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## TAYLOR REVIVAL TO CONTINUE FOR WEEK

Great crowds are attending the services being held at the Baptist church where the noted "Boy Preacher", the Rev. Charlie Taylor from London England, is preaching each evening. He has been preaching since he was nine years old and has been singing for revival meetings since he was five.

He is preaching with power and clearness. We do not wonder that thousands have accepted Jesus as their personal Saviour under his preaching. He holds up the Christ as the all sufficient and only way of salvation.

Friday the evangelist will speak from the subject "Asleep in Church" and in connection with the Friday evening service there will be a birthday offering to care for the incidental expenses of the meeting. The evangelist hopes that this offering will take care of all incidental expenses so that the only other collection of the meeting will be the free will or thanks offering at the close of the meeting.

Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock the evangelist will hold a one hour service speaking on the subject "The Cheapest Thing on Earth".

The evening services begin promptly at 8 and close by 9:15 and you have to come early to get a back seat. The Saturday night service will be extra special as he does not usually hold Saturday night services. But since he can be with us on Sunday only at the afternoon service he will come Saturday night also.

The pastor conducts the morning services from 10 to 11 each day and will preach twice on Sunday at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. Morning subject "Clay in the Potter's Hands". Evening subject "A Modern Prodigal". All people are invited to come to the services and as long as the ushers can find seats they will provide for all alike. It is hoped that this time is the time when many people will take a real open stand for Jesus. Professed Christians who have never joined the church are urged to line up for Jesus. Baptists who have never moved their membership to Merkel are urged to do so now. Backsliders in the church are urged to come back and reconsecrate their lives to Jesus. These appeals are made on the Scripture found in first John; 2:4. "He that sayeth I know Him and keepeth not His commandments, is a liar and the truth is not in him."

May every one who prays join with us in prayer that many people may at this time give God His rightful place in their lives.

Sunday School Sunday morning with places for all. Let us make it better than last Sunday so we can read our report. The young people will meet in a special mass meeting at 7 p.m. just one hour before the evening preaching service. Ira L. Parrack, pastor.

**MAMMOTH SHOE SALE**  
Starts Friday, 27th, at Brown Dry Goods Company.

Andy Brown and family, W. J. Mayes and family, Len Sublett, and wife, V. B. and B. T. Sublett and families, Mrs. S. M. Hunter of Querado, New Mex., and family, Mrs. J. P. Sublett, Robert Hicks and family and Vestal Hicks motored over to Alva Hutchins south of Sweetwater Sunday, spreading dinner picnic style and having a feast of watermelons in the afternoon.

## A FORMER CITIZEN IS BURIED HERE

The remains of Geo. M. Hill who did at his home in San Angelo, at 9:45 on last Saturday July 21st, arrived here on last Sunday's Sunshine Special for interment in the local cemetery.

Funeral services were conducted a two o'clock at the Methodist church, by the pastor, Rev. M. C. Hays, with interment in Rose Hill cemetery immediately after by members of the local Masonic order, and of which order the deceased had been a member for a number of years.

Deceased was a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hill, who moved to the Merkel country from Stephenville in 1890; the father having passed to his reward several years ago, while the mother with several brothers and sisters, as well as a loving wife and four children are survivors, who were present for the funeral.

Deceased was a printer and newspaper man and at one time worked on the Merkel Mail some fifteen years ago. But for a year or more he had been in bad health, and for several months his condition had been serious with the result that on last Saturday the final summons came.

## ABILENE RACE PICTURES HERE SAT.

"Shots" of the Auto Races and crowds in the West Texas Fair Grounds, including street scenes in Abilene, made July 4 by our enterprising and progressive Theatre manager, H. F. Groene, will be shown at the Cozy Theatre Saturday night. The picture is called a "West Texas Holiday," and according to those who saw it at Abilene, where it showed the first three days of this week, it is a clever production of things of interest in Abilene and at the Fair Grounds on the fourth.

New Mexico Fancy Egg and Colorado Fancy Lump Coal—BUY NOW. T. J. R. Swafford, Phone 44 South Side.

### Presbyterian Church

Sunday July 29 is the last Sunday of the month. Let us make it the best Sunday of the summer in attendance and interest. And let us not forget that we are drawing near the time for the Union Revival meeting to begin. Rev. E. E. Hendrix, evangelist of St. Louis, and his choir Director will reach Merkel on August 11, and be ready to begin the meeting at the Tabernacle Sunday morning. The committee will have the Tabernacle well seated and lighted and as comfortable as possible for every body. Bro. Hendrix has been blessed in his work this summer and has just closed a wonderful meeting at Grenville, Texas.

All the services at the church will be a preparation for the meeting and to this end we urge every member of the church to be present Sunday morning. Make your teacher's heart rejoice by all being present at Sunday School, and a warm welcome is extended at the preaching service. Fred S. Rogers, pastor.

Good Ford car for \$65.00 at Merkel Motor Co.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mayfield have returned to this city from Lamesa, and will again make Merkel their home. We join their many friends in welcoming them back to Merkel, for they are fine folks, such as this town is made of.

## L. R. THOMPSON TO GO ABILENE TRIP'ERS

The thousand mile trade trip into forty odd West Texas towns to be made week of August 21st is meeting with the popular approval of citizens of neighboring towns as well as in Abilene.

L. R. Thompson, cashier of the F. & M. National Bank of Merkel, will be one of the "Trade Trippers" and this morning Carl Guin of Ballinger signified his intention of making the trip. These gentlemen are well known throughout this section and are men who are continually working not only for the advancement of their individual towns but are in and for anything that is for the good of West Texas as a whole. Judge W. R. Ely of Baird will also be on the train, helping make the trip a success and meeting with the business interests of this entire section.

With a special pullman train not surpassed for comfort by any special ever pulled in Texas, observation car, diner, baggage car equipped with soda fountain and cold drinks, etc., will make the trip one to be remembered by those participating as well as the many towns visited by the special.—Abilene Reporter.

## BLUEBIRD CLASS OF M. E. CHURCH HAVE PICNIC

On last Tuesday afternoon at six o'clock a few of the members of the Blue Bird class met at the church and went to Shannons Place for a swim and a feast.

Much fun was had swimming, diving, and stunts. After the girls reluctantly got out of the water, Mrs. Sanders and Durham prepared a feast consisting of Sandwiches, Stuffed eggs, olives, potato chips, pickles, cakes and ice tea, which was very much enjoyed.

Members of the class enjoying this outing were, Misses Alfa Williams, Dorothy Sanders, Juanita and Opal Patterson, Dorris Durham, Minnie Maude Lamar; visitors, Mary Francis Anderson and Tommie Durham. Mrs. Sanders and Mrs. Durham, chaperoned the chowd.

Supt. R. A. Burgess and wife returned first of the week from Austin, where Mr. Burgess has been for several weeks taking special work. They were accompanied by Miss Julia Martin, who had also been taking a special course at the State University.

## MAKE YOUR SCHOOL TRANSFERS NOW

Transfers from adjoining districts to the Merkel Independent School District must be made BEFORE Wednesday, August 1. This may be done by the parent seeing either County Superintendent M. A. Williams at Abilene or Thos. Durham at the Merkel Mail. If your children were enumerated in some other school district last spring when the scholastic census was taken and this year you wish to attend the Merkel School, you should transfer at once whether or not you are going to live within the district. Pupils transferring to Merkel will be given 4 months tuition after which they will be charged regular tuition rates. Transfer today, July 31 is the last day.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Pribble were in Trent Sunday.

## BIG CROWDS HEAR CHARLIE TAYLOR

The revival at the Baptist church which began on last Sunday, is now in full blast and great crowds are in attendance to hear the "Boy preacher", the Rev. Charlie Taylor, who is from London, England, and who has been preaching since he was 9 years of age, and although yet a young man, he is recognized as one of the greatest Evangelists of the time.

Rev. Taylor only preaches at the evening hour, and the morning services are ably and interestingly conducted by the pastor Rev. Ira L. Parrack, and which arrangement will continue on through the week, up until Sunday, when the Evangelist will in the afternoon at four o'clock hold a special service. His subject as this hour will be "The Cheapest Thing on Earth." This is said to be a great soul-stirring message and this paper would urge all who possibly can to attend same.

Pastor Parrack and the membership of his church urge all Christian people to join them in their effort to make the meeting a benefit and blessing to the whole community.

## BAPTIST MEETING AT CASTLE PEAK

Rev. W. A. Thornton, pastor of the Baptist church at Lorraine, Texas is to begin a meeting at Castle Peak School House Six Miles south of Merkel on Saturday night before the 1st Sunday in August. Every body is cordially invited to attend.

## SOME GOOD RULES FOR AVOIDING FIRES

Ashes, whether inside or out side the house, should be placed in metal receptacles. Rags or cloths used in oiling the floors, or polishing furniture often ignite spontaneously; they should be stored in metal containers or else burned after using. If kerosene lamps are used, keep them clean and well filled as those allowed to burn with little oil in them are liable to explode. Hanging electric light cords or nails or hooks is almost certain in time to destroy or injure the insulation; this condition may cause a fire. Kerosene should not be used to enliven a fire, nor poured into a range or furnace even when the fire is out. An electric light bulb used for warming beds or for drying clothes is almost certain to start a fire.

## MAX MELLINGER IS IN EASTERN MARKET

Max Mellinger, owner and proprietor of the Max Mellinger dry goods store in this city, left last week for St. Louis, Chicago, and other eastern market centers, where he will buy for his store in this city one of the largest and best assortment of fall and winter goods that he has ever carried before. He is expected to return home next week.

We trade for old tires. Get our prices. Merkel Motor Co.

Mr. R. L. Bland who, with his family, have recently moved to Abilene, was over yesterday shaking hands with his many friends. Mr. Bland says they like their new home splendidly, but that he is always glad to get back among his Merkel friends.

## CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Last Sunday, Sam Butman Jr. of Merkel celebrated his birthday in his camp while in Johnson Co. Mr. Butman and his family have been touring South Texas the last two months, partly for the former's health, partly for some cotton breeding interest and for the pleasure of all the family. Their large twenty foot tent had been stretched near the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Thomas near Alvarado. A delicious dinner was prepared by Mesdames Butman and Thomas and served under the large tent. When the feast was about ready the party was surprised by the coming of Mrs. Butman's mother, Mrs. M. P. Latimer, Odie Latimer, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Thomas of Merkel. Others came and the table had to be prepared three times to feed the crowd. Ten fifty pound mellons fed the guests at the Melon feast that evening.

## DELPHIAN CLUB NOTICE

The members of the Delphian Club are asked to be present at its regular meeting on Wednesday afternoon, August 1st, in the basement of the Presbyterian church.

## 5TH SUNDAY SINGERS HERE SUNDAY

To the people of Merkel and the Merkel country: This is to remind you that our 5th Sunday singing will meet at the tabernacle Sunday 29th at 10 o'clock. Dinner will be served on the ground. All churches and Choirs of Merkel are invited to cooperate with us, and let us make this day a great success. We are expecting one of the largest crowds that ever gathered in Merkel on an occasion like this. Let every one come and bring a well filled basket and help feed the people and entertain the visitors. E. L. Eason.

## Church of Christ Notes

On account of the fifth Sunday singing which convenes at the tabernacle Sunday morning, we will meet at 9:30 to 11 o'clock for communion services. Be on time, let's get through on time and go to the singing.

Ladies Bible Study each Tuesday afternoon. Come one, come all and lets make these services the best possible.

## FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The Club met last Friday with Mrs. Jasper McCoy.

The first hour was spent in pleasant conversation and interesting music.

A composition was passed having blank spaces to be filled in with Authors. Mrs. B. T. Sublett, guessing the most, received a lovely little bowl.

We were then blind folded and told we were going into Noah's Ark. Mrs. Pogue being last was surprised when her blind fold was removed, for before hung a large blue and pink covered hoop, from which hung pink and blue packages.

Refreshment plates of punch and cakes were passed by Misses Ruth Jenkins and Emma Toombs.

J. H. McDonald, who has been spending a few days here with his family, returned to Oil City Monday night.

Misses Hattie Conway of Colorado and Julia Ann Scott, of Abilene, were guests of Miss Lola Armstrong this week.

## DR. SANDEFER TELLS OF TRIP TO PANAMA

Abilene, July 23.—Tolls received by the United States government from ships passing through the Panama Canal in the first five days of July reached the sum of \$1,300,000, according to a statement given out by President J. D. Sandefer of Simmons College, who has just returned from a trip to Panama and Cuba. Mr. Sandefer was a member of the Texas party sponsored by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, and personally directed by Secretary Porter Whalley of that organization. Some thirty Texans made the trip requiring 19 days; a special boat was arranged for the excursion.

Governor Pat M. Neff was the center of interest both in the party and at all points where they touched. Receptions and entertainments by government officials and friends were extended to the Texans wherever they landed.

In the Canal Zone a government boat was at the disposal of the governor and party. For the third time in its history, the Gatun Spillway was opened purely for the benefit of visitors; the other times being the occasion of President Harding's visit and the event when the Secretary of War assembled the United States Navy there.

In the Zone the party was received by President Porras of Panama, and the American governor of the Zone, Governor Morrow, in company with other officials. Governor Morrow spoke of the tolls for July. He stated also that the United States Government has an income of approximately \$6,000,000 annually above the overhead and upkeep of the Canal. There are nearly 30,000 government employees in the Zone; this includes 7,000 soldiers and marines. One sees there every day ships flying almost every flag under the sun going thru the Canal.

Don't forget the dates of the big shoe sale, Friday and Saturday, August 3rd and 4th at the Woodroof—Bragg Store 11.

## Methodist Church Notes

At the Methodist church on next Sunday morning there will be all the regular services, including Sunday School and the preaching. The pastor, Rev. M. C. Hays, is home now from holding revivals at the neighboring churches, and urges all Methodists to bein attendance Sunday morning.

On account of the revival at the Baptist church there will be no services at the Methodist church Sunday evening, and it is hoped that all will attend the Baptist revival and help to make same a success.

The pastor also announces that there will be held at the church on Monday evening, the third Quarterly Conference, presiding Elder W. M. Lane conducting same, and to which all Methodists are invited with an urgent request that all members of the official board be present.

The Odd Fellows and Rebeccas announce their regular meetings every Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and extend a cordial welcome to all visiting members of these organizations to meet with them.

Mrs. M. R. Woodrum accompanied by her son Frank and granddaughter, little Missie Dye, returned this week from visiting relatives in east Texas.

## Deposit Your Cotton Checks in this Bank

During the fall months is a good time to build your next year's credit structure. Be sure and patronize a bank that has always taken care of the Farmer.

### Ask Our Customers

You insure your Home and your life, why not your deposit?

Only Guaranty Fund Bank in Merkel

## THE FARMERS STATE BANK

John Sears, President  
R. O. Anderson, Cashier

### WHITE CHURCH

Since our last writing, two weeks ago, the farm Bureau solicitors have been among us. Some did not approve; others were handicapped, but quite a few joined.

Our road overseer, Mr. Frank Demere, and his assistant, Mr. Charlie Clinton, are busy this week on the road. The present system is so far superior to the old way that our roads are already showing great improvement.

A nice shower fell Saturday, also Sunday, which will benefit crops considerably. Some few have been damaged by the grass hoppers, but taken together we have fine prospects for a bountiful harvest.

Among those who attended the Old Settler's Picnic at Buffalo Gap Saturday were Uncle Charlie Brown and wife, Belle and Charlie Shuff, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey West, and Messers Snow and families. Although Buffalo Gap is a famous little place for beautiful landscape, it can not compare with Mulberry Canyon. Mr. Mose Brown, his sons and their wives, and Ray Brown and wife returned last week from a weeks outing at different points along the Concho. They reported such a wonderful catch that "going fishing" is the talk at present.

Mr. George Demere and wife and Mr. Demere's sister, Mrs. Mims, from near San Angelo, visited their uncle, Mr. Paul Demere, last week.

Mrs. Alvin Causey from Vernon is visiting her sister, Mrs. Mary Alice Reed Brown.

Mrs. Frazier Demere made a business trip to Sweetwater Saturday.

Our choir is practicing this week preparing for the revival which will begin Friday night. It has been announced that Bro. Camron from Abilene will do the preaching. Everybody come.

When we have better telephone service we will have more news to write. "Optimist".

### The Intermediate C. E. Society

The Intermediate C. E. Society here is still working. Last Sunday we had a splendid program, and certainly hope to have one equally as good or better next Sunday.

Our president, Miss Marjorie Bland, has left us and moved to Abilene, with her parents, and we feel the loss of a splendid Christian Endeavor worker. She, during the time she was in the chair, got the workers interested, and consequently, our society is now one of the very best in this part of the state. We hope to keep up the interest, however, after she is gone, and keep it in 1st. place among the best; in fact, we are determined to. So as the Christian Endeavor is strictly an inter-denominational society, let have the support of the churches.

In the future we hope to achieve many things. We are going to organize an "Expert Endeavor" class soon, and we want as many to join in that as will. It is really a source of training for Endeavor to be better workers in the kingdom. Text books are given out, or obtained, and a course of study is taken up. At the end of the course diplomas are awarded those who finish it, and pins can be bought at small cost, if desired, showing that the course has been completed.

We also hope to purchase a Christian Endeavor Library in the near future, and plans are on foot for the putting forward of a campaign of money making by the Endeavors for that purpose. We hope to have a success in this, as a good library is needed badly.

Endeavors, remember the time and place next Sunday afternoon, and lets make the meeting 100 percent.—C. E. Publicity Committee.

### Intermediate League Program

Song: There is power in the Blood.

Song: Since the fullness of his love came in.

Leader: Godie Richie.

Scripture lesson, Mark 1-37-38, by leader.

The Volunteers to go out, by Owen Hutcheson.

Prayer.

Beginning life in a new country, by Intha Bird.

The ride that saved Oregon for America, Ruth Jenkins

League Benediction.

Intermediate B. Y. P. U.

Subject: Foreign Mission Outlook.

1. Memory verse—Delbert Polly.

2. Scripture Reading, Philipians 2:9-11, Ina Mae Martin.

3. The home Base of Foreign Missions, Lila Mae Bird.

4. Our foreign mission board, Hellen Booth.

5. Our foreign Missionaries, Orpah Patterson.

6. Our church in foreign lands by Lela Brown.

7. Our schools in foreign lands, Ellen Anderson.

8. Our Hospitals in foreign lands, Wylie Elliott.

9. Our printing houses in foreign lands, Charlie Largent.

Tell your friends to wait for the Big Shoe Sale—August 3 & 4 at Woodroof Bragg's.

## Texas Banker Uses Ferrasol

One of the most widely known financiers in Texas is Mr. T. T. Cole, President of the Texas Mortgage Co., of Dallas, who writes: "I am pleased to say that I have used Ferrasol for indigestion and acid stomach and I believe it is the best remedy I have ever tried for such troubles. I know of no better remedy for indigestion, constipation and kidney trouble where due to acidity. Yours truly, (signed) T. T. Cole. For Sale by Merkel Drug Co. at 50c per box. 29tf

### NOTICE CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that bids will be accepted on the wrecking of the old Comper School Building and the construction of a new three room school building on the present site of same, said new building to contain all lumber that is usable salvaged from the old building, contractors who are interested are requested to look the proposition over and submit bids to the county superintendent of Jones county, all bids to be opened at 10:00 A. M. Saturday, July 28, 1923.

The right to reject any or all bids is hereby retained. For further information see the trustees on the ground or write the county superintendent Anson, Texas. 13t3

Don't forget the dates of the big shoe sale, Friday and Saturday, August 3rd and 4th at the Woodroof—Bragg Store 1t.

### Epworth League Program

Program for July 29.

Subject "Types of Missionary Work Abroad."

Leader, Miss Hazel Harkrider.

Song Service promptly at 7.

Prayer.

Five or ten minutes for Testimony Service.

Announcements.

Special Music.

Outline Pointers by Leader.

1. The Cross and the Plow by Mabel McNees.

2. The hungry of India by Judson McRee.

3. Active Hands Save Crime, by Julia Martin.

4. Cyrus Hamblin in Turkey, by Rosa Laney.

5. Workers Needed, by Loyce Dry.

6. A day with an Industrial Missionary, Brannic Bailey.

7. Prayer and Benediction.

Rufus Adcock returned Saturday night from Menard, bringing with him Mrs. Rufus Adcock and the children who have been visiting there for some time.

17 bars P. & G. the White Naptha Soap, one package "Chipso" Soap, equal to 2 bars of soap and 10 quart heavy galvanized bucket, all for \$1.00, at W. W. Campbell's Grocery. 13t2.

MAMMOTH SHOE SALE Starts Friday, 27th, at Brown Dry Goods Company. 1t

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Thornton are the happy and proud parents of twin boys, born on July 23.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Fords Dodges, and Buicks. See McDonald Motor Company. 1t

Subscribe for the Merkel Mail.

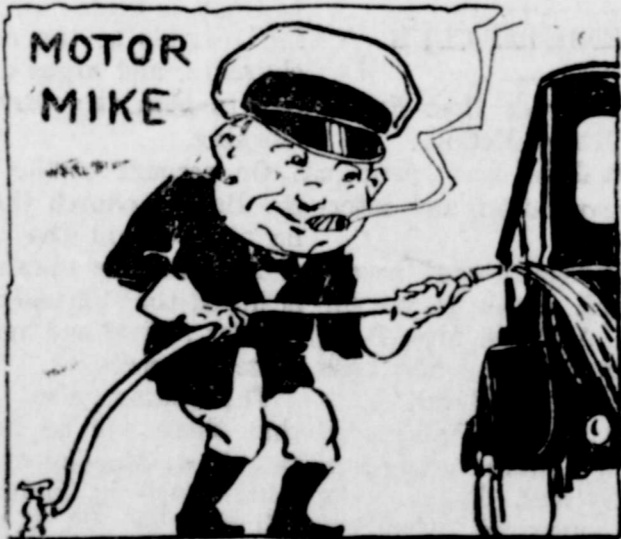
All kinds of tube vulcanizing at Merkel Motor Co. 1t

The Merkel Fifth Sunday Singers Association will meet at Merkel the fifth Sunday, July 29. Every body invited.

Fulger's Golden Cup Coffee at W. F. Hamblett's. 1t

Our Batteries are guaranteed twelve months and we allow a fair price for old ones. Merkel Motor Co. 1t

W. F. Hamblett gives the top price for Eggs twelve months in the year. That's why I always take my Eggs to him. John Smith. 1t



Before your car is down and out, Completely on the bum; We think it wise to visit us-- We'll fix it if you come

"A stitch in time saves nine." You'll find that true about your car.

It's easier to keep out of trouble than to get out of it.

Bring it in time, or anytime. "You tell 'em springs, you, ve had your ups and downs."

**McFarland Garage**

## THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS National Bank



Nothing is MORE IMPORTANT Than a GOOD BANKING CONNECTION The Time to Make it is NOW

We have called especial attention to every published statement we have made and we direct your attention to our statement as of June 30th published below.

Notice our large CASH RESERVE

That we have no Borrowed Money nor Re-discounts

We have taken care of every customers needs and have not turned away a loan which would be attractive to a careful banker.

We sell Travelers' Checks, Good in any Country in the World.

### Condensed Statement Close of Business June 30, 1923

RESOURCES	
Loans, Time and Demand	\$296,614.07
U. S. Securities	9,750.00
Other Bonds and Warrants	34,660.60
Stock in Fed. Reserve Bank	1,960.00
Stock in Fed. Int. Bkg. Co.	900.00
Furniture and Fixtures	4,500.00
Other Real Estate	4,100.00
Five per cent Red. Fund.	312.50
CASH & SIGHT EX.	123,490.35
Overdrafts	195.02
Total	\$476,472.54
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus Fund	15,000.00
Undivided Profits	6,265.74
Circulation Acct.	5,960.00
BILLS PAYABLE	NONE
REDISCOUNTS	NONE
BORROWED MONEY	NONE
DEPOSITS	399,256.80
Total	\$476,472.54

J. T. Warren, President L. R. Thompson, Cashier

### DIRECTORS

J. T. Warren, Geo. F. West, L. R. Thompson, Sam Butman Sr., Henry James

Durability comes first, we have it. SERVICE comes next, we give it. SATISFACTION is what we all want, we guarantee it. Cash Tailor Shop. Phone 180

Preparations are being made to entertain a large crowd of people at the fifth Sunday singing convention of this district which convenes in this city next Sunday at the Tabernacle. There will be singing all day and dinner will be served to all on the ground. Noted singers throughout the district will be in attendance and the program will be a pleasing and varied one.

Mrs. James West and children have returned from several days visit at Corpus Christi.

Charge Pads for sale at the Merkel Mail office. 1t

Try the Ford Shop for work. We are equipped to do it right. Merkel Motor Co. 1t

J. L. Cummings, of Oklahoma is here for a short visit with his brother, Judge E. S. Cummings.

Woodroof—Bragg Co will put on the biggest shoe sale ever known in Merkel on Aug. 3 and 4. 1t

Mr. J. Ben Campbell, the efficient and accommodating carrier on rural route number two out of this city, accompanied by his wife, made a business and social visit to Lawn yesterday.

New Mexico Fancy Egg and Colorado Fancy Lump Coal—BUY NOW. T. J. R. Swafford. Phone 44 South Side. 1t

## COZY THEATRE

Saturday July 28

### FRANKLIN FARNUM

IN GUN SHY

ALSO— ARROW COMEDY

AND— SCREEN SHOTS

EXTRA—

### AUTO RACES

(And an Abilene Holiday)

"Shot" July 4th

Come to the Merkel Mail office or your Counter Charge pads.

**The Merkel Mail**

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ALL ADVERTISEMENTS MUST BE IN THIS OFFICE BY SIX O'CLOCK P. M. WEDNESDAY FOR INSERTION IN THAT WEEK'S ISSUE OF THE MAIL

Foreign Advertising Representative THE AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

It's the cheapest and easiest thing in the world to have some thing ugly to say about some one, and when said may do much injury. But we would feel much better to have said something good, or at least to have said nothing.

Every town that has a "Free Tourist Park" is finding same a good investment. In fact, but few towns located on such a prominent state and national highway as is Merkel are now without a tourists park.

No. of course you my not agree with your next door neighbor about things political, but you should not loose sight of the fact that he is just as much entitled to his view and opinions as you. We should be more tolerant of the other fellows views, and then it is more than likely that others will have more patience with us and our views.

Alton Davis came home the first of the week, after visiting relatives at Roscoe.

Miss Catherine Clapp of Beaumont is here the guest of Miss Lilley Pratt Sears.

Mrs. W. E. Petty, of Dallas, is here for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Tipton.

Miss Ann Spert, of Temple, is the guest of Miss Lula Mae Boaz.

Mrs. A. C. Rose returned yesterday from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Rose at Sweetwater.

J. E. Hendrix was in Sweetwater Sunday in attendance on the Milholland meeting which is in progress in that city.

Mrs. H. C. Coit and children of Renner, Texas, are guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Warren, this week.

John Woodrum and wife of Abilene, were here Sunday the guests of the former's mother, Mrs. M. R. Woodrum.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Ben Campbell were among those of this city attending the Milholland revival at Sweetwater Sunday.

W. H. Bryant, of Lufkin, Texas, is here for a visit with his brother, A. L. Bryant, splendid painter and decorator.

Percy Jones and family have returned from their visit with friends and relatives at Tennyson, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Burns are this week enjoying a visit from their son Ira of Fort Worth and daughter, Mrs. J. A. Sewell of Port Arthur.

We are in receipt of a letter from C. L. Eoff, who recently left this city for California, asking us to send him the Merkel Mail to Imperial Valley, where he expects to make his home.

Mrs. J. P. Hutchins has been enjoying a pleasant visit from her brother, Mr. J. M. Barnett of Paris, Texas, who first of the week left for hos home.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Adcock and children and Mrs. M. J. Bankhead were in Sweetwater Sunday visiting friends and attending the Milholland meeting at the Church of Christ.

This office is glad to acknowledge the receipt of a copy of the "Premium List" of the West Texas Fair, to be held at Abilene, beginning September 24 to 29 inclusive. And it is a big book, chock full of a list of interesting premiums; yes, just like the West Texas Fair itself, getting bigger and better as the years come and go. And the reason the West Texas Fair is getting bigger and better, is because the town of Abilene is literally growing in leaps and bounds. And the reason both the West Texas Fair and the city of Abilene are growing is because there lives in that city a bunch of business men and citizens who are alive, progressive and up-to-date; men who are proud of their town and who are willing to co-operate with each other in an effort to make the city of Abilene the real city which she is sure to become. And she is no small berg now. But she is what she is today as much because of the cooperative spirit of her citizenship as from any other reason.

Mrs. W. F. Hamblett left Saturday morning for Colorado City wher she goes to attend a reunion of the Handy family on Monday. She will be absent for eight of ten days.

Mr. J. S. Thomas, splendid salesman for the Barrow Furniture Company of this city, is spending his vacation by visiting friends and relatives at Caps Ballinger and other points.

The Editor and family are thankful to Mr. Lee Acuff, the accommodating manager of the Gem Theatre, for a nice lot of big fine ripe tomatoes and sweet peppers, which Mr. Acuff raised in his own garden.

Messrs A. C. Rose and J. G. Hale were in Lubbock several days his week on business.

There is a revival going on in this city. Those in charge have solicited the aid and cooperation of the Christian people of the city. Are we as Christians giving this revival our hearty cooperation? It is being said daily that there never was a time when the world was suffering so for the need of the true Christian religion. Then why not all Christian people cooperate in any revival that may be in progress in our city.

Mr. and Mrs T. G. Bragg, accompanied by their daughter, Miss Iva and Mrs. Dee Grimes and baby, left first of the week for Glenrose, Texas, for a few days visit and rest.

MAMMOTH SHOE SALE Starts Friday, 27th, at Brown Dry Goods Company. 1t

I have some A-grade M. Johnson White Leghorn Cockerels for sale at \$1.00 and some special mating at \$1.50. J. S. Touchstone, Hawley, Route 2. 7t6pd

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FOR SALE—1000 acres, large per cent rich mesquite valley land, 4 miles east of Merkel, at \$27.50 per acre. Will sub-divide tract to suit buyers when all sold. Terms if desired. Various other farms, ranches and Abilene city property for sale or trade. Jesse Scott Realty Co., 124 1/2 Pine street, Abilene, Texas, Phone 79. 6t4p

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Fords Dodges, and Buicks. See McDonald Motor Company. tf

FOR TRADE—Good Piano, for lot in Merkel. See T. W. Collins.

**Tutt's Pills**  
The first dose establishes the invalid, giving immediate relief, regulating bowels and digestive organs, inducing  
**GOOD DIGESTION**

**Closing Out Week**

**On all Refrigerators and  
Porch Goods**

We have only a few Refrigerators, Porch swings, Rockers, etc. left, and to avoid carrying any of them over to next season, we are pricing them this week so they will move out. If you are interested in either of the above articles see us this week.

See our new arrivals in Parlor suits, Floor lamps, and bed room suits.

We will sell you new Furniture and buy your Old.

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**BIRTHDAY PARTY**

Winston Winter entertained his friends Sunday evening with a birthday party. A real good time was had by all who attended. Games of various kinds were played, until all became tired. Then the huge birthday cake was cut and served with lemonade.

The little guests included, Emmet and Jerrell Tiner, Doris and Marmon Winter, Buck James Jr. Edna and Edrie Tiner, Clarence and Jromvel Grayson, Marris Phillips, and Josephine Winter from Abilene.

Battery work done at Merkel Motor Company. tf

Mrs. Bradshaw and daughters Amy and Lenodine, are away on a visit with relatives at Axtell and Honey Grove.

Dr. J. E. Atkinson and family of San Antonio, are here this week for a visit among friends and relatives.

Mr. Doss Shepard arived last week from Dallas to join his wife and daughter in a visit to relatives here.

Don't forget the dates of the big shoe sale, Friday and Saturday, August 3rd and 4th at the Woodroof—Bragg Store 1t.

Homer Magnes and family of Dallas, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Gamble this week.

New Mexico Fancy Egg and Colorado Fancy Lump Coal—BUY NOW. T. J. R. Swafford, Phone 44 South Side.

Buy Ford Parts at Ford Headquarters and save money. Merkel Motor Co. tf

Tell your friends to wait for the Big Shoe Sale—August 3 & 4 at Woodroof Bragg's. It

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New Mexico Fancy Egg  
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Cleanest and best for this country. Storage coals now coming in—don't wait till coal weather comes; buy half your needs now.

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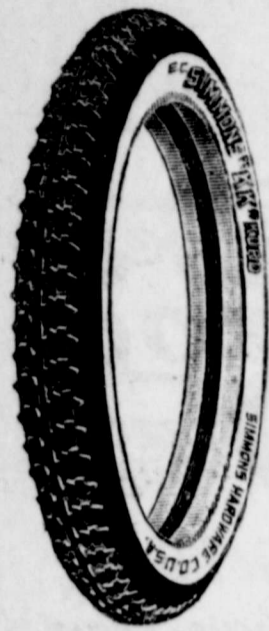
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**Just Received two shipments of  
Queensware and have  
More in Transit**

**So don't eat out of Tin Lids,  
Come in and we can  
Fit you up.**

**Guaranteed or Cheap Stuff**

**Some specials in Hardware, come  
in and let us tell you and show you.**

**WAGONS  
HARNESS  
DISC PLOWS**

## Liberty Hardware Company

"The Only Exclusive Hardware Store in Merkel"

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McNees have within the last few weeks enjoyed the pleasure of having with them all their children and last week they were all here at the same time, with the exception of two; Mrs. Mamie Crawford, of Alpine, and Mrs. Laveria Yates of Cisco. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. C. Leslie McNees, of Arizona; Jas L. and U. M. McNees, of Dallas, R. A. McNees and wife of San Antonio, Mrs. R. L. Myers of Abilene, and Mrs. P. T. Redding and Miss Mabel of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Weaver of Big Spring, were the guests here Saturday night and Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Arrington. Mr. Weaver stated to the Editor that his country had been blessed with fine rains, amounting to two inches on last Friday and that crops were looking very fine.

Mr. H. L. Propst returned first of the week from a business trip to Plainview, where he owns a fine block of business property.

Eld. W. G. Cypert returned first of the week from Burnett Texas, where he has just closed a splendid and successful ten days revival. Brother Cypert will leave last of the week for Bronte, where he will begin Sunday another ten days meeting.

Editor and Mrs. R. L. Scott of the De Leon Free Press, were in the city last Sunday to attend the funeral and burial of Geo. Hill, whose remains had been shipped here from San Angelo, where on Saturday his death took place. Mr. Scott and Mr. Hill were brothers-in-law. We also regret to learn that on Tuesday night of last week Mr. Scott had the misfortune to lose his entire plant by fire.

Dr. Cranford, B. C. Gaither, S. A. Freeman and wife, and G. W. Boyce, were among the many Merkelites attending the Old Settlers Picnic at Buffalo Gap last Saturday.

Woodroof—Bragg Co will put on the biggest shoe sale ever known in Merkel on Aug. 3 and 4.

### LAUNDRY SERVICE

Do you dread wash day?—Then comes the ironing, do you enjoy that? Did you know you could have your entire family washing and ironing done at a less figure than you can afford to do it yourself, or by a wash-woman? We are in that business, work fifty four people who thoroughly know their line of duty. A trial will be convincing to you that you have been awakened to something appreciative. Cleaning and Pressing. No gas odor—One day service for prices that you can afford to pay. Let me at least relieve you of some of your hard work. Ask those who are using the service. My Flat rate, rough dry rate, or Semi finish rate will appeal to you. Ligon, the Laundryman. Phone 218 brings my car.

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FOR SALE SECOND HAND LUMBER

I have second hand lumber for sale. Also one 75 barrel tank and 14 foot tank tower. Lumber good for making cotton wagon frames and feed bins. R. O. Anderson. 2012

I want 2,000 Hens and 4,000 fryers. Bring your chickens, eggs, hides, butter, junk, Brass and copper. Will pay cash and will sell your groceries at a profit to you. Come to see me at the little store in the alley. W. P. Duckett. 2012

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Come in and get full details.

## Merkel Motor Company

Lincoln — Ford — Fordson  
Merkel, Texas

Our good friend Buck Moore was in the city one day this week, and stated that while his crops were very good he would be glad to see a good general rain; in fact he was of the opinion that a good rain would be of much benefit to all crops at this time. He also stated that he was still making war on Mr. Grasshopper, and had so far saved his crops by the use of a flock of turkeys of about 120 in number which he drives into the field every morning where they remain for three or four hours.

T. W. Collins splendid local building contractor who owns a fine farm in the Stith community, informs us that at present he has fine crops on his place this year, and that with a rain soon he feels sure of a big yield of cotton. He stated that his feed was planted early and is heavy and well matured.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Scott and party of friends who motored down to Christoval last week for a few days outing on the banks of the beautiful South Concho, returned Monday and report a lovely time.

Mrs. L. R. Cypert is home from West Texas Sanitarium at Lubbock, where she underwent an operation some time ago. She is reported doing nicely.—Crosbyton Review.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Sears returned last week from a trip to their ranch in Menard county. Mr. Sears reports finding conditions on the ranch in fair shape.

Plenty of Good Used Fords at Merkel Motor Co.

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## CAN DO ALL HER WORK WITH EASE

Stella Vitae Built Her Up and Gave Her Strength, Says Mrs. Thurmond

"I was hardly able to get around before taking Stella Vitae, but now I can do all my work with the greatest ease," said Mrs. B. A. Thurmond, of Inez, Texas.

"My work is very confining and some time ago I felt it was wearing me out and I was threatened with a breakdown. I lost my strength and became so weak and rundown I was hardly able to go. I felt tired and worn out and it would nearly kill me to get up in the morning and start to dress.

"I had heard much praise of Stella Vitae and what good it was doing others. I got a bottle and felt better after taking it. I kept it up and took about five in all and now I am feeling fine. It built me up and gave me the strength and energy I needed."

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## Dr. Gilbert Uses Ferrasal

I am using Ferrasal for indigestion and acid stomach and it is the best remedy I have ever taken. I also recommend it in my practice for pyorrhea and acid conditions of the mouth, and am getting excellent results. I know others will appreciate Ferrasal as much as I do if you will bring it to their attention. Dr. J. M. Gilbert, 1413 1/2 Elm street, Dallas, Texas. 50c per box at Merkel Drug Co. 291f

## LADY GOT SO WEAK COULD SCARCELY STAND

After Suffering From Many Female Troubles This Lady Heard of Cardui and Took it, She Says, "Until I Was Well."

"SOME TIME AGO," says Mrs. Buena, McFarland, of R. F. D. 2, Bostic, N. C., "I suffered a great deal with weakness common to women. I had bearing-down pains, my sides and back hurt, and my limbs drew. I would get so weak in my knees I could scarcely stand.

"I was very nervous, and could not rest. I didn't feel like eating. I grew thin, and did not have ambition for anything.

"I had been trying other remedies . . . but did not get any better.

"Some one told us of Cardui, and what it was recommended for. I also

took a Ladies Birthday Almanac and read of a case something like mine. I told my husband to get it and I would try it.

"I saw a great improvement after the first bottle (of Cardui), so I kept it up until I was well. Now I am the picture of health."

Thousands of other women have written, to tell of the beneficial results obtained by taking Cardui, and to recommend it to others.

Cardui has stood the test of extensive use, for more than forty years, in the treatment of troubles common to women. Try it.

Stanley King dropped into the Mail office early Wednesday morning and handled us the wherewith to have the paper sent to him at Moran, where he is this week moving with his family; he having a splendid position with an oil company in that city. Mr. and Mrs. King are fine folks and we regret to lose them from among us.

D. J. Hartley of the Salt Branch community, was in the city first of the week and dropped into this office and had us change the address of his paper to Plainview, where he will make his home in the future. We join his friends in wishing for him much success in his new home.

Miss Sella Stanfield of Wichita Falls is a guest of Mrs. Dr. W. V. Cranford this week.

Dr. N. J. Smith and son Carl, of Hamlin, were over yesterday on business.

Mrs. Gladys Bankhead and children are in the city from Snyder visiting friends and relatives.

A. D. Acuff and children of Stamford were the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Acuff, Sunday.

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The HOME of the Everlasting rease. Well pressed is well dressed. Cash Tailor Shop. Phone 180. It

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## Be ahead of trouble

Insurance today is worth a hundred regrets tomorrow.

Our office is open six days every week--and six nights if necessary--to discuss, advise, counsel, investigate and go over your insurance.

Even hours may make a difference to you. Fires come in a minute. A loss may occur in less than a minute.

Insure today -- now -- telephone us. We are ready.

## W. O. BONEY

MERKEL, TEXAS

s. Farmer left Thursday morning on a weeks visit with his son at Baird.

## New At West's

We have just received this week, shipments of the following accessories that will be of interest to the Car Owner.

**Fox Theftproof LOCKING STEERING WHEELS** for Ford Cars. Positive insurance against the theft of your car.

**PREMIER VISORS**—Light, durable, attractive. Your car should have one.

**FENDER BRACES** for Ford Cars, front and rear. Quite an assortment of styles and prices from which to choose

In fact, if it's **GENUINE Ford Parts, Ford Supplies** or accessories that you need you'll always find that our stock is complete.

We appreciate the patronage extended our Auto Supply Department. We thank you.

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## HORN NEWS

Well we have been gone for some few weeks, but we are back on the job now.

Crops are looking fine here except some feed. Cotton will need rain in some two weeks or more, but hope the good Lord will send a good general rain sooner. It would mean one of the best cotton crops ever made in this part of the country. That is saying lots, but it would be true.

Quite a few have been going to hear Charlie Taylor.

We are planning a two weeks singing school here by Mr. V. W. Lepard. He was called to Post at the Friendship Church to sing. Mrs. Lepard accompanied him.

Miss Voda Cole went to Post last week. White Dove.

## White Church Cemetery Notice

In accordance with an agreement at our last meeting, the second Wednesday in August (August 8) is the day set for our next meeting to do other necessary improvement work on our cemetery. At this meeting we expect to move the fence to the new line, so, as has been our custom heretofore, come prepared to spend the day, bringing such tools as may be needed in fencing, grubbing, etc. Any one who may be interested in any way has an invitation to meet with us. Dillard R. Snow, Secretary and Treasurer of Board of Trustees.

## Baptist Announcements

Sunday School 10 a.m. and our goal is 350 for the hour. Let every teacher and officer be in their places early to greet each pupil as they come in. Especially should new pupils and strangers be welcomed and made to feel at home. Let every member of every class be on time and if possible have a new pupil present.

Preaching by the pastor at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. At the morning hour the pastor will preach by request on "The Three Classes of Church members".

At the evening hour there will be a baptismal service for those approved for baptism during the meeting.

At three o'clock in the afternoon the pastor will preach at Compere.

Young peoples meetings at 7 in the afternoon.

Let's make Sunday a good day for the Lord. Ira L. Parrack.

## Epworth League Program

Subject—The Psalm of Life: God Manifested in Nature.

Leader, Edith Brown.

Song Service.

Prayer; Scripture reading.

Male Quartett.

Address by Leader.

Three minute talks by the following:

1. Wrenn Durham.
  2. Cyrus Pee.
  3. Edna Watts.
  4. Sie Hamm.
  5. Blanche Durham.
  6. Geneva Middleton.
  7. Hazel Harkrider.
- Hymn.  
Dialogue, Leader and leaguers.  
Benediction.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Sharp and children visited in Abilene Sunday afternoon. They went down with Miss Roxie Sharp who is attending Simmons College.

R. D. Davis and family of Dallas county, were guests first of the week of the former's brother T. T. Davis and family.

W. O. Dial of Rotan, Texas, was here last Saturday mixing with friends and looking after business matters.

## Farm Bureau Meeting

We are requested to announce that there will be a meeting of the Farm Bureau members at Odd Fellow Hall on next Monday night, August 6th. All members in the Merkel trade territory are urged to be present.

## "TOGETHER WE STAND"

Practically 2000 of us are standing together, agreeing to pay \$1 each when a fellow member dies. Why are you not with us? The Citizens Mutual announced six months ago that it was organized on a firm basis, under efficient and experienced management, and would positively show you the fastest growth ever made in Texas. We have. We told you we would only accept sound healthy risks—name ONE BAD ONE. We told you Citizens Insurance would be the cheapest known. Is it? One Club reached 1000 members some time ago. Club number two will soon be completed, club number three making rapid growth. Neither ever HAD A DEATH—because we don't write bad risks. Is that cheap enough? Now we are anxious to convince reasonable minded people—and if you are reasonable you are surely convinced. There is no sense to your statement that you have known some little two-by-four mutual that never did amount to any thing and we probably won't. You have no right to make that comparison. The Citizens is conducted as you would have it conducted. If you are in good health, why don't you protect your family and help the rest of us protect ours. It will be easier for you to pay \$1 five or six times a year than it will be for your family to make \$1000 after you are gone. Think it over—don't put it off until you can spare the money. That time will never come and that is what your friend did that is now in the cemetery—you know. Do it now. These facts are given about the CITIZENS—remember its name. Drop us a card for information.

CITIZENS MUTUAL  
Abilene, Texas. It

Just a few more days left to buy your shoes at a great saving. Brown D.G. Co. It

Miss Lois Able of Dayton, Tenn., is here for a visit with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Compton.

J. A. Buford and wife, R. R. Buford and family, Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Buford and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hutcheson and Mrs. Mason Pee spent a few days outing and fishing on the Concho. They report a fine time.

The jury in the Blanton case at Comanche only deliberated three hours, and then returned a verdict in favor of the defendant. And it seems that their verdict has met with almost universal approval. No doubt Congressman Blanton is more popular today with his constituents than ever before.

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## FOUND

FOUND—A bunch of keys. Owner can get same at the West Barber Shop by paying for this notice.

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In order to make room for our new goods that are soon to arrive we are making

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this week on our entire line of bed room suits.

We have an excellent line of Bed Room Suits, in the different grades and finishes.

Prices (for 4 piece suit) from \$76.50 to \$185.00, this enables you to buy a complete suit, for less money than you have to pay for a few unmatched pieces  
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Notice is hereby given that I have in my pasture a stray, red yearling heifer. Owner can get same by calling and identifying same and paying expenses of keeping and ad. G. B. Neill.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Boaz left this week for Fort Worth where they will spend some time in outing and recreation. They were accompanied on their trip by Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Cox, of Abilene.

We regret to learn that Bill Stevens, who has been connected with the Ranger League Base Ball team this summer, came in home first of the week very ill.

Courtney Hunt and family of Haskell, are guests of friends and relatives this week in Merkel.

## Delphian Notice

The Mail is requested to announce that there will be no more meetings of the Delphian Chapter until the 3rd. Wednesday in September.

Joe Noble and family of Fort Worth, are here this week guests in the home of S. C. Keith and wife and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hutchison.

Miss Selma Hendrix left this week for Denver, Colorado, to spend a month.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Campbell have returned from Shreveport, La., where they were called on account of the death of Mr. Campbell's father.

Miss Osse Teaff, who is attending Simmons College, was the week end guest of home folk and friends.

Mr. Sanders R.F.D. Carrier number three out of Merkel, is away on his vacation and Mr. Hathaway is carrying the mail in his absence.

Miss Sadie Lou Gandy of Breckenridge, is in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. C. M. Pogue.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Conner returned last week from vacation trip to points in south and east Texas, and Mr. Connor is back on the job with the John S. Hughes Grocery Company.

Mrs. Mary E. Cummings, of Anadarko, Oklahoma, came in yesterday for a visit with her son, Judge E. S. Cummings.

Miss Ella Merlen Weed, accompanied by Misses Audie Ripley and Gertie Biggs of Comanche, are visiting near Golan this week.

## FEELING BETTER NOW EVERY DAY

"My Improvement Began Right After Taking Stella Vitae," Says Waco Woman

"I wish I could tell every woman in Texas what a wonderful tonic Stella Vitae is," said Mrs. Willie D. Brown, 308 Archie St., Waco, Texas.

"My head ached something awful, pains in my back and around my stomach nearly killed me, my legs hurt and would swell like I had the dropsy. I had no appetite, what little I did eat soured and caused gas and great distress in my stomach. I was terribly nervous and could hardly sleep at all when I went to bed.

"Stella Vitae helped me right from the start and I am feeling better every day I live. I haven't been taking it long enough to get the full effects yet, but if I keep on improving like I am now it won't be long before I will be as strong and well as I ever was."

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Don't fail to see the bed room Bargains at Barrow's this week.

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### FORD MOTOR COMPANY NOW MAKING PAPER

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 1.—Wood pulp produced from hard wood for use in paper making is the latest attainment at the River Rouge plant of the Ford Motor Company.

It is the first time in history of the paper manufacturing industry that hard wood has been successfully converted by what is known as the "soda process" into pulp so that it could be utilized in the production of paper and therefore is an achievement of outstanding importance. Here tofore, spruce, poplar, and similar soft woods have been looked upon as the only kinds available for paper manufacture. Experiments covering several months were carried on before the River Rouge plant paper mill finally developed a process whereby hard wood could be used in the making of pulp. Now manufacture is being successfully carried out on a large scale with plans under way for increasing production as soon as new equipment can be installed.

The development of the new process enables the Ford Motor Company to use all of the scrap pieces from its body-building plant at River Rouge, thus effecting a new economy in lumber conservation. The scrap lumber goes into a great machine where it is chipped, and then carried by suction pipes to an immense digester. About 18,000 pounds, or nine tons of chipped wood are placed in the digester for one batch and average about 75 per cent hard maple, the remainder of oak, ash and other hard wood. To these are added 4,500 gallons of caustic solution of sufficient strength to reduce the chips to a high-quality fibre under seven hours cooking at 110 pounds steam pressure.

When the digesting process is completed the fibre is pumped into washing machines and thoroughly cleansed. It comes out 100 per cent wood fibre ready for paper manufacture.

Production at the mill at present is confined to that of a superior quality of binder board, .075 to .090 of an inch thick, of a firm body, water proof and exceptionally durable.

The mill, operating on a twenty-four hour schedule daily, produces 26,480 finished pieces and in addition turns out 1,000 boxes for shipping purposes.

This latest development of the River Rouge Plant is in keeping with the company's general policy of eliminating waste wherever possible and of continually setting new and higher standards of manufacture so as to bring the utmost in quality.

Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Touchstone of Chillicothe, who have been here for some time the guests of friends and relatives, returned this week to their home.

Ed Heeter was up this week from the oil fields for a visit with his wife and baby.

Mrs. E. L. Turner and children left yesterday for a visit with relatives at Bomarton, Texas.

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H. L. Propst was in Sweetwater Sunday.

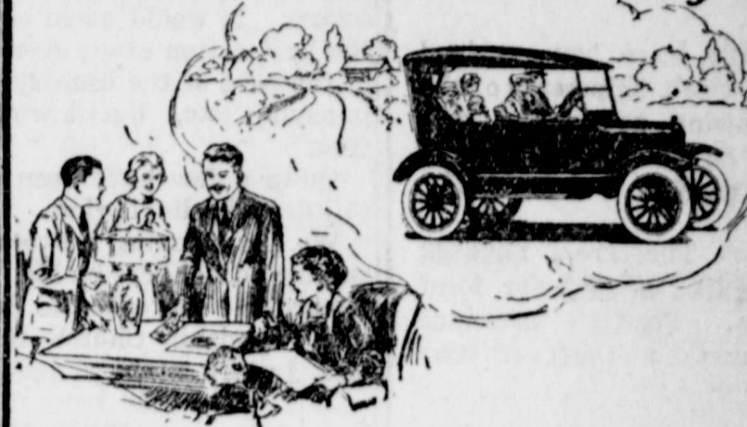
Buy your groceries at the little store in the alley and save money. 3t2

Mrs. Geo. McCann of Abilene, was the guest of Mrs. Pearl Hollingsworth Tuesday night.

Mrs. J. W. Brown and little granddaughter, Dorothy Armstrong, visited in Baird Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doss Sheppard, who have been here for the past three weeks visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sheppard, returned to their home in Dallas Tuesday.

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See Barrow's ad on Bed Room Suits this week. It

### Trades Day at Merkel

On each Trades Day from now until further notice, the Kent Street Wagon Yard will be open and FREE to one and all.

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Evangelist W. G. Cypert is in Bronte, Coke county, this week conducting a revival meeting.

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J. O. Hamilton is at home after a pleasant visit with his son, Will, who is practicing law at Snyder, Texas.

Mrs. W. V. Cranford and daughter, Mrs. L. D. Gaither, returned Monday evening from Abilene where they had been visiting for a few days.

Roger A. Burgess, superintendent of our schools, accompanied by Mrs. Burgess, left Tuesday morning for a three weeks visit with relatives at Lubbock.

Mrs. Ben Pilcher visited in Abilene Friday.

Mrs. S. D. Gamble is visiting in Fort Worth and Dallas.

Claud Bigham was in from the ranch Saturday.

Owen Ellis spent last week in Dallas.

Miss Joe Willie Yandell visited in Abilene Sunday.

Lee Acuff was in Abilene on Monday.

Dr. Charley Williams and sister, Mrs. John Rice, were in the city Sunday from Abilene.

Mrs. J. E. Hendrix returned Monday evening from a short visit in Abilene.

Joe Martin was down from Sweetwater and spent the day with friends Sunday.

Miss Iva Horton is a guest in the home of her sister, Mrs. A. D. Boggs in Abilene.

Mrs. Bradshaw and children have returned from a visit of several days at Axtell.

Mrs. E. S. Murphy of Abilene, was here last week the guest of her daughter, Mrs. O. R. Dye.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Fords Dodges, and Buicks. See McDonald Motor Company. It

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