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OPENS NEXT MONDAY

September 5th, children with cards and book will be seen making way toward the school building. Indications point to a large enrollment from the start. The faculty whose names are elsewhere in this issue of the Mail and the cooperation of the patrons, this year should be one of the best we have

tion and classification have been going on this week at the school building. This is the way, the use of free text books will save little time, and soon all will be down to business again. Mr. John R. Covey has moved to Merkel and is planning his work with the boys of the High School for a number one football team. The grounds will be cleared off, the athletic room improved, equipment ordered and all put in readiness for an early practice. Abilene High begins work-out this week.

Because of the lack of adequate auditorium room there will be no general opening exercises. The pupils will report to their rooms at nine o'clock. Parents and friends are cordially invited to come with them and meet the teachers of their children.

REV. PARRACK HOLDING MEETING AT ESTACADO

Rev. Ira L. Parrack accompanied by Mrs. Parrack and three children left early last Monday morning for Estacado, Texas, where the former will conduct a week or ten days revival.

During his vacation this summer Rev. Parrack has held several meetings and already there has been more than 100 additions to the Baptist church as the result of his efforts; eighty of which were from Baptism.

Brother Parrack once lived at Estacado, during his early ministry and we predict a great revival there among his old time friends.

Clyde Deavers, who for the past three months has been holding a position in the local post office, has resigned same and left yesterday for Taft, Texas, where he will teach school the coming fall and winter. Mr. Deavers is a most excellent young man, and will no doubt render efficient service to the patrons of the Taft school.

Alex Jones, a well-to-do citizen of Munday, Knox County, was here first of the week for a visit with his brother, L. P. Jones.

EXAMINATION FOR POSTMASTER HERE

Postmaster Shirley King has been notified by the department that on September 24 there will be held at Abilene, an examination for the appointment of a postmaster here.

Men and women who have been citizens of the community for the past two years and are patrons of the office, may take the examination.

So far as the Mail knows there are at present but three applicants for the position, as follows: Shirley H. King, present incumbent, G. E. Comegys and Mrs. May Lee, (formerly Miss May Derstine.)

UNDERS ARE EXCLUDED FROM THE SCHOOL

In the announcement made last week in the Mail, it should have been noted that unders who went to school last year and were promoted to the second grade will be admitted upon payment of tuition. All others born after September 1, 1914, being under the scholastic age, cannot be admitted to the public school because of the crowded conditions in the first grade. Unders have long been excluded in most of the surrounding towns because of the prevailing crowded conditions in West Texas. Unders not promoted to the second grade can find work in the grade in the private school being taught by Mrs. McSpadden at her residence. Very respectfully, Roger A. Burgess, Supt.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF METHODIST CHURCH

There will be the regular services at the Methodist church Sunday morning, Sunday school at 10 o'clock and preaching at 11 o'clock by the pastor. On account of the Presbyterian meeting at the tabernacle there will be no service at night. W. M. Murrell Pastor.

Miss Jane M. Foote, clerk from the Cisco Post Office has been transferred to the Merkel office as substitute, taking the place of Clyde Deavers resigned. This place will be filled later by one of the eligibles taking the examination for the position here some time ago.

MUSIC, ART AND EXPRESSION ADDED

This year the Merkel High school will have for the first time all three of the above taught in the building where they will be accessible to pupils without having to leave the building. We are fortunate in securing the services of such efficient teachers in all three of these lines.

Lucy Tracy, who taught with us last year, is a graduate in Expression from Simmons College. Her work with the Merkel people last year needs no comment. She proved very efficient in her art.

Miss Owens comes to us highly recommended. She has had a very successful experience and spent the last year studying music in the east. Lovers of music are fortunate in having Miss Owens among us to teach piano.

Ocie Teaff, who formerly taught art in Merkel, has since graduated in art at Simmons College. She ranks among the very best of the Art Department of Simmons College has ever graduated. This with her successful experience speaks for a large class in Art at Merkel.

L. R. Thompson Cashier of the Farmers & Merchants National Bank left Wednesday night for Fort Worth on business for bank and patrons. He will also meet Mrs. Thompson there who is returning from an extended visit with relatives in the north. His daughter, Miss Lynniss, who will teach English in the Merkel High School is also expected to return with him from Nebraska, where she was a teacher in one of the High Schools of that state last year.

J. W. Compton of Los Angeles California, but formerly a citizen of Merkel, stopped off here a few hours Wednesday to mix with old friends, who were indeed glad to see him again.

LAYMAN TO TALK BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Parrack who is out of town this week in a meeting, announces that on next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock, Mr. Ernest M. Mims, will deliver an address on "The one Hundred Per Cent Christian," at the Baptist church, and urges that all members be present to hear him. A cordial welcome also is extended to the public.

Mr. Mims, although a young man, is an able and eloquent speaker, and we are sure those who hear him will be benefitted and appreciate same. Mr. Mims addressed a meeting of wholesale dealers and traveling men in Dallas some few days ago, and according to newspaper re-broadcast delivered upon the occasion.

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL REVIVAL MEETING

One of the greatest meetings that was ever conducted in this community came to a close, last Sunday night at White Church, some Twelve miles southwest of Merkel. There were about twenty-five reclamations and conversions. Rev. L. E. Northcutt, pastor of the Methodist church at Trent did the preaching. This is the third successful revival that Brother Northcutt has held this summer. In the meeting at White Flat, three miles west of Trent, that was held some three weeks ago, there were 30, six conversions and reclamations, with twenty-six joining the Methodist church. Bro. Northcutt is a very forceful young preacher. God seems to put his seal on his work giving him souls for his labors, which seems to be his heart's cry. He usually always has a revival where ever he goes. He is to start a meeting at Nubia next Sunday at eleven o'clock. Be sure and hear him when he will do you good. Reporter.

METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENT

Last Sunday was indeed a banner day for our Sunday School; the attendance being far above the average; with all present very much interested. Now let's make next Sunday even greater in both attendance and interest. Let every member of the church be present just one time. We have a class for each and all, young and old. Come and take your place and thereby help to make the Methodist Sunday School all that we would like it to be. We know that every time we attend Sunday School a blessing is bestowed and an example set to others to do likewise.

Some people look upon the Sunday school as a place for only children and young people, and we know there is no better place for our young people, but at the same time we believe that there is much good to be derived by the older people attending regularly, for their presence is not only beneficial to them individually, but without question is encouraging to the younger people to attend. Let us urge for our Sunday School next Sunday the largest attendance we have yet had. Let us break all previous attendance records. L. W. Cox, Supt.

Mesdames C. K. Russell, Calvert and Latham, are spending the week end with relatives in Sweetwater.

We regret to learn that Mr. Pearce who has been in poor health for a long time is quite low at this time.

BIG REVIVAL TO GO ON NEXT WEEK

The revival meeting at the Tabernacle by the Presbyterian church with Rev. Erwin as preacher in charge, will continue on over this and next week at least. Large crowds are in attendance at each service, and there is every evidence that Brother Erwin is arousing the minds of the Christian citizenship of this community a strict renewal of their duty as Christians, and as the days go by there are many who do not profess to be Christians and who seldom ever attend church, who are becoming regular attendants at each service; hence with a continuance of the preaching of the Gospel in the able and convincing manner as has been delivered to our people by Rev. Erwin during the past ten days, the meeting has been in progress, there is every reason to expect one of the greatest revivals Merkel has witnessed before the meeting shall have come to a close.

Brother Erwin is one of the greatest Bible students ever appearing before the people of Merkel and is liked and appreciated by all who have had the pleasure of hearing him.

Mr. Fraser the affable and splendid leader of the song service, has one of the largest and best choirs ever assembled in the city which adds much interest and enthusiasm to the services.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Next Sunday morning Bro. Earnest M. Mims will speak at the 11 o'clock hour. His theme will be "A Hundred per cent Church Member." Come we will see if we are a hundred per cent church members. Bro. Mims who is without doubt one of the most interesting speakers. He has a message for all who will come. Let's welcome Bro. Mims with a full house.

Sunday school at 10 a.m. Don't forget September 25th, is promotion day ask your teacher if you are to be promoted. Learn all you can. Come take your place in your class. You will soon learn all about promotion day the last Sunday in September will come to be a great day in our Southern Baptist Sunday Schools and churches. It is the last Sunday of the old Sunday School year. It is also enlistment day, the supreme task before us. Enlistment of every member of the church in Sunday School. Let's all get busy for this great day.

B. Y. P. U. meets at five p.m. Sunday Sunbeam Band meets on Tuesday at four p.m. Ladies Missionary Society meets at 4 p.m. on Tuesday. Chas. West, Superintendent.

THE GEM THEATRE HAS NOT CHANGED HANDS

The announcement was circulated about town first of the week that Mr. H. T. Hodge had sold the Gem Theatre to Mr. Acuff, of Stamford, but the Mail is in receipt of a letter from Mr. Hodge in which he states that the rumor that he had sold the Theatre was untrue, but that he had arranged with Mr. Acuff to operate and manage the show for him.

He also announces that beginning Monday September 5th, the show will run every day in the week. For further particulars read his advertisement in this issue.

Dr. N. J. Smith was called to Hillsboro first of the week on business.

LEAGUERS ATTEND DISTRICT MEETING

On last Sunday some fifteen of our local Epworth Leaguers attended the District Meeting held at Abilene at the St. Paul's Methodist church. Something over a hundred Leaguers from over the district were present. A very interesting program was rendered and plans made for the year's work. Every one present seemed to have gotten an inspiration from the meeting and we think and hope that it will cause more enthusiasm in the work of the different Chapters. Those who failed to attend this meeting sure missed something for the Leaguers of St. Paul's church entertained us royally.

The next Quarterly Meeting will be held at Clyde. The Leaguers of Clyde assure us a splendid time with a possibility of dinner on the ground. Let's every one plan to attend this meeting.

After the meeting the writer and a few others met with the St. Paul's League in their devotional meeting. They had a splendid program which we enjoyed very much. Let's have them visit us some time.

BROTHER CYPERT AT NORTH SIDE CHURCH

Eld. W. G. Cypert announces that he will preach at the North Side Christian Church on next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and extends a hearty welcome to one and all to attend.

He also urges that you come early and attend Sunday school with the church.

YOUR TEACHERS ARE NAMED BELOW

For the year 1921-22, which session begins on next Monday morning, September fifth, the following teachers have been employed:

Roy J. Miller, Principal and Mathematics; Clara Carlisle, Science; Bertha Deal, Spanish; Lynniss Thompson, English; John R. Covey, History and Athletics; Eula Johnson, Sixth Grade; Maude Herring, fifth grade; Mary Pollock, fourth grade; Minnie Coats, third grade; Josie Smith, second grade; Nell Tracy, 2nd. grade; Lorena Dry first grade; Mrs. Effie Johnson, first grade; Lucy Tracy, Expression; Miss Owens, Music; Ocie Teaff, Art; Roger A. Burgess, Superintendent.

These teachers will be at home with the Merkel people for nine months, and will arrive on Friday and Saturday of this week. Many of them are Merkelites or have taught here before. The patrons should meet all of them and co-operate with them to secure the best work possible.

METHODIST EPWORTH LEAGUE PROGRAM

Subject "Thy will be Done with Our Minds."

Leader—Genevera Middleton. Song Service.

Silent prayer, followed by the Lord's prayer.

Song Scripture references (Math. 6:7-15; Rom. 12:2-3.)

Leader's talk. Topics for discussion.

1. "His Will is done by training Our Minds"—Wrenn Durham.

2. "His will is Done by Keeping Our Minds from evil thinking"—Dewey Floyd.

3. "His Will is done by using Our Minds in His service"—by Josie Smith.

4. "His will is Done by filling our minds with the Good"—by Jewel Daniels.

Business; League Benediction

COTTON COMING IN PRICE IS GOING UP

We are informed that up to date there has been received at the local cotton yard about 250 bales of this year's cotton, and each day witnesses an increase in the number of bales coming on our streets. And although the crop is going to be very short, the fact that the price is even now better than was anticipated by some, and almost sure to go higher, will stimulate the situation and create a better feeling among the people in general.

Last year (1920) the first bale of cotton was received on September 10, and sold for 26 cents. The year before the first bale came in on August 29 and sold for 30 cents. This year the first bale came in on August 9th, and sold for 12:05. In 1919 the crop in this community amounted to about 22,000 bales; in 1920 about 18,000 bales. This year it is estimated that the crop will be from five to seven thousand.

Buyers are very active, and as the crop over the entire south is short in acreage and production, there is every evidence that the price will go to a higher mark.

BRO. MURRELL IN GREAT REVIVAL AT TUSCOLA

Rev. W. M. Murrell returned Monday from Tuscola, where he closed a very successful revival for the pastor of the local church there. There were near thirty conversions and additions to the church, as well as a general revival among the Christian people of the community.

During his vacation Bro. Murrell has held a number of most successful meetings, and is now at home to look after his pastoral duties connected with church here, which is one of the liveliest congregations in this conference district.

Uncle Frank Sears and daughter, Miss Mossie, Mrs. Bud Sears Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Sears, Mrs. E. L. Woodroof, Mrs. D. J. Matthews composed a party of citizens from Merkel who last week spent a day and night at the Arthur Sears ranch on Valley Creek. A fish fry with plenty of "fish", was one of the enjoyable features of the occasion.

Mrs. Geo. A. Smith left this week for Deming, New Mexico, where she will join her husband in making that city their future home. We join a host of friends in wishing for these splendid young people much happiness and prosperity in their new home.

BLAIR GETS FIRST BALE 1921 COTTON

The first bale of cotton was ginned at Blair Wednesday, August 17th, by Dow Jones, living southeast of town. It was bought by Pat Addison and a bonus of \$10.00 was given by the Gin Company and merchants of Blair. The Blair Gin is in first class condition and expects to get a good portion of the cotton of that community.

PREACHING AT BLAIR

I will be at Blair for my regular appointment on Saturday at 11 a.m., eight p.m. and Sunday at 11 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Everybody welcome. Come. O. F. Smith, Pastor.

In Front of the Teller's Window

Sending Money through the mail for deposit in a bank is one of the developments of modern civilization. The perfection of our postal system has rendered this method of banking safe and speedy.

We are prepared to serve you by mail with the same scrupulous care as if you stood in person before the Teller's window.

Your deposits will be promptly acknowledged; your withdrawals promptly paid.

THE FARMERS STATE BANK

T. J. TOOMBS President
 JOHN SEARS Vice President
 R. L. BLAND Vice President
 R. O. ANDERSON Cashier
 F. Y. GAITHER Assistant Cashier
 W. L. DILTZ, Jr. Assistant Cashier

IMPROVING GIN

The Mayfield Gin Company has lately finished installing some new and modern machinery and have other wise put their gin plant here in fine shape, and are now running daily. They are also adding a nice coat of paint to the outside of the building.

We call attention of the farmers to the quarter page advertisement in this issue of the Mail by this company.

Owners of horses and blooded stock are large users of Liquid Borzone. It heals wounds, festering sores, barbed wire cuts by a mild power that leaves no disfiguring scars. Price, 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Sold by Sanders Drug Store. Sept.

BLAIR NEWS

So as to keep people from thinking we have vanished, we will again try to writ a few lines from here.

Health of community is good, although every one is very busy picking their cotton.

Mr. Y. B. Rains, the merchant of Blair was so busy, that he had to get Mr. George L. Reeves to assist in his store Saturday.

The cream supper given last Saturday night by Mr. Hermon Doans, was enjoyed by all that was present.

Mr. John Hughes is building him a nice home in Merkel.

Some of the Blair High school pupils will enter school at Merkel September fifth.

Mr. Adolph Savell of Abilene visited friends here the first of this week.

Mr. Omer Reeves a young electrician fixed the lights at the Blair Gin Monday.

Miss Nina Provine returned home from summer Normal last Tuesday.

The birthday party that little Marie Hughes gave Saturday was enjoyed very much by all.

Come out Editor and visit our town. Just see how it is improving. Brown eyes.

MULBERRY LEAVES

It is cloudy this morning, and that makes us feel more hopeful whether it rains or not.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Martin and family, Mrs. D. W. Martin, Smith and Leland Martin returned Friday from a trip to the Plains. They report an enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wimberly of Haskell recently visited relatives and friends in our community.

Mrs. Alice Woodard of Roscoe is visiting relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Calloway Chaney left for Glenrose Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Moore returned Sunday from a trip to Colorado where they visited the former's sister Mrs. George Geiger.

Edgar Smart, M. G. Guin, Ed. Cook, and Rob Pentacost returned Monday from a trip to Santo. They report a fine rain fell over that part of the country while they were there.

Dave Price is in Fort Worth this week.

Ed Cook of Okolona, Ark. is visiting his sister Mrs. Robert Pentacost.

Mrs. Matt Reddin spent Monday afternoon with the Misses Chancey.

Harry Bird is turning the earth upside down with a new tractor.

The stork recently visited Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Thompson and left a fine baby girl. Its name is Bertha May, and it is reported to be altogether adorable, as the baby and only girl should be.

W. H. Thomas writes that he made a mistake when he left Merkel and went to Arkansas. This should be a warning to all who are hankering for the elusive flesh-pots of other places. The West is dry, both climaticly and spiritously, but it is a pretty good place after all. Zelda.

WANTED—One dozen Milk customers. 50c per gallon delivered in sealed bottles. Mrs. J. Ben Campbell. Phone 246. 2t3

No Hunter Ever Bagged Game Using Blank Car.

Nor have satisfaction-giving bank accounts ever been built with unkept good resolutions.

Tomorrow never comes. Next week will never arrive. Next month will never be here. Savings accounts and bank balances do not thrive on money that will be salted away in the future. It is the money deposited now that builds the balance. It is the money that comes out of the pay envelope or salary check every "first" and "fifteenth" that counts.

May we have the pleasure of serving you now? And on the "first" and "fifteenth" a warm welcome, indeed, awaits you.

Bring your Cotton Checks to us for cash or deposit. WE WANT YOUR BUSINESS.

By the way, have you seen one of the Government's \$25 Registered Treasury Savings Certificates? It is worth looking into.

THE BANK THAT BACKS THE FARMER

THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Merkel, Texas

J. T. WARREN, PRESIDENT
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 L. R. THOMPSON, CASHIER
 S. O. WARDEN, ASST. CASH.
 E. D. TRUETT, ASST. CASH.

MIDDLE BLAIR

Picking cotton is the order of the day.

Henry Brooks is improving nicely after his serious illness.

The ice cream supper at Mr. Herman Doan's Saturday night was greatly enjoyed by a large crowd.

Miss Nina Provine has returned from Canyon City where she has been attending school.

Mr. Billie Parker is all smiles, as he is clerking at Mr. Ray's.

Mr. Burl Sanford has returned from Talpa, where he has been visiting his parents.

Mr. Rufus Britt of Abilene is the welcome guest of Miss Bonnie Melton the week end.

Mrs. Blanche Horton is visiting her Aunt of Anson the past week.

Girls! Smile, Mr. Hugh Campbell has a new Ford.

Mr. Emory Jones has returned from Oklahoma. We are glad to have him with us again.

Miss M. E. Rains was the Saturday night guest of Miss Docia Doan.

Mr. John Reynolds of Trent, spent Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hughes.

Miss Faye Simpson has been visiting friends of Blair the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hughes have been visiting homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hughes witnessed the happy marriage of their brother Mr. Reynolds and Miss Chambless.

Our friend and schoolmate Mr. Billie Moore is visiting here we are glad to have him with us again.

Smiling Jack.

Call Ligon the laundryman for special prices on childrens cleaning and pressing through this and next week. Phone 218. 26t2

Swafford & Leslie are expecting a car of Coal about Friday or Monday. It

Light housekeeping rooms for rent on Oak Street. Phone 114.

PRICES THAT TALK

We are making prices that talk on our entire line of Hardware.

Come in and give us a chance to convince you we are telling you the truth.

What about a new wagon, stove, Gasoline Engine, gun, windmill, bath tub, kitchen sink, Lavitory or washing machine?

We are head quarters for electric light globes, wagon sheets, shelf and builders hardware, cut glass, pyrex and silver ware.

Give us a chance and you will be a SATISFIED CUSTOMER

The Liberty Hardware

GOLAN ITEMS

A rain fell last Thursday on part of this community which was very much needed and greatly appreciated.

W. T. Duncan was taken to Abilene Sunday to undergo an operation. His many friends wish him a splendid recovery.

Glen and J. D. Hill of Meneral Wells are visiting relatives in this community this week.

Miss Bettie Byrom was guest of Edith Thompson Sunday.

Mrs. Daniel Northcutt is spending this week at Breckenridge.

Superintendent John Thompson, and family, Otto Sosebee and family, Marvin Sosebee of Anson, Clyde Williams and wife and Vida Williams were guests of Mrs. Dora Hill Sunday.

Messrs Clem Jeffrey and John Davis and families spent Sunday with relatives in this community.

Miss Gladys Guin visited her cousin Edna Cox Sunday. Zoe.

DELIVERY WAGON

I have my delivery wagon and horse on the streets and would like to have a share of your hauling. Prices reasonable and work first class. Joe Riney. 1tp

Miss Enola Weed of Abilene, after a short visit with her cousin Ella Murlene Weed of this city, returned home Tuesday morning.

Virgil Touchstone, wife and little daughter who have been visiting friends and relatives here for some time, returned to their home at Chillicothe the first of the week.

A lazy no-account feeling with yawning and sleepiness in the day time is caused by a torpid liver and disordered bowels. Herbine is a splendid remedy for such ailments. It cleanses the system and restores vim and activity. Price, 60c. Sold by Sanders Drug Store. Sept.

President J. T. McKissick, of the Midland College stopped off for a few hours in Merkel last Monday, spending same with friends and incidentally looking out for business for his splendid institution.

The greatest enemy of child life is the tape worm. It destroys health and vitality. The greatest enemy of the tape worm is White's Cream Cermifuge. One or two doses does the work. Price, 35c. Sold by Sanders Drug Store. Sept.

ANOTHER MERKEL CASE

It proves that there's a way out for many suffering Merkel folks.

Just another report of a case in Merkel. Another typical case. Kidney ailments relieved in Merkel with Doan's Kidney Pills.

J. T. Darsey, merchant, Merkel says: "A few years ago I had a pretty bad time with my kidneys. There was a drawing ache and sharp pains through the small of my back and if I bent over to pick up something I could hardly straighten up. I had to get up often during the night, the kidney secretions passed so often. I got Doan's Kidney Pills at Sanders Drug Store and after I had used one box my back was strong and the kidney secretions passed regular ly. I was soon entirely relieved of kidney trouble and I gladly recommend Doan's to my friends.

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Darsey had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, New York.

Are you moving to school this season? If you are see me for three-room house; three lots, car shed, smoke house, coal bin, overhead tank, new well, gasoline engine, located two blocks, one-half east school house in Merkel. Price \$1,600. H. J. Yandell, owner, box 487, Merkel, Texas. 26t2p

Attention Farmers!

We have just installed our new machinery, and our gin is now in operation and turning out daily, first class sample and turnout.

We invite the farmers of near Merkel and surrounding country to bring us your cotton, and after having given us a trial, we have no fears but that you will become a regular customer.

We are prepared to give you the best of Service, and will appreciate your ginning.

Mayfield Gin Company

L. R. SCARBOROUGH B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM

Leader Myrtle McDonald.
Devotional Meeting "The High Calling."

1. In seeking the High Calling we are to put "no confidence in the Flesh"—Nellie Sharp.
2. We need a Righteousness from God by Faith—Mr. Shirley King.
3. Forgetting the past—Althea Boden.
4. Cultivating a Divine Discontent with past achievements—Buff O'Brian.
5. Stretching toward the Glories of the Future—Clyde Foster.
6. Reading—Maurine Angus.

Miss A to Miss B—What a beautiful new suit you have on? Miss B to Miss A, Yes, Thanks. Ligon the laundryman dyed and relined it for me. Phone 218. tf

Esquire E. W. Pollock and wife of Bradshaw, old time and well to-do citizens of Bradshaw, were here last week for a visit with Dr. and Mrs. W. V. Cranford.

COZY THEATRE

Friday Sept. 2

WANDA HAWLEY
in
"The Snob"
DUNCAN COMEDY
Fox News

Saturday Sept. 3

FOX FEATURE
MUTT & JEFF
Sunshine Comedy

Mr. and Mrs. F. Y. Gaither returned last Friday from their visit to the latter's parents at Carter, Oklahoma. It was the first real vacation Mr. Gaither had taken since he became connected with the Farmers State Bank some four years ago, hence he returned feeling considerably rested and recuperated for the heavy duties connected with his position during the coming fall.

Every Sack of Seal Flour guaranteed to give satisfaction. At Bob Martin Grocery Co. tf

DRESSMAKING

Special Prices for 21 days. Ladies Teds 35c, Bungalow aprons 50c, Children's dresses 50c up, Suit coats relined \$2.50, the new Jumber dresses \$2.00 up. Children's or ladies' coats tailored, distinctive remodeling of old dresses and wrays. Furs relined and remodeled. All work guaranteed. Opposite Anderson Gin Company. S. K. Eckard residence, phone 82, Mrs. E. S. Hamilton. It

Bran and Shorts of the highest quality at Bob Martin Grocery Company. tf

W. L. Burns and family returned last week from a visit to their son in East Texas. They also visited in Louisiana, while away. They made the trip in their car, and without any difficulty whatever. And Mr. Burns also reported the cotton crop short all along the route through which he traveled both in Texas and Louisiana.

Don't go home without seeing those Maize Headers at Bob Martin Grocery Co. tf

Remember
That every added subscriber helps to make this very...

ECZENAL
Money back without question if HUNT'S GUARANTEED SKIN DISEASE REMEDY (Lion's Balm and Soap) fails in the treatment of Itch, Eczema, Ringworm, Tetter or the itching skin diseases. Try this treatment at our risk.

SANDERS DRUG STORE

REAL ESTATE--INSURANCE

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Let us insure your property against loss by Fire Cyclone and Hail. Our facilities are the best obtainable for farm and city property.

We insure Autos against loss by fire, theft and cyclone at a nominal cost.

Cotton Insurance a Specialty

We have land nearly anywhere to trade for land here.

See us for particulars.

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Merkel Realty Bldg., Front Street

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MERKEL, TEXAS

GASOLINE 18c

That Good Gulf Gasoline 18 cents

And don't forget that we can supply you with the best there is in Tires and all Accessories, Oils etc. Prompt Service and a square deal to all.

Woodrum Filling Station

READY FOR BUSINESS

Merkel Sewing Parlor wishes to express to its patrons and customers its appreciation for the past business and kindness shown us during the time we've been in business.

We are now ready to do all of your fall sewing, as well as hemstitching, peccoting, and brading. Terms are very reasonable, bring your sewing to the Merkel Sewing Parlor and get service. Come or telephone number 225. Mrs. Chas. Bankhead, Mgr. 2t2

Maize Headers at Bob Martin Grocery Company.

A NEW BUSINESS

I have opened a Mattress and Poultry business in the building just West of the Pilcher Blacksmith Shop on Kent street and will appreciate your business in both lines. J. M. Jordon. It

If you want to make good use of your old cast off clothing, let us dye and make over for the little ones. Ligon the laundryman, phone 218. tf

Miss Iva Bragg returned this week from Bellview where she has been visiting relatives and friends for some time.

FARM FOR SALE

One mile from Merkel, one of the best located 160 acre farms in the country. Could be made a fine dairy proposition. Will sell with teams, tools and feed, all too numerous to mention, at less than the farm alone is worth. See or write J. H. Craig, Merkel, Texas. 2t2p

For skin eruptions, rash, chafed skin, prickly heat, chigger bites and stings of poisonous insects, Ballard's Snow Liniment is an effective application. It heals quickly. Three sizes, 30c, 60c and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by Sanders Drug Store. Sept.

Maize Headers at Bob Martin Grocery Company.

J. T. Howard of the Farmers & Merchants National Bank returned this week from a visit to relatives at Dallas and Hillsboro where he spent a two weeks vacation from the strenuous duties of his position with this institution. He returned feeling refreshed and ready for the fall rush generally experienced by the banks of this city. tf

GEM THEATRE

Now Showing the Pick O' the Pictures
Beginning Monday September 5th, show every day

Saturday, September 3rd.
"THE HONEYMOON RANCH"
A special 6-part Western
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T. & P. TIME TABLE

Time Table of the Texas and Pacific trains taking effect on June 5th.

West Bound

No. 1 (Sunshine) . . . 9:36 p.m.
No. 5 4:13 a.m.
No. 23 5:00 p.m.

East Bound

No. 2 (Sunshine) . . . 8:36 a.m.
No. 4 9:30 a.m.
No. 16 11:50 p.m.

Did you ever stop to think that a town is just what the people residing therein want it to be. It's just as good as its citizenship. It's just as clean as its citizenship. Likewise our homes are what we make them.—Merkel Mail.

A splendid truth tersely told. Our nation, our state, our country, our city, our homes, and our work places are going to be just what we ourselves are. If we are true and honorable in all our steps, then things will be right, they will be pleasing to God, and when we have crossed over to the other world our friends and neighbors can truly say that "the world was made better by our living here." Which is better a true life or a wicked and full one. You can't live both. The true life leads to glory and the wicked life leads to failure here and destruction in the world to come. Let us be more careful about our life while we are here among our loved ones and friends. Let us sow seeds of sunshine and good cheer. "Whatever a man sow-

eth that shall he also reap."—Sweetwater Reporter.

SCHOLASTIC

Merkel Mail: Morals and ethics are among the new studies to be added to the curricular of Chicago's public schools. Superintendent Mortenson made the announcement and said he had been in conference several weeks with his staff, deciding on new subjects. "We do not intend to go deeply into philosophy in our course of ethics," Mortenson said. "Teachers will take the most admirable characters from the school blocks and hold them up as examples for the pupils. Teaching morals by example is as far as we care to go. No course in morals or conduct, as such, will be offered, but special emphasis will be placed on right living."

Morals and ethics must be taught somewhere, mainly by example, perhaps. Possibly the schoolroom is the proper place for their inculcation. Morals and ethics are so important that it would be a brave person who should object to their being made a schoolroom subject. And yet there should be some room left in our public school curricula for reading, spelling and mathematics. State Press may be old-fashioned, but he can not help fearing that the elimination of education's fundamentals may, if persisted in, have a deleterious effect on education. When a university graduate frankly admits that he can't spell, that he can't do hard sums in long division without errors, that he can't write with assurance as to his grammatical construction, one is obliged to wonder what in hek he went to school for and why he wasted so much time in the pursuit of something which he had no prospect of overtaking. There is such an exaggerated idea of the value, public and personal, of higher education, and such a mistaken sense of proportion as between common knowledge and uncommon knowledge that there are times when it looks as if our very costly and somewhat complicated public school system has dressed itself up without having anywhere to go.—State Press.

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J. T. Darsey returned last week from a business trip to McGregor and Waco. On his return he was accompanied by his sister, Miss Willie Darsey, who will spend some time with the former and family.

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Then sorrow not friend For sweet angel face, Mid heaven's bright glories She now has a place, The parting's not long, Just walk in the light And soon you will meet In the land of delight,

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Rev. Baker was born in Tennessee in 1835, and for sixty years of the eighty-six he has lived, he spent actively in the Ministry of the Gospel. And as writers have said before, of all men in Merkel, whether they be old timers or new comers, we would say that he has been one of the most successful, if not the most successful. But not that he has hoarded immense worldly possessions, for such is not the case; only providing for the mature years he and his good wife are now living. But leaving behind a long life of usefulness, yes a monument which will stand in after years as a guiding light to men and women demonstrating to them that it is better to live a righteous and helpful life, such as has been the career of Brother Baker.

In '57 he entered ministerial duties in Murry county Tennessee, and at the outbreak of the civil war joined the first Brigade Tennessee Cavalry and served four years as Chaplain. During these four years of service he conducted many revivals in the army and participated in one of much note at Dalton, Ga. After leaving the army he worked in Spring Hill, Concord and Sante Fe, Tennessee for a period of some twenty years and assisted in building two churches during the time.

In 1884 he came to Texas and stayed one year at Hubbard City the following year he came to Merkel and organized the first Presbyterian church at this place. At that time there were eleven members, five of whom were members of his own family. And the small church then used was located near where the North Side Christian church now stands. Believers of all faiths met and worshiped together. Marion French who at last accounts resided at Alvin, Texas, seemed to have been the only official Methodist in Merkel at that time.

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In 1865 Rev. Baker was united in marriage to Miss Mattie, daughter of Mr. Hugh and Martha Yokley, of Giles county, Tennessee, and to which union there was born three children, Mr. J. L. Baker, a prominent and substantial citizen of Merkel, Mrs. Carrie Warnick, of Arizona and A. H. Baker, of San Jose, California.

In all of Rev. Baker's ministerial work, his good and faithful wife has ever been helpful and especially in the Sunday School has she taken a great part, and without whom this man feels sure his success could not have been so great. Mrs. Baker is now seventy-seven years, and like he, is still strong and healthy for their respective ages.

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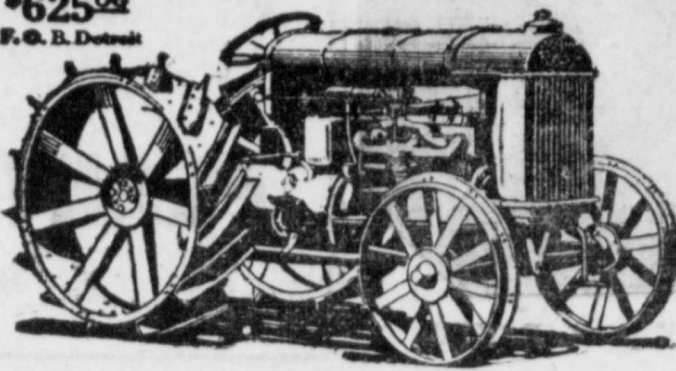
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VIOLVTING THE LAW OF CHASTITY

Good and evil dwell in the same temple, and nature furnished the house. Paul, doctrinaire, said that when he is willed to do good, evil ways there to combat his sires. Man, the highest order of God's creation, is the only animal that violates the law of chastity. Among the lower animals, they have their sexual seasons, but during the interim, they obey nature's code of chastity, not by the law of reason or combat, but by the law of instinct, not being possessed of the ledge of good and evil, nature came to their assistance, and by the law of instinct, made them virtuous. Not so with man; nature bestowed upon him good and evil desires, with a strong leaning in favor of the bad. Would you banish evil? If so, we really would not know what goodness was, and virtue would have no reward. Would you rob the race of its procreative nature, and would you take away from man and woman their sexual desires? Why no, that

of sobriety and probity, and creates in the mind a revulsion against these evils. Virtue is the jewel in the crown of womanhood, and the most costly, and for the reason that sexual lust is a dangerous tempter, and the hardest foe to conquer. The loveliest flower that creation ever fashioned is a chaste woman—and men and devils and angels do her bidding—the status of society, whether clean or dirty, answer her beck and call. Man is stronger than woman, mentally and physically, but nature placed upon her brow the moral crown, that feminine fibre of purity, and whether the race sinks down to hell or stands upon a high plane—it's up to the woman. And another thing woman, don't you get it into your head that man can look upon your nakedness with unconcern; the modern dress is a match in a powder house, flaunting the red flag in the face of a beast, shapely limbs and heaving breasts kindles the fire of lust in the male, and whether he be pope or priest, preacher or layman, when the fires of passion burn in his being—he's still an animal. Religious and moral training smoothes over and

smothers and tames these passions, has pulled him out of the jungle and given him a higher concept of life, and taught him the beautiful lessons of virtue, but withal, old man nature is still there, unchanged. And say, woman, don't you think that you can put on a nude show, and put this animal man in a proper attitude of mind for a prayer meeting service. Do we think that virtue is all gone? No, no, there are millions and multiplied millions of men and women whose skirts are clean, without spot or blemish, but the tendency of modern dress is dangerous. An American lady touring Europe, wrote a letter home the other day, telling of her visit to a swell cafe in the city of Paris, at which place nude women played on the screen for the entertainment of the guests, and she stated that the bad part of this vulgar show, a large per cent of the guests were Americans. When you tamper with this lust, you are playing with fire, and we think that it is time for people to speak out and talk plain, and that's what we are doing, just calling a spade a spade. Why at these modern bathing pools, the apparel worn for this delightful exercise is not even a good excuse to hide one's nakedness. They used to wear skirts, but in this fashionable age they have been discarded, and the scarcity, or shortness of the panties make one wonder, the breasts are encased in lace pockets. Where are we going folks, has modern fashion slain lust? Illicit intercourse is the vilest of all sins, and those who tamper with it, male or female, but more especially female, can fall lower in the scale, go down to the very lowest depth, and wallow in the mire of hell—even a taint of suspicion of its blights the fragrant human flower. David, the man after God's own heart, got caught in the trap, violated the law of chastity, and dipped his finger in innocent human blood. Sampson, the strongest man, tampered with soiled skirts, and lost his estate. Today the gaudy herd enthrones the harlot, and behind the footlights the rustle of her skirts draws the ignorant mob.—Albany News.

NEIGHBORS GATHER FEED FOR WIDOW LADY

Recently the friends and neighbors of Mrs. Ada Davis, who resides on one of the farms belonging to Dr. M. Armstrong, gathered at her home and in one half day gathered her entire feed crop consisting of fifteen acres in maize. The following men and boys, took part in this most gracious work: Messrs Tatum, Davis, Lige Harris, Arch and Hubert Harris, Dean Blackwell and son, Dubree and son, Bynum and two sons, D. I. Shelton and son, Jones and two sons, Marshal, Houston and Ruben Parker, Adams, Leonard Morrison, Will Weed, Briggs and son, Cole Neighbors, L. A. Lovin, Berryhill McMurry, John Williams, Hugh McRee, Bob Dunn and Nelson Gazzaway. A fine dinner consisting of roast beef, fried chicken, cream and fried potatoes, pickles, tomatoes, cake and coffee, was served by Mrs. Davis, assisted by Mesdames Morrison, Dean and Lovin. Misses Mary Campbell and Nena Provine returned last week from Canyon, where they attended the Summer Normal. Judge N. D. Cobb was an Abilene visitor Monday of this week

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