf. lene, Texas, Saturday, Oct. 9. If hearts is dear. The better way you are in the market to buy by far, my friend, is-of your of Ballard's Snow Liniment. It Everything up to date at our come. If you have stock to sell means a little lend; be kind and Then too besides getting bet-

It To get rid of worms in children give them White's Cream We can make immediate deliv- Go to Commercial Motor Com- Vermifuge. The little sufferer "The origin and nature of the in the surrounding community. ery on Dodge Brothers Cars. pany and get your gasoline, oils improves at once and soon be-Hence, let's patronize the Mer- Also one new Ford for sale. One etc. They give full measure and comes healthy active and robust. 1t Price, 35c. Sold by Sanders Drug Store.

> Messrs A. J. and E. H. Ray 1tf have recently purchased the Worth where he had been for cot 1tf. mers of their community.

Mrs. J. E. Musick of Abilene, whose husband died during the month of July, was handed a check for the sum of \$1,000 recently by the clerk of the local order of the Modern Woodman of the World,, in payment of the policy held by the deceased in her favor for that amount.

George Sharp suffered a broken arm as the result of attempting to crank his father's delivery (Ford) car. He is getting along nicely.

#### MY WAY

I would not scrap with any one about the way baptism's done: I would not argue a doctrinal point untill my tongue was out of joint. Such religion is not the kind that I'd advise a man to find. For modes and creeds they had to flee before the Man of Galilee. His love, His way, is what 'twill take to lead one to CHECKS TO THE FARMERS I have a good second hand the Pearly Gate! Forget the From this date, I will charge & MERCHANTS NATIONAL Ford Touring car for sale. G. L. creed, forget the name, remem-1tp. ber that each aim's the same. Remember that the cross He bore was just for man the wide world o'er. I would not scoff, I Of horses and mules in Abi- would not sneer at what to other Then too besides getting better goods from the home merter goods from the h those who shelter in another fold. Be patient and true and of service to man. There's no better way, there's no better plan .--Exchange.

> Joe Winter one of the hustling citizens residing some ten miles north of Merkel returned some ten days ago.

> H. M. Rose returned first of the week from a trip to Fort Worth and Dallas, where he had been to look into the coal sita-

Matinee Every Day Beginning October 9th

## COZY THEATRE

Special Matinee Saturday 2 to 5:30

Friday Oct. 1

Addission 10-20c

Rolin Comedy

THE GUMPS

Saturday Oct. 2

Admission 10-20c

George Walsh Charlie Chaplin

"The Dead Line" "A Days Pleasure" Mutt & Jeff in "A Tight Squeeze"

Admission 10-20c

Wm. S. Hart

"Hells Hinges"

Don't Miss This One

Matinee

Daily

Beginning

October

#### Monday and Tuesday, October 4th and 5th Matinee and Night

October

Wm. Duncan

Hoot Gibson

Joe Ryan

In the Last Chapters of

"The Silent Avenger"

"The Shooting Kid"

"Hidden Dangers"

Universal Animal Comedy

Wednesday Oct. 6

Admission 10-20c

Thursday Oct. 7

Admission 10-20c

Vivian Martin Francy Comedy "You Never Saw Such Girl" PATHE REVIEW

Paramount-Arteraft Program

Matinee Every Day Beginning October 9th



It is a powerful and scientific combination of sulphur and other healing agents for the relief and cure of diseases of the skin. It is especially effective in the ITCHING VARIETIES; giving instant relief from the itching and smarting sensations and by its germ-destroying properties it exterminates the microbe which is the cause of the eruption, thus

curing the disease completely. Littell's Liquid Sulphur Com pound is used in all cases of Eczema, Tetter, Barber's Itch, Psoriasis, Herpes, Rash, Oak and lvy Poisoning, also for relieving the annoyance caused by chig-

ers and mosquito bites. In the treatment of ECZEMA -the most painful and obstinate of all skin diseases-it is one of the most successful remedies

MIES F. BALLARD, Pro

#### OWNERSHIP OF GINS BY PACKERS SCORED

Austin, Sept. 25-"The ownership and control of the cotton gins of the State of Texas by the oil mills and packing houses produces an intolerable condition in this State," said Acting Attorney General Keeling before the agricultural committee of the Legislature Saturday afternoon and certainly this condition will not be tolerated by the Texas people. The present condition, however, will continue just as long as the oil mills and peakers are permitted to own control and dominate the gins

as purchasing agencies in buy-

ing cottonseed." He pointed out to the committee that at this time Texas was paying more than twice as much to gin its cotton, and selling its seed for one-half the price of the other cotton growing States. An instance is cit d by hlm,illustrating the evil growing out of the ownership and control of cotton gins by oil mills. At one town in Texas, he said, at this time the oil mill situated there owns or controls a number of gins situated in adjacent terri tory. One of the gins not controlled by the oil mill becameinvolved in a fight for cotton to gin whereupon the oil mill, throug its gins, either owned or controled, cut the price of ginning cotton to 10 cents per 100 pounds seed cotton and \$1.50 for agging and ties, making a total of about \$3.10 per bale,he dec-

"As soon as the oil mill through its gins through the country succeds inputting this individual out of business there is no doubt but that the price of ginning will be placed back at a figure which will make it worth while for the oil mill to retire the daring individual who should attempt to put his own price upon ginning,"

Keeling said. "The responsibility of this enquiring friends:

competition in the sale of cotton- permitted to see.

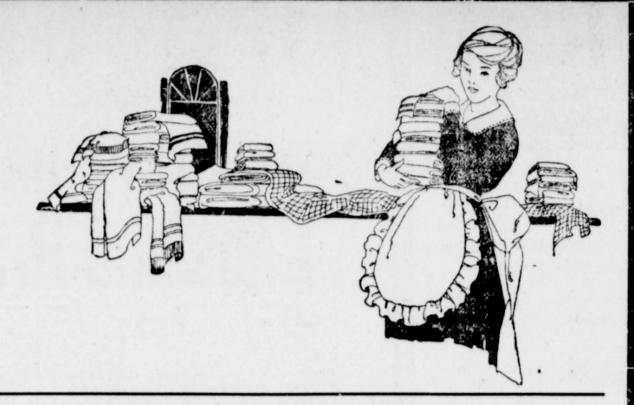
seed in the State of Texas," dec- There is beauties here that Electric lighted boulavard. lared Keeling

Sanders Drug Store

in every respect.

## OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

A few well chosen specials at prices that will make your shopping more enjoyable.



#### Gingham Special

Fifty pieces of 40c gingham at .... 29c 100 pieces of 45c on sale at .....39c

#### Percale Special

36-in	percale	sold	for	40c	and	45c on
sale a	t					380
32-in.	percale	fold :	for 4	10c o	n sal	e350
	Tov	vel	Sp	eci	al	

65c huck towels	
	9c
65c bath towels	9c
75c bath towels6	5c

Table Damask Values to \$1.50 on sale at ........98c

#### Bleached Domestic

30c grade \_\_\_\_\_24c Only 25 bolts left.

#### Blanket Specials

\$5.00 values at\$3.98	5
\$7.50 values at 6.98	5
200 pair blankets assorted patterns	3
at 20 per cent lower	

#### Comforts

100 comforts marked away down for quick selling

#### Middy Blouse Special

Entire stock of middy blouses up to \$3.00 on sale at \_\_\_\_\_\$1.95

#### Millinery Specials

Three dozen ready-to-wear hats on sale Saturday only at .....\$5.95

#### Ready-to-Wear Specials

We are marking our suits, coats, dresses, skirts, blouses, etc., at prices to meet any and all competition. We guarantee to save you money in this department.

Republicans held the Cleveland administration responsible for low prices, asserts the Montgomery Advertiser, and asked the country to repudiate the Democratic party for that treason. Today, adds the Advertiser, Republicans hold the Wilson administration responsible for the high prices, and ask the country to repudiate the Democratic party for that reason. Will the Republicans please be so good as to explain just what it would be necessary for the Democratic party to do in order to satisfy the Republicans?

As we stated in a previous issue of this paper, there is absolutely no use in the great number of idle men and boys now laying around the towns throughout this country, doing nothing. There is work and plenty of it for all. A bunch of idle gamblers never do one single act toward helping to build the best interest of any town or community. That there is perhaps the greatest wave of gambling and lawlessness now going on over the country, ever known before but few can deny. Why is it? Is it because the officers fail to do their duty? Or is it because the citizenship as a whole is indifferent toward doing their duty toward assisting the officers in stoping so much of such rot.

In all malarial countries the popular remedy is Herbine. People find it a good medicine for purifying the system and warding off the desease. Price, 60c. Sold by Sanders Drug Oct.

Football. Merkel vs Sweetwater.

## Woodroof = Bragg Dry Goods Co.

#### VOL MARTIN WRITES

Sept. 22, 1920.

you can not see any other place. I have had the pleasure of You can enjoy everything from meeting many

mers are cool and pleasant and the winters arealways warm.

Los Angeles, California I find living expenses much cheaper here than any place I Editor The Merkel Mail and all have been. You can raise fresh vegitables every month in the condition," said Mr. Keeling, " In as much as I have been ask year.. I planted a garden the 4 now rests upon the Legislature. by so many of my old friends of July and amnow having all Persons intersted inthe oil mill there to write them what I the vegetables that we can use and packing house business sug- thought of California, I have de- Will say that I do not regret my t that a small matter of tak- cided to answere them through move here. As I have made a ing many millions of dollars the Mail. Will say, personaly, I good living paid all my bills and from the farmers should not am well pleased with, and I do have increased my little bank take up the time of a special ses- not know of any country that af- account every month, and if I sion and that the Legislature fords better opportunities to all can do this I don't see why othshould hasten to adjourn. The classes of men than this country ers could not do equally as well true representatives of the whole offers. There is good opportun- and besides I have taken quite a people of the South will lnsis on ities here for all, and will add bit of my time riding around enstaying on the job until legislat- that this is the most beautiful joying the beauties of this countion is inacted which will restore country that I have ever been try. You can drive for hundreds of miles and never get off of an

A clear colorless liquid that the sunny Beaches to the snow since I have been here and have will heal wounds, cuts, sores and capped mountains. You can met none that had any desire to galls is the latest and best pro- stand down in the valleys and leave Southern California. There duction of medical science. Ask pick oranges off the trees and is quite a few Merkel friends for Liquid Borozone, it is a mar- at the same time see the snow who live here and all are happy vel in flesh-healing remedies, capped mountains. In this coun- and enjoying life to the fullest Price, 30, 60c and \$1.20. Sold by try you get natures real picture extent. Will say that I find the Oct. You people who have never been California people as a whole to to southern Calif. can't realize be as good kind and courteous Eld. W. C. Cypert returned the beauty that you have missed. as any people I ever met. You first of the week from Crowell And the Climate is really unser- find a warm welcome here from where he held a ten days meet- passed. There is never anight all. I could not ask to live among ing, which was very successful that you dont sleep under from better people. My only regret is two to three covers. The sum- that I did not come to California

## Let Us Assume that NEARLY All Owners of "Blind" Measuring

#### Gasoline Pumps are Honest Men

We must also assume that they are business men who know they can't afford to let their pumps cheat them at their present narrow margin on gasoline. They must make sure or go bank-

And yet they know that, as any cranking pump wears, its pumping capacity per stroke grows less. What are they going to do about it? Just what they are doing-closing their eyes to

But we said "nearly all," for testimony of State and Local Inspectors of Weights and Measures, before the Bureau of Stand ards at Washington has shown that there were some owners of Blind Pumps who did'nt even wait for the natural wear of their pumps to give short measure, but from the start fixed their pumps so that they delivered from a pint to a quart short per gallon.

FOR A SQUARE DEAL, PATRONIZE ONLY

#### VICTORY VISIBLE

MOTOR DRIVEN PUMPS

They can't cheat and they can't be cheated. For your 5 gallons of "gas" (or any fraction) is pumped into a big clear glass container before your eyes-then allowed to flow into your tank You see both the quality and the condition of the gasoline.

It's a one-operation pump. Won't operate till the sliding cylindrical doors are locked wide open: So you look clear through the glass cylinder as it is filling. Won't discharge till the pump stops and the inlet valve is

You see what you get, and gett ALL you see.

For Victory Visible Service and a square deal, call on WOODRUM & GOLIGHTLY

#### GEM THEATRE 20c 10c

The House of Good Pictures

10-20c

We Appreciate Your Patronge Matinee Every Day from 2 to 5 Program for Week, Beginning Friday Oct. 1st

Friday-

#### Tom Moore

in "Thirty a Week" Comedy Drama. It's a Goldwyn picture

EXTRA-A Comedy.

10-20c Monday-

TEXAS CUINAN Queen of the West Also "Tell Tale Tracks" A Northwest Mounted Police Story

Extra-A Comedy

Wednesday-

10-20c

A Western Drama

A 2-Reel Billie West Comedy and News Weekly

Saturday-

#### Al Jennings

in "Outlaws Deputies" GALE HENRY in "Haunted Hearts" A roaring 2-reel comedy "Trailed by Three" Exciting Story of Adventure

Tuesday-

10-20c

10-20c

Tom Moore in "Toby's Bow" a Goldwyn Comedy Dramy Also-Snub Pollard

Thursday-

10-20-30c

Harry Carey in "Men of The West" a special in 6 reels His Best Picture Extra-A Christie Comedy

any of you who care to make a trip out to this country on a Demonstration Friday and Satvisit will never regret doing so. urday just North of the section There is only one Southern Cali- house on the Pike.

twenty years ago. Will say that

Will appreciate a personal letter from any or all of my old the most needed piece of machin friends. With best wishes to the ery for the farm on the market Mail and all of its subscribers, today. Also the Oliver Chilled gotton enough money out of me

V. Martin, 5713, Chesley, Ave Los Angeles, California.

Mrs.. A. L. Jobe returned Mon day from Dallas where she has been under treatment for the after the Fair.

caff" and woe unto him that does Merkel, Tex. Box 546. not agree.

ROOMS Rooms for rent. Phone 38.

#### NOTICE

Fordson Tractor Plowing

We want you to see and try I beg to remain your old Automatic Trip Disc Plow, the Roderic Lean Disc Harrow and lages." the Cultipacker.

Merkel Motor Co.

17tf

#### FOR SALE

Jobes store.

#### Recouping Their Losses

"I hear you've been abroad." "Ive just returned," said the wealthy American.

"How's the work of reconstructon going on?'

"It ought to be going on splendidly. The tip pirates must have to restore several French vil-

#### A TEXAS WONDER

For kidney and bladder troubles, gravel, diabetes, weak and 733/4 acres of land. 56 acres in lame back, rheumatism and all past two months, somewhat im- cultivation, 5 room house good irregularities of the kidneys and proved. She will probabbly re- well and wind mill barn and oth- bladder. Regulates bladder troubturn for further treatment just er out buildings, one mile of the les in children. If not sold by school and church, on mail route your druggist, by mail \$1.25. 5 miles from Merkel. Half cash, Small bottle is two month's Liquour is still the "sacred terms on balance. J. H. Grayson, treatment, and often perfects a 2tp. cure. Send for testimonials from this and other states. Dr E W. The place and prices it at A.L. Hall, 2926 Olive, Street, St Louis

2t. Mo., Sold by druggists.



#### The Correct Furnishing

of your home is not governed by the price you have paid, nor the number and size of your pieces.

We can show you complete outfits or single pieces that are delightful and pleasing in atmosphere at surprisingly reasonable prices.

Whether or not you entertain, you want your home attractively furnished. We will help,



The editor of the Iredell Rec- er and gold? Ah, no! To others ord expresses this beautiful sen- wiser in the ways of the world such gifts must go. They were

"When my legs grow weary at not intended for me and I dethe end of the road and I stop to spair not at the failure I have rest in the shadows till break made in their pursuit. Neither of eternity's morn. I want to do I envy those who have virtuleave great wealth behind. Silv- ally fought and won them. The

### TELEGRAM RECEIVED

Detroit, Michigan, 9:40 A.M. Sept. 28, 1920

Perry-Newberry Motor Co. Abilene, Texas.

> Dodge Brothers policy has ever been to give true value for the price asked. There will be no reduction in present prices of Dodge Brothers Cars. Newspaper reports to the contrary are absolutely

> > DODGE BROTHERS By Hutcheson

1:55 P. M.

McDonald Moter Co., Local Agts.

#### EXCURSION TO RIO GANDE VALLEY

Leaving Fort Worth every Sunday Night

Very cheap rates for round trip, including all necessary expenses. See this Magic Valley, with all its wonderful possibilities. "Seeing is Believing." Citrus fruits and winter truck are the big money crops, but corn makes 100 bushels per acre and cotton one bale per acre. Three crops a year. No failures or short crops. Thoroughly proven. Where you can make a "home beautiful."

Literature and further information cheerfully furnished. See or write

> A. M. HOLMAN, Local Agent MERKEL, TEXAS

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The Rectal Specialist of Fort Worth

Is now in Abilene and will treat cases in the Merkel community. All cases of PILES cured without the knife and without detention from business while being cured. Best of references in your own county. Thousands cured by us in Texas. All cases treated under a positive lifetime guarantee. Don't fail to be cured while the doctor is here. This is his last trip to Abilene

# BIG CL

MERKEL, TEXAS

ALL NEXT WEEK-STARTING

# MONDAY, OCTOBER 4

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The 4 Copelands Comedy Quartette

ZENTO The Jail Breaker



MISS AUDRESS WALSH

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and a carefully selected company presenting All New Plays and Big City Vaudeville

Monday, Oct. 4-The Great Home Play "THE TIE THAT BINDS" with Funny Toby and Mary Ann

SPECIAL MONDAY NIGHT ONLY-Ladies will be admitted FREE when with escort holding paid Adult Ticket, by paying 5c War Tax.

WHEN THE A PERSON AND A PERSON OF PRICE AND A PERSON OF THE PERSON OF TH

there at the dusk of Life's Day time to BUY IS NOW. pearls of consciousness that I did not break faith with duty as I passed along the roadway . I want to cling to jewels of memory glittering with a real and a serving love for mankind. If none can say of me then that I won a battle in the industrial or political arena. I will be satisfied to know that somewhere there is a boy who remembers trat I stooped to pull a thorn from his wounded foot, or that I answered the call for a friend made by one out in the dark night of need, or took the part of an innocent party against whom the black wings of slander were beating. I want to be rich as I wait there in the belief that back in the world there is no one who can say that I have wronged him, no one poorer and no one unhappier because of any act of mine. I want my fortune to be the knowledge of many honest efforts to serve usefully those I have a chance to do something for. And when the boatman takes my hand and for the last time I look upon earthly

#### COUNTY EXHIBITS WILL BREAK ALL FAIR RECORDS

things, if there are no material

goods that will help, I want to

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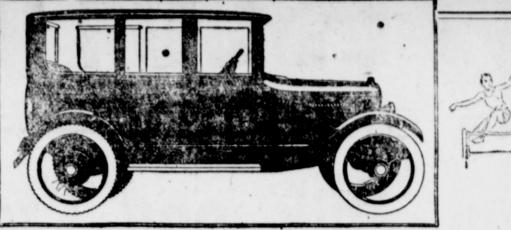
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