THE MERKEL MAIL

ROADS All roads lead to Merkel, the Largest Cotton Market West on the T. & P.

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community.

The meeting was held in an open tabernacle, with the presi- Sterling Sheppard returned ing to Merkel. troductory talk and introducing Blanca, Texas. the different ones on the program for the evening.

The Merkel Ochestra furnished some excellent music through out the evening, making the ocassion one of much enjoyment.

Judge E. S. Cummings and Dr. M. Armstrong made inspiring talks about the need of good the good road line.

Miss Lynnis Thompson pleased the attentive audience with a esting readings.

the Shiloh people, who served casions. the most delicious ice cold lemance of both cakes and lemon-

Mrs. C. W. Seago has the spec ial apreciation from those attending for the delicious cake, baked by her, on top of which was written, "Welcome Merkel every one started for home, passed it to every Merkel booster present.

In behalf of the Luncheon club and the citizens of Merkel. we wish the Shiloh people to know of our apreciation for the splendid hospatility shown us on our visit to their community. We ask you to visit with us when in Merkel.

35 HOUSTON MINISTERS

ed as secretary.

committee also was named.

The above is from the Dallas good roads. News, of August 6. And to the isters, as well as laymen, should Messrs. Wilson and Stanton, short a notice. align themselves squarely behind Lubbock Division Agents for The board of trustees has Democratic Nominees for Presicandidacy of Judge Robertson, the sale of the Spade Ranch tried to serve you with out pre-dent and Vice-President. for Governor in this state, for to lands in the western part of the judices and with no selfish mo- Among the delegates elected this week. do otherwise would be equal to state, with Mr. L. D. Matlock, tive in doing what wehave done. to the State convention by the throwing up their hands and of Merkel, as agent for this and We see evidence that other rur- County Convention, we noticed

some fine farms in the see him about this land and the stant let us drop the confusion Stith comunity but resides in attractive prices and terms he and carry on. Let us persue a Abilene, was here this week has to offer. looking over his farm. He re-

Last week the Mail stated that Mr. Oscar Buford had returned from California, and would be from California, and would be asociated with the Chas. West Barber Shop. In that statement Never, was a trade trip more we were in error, as we learn

come upon reaching Shiloh by men, good barbers and will no Commissioner W. H. Frazier self is greatly appreciated, but uses that may come about. Al- declaration as getting stale." the splendid citizens of that doubt enjoy a fair share of the and drove over into Jones coun I shall ever treasure in my mem- so the sign out in front of the But that is just because you trade in their line.

roads and the kind of roads to Dr. R. C. Pender, of Abilene as well as other citizens who many years been employed and have and how to get them. field Secretary for the Buckner have taken an interest in the had charge of the keeping up of the say that hepresided ably and Much enthusiasm was manifest- Orphans Home will be in Mer- buying of same, and especially the local cemetery. Being emed by the Shiloh people along kel next Sunday and preach at is the road committee due much ployed by the local cemetery as-

violin solo. Misses Lola Dennis neer and great preachers of the chase the machinery. Since the ful condition According to and Lucille Guitar gave inter- Baptist denomination, and no purchase of the first tractor ful condition. According to three dozen chickens which was subject of "Good Will" and his doubt the membership of the lo- there has been more than 30 a letter given him with a splen- to serve the guests. At the close of the program, cal church will all be present to miles of good roads constructed did donation, the local Ku Klux the evening was turned over to hear him on both the above oc- in the Merkel territory and now Klan, as a token of their appre-

onade and home made cakes one the writers parents, at Wolfe more good roads. ever had the privilege of eating. City, Texas, more than 35 years And as is usual with our liberal ago, and was known as one of citizens and friends who live in the most able and zealous min-the country, there was an abund isters of that day and time.

BIG EXCURSION TO ELPASO

This afternoon at five o'clock the Special Excursion Train will leave Merkel for the big excur-

Texas & Pacific; only \$12.00 dially invited. for the round trip, and no doubt

way here Tuesday when thirty of late has become so enthusi- the acre of land. Read the adver out and see how you like it. five Protestant ministers met at astic, that some of his good fri- tisement for particulars. the First Baptist Church and ends dub him, "A Good Roads drew up resolutions indorsing Crank", reports that they trav- WHITE CHURCH CEMETERY Robertson's candidacy. The eled over 700 miles, and most of Rev. R. W. McCann of Taber- the time over well graded, comnacle Baptist Church pre- mon dirt roads, such as is being

A. M. Wimberly who owns homes, and you will do well to are forced to take in this in- tative, and Mrs. L. R. hompson.

las visiting a sister.

BUYS INTEREST IN BARBER NEW TRACTOR

enjoyed than was the one to that M. Bufod has puchased a Tractor, recently purchased by Klux Klan of Merkel: Shiloh last Friday night. The half inteest with Byers Petty in the Merkel Luncheon Club, Dear Friends:-Alow me to the stage have been built in Success", that we feel that to business citizenship of Merkel the laters shop, and will be farmers of the Noodle commun-express to you my appreciation This will make it much more some, who have never attended was well represented. The Trade actively associated with same. ity and others, arrived first of for your visit and the gift you convenient for the using of the a meeting of the Merkel Lun-Trippers were given a royal wel- They are both fine young the week, and was unloaded by made me recently. The gift its stage for plays, and other stage cheon Club, might consider the ty where it will be used in the ory the motive that I feel Theatre has been re-painted and have not been attending. And building of good dirt roads lead prompted it and the esteem and electric lighted, which adds to we can truthfully say that the

dent of the Luncheon Club, Mr. this week from a visit with Mr. This makes two tractors that hearts of the donors. Such tok- Mr. Acuff is a genial manager and best success of any previous L. R. Thompson making an in- and Mrs. Pat Jones of Sierra have recently been purchased ens of love and esteem keep the and shows clean pictures. Visit meeting, and then cast no rethrough the efforts of the Lun- heart-fires burning and streng- his theatre. cheon Club to be used in build- thens the determination to be ing of good roads in this vicin- of some service to the world. ity during the last few months, May your lives be spared long and which wil prove of great that you may scatter sunshine community, as well as prove of help to make the world a better much benefit to the business in- place in which to live. J. S. Bickterest of Merkel.

Attention of the readers of the wonders to be found in that in which they announce that on August 15.

With all due respect to all

R. Snow.

The new five-ton Catapillar To the members of the Ku

friendship which abides in the the appearance of the treatre, last meeting was the biggest

This paper commends the Mr. Bickley, though getting Announcement is made that members of the Luncheon Club quite old and feeble, has for the Baptist church both at the credit for their efficient and un- sociation, and by his constant The lawn was brilliantly lightmorning and evening hours. tiring efforts in securing the efforts and hard work, he has Dr. Pender is one of the pio- donations with which to pur- year in and year out kept the with the second many times ciation of the good work done Dr. Pender was the pastor of this wil soon be built. Let's have by Mr. Bickley, and with the desire to aid in such good work.

making the trip will have an op vertisement of the well known zens of Merkel, will be made to ler, Frank McElro, W. A. Camp ciated by everyone. Mrs. Seago cut this cake and the worders to be found in that

stage a big McCormick-Deering various communities are of the supply, but every one will be This was indeed a fine subject A very low rate for the round Tractor Demonstration, and to much value and help in creat-glad when church night comes and Rev. Rogers made good use trip is being charged by the which the general public is coring that cooperative and friend- again. ly spirit so badly needed not The Demonstration is planned only in this community, but many all along the line will take to take place at the S. G. Rus-throughout the world, and sell farm one-half mile west of which will in time prove of Merkel, during the entire day, much benefit from a business Dr. M. Armstrong accompan- August 19. And at two-thirty standpoint, every one who has ied by his son, Dr. Frank Arm- in the afternoon there will be a studied the question will read-INDORSE FELIX strong returned last Thursday contest to see how long it tak- ily see. Hence, it is urged that ROBERTSON evening from a trip to Lubbock es to plow one acre of land. The every business firm, and inrivid Plainview, Amarillo, and Clovis West Company will give three ual who possibly can prepare to Houston, Texas, Aug. 5-The New Mexico. Dr. Armstrong, cash prizes; first second and go to Mt. Pleasant next time. campaign favoring Felix Robert- who for many years has been a third, for those guessing near- In going you will travel over one son for Governor was put under good road enthusiast, but who est to how long it takes to plow of the new roads just built. Go

TWO LOCAL CITIZENS

sided and David Lyons of Mag- built in this community by our concerned I take this method The County Democratic Con- Grimes and Miss Lucy Tracy, Next those present were roynolia Park Christian Church act- worthy commissioner, Mr. W. to inform those who have been vention was held in Abilene last where they spent a few days, ally entertained by the "All H. Frazier, and that invariably misled by an unauthorized an- Saturday afternoon, with Judge before Mr. and Mrs. Bragg left Star Quartet", composed of A committee of three minis- he found them to be the smooth nouncement during the meet- Dallas Scarbrough acting as for the big Eastern markets, Messrs. Chas. H. Jones, Warters was appointed to arrange est, easiest and best to travel ing at the Butman tabernacle, chairman. It was a very tame accompanied by Miss Willie ren Smith, L. B. Scott and E. plans for a Robertson mass over, with less ware and tear that the date set for our ceme- affair, only the regular routine Swann, who has charge of the Yates Brown. meeting in the City auditorium on his machine. And with this tery meeting was Friday, Aug. business of electing delegates millinery department in this Mr. Thos. A. Johnson, former Saturday night. A publicity experience, the good doctor re- 8th and to prevent disappoint- to the state and various con- store, and where they expect to ly in the banking business here turned home even stronger for ment to those from other com- ventions being elected, with the personally select and buy the for many years, was called on munities who have always been passing of a resolution offered large and emplete stock of and made a few very appreciatloyal to the cemetery associat- by Rev. L. N. Stuckey, condemn merchandise for their firm for ed remarkks. In this issue of the Mail will ion, it is impractical to change ing the issuance of drug store fall and winter trade. natural that the protestant min- be found an advertisement from the date of the meeting on so prescriptions and one offered by Mr. Max Mellinger has been over to the hustling and energet Judge W. R. Ely endorsing the in the East for the past month ic president, Mr. L. R. Thomp-

or any one wanting to buy fusion caused by the steps we this county as state Represen- night.

Mrs. Campbell.

GEM THEATRE MAKES IMPROVEMENTS

The Gem Theatre, under the able management of Mr. Lee Acuff has been making quite a bit of improvements recently. The stage has been enlarged and neat dressing rooms on

Last Wednesday night was a very enjoyable time for the in charge as toastmaster, and ered on the church lawn for brought forth an interesting their mid-summer church night. and inspiring program, would be ed, a barbecue pit was the chief center of attraction. Mr. R. L.

were expected were kept away. ciated.

The men of the church served the meal and when supper was called on, and he gave an interannounced sixty one persons re- esting and able talk on "Our sponded.

Mr. R. L. Grimes, who spent rule. border city, as well as a visit to Tuesday, August 19, they will That these trade trips to the were asked as to the source of present on "Good Citizenship".

TO MARKET

Rose Dry Goods establishment, talk. left first of the week for St. Louis and other eastern mark-dames H. C. West and Fred S. and winter stock of merchan- of the Club, from the Butman dise, including millinery, which community spoke interestingly department Miss Clark is in on the subject of building a charge of.

ELECTED DELEGATES of the Bragg Dry Goods Comp- showing by facts and figures TO STATE CONVENTION any, left last Sunday for Dal- that same would prove a good las, accompanied by Mrs. Dee business venture for Merkel.

stock, and is expected home session of the meeting.

turning over to the enemy ev- adjoining counties. Mr. Matlock al comunities are following our the names of Hon. E. S. Cum- have not visited the big sale at Dr. M. Armstrong, who gave a erything for which they stand." has some real bargains for you example so if there is any con- mings recently nominated by Brown's which closes Saturday brief but interesting report of

Mr. Enry Adkins and family Ranger and Boney Church and that the next meeting would be straight course and work to- of Fannin county, are guests of family of Oklahoma and Estel presided over as Toastmaster, gether as a unit in the preser- Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Campbell, Church and family of White- by Mr. Dee Grimes. ported crops only fair and need Mrs. Bob McDonald is in Dal- vation of our cemetery. Dillard the former being a brother of right, were here this week for a visit with relatives.

Having written it so many either side and at the rear of times, "Last Luncheon Biggest flection on any other meeting. for they have all been a success. But on this last occasion the members of the club had as guests their wives, daughters, and sweethearts, and that is why it can easily be called the biggest success.

> Mr. R. L. Grimes, splendid cashier of the Farmers State Bank and who is the able secretary of the Luncheon Club, was putting it mildly indeed.

The first speaker of the even remarks along this line were In the midst of the preparat- indeed timely, to the point and ion a cloud gathered and a tent highly appreciated by the more was stretched over the chicken than 100 guests present. Next and the barbecuing went merri-came a reading by Miss Tommie ly on, but many of those who Durham, which was also appre

Mayor H. C. West was then competitors." He always has Much of the success of the something good to say, and this occasion must be attributed to occasion was no exception to the

several hours in faithful work. A piano solo by Miss Lorena This paper is requested to an- Also much credit must be given Frazier, was the next number Luncheon Club". Just before sion trip to El Paso, where all this paper is called to the ad-by the business men and citi- ed the chicken. Mr. W. D. But- this was indeed highly appre-

and H. C. West. No questions was called on to address those of it: giving to his hearers much thought and many rea-MORE DRY GOODS FOLKS sons why we should be better citizens, and which as he stated "good citizenship, makes Mr. A. C Rose and Miss Evor- for a better town and communie Clark, representing the A. C. ity. All appreciated this fine

Next, a Vocal Duett by Mesets where they will select and Rogers was a real treat to all. purchase for this firm it's fait And Mr. Sam Butman, a guest good road from Merkel through Also Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Bragg his community on to the Divide

The meeting was then turned

After a report of the different committees, including the You will have to hurry if you report of the road committee by the fine work sone along this line, the meeting adjourned W. E. Davis and family of after thechairman announced

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MERKEL, TEXAS

WITH THE CHURCHES

Loyalty month during October; services. and Win One month during the month of November.

Sunday, August 10 at the morning service the young people will have charge. They will compose the choir, take the offering, and have entire charge of the service. The Pastor will preach a special sermon to the young people. Everybody come, representative of Buckner Or- Brackenridge, Texas are expectand help make it a great service.

many things for the Fall and evening. He needs no introduct- for a few days while here. winter. Miss Eunice Russell is jon to a Merkel audience. Come. superintendent of the Seniors, W. H. Albertson, pastor. Fred S. Rogers of the Intermediates and Miss Melba West of the Juniors.

Our Sunday school is a vital and live part of our church work under the leadership of Mr. H. C. West. Come and find your place in the Sunday school, it will lead you into a larger service. Pastor, Fred. S. Rogers.

B. Y. P. U. Program

Leader: Nell Swann

1. Jesus the giver of peace, by Flossie Campbell. 2. Knowledge of the heavenly

home, by W. B. Stevens.

3. The question of Thomas, Rea.

by Floyd Dowell.

4. Need of a knowledge of God Lee Rea.

by Alva Wheeler. 5. The promise of power, by

Mrs. Warren Smith. 6. The coming of the comfort

er, by Gyrlie Howard. 7. The plain way, Ruth Boden day.

Mrs. R. I. Grimes and two Lola Dennis. children, Mary Elizabeth and The Place of Nature in our Robert Jr. left last Sunday via. Lives-Murphy Thomas. car for a visit to San Antonio Hymn. and other places for ten days or Announcements; Benediction.

Our meeting that is being held PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH | will be continued throughout this far from it. Here's a lady exhibitor. week. Bro. Rea, pastor of Mer- and likewise a small boy exhibitor-August is the month of pre- kel Methodist Church is bringing Mrs. W. M. Waller and young Stanley Berry, respectively. paration in the Presbyterian us some wonderful gospel mes- Mrs. Waller presides over the deschurch for our fall and winter sages. You will find a place to tinies of the Waller Farm near Handwork. We prepare for Rally work and work hard for our ley. Stanley, with his brother, owns month during September, for Lord if you will get in these three head of fine Jerseys and lives

M. R. Pike.

BAPTIST CHUPCH

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a.m. and at

All B. Y. P. U's at 7 p. m. Rev. R. C. Pender of Abilene phans Home of Dallas, Texas ed to arrive here Friday and will The Christian Endeavor plans will speak Sunday morning and be guests of Mrs. N. E. Sandlin

Senior Epworth League

Subject—Jesus' Parables of Nature. Hymn.

Scripture, Matt. 6:26-34

Hymn Leader: Mabel Toombs

Reading: A Ballad of Trees and the master-Rosie Laney.

The parable of the Sower, (Matt. 13:3-23), by Leonard Wills.

The Parable of the Tares, Mat 13:24-30 by Lorena Frazier. The Parable of the Mustard

seed, (Matt. 13:31-32, by Adrian)

Reading, "The Trees" Erma The parable of the Fig Tree, (Luke 13-6-10) Castle Ellis.

(Mark 4:26:29) Myrtle Daniels.

Reading, "Silver Populars"-

EXAS AGRICULTURE WILL COME INTO ITS

coliseum at Dallas, Transformed Into Magnificent Agricultural Building Many Exhibits

For the 1924 State Fair of Texas, at Dallas, Oct. 11-26 next, the former oliseum, right at the entrance of the grounds, will become the new Agricultural Building.

This structure is 150 x 280 feet in dimensions, and the whole interior ha been made over. More than 30,000 square feet of cement floor has already been laid, and the erecton of handsome, attractive booths has been started. There will be ooths for at least fifty county exibits alone, with provisions for agricultural displays of every description, well as space for numerous edcational demonstrations, including at of A. & M. of Texas and other

One big feature is to be ministure eproductions of the buildings of various universities, an idea suggestand being worked out by Pres. L. Marquis of the Teacher's Colege at Denton. Most of the models. is proposed, will be built by stuents in the manual training depart-

ents of the several institutions

EXHIBIT JERSEYS AT STATE FAIR



are not the only exhibitors of Jersey at Butman under the new arbor cattle at the State Fair of Texas-

> near Grapevine. The picture was made at the annual picnic of the Texas Jersey Cattle Club, on the farm of Walte Trimble, near Grapevine June 28, when Mrs. Waller and Stanley won in the judging contest. Each showed an intimate knowledge will have entries at the State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Oct. 11-26.

> Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Rae of

J. M. Garrett. The former Mr. tuition refunded. Write for Garrett was en oute to Colorado

Dr. M. Armstrong accompanied by his son, Dr. W. F. Armstrong returned last Friday from a short trip to Clovis New Mexico and Amarillo.

girls of Roswell, New Mexico ives. are the guests of J. W. Teaff and family and other relatives the past week.

Mrs. Susie Harris of Elmo, Texas is the guest of her mother, Mrs. N. E. Sandlin this week.

Mrs. Helman Davis and Miss Friedman, of Houston, who have The Parable of the Vine- been guests of their sister, Mrs. yard— (Matt. 20:1:16) Tom All- Max Mellinger for some weeks. departed for their homes last

> Mrs. J. B. Davenport and children of Duncan Okla. returned to their homes last week after a visit in the O. B. Boden home for some time.

Mrs. J. F. Hodo recently sold her home, located near the Garrett Feed Store to Mr. A. A. Mc Gehee, and bought the H. M. OWN AT STATE FAIR Rose home in West Merkel.

> Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Sheppard of Littlefield, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Gamble and Mr. and Mrs. F. C. McFarland, have just returned from a few days fishing trip to the Concho.

Mr. A. C. Rose, accompanied by Miss Evorie Clark, milliner for the Rose Dry Goods store, left Monday for St. Louis where they will make purchases for the Rose store.

Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Murrell of Chillicothe, Texas returned via Merkel Tuesday from a visit with friends at Sierra Blanca. They left immediately for Abilene for a short visit with friends before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Grimes, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Booth and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Jones and family, and John Woodard and Wade Darsey left Monday for a ten days fishing trip and

Mr and Mrs. C. W. Seago attended the Merkel Luncheon Club Tuesday night. Mr. and Mrs. Seago are from the Shiloh comunity.

LAUNDRY SERVICE

Send to the Laundry and be convinced. Regular family wash ing. Everything included except stiff collars, silk and woolen goods at ten pounds for one dollar. Phne 218. Alfred H. Lig-

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Bragg left Sunday morning for Dallas and from there they will go on to St. Louis to purchase new goods for their store. They will be accompanied on their trip to St. Louis by Miss Willie Swann, milliner for the Bragg Company.

Mrs. S. O. Owens is here for a brief visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Holloway. * Mrs. Owens will be remembered * as Miss Ruth Holloway before her marriage.

In our rush last week, in some way we overlooked to mention the fact that Mrs. Seth Hamil- ing with relatives at Lamesa this and Corsicana. ton, who for some time has been week. in very poor health, had been carried over to Carlsbad, near San Angelo, where she will re- and Miss Dorris Durham were in main for some time in the Sani- Abilene Tuesday. tarium in the hopes of regaining her former good health, and of the fine points of fine cows. Each in which this paper joins many good friends in trusting will be accomplished.

107 POSITIONS

Yes, 107 graduates have been placed with one big wholesale with local banks alone; hund- with relatives in Fannin county. Mr. B. A. Garrett of Waco reds of others holding good postopped off here for a brief visit sitions throughout the Southwith his parents, Mr. and Mrs. west. Positions guaranteed or Position Contract and Special Offer. Draughon's College Draw er B, Abilene or Wichita Falls.

E. H. Thompson and family Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Jones and they visited friends and relat-

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J. T. WARREN, President. Geo. F. WEST. Vice President L. R. THOMPSON, Cashier. BOOTH WARREN, Ass't Cashier. OWE NELLIS, Ass't Cashier.

PERSONALS

was here Tuesday looking after business interests.

Misses Johnnie and Boog Sears

Mr. Jack Durham has been quite ill this week. But is gradu aly improving at present.

Mrs. Hattie Inman and family of Midland are here visiting J. B. Bell and family.

T. W. Clark and wife and broconcern-a world's record; 41 ther left this week for a visit

> W. R. Bigham of Cisco, was here this week for a day or so shaking hands with old friends.

Mrs. Ernest Mims, of Abilene is visiting her parents, Dr. and 8t2 Mrs. S. W. Johnson this week.

Mrs. W. E. Moss of Los Angreturned the 4th from Lockney les, California is here to visit Southland and Lamesa, where her mother, Mrs. N. E. Sandlin.

> J. S. Thomas and family spent last Sunday with relatives at Tuscola.

Your last chance will soon be gone to attend the big sale at Browns.

J. R. Lamar last week.

J. A. McKee and wife, of Dallas the low price of \$1.90 per sack, and Haskell, were here this and we know it will give better week of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bu-results, because it is better.

Miss Hilis Aline Snoody of ITY It- Weatherford, Texas is visiting Mrs. Warren C. Smith this

Mrs. Wm. O'Briant left last * Friday for Los Angles, California, where she will visit her dau-Mr. H. M. Rose of Sweetwater ghter and two sons for a time.

Dr. W. F. Armstrong left Sunday for a short business trip to Miss Gladys Mayfield is visit- Eastland, Dallas, Fort Worth

> Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Grimes and baby daughter returned last Friday from a visit with relatives at Martha, Okla.

YOU TELL EM



A baby may not be very smart,

but father cant put on mother's nightgown and Rool it"

Don't be "fooled" into buying cheap grade flour. Get a sack of

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Mrs. John Bond and daughter, from us for your next baking, Miss Lena were guests of Mrs. and we guarantee that you will never use any other kind.

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> J. N. CARSON GROCERIES

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Hardware Galore, if you want hardware think of the Liberty then head this way.

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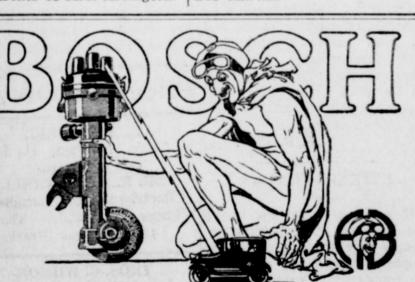
The Best for the Price

L. A. Watts and family left Mrs. J. P. Sutphen is spend- "EYES OF THE FOREST" rado" points.

are parents of Mrs. Arrington. | Bob Martin.

this week for an extended trip ing a few days in Nachedoches, to Denver and other "Kool Kolo- Texas visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ingham, Mr. and Mrs. John Morgan of and Dr. and Mrs. L. B. Pember- Dallas returned to their home ton of Midland are guests of Tuesday after a visit with Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Arrington J. C. Calvert, Mrs. Chas Russell this week. Mr. and Mrs. Ingham Mrs. Fred Latham, and Mrs.



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Shows Tom Mix In Thrilling Role of Aviator

Deep in the big timber country of California, Tom Mix, a company of actors and a mechanical force lived for two two months during the making of "Eyes of the Forest", which comes to the Cozy Theatre Friday and Saturday. According to advance reports of this William I ask you to consider my claims if such it was, was worth the effort. Having pioneered in almost every field of daring, Mix will now make his bow as a full it. fledged aviator.

Once before, in "Sky High" Mix defied fate and drove one of the big flying machines below the rim of the Grand Canyon crater, a hitherto unattempt ed feat.

In his latest picture, Mix will be seen as a forest ranger, an officer in the millitary service whose duty it is to guard the forests from fire and lumber thieves. The girl in the case is the run-off Primary for Com-Pauline Stark. Mix encounters missioner of Precinct No. 4 of her in a lonely forest shack, this County. I desire to correct with her uncle, a back woods any statement that may have doctor. He learns she is wanted father. A band of lumber their- the race for Commissioner and envelopes to match for \$1.15 one tingling with action and at the July Primary. suspense throughout.

Mix can usually be depended upon to pull an original stunt. vice that I have heretofore giv-In this picture he leaps from a en. Kindly give my candidacy racig horse, his own Tony, to an careful consideration when you airlpane, clutching the axle bar cast your vote on August 23rd. of the wheels below the wings and rising thousands of feet in the air.

Mrs. Sam Mellinger of Mem-Lockhart, Texas.

Saturday night?

I wish to sincerely thank the good people of this precinct for their most loyal support in the recent primary.

Since I must go into the second primary I must cordially ask a continuation of your support and as many of those who did not vote for me in the primary as can conscientiously do so now. It will be impossible to see each of you personally, but personally.

I pledge my self if elected to this office to devote my time to

> P. A. DILTZ, Candidate for Commissioner Precinct Number 2 Adv 1t.

COMMISSIONER BAKER IN JONES COUNTY RUN OFF

To the voters of Precinct No. 4, Jones County, Texas. It has been rumored that I am not in lars free. La Flesh Hemstiching been made in regard to the mat ter by saying that I am still in girls. 200 sheets paper with 100

If elected, I will give you the same careful conscientious ser-Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Baker. Adv. 8t2p.

W. R. Black and family from phis, stoped off here last Sun-Sargosa and Mrs. P. A. Hobert day for a visit with Max Mellin from Pecos were visitors at W. ger and family, while enroute to D. Butler's home the past few

big sale at Browns' will close Lloyd left Monday for a visit to nacle, or on the street north, 1t. relatives at Venus, Texas.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE-Farm in Gains county. Will trade for town or FOR RENT-A three-room resfarm property in or near Mer- idence, well located. See E. B. kel .Dan Ridenbauch.

FOR SALE-Two small farms Fox Production, the sacrifice, just as though I had ask you near Merkel. Would take house and lot in Merkel in on either of WANTED-Stock to pasture.

> FOR SALE OR TRADE—Good 133 acre farm in Comanche county; 110 in cultivation; also house and lot in Comanche, to trade for western property, or would sell cheap for cash. See J. A. Janes.

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FOR SALE-Stationery for both men and women, boys and es is involved and the compli- retpectfully solicit the vote of and \$2.00. Comes in white, pearl cations of the plot, evolved by every citizen of the precinct and gray, buff, pink and blue. Your Shannon Fife, make the picture thank you for thevote I received name and address or monogram or folder of paper FREE. Call for Blanche Durham at the Merkel Mail office to show you samples.

> FOR SALE-Rat Dogs-Pure bred Fox Terrier pups. Your choice \$5.00. E. Yates Brown 1t

FOR SALE-Some good hogs and March and April pigs at my Sam Butman, Sr.

LOST-At the begining of the Have you forgotten that the Mrs. Will Smith and son Billie Baptist meeting, at the taber scarf pin with Eastern Star For sale by MERKEL DRUG OU

and receive reward.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT-Furnished housekeeping rooms second door north of Christian Church. Mrs. B. L. Bradshaw.

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the farms. See J. A. Janes. 1tpd Good pasture, ever lasting water. Six miles north of Trent. Lee D. Williams.

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TELEPHONE No. 61

Women with prety feet rarely oppose a tendency to shorter things. "O", she said, "I con-

bold and fearless stand on the in what is going n in the world. questions where every one is They frequently like to stop agreed.

to close for lack of help, the garages are full of men who are repairing pleasure cars.

Some folks claim that the newspapers are "controlled" while others cuss the editor for printing anything he wants to.

According to the present out look, it won't cost President Coolidge much to get the White to make her own way in the House lawn mowed this sum- world, so that sche had had lit-

The motorist who get into trouble by doing some reckless thing were of course only going to d it just once.

THANKS FROM LASSITER

ers precinct number 2:

port, given me in the late pri- their interests and information, necessary ticket.

THE BACKGROUND OF OF INTELLEGENCE

A young woman who has made some little success in a small business of her own, was speaking the other day of the relation of intelligence on current affairs to her business. It kel, Texas as second class mail. newspapers and magazines on it. A caller asked her when she got any time to read those sider reading thase a part of my work. A good many people While many farms have had nothing about those things, they would lose interest in me and in my work. But if it apmy own in reply to their observations on mdern life, they enjy dropping in here better, and they have more respect for my intelligence."

This young woman had had tle school education. Yet, by

their advancement.

Very respectfully, The person who knows what T. R. Lassiter is going on in the world has the coin of conversation that passes Carl Thomas left first of the

Your West Texas Utilities Co.

Your West Texas Utilities Company never moves on to another town. This company is a part of the industrial and social life of this comunity. The properties of this company are imbedded in the earth and fastenwas noted that in her little of- ed to the soil. They are here to Entered at the postoffice at Mer- fice was a table with many stay. Their usefulness is confined to this community. The service of the West Texas Utilities Company will be here tomorrow and next year and always.

Some business concerns stay in a town while business is good The politicians usually take a drop in hero who are interested and then move to another town. They are not tied into the life and fate of the community like and gossip a little about the the West Texas Utilities Compnews. If they found I knew any. Their service is not the same essential service that the service of this company is.

Being an essential part of the pears that I am interested in the community it is naturally the things that interest them, and desire and purpose of this comif I can make some comment of pany to promote the community and the welfare of its individual members through the best possible service.

West Texas Utilities Co.

NOTICE TO LUNCHEON CLUB

The Mail is asked to announce reading and keeping her eyes to one and all, who may in the open, she has developed an at- future wish to attend a Lunchtractive and intelligent person- eon Club meeting, that it will ality and could hold her own in be necessary for ONE AND any society. She is a very wise ALL, attending to present at the door a Luncheon Club Tick-In many cities there is com- et, in order to gain admission. plaint that it is difficult to find This is done in order that conintelligent and cultivated young fusion and misunderstandings To the voters of commission- people to fill such positions as may be avoided. If you should teachers or store clerks, and invite one or more persons to be I take this method of thank- that many who apply for such your guest at a meeting you ing you for the very liberal sup- work seem vey superficial in must present them with the

mary election and would appre- and lack good maners and refine The club is running mighty ciate very much in the coming ment. If they would only follow smoothe and doing good work run-off your most hearty sup- the example of the young wo- in behalf of the city, and port and I will promise the very man fist mentioned, they could EVERYBODY IS WELCOME. best service to the entire pre- go a long distance to make up NO ONE BARRED, but it is conct that is possible for me to the lacks that interfere with hoped that ALL will be provided with a ticket from this date on.

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Two Refrigerators \$7.50 each. Two Porch Rockers [all oak] \$4.50 each.

One Porch Swing (four feet) \$2.50 One slightly used Davenport good as new \$22.50

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If you need any of the above articles it will pay you to see them. They are real Bargains.

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TEAXS & PACIFIC MAKING PERFECT TIME

vice that is being maintained great revival of religion in this and given by the Texas & Paci- community. Our prayers shall

following facts, and compari- ing souls to Christ. sons of time made during the month of July for the Sunshine Special into Dallas and St. Louis as compared to the Texas Special of the M. K. & T. During July the Sunshine Special to St. this method of extending my Louis was on time 31 times, whereas the Texas Special only made it on time 16 times. To Dallas the Sunshine Special from me for the Odd Fellow picwas on time 28 times and the

Texas Special 25 times. Yes, the old Texas and Pacific is becoming one of the best railroads in the nation; traversing through the very heart of the great southwest, and the time residing in this section, will be night. glad that they live along this great railway, especially if the other towns along the road are blessed with having such men as agents as the town of Merkel has in the person of Mr. Childress.

Married Saturday Night

E. E. Bumpas of Dallas, and Miss Lena Mitchell of San Angelo were married at 8 o'clock Saturday night by Rev. J. T. McKissick at the Christian par sonage and left immediately for a short trip before returning to San Angelo, where they will You'll be thrilled as Mix has make their home. Mr. Bumpas is with a San Angelo implement company. Besides members of the McKissick family, Mr. and A Roaring 2 Reel Fox Mrs. W. O. Miller of Sweetwater were present for the wedding-Swetwater Reporter.

Our revival begins at Union Since the ballasting and gen- Ridge Methodist Church Sunday, eral improvement of the road August 10. Rev. R. L. Stutts bed, together with the addition of Merkel will do our preaching of much new and improved roll- for us. Our new church will ing stock, one often hears re- be ready for use at that time. marks concerning the fine ser- Let us begin planning for a cousin, Miss Ella Murlen Weed. be that first we get on the line ler, Texas is a guest of Miss And through the courtesy of for God ourselves, and then Hattie Proctor this week. Mr. J. C. Childress, the ever with our armors brandished courteous and capable station bright we join the host to fight agent in Merkel, for this rail- the forces of sin and the devil. PROFESSION AL road, we are enabled to give the May we be instrumental in lead-

M. R. Pike.

EXTENDS THANKS

It is with pleasure that I take thanks and apreciation to the people of Merkel and surrounding country for buying tickets nic in order to help bear expenses of the orphan children.

> Most respectfully, Mrs. F. A. Polly.

REMEMBER the big sale will soon be at hand when one closes at Brown's Saturday

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Tom Mix

With Tony the Wonder Horse IN

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never thrilled you before. -ALSO-

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Miss Enola Weed of Post City is spending the week with her

Miss Sarah Pendelton of Ty-

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West Texas Utilities Co.

Electrical Service our Motto

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Miss Fae Grifith of Abilene was the guest of Miss Lois Hig gins last week.

Be sure and take advantage of the big sale that closes at Brown's Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Mason Pee of Lawn, Texas were here last week visiting relatives.

Miss Edith Brown spent last week end with Mr. and Mrs. John Cox of Abilene.

Miss Estell Tennyson of Haskell is a guest of Miss Lillian Watts this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Berhens of Abilene were here visiting with friends last Friday.

Miss Nell Holloway returned last week from a visit to her sis ter at Big Spring, Texas.

Miss Fae Mae Fronabarger of Fort Worth, Texas is a guest of Miss Ruth Boden this week.

Mrs. Earl Busbee and children of Wichita Falls, Texas are here to visit relatives.

Mr. Robert McBean of Dallas was a week end visitor of Miss Edith Brown last week,

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Higgins announce the birth of a baby girl on Sunday, August 3.

Mr. Jud Sheppard and family of Brownsfield, Texas are here for a brief visit with relatives.

Mrs. M. R. Woodrum, Mrs. Ed Heeter, and daughter, and Miss Missie Dye were in Abilene Tuesday visiting with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Howell Brittain of Abilene visited Mrs. Brittain's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Rainbolt last week.

Mrs. W. M. Browning and daughter, Miss Mary of Waruika, Oklahoma are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Browning.

Mrs. Dee Grimes and Miss Lucy Tracy returned Wednesday from a short trip to Dallas, where they visited a few days.

Miss Bettye Rogers left Monday for Dallas, where she will make new purchases for her millinery store.

first of the week from McGregor, where he conducted a very successful revival.

Mrs. S. D. Gamble this week.

kell, Texas is here for a visit and children of Wellington, with her aunt Mrs. R. O. Ander- Texas are visiting, Mrs. Robinson and other relatives and son's sister, Mrs. Thos. Durham friends.

\$17.50 in Prizes

McCormick-Deering Tractor Demonstration

Tuesday, August 19th

AT S. G. RUSSELL'S FARM, ONE-HALF MILE WEST OF MERKEL.

Guess how long it takes to plow an acre of land with a McCormick-Deering Tractor and a 3 disc plow.

> First Prize - -\$10.00 Second Prize - - \$5.00 Third Prize - - -

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days visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Service. Mrs. H. F. Magnus and two and daughter, Mis Ruby Lee and daughters, Dorothy and Thelma little son, S. V. stopped off here of Dallas are guests of Mr. and for a short stay Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Durham.

Miss Madeline Hunt of Has- Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Robinson this week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Johnson Messrs. Bill and Roy Nalley Eld. W. G. Cypert returned and son Pagie of McKiney, Tex- of Trent, Texas left for Breckas have been here for several enridge Saturday morning to play several engagements with Harrisons Red Devils Dance Ochestra.

WE ARE IN THAT BUSINESS proving nicely.

the Laundryman.

Elder W. G. Cypert in hisusual appropriate and impressive Mary Lou Brown. way pronounced the words on A. J. and Elsie Hill took Tuesday morning at 10:00 o'- lunch with Gertrude Byrom Sunclock at the tabernacle, which day. bound in holy wedlock, Mr. G. Mt. Pleasant community.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bickley. Rev. Davis. Bickley is exepcted to return here next week for a more extended visit.

J. A. Ellison was in thecity homa on a visit. one day this week and has our Mr. J. D. Northcut and family wild plums. Mr. Ellison recently Texas. returned from a trip to Stephfound crops looking well.

Just received fresh shipment Floyd Williams and family and cakes and cookies from the Uncle Tom Williams visited Mrs. Thousand Window Bakeries. G. M. Byrom Sunday afternoon. "Every meal, Every day." A Quite a few from Golan atvariety for every occasion at a tended preaching at Newman price you can aford to pay. Sunday night.

GOLAN NEWS

health of our community is im- T. Garner.

If it is cleaning and pressing ure of a family reunion a few ter at Del Rio, Texas. you want, that is one of our days ago. Eleven brothers and Our meeting will start Friday Stuckey will remain in Merkel specialities. Phone 218. Ligon, two sisters of Mr. West's were night, August 8. Everybody is for a few weeks with their tf there with their families.

invited.

Merkel Mail ofice.

Miss Lennie Garner spent Saturday night and Sunday with

Miss Audra Dell Hudspeth, Vera and Lena Jones spent Sunof young folks met at Pearl Wests Sunday afternoon. Among Rev. C. A. Bickley, presiding them were A. J. and Elsie Hill, elder of the Corsicana district Otis Davis, Mary Lou Brown. stopped off here first of the Johnie Hill, Gertrude Byrom, week enroute to ElPaso and Linnie Garner, Palmer Lawlis, spent the night with his parents Edward Lawlis and George

Louis Lawils and family spent Sunday with his parent, Mr. P. W. Lawlis.

Bettye Byrom is now in Okla-

thanks for a nice lot of fine left Sunday on a visit to East

Floyd Williams and family ens county, where he stated he from East Texas have been visiting relatives here.

Hugh Jeffrey, wife and son,

J. N. Carson, groceries. tf. Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Dean and

SHILOH NEWS

Health of the community is good at present.

The Baptist meeting at Shiloh began Saturday night. Good attendance is being had and we are looking forward to a good meet-

Bro. and Sister Humphries spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hail.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Vessel of Trent were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Howell Saturday night and Sunday.

Miss Vada Naron visited friends near Compere last week and attended the meeting at that

Mrs. B. L. James returned from Hill County Saturday night where she went to visit her daughter, Mrs Fred Beal.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Rutledge visited M. L. Rutledge's family Sunday.

Mr. G. C. Tiner of Abilene is visiting his brother, J. W. Tiner. Mr. Hardy Rutledge had the misfortune of losing some clothing and groceries Saturday night by some one entering his house and helping themselves while they were attending church.

Mrs. H. R. Grayson from Lamesa is here with her mother Mrs. Grayson's health is bad, but we hope it will be improving soon. Mr. H. R. Grayson says crops in that country are far ahead of these.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Grayson returned Sunday from a two weeks visit with relatives on the Plains. They report lots of

Mrs. Dan Butler who is sick is improving nicely.

The Merkel Luncheon Club came out Friday night and rendered a fine program for the Shiloh people. And to say the people appreciated and enjoyed t would be putting it mild.

The music, readings and fine talks were all any one could wish

We sure thank the good people f Merkel and extend an invitation for them to come back in the near future.

Brownie's sister came again with your letters. You don't know how we appreciate them. some one so far away are constantly thinking of us folk down here.

Everybody come to the meeting and tell everybody you see. Brownie.

Mrs. Grace Cozart and childfamily spent Sunday with Mr. ren of Phoenix, Arizona, acand Mrs. W. C. Hill and family. | companied by neice, Miss Sayra Mr. Rowan and Mr. and Mrs. Stuckey of Los Cruces, N. M., Fred Vestal and family and Mrs were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Crops are needing rain very Jim Brown and children spent P. Frederickson, parents of Mrs. badly at the present. The Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Cozart. Mrs. Cozart and two sons will go on to Oklahoma Mr. Jim Brown was called a- City for a short visit before re-Mr. W. M. West had the pleas- way to the bedside of a sick sis- turning to Phoenix. Miss Christina Cozart and Miss Sayra -Dandelion. grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Frederickson.

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we have had a family and that was shortly after 1874," says Mr. E.

A. Branstetter Draught ever since fine for indigestion or for A. Branstetter, of St. biliousness. We never let James, Mo. "It is my first the house be without it if remedy when any of us I know it. We also give it liver and stomach com- fever."

"When I get sluggish Draught in the house for

gets sick. . . . We use to the children for chil-Black-Draught for torpid dren's complaints, colds or Keep a package of Black-

and don't feel so good, I take Black-Draught—and you have to show me that there is a better medicine and the family.

Your dealer will sell you a mammoth package, containing five of the regular-size packages. It's cheaper.

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Mr. and Mrs. Huddleston Give a Dinner Party

Monday at one o'clock Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Huddleston were the entertaining host and hostess to a few friends to a dinner party. A real chicken dinner was served with everything in the way of delicious food to go along with it. Besides the well prepared food and the abundance of the good things, the genuine southern hospitality was shown the guests by Mr. and Mrs. Hud dleston, which made the hours spent in their home ones of real pleasure.

Those enjoying this congenial occasion were: Mr and Mrs. T. A. Johnson, and son Pagie of Mc Kinney, who have been here visiting, Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Murrell also visiting here from Chillicothe, and Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Thompson, and daughter, Miss Lynnis.

Swimming Party

Tuesday morning, before breakfast time, a swimming party was given complimenting Mrs. T. A. Johnson, of Mc Kinney, Texas, who is the guest of friends here. Those enjoying the affair were: Mesdames Amy Sears, T. A. Johnson, Harkrider J. T. Warren, Booth Warren, E. N. Brown, John Sears, E. M. McDonald, L. R. Thompson, D. O. Huddleston, Mises Mary Eula Boog and Johnnie Sears.

Seven O'Clock Dinner

Mrs. J. E. Richardson entertained last Friday evening with a seven o'clock dinner, honoring her little son and daughter, Drayton, who was ten years old July 31 and Mildred, who was eight August 1st.

A lovely chicken dinner with all the good things to eat that go with it was served family style.

Games were greatly enjoyed after the dinner hour. Then the little guests and the honorees

ocassion were: Nell Durham, noon of fun. red and Drayton Richardson.

Last Friday afternoon at five and a toy gun. thirty o'clock the members of Various games were played in Subject-Mountain Communitthe Intermediate Sunday school the house and out on the lawn, less to day and yesterday. department of the Methodist Refreshments of ice cream cones church gathered at the church and cake was served. The color to go on a picnic.

A swim at Shannon's Pool carried out in the refreshments. was immensely enjoyed for some Those attending this birthday time. Supper was spread on the celebration were: Drayton Richgrass at the Shannon place, and ardson, Myer Mellinger, Robert Prayer, Mrs. McRee. consisted of sandwiches, cakes, Jr. Grimes, Itse Mellinger, Mary

fruit, olives and watermelon. this outing with the intermedi- Davis. ates were Mesdames W. F. Golla day and W. S. J. Brown. The members attending were: Inice Brown, Tommie Durham, Ruby Fae Golloday, Fred Guitar, Dorothy Daniels, Ruby Walton, Eliz abeth Harkrider, Nadine Tippet and Victor Smith.

Kings Daughters Meet

Tuesday afternoon, eleven members of the Kings Daughters Class, and several visitors enjoyed a most interesting meet ing at the Methodit church.

An hour of business and social was mingled together. Such business as was necessary was discusseded and attended to.

Interesting talks were heard from Mesdames L. R. Thompson and T. J. Rea concerning the class work.

Mrs. Thos. A. Johnson of Mc-Kinney, a former member of the class was a welcome visitor at this meeting.

Delicious punch was served near the close of the meeting.

Let the Markal Mail do your

Your Chance To Own a Cotton Farm Near Lubbock, Texas "The Hub of the Plains"

We now have on the market the first division of the Cash payment on signing of the contract ... \$885.50 Spade Ranch, sub-divided into 177.1 acre tracts. This and lies about 15 miles due west of Lubbock and is 5.2 miles square, with a good school located near the center, and close enough to the Great Technological College at Lubbock, so that your bys and girls can stay at home at night and attend this great school which will be in operation in the fall of 1925.

This is your chance to buy a home where the citizenship is the best, where the schools are good and where you can attend church and Sunday School every Sunday. Where health and happiness prevails.

Where your granery and smoke house will always be filled, where your worries of the boll weevil will soon be forgotten.

This land is located within 12 miles of the Tech. Site, which lies due west of Lubbock. The soil is a dark chocolate loam with a clay sub-soil and the surface is about 95 per cent level. An inexhaustable supply of water can be had in wells running from 100 to 125 feet in depth.

These one hundred tracts of land are now being placed on the market at \$35.00 per acre on the follow-

All notes are on or before.

Interest starts from the date of signing contract

tract until January 1st, 1925.

	Principal	Interest	Total
Jan. 1, 1926—	\$ 300.00	\$318.78	\$ 618.78
Jan. 1, 1927-	300.00	300.78	600.00
Jan.1, 1928 —	300.00	282.78	582.78
Jan. 1, 1929-	300.00	264.78	564.78
Jan. 1, 1930-	300.00	246.78	546.78
Jan. 1, 1931-	300.00	228.78	528.78
Jan. 1, 1932-	300.00	210.78	510.78
Jan. 1, 1933-	213.00	192.78	415.78
Jan. 1, 1934—	3000.00	168.78	3168.78
TOTAL COST-	\$6198.50		

A farmer in this country can cultivate twice as much land with the same amount of farming implements and work as he can in many parts of the state. The average elevation of the South Plains country is over 3,200 feet, which makes it impossible for the ball weevils and other insects in this country.

In the event that you are further interested in this matter, we will be more than glad for you to communicate with us, or our agent in our town, at once and we will give you any additional information that you may want regarding this proposition. It is our suggestion that you make arrangements to come to Lubbock and look at this land in order that you may select a tract for your home.

Trusting that you will give this matter your most First years interest will be from date of signing con- careful consideration and let us assist you in any way possible, we are.

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Celebrates 7th Birthday

Thursday afternoon, July 31 were taken driving for about an Neil Durham celebrated his sev-

The gifts consisted of checkers, life. The class is conducted by Intermediate Department Picnic shot for air gun, handkerchiefs, Mrs. E. L. Mangum. The pro-

scheme of pink and white was Mrs. Scott.

Elizabeth Grimes, Mildred Rich- the Hills." Mrs. Mangum. The teachers who enjoyed ardson, J. W. Cole and Alton

Trent Ladies Missionary Society

clock. There is a regular attend-About five o'clock the little ance of about half the memberwill be:-

Hymn; Business.

2. Missionary news, Mrs. Winn Bible lesson-The outlook of

4. Our mountain schools open- Get your stationary at the Mer- it with Mr. and Mrs. Pat Jones one superior qualification for ing God's Highway, Mrs. Reid. kel Mail ofice.

The Keepers Class

hostess. After a short business Song, No. 60; Prayer, Mrs. J. L. mother in serving a delicious Mrs. Fannie King. plate of sandwiches, iced tea, and wafers to the class mem-3. A new Gospel track, "Over bers and several visitors.

The Weekly Prayermeeting

The Keepers Class of the The Prayer meeting will meet The Ladies Missionary Society Presbyterian church, met on at the home of Mrs. Chas. West enth birthday by inviting a few of the Trent Methodist church Friday afternoon with Mrs. on Wednesday, August 13 at 4 Those enjoying this pleasant friends to his home for an after- meets every Monday at three o'- Marvin Smith as the delightful o'clock. Prayer, Mrs. Jim Meek Boney, Neil Durham, and Mild- friends began to arrive, each ship. The Ladies are interested session presided over by the Harris; Lesson, Jesus cleanses bringing gifts for the honoree. in the Bible study of Christ's president, the meeting was turn the Temple, John 2:13-22, Mrs.

tf. at Sierra Blanca, Texas.

M. E. WOMANS MISSIONARY SOCIETY NOTES

The meeting of the Woman's Missionary society on last Monday afternoon was one of much pleasure and congeniality. This was not a social meeting altogether, but business was combined with pelasure and thus the meeting was a splendid sugcess. This was our regular business meeting but through the efforts of our president, a social hour had been planned to follow the business. At the close of the regular routine of business we were favored with a piano solo, by Miss Lorena Frazier. The next number was a round table discussion on how to increase the membership and hold the interest of those who are already members. This discussion was led by Mrs. L. R. Thompson and was entered into very heartily by all those present and thus we gained some new ideas of how to at least help along these lines. Some of these helpful suggestions we feel sure are going to be adopted and put into practice by the society. We had as visitors at this meeting, Mrs. T. A. Johnson of McKinney, Tex as, who once made Merkel her home, also Bro. and Mrs. Murrell of Chillicothe, our one time pastor and wife. Both Mrs. John son and Mrs. Murrell told us of some plans that had been and are being worked in their home church that we feel will be bene ficial to us. Bro. Murrell also made us a nice talk suggesting team work or committee work as being a very helpful way.

Miss Dorothy Sanders then gave us a reading which was en joyed very much. After the pro gram a refreshment plate of sandwiches, pickles, olives, and iced tea was passed. There were 30 ladies and a number of child ren present. We were very much encouraged by the attendance, and spirit of hearty cooperation on this afternoon and we hope the after glow of this splendid meeting may last for many months and that our society will go forward as it should. On next Monday afternoon we wil have our study lesson and hope every member who has this book will be present and every other lady who is interested in missions is cordially invited to some also.

MRS. MITCHELL THANKS VOTERS

Mrs. Mitchell says that the ed over to the hostess for a so- Fannie King: Thimothy 3:14-16 weather is hot for personal camcial hour. An interesting flow- Mrs. G. W. Elliott; Ephesians paigning, and that she is thank knives, a story booklet, a harp gram for Monday, August 11th er contest was passed for which 1:15-23, Mrs. Allday; Ephesians ful for the press by which to Mrs. Charles Jones was awarded 5:22-30, Mrs. Estes: 1st. Cor 6: thank the good friends who vota pretty towel. Then each guest 8-11, Mrs. J. L. Harris; 1st Cor. ed strong enough to put her was asked to draw a picture to 3:16-23, Mrs. W. W. Campbell; in the run-off for the office of represent a song. Mrs. John Psalm 15, Mrs. Mack Buhbee, District Clerk. She regrets hav-West was voted the best artist, Joshua 6 and 7, Mrs. Jim Meek, ing to ask them for further ef-1. Getting on the honor roll, and a dainty drinking cup was Song 190; Prayer, Mrs. Busbee, fort in her behalf but begs that presented her for her efforts. Minutes and rol call, Prayer, they will try to change some of Miss Mildred Smith assisted her Mrs Estes, Song 175; Prayer, the "wise men's minds" and ask that they look further into the situation and use an added reali-Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Thompson zation of justice and democracy. and daughter, Miss Lynnis left Mr. Fuller has had this good job Thursday in their car for a vis- four years but does not possess the execution of its duties, as the bulk of the work is done by a woman clerk, it is his privilege to hire. He has been given the opportunity to serve you and be your friend, given the same, Mrs. Mitchell will prove herself to do as much.

> As head of the family, doing duty as both man and woman for fifteen years Mrs. Mitchell says she has not yet met one man who thought she should be exempt from meeting any legitimate obligation such as paying all bills, meeting church or club dues, paying all taxes, educating her child, etc, etc., but lately has met many men who would bar her from one of the few opportunities by which to earn more than the usual salary paid to women, and which is rarely enough for one who is head of a

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Mrs. Harry Barnett and child ren left Monday for a visit to relatives at Dallas.

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Battle of Palo Duro Canyon A Decisive Battle by U. S. Troops, Under Gen. RESERGEANT JOHN R. CHARLTON

By SERGEANT JOHN B. CHARLTON.

Desperate Fighting.

And then we went down into that in-

ferno of howling redskins. Kiowas,

Comanches, Arapahoes and Cheyennes

attacked us from every quarter, first by dozens, later by hundreds, as the war-

riors gathered from the lower part of

the camp. Many were concealed be-

slowly at first, toward the head of the

General McKenzie's command was in quarters at Fort Clark, Texas, rumors became rife of unrest among certain tribes of Indians on the government reservations. These rumors were soon verified by a threatened outbreak. Shortly after this news reached the post I was sent by General McKenzie with dispatches to Fort Sill, and my orders were to travel by night only, as the country at that time was infested by numerous small bands of Indians; so by traveling at night much delay was avoided and many dangers evaded. By changing horses at each army post on the route I was able to make the ride, a distance of about 580 miles, in six nights. Upon my return I found the General's command at Fort Concho, Texas, and there learned that the threatened outbreak had occurred-that Lone Wolf's band, strengthened by warriors from other tribes, had left the reservations and with their families had established themselves in winter quarters somewhere well within the border of Northwest Texas, and that General McKenzie had been ordered out with his command, consisting of seven troops of cavalry, to intercept them and break up their

Indians Attack Scouting Party.

I reported to the General and was placed with the scouting party then being formed. This party consisted of six white men, thirteen Seminoles and twelve Tonkawa Indians: Lieutenant Williams Thompson was made chief of the scouts.

The command left Fort Concho immediately, moving in the direction of what was then called Blanco Canyon, but is now known as Yellow House Canyon. The supply trains, accompanied by four companies of infantry from Fort Concho, followed. After several days marching, we reached this canyon where a supply camp was established. Rain fell in torrents that night, and a "norther" blew up, which added greatly to the discomfort of the troops. The next morning, September 26th, 1874, with fifteen days' rations for each man, the troops were on the march again. this time the objective point being Tule Canyon, about a day's march ahead of us. After reaching the level of the plains the scouts were ordered out on duty, as we were nearing that part of the country where, it was hoped, reliable information might be gathered as to the location of the main body of Indians. Lieutenant Thompson had orders to travel in a direction deviating somewhat from that taken by the command. We rode all morning without any sign of Indians, but about noon came to a slight break in the plains where we drew rein to make a survey of the landscape. Some distance away I noticed what appeared to be a herd of about a hundred buffalo. I called Lieutenant Thompson's attention to them. Looking through his field glasses for a moment he exclaimed: "They are Indians, sergeant, and they are going to attack us. Get your men ready for

I dismounted the men, placed six of them in charge of the horses, and the remainder was formed in line of battle around the horses. Lieutenant Thompson watched the approaching savages intently until they were near enough to make sure of their approximate number, then he rode over to us and gave orders to fall back toward the command, as we were outnumbered four to one. "Hold steady, men, and reserve your fire until they are within easy reach," said the Lieutenant.

Called His Bluff.

They were approaching rapidly, about one hundred and twenty of them, and

the Indians reached a point about sixty yards from our defense line, they suddenly turned to the right and began circling us. Then we opened fire. Step by step our scouts fell back, fighting every inch of the way, and hoping meanwhile that we were traveling in the direction of the command. One Indian buck, mounted on a white horse, kept riding toward us, firing and yelling, then riding back into line. Each trip he grew bolder and approached nearer to our men. Just how many of the scouts decided to stop his bluff I cannot say but this Comanche soon went down with several bullet holes in his carcass. The Indians continued to harass us until about sundown, when luckily we reached the trail of the command. Our foes, realizing from the size of the trail, the presence of a large body of troops in that vicinity, disappeared as if by magic. We then mounted our horses, took up the trail and reached camp about 10 o'clock that night. Several Indians were killed by our men, but by good luck we had no casualties to re-

When General McKenzie, heard of including the scouts, placed on guard ed, had made a spring for the Tonkawa.

During the summer of 1874, while bered thirty-one men, all told. When curred about this time. As the Indians | the Canyon precipice. I felt overawed disappeared, the attention of the troops was attracted by the sight of a solitary Comanche riding a brown pony. He was on a little rise out of range of our rifles, and appeared nonplussed as to the direction taken by his companions, from whom he had evidently been cut off. He scanned the horizon for a moment, then attempted a short cut in the direction taken by the other Indians. This brought him in range of our rifles, when Henry, a Tonkawa, shot his horse dead and the horse in falling, threw the rider. Henry then rode forth against his fallen foe. Now in those days an Indian wore his blanket in this fashion: Taking the blanket lengthwise he wrapped it around his body. His cartridge belt, with pistol in hol-ster, was buckled around his waist, and the top part of the blanket then turned down over the belt.

The Comanche had risen to his feet, but was somewhat dazed from the fall, when Henry arrived upon the scene. Henry's rifle was strapped to his saddle, and he was so sure of victory that he had neglected to draw it until it was too late. He fumbled desperately for his pistol which still remained entangour skirmish with the Indians, he or- led in the folds of his blanket. In the dered about one-third of the company, | meantime the Comanche, fully recover-

at the depth of the walls of the Canyon which, at this point had a sheer drop of about 1,500 feet, the distance from wall to wall being about a half mile. A small stream of water was running through the Canyon. Flecks of valley land was visible, intermingled with dark cedar tops which cast darker shadows on the ground. In the open hundred of horses were grazing. Viewed from our immense height, the horses appeared as tiny moving objects. Tepees thickly dotted the banks of the stream as far down the Canyon as I could see. I afterward learned that this Indian camp was three miles long. At any rate, from my vantage point I had gotten a pretty comprehensive view of the whole situation. Time was pressing and there was a ride of twenty-five miles back to the main command. "Heap Injun!" grunted Johnson, close to my ear. "You bet your life, old scout, and some canyon, too," whispered I, as we backed off cautiously and made a run for our horses.

I lost no time in reporting to General McKenzie what I had seen. In a short time the troops were again in the saddle, marching against Lone Wolf's strong-

hind rocks, while others were ambushed in the foliage of the cedars. We were being reinforced as rapidly as the troops could make the descent of the tortuous and precipitous trail. The smoke from our rifles settled down, adding further obscurity to the darkness of the Canyon. But I could hear General McKenzie's voice giving orders somewhere in the thickest of the fray. The Indian warriors held their ground for a time, fighting desperately to cover the exit of their squaws and pack animals, but under the persistent fire of the troops they soon began falling back,

General McKenzie Attacks Indian Stronghold.

The herd of Indian ponies, frightened by the u roar, fled first to one pass and then to another, only to have their leader shot down by a trooper, thereby blocking the trail. The main body of Indians retreated in the open along the banks of the stream. Here the troops suffered their greatest casualties, being subjected to a cross fire from num-erous snipers hidden in the timber on both sides. It was about five miles to the pass where the squaws le. the Canyon, and it was well toward sunset when the warriors, now in full retreat, reached that point. The command followed closely the going out of the Indians, but long ere the rear troops had reached the level of the plains Lone Wolf's magnificent band of warriors had fled. We followed them for a short distance; but as the men had been twenty-four hours without food, and as our dead and wounded were in need of attention, General McKenzie thought it best to turn back.

Dead Indians Everywhere.

Upon re-entering the Canyon we passed over dead Indians everywhere. Their wounded they took with them. After a careful search we found our casualties to be two dead and quite a number wounded. One man was shot through the bowels, but he got well. His recovery, the doctor said, was due to the fact that he had been without food so

The Indians, although no doubt apprised of the approach of the troops, general left one troop of cavalry with after the attack at Tule Canyon, were evidently not looking for a pitched battle so soon, otherwise they would have gathered their ponies and packed their tepees, all of which were left behind. General McKenzie ordered the tepees and everything of value to the Indians burned. This was done, after which the horses, numbering about 2,200 in all, were rounded up and driven out of the Canyon, when the main command started on the return trip to Tule Canyon. Everybody was tired and hungry, but the scouts, who had done extra hard duty the preceding forty-eight hours, were utterly worn out; so try as I would, I could not keep awake. Several times during the night as I slept in the saddle, I felt General McKenzie's hand on my shoulder shaking me, "Wake up, sergeant," he would say. "Wake up your men and look after your horses." This I did, rousing the other weary scouts and rounding up the straggling ponies, only to fall

asleep again immediately myself. The command reached Tule Canyon in the early morning, when the General ordered the captured horses shot. Some questioned the wisdom of this act, but ber of men in the command.



"And then we went down into that inferno of howling red skins."

strongly suspected that we would be attacked before daylight. His suspicion proved correct, for at "moon up" they were upon us, this time several hundred strong. That portion of the men not on guard rested on their guns, so at the first alarm from vidette we were up and ready for them. At the first fire from our men the Indians withdrew, no doubt somewhat surprised at the number of troops. At no time during the night did they approach so closely again, but kept circling the camp skirmishing, presumably, for an opening to stampede our horses. Ten wagons, in charge of Wagonmaster James O'Neal arrived at camp during the night. These wagons were loaded with forage and ammunition and were accompanied by one company of infantry, the other three companies havwhy this train of ten wagons was not attacked, for, owing no doubt to some atmospheric condition peculiar to the firing and came noisily into carry cracking their whips and yelling at their mules, which were floundering in the crevice which breaks the plains of the crevice which breaks the crevice whic firing and came noisily into camp of rich grass.

Comanche Whips Tonkawa.

At dawn the following day the In-

ing his bow, began to give him the trouncing of his life. At every cut of the bow Henry leaped about three feet in the air, making frantic gestures toward the troops and yelling, "Why you no shoot?" The whole command was laughing, but we had enjoyed the fun long enough, so somebody shot the Comanche and Henry took his scalp with great satisfaction, but he nursed a grouch against the whole bunch of us for several days.

Indian Camp Three Miles Long.

After the troops had breakfasted, General McKenzie sent for me and told me to take two Indians and follow the trail of those who had attacked the command the night before. So, accompanied by two Tonkawas, "Johnson" and "Job," I took up the trail at ing been left to guard the supplies at once, and we rode rapidly for several Yellow House Canyon. It is a mystery | miles before I began to notice numerous other trails, all converging, and fresh. The country over which we rode appeared level as far as the eye could see, plains, the drivers heard none of the and was covered with undulating waves

Northwest Texas for a distance of sixty miles. I dismounted at once, left Job in charge of the horses and, with Johnson, yelling like demons. The scouts num- dians left us. A laughable incident oc- | crept on hands and knees to the edge of | became terrific.

that night as he, with the rest of us, | dragged him from his horse and, draw- | hold, in the depths of Palo Duro Canyon, and its defense of 1,500 warriors. The the remaining company of infantry to guard the wagons at Tule Canyon. This reduced the strength of the main command to less than six hundred men. After an all night march, the command reached the Palo Duro Canyon at sun up on the morning of September 28th, 1874. The scouts, as was their duty, were slightly in advance of the main column. As the rear of the column swung into line, General McKenzie rode over to us and said:

"Mr. Thompson, take your men down and open the fight." "Very well, sir," said the Lieutenant.

Now the only means of ingress to the Canyon available was a rocky and precipitous buffalo trail, down which the men were forced to go in single file. Lieutenant Thompson led us down here. and as we went over the brink, McCabe, an Irishman and one of the scouts, murmured dolefully: "And not even a cup o' coffee to sthay me stummick."

When we had reached a point about two-thirds of the way down an Indian sentinel to our left leaped to his feet from behind a rock and uttered a warwhoop that awoke the echoes far and near. That yell, with the shot that it was the only thing to be done, as finished his earthly career, aroused the there were too many horses in this herd multitude of Indians below. The din to be taken care of by the limited num-

Holds Record for Service as County Official

By HORACE C. WALKER.

Capt. Walton Terry Saxon, Confed- his age. Much of his time is spent in erate veteran and one of the oldest men reading, but he has never yet worn a living in Central Texas, probably holds pair of glasses. His hearing is equally the State record for length of service acute; and but for his stooped figure as a public official. He has held the and white hair, Capt. Saxon would apoffice of county surveyor of Hamilton county for the last forty-four years, and claims the distinction of being the

Capt. Saxon is six months older than the State of Texas, and is one of its most prominent patriarchs. He was a State-wide figure in pioneer days as a surveyor of most of Central and West Texas. Capt. Saxon was born in Autoga, Falls county, Alabama, April 20. 1836—the day before the battle of San Jacinto—and expects to round out his eighty-ninth year next April.

"I laid off the boundary lines of Hamilton county in 1878, and I have ed the surveying staff of the Iron surveyed every line in the county. I Mountain railroad. As surveyor for know every corner in this part of the the Iron Mountain, he laid off a large State," said Capt. Saxon. He has never part of this company's lines as they are had put one opponent in the entire today. forty-four years of his service as county surveyor of Hamilton county.

pear to be a much younger man than

Hamilton's aged surveyor writes only regularly elected surveyor the a plain, legible hand, little affected by county ever had. a plain, legible hand, little affected by the palsy of age; and his speech and writings are the best of English. Capt. Saxon is a typical representative of the "old-time" southern gentleman.

Unless ill, the old surveyor is always down at his office in the courthouse by ten o'clock, six mornings of the week; and Capt. Saxon seldom experiences a

After serving during the four years of the Civil War as captain of a Florida company of 121 men, W. T. Saxon join-

"Three saloons, a blacksmith shop, and a grocery store made up the entire The eyesight of this Texas patriarch town of Hamilton when I came here in has not been impaired in the least by 1874. I taught school during my first



CAPT. WALTON T. SAXON.

four years in Hamilton in a little double log cabin, on the Rice headright, near Pecan Creek. It was in 1879 that I became county surveyor," said Capt. Sax-

Young Saxon received one of the best educations the South afforded at the Military Institute of Alabama. His military training led to the commission as captain during the war between the States. At the outbreak of the Civil War, Saxon was a young man of twenty-five, living in Brooksville coun-

On his own initiative, he organized a company of 121 men in July, 1861. The body which he commanded was known as Roll Company C, or the Hernando

Capt. Saxon's company was in the thickest of the fighting in the lower South and the West, and but a handful of the 121 men was left to return to Brooksville county at the close of hostilities. W. T. Saxon and his men served with Bragg, Hood and Joseph E. Johnston, surrendering with Johnston at Greenville, North Carolina, in 1865. Capt., Saxon wears the Confederate cross of honor for his record during the

Civil War. He was mustered out of

the service April 26, 1865.
Returning to Florida, Capt. Saxon was elected to the State Legislature

from Brooksville county. He served two successive terms as a representa-tive in 1866 and 1867, before joining the surveying staff of the Iron Mountain railroad.

Capt. Saxon has recently been made a lieutentant colonel on the staff of Sul Ross and Van Zandt in the United Confederate Veteran organization. The aged war veteran is still "Cap'n," however, to his many friends. He has been a prominent figure at all meetings of the United Confederate Veterans.

This patriarch of Hamilton county dresses in the Confederate gray, as he has always dressed since the Civil War. He refuses to wear anything else. On special occasions "Cap'n" wears more military decorations than any other veteran in this section of the country.

First shipment of Elberta peaches from East Texas arrived on the Dallas and Fort Worth markets July 3 and sold for \$1.50 per crate. THE TWO-THIRDS Way back in the



dim and musty past, when patriotism was in full flower, when all people were supposed to be without gall or guile, and political trickery was known to few, old Andy Jackson, the hero of New Orleans, a Tennessean who

saber cut on his arm, given because he refused to clean a British officer's boots, and later a Democratic politician who was accustomed to having things his own way, found himself confronted by a political obstacle that he could not move with the party machinery then in use. There was a candidate he was determined to beat, and a candidate he had sworn should be nominated. The candidate whose scalp Old Hickory was after was far in the lead of his opponents; in fact he had a majority of the convention votes dangling at his belt, while the candidate the foxy Tennesseean had determined to elect was trailing far in the rear, ticketed for passage up Salt river, the stream which has witnessed the destruction of so many political barques and the shattering of so many human hopes. It looked like a clean defeat for Andy and a triumph for one who had won Andy's hatred in a previous political contest. The sweet vengeance he had hoped for seemed out of his grasp, and onlookers said there was nothing for Mr. Jackson to do except show himself a good sport and congratulate the political enemy who had outgeneraled him.

But Andrew Jackson was not a timid man, neither was he that type of a politician that hangs his harp on the willows when the noisy brass bands of an opponent approaches beating the tomtom and sawing the fuzzy-guzzy, or that hangs the hoe on the wall when the crab grass appears to have a strangle hold on the cotton. He was a follower of precedents, when precedents led in the direction he wished to go; but a maker of precedents, both a pioneer blazing his own trail, and an iconoclast wiping out well-beaten paths, when precedent stood in his way. And so in the fertile, determined brain of Andrew Jackson a new rule for Democracy was hatched out. Andrew thought within men do lives long after their bodies their destiny unhampered, and to make pleadings and my tears, a slick-tongued himself, then he talked with his hench- have mouldered in the tomb. Andrew a people and a nation great, knew noth- lightning rod agent to bunco my povermen, who swallowed without suspicion | Jackson had set a precedent, and at the | ing of a two-thirds majority rule for | ty-stricken father out of his hard earnanything he offered, even as the young mocking bird swallows whatever may be placed in its mouth by its mother. Said Andrew: "It will not do to make nominees for our party by a mere majority vote. Such a procedure is always a menace to party success, and frequently causes the proud old Democratic banner to trail in the dust of de- ed Andy then would have called upon generations unborn, a scheme for the eternity every year by lightning, it ticket straight.

feat. If a very large minority in the party opposes the nomination of a certain man, it is dangerous, even suicidal, to clothe that man with the party nomination. In such a case many who so bitterly opposed the nomination of the majority rule functioned again, and by candidate will either sulk in their tents the time the next convention rolled during the campaign or go, bag and baggage, into the camp of the enemy, and Democracy loses the election and the postoffices."

Like Joe Bagstock, one of Mr. Dickens' favorite characters, old Andy was "devilish sly." He knew whom to talk to first, the follow-up methods, and all the tricks of those who play at the cold, clammy, snaky game called politics; and soon he had hundreds of henchmen logic until it is thin as the lean edge of shouting, "down with the wicked majority rule! We must assure party success by returning a two-thirds majority for party nominations." The reason why Mr. Jackson did not have his henchmen shout for a three-fourths majority, or a five-sixths majority was that he had counted noses and found that his hated political enemy couldn't get a two-thirds majority, and so a two-thirds majority rule would be sufficient. If it had required a three-fourths, or a five-sixths majority to defeat Mr. Jackson's friend, we would doubtless be making our nominations today by threefourths or five-sixths majorities. Seeing how well he had wrought, Old Andy like Marc Antony, after delivering the funeral oration over the body of Caesar, retired to the shade and said, "Now let it work; mischief thou art afoot." It did work. Andy's enemy went to the convention with a majority of the votes, and his loved ones and friends gathered there to hear his speech accepting the nomination. But there was a new rule, there was tie-up, there was crimination and recrimination, and finally the shattered barque of Mr. Jackson's enemy went up Salt creek, while Andy's friend retired from the field twirling the scalp of his competitors on his lance, and with victory written upon his brow in letters that glittered and glowed.

We can't blame Andrew Jackson very much. All's fair in love, war and politics, and there is no cordial so sweet in this vale of tears as seeing a hated political enemy go down in defeat, to accomplish which we hold our breath, shut our eyes and stifle our conscience in trying anything, once. But the evil against the two-thirds majority rule or attempt to set it aside, for there were dozens of mighy orators there ready to rake the hide, with ink of vitriol and pens of fire, any man who dared say what Andrew Jackson had done was not patriotic, just and true. To have slapp-

the slapper's head the wrath of every man Andy had appointed to office, and in fact of all the great army of Democrats who had followed Andy to glorious victory. And so the two-thirds around it had become "time-honored." When a policy or custom becomes "time-honored," it goes into a fortress stronger than Verdun or Gibraltar yea, it is a safe from successful attack as a big rattlesnake in a hole twentyfive feet deep. Make as strong an argument against something that is time-honored as you will, expose its evil ways and picture all the trouble it an attenuated wafer, and then will arise an eloquent orator who with silver tongue will beg you not to lay the iconoclastic hand upon a "time-honored" custom, and so pleading will be his pathos that you will be moved to tears, and you will say with your vote, "touch not the rule of the fathers."

This writer has seen many precinct and county conventions vote for the abrogation of the two-thirds rule and for the enthronement of the will of the majority. Most of the counties of Texas, in conventions assembled, have voted to set aside the two-thirds rule, and frequently a big majority of the voters of the State have so voted, but somehow, when the committees meet to make rules for nominations, the "big uns" persuade them to retain the two-thirds majority rule, brought forth by Andrew Jackson in the long ago to encompass the defeat of his political enemy and make sure the nomination of Martin Van Buren. So long has the two-thirds majority rule held sway that some of us have even dreamed that it is a part of Democracy—that when the grand and glorious old party was brought forth as an infant and sanctified to the good of the country by the people's prayers, hopes and tears, that the two-thirds rule was pinned to its swaddling clothes; that in its babyhood our great and unterrified party was rocked in a two-thirds rule cradle and soothed by two-thirds rule lullabies. But the truth is that Jefferson, and those who assisted him in carving out a system of principles that would enable the highest and the humblest to pursue life, liberty and happiness, to work out

thwarting of the will of the majority by wiry politicians, their hands would have palsied before the task. In Texas we know the two-thirds rule no more. The people arose in their wrath and smote it, and with it the entire convention system, in which the people had very poor opportunity to register their choice. In its stead we have the primary, with provisions for majority nominations, when necessary, through a second primary, but nationally the old two-thirds rule employed by Andrew Jackson to defeat an enemy and reward a friend still functions.

But the leaven is now working, and soon the Democratic party will know the two-thirds rule no more forever. The New York convention added power to the leaven, and in Texas, as throughout the nation, wise leaders, as well as the rank and file of the party, are demanding that the party be true to its name and its teachings by providing for the rule of the majority within party

Glad, indeed, was I to read in one of our best scientific journals the other day the statement of one of the world's leading scientists regarding the virtue of lightning rods. Some years ago sport was made of lightning rods by half-baked scientists, and the lightning rods were ridiculed out of the country. It has been a long, long time since a bright red lightning rod wagon was seen on our roads; the last one I saw was rotting in a barn yard "unwept, unhonored and unsung." But the great scientist of whom I speak comes forward and declares that lightning rods do protect buildings against destruction by lightning, and that there is little danger of the subtle fluid injuring any structure that is properly rodded, or harming those who may be housed in a rodded structure when the lightning's keen rapier is streaking the clouds with rib-bons of gold. This defense of the lightning rod and its power to save rejoices my soul. I remember well how the prayers and tears of my mother and her children induced my poor father to give up the little pile of money he had, and sell two cows he wished to keep, in order to place lightning rods on his humble home. When half-baked scientists declared the rods were worthless and ridiculed them out of the country, I felt very mean over assisting, with my a people and a nation great, knew noth- lightning rod agent to bunco my povernext convention no man dared to speak | nominations, and had such a thing been | ings and his cows. Up to recently the suggested to them they would have de- only consolation I found, the only balm I nounced it as the work of King George's | could give my conscience over the part hordes, or of the devil himself. To I played, was that my cry was the cry them the initial meaning of Democracy of real fright. After hearing the was the rule of the majority, and had they attempted to write, for the guidance of those then living, and for the ing how many souls were swept into

would have been impossible for me to have found sleep in an unrodded house when the thunder was muttering or the lightning was plunging its saber into the walls of night. After hearing the agent's learned lecture on lightning, and after seeing him demonstrate how the fluid, attracted by the platinum tipped rods, followed the grooves of the twisting rods and finally went into the ground without harming building or occupants, I slept soundly, even while the thunders bombarded the heavens, and lightning's red glare painted terror on the sky. And now, since this noted scientist has spoken, and the people are assured that lightning rods do all that the slick-tongued agent of the long ago claimed for them, I find surcease from sorrow over helping bunco an indulgent but poverty-stricken father, and a guilty conscience beats me no more when I think of the trade in which my fears played an important part.

HORSE-SHOE The Horse-Shoe PITCHERS TRUE Pitchers Union is made up of Demo-crats of far better DEMOCRATS.

material than is found in many of the organizations I know of. It has been printed in some of the daily papers that members of certain labor organizations will not give united, enthusiastic support to our Democratic nominee for President because he has been the attorney for a corporation. And the shocking news has just been printed that Senator Wheeler, a Democratic senator from Montana, who has waged a big fight against wickedness in high places, creating consternation in the ranks of those who couldn't tell government property from their own, has flown the coop and will leave the party because our nominee for President has not affiliated with the farm bloc. Weak-kneed Democrats these fellows are-or were. The Democracy of the Horse-Shoe Pitchers Union is of a far better brand—a brand that hopeth all things and endureth all things for the party's sake. We have far greater cause to desert our nominee and quit the party than those mentioned, but we are in the band wagon and singing in the Democratic choir. We contend that pitching horse shoes is the greatest sport known to man-we who wear galluses and slouched hats, and pants that cover our shins. We despise short breeches, belts, jockey caps and cockney airs, yet we have been told that John W. Davis, our Democratic nominee, actually plays golf! Morever, we have it upon reliable authority that our standard-bearer wears knickerbockers and a jaunty cap when he plays this hifalutin game; yet in spite of all this, not a horse-shoe pitcher has bolted. We despise our nominee's idea of sport, and his paraphernalia, but we'll shut our eyes to these faults and vote the

Beauty, Efficiency and the Farm Home

Neighbors and travelers are somewhat inclined to be critical and to express their opinions freely regarding farm homes they pass in their daily routine. They see much to criticize of other homes, while they fail to notice their own homes and farms. Remarks such as these are often made: "Oh, what a lovely place that is! I know they must appreciate and enjoy their home a great deal;" or, "What a worn down and dilapidated place that one is, over there. Why don't they fix it up a little?" These and other similiar remarks are being made daily, about almost every home and farm. What are the passers-by saying about your

Uncle Bob Becomes Critical.

Uncle Bob Jackson delights in telling how he came to improve his farm. His attention was directed to his own home, some twenty years ago, before the "horseless carriage" was in common use. He went to see a neighbor on business and was preparing to start home, when he found something wrong with the harness. While he was repairing it, a young man and his wife passed him in a buggy. The young lady exclaimed in a voice loud enough for Uncle Bob to hear:

"O! George, these people have such a nice, pretty place. I want us to make our place beautiful also."

While Uncle Bob finished the repairing he began to cogitate on this matter of beautifying the farm home. He studied the home of his neighbor and decided that it was really beautiful and showed that it had received much attention from its owner.

On his way home Uncle Bob noticed every home that he passed and made comments to himself favorable and unfavorable. Here and there he gave a neighbor condemnation for having such a bad looking home, and, then, he would praise another. In fact, he became so interested that had his horse not been faithful, some accident might have hap-pened, for Uncle Bob forgot that he had any lines in his hands. All unconsci-

ous of everything but his own thoughts, he exclaimed: "What a terrible place that one is. My, the owner must be awful lazy and backward. Now, if that place were mine I would-

But that was as far as he went, for the old horse turned in at the gate and there made up his mind that he would been thinking about improvements.

fix up the "old place"-fix it up a little and make it look some better.

So Uncle Bob got out of his buggy and began to open the gate; at which he succeeded after tugging and pulling and lifting this way and that. Here he thought, would be a good place to begin his improvements—that of making new gates. Then he would straighten out the wire fences, especially along the road, where he would put on four wires about twelve inches apart. He then drove on to the buggy shed and

unhitched and turned the horse to

No Time Like the Present.

Aunt Nell then informed him that the pigs were in the corn field. Uncle Bob went to the field at once and finally, after hard work, rounded them up and

ways forgotten. No time was like the to keep out the rain. The dampness present, he decided, so he went to the little box house, which he called his "shop" to get the hammer and some nails. He searched and hunted for sometime before he found them as everything was in a "topsy turvy" con-Uncle Bob woke up to the fact that he dition. Tools were scattered here and was HOME. Yes, and he now began to critically judge his home. He studied This was, however, the first time Uncle This was, however, the first time Uncle it several moments in silence; it was Bob had noticed them in this condition, truly unimproved, and he then and as it was the first time he had really



Rosehill Farm, Weir, Williamson County, Texas, owned by Mr. David J. Morris.

After finding the hammer and nails, soon had the entire family interested, he fixed the pig-pen fence together with and a year later, when a passer-by several other little jobs of like nature, chanced a remark regarding it, it was several other little jobs of like nature, which he had been putting off. He then returned to the shop, having decided to straighten it up, also, as here would be found all the tools, etc., that would be needed in his plans of iminto the pen again. While getting them in he had recalled the fact that a board was off the pig-pen fence, in fact, had been for several days, which allowed the pigs to get out. Also, he recalled the fact that a board back, but had also provement. He put up a nail for each tool, either on the wall or in the tool endeavors to make his farm home up to date, and working to its full efficiency. Improvements, especially the first ones, are not so expensive and will would nail the board back, but had also provement. He put up a nail for each tool, either on the wall or in the tool endeavors to make his farm home up to date, and working to its full efficiency. Improvements, especially the first ones, are not so expensive and will would nail the board back, but had also provement. He put up a nail for each tool, either on the wall or in the tool er gets the spirit of improvement and board back his farm home up to date, and working to its full efficiency. Improvement and endeavors to make his farm home up to date, and working to its full efficiency. Improvement and endeavors to make his farm home up to date, and working to its full efficiency. Improvement and board back, but had also provement. He put up a nail for each tool provement and board was off the pigs to get out. Also, he recalled th

which would come through such places had already rusted several of his valuable tools, therefore, he took time and "fixed up," so that this could not hap-

"Fixes" the Back Step.

After finishing this job on the shop roof, Uncle Bob's wife called to him that dinner was ready. He hurridly entered the yard and stepped upon the back step; which turned on its uneven

> foundation Uncle Bob lost his balance and fell. He arose very angry, but remembered that his wife had been telling him for a long time to fix the back step, so he quieted down and got the hoe and smoothed the ground under the step, placed it back and found it to be solid without further danger of tipping a person. Un-cle Bob had found out that no time was like the present to do a thing.

And so the work of improvement went on—on Uncle Bob's farm. He

much he said in praise, and this swelled Uncle Bob's pride to an extent that the work of improvement is still going on.

Improvements are never completed. as there is something that can always not in cash, then in efficiency, comfort and pride to the owner in his every day life and work.

The farm home, by all means, should be painted. It is not necessary to have things fine and costly, to be pretty. A simple house, painted a clean bright color, with a well made yard fence, a vard full of flowers and shrubbery, with all the weeds kept down will do a miraculous amount toward beautifying. The farmers housewife finds it inexpensive to buy some pretty curtain material for the windows and also the making of small table covers will lend charm to her housework. She will find that keeping everything in order and in its proper place will lighten her work a great deal, and make it more pleasant to carry on each day.

Flowers Help in Beautifying.

A yard with flowers is one of the main factors in "home beautiful." One of the prettiest and usually best to grow in the yard is the rose, the queen of all flowers. Other simple flowers, cultivated or wild, will aid in untold ways to the charm of the home, for the owner as well as the passing public.

The farmer will find no end of ways to improve around his farm, such as removing the old wire fence lots and put-ting board fences in their place, thus eliminating the danger of stock being hurt or cut. He may find that by rearranging the barn lots, the cow lots, the pig pens, the gates, etc., that they will be more convenient and will save many unnecessary steps. There is much in saving steps on the outside work of the farm as well as on the inside work.

After first and most necessary improvements have been made, a fund may be allowed to accumulate to put in better improvements of a different nature, as: running water, fish ponds, electricity, gas and electric machinery, hot water systems and the like. All coming in to a great advantage to the farmer and his farm. However, the use of electricity and like improvements are (Continued on Next Page, Column 5)

BRIEF TEXAS NEWS

FROM OVER

3,885 TEXAS CONVICTS.

Texas convicts in all State prisons in July totaled 3,885, the largest number in many months, being fifteen less than 4,000, which, in past years was the maximum.

STATE'S TEXTBOOK BILL OVER \$3,000,000.

The State's textbook bill for the ensuing session is to call for the delivery of 3,500,000 books. The total of the bill is to be over \$3,000,000.

TROUSERED WOMEN BARRED FROM MEXICO.

At Brownsville, Mexican officials refused to permit a party of American tourist to cross the international bridge and enter Mexico because some of the women in the party were wearing men's

NAVASOTA HOLDS GOLDEN RULE TRADES DAY.

Navasota, Grimes county, held its first Golden Rule trades day August 4. The business men made trips over the trade territory of Navasota advertising the occasion.

TEXAS BABY CHICK BODY WILL MEET AT CISCO.

The Texas Baby Chick Association will meet at Cisco August 26-27. F. W. Kazmeier of Bryan is president, M. Johnson of Bowie is vice president and F. J. Glass of Arlington is secretary-

DEEP HARBOR PROJECT UNDER WAY.

Construction of the new deep water port at Corpus Christi is well under way, the initial work of placing temporary railroad tracks being practically completed. The track will total 3,600

REAL TEXAS MEAL SERVED LONDONERS.

The Houston delegation to the International Convention of Advertising Clubs, which held their annual meeting in London in July, served a banquet to the Thirty Club of London consisting mainly of Texas watermelon, Texas fruit and Texas tenderloin steak.

RAILROADS OF TEXAS INCREASE INCOMES.

All income accounts of Texas railroads showed increases for the first four months of this year over the same four months of last year. The increase in net revenue from operation having been 86.75 per cent.

GAIN IN BANK DEBITS.

The Eleventh district, which includes all of Texas, New Mexico, Louisiana and Arizona, shows a healthy gain in bank debits as compared with the previous week and the corresponding week a year ago. The increase over the previous week amounted to \$12,456,000 and as against the corresponding week last year, \$8,439,000.

MASONS TO ERECT MAGNIFICENT TEMPLE.

All of the Austin Masonic bodies are combining to build a magnificent \$800,-000 temple at Austin. The plans are being prepared and construction may begin before the end of the year. A splendid site convenient to the heart of the city has already been purchased.

BOY SCOUT HONORED.

Billy Thompson, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Thompson of Waxahachie, has been chosen on his merits as one of the forty-eight Boy Scouts to represent the Boy Scouts of America at the International Boy Scout Jamboree, to be held in Copenhagen, Denmark, August 10 to 23.

WOLF PELT BOUNTY OFFERED.

Providing a bounty of \$2.50 on each wolf that is not poisoned or trapped, the Fourth Precinct Wolf Hunters' association was organized at Cisco for the purpose of halting the depredations of wolves among the farmers of this sec-

The territory embraced by the association extends four miles in each direction from Cisco.

APPROVE 35 TOURIST CAMPS. The State Board of Health has approved thirty-five tourist camps in the State and thirteen other camps are to be approved when recommendations have been complied with. In order for a camp to be approved and marked with the "Seal of Safety," the camp must have adequate sewage disposal methods,

pure water and proper garbage facilities. If the camp has a swimming pool, all regulations prescribed by the State Board of Health must be observed.

COTTON BREEDING FARMS INSPECTOR APPOINTED.

Commissioner George B. Terrell, at the recommendation of the board of Plant Breeder Examiners and many prominent cotton breeders over the State, has appointed T. Z. Ryan of Greenville, Texas, chief inspector of cotton breeding farms, as authorized by the new cottonseed law. Mr. Ryan began actual work with the State July 1. The new law is designed to protect the farmer in the purchase of pureCALIFORNIA CATTLE QUARANTINE LIFTED.

Following receipt of a communication from the California State Livestock commission, the Fort Worth Livestock Sanitary Commission has sent out notices that shipments of livestock from the California tick area would be accepted at the Fort Worth packing houses for slaughter purposes. Ship-ments are permitted to leave California, provided the cattle come from clean farms and from counties engaged in a vigorous tick eradication program.

STATE MAY RETURN TO LIGNITE.

R. B. Walthall, purchasing member of the State Board of Control, has said that some of the State institutions may change from burning oil as fuel to lignite because of the low cost of the latter. Plans are being tentatively discussed for installing lignite burners in the large power houses for the insane asylums at San Antonio and Terrell. Mechanical stokers to feed the lignite would be part of the equipment. They have been found to work satisfactorily.

GALVESTON EXPORTS SHOW BIG GAIN.

Aggregating \$357,776,425 for the fiscal year ending June 30, foreigh exports from the port of Galveston showed a gain of \$57,000,000 over 1922-23, and \$14,000,000 over 1921-22, according to figures complied by F. D. Storey. secretary of the Galveston Cotton Exchange and Board of Trade.

These figures include movements from the port of Galveston alone and not the entire customs district, which embraces Houston and other ports.

TEXAS MINE OUTPUT VALUED AT \$668,985.

The total value of the gold, silver, copper and lead produced from mines in Texas in 1923 was \$668,985, according to the department of the interior, as shown by figures complied by C. W. Henderson of the geological survey. Silver totaled 811.824 fine ounces, gold \$802, copper 4,257 pounds and lead 26,605 pounds. Some lead and some copper ore were shipped from El Paso and Hudspeth counties, but the output was mainly dry silver ore syanided at the Presidio mine, Shafter, Presidio

SEEKING SOLUTION OF GRADE CROSSING PROBLEM.

Chairman Clarence E. Gilmore of the Railroad Commission has made the fol-

"The ever increasing number of automobile accidents at grade crossings presents one of the most serious problems now confronting our people. An effort to solve this problem will be made jointly by the Railroad Commission, the Highway Commission and the carriers early in the fall. It is a question that must have early solution, if a solution may be found, for it that will not be prohibitive financially."

FLED FROM ALAMO MASSACRE.

Amador Delgado, 94 years old, who as a small boy fled from San Antonio to Leon while the massacre of the Alamo was taking place, and who was familiar with the historic building even before that time, died at his residence, 658 Callaghan avenue, San Antonio, July 5.

When the Mexican forces under Santa Anna advanced upon San Antonio and surrounded the Alamo, Delgado with his parents and other Spanish settlers fled to Leon and remained there two weeks. Upon his return, he found the Alamo in ruins and the bodies of its brave defenders in ashes in front of the building.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS SHOW INCREASE.

The 1924 motor vehicle registrations for Texas for the six months' period ending June 30, totaled 663,857. Included in this total were: Passenger vehicles, 611,047; motor busses, 2,996; commercial motor vehicles and trucks, 47,906; trailers, 1,803; tractors, 105.

For the same period of 1923 the above registrations were 571,981, showing an

increase for this year of 91,876. The total registrations for 1924, up to and including December 1st, are expected to exceed 800,000.

BULLETIN SHOWS THIRTY TEX-TILE MILLS IN TEXAS.

A circular issued by the M. K. & T. railway emphasizes that Texas and Oklahoma are forging to the front as centers of textile manufacturing, citing the fact that thirty textile mills are located in Texas and two in Oklahoma, these mills being right in the heart of the cotton growing country.

Of the mills referred to three are under construction, the 22,000-spindle mill for Fort Worth, 5,000-spindle mill for Houston and 5,000-spindle mill for El

Paso, nearing completion.

Three of the mills are located in Dallas, the Dallas Cotton Mills, Dallas Textile Mills Company and Texas Hosiery Mills. Other mills in the list are at Belton, Bonham, Brenham, Corsicana, Cuero, Denison, Gonzales, Hillsboro, Itasca, Kingsville, McKinney, New Braunfels, Post City, San Antonio, Sherman, Waco, Waxahachie, West and Guthrie and Sand Springs, Oklahoma. hew areas. with little or elapsed was to take actional bill will be resession.

OVER MILLION GROSS RECEIPTS CONFEDERATE VETERANS TO TAX COLLECTED.

Comptroller Lon A. Smith reports gross receipts tax collections for the State of Texas for the quarter ending June 30 at \$1,341,254 and gasoline tax \$2,995,787. The former total came from the following sources: Telegraph companies, \$12,164; water, light and power companies, \$36,336; collecting agencies, \$814, car companies, \$1,085; Pullman company, \$17,264; interurban and street railway companies, \$28,542; pipe lines, \$27,135; book publishers, \$2,229; telephone companies, \$78,555; oil companies, \$1,084,918; sulphur companies, \$50,447, beginning tax, \$1,760.

DALLAS YOUTH WINS YALE SCHOLARSHIP.

James Cole Reil, a graduate of Bryan Street High School, Dallas, has been selected as one of the winners of a four-year scholarship to Yale university, according to an announcement made in Washington by Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover. The award was one of six made from funds donated by Mr. and Mrs. Francis P. Garvan to the American Chemical society in memory of their daughter, Patrica, and ends a contest which has been conducted in all of the high schools and secondary schools of the United States in accordance with the wishes of Mr. and Mrs. Garvan.

The primary object of the contest was to stimulate an interest in the development of chemistry in the United States.

PAPER CURRENCY OF REPUBLIC OF TEXAS.

State Comptroller Lon A. Smith has sent to City Attorney W. V. Brown of Texarkana, Texas, nine pieces of paper currency of the Republic of Texas, which Mr. Brown has presented to the Texarkana High Schools. The bills range in denomination from \$1 to \$500, and bear dates ranging from 1839 to 1841. All bear the signature of President Lamar. They are well preserved, though somewhat faded, and show clearly the dates, amounts and signatures, in old-time print and script. The mprint shows that they were printed in New Orleans.

TEXAS RIVERS AND HARBORS GIVEN ALLOTMENTS.

Allotments for rivers and harbors under the act approved June 7, 1924, announced July 4 by the War Department at Washington for the fiscal year in-

Texas - Sabine - Neches waterway \$690,000; Galveston harbor, \$168,000; Galveston channel, \$300,000; channel to Texas City, \$140,000: Fort Boliver channel, \$10,000: Houston ship channel, \$1,460,000; Anahuac channel, \$15,000; Turtle Bayou, \$5,000; Clear Creek, \$3,-500; Bastrop Bayou, \$6,000; Freeport harbor, \$70,000; West Galveston Bay and Brazos River channel, \$7,000; channel between Brazos River and Matagorda Bay, \$14,000; channel from Port Cavallo to Aransas Pass, \$3,500; Port Aransas, \$98,000; Brazos Island harbor, \$17,500.

TEXAS CITIES ABOVE 100,000 POPULATION.

Texas now has five cities with more than 100,000 population, according to an announcement made by the census bureau at Washington in giving estimates of the population on July 1.

The estimate of the population of Houston has not yet been made, the figures for the other four cities being: San Antonio, 198,398; Dallas, 187,862; Fort Worth, 148,107, and El Paso, 100,-

The bureau emphasized the fact that the estimates were only for the cities as they were at the time the regular census was taken in 1920 and do not include subsurbs annexed since that time. In 1923 the estimates for the same cities were: San Antonio, 184,727; Dallas, 182,274; Fort Worth, 143,821, and El Paso, 96,319.

STATE SEEKS TO PROTECT POTASH.

To protect invaluable potash beds in Texas from damage caused by water from oil wells have been taken by the oil and gas division of the Texas railroad commission.

At the suggestion of Laten Stanberry, chief deputy supervisior of the oil and gas division, John Hoffer, deputy supervisior of two score or more West Texas counties with headquarters at San Angelo, has secured the co-operation of a number of oil companies operating in his district to properly protect the potash deposits. In Reagan county especially, where valuable potash beds have been discovered, cooperation between the oil well drillers and the State department has been effected.

In the session of Congress recently ending, Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas introduced a bill appropriating \$5,000,000 to be spent over a period of five years in developing potash deposits in the United States and in discovering new areas. The bill passed the Senate with little opposition, but the time that elapsed was insufficient for the House to take action. It is expected that the bill will be reintroduced at the Decem-

MEET IN FORT WORTH OCT. 1.

The annual State reunion of the United Confederate Veterans will be held in Fort Worth, October 1 and 2, according to an announcement by J. M. Hartsfield of the Robert E. Lee Post of United Veterans.

On September 30 the Sons of the Confederacy will meet at Fort Worth. Both conventions will make the Westbrook Hotel their headquarters.

Low rates on all railroads to those attending the meetings are being asked of the railroads by the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce. Use of the Chamber of Commerce auditorium has been offered the 500 expected delegates of the two organizations.

An entertainment program for the visitors is being arranged by the local post of Confederate Veterans and the Chamber of Commerce.

TEXAS FIRMS FAVORED IN

GROCERY CONTRACT. R. B. Walthall, purchasing member of the State Board of Control, has awarded three months' contracts to supply groceries to the State eleemosynary institutions to the following firms: John Bremond Company, C. J. Martin & Cons, Voss & Kooch, Nelson Davis & Son, Heidenheimer Company, all of Austin: Tyler-Simpson Grocery Company, Gainesville; Mayfield Company, Terrell; J. M. Radford Company, Abilene; Walker-Smith Company, Brownwood; Moore Grocery Company, San Marcos; Temple Candy Company, Temple; Adams Extract Company, Beeville; Shear Company, Waco; W. E. Smith Company, San Antonio; Fennell Coffee Company, San Antonio; William Hubbard Company, Texarkana.

Texas manufactured products were bought wherever possible.

PRISONS TO BUY TEXAS CLOTHING.

A Houston factory will supply all the khaki cloth to the State eleemosynary institutions for the next six months. The State board of control in making awards for clothing and dry goods supplies for these institutions favored Texas products in every instance where it was economical to do so.

Other Texas products to be used in these institutions will be 8-ounce cottonade from McKinney, brown drill from Dallas, 8-ounce duck from Cuero, gingham from the Blue Bonnet mills, sheeting from Post and hose and socks from Waxahachie.

The cost of furnishing dry goods for the next three and six months periods will total approximately \$200,000, which is a decrease of from 5 to 10 per cent over previous awards.

ARRANGING FOR COTTON PICKERS.

C. W. Woodman, superintendent of the United States Farm-Labor Bureau. at Fort Worth, has received orders for a total of 32,000 cotton pickers in South Texas alone, and more are expected to follow. These orders have come from county agents.

Neuces county has called for 20,000 pickers to gather its cotton crop from 160,000 acres. The communication from the Nueces county agent states that picking has already begun there, and will be in full swing by August 1.

The first picking in South Texas counties is expected to yield one-quarter of a bale to the acre, for which a starting price of \$1 per 100 pounds will be paid to pickers.

Carson county, in the western section of the State, has 20,000 acres planted in cotton, in comparison to less than 1,000 acres last year. West Texas counties show a large increase in cotton acreage, and are writing to the bureau for help in getting enough pickers to gather the crop. The yield in most of these West Texas counties is estimated at close to one-quarter of a bale to the

\$14 FOR TEXAS STUDENTS.

The State Board of Education has made an apportionment of \$14 per capita for the school children of Texas for the ensuing session, which is \$2 in excess of the current year. The board also set aside funds to pay for the free textbooks and entered orders for same. The net amount to be transferred to pay for the books is \$3,098,875. Of the apportionment notice is given that \$2 will be paid in September and the remainder by May, 1925. The number of scholastics is estimated at 1,320,000, an increase of about 17,000 or less than 11/6 per cent. State Superintendent Marrs estimates that the balance for the school fund on September 1 next will be \$4,227,775, which is due to larger income and to the fact that few books were bought during the textbook litigation, the average being only 35c per child. This is in contrast to the coming year when purchase will be \$2.35 for each child.

Comptroller Smith estimated that the school fund will receive net, including provements, as other matters, one must the balance, \$23,394,802 during the coming fiscal year. The apportionment totals \$18,480,000, leaving \$4,914,-802, but out of it comes the \$3,098,875 for textbooks. That leaves \$1,813,927, or enough to have given the children \$1, but Superintendent Marrs strongly ad-vocated a cash balance to begin each scholastic session.



W. A. SMITH, of San Saba News, San Saba, Texas. Elected Vice-President of the Texas Press Association, at Amarillo, June 20th, 1924.

TO PURCHASE LANDS FOR REFORESTATION.

The actual beginning of reforestation work in Texas was made in July with he purchase of cutover timber lands in Eastern Texas, to be converted into a State forest.

The purchase will be made after a trip of investigation by the board which was appointed by the Legislature to buy the land from an appropriation of \$20,000 made at the last sesion of the Legislature . Dr. W. B. Bizzell, president of the A. and M. College of Texas: E. O. Siecke, State Forester and also of the college, and J. T. Robinson. State Land Commissioner, constitute the purchasing board.

The appropriation for purchase is made in two installments, half being available September of this year and the other half in September of next year. A maximum price of \$6 per acre has been set for the purchase, although it is expected that land at a less price than the maximum can be purchased. No more than three sections may be purchased in a single county.

BRASS TABLET FROM SAN

JACINTO GUN RECOVERED: A brass tablet, or plate, taken from one of the historic "Twin Sisters" cannon used by Texans in the battle of San Jacinto April 21, 1836, against the Mexican army under command of Santa Anna, and for which countrywide search has been made for years, is now in the office of the Governor of

Texas. The tablet was received July 22 at the Governor's office, having been sent by A. H. Norton, president of Keuka Coilege, Keuka Park, N. Y. Accompanying it was a letter from Mr. Norton, which stated that the tablet was found in a piece of antique furniture purchased at a second hand store.

The inscription on the tablet reads: "This gun was used with terrible effect at the battle of San Jacinto. Presented to the State of Texas by the State of Louisiana March 4, 1861. Committee of Presentation: Henry W. Allen.

Charles A. Brusie, William G. Austin.' The "Twin Sisters" were originally two brass cannon presented to the Republic of Texas by the city of Cincinnati and after Texas won her independence from Mexico they were brought to the city of Austin. Later they were taken to Baton Rouge, La., and for a long period were lost. They were finally recovered and presented to the State of Texas by the State of Louisiana. As far as records go the last location of the historic guns was in a camp at or near Austin. That was in 1863. In recent years search has been made all over the country for the "Twin Sisters."

BEAUTY, EFFICIENCY AND THE FARM HOME.

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not well set off if the farm remains unimproved. If the house and the barn, the implements and the fields are not improved then the finer grade of betterments, if installed, are lost. In imstart at the bottom and work upward to the top. Time, energy and the little money that can be afforded will build up any home to its highest point of efficiency. By putting in every spare moment the farmer and his wife will find that they can do a surprising amount toward beautifying and making more efficient their home and home life.

186,865 TEXAS INCOMES TAXED.

A total of 186,865 persons made income tax returns in Texas for 1922, the treasury department has reported. Of these 173,099 earned less than \$5,000 a year; 10,138 earned from \$5,000 to \$10,-000, and 3,328 earned \$10,-000 and more.

The year 1922 is the last one for which complete figures have been made. These are the returns in which the last installment was paid in December, 1923.

Dallas again led the cities with 23,641 returns. Houston had 20,721; San Antonio, 11,970; Fort Worth, 10,440, El Paso, 6,810; Galveston, 5,685; Wichita Falls, 4,368; Waco, 3,323; Port Arthur, Beaumont, 2,952; Austin, 2,676; Amarillo, 2,-211; Denison, 1,120; Marshall, 1,088; Sherman, 1,015.

The 186,865 Texans making returns reported a total income of \$445,109,576 on which, after deductions and exemptions, they paid a tax of \$14,119,665.

The average amount of the Texas returns was \$2,-921.29; the average tax paid was \$75.56.

A total of 100,867 husbands and wives made returns on incomes of \$283,-928,165; 7,945 men heads of families made returns on income totalling \$21,404,280; 4,517 women heads of families made returns on income of \$10,460,995; all other men made 4,635 returns on income of \$83,933,744.

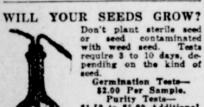
BUYS TEXAS JERSEYS.

The Falfurrias Jersey airy Company, of Fal-Dairy . furrias, Texas, reports the sale of fifteen head of registered Jersey females, 8 cows and 7 heifers to W. R. Keenan, Jr., of Lockport, New York, for \$15,250.00, or an average price of over \$1,000.00 per head.

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"What's the use," said Lem Frisby. "of making up your mind to stay home, when your wife has made up her face to go out?"

ALL FOR THE BEST.

We can't vouch for it personally, but "Capper's Weekly" says you can actually find in Ozark Co., Mo., a tombstone bearing the following epitaph:

"Here lies my wife, Samantha Proctor, Who ketched a cold and wouldn't doctor; She couldn't stay, she had to go-

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A bricklayer friend of ours recently told us this one on his own fraternity: Bricklayer to foreman: "Looks like a good, long job, but I can't take it with

no place near to park my car."
Foreman: "It's all right, anyway. This is a high-class job and we don't want you unless you have a chauffeur."

WASTED ABILITY.

A Washington man who was traveling in the mountains of West Virginia stopped at a cabin and asked for a drink of water, when an old woman obligingly satisfied his want. He had quite a talk with her and told her great stories about some of the wonders he had seen. Finally, when he stopped to take breath, the old lady took her pipe out of her mouth and said:

"Stranger, ef I knowed as much as you do, I'd go som-mers and start a lit-

"This song about 'bananas' and it 'Ain't Gonna Rain No Mo,' makes me sick," said the Old Gentleman. "In my day we had songs like 'Ta Ra Ra Boom De Ay,' and 'Daddy Wouldn't Buy Me a Bow-wow,' that had some sense in 'em."

MULE KEPT ON BRAYING.

An old colored preacher owned a mule which had an efficient pair of heels and a loud, but unmusical, voice.

One Sunday morning, while the preacher was earnestly exhorting, the mule persisted in putting his head in at the window and braying loudly.

The preacher finally said: "Breddern and sistern, is there one among you all who knows how to keep dat mule

"Pahson," replied one of the brothers, "if you all will jess tie a stone to dat mule's tail he sho will keep quiet."

"Breddern and sistern," replied the preacher, "let him who is without sin tie de fust stone."

BUYING WITH FORESIGHT.

A darkey, being the father of twelve children, all of whom had been rocked in the same cradle, was putting the latest arrival to sleep.

"Rastus," said his wife, "Dat cradle am 'bout worn out."

"'Tis 'bout gone," replied Rastus, "You all bettah get 'nother, and get a good one-one dat'l last."

REMORSE.

A man had his purse stolen and it contained a good deal of money. One day to his great surprise, he had a letter from the thief, enclosing a small sum. The letter ran as follows:

"I stole your money. Remawse is nawing at my conshense, so I send sum of it back. Wen it naws agen, I will send sum moar."

IN FOR ANYTHING.

A woman made a purchase from one of the flower girls in New York and said: "I suppose you will be here on Wednesday! I shall want a lot of flowers for my daughter; she is coming out on that day."

"She shall have the best in the mar-ket, mum," replied the flower seller sympathetically. "What's she been in

"A ORATOR."

A negro met an acquaintance of his, also colored, on the street one day and was surprised to see that his friend had on a new suit, new hat, new shoes and other evidences of prosperity.

"Hey, boy," he said, "how come you dressed up dis way? Is you got a job?" "I'se got somethin' better'n any job," replied the other. "I'se got a profession."

"What is it?" "I'se a orator."

"What's a orator?"

"Don't you know?" replied the re-splendent one in surprise. "Well, I'll tell you what a orator is. If you was to walk up to a ordinary nigger and ask him how much was two and two, he'd say 'four,' but if you was to ask one of us orators how much was two and two, he'll say, 'When in de cou'se of human events it becomes necessary to take de numeral of de second denomination and add to it de figger two. I say unto you and I says it without fear of successful conterdiction, dat de result will invari'bly be four.' Dat's a orator."

UNCLE SI.

"Thet fellow," said Uncle Si, "who jest went outta the door is Felix Fulton an' he owns a farm down near the Bosque river; he's a born hustler. Never comes ter town without bringin' somethin' to sell. I allus owe 'im more an' he owes me. He buys mighty few groceries cause he raises most everythin' on his farm. See them eggs? He brought 'em in this mornin', an' thet yaller butter is his, too. A leetle while back he brought in some hams he'd cured, but I didn't sell 'em-tuk 'em home ter eat myself. My! I kin still smell thet ham 'a cookin' in its own brindle gravy. I dunno how he manages ter do it, but he goes right on raisin' the stuff year in an' year out. Don't owe enybody a dollar an' paid his place out long ago. At fust his land wus kinder poor, but he worked an' fertilized hit till now hits as rich as eny land I ever seed. I'm goin' out Sunday evenin' to eat melon with 'im an' his wife. He's got a leetle spring what flows near his house an' he allus keeps a few melons down whar the spring runs under the shade of a big oak tree. On the hotest day thet spring water will make yer teeth ache when yer drink hit whar it bubbles outta the groun'."

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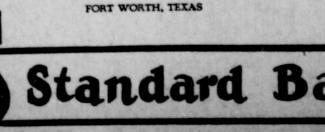
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problem would be solved. | plants moving.

More than 1,000 acres were planted to cucumbers in Henderson county this year, 25,500 in 1922 and 28, sould be seen to the crop is unuspear, 25,500 in 1921. This gives Texas rank of second in water termelons this year, Georgia plantings of the bees' eating poison but out for grasshoppers.

Mrs.Newton, residing on the Grinnan plantation, just on the

vertise the famous honey More chickens are being ball melon, grown in Tarrant Livestock Commission on

blanted to Texas cotton is planted to Texas cotton is fine Jersey milk cows. Mr. Miller shipped a total of ten carloads of Jerseys from Mt. Vernon within the last few weeks.

It is estimated that the largest acreage ever milk list per cent of last year las

mately \$325,000.00. The worth at prices that are on yield this year is exceptionally good, and canning companies are running to full capacity.

Mr. C. H. Spence, who lives sixteen miles north of the choice hogs that were sold in Texas and assistant profices of 14 Association.

ent of official milk testing in Texas and assistant profession and assistant profession in Texas and assistant profession improved, three miles out, fessor of dairying at Texas and fine schools. C. O. Armstrong, Owner, shells at \$3.50 per hundred. Shipped anyhere. Oscar Glickman, Breckenridge, A. & M. College has confirmed anyhere. Oscar Glickman, Breckenridge, anyhere. Oscar Glickman, Brezkenridge, anyh lives sixteen miles north of choice hogs that were sold Association. Yorktown, DeWitt county, at \$7.75. The consignment says that red ants are averaged 227 pounds. Redestroyers of boll weevils. ceipts at the Fort Worth prize contest project, contend the says the ants carry market have been dwindling the awarding of the says the ants carry market have been dwindling the awarding of the says the ants carry market have been dwindling the awarding of the says the s He says the ants carry market have been dwindling templating the awarding of off the weevils to their all year, but the shortage is \$2,700 in prizes to farmers colonies, and use them for more acute now than previ- of Harrison county, and concolonies, and use them for more acute now than previfood. He believes that if ously, and the big packers
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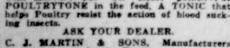
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The Combination Orchard Company of Winona, East Texas, will ship around twenty-five cars of Elberta peaches to Eastern markets. The crop is now moving.

It is generally believed that the pecan crop around Brownwood will be reduced to one-half crop, but the quality and price is expected to make up for the short crop.

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Vernor, Franklin county,
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> al Board at Marshall recently. A grand prize of \$1,000 will be awarded to the farmer who, at the end of three years, has made the best net profit from ten acres of land GOOD KANSAS FARM LAND for sale directed by the county agricultural agent, has been practiced. A second grand prize of \$500 will be seen agrand prize of \$500 will be seen agr on which crop rotation, as directed by the county agriprize of \$500 will be awarded. Prizes for the third year will total \$1,500, while Fair those for the first two years Oklahoma. will amount to \$600 each.

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It is reported that a little my voice, and open the door, in the cotton fields in parts of Bell county, and are bewill sup with him, and he with me. He that hath an ear, let of the bugs last year, but not him hear what the Spirit numerous enough to do masaith.—Rev. 3: 20, 22.

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ing this?
You may send in your book of pressed flowers any time between now and next November. If you can put them where they are not liable to get destroyed, I would advise you to keep them until after the fall flowers bloom and then, perhaps, you can add some new ones to your collection. If there is any danger of you loosing the ones you already have, send the book to me any time.

Write me if there is something that you do not understand. Address Box 1012, Fort Worth, Tex. None of the books will be returned after the contest.

ntest. Love, (Signed) AUNT MARY.

THE FLOWERS OF TEXAS.

Supple-Jack (Berchemia scandens). Supple-Jack is a climbing shrub that is loved by the bees. This plant is named Supple-Jack, because if you take a piece a few inches long you can bend it in any shape without any break in the wood. The name written above, in a parenthesis, is the botanical name, and the term "scandens" means climbing; and it well deserves the name, for it grows to great heights. Sometimes it will grow to the top of a tree forty or fifty feet high, and the foliage is very dense.

The branches of this shrub are very smooth and glossy and of a yellowish color. The leaves are about two inches long and beautifully veined. They are dark green above and light green on the underside, and are borne on slender petioles. The flowers are very small and of two kinds; those that have stamens and those that have pistils. Each one grows on a separate bush and only those that have the pistillate flowers bear the fruit or seeds. Sometimes the two plants grow some distance apart. The fruit resembles a very small olive and is very abundant.

Standing Cypress (Gilia rubra). This beautiful flower is not so common as many others, but the wealth of beauty that is holds will well recompense you to search far and wide to add it to your collection, if you have not already obtained one.

It may be found on a high, rocky cliff, or sometimes in shaded woods. They will often grow in a locality for a few years, and then disappear; this is because they reproduce from the seeds and do not come up from the roots. Some year the flowers do not germinate and then the seeds do not

The Standing Cypress is usually a tall plant sometimes attaining the height of six feet in the stem. The stem is very leafy and the leaves are so divided that they are fileform or threadlike. The flowers are very num-erous, extending for a foot, or even two feet, along the stem. They are scarlet in color on the outside and within they are yellowish and dotted with red. Being of such a brillant color they can be seen quite a distance off and never fail to awaken a feeling of wonder and delight in one who is so fortunate as to discover them in their favorite haunts. This plant belongs to the Phlon fami-

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LITTLE JOURNEYS.

Wouldn't it be fun for us to take a little trip to other parts of the world each month? You know we can do this and yet stay at home. Each month I am going to tell you about something interesting that is happening here in America, or sometimes about places across the ocean.

This month, I am going to tell you a very peculiar thing that coal miners do. Here in Texas we need very little coal, and I think most of us do not know the hardships that miners undergo to g! the world this wonderful fuei. Working, as they do, down many hundreds of feet under the ground, they have many risks to encounter, so they are

more or less superstitious. In the great coal mines of Yorkshire. England, if a man is killed all the miners stop work and go home. It is considered bad luck not to do so. Another thing they will not do is to work on Good Friday. But they do not mind being lowered in the shaft thirteen at a time. Yet, another thing they do that would seem to us would bring more bad luck than any other thing, is the habit of chewing coal. Their hard work makes them very thirsty and they must do something to increase the flow of saliva to keep their mouth moist. They cannot smoke, because fire might cause an explosion and chewing tobacco causes them to have heartburn. Their mouths get so fearfully dry that they must chew something, so they pick up a piece of coal and chew that. If you told them you thought it might make them sick they would laugh and say if this were true they would have been sick long ago.

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out, you know. I have a new brown sash, too, it seems a pity-eh? That such a dreadful trial should have come

just yesterday!
The play-house blinds are all pulled down as dark as it can be; It looks so very solemn, and so proper don't

you see? And I have a piece of crepe pinned on every dolly's hat: Tom says it is ridiculous for only just a

But boys are all so horrid! They always. every one, Delight in teasing little girls and kittens,

"just for fun." The way he used to pull her tail-it makes me angry now-And scat her up the cherry tree, to make

the darling "meow."
I've had her all the summer. One day away last spring.
I heard a frightful barking, and I saw the

little thing
In the corner of the fence; 'twould have made you laugh outright To see how every hair stood out, and how she tried to fight.

I shooed the dog away, and she jumped upon my arm: The pretty creature knew I wouldn't do her any harm.

I hugged her close and carried her to mamma, and she said She should be my own wee kitty, if I'd see that she was fed. A cunning little dot she was, with silky, soft

grey fur; She would lie for hours on my lap, and I could hear her purr.

And then she would frolic when I pulled a string about, Or try to catch her tail, or roll a marble

in and out. Such a comfort she has been to me, I'm sure no one could tell. Unless it be some little girl who loves her

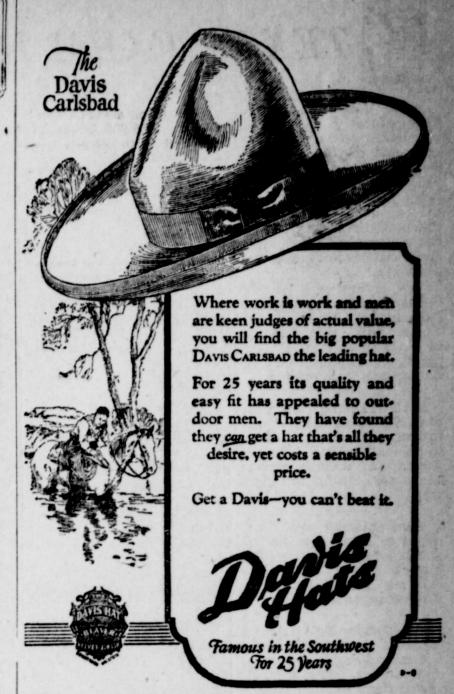
pussy well. I've heard about a Maltese Cross, but my dear little kit Was always sweet and amiable, and never cross a bit.

But, oh, last week I missed her! I hunted all around. I knelt and whispered softly, when nobody could see:
"Take care of little kitty, please, and bring

her back to me!"

I found her lying yesterday, behind the lower shed; I thought my heart was broken when I found that she was dead. No other kitty ever will be just the same

I can't go to your party, Nannie-macaroons And ice cream?—I know I ought to try and not give 'way;
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WOMAN'S PAGE

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HOME PROBLEMS.

SUMMER COOLERS.

This time of year the thought uppermost in every one's mind is, "How can I keep cool?" The answer is a proper diet.

Rich heavy foods are to be avoided and we should eat plenty of the fresh, cooling vegetables and fruits. Drink plenty of water, as through perspiration the body looses so much fluid, and it is necessary to replace it. Water is the most cooling and refreshing drink in the world. When soda water is recorted to there is over your soda water is resorted to, there is one very important thing to remember, that is, do not drink out of the bottle if you can help it. The cap when removed so often leaves a corrosion that if taken into the stomach is liable to cause very serious illnesses. If forced to drink from the bottle, first wipe the neck of the bottle carefully and then do not put the neck in the mouth, but hold against the lips to drink.

Baths are another refuge in the sultry summer weather. If taken at home in a tub a tepid bath is much more refreshing than a cold one. A cold bath increases the circulation and this makes us all the warmer afterward. A tepid bath evens the temperature of the body and the after effect is more pleasant than a cold bath. When young and old join hands and go to the "old swimming hole" for a plunge, be sure that the water is clean and free from harmful disease. Stagnant water contains many bacteria that cause ear, eye, nose and throat troubles, also painful skin infections. Running water that is generally exposed to the sunshine during the day is the most to be preferred. It is not wise for any one to go in swimming during the heat of the day. The rays of the sun on the water will blister even the thickest of skins. This is very dangerous, as the blisters make an easy entry for harmful bacteria. Also a bad sunburn is liable to terminate into fever. In the early morning, before eight o'clock, or in the evening after six o'clock, is the best time to go for your plunge. Let me add a word of warning here, DO NOT GO SWIMMING ON A FULL STOM-ACHE! There is nothing so hard on the digestive apparatus as swimming. Both require a great deal of blood to function properly. If the stomach is benefited, then the muscles must suffer and cramps and other dangerous things are liable to happen. If the muscles draw the blood supply, then the digestion must suffer. So it is best to swim and then eat.

LATE FASHIONS.

This dainty baby

dress is very attractive

and easy to laundry. It is best to make

bables first clothes

about 24 inches long,

then the little ones will

grow into them as they

get older and this will

save shortening them.

For the first dress, one

yard of 86-inch ma-terial is all that is

necessary. Dainty lace

around the edge of the

collar and the cuffs is

embroidery parel down

the front gives a dis-

Very short or no sleeves at all still hold

sway for the summer

Scarfs made of alternate shades of ma-

terial are very pretty and can be made to go

with one or more cos-

Keep baby cool these

Nothing is so drain-

ing on their strength.

teen days is sufficient.

look more attractive.

TEXAS.

summer days.

CARE OF PERENNIALS IN SUMMER

It is often an erroneous idea that perennials

are more difficult to winter than to take through

the summer. In the greater part of Texas the

winters are very mild and we experience very

little 'killing" weather. The summer months

are the hardest that we have to face. Especially

when there is a long dry summer with little or no

rainfall. How best to care for the perennials is

This is very necessary if your plants are to be

carried through the long dry spells. One good watering is worth two poor ones. To water properly, first take a portion of the dirt away from

the roots and make a ring around the roots so as

to hold about six to eight inches of water. Fill

this full of water and let settle. Do this three

or four times, so as to be sure that the water has

soaked down to the ends of the roots. Pull the

dirt back up around the roots, banking closely so

as to prevent the evaporation of the water. It is well to spray the leaves with a little water so as to wash off the dust, as the plants "breathe"

through them. Watering ever twelve to four-

Keep all dead flowers trimmed off because not only do they mar the beauty of the bush but drain the strength as well.

After a rain, as soon as the ground is dry on top, hoe around the rose bush and draw the dirt up around the roots well. Rake the bed after all

the weeds have been cut out. This will help hold

the moisture in the ground and make the bed

About other parasites and diseases, your dealer will be glad to help you solve the problem.

Water and trim only in the late evening.

Mold can be met by sprinkling with wood ashes

Watering is the first and foremost question.

our greatest care of an attractive yard.

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Babies are the greatest sufferers in summertime, because the little things cannot tell you what is the matter. On hot days it is best to let them go barefoot during the heat of the day, but in the early morning and late evening, it is best for them to wear some loose comfortable shoe, as the soles of the feet are tender and full of pores that make them susceptible to colds. Give the babies plenty of water to drink. A diaper and a thin dress is all that is necessary during the hot summer days. Inside the house is usually the coolest place during the heat of the day, but give children the benefit of the early morning and late evening air out-of-doors.

Ices and ice cream are delicious dishes to serve and they can be made much more delicious and much more healthful at home. Also the expense is less. For people who are living in the country or in town, for that matter, and have a cow the biggest expense is settled. There are many delicious recipes. Under tested recipes is a very fine one. But a word of warning is well merited here. Do not let the younger children eat very much ice cream at a time, at it is apt to cause bowel disturbances. Some older people are subjected to bowel infections from ice cream as well as children. A small dish after meals is the most reasonable for any one. Never indulge just before meals, as it is liable to kill the ap-petite for the more substantial foods.

In case a person is overcome with heat, they must receive attention at once. Put them in a cool, shady place where they can get plenty of fresh air. Apply an ice cap to the head. Put the person in a cold bath adding ice freely. Rub the body vigerously with the ice or rags dipped in the water. If this is not possible, bathe as much of the body as you can with cold water. To reduce the high fever is the thing that must be accomplished. To act quickly is of the most im-

If you have any pet ideas on how to keep cool send them to me and I will pass them on to the readers of this page. In Texas this is a very important subject, and several pages could be devoted to its discussion, if we only had the

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FIRST AID TREATMENT

QUESTION BOX.

I must pause at this time to say a word in the general treatment of wounds, and the serious view that we should take of even the slightest injury. The recent death of the son of our Presi-

dent is a warning to all parents not to place too high credit in "being a good sport." While a good fighting spirit is necessary, which Calvin Coolidge also dis-played, but it is best to take any abrasions of the skin in time and give them the proper treatment. Children should be taught from infancy how to care for a wound and to attend to it at once and not wait until it is sore and inflamed before treatment is commenced. It is always advisable to let any wound bleed freely as the blood will help to wash out the germs. Never wash out with water unless it has first been boiled twenty minutes. Otherwise it is liable to do more harm than good, as water harbors so many germs. The safest and best remedy is the application of iodine. Wrap a piece of cotton or soft rag around a toothpick or clean stick, carefully pour the iodine on the cotton or rag, hold over a newspaper, in case any is spilled, apply carefully to the wound, except an eye injury. Do not bandage as it it liable to blister. Apply the iodine two or three times, until the wound starts to heal. Then apply vaseline. If the injury is where it is liable to get very dirty, it is allright to bandage an hour after applying the iodine. Do not remove the scab until it comes off of its own accord. Keep moist with vaseline and it will not be

Little as a scratch may seem, it is always wise to follow the "safest plan," and take care of it before it is too late. Tetanus, or lock jaw germs, and the germs which cause blood poisoning are present everywhere and are so tiny that they are invisible to the naked eye. They enter the blood circulation through abrasions of the skin and often get in their deadly work before we realize they are at work.

LATE FASHIONS.



This little dress is very pretty if made up in one of the pretty dotted voiles. Size 12 years requires 21/2 yards 40-inch material. The bindings of the yolk and sleeves should be of white. A cluster of artificial fruit or flowers in the front is very pretty. This dress is very pretty made up in gingham and bound in a contrasting color.

Unless you are positive that baby's milk has been properly handled it is best to boil for ten minutes in a double boiler and then cool rapidly. Milk can carry many deadly germs and is not to be trusted in the hot weather when they

multiply rapidly. The manish vest worn with sport clothes is very good this season and give a very smart appearance to the costume.

TESTED RECIPES.

Frozen Fruit.

Shake a can of peaches, apricots or any of your favorite kinds, so as to mix the juice with the fruit. Pack in ice and ice cream salt for four hours, cut the can around the middle so the frozen fruit will come out nicely. Serve whipped cream, to which two or more tablespoons of sugar has been added and a little flavoring, have ice cold.

Delicious Ham.

Boil part or a whole ham from one to three hours, according to the size. Remove from pot and put in roasting pan. Remove part of the skin, rub this part with brown sugar and stick a few cloves about an inch apart. Pour one cup of vinegar and one and a half cups of water to which has been added one teaspoon of mustard over the ham. Bake in a moderate oven until tender. Baste frequently. This is delicious either hot or cold. Lovely for picnic sand-

Ham Sandwiches Supreme.

Use the ham as cooked above. Slice bread very thin and butter evenly with butter. Put a slice of ham, one of pickle, tomatoe, and a layer of very thinly sliced lettuce. Salt the lettuce er of very thinly sliced lettuce. Salt the lettuce slightly and finish with a little mayonnaise. This is very lovely for picnics. Some people like mustard and some like chopped pickle in place of the mayonnaise. Wrap each sandwich in oiled paper and they will keep much nicer. For Sunday night luncheon it is nice to add thin slices of crisp bacon. A variety can be made by making some of ham and some of cold sliced chicken. Use of the imagination is a great as chicken. Use of the imagination is a great asset in making palatable sandwiches.



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