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ROAD BOND ELECTION NEXT TUESDAY

Abilene, Texas, Oct. 6. To the Automobile Owners of Taylor county:

On Tuesday, October 16, the citizens of Taylor County will be called upon to vote as to whether or not this county will issue bonds in the sum of \$350,000 with which to meet an offer of \$650,000 from State and Federal governments—the entire one million dollars thus secured to be expended in hard surfacing sixty miles of highways, north and south and east and west through Taylor County.

You, as the owner and operator of an automobile, are primarily interested in this matter. Leaving aside all consideration of comfort and convenience as well as the tremendous advantage to be derived from having such roads in our community, a mere consideration of dollars and cents in saving to you should quickly convince you that this is a matter that should have your whole hearted support.

The proposed bond issue will cost the tax payers of this county 15 cents on the \$100, or \$1.50 on the \$1,000 of property rendered for taxation. If your rendition will subject you to a tax of less than \$50 per year it will be to your great financial advantage to vote for its measure.

Actual experiments have shown that automobiles can get 25 per cent more mileage on gasoline on paved roads than they can on dirt or gravelled roads in dry weather. In wet weather anything but a paved road is usually impassable. It has also been conclusively shown that tires will wear at least 30 percent longer on paved roads, and that the entire car will be saved at least 25 percent in depreciation. Assuming that the average car is worth \$600 and that it will use \$100 worth of gasoline per year and \$100 worth of tires, this would mean a total saving of \$105 per year to each car. Taylor county has 5,500 automobiles, which would place the actual money savings to this county at \$557,500 per year, nearly twice as much as the entire bond issue the county will be called upon for.

Before you turn down this proposition on the ground that it means more taxes, remember that the "bad roads tax" is the heaviest tax you, as an automobile owner, have to pay at present. And your only hope of relief is in building hard-surface enduring highways over which to travel.

And do not get that if we vote these bonds and take advantage of the two for one offer of the State and Federal governments, we will be forever relieved of the maintenance of the State highways in Taylor County. If we do not take advantage of this opportunity we will never have decent roads and our maintenance tax will grow heavier and heavier with the passing years.

If you believe in progress; if you believe in sane investment for the sake of proven economy do not fail to support this measure. Go to the polls and vote next Tuesday, October 16, and take your neighbor with you. This opportunity will never come again. Respectfully, Taylor County Good Roads Committee, Dallas, Scarborough, Chairman.

Miss Hollis Cypert who has been spending her vacation with parents, Eld. and Mrs. W. G. Cypert left last week for Dallas, where she is employed.

MR. J. T. ANDERSON DIES THURSDAY FOLLOWING A MINOR OPERATION

Just as this paper was ready to be placed on the press for publication Thursday night at nine o'clock, we regret to learn of the sad and unexpected death of Mr. J. T. Anderson, following a minor operation early in the afternoon, when he had a couple of fingers removed, which were accidentally crushed some weeks ago in some machinery.

Deceased was the father of Mr. R. O. Anderson, Cashier of the Farmers State Bank of this city, and has a host of close friends who will be made sad indeed to learn of his unexpected death.

This paper will give a more full and complete report of the life and burial of this good man in our next issue.

HOME TEAM WINS OVER BAIRD HIGH

The foot-ball team of Merkel won the first game at home last Friday by piling up a large score against the Baird High team. The score being 43 to 0 in Merkel's favor.

The locals were slightly out weighed, but showed good form in breaking up plays started by the Baird team, often smashing the plays before they reached the line of scrimmage.

Their offensive was good at all times, permitting the backs to get away for long gains, although only 2 or 3 different plays were used. The Merkel boys could easily have piled up a larger score by using more assorted plays but playing safe foot ball and resorting only to end runs and line plunges were able to out come their opponents.

Merkel did not attempt a single forward pass, while Baird tried several all of which were incomplete.

The boys play Winters High today and are expecting to beat them by an even larger score. Boost the team.

NATIVE WHITE TEXANS ARE NOT ILLITERATES

Austin, Texas, Sep. 24—Illiteracy in Texas is the subject of a remarkable bulletin which has just been published by the University of Texas Press, containing the results of investigations made by E. E. Davis, of the Bureau of Extension of the University at the request of both houses of the Legislature and the Governor of Texas. It was discovered that the task of removing illiteracy in the state was closely related to the problems of education in general and to the problems of immigration particularly the Mexican immigrant. The bulletin discusses these and makes certain recommendations.

"Persons who can read and write a foreign language, but who cannot read and write English are not classed as illiterates," states Mr. Davis in the bulletin. "There are good reasons for believing that the number of such people is considerably in excess of 400,000. The persons designated as illiterate are those over ten years of age who can neither read nor write any language, or who can read but not write. In 1920, there was a total of 295,844 illiterate persons in Texas. This was 8.3 percent of the entire population of the state ten years of age and over.

In 1920 there was in Texas 2,648,333 native white persons 10 years of age and over, three percent of whom were illiterate.

NEW FIRMS ARE TO OPEN HERE

We are informed that Mr. B. C. Hancock, formerly in the Cafe business in Merkel, but for the past two years residing in Ranger, with Messrs. Sheppard also of Ranger, have purchased the fixtures in the Gaithr building on Main street and on next Saturday, Oct. 13 will open a new Cafe to be known as the "City Cafe".

Mr. Hancock was formerly in the Cafe business in Merkel and is well and favorably known, and we understand that his partners are likewise experienced in the business.

This paper also calls attention of our readers to their advertisement in this issue, for further particulars concerning the opening of this new business.

Announcement is made in this paper of the opening in the near future of a nice line of Christmas Toys and Racket goods in the old Star Store building on Main Street.

Mr. Claude Comeys will be the efficient and courteous manager of the new store. Read the announcement in this paper.

A new barber shop with Messrs. Dunn and Rutledge as proprietors has this week been opened in the building just opposite the Merkel Mail office. These gentlemen have a nice, clean uptodate shop and are experienced barbers. Read their announcement in this paper.

CELEBRATES HIS 81ST BIRTHDAY

On last Wednesday, October 3rd, Mr. J. L. (grandpa) Chambliss celebrated his eighty first birthday by inviting children, friends, and neighbors to a fine dinner prepared by his excellent wife.

There were forty present and all did justice to the good things set before them.

Grandpa and wife were the recipients of many presents besides money given and checks amounting to a goodly sum.

All enjoyed the happy occasion, and wish for them many more days like that one.

OPERATED ON FOR APPENDICITIS

The many friends of Miss Melba West, eldest daughter of Mayor and Mrs. H. C. West, will be glad to learn that she is doing nicely after an operation first of the week at Abilene for Appendicitis.

We join the family's host of friends in wishing for a speedy recovery.

Civilization advances and roads continue to be improved. In some localities this road improvement may be slower than others but the march of progress is felt even in the most backward communities, and all setbacks are only temporary.

332,955 foreign born white persons ten years of age and over, 33.8 percent of whom were illiterate, and 572,719 negroes ten years of age and over and 17.8 percent of whom were illiterate. The numerical distribution of illiterates in Texas according to race and nationality are as follows: native white, 80,643; foreign born white, 112,417; negro, 102,053; others 741."

POULTRY RAISERS ORGANIZE HERE

The managers of the "Texas Farm Bureau Poultry Association" have been working hard for some time toward the completion of the organization. I am proud to announce that the association will begin functioning October 16.

Mr. W. F. Hamblett will be receiver of poultry and eggs of Merkel; Bradley and Co. will be receivers at Stith. Receivers in other communities will be appointed as soon as possible.

The poultry and eggs (turkeys later on) will be pooled in the association. These commodities will be sold, expenses of handling same deducted, and pay checks will be mailed to each member from Dallas. Mr. Geo. T. Platt of Dallas is our Sales manager.

You had a nice letter from Mr. Platt lately. As a member, I will insist that each member co-operate with Mr. Platt's plans. If we work in harmony we will succeed. Every one sign the poultry contract and pool your products with the receivers. R. L. Adeock.

HOME TEACHERS OF SCHOOL FACULTY ENTERTAIN

On last Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Burgess, the home teachers gave an entertainment honoring the non-resident teachers of our school, to which the school board and their wives were invited.

Promptly at 8 o'clock the guests began to arrive and on nearing the door we noticed a curtain had been drawn barring our entrance. The pleasing voice of Mrs. Burgess told us to "stick our feet under the curtain" and those who had already entered guessed to whom the feet belonged. Often the guessers were disappointed when the curtain was drawn aside for they were more often wrong than right.

After the guests had all assembled and the new teachers had been introduced we spent a very pleasant evening indulging in very interesting contests and games which had been prepared by our hostesses. During the evening we were also entertained with delightful piano selections by Miss Gay, some lovely vocal selections by Miss Bland and interesting readings by Miss Tracy.

At the close of the evening we were served a delicious ice course with individual cakes bearing the inscription "Oct. 5" Beautiful roses were used as a plate favor.

The lovely home was made very attractive with cut roses, and pot plants. We hope that Mr. and Mrs. Burgess and the home teachers may see fit to entertain again in the very near future.

JEWELER MOVES SHOP

Mr. Thos. C. Wilson announces the removal of his jewelry business from the Mrs. J. M. Dry Racket Store to the Merkel Drug Store, where he invites his patrons and the public to call on him.

C. N. Stubblefield another substantial and successful farmer along route five was here first of the week and reported having gathered 42 bales of the fleecy staple with about ten more to pick. Some cotton crop some money. But we are glad to see the good farmers of the Merkel country enjoy the fine prosperity which is now theirs.

SAM FOSTER & SON CLYDE ARE IMPROVING

The Merkel Mail joins many friends in rejoicing over the report that Mr. Sam Foster and his son Clyde who last week were badly injured when the motor cycle with side car attachments, in which they were making a trip to Sweetwater turned over, are now slowly improving. At the time of the accident, it was thought doubtful that either would recover from the accident.

We trust that they may continue to so improve and regain their former good health.

M. E. WOMEN WILL SERVE DINNER SATURDAY

Come to a good dinner, given by the Methodist Women on Saturday, October, 13th at the building south of the Post office. Price 50 cents. It

10,000 BALES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED HERE

According to the local cotton yard weigher there has been received up to Thursday morning about 7,500 bales of cotton, and those in charge of the Farm Bureau report 2,681 up to the same time; making a total of 10,181 bales received from all sources.

Considering the amount received together with the time of the year, it seems very probable that Merkel will receive at least 15,000 bales, this season, which according to present prices for the lint and seed will mean one of the biggest money crops this country has ever had. In fact, it is doubtful if same was ever exceeded, unless it was in 1919, and then the dollar did not go more than two-thirds as far in buying power as it will now; hence one can see that is very likely that the farmers of this country are in better condition than they were at that time, which means that the country as a whole is in better condition for we know that when the farmers of the country are in good condition the country is considered likewise.

JEWETT CLEARED OF RIOTING CHARGES

Oklahoma City, Okla., Oct. 10. Rioting charges against N. C. Jewett, grand dragon of the Ku Klux Klan in Oklahoma, and two other men were dismissed late on Wednesday by Justice of the Peace Leo White after a preliminary hearing.

A statement declaring that the Ku Klux Klan would heartily welcome definite legislation regulating use of masks," was issued Wednesday by Jewett. Mr. Jewett asserted that the Ku Klux Klan "believes a law is needed making it a felony for one or more persons at any time to trespass upon private property or to appear in public masked", except at public inatory services or in parades.

TAKING COURSE IN DENISTRY

Dexter Eoff is in Dallas taking a course in denistry in Baylor University College of Denistry.

Dexter was a graduate last year in Winters High School. —Winters Enterprise

Messrs. Joe Winterra nd J. R. Walling left this week for a trip to Terry county, where they accompanied a number of cotton pickers, who went out to help Mr. Winterra's son residing in that county gather his crop, which is said to be very fine.

SIMMONS CLUB ORGANIZED HERE

Is it true that there are twelve of the Merkel faculty that are ex-students and Alumni of Simmons College? Yes, it is true and the old Simmons spirit of each member was clearly demonstrated Thursday night when all ex-students and Alumni of Simons College met at Lucy Tracey's home for the purpose of re-organizing a Simmons Club.

Mr. E. L. Miller, field Secretary of Alumni, ex-student association, Mr. Bradley, Mrs. Bradley, President of Alumni Association, John Alvis, graduate of class '23 and Josh Barrett, graduate of class '22 also were present at this meeting. Mr. Miller and Mrs. Bradley gave plans for the future work of the ex-students and alumni Association. After this officers were elected as follows: Mr. Holland Teaff, graduate of the class of '21 was elected President, Lucy Tracy, graduate of '20, vice president; Julia Martin, graduate of '22, Sec. and treasurer, and Hattie Conway graduate of '23 reporter.

Plans are being made to make this a live organization, keeping the old spirit of Simmons in the hearts of all its loyal members, and to instill into the hearts of those who may some day be students and Alumni of Simmons.

HAMLIN PASTOR TO PREACH HERE SUN.

The pulpit committee of the First Baptist church of this church request the announcement that on next Sunday morning and evening the Rev. J. H. Edmonds, pastor of the Baptist church at Hamlin will fill the pulpit at both hours.

Rev. Edmonds is said to be one of the strongest and best preachers among the Baptist denomination throughout the entire West, and the local congregation is urged to be present and hear him upon these dates. A cordial invitation is extended the public to be present and hear him also.

ELD. CYPERT TO PREACH AT CHURCH OF CHRIST

At the church of Christ on next Sunday there will be all the usual services, with preaching at both the morning and evening hours by Brother W. G. Cypert. It is urged that every member be present and a cordial invitation awaits any and all visitors.

BOYS PICK MUCH COTTON

Two grandsons of Mr. J. T. Vantresse, must be given much merits for fast cotton picking. Troy Sloan, 18 years old, weighing 125 pounds, picked 681 pounds in one day.

Norman Sloan, 12 years old, weighing 88 lbs. picked 400 lbs. in one day. We say that this is indeed extra fine.

Geo. F. Smith and father G. C. Smith returned first of the week from a trip to Durant Oklahoma. They made the trip by auto and report a very pleasant trip with no mishaps whatever.

Mrs. Neece Hancock and children of Brownfield were here this week for several days visiting their many friends.

**Condensed Statement
of the condition of
The Farmers State Bank
Merkel, Texas**

Close of business Sept. 14, 1923

RESOURCES

Loans	\$313,985.44
Banking house & Fixtures	13,800.00
Other Real Estate	9,070.19
Stocks & Bonds	21,616.65
Due from State Cty. Fund	28,442.79
Cash & Exchange	151,546.76
Total	\$538,561.77

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$50,000.00
Surplus and Profits	27,314.70
Bills Payable	55,000.00
Rediscounts	NONE
Other Borrowed money	NONE
DEPOSITS	496,247.07
Total	\$538,561.77

The Above Statement is Correct
R. J. Anderson, Cashier

The Home of Guaranteed Deposits

**MUST BE GOOD TO
MAKE RODEO GRADE
AT STATE FAIR MEET**

Producer Tom L. Burnett Tells Cow boys the Going Will Be Rough at Dallas.

His penchant the production of the biggest rodeos in the country, Tom L. Burnett, millionaire Texan and owner of the Triangle Ranch, who will produce the State Fair Rodeo at Dallas, as the feature attraction for each afternoon of the second week of the Fair, Oct. 27-28, has sent forth a dictum.

"None but the best need apply," he has said. "The going will be rough, and only the most expert can expect to survive."

Every ranch owner in the west has had the call from Burnett, to send as the representative of his particular domain, his crack roper, bull dogger or rider.

Burnett is fully posted in every branch of cowboy sports and the requirements he lays down for his rodeo productions are of the most stringent character. For that reason it is asserted that the State Fair contest in calf roping, broncho busting, trick riding, fancy roping, steer bull-dogging, wild horse races, wild steer riding and the like, will be of the most thrilling nature. The prizes, it is said, will be sufficiently attractive to bring to Dallas the greatest assemblage of expert talent ever assembled in the southwest.

Burnett's following among western cattlemen is the largest of any rodeo producer in the country.

Already the word has gone forth to the Burnett scouts throughout the west, to gather the most untamable human being, outlaw bucking horses, the wildest long-horned Mexican steers and the trickiest Brahmas to be found, with the fleetest of calves from the open ranges, for use in the State Fair contests. With the assembling of the many score-rained cow-ponies, and with 200 or more expert riders, it is declared the meeting put at Dallas will seethe with spectacular interest.

**SEN. ROYAL S. COPELAND
of New York**



Senator Royal S. Copeland of New York, declared to be a strong "dark horse" candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, will visit the State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Oct. 13-28. Dr. Copeland will deliver an address at the Fair on Oct. 20. He is one of the most prominent medical men in the country, and an alumnus of the University of Michigan.

**THIRTY PREMIUMS FOR
COUNTY EXHIBITS**

Thirty premiums are offered by the State Fair of Texas this year for county exhibits in the agricultural department. The premiums range from \$250 for first to \$100 for thirtieth.

**GROWING RECOGNITION
OF ADVERTISING'S USE**

Advertising first established its place as an economic factor as a sales aid, but as understanding and use of it have increased, its possibilities in other fields have developed until today we find it employed in many forms of service hitherto unthought of. Advertising has long been hampered in its use by precedent, tradition, conventions, and prejudices, which, under analysis and experience, find little to warrant their existence. Gradually the falsity of their claims is being proved.

We were told for many years that it was undignified for a bank or fiduciary institution to advertise, and this edict, born of some superstition of the past, was accepted without question until finally it was intelligently challenged and it was discovered under analysis that there was no sufficient reason for its support. The inevitable conclusion of logic is that, whatever is of genuine use to human beings, whether it be goods or services, can, with truth and dignity, be advertised and sold, and that it is just as proper to merchandise forms of service as various kinds of commodities.

In the logical development of this new understanding of the power of advertising during the last decade, we have seen many of our banking fiduciary and investment institutions actively employing the sales value of advertising in the marketing of their services. In this intelligent use of publicity they are not only increasing their own immediate business returns, but they are also helping to spread a better understanding of financial service and economic fact and theory upon which solid business relations can be built.—Francis H. Sisson, Journal of the American Bankers Association.

THE Y. P. I. C. E. AGAIN

There is an organization of workers for the Christian religion which has its regular weekly meetings over at the Grace Presbyterian Church. The real name for this organization is Christian Endeavor, but to make it understood what this organization is for, we give it the name YOUNG PEOPLE'S INTERMEDIATE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR, or just simply Y. P. I. C. E.

The Y. P. I. C. E., as we call it, has for its nucleus a consecrated band of young people. These young people are working for the up-building of the kingdom of Jesus Christ our Lord. That is its principal function; and in the carrying out of this particular business, that is the King's business, it seeks the very best of everything for the development of every individual, spiritual and otherwise, that is interested in endeavoring for Christ. So, young people of this world, look to the Christian Endeavor for your spiritual training.

The work of the Christian Endeavor is continually going forward, and with the help of God it is accomplishing things all the time. A library is ordered, but has not yet arrived; interesting and "spicy" programs are being made, the carrying out of which is affected every Sunday afternoon as its consecration meetings; and entertainments such as socials are being planned. Let the work of the Christian Endeavor keep going. Publicity Committee.

CUTTING SCRAPE!

Up till November 1st, I am going to cut to the red prices on all lines of goods in my store. Come and be a witness. A. L. Jobe. 1212

Jas. Brown made a business trip to Menard last Sunday, returning Monday.

**THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS
National Bank
Merkel, Texas**

The Success of this Community Depends upon
**The Thrift of Its
CITIZENS**

Make money and spend less than you make and keep it safe by Depositing the Surplus in

**The Farmers & Merchants
National Bank
of Merkel,**

ONE of the STRONG and CONSERVATIVE Banks of WEST TEXAS

Under Careful and EXPERT Management and DIRECTION

**We Solicit Your Business
On The Record We
Have Made**

4% INTEREST ON DEPOSITS IN OUR SAVINGS DEPARTMENT.

We have for rent 50 modern two-lock safety deposit boxes—Secure one and keep your deeds, bonds, and records absolutely safe and strictly confidential.

COME IN and TALK it over.

J. T. Warren, President L. R. Thompson, Cashier
Booth Warren, Asst. Cashier Owen Ellis, Asst. Cashier

DIRECTORS

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

DELPHIAN CHAPTER

The Delphian Chapter will have a call meeting Friday afternoon, October 12th. We will have the lesson that we should have had last meeting. The regular meeting will be on next Wednesday, Oct. 17th. If it is impossible to attend at any time please telephone Mrs. F. C. McFarland.

Maxwell House Coffee, \$1.15 and all you can drink free. Ray at Blair. 1112

Roy Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Brown left Saturday night for Arlington, Texas, where he will enter the Grubs Vocational School. This is a fine school for boys and girls and this paper predicts that Roy will make good. We join many friends in wishing for him success.

Mr. Tubbeville, of Denton county, is here this week for a visit with his nephews Messrs. G. W., W. P. and J. W. Moore, also niece, Mrs. T. J. Toombs.

LITTLEFIELD LANDS—All tillable and ready to plow. This beautiful tract of land is located 30 miles northwest of Lubbock on the Sante Fe, in the shallow water belt. It is especially adapted to cotton raising. Can be bought for \$2.00 per acre cash; 10 years on the balance 6 percent. After first payment nothing but interest until 1927. We are exclusive agents for this land. WEIR & GLOVER Abilene, Texas.

"Built Me Up"

"I USED Cardui for years and it did me more good than any medicine I ever used," writes Mrs. M. C. Ragsdale, of Fort Towson, Okla. "I used to suffer with womanly trouble that weakened me until I was a mere shadow, nervous, and could not sleep. I did not feel like I could live.

"It seemed that nothing helped me till I heard of Cardui and began to use it. It

strengthened me and, as 'twas recommended to do, it regulated and built me up till I was like another woman."

If you are weak, run-down and feel that you need a tonic, take Cardui, the woman's tonic, the tonic about which you have always heard, the tonic that helps weak women regain their strength.

Cardui acts on the womanly system and helps relieve pain and discomfort due to female ailments.

Try Cardui, today, for your trouble.

CARDUI
The Woman's Tonic

**THE MERKEL
Necessity Store**

We take pleasure in announcing to the good people of Merkel and the surrounding country, that we expect to open in the Star Store Building, between October 15th. and Nov. 1st., a First-Class stock of

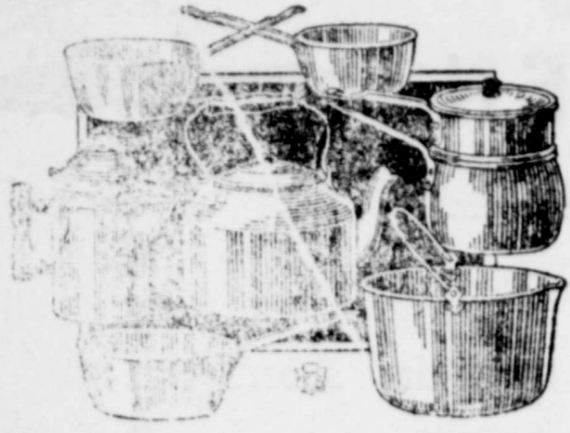
CHRISTMAS TOYS AND RACKET GOODS

We are going to have many new and interesting, as well as things of usefulness and actual necessity.

Hence, we cordially invite the public to call on us when our stock is received and our store is open for business.

We aim to make this store just what it's name implies—"The Necessity Store."

CLAUDE COMEGYS, Manager.



Aluminum Set Free

—EACH SATURDAY, for a month, beginning October 20th, we are going to give away absolutely FREE, a Genuine Aluminum Set, consisting of 9 pieces (more than is shown in cut.)

A GIFT OF SERVICE

With each dollar you spend with us or pay on your account during this sale, you will be given a ticket. Ask our salesman. Don't fail to ask for your tickets. Come or send your tickets. They must be here.

Odd Buffets
Solid Oak

\$18.65



Hoosier Kitchen Cabinet
The World's STANDARD

Spring Special
\$2.85



Dining Tables
all Reduced

Rocker Special
Bent Arm Bolted
\$3.95



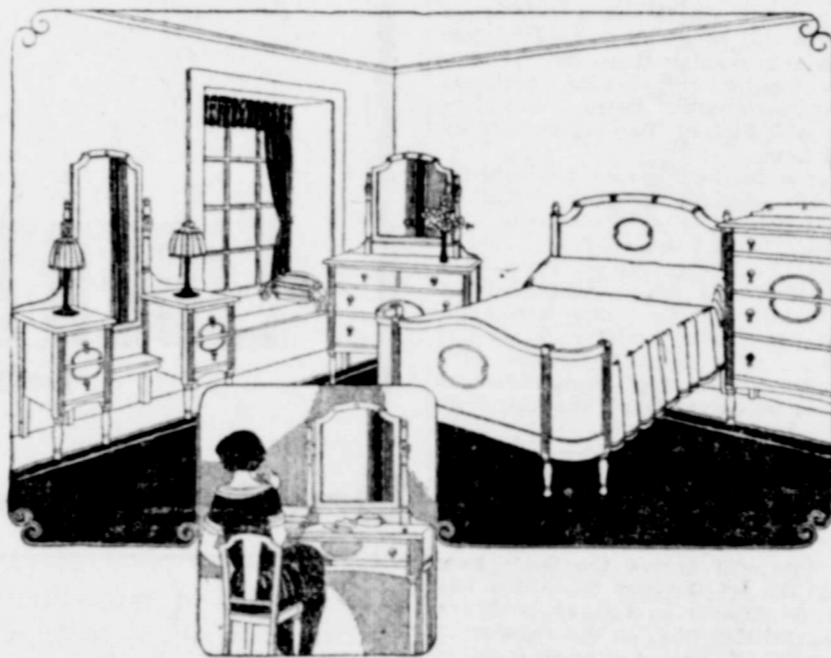
BARROW'S FALL FURNITURE SALE

A Whole Month Of BARGAINS

Begins Oct. 13, Ends Nov. 10

—We have just realized that at the July Merket, we bought too much furniture for this Fall and that it is absolutely necessary that we sell this surplus stock during October, in order to pay for the heavy shipments arriving each week. Business firms have to meet their obligations promptly if they expect to continue in business, and at times it becomes necessary to sacrifice their stock, especially all surplus on hand, to do so—Beginning October 13th, and continuing one month, we are going to offer the good people of this trade territory, the Greatest Money Saving Bargains of the year. If you are going to need any furniture this winter, buy it during this sale, and Save Money. The sooner you buy, the larger stock you will have to select from.

FREE



FREE

FREE! FREE! Ivory Bed Room Suite

Not exactly like cut. Come in and see it

It's a Beauty --- You Will Want It

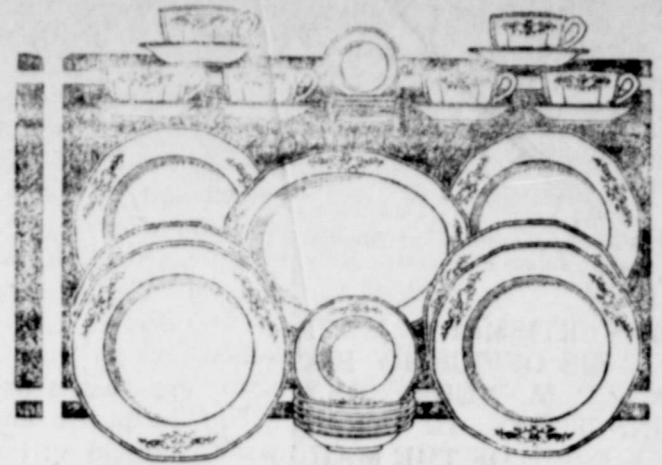
Consists of Vanity Dresser with 6 drawers, extra large Chiffonette, Bow-foot Bed and Bench. To be given absolutely FREE on November 20. With each dollar you spend with us or pay on your account, you will be given a ticket. All tickets given during the week will be good on Saturday as well as on the Bed Room Suite. Ask our salesman.

Feather Pillows

Pure and Clean Special
\$1.45

Dining Room Suite

Nine piece Oak Suite, a Bargain for - - - \$61.65
Nine-piece American Walnut Suite, less than one-half its real value - - - \$142.50

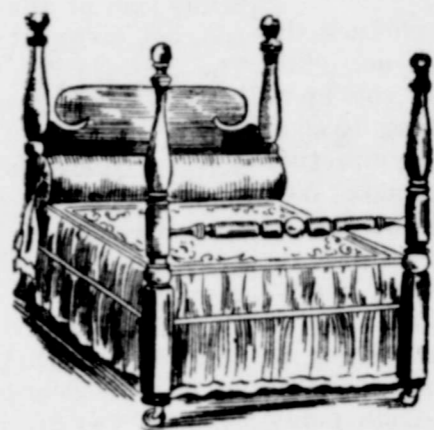


Dinner Set Free!

—EACH SATURDAY, for a month, beginning October 20th, we are going to give away absolutely FREE, a beautiful Gold Band Dinner Set, consisting of 42 pieces.

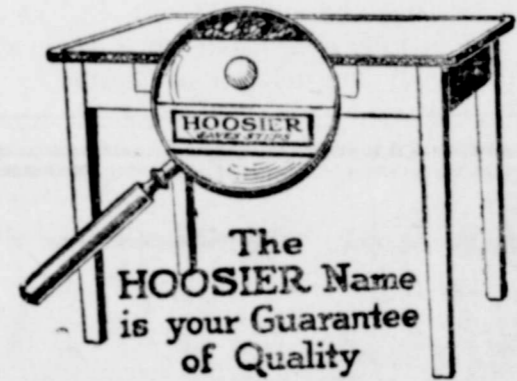
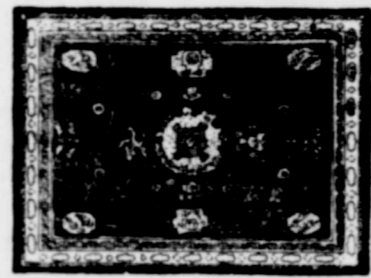
A GIFT OF SERVICE

With each dollar you spend with us or pay on your account during this sale, you will be given a ticket. Ask our salesman. Don't fail to ask for your tickets. Come or send your tickets. They must be here.



Odd Beds All Finishes Reduced 10 to 50 per cent

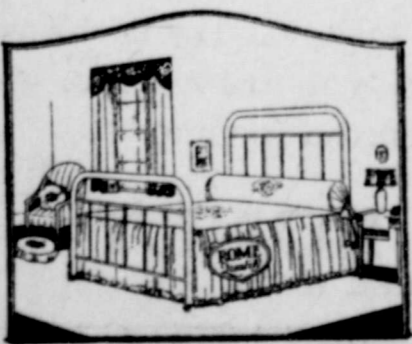
Brussel Rug
9x12 feet
\$17.95



The HOOSIER Name is your Guarantee of Quality

3 Sizes—The Best Made Porcelain Kitchen Tables

Sealy Mattress
We are Exclusive Agents



Barrow Furniture Company

Undertakers

Merkel, Texas

Embalmers



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THE AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

VISIT THE SCHOOLS

In a few days the boys and girls of Fort Worth will have been a month in the schools. How many of the parents of the 30,000 young people in the public school system have visited the places where their children spend the majority of their daylight hours?

The school is one of the great influences in a child's life. It is especially important now that so many homes fail to provide the training and influence they should and that so many are beyond the reach of the church.

Do you know whether the school facilities for your child are adequate? Do you know whether the teaching is competent? Do you know whether the school building is safe? You ought to know. And the Record is assured that the school authorities, school board, administration and teachers want you to know. They have nothing to conceal. They know that the schools will benefit from public knowledge of their problems and they welcome visitors.

—Fort Worth Record.

PRODUCE AND DISTRIBUTE

McKinney Examiner: Sometimes when one reads so much about cutting down the production of this food crop and that clothing crop, in order to raise the price, one is caused to wonder if the Lord won't some day take a hand and cut the crop to the point where those who can see only the dol-

lar in every one of the Lord's natural blessings will be brought up with a sudden jerk that will open their eyes. There never has yet been a surplus of food in the world. Nor too much cotton and wool to clothe the starving, freezing, men and women and children. Always there is a demand for all that is grown. But it is dammed up somewhere so that some speculator can reap a profit.

The Scriptural admonition to cast thy bread on the waters and be assured of its return some day, has been superseded in some minds by the idea that it should be ware housed and held under lock and key until hunger demands it at a high price. This is perhaps the practical attitude, and a world full of people requires that practical factors be given consideration. But to destroy foodstuffs in order to raise the value of the portion left for use can hardly be commended. Good merchandising methods are needed on the farm, whether it be a cotton farm, an egg farm or a prune farm; but to destroy one ton of cotton or eggs or prunes in order that a remaining ton may be more equivalent to taking the cotton, the egg or the prune out of the mouth of the poor and giving it to the flames. The producer is entitled to do as well by himself as the consumer is, and if marketing farm produce slowly, and with commercial mindedness, is a good way for a farmer to help himself he is entitled to utilize it to any extent possible. But he is not morally entitled to destroy that which he was permitted by providence to produce. There is so much need in the world that to destroy good food is as abhorrent as destroying good health.

If you have some old clothes that you are at a loss as to what to do with, let us send them away to be dyed. We represent the largest dyeing plant in the south. And where, if it can be dyed at all, it will be dyed right. Mrs. C. L. Cash. tf

Mr. B. C. Gaither left yesterday for a visit with his daughter at Tuscola.

**BIGGEST STATE FAIR
READY FOR OPENING
SATURDAY, OCT. 13**

Grounds at Dallas in Finest Condition—Race Meet and Rodeo
Big Features—Agricultural Exhibits in Profusion

Everything is ready for the opening of the thirty-seventh State Fair of Texas at Dallas, Saturday, Oct. 13, for the sixteen days' exposition of 1923. The grounds are in the best condition, it is declared, and the program is replete with new amusement features.

In fall keeping, there has never been a larger or more varied list of live cattle; of poultry and pet stock swine, sheep and goats. The barns on the basis of entries in hand to Oct. 1, will be filled to overflowing, it is asserted. County and agricultural exhibits are also larger and more representative of the State's production possibilities.

All the latest model cars will be seen in the automobile show, and "action displays" in large number will feature the manufacturers' division of the new Automobile and Manufacturers' building. More than thirty acres of space will be occupied by the interesting, instructive demonstrations of farm machinery and power devices.

The big features of this year's Fair will include the seven days' race meet—six running races daily on Oct. 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 and the Rodeo, depicting cowboy sports of pioneer days in Texas, Oct. 21 to Oct. 23, inclusive. A horse show will be given on the nights of Oct. 22 and Oct. 23, and there will be three days' kennel show of high-bred dogs.

The "Marigold Garden Revue," a big musical extravaganza, with a company of seventy-five people, beautiful costumes and magnificent scenery, will be offered in the Coliseum with Art Landry's big Chicago jazz band and many other features. Before the grandstand each night "India," the fireworks spectacle of the famed Durbar of Delhi, with a company of 500 people and a herd of elephants will be given and each afternoon and evening there will be more than twenty circus acts, including acrobatics, aerial work, tumblers, etc., with at least two big trained animal acts.

Seven football games are scheduled for athletic stadium, chief of which will be A. & M.-Seawane, Oct. 13 and Texas-Vanderbilt, Oct. 20.

Low round-trip rates have been granted by all Texas railroad lines, particularly for the three week-ends, good for trains arriving in Dallas each of the three Saturdays. Returning visitors may leave Dallas as late as midnight the following Sunday nights.

**MUNICIPALITIES DAY AT
STATE FAIR OCTOBER 24**

Mayors and officials of many Texas cities will attend the State Fair at Dallas, on October 24, which has been designated as League of Texas Municipalities Day, at the request of Mayor W. E. Lea of Orange, head of the league. Mayor Cockrell of Fort Worth was president last year, when a highly interesting program was carried out on Municipalities Day at the Fair. A similarly instructive program will be given this year.

**TEXAS' OIL INDUSTRY SHOW
TO BE STATE FAIR FEATURE**

A comprehensive exhibit showing every detail of the production and handling of oil and products, is to be one of the interesting displays at the State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Oct. 13-23 by the Humble Oil and Refining Company of Houston.

The Humble Company has secured space 25x30 feet on the main driveway at the Fair Grounds, and its exhibit will detail the complete workings of the great deep field in the Corsicana area, where the company's holdings are very large.

An interesting exhibit of milk goats is to be shown at the State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Oct. 13-23, by the Hollendale Farm of Dallas.

A. & M. of Texas has organized its School of Vocational training. The State Fair of Texas is a school for every class of training. Dallas, Oct. 13-23.

**EVIDENCE THAT IT PAYS
TO ADVERTISE**

Last Saturday was a week ago Mr. A. L. Walden's little boy while in Merkel found a couple of one dollar bills and the father brought the money around to the Merkel Mail office and asked that we advertise the finding of the money. This we did with the result that Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Stout of route one saw the advertisement and as their little daughter had on the date mentioned lost two one dollar bills came in and after describing the money lost were given the two one dollar bills.

Mr. Short had just a few days previously subscribed for the Mail and in doing so made same a good business investment for he had not been taking the paper he probably would not have heard of the money being found.

Buy a Radio Set to listen in during the cold months. Call at the Mail office and get particulars. tf.



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We have shells in all size shot, loads, gauges etc.

Guns? Oh, Boy! we have 'em
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The following merchandise will be sold, consisting of U. S. Government Harness (with or without breeching, used and new) Blankets, Collars, Halters, Lines, Tie Straps, Hame Strings, Lariat Picket Ropes, Tents, Shirts, Gloves, and a lot of other articles not listed.

Every Article Offered Will Positively Be Sold To The Highest Bidder.

A. L. JONES, Manager of SALES.

We are glad to enroll Mr. H. C. Chancey of route four as a reader of the Mail for the next year.

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W. W. WHEELER
Real Estate, Fire, Accident and
Tornado Insurance Agent.
Notary Public.
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Merkel — Texas

COMPERE BOX SUPPER A SUCCESS

The box supper at Compere on last Friday night was reported as a big success and general good time for all. The sum of \$120.00 was the amount of the net proceeds, which went toward paying for a new piano.

Mr. J. C. Mason, of Merkel went out and acted as auctioneer for the occasion and his ability as an auctioneer is shown by the extra large amount raised. But J. C. is always ready to do his bit in any move that is for the upbuilding of the country.

We also learn that good talks were made by Judge E. S. Cummings and Rev. O. B. Tatum, also of Merkel.

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From Mr. W. F. Hamblett we learn that his daughter, Mrs. Willie Addington, who for several years has held the position of Field Secretary for the Reynolds Presbyterian Orphanage, at Albany, is now assistant to the Pastor of the Hemphill Presbyterian church at Fort Worth; having severed her connection with the Orphanage when that institution was recently moved to Dallas.

A Banking connection next year may be very valuable to you. The Farmers & Merchants National Bank will have plenty of funds to take care of all conservative business. tf

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MERKEL, TEXAS

Consult your Insurance Agent as you would your Lawyer.

Statistics show that last year Texas led all other states in the number of divorces. This is a poor reputation but may be explained by the large influx of adventurers coming to this state, connected with the oil boom. Martial ties are held rather lightly by this class of people, besides a number of folks living in Texas lost their heads by acquiring sudden wealth, and celebrated first by getting a new auto and winding up with a new wife.

"COULD NOT EAT OR SLEEP"

"I had stomach trouble so bad I couldn't eat or sleep. Tried everything without results and got worse instead of better. The only way I could rest was sitting up. The second night after taking FERRASAL, I had my first night's rest in two weeks. FERRASAL has done wonders for me and I keep it in the house all the time. I cannot say too much for this wonderful preparation."

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PROF. COVEY WRITES

Prof. John R. Covey, formerly Principle of the Merkel High School, but now Supt. of the Lovington, New Mexico schools, writes the following interesting and appreciated letter to the Mail:

Lovington, New Mexico, Oct. 7, 1923.

Mr. Thos Durham, Merkel, Tex.

Dear Mr. Durham:--

Enclosed find a check to pay my subscription to the Merkel Mail for another year, yours is a good paper and gives the news in full. I can never forget the many pleasant memories of your good town and that is why I like the Mail. I see an account of the organization of the Senior Class there. I am especially interested in them as I have had almost all of them in my classes. I wish them well and want to hear of the football team winning all of the rest of the games.

Our enrollment is 232. 70 of these now in attendance are in the high school and 16 of these are Seniors. This school has 15 units of credit in Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma and will likely have more by the end of this school year. Again wishing you and yours the fullest of success, I remain, Yours sincerely,
John R. Covey.

FOR SALE—Pigs, all ages, all prices. Also clean wheat at \$1.25 per measured bushel. Mebane and Kasch strain seed in season. Leed D. Williams, Merkel. tf

NEW BARBER SHOP

We have opened a new Barber shop just across the street in front of the Post Office, and will appreciate a share of your patronage in this line. Come in to see us: get acquainted and give us a trial. Dunn and Rutledge. tf

Sugar for \$2.50 and Free dinner. Ray's Blair Store. 11t2

THE T. E. L. CLASS

The meeting of the T. E. L. Class of the Baptist church met with Mrs. L. L. Huddleston with Mrs. Dent Gipson assistant hostess on Thursday afternoon. It was an especially enjoyable one. The members of the class assembled in the attractive rooms at four o'clock. All were made to know that Halloween was near from the time the door was opened until each had said goodbye.

The business hour was devoted to several important things that came up before the class, after which the meeting was turned over to the hostesses.

There were three very lively contests with each winner being rewarded for their knowledge.

At a late hour in the afternoon, the hostesses assisted by Miss Weeden served delicious lemon ice and angel food cake to Mesdames, Thomas Bearden, Andy Brown, George Bullock, Joe Holmes, Clifford Rose, W. H. Derstine, A. R. Booth, T. E. Collins, Ergeal Meador, Earl Lassiter, Jackson, Burl Scott, Coulter, Sam Swann, O. R. Dye and Miss Dovie Teaff.

The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Thos. Bearden on the first Wednesday in November at 3 o'clock.

The officers of the T. E. L. Class had a special call meeting with Mrs. A. R. Booth on Monday night.

Each officer had it impressed on them what their work was, and other items of work discussed.

Mrs. Booth, assisted by her daughter, passed a delightful refreshment plate to Mesdames Sam Swann, Andy Brown, E. Y. Brown, Allye Dye, Miss Dovie Teaff and two guests, Mrs. Stewart and Miss Willie Swann.

FOR SALE—Good Radio Set, with or without Magnavox. Apply at Merkel Mail office. tf

The City Cafe

We take this method of announcing to the people of Merkel and the surrounding country that on next Saturday, October 13, we will open on Main street, City of Merkel, the "New City Cafe." And we propose to make it a place where men, women and children will be glad to eat, and where "Service and Courtesy" will be the watch-word.

We cordially invite you to call on us, try our service, and after that we are sure you will be counted as regular and satisfied customer. Remember the place—Middle of the Block on the West side of Main Street.

Hancock & Shepard
Proprietors

SOME SPECIAL BARGAINS

Just received, one case of Extra Good Quality Brown Domestic, 36 inches, regular 22 1-2c Grade that we are going to offer for

Saturday Only
at 15 cents the yard

And we still have a good assortment of that Extra Good 25c Grade Gingham that we will continue to sell as long as it lasts at

15 Cents the Yard.

Take advantage of these Extra Special offer and supply your wants.

And remember, that our entire stock is complete, and that we can fill your complete Dry Goods Bill, and we can save you money, too, folks.

We Appreciate Your Trade.

Max Mellinger

The Store on the Corner

PARENT TEACHERS CLUB NOTES

The Parent-Teachers Club met in regular meeting on last Wednesday afternoon. Our attendance was small but what we lacked in quantity was made up in quality. The program was very interesting. We were very grateful for the presence of Bro. Cypert, who conducted the devotional part of the meeting. Truth is, we thank all of the ministers of our town for their loyalty and kindness toward the P. T. A. During the business hour it was decided to have as our principal object this year the equipping, in part, at least, the libraries in the grade rooms. A motion was then made and carried to begin with the room having the most parents present at the next regular meeting of the association. If you are interested in your child's room having the first library, don't forget to come to the next meeting, which will be the second Wednesday in Nov.

The P. T. A. Banner was awarded to the Senior Class. This is the first time it has left the basement. The meeting was then adjourned to meet again the second Wednesday in November.

The varied services of the Farmers and Merchants National Bank are at the service of the community. If you are in doubt about the policy and services of the Bank come in and talk it over. tf

FOR SALE--Some good second hand Cars. \$125 and up. McDonald Motor Co. tf

CARD OF THANKS

We take this method of thanking our loving friends and neighbors for their untiring efforts in helping us in any way during the sickness and death of our dear little son, Herbert. Especially do we thank the doctor for his noble efforts in trying to save our son. Also we surely thank all who contributed to the beautiful floral offerings. May God's richest blessings rest on each of you is our prayer. W. F. Patterson and family.

Mr. M. J. Shaw, splendid and influential citizen on route 4 was in the city recently, and dropped in to have the Mail sent to him for another year. He reports getting along fine gathering his crops and seemed happy over the present prosperous times.

C. A. Hudson of route one was in the city one day recently and reported that he had out 24 bales and thought he would get 12 more. He lives out in that splendid Stith country.

New Touring Car

Looking at the new touring car from the side, you are at once favorably impressed with the effect of longer, more graceful lines secured by enlarging the cowl and raising the radiator.

Slanting windshield and one-man top lend material aid in giving the entire car a lower, more stylish appearance.

An apron connecting the radiator with the fender skirts is also a decided improvement.

A comfort feature much appreciated by owners, is the additional leg room provided by the enlargement of the cowl.

Allow us to show you the entire line of new Ford cars now on display in our show room.

These cars can be obtained through the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan.

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NATION REPRESENTED AT FINANCE CAPITAL

By FRANCIS H. SISSON

Chairman Public Relations Commission, American Bankers Association.



F. H. Sisson

to function as the nation's financial capital.

A recent investigation as to the origin of one hundred leading executives in the New York financial district, showed that no less than sixty per cent were born outside New York State, that no less than twenty-eight per cent were born in towns of 5,000 or less, and only twenty per cent were born in New York City.

The birthplaces of these men represented Pennsylvania, Ohio, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Michigan, Missouri, Illinois, Maryland, Delaware, Vermont, Mississippi, Kentucky, Tennessee, Minnesota, Iowa, Florida, Rhode Island, North Carolina, Indiana, Wisconsin, Georgia, California, Montana, Maine, West Virginia, New Jersey and the District of Columbia.

The same situation is true of the younger men, particularly in the banks. This reflects more than merely the attraction of the big city for ambitious young men. It is the result of the definite purpose of New York banking to equip itself to perform most effectively its work for all the nation.

A brief description of the mechanism of the nation's banking system will make this clear. Many of the New York banks are bankers' banks. They are great reservoirs of credit in which banks throughout the country deposit unemplotted funds in New York. When crop needs in rural districts or industrial expansion in manufacturing centers increase local requirements for money these local banks call in their funds from New York and in addition may ask the big city banks for loans.

Country banks frequently deposit as security the notes of their own customers, often secured, in turn, by farm capital such as ploughs, livestock and other possessions. The fifty thousand dollar note, for instance, of a country bank in a big New York bank may have attached, as collateral security, fifty or a hundred small notes of a hundred dollars up to a thousand or more, signed by local farmers and their wives. Into one of the biggest New York banks comes in this way from the South each crop season a small note secured by a plough and a harrow and a mule named "Molly"—an incident that has been aptly described as "The Minting of Molly." It is one among many securing a large inter-bank credit.

Thus is big banking in New York brought close to the plain people of the soil—thus does it finance their humble husbandry—and thus has it felt the need of recruiting its officers from among men familiar and sympathetic with local conditions—able to visualize the needs of the people there and pass sound judgment on the credit factors involved.

It is due to the conditions thus pictured that among the officers of New York banks will be found representatives from all parts of the nation. They are the delegates of the people at the business capital.

Why Group Fights Group

is suffering from a lack of economic understanding. It is, therefore, that we find group arrayed against group—that we find the grower at variance with the producer, the producer with the consumer and both with the carrier. It is because of a lack of economic understanding that we find capital and labor frequently striving against each other. Yet each element is vitally interested in each other for the final success of the entire endeavor—in the farmer growing a prime crop and getting a fair return; in the canner packing a palatable crop and getting a fair return; in the carrier transporting without damage or deterioration and getting a fair return; in the wholesaler making a wide distribution and getting a fair return; in the retailer satisfying his customer and getting a fair return; in labor siding each of the processes and getting a fair return; in capital supplying the money and credit to make each process possible and getting a fair return, and in the consumer receiving a pure, nourishing, dependable, wholesome health giving article at a fair price. There is this community of interest in the production and consumption of human requirements that should prohibit strife among the producing and consuming elements.—J. H. Puelicher, President American Bankers Association.

Gomper on Socialism

State socialism is repugnant to the American mind for a great many reasons. Americans generally prefer to carve out the future in freedom. They are unwilling to accept the idea of an all-powerful state. It is the American idea that the people shall order the state and shape its course; not that the state shall order the lives of the people, fitting them into niches to suit a bureaucratic card index.—Samuel Gomper.

October Specials!

Now is the time to buy your Fall Merchandise before the cold weather rush and while our stock is most complete. Our present stock was bought on a basis of 20c cotton, and any future purchases by us will naturally show a decided advance.

Special Staple Prices.

Best Grade 27 inch Outing, Special, only.....	20c
Best Grade 36 inch Bleach Domestic, Special, only.....	20c
Best Grade 36 inch Brown Sea Island Domestic, Special, only.....	15c
Best Grade 36 inch Heavy Brown L L Domestic, Special.....	12½c
Good Grade 9-4 Bleach Sheeting, Special, only.....	50c
Good Grade Gingham Checks and Plaid, Special, only.....	15c

Special Discount of 10% on all Hart Schafner and Marx Suits.
A Big Line to select from.

Many Specials in our Ready-To-Wear and Millinery Department

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FOR SALE

FOR SALE--160 acres good sandy land, unimproved in Terry county near Brownfield. Will sell or trade. Would take good car in trade. A bargain if sold at once. S. L. Grayson. 5t2p

FOR SALE OR TRADE--160 acres 85 in cultivation, 3 room house, well, windmill, cribs, etc. Located 4 miles east of Dora. Price \$4,000.00 bonus. \$300.00 owing the estate. Jim Eoff, owner, Winters, Texas. 11t2p

FOR SALE--Good farm 292 acres, 2½ miles northwest of Merkel. Priced at \$55.00 per acre if sold at once. Two sets of improvements. Write G. A. Guthrie, Slaton, Texas. 12t2p.

FOR SALE--FINE TURKEYS! Purebred, Bourbon Red Toms, April hatch, at \$10.00 each. Mrs. W. M. Jones, Merkel Rt. one. 12t2p.

FOR SALE--Four room box and weatherboarded house, 1 hall, 2 porches. Will see cheap if taken at once. Phone 83. S. G. Russell. 11t2

FOR SALE--Some good second hand Cars. \$125 and up. McDonald Motor Co. tf.

FOR SALE--Two hoes 15½ hands high, \$125.00. One mare, \$25.00; 1 four year old mare mule, \$60.00; 1 Deering mower and rake in good shape, \$60; 1 grain drill, \$12.50; 1 good 14 in. sulky plow, \$25.00. Will sell on full time with approved notes. T. D. Compton, Route 3 Merkel. 12t3pd

FOR SALE--Good 6 room house fine well water and windmill, 2 acres good land. If sold in 60

days will go at a bargain. It is an ideal place for chicken ranch. See A. L. Jobe. 1t2.

FOR SALE--60 full blood hogs at Hellums Wagon Yard. See Jim Patterson. 1t

LOST

LOST--An 18 size, 21 Jewel, silvercase watch on the road between my place in Merkel and two miles beyond Nubia Watch No. 539355 and case No. 90336403. Finder please return to Mr. T. J. Tombs and receive reward. 1tpd

LOST--One front, right hand curtain and one square side curtain for Oakland Car. Finder please return to the Merkel Mail office or to G. L. Anderson, Merkel, Route 5. 1tp

LOST--A gold, signet ring with the letters G. A. I. engraved in same. Finder return to B. C. Gaither and be rewarded. 1tp.

STRAYED--From the Kenny farm some 3 weeks ago, a small blue Jersey male calf. Any one knowing of the calf please notify J. W. Dye, Route 5. 1tp

WANTED

WANTED--Nineteen MEN and six WOMEN to take, by Mail or College, specialized training under contract for \$1,000 to \$1,200 a year positions as bookkeepers, bank clerks, and stenographers. Write to-day for Guarantee Contract, finest catalog in the South and SPECIAL OFFER 19. Address Draughton's College at either place below.

Abilene, Texas Wichita Falls 5t2pd

WANTED--Stalk field to pasture 25 head stock. Phone 83. S. G. Russell. 11t2

WANTED--A good second hand saddle at once. See G. H. Bry-

ant, Merkel, Route 4. Phone No. 9026F2. 1tp

WANTED--A small farm. See W. R. Sumpter, Rt. 1 or Phone no. 9040F14. 1tp.

WANTED--Feed grinder, must be in good condition. J. T. Warren. 1t.

Intermediate B. Y. P. U.

Subject: Dark Africa.

1. Africa's Million-- Lila Mae Bird.
2. Africa's religion, Helen Booth.
3. Our work in Africa.
 - a. Our churches, Charlie Largent.
 - b. Our schools, Delbert Polly
 - c. Our medical work, Roy Giles.
4. Fresh supplies of men, money, prayers, and encouragement from home, E. Yates Brown.
5. Reading, Lewis Giles.

State Fair of Texas



Dallas
Oct. 13-28

7 DAYS RACING
RODEO
"INDIA"
THE FIRE PAGEANT
MAGNIFICENT COLISEUM BILL
HORSE SHOW
AGRICULTURE
LIVE STOCK
INDUSTRY
AT ITS BEST



"There's More to See This Year"



MR. A. J. TUCKER

A. J. Tucker for more than forty years a citizen of the Mulberry Canyon, died at his home in that community on last Tuesday evening and was tenderly laid to rest in White Church cemetery the following afternoon; Rev. M. C. Hays, pastor of the Merkel Methodist church conducting the funeral services.

Deceased was born in Fannin county, Texas, April 27, 1842, when Texas was a Republic; and has resided in the state all his life, and on his farm in Mulberry Canyon since coming to this country in 1881.

When the Civil war began, deceased was connected with the Frontier Service of the U. S. government, and resigned same to enter the cause of the South.

In 1879 he was married to Miss Nancy Ann Azee, in Tarrant county, who still survives him. To this union four children were born, two of whom are still living as follows; J. L. Tucker, Merkel, and Mrs. Viola Norris, Hurley, New Mexico. One brother, Mr. J. C. Tucker, of Merkel, one of this city's most excellent and beloved citizens is also a survivor; as well as one sister, Mrs. Lizzie McCabe, of Los Angeles, California.

Mr. J. C. Tucker, the brother mentioned above has been a citizen of this country since 1879, coming to the Canyon in that year, and who on last Saturday celebrated his 74th birthday.

The Mail joins many friends in extending deepest sympathy to the bereaved relatives and loved ones.

NOTICE

To all who have not already settled their account with the undersigned, will ask that you please call immediately at the Merkel Drug Co. and settle same with S. D. Gamble, who holds said accounts for collection. Dr. Chas. F. Williams. 1tp

G. B. Neill of the Canyon community was here first of the week and reported that he had already gathered 24 bales and expected to only get about six more. And Mr. W. C. Neill, a brother, also reported having picked and ginned 35 bales with about three or four more to pick.

A young man by the name of H. W. Robinson residing here last February who was arrested and taken to Tennessee on a charge of forgery, alleged to have been committed by him in that state, has been cleared of all charges and accusations, according to word received here by relatives. The young man conducted himself like a gentleman while here and his arrest was a shock to all who knew him, and all will be glad to learn that he was not guilty.

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Monday and Tuesday Oct. 15, 16 "THE RAGGED EDGE" A Goldwyn Special from the book by Harold Macrath Also— Capital Comedy And— Sport Review	Wednesday and Thursday Oct. 17, 18 WILLIAM DUNCAN in "When Danger Smiles" Also— Christie Comedy And— Travelogue

Mr. L. R. Thompson of the Farmers and Merchants National Bank drove to Abilene yesterday to attend to the weekly meeting of the Lions Club, of which organization he is a member.

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Our good friend and splendid citizen Mr. S. F. Provine, of route 5, was in the city recently and in speaking about the cotton crop stated that he had some cotton that would make better than a half bale per acre.

Intermediate League Program
 Leader, Lois Dixon.
 Song--Higher Ground--27.
 Song--Jesus is all the world to me--63.
 Scripture lesson, Luke 2 52, by leader.
 In Peters home, (Mark 1 29-31, Stella Wilson.
 In Martha's home, (Luke 10 38-42) by Esther Rhoel.
 In Simon's home (Luke 7 36-50) by Ray Garrett.
 At a home wedding (John 2 1-11, Gladys Milliken.
 Attending a supper (John 7 1-8, Annie Lou Russell.
 A guest of honor (Luke 5 27 to 32, Lola Dennis.
 A lesson in etiquette, (Luke 4 12-14) by Opal Patterson.
 Song-- More about Jesus--200
 A Social standard, Stella King.
 The Social Standards of Jesus, Comer Patterson
 Prayer.
 What sort of Standard for us?-- Mary Ellen Smith.
 Announcements.
 League Benediction.
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COME TO THE EPWORTH LEAGUE

Sunday evening at 6:45, the Epworth League will represent the church as an automobile. The leader, Mr. Joe Ridenbauch is the chauffeur. Prayer furnishes the driving power. The youth of the church as represented in the Epworth League serves as the wheels on which the church moves forward. The four wheels are, "Faith, Consecration, Efficiency, and Enthusiasm."

We will first drive into the filling station. Then we will head to "The messages of the Semaphore." Following that, we will have our tires examined to see that we have no "flats". Our closing message will be on the railroad crossing warning to "Stop! Look! and Listen!" The following is the program.

Subject: Forward movements in our church-- The Part of the Epworth League.
 Leader, Mr. Joe Ridenbauch.
 Song service--Prayer.
 Business.
 Scripture lesson (Luke 4. 16-21) Leader Talks.
 The message of the Semaphore, Miss Roberta Gay.
 Special music, Lorena Frazier.
 Examination of the Tires.
 1. Consecration, Loring Hamlett.
 2. Faith--Murphy Thomas.
 3. Efficiency, Roy Tucker.
 4. Enthusiasm, Sie Hamm.
 Closing message--Stop! Look! and Listen! by Miss Marie Williamson.
 Song; League Benediction.

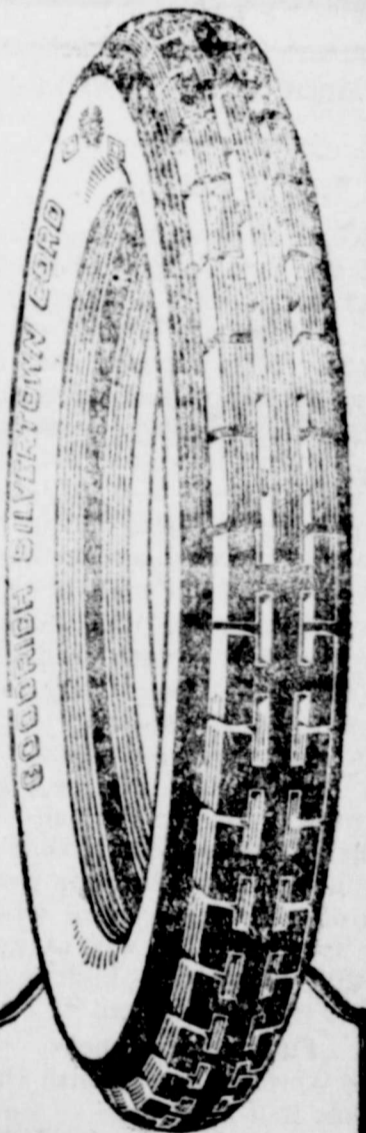
Dinner, Saturday, South of the Post office. Price 50 cents.

W. Urban Shannon formerly connected with the local post office department in the capacity of carrier, but who for some time has been connected with the Railway Mail service, with headquarters at Memphis, Tennessee, is here for visit to homefolks and friends. He looks fit and fine, and says he is enjoying fine health.

The cool days of fall are coming fast, so why wait any longer. Call 180 and let us come and get your old clothes and doll 'em up to look like new.. Mrs. C. L. Cash. tf

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HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

By Brannic Bailey.

School is progressing nicely and everyone seems to be doing good work.

The foot-ball squad of the Merkel High school met the Baird football squad on the local girdiron Friday, October 5. The visiting team was defeated by a score of 43 to 0. Although they fought hard during the whole game Baird was unable to cross the goal line with the ball.

After the game refreshments were served to both teams by the Senior Class. They were favored with speeches from both coaches, Mr. Burgess, and the referee. The referee, Mr. Murphy, a former football star from Abilene stated that he had never before had the pleasure of refereeing a game where the sportsmanship was as good as that shown by both teams here Friday afternoon.

Fun and Folishness

Miss Weeden: (In Spanish class "What is a zebra?"
Delbert: (Holding up his hand) "I know."

Miss Weeden: "Well what is it?"
Delbert: "It is a horse with a bathing suit on."

An Excuse from Arithmetic 10

Dear Mr. Jackson:
Please excuse John today. He will not be at school because he is acting as timekeeper for his father. Yesterday you gave him this problem. If a field is four miles square how long would it take a man walking three miles an hour to work around it two and one half times. John a'int' no man so we had to send his daddy. They left this morning early and my husband said they ought to be back late to-night though it would be hard going. Now Mr. Jackson please make the next problem about ladies as my husband can't afford to lose another days work. I don't have much time to loaf but I can spare the time better than my husband can. Respectfully, yours, Mrs. John Jones.

NOTICE KING DAUGHTERS

Every member of the Kings Daughters Class of the Methodist Sunday School is requested to be present next Sunday morning at the Sunday school hour. There is some very important business to come before the class. We will be looking for you. Don't fail to come.--Committee.

CUTTING SCRAPE!

Up to November 1st. I am going to cut to the red, prices on all lines of goods in my store. Come and be a witness. A. L. Jobe. 12t2

W. S. Barnes of route three was in the city first of the week and had us put him down for the Mail another year.

W. J. Sheppard, manager for the Jones Dry Goods Company at Brownfield, was here this week for a few days visit with his family, as well as many friends. He reports prosperous conditions in the Brownfield country.

FORDS FOR SALE--Have some good Ford Cars for sale. Marvin Boney.

W. C. Hill excellent and substantial citizen of the Sylvester community, was here one day recently, and while here came in and renewed for his Merkel Mail another year.

Dinner, Saturday, South of the Post office. Price 50 cents.

Big Free Dinner at Ray's store at Blair, October 20. 11t2

MESDAMES HAMILTON AND BEENE ENTERTAIN

The Primary and Junior teachers of the Methodist church met in the home of Mrs. Seth Hamilton Tuesday evening with Mesdames Hamilton and Beene as hostesses. On entering you at once began to feel Spooky as the living room and dining room were lined with bats, witches and black cats. The Halloween idea being carried out in every way. The house was called to order by the president, Mrs. Clyde Sears and much interest taken in the discussion of teachers being on time, knowing the pupil etc., and trying to in every way make these departments the very best possible under the crowded conditions as each Sunday there is an increase in attendance.

After business was disposed of we were favored with a reading by Eleanor Mae Hamilton, song by Duncan Briggs and Ethel Hamilton and special music by Juanita Beene. We were then given a sheet of paper with Halloween acrostic and were told to name a Bible character beginning with each letter in the acrostic and relate some incident about each. Miss Rosa Laney was winner in this interesting contest.

A refreshment plate of Pump ken pie and coffee was served.

Mr. John W. Lyles, of Bells, Texas, a former resident of Merkel was here this week looking after his farming interests and also had his Merkel Mail renewed.

W. H. (Harry) Barnett, one of the hustling and clever employes at the West Company store, has been strutting around all of the week. Why did you say? Because there was born at his home on Monday afternoon, October 8th a son. Congratulations.

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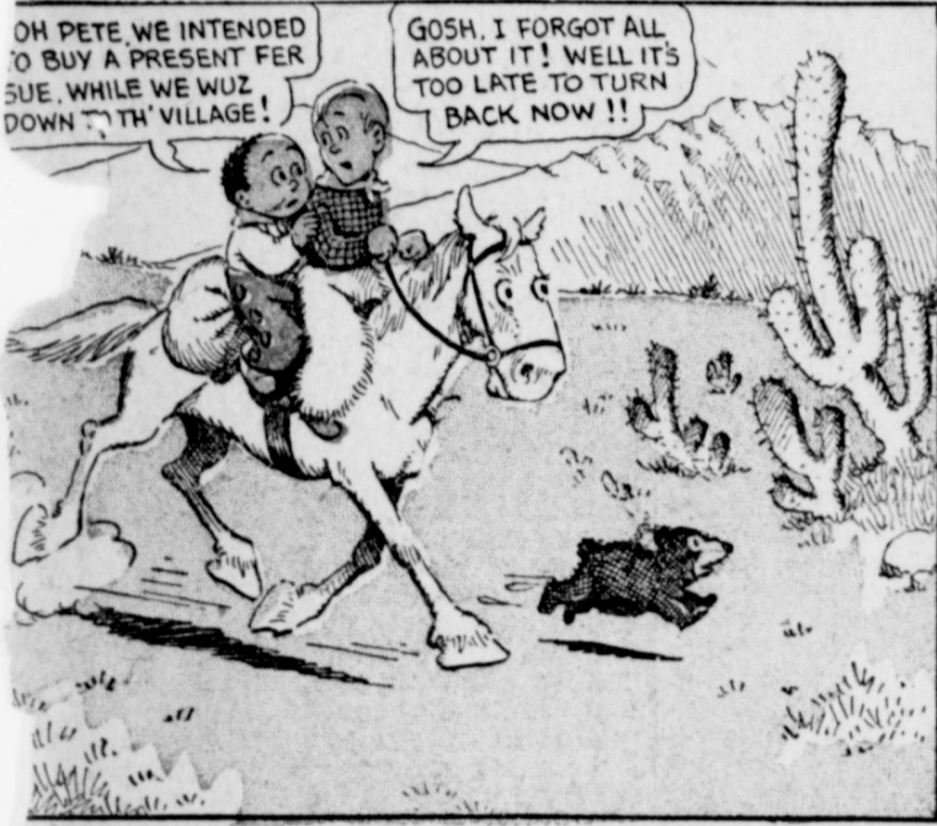
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A Little Fun Jokes to Make You Laugh

BY GOLLY!

An old resident of Alaska had never seen a motor car. One day he was astonished to see one go by, but was dumfounded when it was followed by a motorcycle.

"Gee, whiz!" He said, "who'd a s'posed that thing had a colt!"

LIZA'S REASON FOR DIVORCE.

Judge—"And you believe in divorce?"
Liza—"Yas, suh, I does."
Judge—"Why do you believe in divorce, Liza?"
Liza—"Well, it's dis way, Judge, I sorta feels we wimmins needs somethin' to keep us circulating!"

"Yes, we have no bananas today," has convinced Slim Slokum that the scientist who predicted in a few years we shall all be crazy was right, after all.

MISS EDITH'S FIANCE.

"Eliza," said a friend of the family to the old colored washwoman, "have you seen Miss Edith's fiance?"
Eliza pondered for a moment, then bent over the laundry tubs once more. "No, ma'am," she said, "it ain't been in the wash yet."

HOW AGGRAVATING.

"Beware," whispered the fortune teller impressively at the church lawn fete, "beware of a dark man who will cross your path."
"Oh, dear," cried the flapper, as she drew on her motor gauntlets preparatory to leaving, "don't tell me I'm going to run down another pedestrian."

"May I print a kiss on your lips?" I said.
And she nodded her sweet permission. So we went to press, and I rather guess We printed a full edition.
But "one edition is hardly enough," Said she, with a charming pout.
So again on the press the form was placed
And we got some "extras" out.

THE TIME ELEMENT.

When James A. Garfield was president of Hiram College, a man brought up his son to be entered as a student. He wanted the boy to take a course shorter than the regular one.

"My boy can never take all those studies," said the father. "He wants to get through more quickly. Can't you arrange it for him?"
"Oh, yes," said Mr. Garfield. He can take a short course; it all depends on what you want to make of him. When God wants to make an oak, He takes 100 years, but He takes only two months to make a squash."

ONE WIFE PLENTY.

The Mohammedan religion has its good points. It teaches reverence to one God and total abstinence from intoxicating drinks. However, it fails in some respects. Instead of being built on the principle of love it is based on fear and superstition. It also degrades the position of women and makes little or no attempt to control licentiousness. Every Mohammedan is allowed by his religion four lawful wives and any number of female slaves. "I was amused," writes a traveling man who is now touring Egypt, "at our Mohammedan dragoman when we asked him how the wives got along together with their husbands. He said, 'I live next door to man; he has one wife, everything peace and happy; then he gets two wives, come home night to scrap. I hear it; then he get three wives, come home big fight every night; now he have four wives and there plenty big fight every night and day. For me one wife plenty.'"

PITIFUL.

First Jelly Bean: "Does your sweet mamma know anything about automobiles?"
Second Jelly Bean: "I say she don't. She asked me last night if I cooled the engine by stripping the gears."

STORY OF TWO FARM BOYS.

The oldest good story is the one about the boy who left the farm and got a job in a city. He wrote a letter to his brother, who had chosen to stick by the farm, telling of the joys of the city life, in which he said:

"Thursday we auto'd out to the country club, where we golfed until dark. Then we motored to the beach and Fridayed there."
The brother on the farm wrote back: "Yesterday we bugged to town and base balled all afternoon. Then we went to the dance and jigged till morning. Today we muled out the cornfield and geehawed till sundown. Then we suppered and then we piped for a while. After that we staircased up to our room and bedstedded till the clock fived."

Rastus: "An' who is you?"
Sambo: "Nevah min' who Ah is. Bet-tah be thinkin' 'bout who you was!"

UNCLE SI.

"The girl across the street and the butcher boy married 'bout two weeks ago," said Uncle Si, as he filled his corn cob pipe full of tobacco, lit it and puffed away till rings of smoke curled to the rafters of his grocery store, "but their honeymoon was darkened by a storm cloud last Sunday. The girl buys her groceries from me and told me all 'bout it while she was in the store Monday mornin'."

"You see," went on Uncle Si, "her folks are all Baptists and Hiram's folks are all Methodists, and Saturday night her Ma said if they had any children she wanted them raised in the Baptist faith. Hiram didn't say anything then, but after he went to bed he said he wasn't going to be bossed by anybody, and even though he had attended the Baptist church while courtin' her—they'd both go to the Methodist church next mornin' and always thereafter, or he'd go alone. They talked 'bout it till awful late, and didn't kiss one another good-night."

"Then on Sunday mornin' Hiram was quiet and solemn, and when they got to the Baptist church and she turned in as usual, he walked right on without ever lookin' back and 'tended preachin' at the Methodist church. She never was so hurt in her life."
"Her ma was awful mad 'bout it and wanted to give Hiram a piece of her mind, but the girl wouldn't let her, because she knew it would just make him more stubborn. She cried all day 'bout it, and Hiram was just as cold and perlitte and gloomy as could be and wouldn't so much as touch her. When night came she was so blue and discouraged she didn't know what to do, and made up her mind she was goin' to be happy with Hiram no matter what she had to give up. And so she went and made him put down his book and sat on his lap and told him she'd join the Mormon church if he wanted her to and that life was too short to quarrel 'bout such things as that. He was awful sweet 'bout it, and they've been wonderfully happy ever since."

"When the Baptist preacher dismissed prayer meetin' Wednesday night, he said: 'There'll be a baptism after the reglar service Sunday evenin'. A good brother from one of our sister churches is goin' to unite with us. His name is Hiram Hoffman.'"

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Always be careful when passing close to a parked car. The driver might start up just as you come alongside.

Loose crank and camshaft bearings will increase the distance between timing gears, thus allowing these to mesh unevenly.

The new California law makes it unlawful for a driver to speed up when another car is trying to pass him on the open highway.

Accelerating the engine a few times is a good way to warn persons standing in the rear of the car to get out of the way.

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