C. & A. CLUB HOLDS

esting and enthusiastic meet- happy couple. to stand behind the organization ner united in marriage at his best she had ever attended. country.

trip" to be made to all the the same day. school houses and smaller towns surrounding Merkel. A committee composed of L. R. Thomp son. Dr. Armstrong and T. G. distant future.

That it will be a good thing for the town as well as the country people that these visits are made, the Mail feels certain for in our opinion that is one 6,924 thing needed in the world today The mingling and mixing of the citizenship, causes each to know the other better, which in the end will illiminate many misunderstandings.

sibly can will be present.

Bro. W. G. Cypert will preach and at 7:30 o'clock p. m. You are cordially invited out to hear 130, Nubia 143 and Tye 81.

Bible study Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

Prayer service every Wednesday at 7:30 o'clock. O. J. Adeock

Junior Missionary Society

new member with you.

Song

Leader-Lynn McSpadden. Bible Lescon, Matt. xvii ix. Nellie Lcu Lamar

son box, Victor Smith

Ruby Johnson.

Elizabeth Harkrider The Emperorwho was gifted

Tippet

Duncan Briggs. Business; Benediction.

MASON SELLS A FARM

eration, \$5,600

Coats were in Abilene Saturday. Dealers .

MARRIED HERE

Eld. W. G. Cypert of the Church of Christ, on last Saturday evening at his home in this city, pronounced the words that bound together in holy wed lock, Mr. E. W. Herring and On last Monday night the Miss Eva Womack, both prom-

some fifteen or twenty present. ends in extending congratulat- style show, and where she pur- stantial citizens, has the follow- mention and we are very grate- teacher in charge, and which It was one of the most inter ions and good wishes for the chased for the Brown Dry ing to say regarding the cattle ful to Miss Ellis and her pupils was broadcasted on last Friday

were discussed, such as "Bet- with whom the Mail joins in ex- lines.

MERKEL FOLKS HEAR PADEREWISKI

Bragg, were appointed by the Mrs. A. C. Rose, and daugh-President, H. M. Rainbolt, to ter Ona Fae, Miss Grace Lee work out a schedule for these Cranston and Miss Boog Sears trips; arrange a program etc. composed a party from this city Hence, our country friends may to Fort Worth last week, for expect a call from our business the purpose of hearing Padermen,, headed by our excellent wiski sing. They repart having band, at some date in the not enjoyed every minute of the whole trip.

The Club will meet again on from the Tax Collector's office, patrons. This is a splendid move the second Monday night in given out through the Abilene upon the part of Mrs. Cash and March, and it is sincerely hoped Reporter, including exemptions we feel sure that same will that every business man, pro- and poll taxes paid show a total prove of much value to her in those doing so is the Merkel Court of Taylor county, in sessfessional man and citizen from voting strength for Taylor coun serving her patrons. Read her Garage. They have also equippion at Abilene Tuesday appointthe town and country who pos- ty of 6,924, for this year, as com advertisement in this paper. pared to 6,824 last year. And as stated by the Reporter and the CHURCH O FCHRIST NOTES Honorable D. T. Harkrider, our most efficient County Tax Col- The Mail is authorized to an-

THANKS

In behalf of the Merkel High School, I wish to take this method of publicly thanking those who helped make possible The Junior Missionary So- the radio concert given on last ciety will meet Sunday after- Friday evening from Abilene. Yow-To's-First Lesson, by ware Company for the free use president, Mrs. Sam Swann, hav

use of storage batteries.

BUYERS RE-

monthly meeting; there being The Mail joins a host of fri- where she attended the big as one of our bst and most sub- Ellis's room deserves special direction of Miss Roberta Gay, ings the organization has ever Rev. Ira. L. Parrack, pastor, line of ladies ready-to-wear, no- country, as well as giving his We were very much pleased the West Texas Radio Company themselves as being determined ual appropriate and happy man ador reports the style show the for higher meat prices:

is already coming in.

goods arriving also.

turned from St. Louis, where today. spring goods for this firm.

MRS, CASH INSTALLS

Mrs. C. L. Cash has just re- little improvement." cently purchased and now has installed a new "Dry Cleaning" MERKEL GARAGE PUTS IN and Pressing Plant", which will According to information enable her to better serve her

BANKS TO CLOSE

lector, "We are growing some" nounec that on next Thursday The report gives Merkel as February 22nd ,Washington's for us Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m having 732 qualified voters for Birth Day, the two splendid this year. Trent 188 and Blair banking institutions of this city will be closed in observance of same. Likewise our post office; hence those having business with either may well look to transacting same before this INCOME TAX MAN COMING day, or wait patiently until the day following.

T. E. L. Class Entertains

to the Cowden-Payton Hard- votional part was led by our income Tax reports. kel Power Company for the do- and others of the class, prayer at White Church school, was in over to the hostesses. We were gressing nicely; als) that the the High school Auditorium, to guess correct characters, are happy over the fine pros-A chinese riddle- Elizabeth there were many other Merkel- which carried us back to Wash- pects for a fine crop this year. ites that listened. Among those ington and Lincon's, and even Bob Dennis, Wade Darsey, Mer ory of past characters was re- the cty visiting her parents, kel Garage, Marvin Mayfield, warded a box of candy. Anoth- Elder and Mrs. W. G. Cypert. Mr. J C Mason, who owns a H. C. West, Wilber Thomas, Clif er contest consisted of the let--t platefavors, was served.

Mrs. Ergeal Meador, with the Mr. Sam Butman Sr., who is secured several new members. A Goods Company a very large conditions in this part of the for the splendid songs.

"The past cold spell has been ion. and use their best efforts to home on last Saturday evening, Mr. Max Millenger also return very severe on range cattle es- The entire program was well the city, but by hundreds of help in any move that has for at about six o'clock, Mr. Clyde ed Wednesday from the eastern pecially where cattle have not rendered and well received. its purpose the up building of Latimer and Miss Garrie Mc- markets, where he purchased been well cared for and fed. After the program, came the nation. Infact, we are of the op-Merkel and the surrounding Lean. This happy young couple for his store in this city, addit- Many of the mother cows are business session. The chairman inion that through the renderare popular and well known ional and uptodate merchandise thin in flesh and their will be of each of the standing com- ing of this high class and most Many things of interest and young people of the Nubia com- and which when received will some loss before grass comes if mittees made splendid reports, interesting program Merkel was benefit to the town and country munity, and have many friends make his stock complete in all the cows are not well cared for. The treasurers report was in- more widely advertised than in

ter Roads leading to Merkel, tending best wishes for a long Mr. A. T. Lyle also departed cattle many who handle cattle formed that the Parent-Teacher and years. and a "Sewer System for Mer- happy and useful married life. last Saturday for the eastern look for a higher market this Club has \$30.30 in the bank. which wa smade in last week's home market. In 1883, when the then adjourned. paper, and with their return United States had approximate they found considerable new ly forty one million cattle and steer yearlings, eight and ten And Wednesday night, Mr. A. dollars per head, and cows and There will be a Rabbit drive, C. Rose, Manager, and Miss Ev- calves, something like \$15 dol- in the Mt. Pleasant Community orie Clark, Milliner, for the lars around with south America on Wednesday 21st of February. Merkel Dry Goods company re- slightly stocked, compared with All who will are urged to come.

ily stocked. For these reasons, Lunch will be served for all. A FINE NEW PLANT it seems that the cattle market will remain about as it is with a

BIG FINE RADIO

Quite a number of new Radios have recently been installed in and about Merkel, and among The Honorable Commissioners ceived over same day and night. ections for the next two years. them the fine music and other sistants. modes of entertainment received. Read their ad.

The Merkel Mail is in recepit Williams of a message from Hon. W. S. Blair, W. A Campbell was aplector, of Abilene, stating that D. C. Doan, assistant. Mesdames Gamble and McFar on the 19th and 20th of Februare urged to come and bring a taking part on the most excel- L. Class last Friday afternoon he would maintain an office in Crosbyton, spent Sunday here.

The silver Book in our Crim (power amplifier), to the Mer- commented on by Mrs. Booth, Trent, who is the able teacher tile Co. the wiring possible, and to the short business session was held here made this office a pleasant been real sick for several days, Little Stupid in the churn, by Merkel Motor Company for the then the meeting was turned call. He reports his school pro- is improving rapidly. Besides the crowd of about passed a contest of words sug-farmers of that community are without being proud-Nadine four-hundred that listened at gesting famous people, and told well up with their work, and M. Sharp's

listening over private sets were: to Queen Elizabeth's time. Mrs. Artie Bright, whose kel Motor Co., Authorized Ford Thos. Durham, Arvel Foster, Parrack having the best mem- home is in Fisher County, is in Dealers.

ed her former good health.

The Parent- Teacher Club

The Parent-Teacher Club met HIGHER PRICES in regular session on last Wednesday afternoon at the High school auditorium.

We had an exceptionally good attendance at this meeting, and

held. Those present, expressing of the Baptist church, in his us- tions, dress goods etc. Mrs. Me- opinion regarding the prospects with the hearty response by so of Abilene, was greatly enjoyed many in the round table discuss not only by every private and

As to the future market on deed gratifying. We were in- any other manner for months

kel", both of which received the Rev. Parrack, also united in markets, where he will buy for coming season, but according Under new business came the were visitors at the private resi hearty indorsement of those marriage Mr. Rosario De Leon his store here a large and com- to reports that have been given reading of and adoption of a dence receiving stations in the present. And plans were also and Miss Maria Gracia, (Mex- plete stock of seasonable mer- out, if true, there is but little constitution and by laws, as city, we are informed that a made for a "Business Mens icans) during the afternoon of chandise, quite a bit of which chance for market improvement had been drawn up by a com- great crowd was present at the If the south west should contin mittee, appointed to do this. High school building and the Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Bragg and ue to have plenty of rain thru Then came the election of a Merkel Garage, where loud Miss Willie Swann, Milliner, al the spring and summer and corresponding secretary. Mrs. speakers were installed, and enso returned first of the week, grass becomes plentiful then Lige Gambill was elected to fill joyed the program very much. from St. Louis, mention of home demand will stimulate the this office. The meeting was Reporter.

RABBIT DRIVE

The meeting place will be at Mr. they too had been to buy new 1922, the United States has W. I. Thornton's place, about approximately sixy five million 41/2 miles south of Merkel. All cattle and South America heav- who wish to come are welcome.

this paper, in which they extend City Hall, H. M. Rainbolt, pre- any member not being able to an invitation to the public to siding officer, with G. W. Boyce meet with us regularly to recdrop around and enjoy with L P. Jones and W. O Boney as- eive our literature and keep

For Nubia, M P. Latimer, presiding judge, with Geo. Anderson, assistant.

For Trent, R B. McRee, presiding judge, assisted by Ottho Hutchison on Feb. 18th, with

Michael, Deputy Revenue Col- pointed presiding judge, with I believe in missions.

noon at 3 o'clock. All members First, L wish to thank those land were hostesses to the T. E. ary, next Monday and Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Rotan Cypert of lent program which made the at the home of Mrs. Lige Gam- Merkel for the purpose of assist the guests of the formers' parentertainment possible. The ble. The house was artistic in ing individuals who may need ents, Elder and Mrs. W. G. Cy. state—Mrs. O. B. Hutchison. school also owes avote of thanks Valentine decorations. The de- assistance in making out their pert. They were on their way home from the eastern markets where they had been in the in- H. Jones of its Westinhouse loud speaker ing read the 6th chapter of Matt Prof. John W. Reynolds, of terest of the Crosbyton Merchan

Why China closed her doors, nation and use of wire making by Mrs. Parrack. After this a the city recently, and while Mrs J. A. Buford, who has

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of the Rio Grande division of Smith. munity, as well as farms and and others who own their rackio make as many names of men Mrs. W. C. Church, of the Stith Beetle, general roadmaster were Chaney. real estate over the state, re- sets. Allof these, join, I am sure characters of the Bible using community, who some ten days in our city a short time Wednes Song. ports the sale of a 160 acre farm in thanking those that made the the letetrs to begin their names ago underwent a serious opera- day They were on their The exercise of service, by in the Compere community, to Radio Concert possible. Respect Miss Dove Teaff was rewarded tion at Abilene, is now improv- way west, traveling in an auto- Velma Holloway. Mr. Hamilton Chancey. Consid fully, Roger A. Burgess, Supt. a box of candy also for this. A ing nicely and we join Mr. and mobile with flanged wheels in- The measuring rod, Stella delicious refreshment plate of Mrs. Church's many friends in stead of the ordinary auto Wilson. Don't buy bogus parts. Mer- Fruited Jell-o, toped with pecan the hopes that she will continue wheels. Thus equipped it will be Duet-Ruth Jenkins and Hal Misses Jose Smith and Minnie kel Motor Co., Authorized Ford cake and minature valentines as to improve until she has regain used for inspection purposes on lie Pike.

The most excellent program Merkel Commerical and Agricul inent and splendid young peo- Brown Dry Goods Company, re one of the pioneer cattlemen of very interesting program was by the Music department of the tural Club held its regular ple of the Noodle community. turned last week from Dallas, this part of West Texas, as well rendered. The number by Miss Merkel High school, under the evening, from Station WQAQ, public radio receiving station in people throughout the state and

Besides the fact that many

We learn that the West Texas Radio Company of Abilene, was delighted with the program, and are insisting that Miss Gay and her party prepare another program for broadcasting.

Married by Judge

Chester Kiser and Miss Iva Hale, both of Eskota were married by Judge A. S. Mauzey. shortly before noon Thursday, in the Court house after county Clerk Gus Farrar had issued them a license. The couple were attended by a large delgation of friends from Eskota who came up in several automobiles .-Sweetwater Reporter.

Presbyterian Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies of the Presbyterian Auxiliary met with Mrs. ed same with a loud speaker, ed election judges and officers day afternoon, in a business which enables one to hear the for the various precincts to meeting. Sentence prayers were splendid programs which are re hold all special and general el- offered by th membrs. It was decided to organize an Assiciate They have an advertisement in For Merkel, precinct No. 6, membership branch, enabling posted on missions. The yearly Prayer books were ordered, this being the only point we lacked in being a star Auxiliary. The next meeting will be with Mrs. the following program.

Roll call answered with why

Reading of minutes Devotional- Led by Miss Dota Garroutte.

Lesson subject-The Indian. The Red man in church and Prayer.

A question answered, Mrs. C.

The Indian -A libility or an asset, Mrs. Fred S. Rogers. Facts about Indians, read by society. Closing prayer.

Intermediate Epworth League

tf. Subject-Means of growth, food exercise.

Leader-Doris Pike. Announcements.

Song. Introductory talk leader, "Means of Growth". A. E. Pistole, superintendent The Bible as Food-Mary E.

number of farms in this com- ford Rose, George Groene, ters T. E. L. We were told to The Mail is glad to learn that the T & P Railway and F. W. Strength giving prayer- Elf

League Benediction.

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Farmers State Bank

BAPTIST CHOIR IS HIGHLY followed in which Mrs. Scott, ENTERTAINED

invited guests, with a valentine this. sented a very unique valentine, on which a cupid was poised. of awhite square and pinned on choir has ever had. the wall was the target which a heart but with the participant for some time. blindfolded, Mrs. Sam Swann proved successful and wass a Subscribe for the Merkel Mail. warded a daintly dressed cupie doll. Comic valentine cards were passed with the request that the name of persons in the choir best described by the verses thereon be written and when read aloud created much fun.

Then a mysterious search for hearts was begun, the goal being an even more mysterious reward. After a diligent search from room to room, Mrs. Burl Scott discovered the prize, a package containing a tiny heart ring so cleverly disguised as to appear to be something several times its's actual size. Then partners were drawn and a con test of matching broken hearts

and Yates Brown were first to succeed and were rewarded with The home of Mr. and Mrs. E. small red satin heart shaped N. Brown was the scene of a box of candy. The slips of paper lively affair on Tuesday even- heart shape, on which was writ ing of this week, when Mrs. ten a heart contest, were passed Brownand Mrs. Eargeal Meador and three minutes given in assisted by Mr. Yates Brown, which to write the answers. entertained the members of the Miss Mae Lassiter won the val-Baptist church choir and a few entine given as a reward for

party. In response to very uni- The "mimic club" stunt que invitations a large percent brought the evening's entertain of the members assembled in ment to a very hilarious close.

this ever hospitable home, Mr. Warren Smith, accompan where valentine decorations pre ied on the piano by Miss Lula vailed thru out the entertaining Sharp, favored the guests with rooms. Various contests in keep a number of vocal solos during ing with the Valentine season which time, Mrs. Meador and were enjoyed. First the hunt her mother passed a dainty refor hidden hearts, the reward freshment plate of pink and being given to the one collect- white brick cream, individual, ing the greatest number of heart shaped cake in pink and hearts. Mrs. A. R. Booth was white with plate favors of successful in this and was pre- small red candy filled baskets

A contest of shooting hearts At a very late hour guests created much merriment. A departed, having enjoyed one of small heart placed in the outer the most delightful parties the

tested the skill of each one with Mr. Kirbey Beckett of Elthe bow and arrow. Mrs. Kirbey Paso who spent a few days in Beckett of El Paso proved to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. be the most accurate archer and Warren, returned to his home was also rewarded with a beau-last night, accompanied by Mrs. tiful valentine. In a similar con- Beckett, who has been with her test, that of pinning a heart on parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren,



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L. R. Thompson, Cashier

BAPTIST ANNOUNCEMENTS

All regular services Sunday

WHITE CHURCH NEWS

Uncle Bill Brown motored to Merkel Saturday, accompanied by Mr. T. P. Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. West, Hoyt. and Mr. Reynolds went to Mer kel last Saturday. Mr. West's brother is still very ill.

Arlton Farmer spent Saturday in Merkel.

Last Friday afternoon, the teacher and pupils took off one hour and "cleaned off" the school campus.—Early spring

cleaning.

Those who visited the school last Friday were: Nath Riggan Loyd Hirris, Elsworth Bell. Clyde More, Mamie Patterson, Arthur and Jesse Wilson, Walter Dve.

Butman Basket Ball team did not come as they intended, so we did not have our ball game.

Mr. Reynolds spent last Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Carl Hughes, who lives south of Blair. Mr. Reynolds has a new neice out there who is a week

Mr. and Mrs. H. West were called back to Merkel late Saturday on account of his brother, J. V. West, growing worse. However, Mr. West reported his brother to have been much better Sunday.

Dr. Cranford was called out to Mr. Grant Riggan's Thursgan's baby, who was quite sick. We are glad to report that the baby is much better.

Miss Belle Shuff visited rela-

Uung'e Charlie Brown was in has had for a long time. Merkel Sunday.

Prices. Merkel Motor Co., Au- week for a few days visit with thorized Ford Dealers.

ed the sad news of the serious called to attend the funeral of ing distributed to their patrons contentment. illness of her father, Mr. Adkins a relative. at his home at Carson, Fannin County. Mrs. Campbell left Tues day night for his bedside.

trip to Roby Monday.

Just A Word About Prices By the Brown Dry Goods Company

Some four months ago all kinds of wool and cotton fabrics and some other lines of goods commenced to advance and have continued to advance to this date. Infact some of the big standard lines of goods after making their prices to run until next September have withdrawn their prices in past ten days and gave notice that no more orders would be accepted at prices made and would announce the new prices by March 15th.

> Four Months ago we Placed our orders and you Are Protected Against Big Advances.

We are receiving these goods, bought before the rise Everyday. Save you 50c to \$1.00 per pair on Shoes and 10 to 20 per cent on Cotton Goods.

HEREFORD AUCTION SALE AT ALBANY MAR. 3rd.

show and auction sale.

Mrs. J. E. Badgely, of Roscoe Good Merchandise and Ford stopped off here first of the 1t herdaughter, Mrs. T. T. Davis. Mrs. J. Ben Campbell receiv. Worth, where she had been

Mrs.T. H. Christopher of Lamesa is a guest in the home of Dan Simpson made a business her daughters, Mrs. Earl Thorn ton, and Mrs. Len Sublett.

TRUCK LAW IS OUT

The Shackelford County Here highway law relating to the op- in the Noodle community, and ford Breeders Association is eration of commercial motor ve- Mrs. Jessie Adair, who came in Boaz. making big preparations to hold hicles on the public roads was Friday morning from the State 2. The first psalm a preface Lord. The men of the church are day of last week to see Mr. Rig- on March 3rd, a big Hereford held unconstitutional on the of Colorado, were united in mar- to the others—Cullen Toombs. grounds that it is obnoxious to riage in the depot in Merkel 3. The Godly man will not as are showing good talent and in It is expected that many fine the provision of the constitution that morning, Rev. A. L. Jobe sociate with evil doers. by Hen- trest. Come and see for yourslf. cattle will be put up for auction relating to prohibiting class leg preforming the ceremony. on this day, and the little city islation, by the court of criminal The story goes that these peo -3. (b) Jessie Childress tives in Merkel Saturday and of Albany is expecting it to be appeals today. The decision was ple were sweethearts in the long 4. The Godly man loves Gods instead of 7 as we have been. one of the biggest days that city rendered in the case of ex parte ago, but drifted apart and the words and tries to live by it. Ed. Wofford and J. F. Faison, marriage Friday was the culmi- Louis Giles. from Dallas county.

> and friends here, through the manager, Mr. J. E. Richardson ton and family.

MARRIED FRIDAY

Austin, Feb. 14.-The State Mr. C. C. Clark, who resides

They will make their home in truly happy and prosperous a Baptist Old People's Union week for a few days visit with herdaughter, Mrs. T. T. Davis, while on her return from Fort Carey Co., of Chicago, is hav- for them much happiness and

> local firm, the Merkel Lumber, Mr. A. L. Stanley of Collin Company. It's a fine advertising county, was here last week for

throughout.

and through the week. Do not let the cold keep you away, as we will have the building warm Sunday school at 10 a. m. all

classes at the church except the Young Business Men's class that meets at the Gem Theatre.

This class is taught by Judge Cummings, and is especially suited to men and young men. The class does not wish to take any man out of any other Sunday school in town but does want to enlist every man not in any other Sunday school Class.

The meetings are held down town to be convenient for men also to leave more room at the church for other classes. Men who are not in Sunday school will be welcomed at any session of the class either as a visitor or as a member. The class had 49 present Sunday and expects to have more than 50 the closing Sunday.

Our prayer meetings are becoming more and more what they should be. Fine attendance last night and splendid spirit in Intermediate B. Y. P. Program the meeting. If you are missing the prayer meetings each Wednesday evening you are missing 1. Introduction- Fannie Bell something that would help you in your efforts to live for the leading these metings and they

Bginning Sunday we will begin our evening services at 7:30

All B. Y. P. U.'s meet at 6:30 and if the older people will come nation of their former courtship 5. The Godly man will be the at the same time we will have meeting in the main auditorium while the young epople are in the separate rooms. This will 6. The description of the Un-enable parents to come with Godly man- (a) Harold Wilson their children and either stay with them thru the evening service or accompany them home Marvin Boney, one of our after the young peoples meetvice. Ira L. Parrack, pastor.

Group No. 2

ry Biggs.

man (a) Claude Dye. (b) Wilber Thomas.

(b) Wylie Elliott.

scheme. We wish to thank again a visit to his son Ira and family hustling druggists was in Min- ing Lets come to the 6:30 meet the firm as well as the local and brother-in-law, W. A. Thorn eral Wells first of the week on ing and stay for the evening ser business.

POLISH-UP

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Merkel, Texas

HORN NEWSETTS

tended last Sunday. We had a- urday. bout 50 present. This is a good record for Horn.

party at Mr. Car's. Aa large first of the week. crowd attended, and all hope they will give another one soon. We are glad to see Ben Pilch- ing taxes in and around Merkel

Mr. Cole's last Sunday night. ten days confinement at home without doubt the public will There will e but little plowing with sickness. done his week. We surely have A. R. Cox, a pioneer citizen dating and highly capable. a good season now.

in Aiblene.

The young people enjoyed a business in Breckenridge the who are glad to see them again.

of this section, is able to be up and around after two months Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Graves of her father who is very sick. Mrs. Looney spent Tuesday confinement at home with sick- Abilene, were the guests of Mr. ness, we are glad to state.

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IMPLEMENTS

Just unloaded a car of Single

and double row implements come

thing for the promoting of the

1923 crop. Har-

ness, Sweeps, Singletrees, Clev-

ices, Hoes, Rakes, Shovels,

Spades etc.

Nothing but hardware; but

everything you need.

Come in and give us the once

over, our stock is getting better

Liberty Hardware Co.

Where you should trade if you are

not doing so already

and larger day by day.

in and look them over.

Mr. Boytt, a prosperous farm Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Kile and er of the Cross Roads commun-children, of Miamie, are here on Sunday school was well at- ity was a visitor to Merkel Sat a visit to the latters parents, Mr week end with her parents. and Mrs. W. S. Burns. Mr. and Mrs. Kile formerly lived in this tending Simmons College spent Judge Cobb attended to legal section and have many friends the week end at home.

Mr. H. R. Hicks is busy assess We enjoyed a good singing at er able to be down town, after a for Mrs. Florence Vance, and find Mr Hicks, clever, accommo- sey

and Mrs O. J. Adcock, Sunday.

Every-

TRENT NEWS ByLillian Tedford ...

Mrs. Minnis of Fort Worth has been visiting her parents. Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Smith.

Mr. Charlie Stillerns baby has been very sick, but we are glad to report it is improving.

Misses Pat McLeod and Sylvia Smith a ttended the band concert in Merkel Sunday after-

Messrs. Bill Teaff and Mr. Everett Jones were in Trent Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Skillern of Sweetwater pent the week-end with her son Mr. Charlie Skillern and her daughter Mrs. Hinton Boyd.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Causseaux of Tuscola spent a few days with Mr. Causseaux's mother of

Mr. Walters has the flu, we are hoping he will soon be up. Mr. Robert Orear was in Abi lene last week.

Mr. George West and Herbert West were in Abilene one day

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. F. Johnston of Escota were in Trent last

Mr. Huse Bailey of Slaton is visiting his sister, Mrs. G. H. Watkins.

Miss Ethel McLeod who is eaching in the Newman community spent the week end at

Mrs. C. A. McCurdy who is teaching at Shiloh spent the week end at home.

Miss Margaret Graham, who is teaching at Noodle, spent the

Mr. Othel Watkinswho is at

Misses Fuller and Stamps and Mrs. Ben Howell motored to the band concert at Merkel Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Collins of Merkel spent Sunday with Mrs. Collin's sister, Mrs. E. D. Mas-

Mrs. Luther Dudley was called to Abilene last week to see

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Knox returned Sunday from Abilene, where they have been visiting Mrs. Knox's parents.

and unable to make any calls. examination. We hope that he is soon able

to be up. Billings motored to Abilene Sun week on business. day afternoon to visit Miss Billings uncle, Mr. John Howell.

has been staying with her bro- Mrs. W. R. Graves.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Smith monoon to visit Mrs. Smith's sis- thorized Ford Dealers. ter, Mrs. Baker.

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Mr. Zant Scott visited his uncles, Messrs. M. G. and Homer Scott last week.

Mrs. Stroud and her son left ast week for Oklahoma where Mrs. Stroud will live with her daughter for a while. We were very sorry to loose Mrs. Stroud from our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Barnes of Longsworth visited Mr. Barnes's brothers, Messrs John and Albert Barnes of Trent last

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Barnes are moving to Blair, where he will put in a blacksmith shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Newman who live south of Merkel are visiting their parents this week.

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Drs. R. I. Grimes, M. Arm- Mr. L. R. Thompson Cashier, strong, and Chas. T. Williams, of the Farmers & Merchants, 4. Help in Temptation—A. H. Hours 10 to 12 a.m 2 to 5 p.m local physicians, attended a meet National Bank, informs us that Woods. ing of the Taylor county medical he will leave next Wednesday 5. Help in time of trial, Mrs. Phones 105-163 Society at Abilene last Thurs- night for Fort Worth, where he J. B. Winns. Ft. Worth West Texas Bankers life-Arma Mont. Association. On his return home 7. We must know our Bible, The many friends of Ex-post he will be accompanied by Mrs. J. B. Winn. master, Shirley King, were glad Thompson, who has been spend to have him here for a visit ing some time with her mother among them, as well as home in Kansas; she having been call folks. Mr. King, formerly Post ed there by the death of her

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5. The place of the Union and how to organize—Nora Graham Song: Benediction.

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Sentence prayer. Benediction.

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Subject-What can the Bib-

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Introduction. 1. The Bible is the Text Book

Hardy 5. Help in times of trial, Eth-

el Wilson.

6. Duties and Privileges of life, Selena Teaff.

7. We must know our bible

Nell Tracy. Eat your supper early and come to B. Y. P. U.at 6. We en-

oy having visitors.

Senior Epworth League

Subject-How can our Eporth Leaguers serve their com nunities?

Songs; Prayer; Song. Announcements

Leader-Hazel Harkrider. 1. What has our church and League done for the unfortunate of our town?-Christene Collins.

2. Suggestions that our League might follow to help our town, Cyrus Pee.

3. How the League could cooperate with the pastor in this work-Julia Martin.

4. Paino Solo-Miss Roberta

5. Business; Benediction.

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ion was adopted.

No. 710 A. F. & A. M.

submit the following:

an Honorable member of the ord of last year. has lost a Worthy member; one we count on your help? who lived and practiced the true | Sermon Subject Sunday morn And he's kept things humping ing Faith in God, and hope in Fred S. Rogers, pastor. immortality, and Charity toworthy brother, or a friend, to Authorized Ford Dealers. aid him at reformation, and while we drop a sympathetic tear for his bereaved ones, we of our deceased brother.

Be it further resolved, that Duckett. these resolutions be spread upon family, and a copy be furnished the Merkel Mail for Publication; and that the Members thanharsh ones. He who speaks wear the usual badge of Mourn-kindly generally feels better, ing for thirty days. N. D. Cobb, F. J. Smith, Joe Holmes.

Just received, a car of oats, feelings. chops and corn, at G. M. Sharps Grocery.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, Feb. 18 in our Sun-At a stated meeting of Merkel day school, we begin our trip Lodge No. 710 A. F. & A. M., around the world. This trip will held on the 30th day of Dec. A. be one of the most interesting He started up a business D. 1922, the following resolut- and instructive ever made. We want every mmber of the Sun-To the Worshipful Master, day school to make this journey and Wardens, of Merkel Lodge, and visit the principal cities of the world where Presbyterian We your committee appointed Missions are located. We board to draft resolutions in memory the steamer and aeroplane Sun of Brother J. S. Blair, beg to day morning, come and join the And he played that system crowd.

Whereas on December 3rd, During the month of March, The customers flocked 1922, it pleased the Grand Mas-the Presbyterian Church all ter of the Universe in His Infin- over the world will make a specite Wisdom to remove from us ial evangelistic program the our dear brother J. S. Blair and paramount object of work. Last Up on the square to transplant him, as a member, year witnessed the greatest to that Celestial Lodge above, growth in Presbyterian history, He gobbled upa corner whre the Supreme Architect of and with March, the closing the Universe presides, and month of the church year, we He fixed up the windows whereas, Brother Blair has been hope to surpass the great rec-

Masonic lodge for more than Each Sunday morning during fifty years, at all times loyal, the remainder of the church He soon had 'em coming and faithful to its Principles, year this church will make a that in His Death, this Lodge special effort towin others. May

principals of our Order, and in ing, "The Price of Silence." Do his every day life was a living not forget the Vesper service example of the great Tenets, at four o'clock Sunday after-Faith, Hope and Charity; hav- noon. Every one is welcome. Some say it's luck,

ward all mankind; ever ready 1917 Ford Touring, Good tires to lend a helping hand to a at \$125.00. Merkel Motor Co., People have to purchase,

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humbly bow in submission to My entire holdings in Merkel the will of our heavenly Father, for sale, including my produce and leave in his hands the Soul business. See me at once or write me at Merkel Texas. W. P company at Sweetwater, spent

copy delivered to the bereaved Chick Feed at G. M. Sharp's tf

Kind words are surely better ed.

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He Knew How (The National Grocer)

There was an old geezer And he had a lot of sense. On a dollar eighty seven cents The dollar for stock, And the eighty for an ad, Brought him three lovely Dollars in a day, by dad! Well he bought more goods And a little more space. With a smile on his face.

To his two-by four And soon he had to hustle For a regular store.

Where the people pass That was all plate glass.

With the best that he had, And told them all about it In a half-page ad. Andhenever, never quit,

And he wouldn't cut down On his ads., one jit. In the town ever since, And everybody calls him

The Merchant Prince. But that's all bunk--Why, he was doing business When timeswere punk. And the geezer was wise-For he knew the way to get 'em

Was to advertise.

Miss Nanell Harris, chief operator of the local telephone Sunday in Merkel with friends.

We are glad to report that J. the minutes of this lodge, a Thrashed Maize and Mixed V. West, whose recovery from a serious illness has been very doubtful, is very much improv-

> Mr and Mrs Will Simmons of and besides those to whom they Victoria came to Sweetwater to are spoken to do not have to suf make their future home. Mr. fer with broken and crushed Simmons is a brother of C. R. Simmons of the Sweetwater Laundry.-Sweetwater Report-

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