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ACCIDENT FATAL TO PROMINENT FARMER

One of the saddest accidents ever happening in this community took place here last Saturday evening at about eight o'clock, when Mr. H. C. Barnett, well known and most excellent citizen residing some five miles northwest of the city, who had come into town to attend a revival service, was knocked down and injured so as to cause his death at about midnight some four hours later. Mr. Frank McFarland, driving down the street ran into a rope which had been stretched across the street to prevent disturbance of the Methodist revival then in progress.

It seems that a committee had been appointed to look after the putting up of the ropes at the proper time in the evening, which had been done for several nights, and, owing to the absence of one of the committee, Mr. Barnett had assisted in putting up the ropes, and had just finished tying one end of same and was standing with his hands on the rope when Mr. McFarland, who knew nothing of the ropes being placed across the street, ran into same before he could stop, with the result that Mr. Barnett was hurled several feet and thrown upon his back and shoulders, injuring him so as to cause his death.

Within a few moments after the sad accident had occurred, two physicians were in attendance and soon a third, and all that medical skill and loving hands could do was administered to no avail.

It was indeed a great shock to the people of the entire town and community, and especially did it rest heavily upon this good man's faithful and loving family, and more so since it was one of those accidents which seemed to have been unavoidable. And in justice to all, members of the immediate family of the deceased stated to this writer that the family held no ill will or responsibility toward or of any one—none toward the man who drove his car into the rope, none toward the church people for roping the street off, nor the Mayor for his kindness in allowing same to be done.

The injured man was immediately taken to the residence of his son, Mr. Harry Barnett, in the western part of the city, and everything that was humanly possible to do was done to save the good man.

Mr. Barnett, who at the time of his death was 56 years of age, was born at Cleburne, Johnson County, and when a young man was married to Miss Birdie Smith, at Midlothian, Texas, and to this union nine children were born, seven of whom survive, all of whom were present for the funeral except one son who could not be located. Two sons preceded their father in death when quite young.

The family came to this community some fifteen years ago and are well known and highly respected. The deceased while a quiet man of few words, was always found to stand on the side of right. He was honest to the core, kind and always considerate of the rights and privileges of his fellow man. He had been a devout Christian for the past thirty years, having been a faithful member of the Methodist church all these years. And during the present revival meeting Mr. Barnett had been regular in attendance, was much interested in its success and according to a member of the family, heartily indorsed the roping off of the streets so as to keep down any disturbance that

NEW PLANTERS GIN IS NEARING COMPLETION

The new Planters Gin building, replacing the old gin burned early in the spring, which is going up under the supervision of the courteous and capable manager, Mr. Jim Toombs, is nearing completion, and when finished will be one of the best and most modern in this part of the west.

It will be equipped with the very best and newest machinery, and will no doubt render its customers excellent service.

WILL ADDRESS MEN ON SUNDAY AT 3:30

The Rev. Lewis N. Stuckey, who is delivering great gospel messages at every service in the Methodist Revival that is now in progress at the Tabernacle, will on next Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock address men only on "The Price of a Backbone." This address will take place at the Tabernacle and is said to be a master address for men, and it is sincerely hoped that the men of the town and surrounding country will be present to hear him.

Great crowds, men and women of all denominations are pouring into the Tabernacle to hear this forceful and able minister of the gospel preach the word of God, and already much good has been accomplished, many souls having been saved and many Christians revived in their belief and reaffirmed their determination to press onward in the battle for right against wrong.

Everywhere throughout the land there is the cry of crime and sin, and men everywhere are acknowledging that laws do not prevent or stop the great crime wave that is without doubt sweeping the country, and are declaring that there is a great need for "back to God and religion." And, while a young man, Rev. Stuckey is in almost every sermon heralding that fact forcefully and truthfully before his great audiences. Hence, if you are among those who desire to see this country of ours saved and preserved in the faith of Christian Religion, you should by all means hear him in this address at the Tabernacle Sunday afternoon to men only.

1924 POSTAL LAW CHANGED

On August 1st, 1925, all insured and collect-on-delivery parcels are accepted with the understanding that the senders, in every instance, guarantee any return or forwarding postage which may be necessary when such parcels become undeliverable. G. E. COMEGYS, P. M.

might interfere with the success of the meeting.

Funeral services were held at eleven o'clock Monday morning at the Methodist church, conducted by Rev. T. J. Rea, local pastor, Rev. C. H. Ledger of Trent, the deceased's pastor, and Rev. M. R. Pike of Anson, a special friend of the family. Interment took place immediately afterward in Rose Hill Cemetery.

One of the largest, if not the largest crowd ever before assembling in this city for a similar occasion was present for the funeral, the large church auditorium being filled to overflowing.

This paper joins the family's many friends and in fact the entire citizenship of the town and community in extending deepest sympathy to the bereaved wife, sons and daughters during this their saddest hour.

THROGS COMING TO HEAR REV. STUCKEY

The Methodist revival at the Tabernacle has been in full swing all week, with every seat filled and many standing outside, to hear the Rev. Lewis N. Stuckey deliver his great messages of truth concerning the religion of Jesus Christ. "The Old Time Religion, and as the result many have been converted and reclaimed as well as a great revival among the church membership.

The minister's messages, although of the kindest and deepest religious fervor, are indeed scathing and stinging against the sins and wrong doings of men and women and as the meeting progresses and men and women, both sinner and saint have had time to think and meditate, there is seen among them the greatest awakening of their attitude and condition, which has already caused many to make confessions and turn their steps toward the path laid out by the Lowly Nazarene. In fact, there is every evidence that as the revivalist continues his onslaughts against the sins of the devil, and the Christian people become more awakened to their full responsibilities in making the meeting the success so sincerely hoped for that when the same shall have come to a close many more will have "hit the trail" besides perhaps the greatest revival and awakening of the church membership to their religious responsibility that has been experienced here for some years.

Rev. Thos. W. Brabham, who is the able choir director, and who has charge of the work among the young people, is also doing great and lasting good in this phase of the work; in fact, Rev. Brabham is an able revivalist himself, and with the Rev. Stuckey has endeared himself to the very lives and hearts of the people of the town and community. He is just now really in the best part of the work in his line, and there is no telling just the extent of good yet to be accomplished before the close of the meeting among the young people.

The pastor, Rev. T. J. Rea, who is throwing his every effort into making the meeting a great success for the entire town and community, urges that the Christian people continue to lend their support and cooperation to the meeting, and, in fact, feel free to take part in all services. He is delighted with the progress and success thus far and holds high hopes for even greater success before the close.

Mr. R. J. Miller of this city was recently called to Tolar, to attend the funeral of a brother, and had hardly returned to his home here when a nother sad message came that a sister in California had died and would be brought back to Tolar for burial. This is indeed a heavy grief upon Mr. Miller and this paper joins his many friends in extending to him deepest sympathy.

Mrs. Gaither of San Antonio, who has been visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. V. Cranford, returned to her home this week.

Mrs. A. R. Booth and daughter, Helen, are attending the Baptist Encampment at Lueders this week.

Mrs. L. B. Scott and son, Burneal, spent several days last week at Christoval.

PUTTING OIL WELL MATERIAL ON SITE

According to Mr. Tom Largent, who perhaps has done more than any other one person to secure the leases for the proposed new oil test in this section, the material for the test, which will be in the neighborhood of the old Sears well, is now being placed on the ground, and the work of starting this test will be rushed as fast as possible. In fact when one reads and considers the item in last week's Mail, giving the reputation and the ability of the men behind the movement, they can really feel confident that there is going to be something doing in the way of really securing an actual test for oil at Merkel.

Leases for Another Test

And Mr. Largent reports that he is now engaged in an effort to secure leases for Messrs. Charley Glascoe and Mack Best, as mentioned in the Albany News as men who were going to begin operations in the Merkel country, which item was published in this paper last week. Mr. Largent states that he has met with very favorable success from the land owners, and also states that if others will come in on the matter there will be two genuine tests going in this vicinity within a very short time.

The finding of oil or gas in paying quantities in this community would mean much to every one, and since the men behind the move are capable and qualified and have faith in the possibility of being able to find oil in this community, should be sufficient to cause the local citizenship to get behind the movement and lend every support and encouragement possible that is compatible, and especially since the proposition places the expense of same entirely upon the operators themselves.

Let's all give Mr. Largent and these men every cooperation and encouragement we can.

DUBLIN MAN BUYS CAFE

Mr. H. C. Gilbert, of Dublin, Texas, recently purchased from F. H. Latham the Busy Bee Cafe and has recently opened same for service.

Mr. Gilbert comes to this city recommended as an experienced and capable restaurant man, and will no doubt enjoy his share of the business in this line. He has moved his family here and expects to make this his permanent home.

Mr. E. Yates Brown of the Brown Dry Goods Co. of this city, returned first of the week from Fort Worth where he spent his vacation, and where he attended a summer school of church music. His many friends welcome him back home.

Mr. C. L. Brown, one of this community's best and pioneer citizens, who resides in Mulberry Canyon, dropped in to renew for the Mail this week. He has been a reader of the Mail for more than 35 years, since it was founded.

A. Morton, big-hearted and clever employe at the Texas & Pacific station, with his family returned first of the week from their visit with relatives in the Panhandle.

Mr. W. T. Walker, who resides west of Noodle, was here recently and reports crops very good and he stated that he expected to make enough feed to carry through next year.

TEXAS SCHOLASTIC POPULATION 1,336,500

Austin, Texas, July 12.—The new Texas scholastic population is estimated at 1,336,500, an increase over last year of 14,900. The increase in 1924 over the preceding year was 17,000. The exact total will be given the State Board of Education on August 1, when it makes the annual appropriation of the school fund, which is sure to be \$14 this year, or a grand total of \$18,711,000.—Dallas News.

BONEY BUILDING STUCCO GARAGE

Mr. Marvin Boney, one of Merkel's popular and progressive Garage men, informs the Mail that he will begin at once the erection of a handsome new and modern Stucco Drive-in Filling Station and Auto Accessory building on the corner lot just west of his garage, which location is on the corner lot where the old wooden building has just been torn down.

Mr. Boney states that he will continue to use his present building for a work and machine shop and the new building which will be handsomely arranged and specially furnished, is for the display of tires, tubes and accessories and for his business office. Among the equipment and accommodations will be a nice ladies rest room, conveniently arranged for the traveling autoist and tourists.

This will add another nice building to front street, extending the business section westward, which for the last several years has been coming to the front mostly on account of the growing trade incident to the great volume of tourists.

Let us say here that aside from the great and growing autoist trade accorded this city during the last few years, Merkel has without doubt as good if not the best and largest farm trade territory of any town its size in this part of the country, which if properly gone after and taken care of by the business element will handsomely and profitably maintain every institution in the city. In fact there is room and demand here for the rebuilding of the splendid block that burned here early this year.

SCHOOL TRANSFERS

All parents or guardians who wish to make a transfer of their children to the Merkel Independent School District will please do so before August 1. Transfer blanks may be found at the Merkel Mail or at the Superintendent's office at the High School building. Office hours: 9 to 11 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. J. A. Summerhill, Supt.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Weaver, who were here recently for a visit with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Sharp, left this week for a trip to Colorado, Utah, Washington and Oregon.

Misses Nell and Annie Mae Swann left Thursday for Dallas and Tyler for an extended visit with relatives and friends. They will probably be away six weeks.

Mr. W. J. Sheppard and family attended the Baptist Encampment at Lueders several days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Partridge spent last Sunday with relatives at Talpa, Texas. Mr. Partridge reports conditions there just about the same as are found here.

REV. PARRACK WILL PREACH HERE SUN.

The Mail is requested to announce that at the eleven o'clock hour on next Sunday, July 19, Rev. Ira L. Parrack, of Gorman, will preach at the First Baptist Church in Merkel.

As stated in last week's Mail Rev. Parrack, formerly able and popular pastor of the First Baptist church here, has been unanimously called again to the pastorate here, following Rev. Albertson who was called to Haskell, Texas.

Rev. Parrack is too well and favorably known by the local church's membership to need introduction or commendation at our hands, but those who may not be acquainted with him, we will say that should you miss hearing him you will have missed a real treat. At last reports Bro. Parrack had not fully made up his mind to accept the call here, but this paper joins the members of his church and many friends in the sincere hope that he will yet decide to do so and come with his estimable family back to our city.

There will also be the regular services of the day, including Sunday School at ten a.m. and B. Y. P. U. at the regular hour in the afternoon. Every one invited to attend all these services and the membership especially urged to be present.

SONS OF CONFEDERATES ORGANIZE

There has been a camp of sons of the Confederacy organized at Merkel known as the Joseph E. Johnston Sons of Confederacy, and we appeal to all loyal Sons who are proud of their Ancestry, and their heroic deeds, to join with us and let's keep alive the history, and patriotic sacrifices of our illustrious Ancestry. We juniors had no part in the chronology of the trying days, and only by inheritance of birth do we fall heir to the glory won solely by our fathers and mothers, and there is a duty for the sons of the South to perform; nor can we fail to perform it, without disaster to the highest and holiest interest of our civilization. We invite all Sons who are proud of the heroic deeds of our forefathers, to come into the camp, and let's keep alive the reverence for the heroic men, and for the patriotic memories of a storm cradled nation. The broadest duty to our country demands this service at our hands. J. C. MASON, Commander. BOOTH WARREN, Adjutant General.

SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY

We will sell, on Saturday only, gas at 22 cents per gallon and good oil at 20 cents per quart, at C. P. Stephens Filling Station. 1tpd

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Dry of Dublin are here visiting Mr. Dry's mother, Mrs. J. M. Dry, and sisters, Misses Lorena and Loyce Dry.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Rainbolt and daughter, Miss Hazel Lee, returned last Friday from Amarillo, and other places in that part of the state.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Warren had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hamer of Dallas, several days last week.

Condensed Statement

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON
JUNE 30, 1925

RESOURCES

Loans	\$355,200.81
Overdrafts	782.82
Banking House	12,500.00
Furniture and Fixtures	5,430.00
Other Real Estate	13,002.50
Stocks and Warrants	6,880.74
Assessment Gty. Fund	10,591.52
Interest Gty. Fund	8,422.66
CASH & U. S. BONDS	124,881.25
Total	\$537,691.80

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus and Profits	9,448.65
Dividend Unpaid	2,500.00
DEPOSITS	475,743.15
Total	\$537,691.80

The Above Statement is Correct.

W. L. DILTZ, Jr., Cashier.

This bank is essentially a Home Bank, our interests are all here; our loans are for local purposes. Work with us and let us work with you—For Mutual Prosperity.

FARMERS STATE BANK

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

J. S. Swann, President J. C. Mason, Vice-President R. O. Anderson, Active Vice-Pres, W. L. Diltz Jr., Cashier Herbert Patterson, Assistant-Cashier. David Hendricks

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lassiter and children, Miss Mae Lassiter, Mrs. T. E. Collins and Mr. S. J. S. Swann are attending the Encampment at Lueders.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. P. Diggs, of Amarillo, were guests of Mrs. E. P. Beene and other friends here last week. Mrs. Diggs was formerly Mrs. E. W. Permitter, and resided here several years.

Mrs. D. J. Rawlings and daughters, Misses Dagmah and Me-deoh, of Trent, are visitors in the home of Mrs. Pearl Hollingsworth this week.

SWEET CREAM—I am now using a cream separator and can furnish you with fresh, sweet cream on short notice, right off the ice. Phone 246, Mrs. J. Ben Campbell.

CROSS ROADS ITEMS

On Thursday night, July 2nd, the intermediate class of Cross Roads Sunday School gave a very interesting and entertaining program under the direction of their efficient teacher, Mrs. J. W. Hammond.

We are sorry to report Hollis Hammond on the sick list this week, but glad to say she is improving.

Quite a number of the Cross Roads people attended the home-coming services at the Baptist church at Caps on last Sunday, and were delighted at having the opportunity of hearing Dr. W. T. Comer of Fort Worth.

Sunday School was well attended last Sunday, there being 94 present.

R. F. England and family motored to the city of Abilene Wednesday afternoon.

On Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock a beautiful and impressive ceremony was said by Rev. C. A. Joiner, when Mr. W. W. Haynes led to the altar Miss Lora Joiner. The wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Joiner. Mr. and Mrs. Haynes left immediately for a trip thru the West.

Rev. C. A. Joiner and wife of Hale Center visited relatives in Cross Roads community and attended the Home coming last week-end at Caps.

Messrs. Garland Teaff, Henry King, John King, Jim and Bob King and their families, spent the fourth at Lake Abilene and report a good time.

Mesdames R. W. Holder and E. N. Pitts went to Tye Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. J. W. Hammond and family also went to Lake Abilene on the Fourth.

The Senior Class of Cross Roads Sunday School went on a picnic Wednesday night, July 1.

The young people enjoyed themselves on Tuesday night, June 30th when Mrs. Dee Teaff gave them a social at her beautiful home.

Early Joiner spent Tuesday night with his parents, Rev. C. A. Joiner and wife who were visiting in the home of his brother.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Gaskill, of Wolfe City, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Howard of Noodle, this week.

W. G. Leach, efficient operator at the local station, with his family left Thursday for a visit to his old home in Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Yeager and family of Winters, were here recently visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Shaw.

Mr. D. S. Price of the Plains, was here last week the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Shaw.

Miss Polly Porter of Snyder, Texas, is a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Jones this week.

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Bathing caps and Suits, Shoes and Belts. Hamm Drug Company. 1t

FOR SALE—One Monitor self-oiling windmill and tower, has been in use only four months. Reason for selling, installing electric pump. West Texas Utilities Company. 1t

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—On highway, large blue cotton bag containing pillows and blankets. Reward for return to Merkel Motor Co. Box 265, Merkel, Texas. 1t

LOST—Between Merkel and Noodle, a quilt and pillows. Finder please return to Herman Abernathy, Merkel, Route 5. 1tp

Missionary Society Notes

The Womans Missionary Society will have their usual weekly meeting next Monday afternoon at three o'clock. There will be a summary or review of the Bible study which has just been completed. There will be other interesting matters discussed also. This is to be a kind of "get-together" meeting and every member of the society is urged to come and bring some one. Half of the year is now past and gone and there lies out before us a vast amount of work yet to be done if we accomplish the things we should by the close of the year.

This is an individual appeal to every member of the society and woman of the church as well. Let's have a big attendance at the meeting next Monday afternoon; let's plan the work that is staring us in the face and then let's feel an individual interest in the carrying forward of these plans. Remember the meeting will be at three o'clock at the church. Publicity Supt.

Mrs. S. D. Gamble and children are spending the week with friends and relatives on the South Plains.

Mrs. Ida Wylie of Austin and Mrs. Lora Locks of Brown county, are guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Campbell.

W. O. Boney represents the San Antonio Joint Stock and Land Bank. See him for 6% money. tf

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Young of Holdenville, Oklahoma, are the guests of Mrs. W. L. Johnson and children this week.

Miss Annie Mae Swann returned Wednesday from a week-end visit with her sister, Miss Willie Swann, at Snyder, Texas.

Miss Orine Burrow has returned to her home at Sagerton Texas, after visiting the past week with Miss Audry Porter.

Misses Mary and Ouida Campbell will leave Friday morning for Weatherford to spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Arrington returned Wednesday from an extended visit with relatives at Midland.

LOOK FOR—

The bungalow sign—George's Kandy Kitchen, on Front street. "Eat Hand-Made Candy" and protect your health. Try our Hamburgers, Cold Drinks and Cigars. George W. Thompson, proprietor. tf

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

THE OLD RELIABLE FARMERS & MERCHANTS National Bank

Merkel, Texas

Close of Business June 30, 1925

RESOURCES

Loans, Time and Demand	\$265,141.92
Overdrafts	170.16
Bonds and Warrants	23,938.37
Stock in Fed. Reserve Bank	1,950.00
Stock in Fed Int. Bkg. Co.	90.00
Furniture and Fixtures	7,500.00
Five per cent Red. Fund	312.50
CASH, SIGHT EXCHANGE AND U. S. BONDS	253,716.93
Total	\$552,819.88

LIABILITIES


Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus and Undivided profits	18,951.98
Circulation Acct.	6,250.00
BORROWED MONEY	NONE
DEPOSITS	477,617.90
Total	\$552,819.88

J. T. Warren, Pres. L. R. Thompson, Cash.

Booth Warren, Ass't Cash. Owen Ellis, Ass't Cashier

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Never Missed a Dividend
Never Assessed a Shareholder



Miss Minnie Maud Lamar of Slaton, Texas, was here this week visiting friends.

Just think Men! 33 1-3% discount on all light weight Suits. 10 days only. BROWN'S. 1t

Mr. J. R. McCandless, of Farmersville, Texas, is here this week for a visit with his brother Mr. W. A. McCandless.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Sears and children of Menard were here this week visiting relatives.

Andy Brown and family of Sweetwater, were down first of the week visiting friends and relatives.

I have some second-hand galvanized corrugated Roofing and lumber for Sale cheap. Wm. O'Briant. 10t2

Mrs. A. M. Cobb and daughter of Lometa visited Mrs. Cobb's brother, Mr. F. M. Mullen and family of this city this week.

Mrs. L. R. Robbins is visiting relatives and friends in Tennessee.

Try a Classified Ad in The Mail.

BLUE BUGS?

Feed MARTIN'S POULTRY TONE to your chickens and paint the hen house with MARTIN'S ROOST PAINT to kill and keep away insects. Guaranteed by Merkel Drug Company

Everybody's Garage

It is our purpose to give the best of service as a first class garage, maintaining a filling station and accessory department, and a repair department. We solicit you gas, oil, tire, and accessory business on the basis of quick, courteous, dependable Service. Dependable workmanship, quick service, and reasonable prices make our Repair Service second to none.

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We have the largest finishing plant in the West. We buy high grade rough granite at the quarry which comes to us at a low raw material freight rate, which enables us to make any size and design at a saving in price to our customers.

Write us when ready to buy and our factory representative, Mr. G. C. McCord, a member of the firm, will be glad to call and submit modern designs and prices; or we would be glad to have you visit our plant. When you deal with us you deal direct, avoiding middle-man profit.

If You Lived in New York

you would not be able to get better electrical service than the people of Merkel get every day in the year and every hour in the day.

The building of great modern electric power systems such as that of which Merkel is a part has brought to the small city, the town, the hamlet and even to many farm and ranch homes electrical service on a par with that furnished to the dwellers in the largest cities of the land.

The West Texas Utilities Company, whose general offices are at Abilene, is now serving forty-two West Texas communities. It has over five hundred miles of high potential transmission lines and an available supply of power to adequately meet every demand that is placed upon it by the 85,000 people whom it serves.

This company has invested in West Texas more than ten and a half million dollars and is rapidly investing more. It believes in Merkel and Abilene and the rest of the forty-two towns which it serves, and it is proud of the part which it is taking in the development and the upbuilding of this great territory.

By furnishing electric light and power in adequate quantities and always dependable at reasonable rates it is performing for this section an essential service that is no small factor in its present prosperity as well as a factor of stability to be depended upon for the future.

WEST TEXAS UTILITIES CO.

W. O. Boney can make you a loan from 5 years to 33 years at 6% interest.

Just think men! 33 1-3% discount on all light weight Suits 10 days only. BROWN'S.

POULTRY INSECTS can be killed and kept away by painting hen houses with MARTIN'S ROOST PAINT and feeding MARTIN'S POULTRY TONE to your chickens. Guaranteed by Hamm Drug Company

Try a Classified Ad in the Mail.

NO. 7481

Report of the Condition of

THE FARMERS & MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK AT MERKEL

In the State of Texas, at the Close of Business on June 30, 1925

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, including rediscounts	\$265,141.92
Customers' liability account of acceptances of this bank	NONE
Total loans	\$265,141.92
Overdrafts, secured, \$ 80.90 Unsecured, \$ 89.26	170.16
Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. Bonds par value)	\$6,250.00
All other United States Government Securities	\$109,110.63 - 115,360.63
Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc.	25,978.37
Furniture and Fixtures	7,500.00
Real estate owned other than banking house	
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	29,139.58
Cash in vault and amount due from national banks	107,473.20
Amount due from State banks, bankers and trust companies in the United States (other than included in Items 8, 9, and 10)	
Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank	500.36
Total of Items 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13	\$109,717.08
Checks and drafts on banks (including Federal Reserve Bank) located out side of city or town of reporting bank \$	
Miscellaneous cash items	1,243.16
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer	312.50
Total	\$562,819.88

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus Fund	15,000.00
Undivided profits	\$ 3,961.98
Reserved for	
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes	3,951.98
Circulating notes outstanding	6,250.00
Amount due to State banks, bankers, and trust companies in the U. S. and foreign countries (other than items 22 23)	17,501.65
Cashiers checks on own bank outstanding	364.41
Total of items 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26	17,866.06
Demand Deposits subject to Reserve:	
Individual deposits subject to check	373,045.55
Certificates of deposits due in less than 30 days	
Dividends Unpaid	2,262.00
Total of demand deposit (other than bank deposits)	
Reserve, Items 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32	\$375,807.55
Certificates of deposit (Other than for money borrowed)	15,130.00
Other time Deposits	69,314.29
Total of time deposits subject to reserve, Items 33, 34, 35, and 36	\$ 84,444.29
Total	\$562,819.88

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF TAYLOR, SS:

I, L. R. Thompson, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

L. R. THOMPSON, Cashier

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of July, 1925.

Correct—Attest:—G. F. WEST, J. T. WARREN, SAM BUTMAN Directors.

Sun Electric Company

Located at 259 Pine St., Abilene, Is Operated Under the Able Direction of Men Who are Expert Electric Engineers and Who Are Thoroughly Conversant With Every Feature of This Important Business.—They offer the Public Metropolitan Stock Service and Work.

Superior to the vast majority of electrical establishments and surpassed by none either in general excellence of work or superiority of materials used, this well-known firm has continued its successful career because the management and assistants are among the most efficient electricians of this part of the state. They have a most complete stock of fixtures and appliances and have a line that has been chosen with a view to furnish

No. 1398

Official Statement of Financial Condition of the HOME STATE BANK, at TRENT

State of Texas, at the close of business on the 30th day of June, 1925, published in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper printed and published at Merkel, State of Texas, on the 17th day of July, 1925.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, undoubtedly good on personal or Collateral security	\$114,570.26
Loans secured by real estate, worth at least twice the amount loaned thereon	751.00
Overdrafts, undoubtedly good	2.27
Bonds, stocks and other securities	25.00
Real Estate (Banking House)	4,500.00
Furniture and Fixtures	1,600.00
Cash on hand	3,275.59
Due from approved reserve agents	55,028.21
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check on demand	392.62
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund	2,156.16
TOTAL	\$182,301.11

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 25,000.00
Other Surplus Fund	5,000.00
Undivided profits, net	8,532.74
Due to banks and bankers, subject to check	579.55
Individual Deposits subject to check on which no interest is paid	127,057.14
Individual Deposits on which interest is paid or contracted to be paid	10,765.79
Public Funds on Deposit (School \$5,365.89) Total	5,365.89
TOTAL	\$182,301.11

STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Taylor We, J. T. Warren, as President, and L. E. Adrian, as Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

J. T. Warren, President.

L. E. Adrian, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of July, A. D. 1925. L. R. Thompson, Notary Public, Taylor County, Tex. CORRECT—ATTEST: A. Williamson, H. W. Beckham, T. L. Stevens, Directors.

anything you might want in this line. Here it is possible to select fixtures that are in keeping with the rest of your furnishings and they are offered at very reasonable figures, the quality and market conditions considered. If you are going to have any electrical work done or need any new fixtures see and talk the matter over with them. They carry an extensive line of Radios and accessories, so if you need what is best in the way of radio apparatus, call at their store and they will be glad to satisfy your needs.

They are now offering special good prices in Lighting Fixtures and at the present time have on display in their window

a typical eleven piece set of lighting fixtures priced at \$27.50. This extremely low price is a special offer they are making.

One might devote much space to a further description of their modern place and high grade stock, but let it suffice to say that you will find there just what you would expect to locate in the headquarters of such an establishment as they maintain. We are pleased in this business review to compliment this well-known concern and suggest that our readers take it into consideration when making purchases or desiring work in the electrical line.

Fulwiler Motor Company

With Headquarters in Abilene at 1125 N. Second St., is the Official and Authorized Sales and Service for Ford Automobiles And Fordson Tractors and is Under the Direction of Men Who Have had a Wide Experience In the Automobile Business.

Just as the Ford Motor Company has been first in many features of automobile progress so has the Fulwiler Motor Co. establishment been first in its service to the people. So popular has become their service and greatly increased the number of their patrons that they have one of the finest automobile homes in this section. It adds in no little measure to the commercial organization of the city. The management of this firm has displayed characteristic foresight in providing for years to come. In this modern garage and automobile headquarters you will find the latest of scientific equipment for service, repairs and parts. The salesrooms and executive offices are in keeping with their rapidly increasing business, and the entire establishment is in charge of experienced men in every department. We wish to direct the special at-

tention of the Ford owners of this part of the country to the value of such an institution as this one to the public. It is not alone a "Ford Garage," it is a twentieth century automotive organization operated by experts, and it adds to the commercial development of the city as well as to the convenience and comfort of its patrons.

This Ford service garage is completely equipped for work on all models of Fords and specialize in service to their patrons and owners of these cars, and also in genuine Ford parts.

We take pleasure in this business review in directing your attention to this firm. The proprietor is one of the well known business men of these parts and takes an active interest in the onward progress of this section of the state and has merited the leading position now held in the business life of this section.

Try an Classified Ad for Results.

The Merkel Mail

Published on Friday Morning by
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Thos. Durham, Editor-Mgr.

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In Taylor, Jones, Nolan and
Fisher Counties, per yr. . . \$1.50
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IN ADVANCE

TELEPHONE No. 61

Entered at the postoffice at Mer-
kel, Texas as second class mail.

But few, if any men, are actually leading the religious life that is their privilege, and but few towns as towns or cities, are as religious as they might be, but in attending the revival now in progress in this city one not familiar with same would be surprised to note the few citizens who count themselves a non-church member. In fact Merkel is known far and wide as a town populated with a church-going people. And it's a good town, peopled with good citizens as can be found anywhere. In fact we doubt if Clarence Darrow and his crowd could get much sympathy here.

Have you been attending the Methodist revival now in progress in this city? If not, and you appreciate real, old-time gospel messages right from the word of God, yes, the Holy Bible, then you are missing the treat of your life, for the Rev. Lewis N. Stuckey, young fluent and able pastor of the St. Paul's Methodist church, Abilene, who is doing the preaching, is certainly delivering some of the greatest and most soul-stirring Bible messages that it has been the privilege of this people to hear in many days. If you have not heard him, come out to the Tabernacle and hear him. You will never regret it. He preaches to men only, at the Tabernacle on next Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. Men hear him.

Some business firms seem to have an idea that a newspaper can get along, live and pay bills on a mighty little, judging from the amount of patronage they extend the paper. And generally they are the first to become offended when the paper fails to give THEM the mention in its news columns that they think they are entitled to, or when the paper happens to give their competitor who happens to be a liberal patron of the paper a creditable mention. Business men should advertise their wares for the purpose of increasing their business and thereby help them on to success, and never because they like or dislike the paper or its management. Advertising is a matter of business and if you don't think it pays don't do it.

When Advertising Ceases

A generation ago "St. Jacob's Oil" was one of the most widely advertised products in America. It was a patent medicine enjoying enormous sales. When Charles Vogeler, the head of this business, died, an "expert" went over the balance sheets and saw the enormous advertising appropriation.

This "expert" trimmed the advertising expenditure to little or nothing, reasoning that St. Jacob's Oil was so well known that it was unnecessary to spend money any longer to advertise it. Orders dwindled as advertising contracts ran out; business departed, never to return and it is safe to speculate that hardly one in 50 who reads this article remembers or ever heard of St. Jacob's Oil, one of the best known products on the continent 35 years ago.

A similar thing happened to James Pyle's "Pearline"—a company which used a \$500,000 advertising fund as far back as 1904 and was one of the best known products in the entire world. The ad fund was "lopped off"; the business went dead. It tried unsuccessfully to make a

come-back in 1914, and sold its plant for junk to a large soap manufacturer. Killing off the ad appropriation wrecked both of these prosperous businesses and it would do the same thing to almost any great advertising concern today.—St. Louis Times.

8,100 AXLES TREATED EVERY DAY BY FORD

Continuous furnaces, those operating on the conveyor system, perform an interesting manufacturing operation. In a series of three of these furnaces front axles to the number of 8,100 are treated every day.

Spindle arms, also are treated in this manner. First they move slowly through 1500 degrees Fahrenheit for an hour and a quarter, emerge to be quenched in solution, then are heat treated for another hour and a quarter at 980 degrees and come out to be air cooled.

So it goes through every heat treating operation where science and heat co-operate in producing lightweight, strong and durable parts to render the utmost in security to the finished car and safety for the driver.

Temperatures of the furnaces are ascertained by delicate electrical instruments. In some cases the temperature is automatically controlled. When this is not done, the slightest variation is signaled on a switchboard by a system of colored lights and operators who are always on duty at once make necessary adjustments to keep the temperatures at the required standards.

Under improved methods in these furnace departments, including in summer time huge ventilators carrying pure, washed and cooled air down beside each furnace, working conditions have lost their former hardships for the man.

Mrs. James Doan and daughter, Mrs. Hugh Campbell, visited in the home of their friends Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Lockheart of Abilene a few days this week.



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Parke-Davis & Co.

Toilet Goods. Buy any 2 of these 50c items and we will give you FREE any one of the remaining three items. Get \$1.50 worth of merchandise for \$1

Shaving Cream
Vanishing Cream
Cold Cream
Almond Cream
Tooth Paste
50c



Every Item
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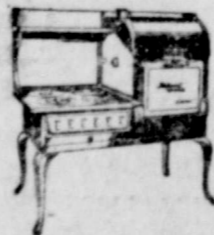
We will give FREE with every 35c Bottle of "Stearnes Flavilla" (Vanilla Extract), the kind that will not bake out and you use only one half as much as any other vanilla extract, 1 Glass Measuring Cup while they last. No kitchen is complete with out this item.

HAMM DRUG CO.

Phone 93

All Foods are Delicious--- When Cooked The Electric Ways!

The art of cooking received its greatest impetus when the electric range was developed to its present state of perfection. Never before were such dainty foods prepared. Bread light as snow and golden crusted biscuits, cakes and pastries of surprising goodness testify to the fireless cooker principle of the oven, with its insulated heat-retaining walls and its evenly distributed heat. Meat, fish and game all find their true Worth when cooked in their natural juices on the electric range the shrink less in cooking, and taste better because of the flavor---enclosing searing effect of cleanly electric heat in the broiler and oven. A revelation awaits you when you first use an electric range.



See our "Pay as you Use" Plan

WEST TEXAS UTILITIES CO.

Mullen Reunion Held at Coleman

Four generations were represented at a reunion of the family of Mrs. Nancy A. Mullen held at the home of her daughter, Mrs. D. M. McIntyre of Coleman, on last Saturday.

Mrs. Mullen is 87 years of age. She was married to Mr. J. W. Mullen in 1871. They made their home in Williamson County until the time of Mr. Mullen's death in 1894. Mr. Mullen served in both the Mexican and Civil wars.

Those present at the reunion were as follows: Mrs. Nancy A. Mullen of Lometa, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. McIntyre and daughter of Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Forehand and grandson of Florence, Mrs. A. M. Cobb and daughter of Lometa, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Mullen and two children of Merkel, Mrs. J. Kerboh and three children of Coleman, Mr. A. W. Forehand of Lometa, Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Forehand of Valaire, Texas.

Mr. J. N. Shelton reports the work of remodeling and repainting his residence in the southwest part of the city.

Eggs 22 cents per dozen and cream 35 cents per pound at McDonald & Collum. 1t

Hear Stuckey preach to men only at the Tabernacle, Sunday afternoon. 1t

Mrs. Charles Hill and son, Lavette, of Milford, Texas, have been visiting in the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Haynes.

Just think men! 33 1-3% discount on all light weight Suits 10 days only. BROWN'S. 1t

Mr. R. L. Grimes, a banker of Lamesa, formerly connected with banking circles here, was down first of the week for a visit with friends and relatives and to look after some business.

NOTICE

I still have plenty of Maize Heads, Cotton Seed Meal and will buy your Cotton Seed, as I am around the place all the time. Bring in your seed any time and get the top price. L.L. Murray. 1

I want your Eggs. G. M. Sharp. 10t2

Come to Boone Bros. Healthatorium, Christoval, Texas, (20 miles south of San Angelo) Famous Christoval mineral baths followed with scientific adjustments and massage treatments. Ideal climate, swimming, boating, fishing. Open the year round. Aug 28

KILL SCREW WORMS---

instantly, heal wounds quickly and keep off flies with Martin's Screw Worm Killer. Guaranteed by Merkel Drug Company

SMOTHERING

Texas Lady Tells How She Got Rid of Her Troubles.

"The first time I took Cardui, I was in an awful bad way," says Mrs. Ora Carlile, R. F. D. 5, Troup, Texas.

"I was afflicted with awful smothering spells. My mother had some Cardui in the house that she was taking, so she immediately began giving it to me. In a few days I got all right.

"Last fall I got run-down in health. I was weak and puny and I began to suffer with . . . I would get so I could hardly walk. Having taken Cardui before, I sent to the store for a bottle of it.

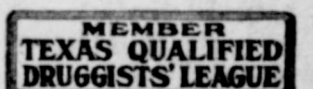
"Almost from the first dose I could feel the improvement. . . I am much better now.

"Cardui has helped me a lot and I am glad to recommend it. I don't feel like the same woman I was last fall.

"My appetite is good now, and I'm sure it's Cardui that's made it pick up for in the fall I had no relish for food at all, while now I'm hungry for my meals." At all drug stores. C-33



PROTECTED BEST—
and Preserved with correctly fitted Glasses.
ABILENE OPTICAL CO.
T. S. Higginbotham, Standard Optometrist
229 1/2 Pine St. Abilene



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Registered
Pharmacist

Merkel Drug COMPANY

S. D. Gamble, Mgr.

* CASH for Dental Gold, Platinum, Silver, Diamonds, mag-
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* elry, and valuables. Mail to-
* day. Cash by return mail.
* Hoke S.&R. Co., Otsego, Mich.

STOP THAT ITCHING

If you suffer from any form of skin diseases such as Itch, Eczema, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Poison Oak, Ring Worm, Old Sores or Sores on Children. We will sell you a Jar of BLUE STAR REMEDY on a guarantee. It will not stain your clothing and has a pleasant odor.

For sale by MERKEL DRUG CO

Stock Reducing Sale

In order to reduce our stock and make room for our new goods which are beginning to arrive we are making reduced prices on our entire stock of furniture. From now until August 1st you can save money on Furniture.

Come in and get our prices and be your own judge as to whether or not we ARE OFFERING REAL BARGAINS.

We have two much stock for this season of the year and must unload. Prices speak louder than words. This is an ideal time for you to buy furniture at rock bottom prices. Come and see.

BARROW FURNITURE CO.

RESOLUTIONS

Merke 1, Texas, July 5, 1925.
TO ANY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH GREETINGS:

This is to certify that the barrier, W. H. Albertson, has been the pastor of this church for the past eighteen months and has this date resigned of his own free will and accord and that it is with regret and many heart aches that this Church accepts his resignation:

Brother Albertson has been an untiring and ceaseless worker, faithful always to the church and its Doctrines and to uphold the moral and religious influences of the Church and community and for the advancement of the community and has stood firm and unflinchingly in the breach to promote the cause of Christ. He has made personal sacrifices in many instances in devotion to what he deemed his duty and his chosen and divine call to the Church and the cause of Christ:

This Church recognizes the superior work done by Brother Albertson while its Pastor in its various fazes of duty, love and charity and in open conference desires to extend its appreciation for the service he has rendered and commend him to the love respect and fellow-ship of any church that he may affiliate or associate with and to further state that he and his good family will be truly an asset to any church that may call him or to whom he may go for affiliation. Done in open conference this 5th day of July 1925.

W. O. Boney, E. S. Cummings, T. R. Lassiter, Committee.
One copy to be presented to Brother Albertson, one copy spread on Minutes of Church, and one copy to be handed to local paper for publication.

Astringosol is guaranteed to cure Pyorrhoea, Ulcers and sore mouth. Hamm Drug Co. It

Corner Garage Now Open

We are pleased to announce to the good people of Merkel and surrounding territory that the Drive in, Corner Garage on Front Street, opposite Burton Lingo, is now complete and ready for service to the public. And we want to impress upon your mind that we expect to give our patrons the very best service that can be found anywhere. We handle Magnolia Gasoline and Oils and as good Tires and Tubes as can be had anywhere. Also we have a general line of accessories.

We will appreciate your business.

Phone 19
Front Street

H. L. ORR
CARL THOMAS

SCHOOL TRANSFERS

For the benefit of those who may desire to Transfer their children from one school district to another, the Mail calls attention to the fact that the transfer must be made before August the first.

If you expect to make transfer you must do so before August 1. This applies to Independent districts as well as common school districts.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Thurman of Austin visited Mrs. Thurman's sister, Mrs. F. M. Mullen, last week.

Every man in this town and community is invited to hear the Rev. Lewis N. Stuckey preach to men only, at the Tabernacle on next Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. He has a message worth going miles to hear.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Ferguson, of Waco, are visiting in the home of Mrs. Ferguson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Haynes.

Mrs. J. D. Black of Jarrell, Texas, visited in the home of her sister, Mrs. S. F. Haynes, this week.

\$20.00 Suits for only \$13.33. They must go. 10 days only at BROWN'S. It

Mrs. L. B. Scott and son, Burneal, accompanied by Misses Lucille Guitar, Lola Dennis, Hill, Colorado, and Mr. and Mrs. Henderson Green, their son Wister, and Misses Pauline and Opal Bain of Ferris, Texas, who are guests in the Scott home, left Thursday for a week end visit at Christoval. Mr. Edward McCrary was also a member of the party.

CARD OF THANKS

To the good people of Merkel and surrounding community we wish to thank each and every one for their kindness and sympathy shown us in our dark hour of bereavement in the death of our precious husband, father and brother. Also for the beautiful floral offerings, and to the doctors who tried so hard to save our precious loved one to us. All of Merkel people have endeared themselves to us beyond expression. May God's richest blessings rest on each and every one is our prayer.

Mrs. H. C. Barnett and children, G. L. Barnett, Mrs. R. W. Stephenson, Mrs. Tennie Owens, Mrs. Teck Embry, Mrs. Lillie Barnett. It

\$20.00 Suits for only \$13.33. They must go. 10 days only at BROWN'S. It

T. E. L. Class Has Picnic

The T. E. L. Class enjoyed a picnic at the country home of Mrs. W. J. Largent on Friday when about a dozen women drove out to her home at eleven o'clock and spread a most appetizing picnic spread, consisting of fried chicken, cream potatoes, stuffed eggs, fruit salad, iced tea, cream and cake.

The afternoon was spent in genial conversation and a business meeting of the class. Those enjoying the picnic were Mesdames Dint Gibson, Luke Huddleston, Mac Angus, Doyle Pogue, A. R. Booth, H. H. Derstine, Bob Conder, T. A. Bearden, B. Stephens, Earl Lassiter, W. J. Largent and Mrs. Byrd Murphy of Plainview and Henry Coit of Renner, Texas. It

Eggs 22 cents per dozen and cream 35 cents per pound at McDonald & Collum. It

NOTICE of ADMINISTRATION

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS: The Estate of S. P. Martin, Deceased, L. R. Thompson, Administrator.

Notice is hereby given that I, administrator of the estate of S. P. Martin, deceased, by virtue of an order of the county court of Taylor County, Texas, will on the 30th day of July 1925, in Merkel, Texas, in the county of Taylor, state of Texas, sell at private sale certain personal property belonging to the estate of S. P. Martin, deceased, as follows: to-wit:

Four Vendor Lien notes, being Nos. 8, 9, 10, 11, for the sum of \$225.00 each, dated July 26th, 1925, and being due 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, bearing interest at the rate of 8% per annum, with 10% after maturity. Said notes are signed by P. C. Forrester and payable to S. P. Martin and the interest on all notes being payable annually.

The terms on which I will sell said personal described property are as follows: to-wit: Cash.

Witness my hand this the 10th day of July 1925.

L. R. THOMPSON, Administrator of the estate of S. P. Martin, Deceased. 17:2

Mr. E. H. Sanders, of Village Springs, Alabama, is here for a visit with his sister, Mrs. J. B. Hughes and family, of the White Church Community. Mr. Sanders says his section is very dry and that crops are almost a complete failure. He also thinks this section has excellent prospects.

Mr. H. C. Coit, of Renner, Texas, was here last week, joining Mrs. Coit in her visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Warren. They returned to their home first of the week.

Mrs. R. L. Good and daughter, Florence, of Honey Grove, are here for an extended visit with her brother, Mr. J. Ben Campbell.

REAL ESTATE, FARM LOANS FIRE INSURANCE

After a Fire--

you'll find no satisfaction in figuring up the amount of insurance you should have had. But there is a lot of satisfaction in knowing that your property as it stands today is fully covered by dependable fire insurance.

Our fire insurance policies are dependable.

W. O. BONEY
MERKEL, TEXAS

Consult your Insurance Agent as you would your Lawyer.

An Honest to Goodness REDUCTION SALE

ON GROCERIES

Beginning Saturday, July 18

In order to reduce our Stock and raise some ready cash. We quote prices below.

48 lb. Live Oak Flour	\$2.25
48 lb. American Beauty Flour	2.35
48 lb. Bell of Vernon Flour	2.35
24 lb. Bell of Vernon Flour	1.20
3 lbs. Maxwell House Coffee	1.50
3 lbs. Admiration Coffee	1.50
3 lbs. Bunco cup and saucer	1.45
8 lbs. Lard any kind	1.35
25 lbs. Sugar	1.75
P & G Soap 6 for	25c
All Gallon Fruits	50c to 65c
Salmons	15c
No. 2 Pie Peaches	10c
Post Tosties	16c
Post or Kellogs Bran 2 for	25c
Mothers Oats, large	30c
Armours Oats, large	30c
3 Minute Oats, large	25c
3 Minute Oats, small	10c

With each cash purchase of \$1.00 you get a Clock Dial and if you are the lucky one to hold the Dial the Clock stops on you will get a \$75.00 Snow White Cabinet FREE. Don't fail to get a chance at this Beautiful Cabinet.

J. N. CARSON & SON

Review of Live Abilene Business Concerns

Hall Music Company "Everything in Music"

At 246 Pine St. in Abilene, Brings the World's Greatest Artists to You—All You Have to do is to Go There and They Will Sing For You the Selections that Made Them Famous—Sales Agent For the Famous Victrola and Brunswick Phonographs, and Records, Radiolas, King Band Instruments, String Instruments at all Times for the Convenience of their Customers. Under the Management of Mr. W. J. Young.

Through the progressive efforts of one of the city's most popular firms the people not only of that city but of all the surrounding territory are offered the opportunity of hearing the country's greatest opera stars. Many of the most renowned artists of the world are at your service and you need only step into this popular place and they will render the selections that have made them famous. This establishment is the agency for phonographs, which represent absolutely the latest in the world of music, and the greatest achievement of the world's greatest musical manufacturers.

The department for pianos and players and other musical merchandise is very complete, carrying standard lines and the very latest of the day in all models and designs in such famous names as Gulbransen player and Grand and Straiet Pianos, nationally advertised; Ivers and Pond, Bush and Lane, Jese French. They also carry a complete line of sheet music and player rolls.

In phonographs they have the Victrola and the Brunswick. Many have imitated these superior products but the Victrola and Brunswick have won a right to a distinctive class of their own. These popular talking machines not only faultlessly reproduces the work of both individual artists and musical organizations, but they offer exclusively the greatest artists in each particular field of music. These artists have chosen these phonographs

as a means of bringing their charm to the public because they know that they reign supreme in the talking machine field.

The Brunswick and Victrola give records an excellent interpretation. They are furnished in all the various models which represent the highest class of cabinet work. You can get them in any size and any finish.

The Brunswick Co., in selecting a Radio outfit, decided in favor of the Radiola, manufactured by the Radio Corporation of America. This popular radio combination will be found at this store.

The popular record department has attained a well merited name as being one of the most modern and complete in this section. They transact an extensive business in carrying a most complete line.

As a service to customers they conduct a mail department through which any record is sent parcel post insured. There are many times that it is impossible to get out of your home and this service is meant to meet this need. Either by calling him on the telephone or dropping a postal card with your request plainly written, you will receive your wants by return mail.

Therefore, we take pleasure in directing your special attention to the enviable record of The Hall Music Co. and its spirited patriotic and progressive management. To the manager we wish to extend our compliments for their having maintained such progressive and reliable policies.

Martin and Hudson, Chiropractors

Located at 1132½ N. Second St., Abilene, One of the Prominent Professional Firms of This Locality, Enjoys a Large Clientle From the City and Adjacent Territory.

The practice of these well-known chiropractors is increasing by rapid strides until they are today considered one of the leading professional firms of this section and consulted by many engaged in the same line of work having had years of experience in the profession.

Science has made great advances in the last few years, and many of the old-fashioned ideas have been discarded for the new results of science.

Their practice has increased by rapid strides, and people go to their office weekly to con-

sult them from all parts of this and adjoining counties and the great work they are doing in the relief of the suffering is phenomenal. Then again, their patients come from the very best class of people, people of standing in the community in which they live.

We are pleased in this review to compliment them upon the merited success of this firm and upon their excellent standing in the professional world and assure our readers that at their office they will receive the very best of spinal adjustments.

Ed S. Hughes Co., Retail Hardware

Located at 931-37 S. First St. in Abilene, operating a Most Popular Establishment Which has Been one of the Leading Hardware Centers in This Section of the State for Years and is one Of the Most Progressive Commercial Organizations of the Community Under the Direction of a Competent Manager.

This hardware store is equipped with the most modern equipment for the most successful operation of a progressive service in all phases of the hardware business. Many new standard and world known lines they are handling and nothing has been left undone in their effort to give the city the best hardware service known to the world.

There is a great satisfaction in knowing when you enter a hardware store that you are patronizing an establishment which is not only dependable, but in which the salespeople are familiar with your needs. Many patrons of hardware stores do not know when they enter the establishment just exactly what they wish to buy. They know the need which they wish to serve but are not sufficiently familiar with modern hardware to be able to select the exact pur-

chase which will best meet the demands. In this store a special feature is made of service to such customers and you will receive courteous treatment and adequate information without obligation to buy.

The hardware department includes a full line of shelf hardware, tools, cutlery and those many little accessories that go to make up the stock of a modern hardware store of the period.

The management are of the leading men of this section, thoroughly conversant with every feature of the business which they have operated and with an enviable reputation for straightforward dealings. They have always evidenced an active interest in the welfare of their home community and thus have merited the large business which they enjoy.

Thaggard Battery Co., Willard Battery Station

Located at 218 Oak St., in Abilene, is an Automobile Electrical Establishment of Recognized Ability Featuring the Famous Willard Battery, and Being a Completely Equipped Shop.

With the steady improvement in automobiles the auto electric engineer has become a necessity rather than a convenience. With practically every car equipped with a self starter and up-to-date lighting system it requires the work of men who are well versed in this feature repair work to keep your batteries in proper running order.

The proprietors of this well-known house realized this fact when they started in business and as a result equipped their plant with all the latest machinery so that they could turn out work that would pass the closest

inspection. They searched the market thoroughly for a battery that would give the people complete satisfaction and at last decided on Willard. This battery is so well known to automobile users that it is hardly necessary for eulogy for we all know they are sturdily built and give the user the best satisfaction.

While this expert battery service station specializes on the Willard, they also do work on any make of battery and many people from all the surrounding territory turn all this work over to them.

Cameron's Cafe

Located at 150 Cypress St., Just North of Grace Hotel, is One of the Most Delightful Places in Which to Eat in This Section—The Best Food is Served and the Service is Unexcelled.

This well-known cafe, has gained a name that has spread far and wide as a place where both the local and traveling public can more than satisfy their demands in the matter of obtaining good food. The menu consists of life but many delicacies are offered that are inviting and tempting to the taste of the most fastidious.

Cleanliness is one of the outstanding features of this modern cafe, and is not confined to the tables and silverware that are brought to the attention of every one, but it extends to the kitchen and those places only frequented by the management and assistants.

The food is prepared in such a way that to the uninitiated the thought at once comes that there never was such a good

place to eat. Poor restaurants are not the exception by any means, and it is a pleasure to have such a modern and up-to-date place as this to refer the stranger as well as local people too. The place is very attractive and every precaution has been taken to make it the best in this part of the country.

The proprietor has made a special study of the restaurant business and consequently is striving to give the local people something just a little better all the time. He has arranged his place so that it is very attractive and insists that the service be prompt and courteous. We take great pleasure in complimenting the manager on the high order of his place and refer it to our readers without any hesitation.

Ralph Paint and Paper Company

Whose Establishment is Located at 342 Pine St., in Abilene, Is One of the Leading Decorating Houses in the City and Enjoys a Large Patronage From all Surrounding Territory. They Feature High Grade Wall Paper and Paints.

There is no one establishment in this section more worthy of extended mention here than this well-known store which is so ably managed. For some time they have been known as the leading dealers in high grade wall paper and paints in this section.

This store is one of the most commodious and well-stocked places in its line in this section of the state. The large business it has built up is due to the very careful and conscientious methods employed in the conduct of the business.

When it comes to wall paper they have a selection equalled by none in the city, comprising everything from the cheapest to the very best. Their line runs

from the cheaper kitchen papers to the enamels, halzmeals and other papers.

In the way of paints they carry a large stock of house paint, barn paint, oils, varnishes, stains, interior finish paints of the highest quality.

They have built up a prosperous business by reason of the fair treatment they have given the public of this county and their enterprise continues to merit your patronage.

The manager is one of the well known business men of the city who has been identified with the industrial progress of the community and we wish in this edition to compliment him upon his public spirited and progressive policies.

Eagle Tire Company

Located at 1044 So. Second St. in Abilene, Has a Most Efficient Tire and vulcanizing Plant. They feature Famous Diamond And Goodyear Tires and Tubes.

This is one of the institutions of the country where the most motorists know they can learn real tire economy. This is under the direction of expert tire men and is headquarters for a full line of tires, which are offered at reasonable prices.

Here you will find a tire business that has succeeded because of technical knowledge, experience and good business judgement. The patronage has steadily increased because they do business on the principle of treating all customers honorably and fairly.

Another special feature is the large stock. Thoroughly abreast with the times, they have secured for the trade a vast array of Diamond and Goodyear tires, the very best on the market to-

day. Whatever you may need in the way of tires, they have it for you and they are always ready to give your requirements personal attention.

We are pleased in this section to direct the special attention of our readers to this firm as one of the most distinctive features of the commercial efficiency of this section, and to assure them that at this establishment they will always find excellent and expert tire men, competent and ready to serve them. In charge are well known men of the community who have merited the success that has been theirs and we wish to suggest that as regards tires and expert tire service, especially Diamond and Goodyear tires, you will find they save you money.

Neely-Barnes Clothing and Furnishings

Whose Location at 152 Pine St. in Abilene, Conduct a Modern And Up-to-date Store in Every Respect and Maintain a Large Stock for the Accommodation of Their Patrons.—Their Modern and Progressive Policies Are Increasing their Patronage.

Clothing does not make the man, but it does reflect his traits of character and give a lasting impression, as to the part he plays in the affairs of life. The man of today requires that stock carried for his selection be replete and appreciates very much the effort made by any dealers to supply his wants. This well-known store has made a genuine effort to give the men of this territory the service they demand and as a consequence this establishment adds to the efficiency of the community as a trading center.

Their store is modern in every respect and the stock carried, both from a standpoint of quality and assortment, would do credit to a much larger store. In the ready-made clothing department, lines nationally famous are featured. The selection of these lines shows their efforts to serve for it is found only in leading establishments and they have at all times the newest and most attractive designs, and are

now showing new summer styles.

The highest grade materials and most expert workmanship are used in making up these garments and in selecting one you will have a suit that is a distinct style and of the highest quality and at the same time at a reasonable price. They have given special attention to the furnishing department and the latest collars, ties, shirts, hats, socks and under garments are carried.

This progressive store is headquarters for Dobbs Hats, Thompson Shoes, Columbia Shirts, Fashion Park, Grief and Lears-Rochester Clothing and Interwoven Hosiery. They also maintain a most efficient cleaning and dyeing plant and guarantee all the silks that they clean.

We want to direct the attention of our readers to this store and to assure them that whatever their demands in the way of clothing they can be more than satisfied here.

Yager Shoe Company

At 209 Pine St. in Abilene, Needs No Introduction to the People Of the Country and Vicinity for this Progressive Establishment is Known Far and Wide for Offering the Highest Quality at the Lowest Possible Price—Maintains a Merchandising Policy Which Provides Quality Footwear at Prices far Below Those Quoted in the Average Establishment.

This well known establishment is one of the most progressive in the country and is a store that has saved its patrons many dollars. In this day of high prices it is most important that every community have an establishment of this kind where the public is able to obtain every necessary article at low prices and thus the management is rendering a most valued and essential service.

This store furnishes real quality, but success in the shoe business does not always rest in furnishing real quality. One must know how to fit shoes and it is this feature that has made this store so popular. Special attention is given to seeing your foot is perfectly fitted. It is not necessary to sacrifice neat appearance and style for comfort if you consult with them. You can enjoy foot-ease to the greatest degree and at the same time be stylish and correctly shod if

you trade here. The care and proper fitting of the feet is a matter which should be given expert attention and at this store they have made a life study of this profession and are considered an expert and an authority.

This store is conducted along the most modern lines of merchandising. This gives the advantage of understanding style, material and prices as it makes them a continual study and the goods are not purchased by a casual buyer who goes to some distant city occasionally. The modern and business-like methods give this store the advantage of offering its goods to the customer at prices that cut out the middleman and are a great saving to the people thus bringing the values down to normal. The popular and very efficient manager is well known and highly regarded in Abilene and throughout this vicinity.

Lydick Roofing Company

At 329 Plum St. in Abilene, Are Manufacturers of Copper and Galvanized Leaders, Gutters, Mill Work, Cornices and Sky Light, Dust Collectors, Roofing of all Kinds, Tin, Slate And Gravel, Sheet and Metal Work and Has Executed Many Contracts, Including Some in the Largest Factories, Residences, Schools, Churches and Other Buildings in this Part of the Country, Which Stands a Monument to their Ability.

In the solving of the problems of the day there is no profession that has come into prominence more in the past few years than that of the contractor and in this respect we desire to refer you to this well-known firm, which has greatly aided in the emergency by reason of its craftsmanship and ability to grapple with the building problems of today.

In addition to this they conduct a complete sheet metal establishment and are prepared to execute all classes of work including tin work, and all the other fine and intricate features of modern sheet metal establishments.

They have equipped their place with all the most modern equipment for the carrying on of a general sheet metal and roofing business. Add to this the fact that they buy the very best of materials and employ men

who are thoroughly competent gives their work that superiority for which they are known for many miles.

No matter what problem you have in sheet metal or roofing if you will drop in at their place they will assist you in making up plans and give you an estimate on the work. They fulfill all contracts to the letter and no matter whether it is a large job of new work or just some repairing you desire done you will find their service entirely satisfactory.

In making this review of the onward progress of the day we are glad to call the attention of the public to The Lydick Roofing Company and to refer this well known firm to our readers when desiring the best of professional services in the planning of a new building or the repair or alteration of old buildings.

Kiker-Knight Undertaking Company

Whose Modern Mortuary is in Abilene at 340 Pine St. is a Prominent Professional Firm of the Country, Possessed of That Inherent Ability Which Distinguishes the Naturally Endowed Funeral Director and Who Have Provided a Most Modern Equipment of the Finest Character for a Clientele Which Extends Through all This Section of the Country.

In all professions there are men who stand prominently at the front because of their inherent ability combined with a thorough knowledge of the profession in which they are engaged and their ability to study each individual attainment and give it a touch that is not "just the ordinary." Such is the position of this well-known firm in the professional world of this part of the nation.

In the way of equipment they have complete equipment for all classes of funerals, having the most distinctive auto equipment that can be built to order and thus offer their patrons autos of all sizes and classes. An equipment connected with their equipage is of the very best and they are in a position to furnish ev-

erything thus relieving their clients of the many little details. They have been called upon to conduct funeral services in many of the leading families in the county and the hundreds of funerals under their direction have been noted for the distinction of their marked professional ability and unusual attainments, giving the occasion that air of solemnity that according to our ideas of civilization should prevail in the time of sorrow.

It is quite proper that in this edition we give prominent mention to this progressive professional firm on the very commendable and satisfactory success they have attained and the service that they have rendered to their increasing clientele.

Granger Floral Company

Located at 1204 Ambler Ave., in Abilene is one of the Most Popular Flower Houses in This Section of the State—They Serve the Public With Floral Offerings of Superior Beauty.

In making this review of the onward progress of this section of the State we deem it proper that prominent mention be given this popular floral establishment. As is well known this establishment embodies in its construction all the requisites necessary for the successful propagation of the various plants grown and they may be seen there in all their glory. To give an adequate idea of the extent of the operations we can state that the interesting industry covers an immense territory.

Since establishing this flourishing industry, they have with

each succeeding year increased their business until today the splendid enterprise is not only a credit to the community, but a tribute of their untiring energy and honest business endeavor. Few of our citizens are better known or more highly regarded or have taken a keener interest in the progress and welfare of this section of this great state than they and in a comprehensive review of this character it affords us pleasure to give this representative industry extended mention and to refer it to all readers.

Dr. G. N. Wilson, Osteopathic Physician

Offices Located at 152½ Cypress St., Abilene, Is One of the Prominent Persons of This Section and Enjoys a Large Clientele From the City and Surrounding Territory.

Science has perhaps progressed more rapidly during the last decade than in any previous period in the world's history, and one of the sciences that has been brought to a high degree of perfection is that science and art of osteopathy.

We are fortunately represented in this profession here in this section by this well-known osteopath who is a close student of the times and during the term of his service in the profession has kept thoroughly abreast of the times by reading, study and wide research.

He has an excellent standing, wide professional ability and is considered by members of the profession as one of the most expert in the country, and consequently he enjoys a practice that

is ever increasing.

People from all over this section come weekly to consult him and have osteopathic treatments made that invariably result in a very beneficial manner. He is of high standing in the community in which he lives and in this review we are glad to compliment him upon the excellent standing he has attained in his profession and upon the high character of his work in the assistance he is lending in keeping the people of this section of the country in good healthy condition.

Dr. Wilson is a graduate of the American School of Osteopathy at Kirksville, Mo. This school was the founder of the A. T. Sill College. We wish to refer him to all of our readers.

Rex. A. Smith, Optometrist

Located at 233 Pine St. in Abilene is a Graduate Optometrist, And is an Authority on the Testing of Eyes—Mr. Smith is Well Known far and Wide Over this Part of the State.

How many people are today wishing that they had been fitted with glasses when they were younger? How many more who are now experiencing eyesight trouble wish that they had consulted a specialist in this line? Your eyes are two of the most delicate organs and when errors of refraction occur they require the attention of an expert. In this section this expert is the above mentioned specialist. He makes a special study of the eye and is thoroughly competent to examine your eyes, no matter what may be wrong. He is well known throughout this section and his practice as an eye specialist is not confined to his home city as many persons from surrounding country consult him weekly and the progress he has made in the profession is proof of his ability.

The testing of eyes is one of the most delicate matters and must be conducted with accuracy. Mr. Smith not only has the best of modern scientific equipment, but has made an especial study of this feature. His vast experience has made him deft at the art.

He has attained a well-merited reputation as a specialist in the correction of troubles that affect children's eyes and his success in this important work deserves the highest commendation. Many grateful mothers have found that after a consultation with him their children soon improved in their studies and their grades became higher just as soon as the trouble had been corrected.

We are pleased to compliment Mr. Smith and refer him to all our readers.

David S. Castle Company, Architects

With Offices at 29 Radford Building in Abilene, one of the Most Experienced Members of This Important Profession who Have Participated in the Work of Many Modern and Costly Structures and Homes and Who Now Enjoy a Large and Ever Growing Clientele Because of Their Most Satisfactory Service as One of the Most Progressive and Reliable Members of Their Profession

In the solving of the problems of the day there is no profession that has come into prominence more in the past few years than that of the architect, and in this respect we desire to refer you to these well-known architects who have greatly aided in the emergency by reason of their craftsmanship and ability to grapple with the building problems of today.

They are thoroughly competent to solve all your building problems for you. They are practical men at the business and receive the training through study and practical experience. In addition to this they keep thoroughly abreast of the changing times by wide reading of the new and approved methods in building as well as in the styles of the architecture of the day. They employ men who are workmen of ability, and this coupled

with the use of the best of materials, gives their jobs a caste of class. No matter what kind of work it may be that you desire accomplished, big or little, they will give you the best of service at reasonable prices.

These well-known architects are thoroughly conversant with all the details of this important profession, and the publisher wishes to compliment them upon their efficiency and superior service.

The David S. Castle Company has advanced rapidly in the profession and do house planning and home building work as well as public and semi-public building. They are most prominent and well-known in the profession throughout the state and have hundreds of clients in Abilene who rely upon their judgement and advice in all building matters, large and small alike.

Abilene Candy Manufacturing Co.

A Modern Candy Manufacturing Establishment in Abilene at Third and Mesquite Sts., Is One of the Most Progressive of Our Industrial Concerns, Being Manufacturers of Candy That Has Been of Such Uniform Quality That the Demand for Their Products Has Spread Far and Wide—A Home Industry And a Real Live Wire Concern Manufacturing Quality Goods That Will be Found Wherever They Sell the Best Candy. This Progressive firm is Under the

Adequate candy service is unquestionably an essential feature today of every modern American community. Therefore, in detailing the prospects for a "Greater Community" it is with a feeling of satisfaction that we direct your special attention to this company.

There is probably no other community this size in the country that is better equipped in this respect for this well known and popular concern has provided modern and scientifically correct candy manufacturing equipment.

This is probably the leading wholesale candy manufacturing concern and is also the home of famous and quality candies of which the justly popular Jo-Boy is among the many.

This firm conducts a large manufacturing confectionery business and is a leader in its line in this section and their establishment is a model one and is open at all times for the inspection of the public, which it cordially invites. A visit to this establishment will prove a revelation as regards what a man can do in the way of maintaining a strictly clean, sanitary and healthful manufacturing plant.

McCarty Mattress Factory

With Modern Factory at 401 Plum St. in Abilene, Are The Extensive Manufacturers of New Improved Mattresses—A Company that Brings Much Trade Activity to Abilene, And Whose Products are Demanded by the People of this Part of the State—Under the Direction of Mr. Lloyd B. McCarty.

Radiating progress and industry The McCarty Mattress Factory is one of the important factors in the commercial life of the community. For many reasons the city that provides employment for its many citizens and is made up of business and professional men who are interested in the growth of the entire community as well as their own business will attain the greatest measure of progress and prosperity. It is with a feeling of pride that we can point in this edition to this well known company as being responsible in no little degree for the position that the county and this community has gained as one of the foremost of its size in America.

The management has always had the best interest of this section and has done the best at all times to serve the people to the best advantage. Under the acute business direction the business has prospered and expanded.

There is quite an advantage in these days of rather high transportation and buying goods made close to home as you can

get the best of service in the way of adjustment and repairs. Then when you buy of the local dealer you get it at the rock bottom prices. That is the reason these goods are so popular here at home where their excellence is recognized.

The plant is a modern institution in its line, being one of the most modern and up-to-date in this part of the country. The latest improved machinery is used in manufacturing bedding and the place is a model establishment and its products are the best that money can buy.

The McCarty Mattress Factory has a renovating department for pillows and mattresses that has a large patronage and turns out the very best class of work.

The people of this section owe a debt of gratitude to them which can best be paid by boosting for the concern on all occasions and invariably asking for their brand of goods and help them supplied with orders sufficient to enable them to operate to their fullest capacity.

West Texas Utilities Company

With Offices in Abilene at Third and Cypress Sts., are Providing Electric Service For Abilene and Vicinity and Is One of the Model Public Utility Concerns of the Country Furnishing Excellent Service at Nominal Rates.

There is not a more difficult or a more thankless task than the successful operation of an electric company. And the disadvantages under which such a concern must labor have been increased several hundred percent by the almost prohibitive advances in the cost of supplies, labor and everything else that pertains to the conduct of a public utility company.

Therefore we wish to direct the attention of all our readers to the admirable manner in which this company has served its many subscribers; to the extremely low rates that have been charged; to the modern equipment and the continuous improvements made to keep each and every branch of the service up-to-date; and to the public-spirited policies that have characterized the management's direction of this important public utility concern.

The operation of modern and successful electrical plants is an undertaking that requires the services of men of vast experience and a comprehensive knowledge. This can not be acquired in a day but must come from long study, and practical experience. This company has this work in charge of experts. It is a large concern with ample capital, organization and resources. It has made electric light and power service its business. Therefore any community is fortunate in having such a modern and efficient concern to solve the difficult problem of adequate and efficient service so satisfactorily

as this company is solving it for the cities which it supplies. It appeals to us that they have evidenced a civic economy and municipal wisdom which is conducive to progress and expansion.

Nothing adds more to the pleasure of the home than plenty of light. Electricity also places at your disposal the electric iron, the electric washing machine, electric cleaners and many more time-saving and labor-saving devices. Best of all, electricity is inexpensive. A family washing and ironing can be done for only a few cents. It is a handy helper, thorough, instantaneous, dependable—always on the job ready to serve you.

To this company must go no small portion of the credit for the progress and expansion of this part of the State for it has been a most important factor in our civic development. The presence here in active operation and under expert supervision of such a metropolitan utility company is really a factor that adds to the attractiveness of all of the territory it serves as a most desirable community in which to live or locate.

The officers are of the well known men of the community; in the development of the company's business here they have given their personal attention to the maintenance of efficiency in every branch of the service. The management is courteous and accommodating, making every effort to render the best service that modern science and human ingenuity can devise.

Abilene Press Brick Company

With Headquarters in North Abilene, is One of the Most Important Industries of the Country And One Upon Which the Continued Progress of the Building Industry and the Consequent Growth of the Community Depends—Truly a Twentieth Century Concern Whose Name is Known Far and Wide Because of the Superior Quality of Their Famous Brick and the Admirable Policies Upon Which a Progressive Management Operates This Valued and Essential Industry.

Of recent years the papers and the legislative halls have sounded the note of the campaign for more and better buildings and the public has risen with one accord and demanded legislation along these lines. It is not every community that has the advantage of the location of a progressive concern whose commercial activity is confined almost exclusively to these interests.

In this locality the analysis of the clay shows that it is peculiarly adapted to the production of the best grades of brick on the market and with this foundation they equipped their plant with the latest scientific machinery for the production of a high-grade product. Then the management has had in its employment only men of experience assuring the public of a high state of efficiency and uniformity in the product. It may be well to add that it is one of the best equipped and one of the best

conducted in the country, while the product has always maintained high standard and finds a large and ready sale.

The manager is a man of years of experience in the clay products industry. He has witnessed the marvelous advances in this field and he has not only witnessed them, but he has seen to it that this company has been kept thoroughly abreast of the times. As improvements were made in the process and machinery of manufacture they have been adopted here with the result that he now manages one of the best equipped concerns in its field in the nation with a reputation for superior quality.

The large scale of their activities, the industrial wisdom of the management and the straightforwardness of their dealings, have won for them a place in the hearts of the people of the community and many patrons in other sections.

C. M. Presley Jewelry and Gift Shop

Located at 209 Pine St. in Abilene, is a Very Modern Jewelry And Gift Shop, Featuring High Grade Merchandise and Specializing in Fine Watch and Jewelry Repairing.

The gift season is always on and the jeweler receives his share, making possible the wisest selections of presents for all occasions. An up-to-date jeweler is indispensable to every community of taste and refinement, and he whose work shows marked skill is sure of liberal patronage. The people of this community are in no way behind in this respect and the generous patronage extended to this popular jeweler shows how this community appreciates his efforts.

The stock has been selected with rare judgement and includes everything necessary to conduct a modern and up-to-date store. Here will be found the

leading makes of watches, diamonds and other jewelry, novelties in silverware, clocks of handsome designs, and beautiful open-stock dinner sets in domestic and imported china and fine cutglass.

They lay particular stress on their fine stock of famous watches and diamonds. Their complete line of gift novelties offers many valuable suggestions in the way of remembrances.

We take particular pleasure in directing our readers to this establishment and point to it as one of the business enterprises of the country that is aiding in making this a most valuable community to live in.

Abilene Laundry Company

With Offices and Plant at Third and Mesquite Sts., in Abilene, is Known Throughout this Section as a Reliable and Trustworthy Firm—A Popular and Well Managed Concern Receiving a Most Tremendous Custom.

This well-known laundry is one of the best equipped industries in this section of the country that transacts an extensive business over this and adjoining country, and the reputation of this work for general excellence is spreading far and wide over this part of the state.

The work is turned out in such a manner that you will be more than pleased if you give it a trial. The most delicate fabrics are handled as carefully as they would be in your own home as they take the utmost care with all work. Cleaning clothes is not only taking out the dirt, but also consists of turning out clean, smooth garments which one would be proud to wear. New machinery and sanitary methods are necessary to wash comfort into clothes and this laundry surpasses all others. While the old-fashioned method of dumping a bunch of laundry into a tub and swishing it around a few times in a few gallons of

water doped up with some washing powder may suit some laundries and their patrons, this popular institution thoroughly cleanses your linen by the latest sanitary methods and returns them to you fresh and free from all germs and dirt.

The business of this laundry is spreading all over this part of the state and is by no means confined to its home city. The rapid increase in the business is due to the more than ordinary ability in the conduct of the affairs of the institution.

The manager knows this business from the ground up and through his progressive and efficient activity has made many friends as well as many patrons for this establishment.

We wish to refer all our readers to this progressive and modern institution and to suggest that as regards dependable laundry work they can not do better than to entrust their work into the care of this well known firm.

H. O. Wooten Grocery Co., Wholesale

A Well Organized and Present-Day Concern with Extensive Establishment in Abilene at First and Walnut Sts., Whose Admirable Service as a Progressive Wholesale Grocery House has been Essential in the Continued Development and Expansion of Abilene and Vicinity—Large Distributors in this Territory of Wholesale Pure Foods, One of the Prominent Firms of the County Under Experienced Management.

There isn't any question but that this popular establishment is an important factor in the commercial and business life of this section, as it is one of the foremost wholesale grocery houses of this part of the state.

The retailers have come to know that they can get from them the very best goods on the market, hence they seek no further market. They have a reputation far and wide as business men of wide experience and straightforward methods and it is not surprising that the volume of business is ever increasing.

The word "service" has been much mis-used of late, but as applied to this firm it takes on its full significance. They not only insist upon prompt and courteous service, but they have provided for their patrons the best in quality. Their brands of pure foods are known all over this section. They long ago determined to see that their patrons received the better quality which the consumer demands in these days and therefore it is not strange that patrons of stor-

es who received their goods from this wholesale grocery house seldom think of buying elsewhere.

There is a great deal more to the business of conducting a wholesale grocery than the average man understands. This is an essential business that requires at its head a man of experience in the buying world and executives who are familiar with the details and the necessity for adequate distribution. It is such houses as this one that add to the convenience and comfort of the modern householder and provide wholesome goods of the highest quality at the most reasonable prices.

The officers and employees of H. O. Wooten Grocery Co. are clean-cut, affable and courteous business men and accommodating to a marked degree. We are pleased in this edition to direct your attention to this establishment as a distinctive feature of the commercial and industrial efficiency of this county and to each manager of retail grocery firms in Merkel.

Mead Baking Company

Located in Abilene at 803 So. Fourth St., Operates a Model Plant To Which the Public is at All Times Invited to Come and Make a Tour of Inspection, For This is a Baking Institution That Would Do Credit to Any Metropolitan City—Producers of Butter Krust Bread and Other High Grade Bakery Products.

This model baking institution does more than a business about town as the proprietor has reached out during the past year and practically doubled the business of the place, transacting a large business and rendering the best of service to the patrons.

The baking industry is practically as old as the discovery of fire, but the methods used in ancient times have greatly changed from the baking on stone and in rudely constructed ovens. Today it is quite different and at this bakery here the latest style of machinery and ovens are used for the production of baking goods for the public.

Butter Krust bread is the product of this popular bakery and is unsurpassed for its excellence and always uniform in texture, it makes friends wherever used.

The bakery is equipped to take care of the wants of this section for some time to come as the limit of production has not been reached.

The very best of materials enter into the high-class pro-

ducts and so great has been the care to render the best service that the place has been equipped from a mechanical standpoint so that the bread is touched very little by hands.

The bread produced at this popular bakery is in great demand not only in the city but in the surrounding territory. Truly has it been said, "The taste tells the tale" and that is why the bread from the Mead Baking Co. is so popular.

The manager of this institution has provided the very latest of scientific equipment and only uses the purest of ingredients with the fact that he has the most acute taste and employs master bakers who follow his directions explicitly accounts for the excellent bread that is meeting with such great success in this section of the country.

In this review, embracing as it does the most salient features of our onward progress, we wish to compliment this firm upon the valuable service it is rendering the public.

National Business College

Located in Park Office Bldg., S. 1st and Oak Sts., Abilene, is One of The Most Modern and Progressive Educational and Business Institutions in this Section that is Founded Upon the Modern Principle in Business of Specialization and Thus Offers the People a Service That is Built Upon the Solid Foundation of High Efficiency—Under the able Management of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Lawson.

This school is founded upon the idea that the highest scholarship and business efficiency can only be obtained by the modern method of specialization.

The teachers employed here represent the very latest and the very highest type of modern methods. They have made an exhaustive study of the various systems used in the country's largest institutions and have thus prepared themselves most ably for the work of training the future business men and women of this part of the state. The very best of equipment has been provided and nothing has been left unturned to make this institution a leader in its line.

Old and cumbersome methods and systems have all been discarded for the modern and up-to-date methods of this school. Their graduates have gone out into the business world and have been promoted over stenographers of the old method, and have in most instances received the highest remuneration for their services. The success of

the students is the result of the efforts on the part of the instructors who are able and efficient.

In the business and educational circles of the nation there is no one institution more worthy of extended mention than this prominent and modern school, which is a great force in the encouragement of education of the younger generation in the various courses they offer.

The National Business College is fully accredited with the National Association of Accredited Commercial schools. There are only four such schools in Texas. This is the highest rating obtainable by any commercial school.

In this review of the onward progress of the day we desire to compliment the management and to refer the National Business College to all our readers. The people are fortunate to have a school of this character at their very door and its wonderful opportunities should be taken into consideration by all.

Dryden-Bratton Marble and Granite Works

Located at 8th and Walnut Sts., in Abilene, is One of the Best Monument Establishments in this Section and Enjoys an Extensive Patronage Over a Wide Territory.

In a review of business interests of the county there is no one concern more worthy of extended mention than this popular house.

The plant of the company is very extensive and is equipped with the latest of scientific machinery for the production of high class work. Their name stands for quality, reliability and progress in the monumental lines of this section of the country, and as the advances of the periods have marked improvements in the monument makers' art this company has adopted these late scientific products as rapidly as they were approved by the trade. That the management has been especially active along these lines is evidenced by the most

modern and up-to-date plant.

Anyone desiring or expecting to want anything in the above line should consult them. Call around and look over their large stock and get their prices. The manager will be pleased to show you whether you desire to purchase or not. It is a pleasure for us to point to this concern as one of the leading enterprises of this section and say that they have always been eminently fair and honest as well as progressive and up-to-date and that they have won for themselves the reputation of being the leading concern engaged in this special field of endeavor and to point out the advantages of transacting business with them.

Abilene Building and Loan Association

Located at 925 North Second St., in Abilene, is One of the Most Progressive Building and Loan Associations in the State, and Offers a Safe Investment For Money at a Good Return. L. S. Munger, President; J. M. Radford, Vice-president; Geo. L. Paxton, Vice-president; C. W. Gill, Secretary and Manager; C. S. Cope, Sales Manager; H. O. Wooten, W. A. Minter, Jr.; C. W. Bacon, C. M. Caldwell; O. E. Radford, W. J. Fulwiler, T. P. Davidson, C. T. Hutchison, A. E. Pool, Directors.

One of the most reliable Building and Loan Associations in the State is this well-known institution, and it is a striking example of substantial and conservative progress. The officers have been years in the service of the people and the wide experience thus gained has added to the growth of the community and to the attractiveness of its service. Familiar with the needs and demands of the general public in this section of the country by reason of their long identification with local interest, it is not strange that the institution they head has become one of the most popular of the reliable and conservative financial deposits of this section.

The various departments are so arranged as to facilitate the rapid prosecution of the association's business as well as for the convenience of its patrons. The great success of this institution is due to the untiring energy of its officials, who have guided its affairs wisely. Its position today is an example of

more than ordinary financial ability on the part of the officers and directors who have directed its activities and guided it to success.

We cannot fail to compliment them upon their successful effort in giving the country an institution of the character and stability of this association, which requires thorough training and progress.

The company has a large amount of deposits for immediate use in building and buying homes in Abilene and surrounding territory.

If you have any money that you would like to invest safely the Abilene Building and Loan Association has a very attractive proposition. They have client from all the territory surrounding the city as well as from various parts of the state. Money invested with them is as safe as is possible. We suggest that when you are in the city you call and get acquainted. The officers will be pleased to go into the matter with you.

Mims Dry Goods Company

Which is Located in Abilene, at the Corner of Pine and No. 3rd Sts., is one of the Leading Establishments in this section and Carries at all Times Complete Lines of Dry Goods, Ready-to-Wear, Millinery and Furnishings of all Kinds—A Visit to this Store Will Prove a Revelation in Possible Economy.

How necessary it is to have in our midst an up-to-date store. It affords the buying public a medium where they may purchase practically all their wants under one roof. For this reason we deem it proper that this store should occupy a prominent place in this edition.

The buying power enables the management to stock the many departments with the latest styles on the market. They are very anxious to have at all times the newest of the season's creations and these styles are shown here in variety of materials and shades.

Mr. Mims is now in New York on an extended buying trip. It is needless to say that the patrons of this store will profit by his expert knowledge as a purchaser of goods that are strictly up-to-date as regards style and material.

The modern and progressive woman demands that the choice of stock be carried for her convenience be replete, and in this store this detail is one of the important features of the business. This fact the public has realized and as a result the store

numbers among its customers people from every walk of life. It has come to be known for miles around as the trading headquarters in this section. It would be impossible to give adequate idea of the immense stock carried here but let us say that no department has been slighted and the people of this community are taken care of in such a way as is seldom found in cities much larger. Taking care of every little detail has been one of the prides of the management in their store and they insist that the service be as near perfect as possible and that the price be most reasonable and consistent with market conditions the prosperity and progress of this section is aided in no small measure by this modern enterprise and the men in charge are to be congratulated on the methods they have pursued in the conduct of their business. We can only say that the future will see even greater success and predict that this community will continue to support this model establishment for years to come.

department that the wide experience of the firm will accrue to your advantage.

Any farmer interested in the most modern and efficient and reasonably priced plumbing system will do well to have a consultation with him. All of the other features of the plumbing trade are well handled by him and every detail is given the painstaking care. Honest and straight forward in his business policies he is among the prominent men in the commercial world in this section and we wish to commend him to all our readers who may be in need of anything in this line. You will find that he is competent to qualify as expert while the wide knowledge will enable him to save you no small sum in estimating work of every character.

J. A. (Slim) Forrester, Sanitary Plumber

Located at 228 Walnut St., in Abilene, is an Expert Sanitary Engineer Who Has Kept Ahead of the Times. He is prepared to Equip all Farmers and Others With Plumbing Systems That are of the Highest Quality and Efficiency.

Metropolitan service of the highest order is offered the people of this section by J. A. Forrester.

No matter what problems you may have in the plumbing line all you have to do is to consult with him and he will be able to solve it to your satisfaction and advantage.

Efficient and dextrous by reason of the knowledge that comes from technical problems of this profession and supreme in the prestige that comes from the use of the finest materials, he has built up an extensive patronage in this section of the state, has won for himself and his establishment a prominent place in the business life of this part of the state.

Bath tubs and bathroom necessities there are in great profusion and you will find in this

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W. T. Wilson, Transfer & Storage Co.

With offices at 936 N. First St. In Abilene, Feature Long Distance Hauling to Any Point Moving, Packing, Storage and Shipping and all Kinds of Transfers, Specializing in Car Load Distribution—Under the Direction of Mr. W. T. Wilson, Who is Thoroughly Familiar With the Business.

There is nothing so aggravating as a delay when you are in a hurry and the prime aggravation in this respect is the inexcusable delay of the dray or transfer man. To avoid trouble of this kind the people of this country turn over this feature of their patronage to this well-known firm.

Realizing that one of the essentials of their trade is promptness, this popular firm maintains sufficient equipment to enable it to fill all orders with rapidity and dispatch. It does not matter whether you wish them to haul for you a small box or to move all of your household furniture, for in either case they will be on the job at the time they promise. In addition to this, they have won a reputation for careful handling of all goods entrusted to their care and thus trade is always increasing. At this season they are especially busy, so if you are contemplating moving or expect to be in need of a transfer man better let them know in advance. The manager is a prominent cit-

izen of the county and deserves the support and patronage of the community.

The crating and shipping department renders a complete service. All you have to do is to turn the key of your house over to them and they will go and start with the pictures on the wall and crate and store or ship your goods. This is all done more carefully and efficiently than if you were doing it yourself.

A special feature with their service is their long distance transfer, they being equipped with modern auto trucks of large capacity for moving household goods and pianos from city to city. They enjoy a large patronage in this department and are known for their prompt and careful service.

We are pleased in this section to compliment him upon this modern equipment and satisfactory service and to assure all of our readers that whatever they may demand in the way of latter-day transfer service will be furnished by him.

Wooten Lumber Company

Located on S. Second St. in Abilene, Under Competent Direction of Most Experienced Lumbermen is a Concern Which is Building a Reputation as Well as Houses that will Stand for Ages.

One of the essential features of any house, store or other structure is that it will stand the wear of years. The same is true of the reputation of any business firm, and that is why this concern enjoys an ever-increasing volume of business and popularity.

At the outset it realized that a satisfied customer is the best influence for more business, and it determined to build for this establishment a reputation that would be the envy of the lumber and building material trade. That it has succeeded is evidenced by the large amount of patronage that it now receives and the amount of territory that its activities cover. With a knowledge of their business that always breeds success, they have gone into the world's largest markets and have purchased their supplies of the best quality and in quantities.

Therefore the people of the territory for many miles around are offered at very reasonable rates lumber and building materials of every description and of the very best grade. We will not attempt to detail the very

large stock that they carry. Suffice it to say that this establishment compares favorably with the best and most up-to-date establishments of the metropolitan centers in point of extent of stock, quality of work and material and the general excellence of everything in the field of the lumber and supply business.

The contractors and builders, the farmers and the people generally have come to know that they can depend on this well-known firm for just about everything that there is in the lumber and building material business. The reputation that they established for stock of quality and for straightforward dealing is bringing thousands of dollars to town that would go to some other trade center were this establishment not located here. It may be truly said that this establishment is a valuable asset to the country, and in this edition which calls to mind our forward progress we wish to direct your special attention to their commendable activity as one of the features of our business and industrial efficiency.

Abilene Auto Top and Body Works

Under Competent Direction of Mr. J. D. Prescott, Located at 125 Sycamore St. in Abilene, Is an Up-to-Date Auto Top and Body Works in Every Respect, Where They Specialize in Upholstering, Painting and Auto Top and Body Work.

It is a fact beyond question that a modern establishment of this kind is a great asset to a community such as ours. They are experts when it comes to re-upholstering your car, and can get it done when you want it, and when they tell you they will have it done for you. If you want any special kind of upholstery of any original ideas carried out for you, this is the place to go, for anything there is to do in this line they can do.

In their auto top department they have won well-merited commendation through their modern methods and the excellent work turned out. There is nothing that mars the looks of a motor car to such an extent as a shabby and worn-out top. The top wears out more quickly than any other part of your car, and after a year or two of service it is necessary to replace it with a new one. Some people think that it necessitates the purchase of an absolutely new one, but with a concern such as this in your midst, they can completely rebuild your old one and turn it out in as good shape as the day that you bought it.

This firm specializes in the manufacture and fitting of side curtains and seat covers and the

excellent work turned out by this department deserves the highest commendation.

They also make a specialty of upholstering closed jobs and this work has met with universal approval.

The manager of this establishment has made quite a study of painting cars and employs men of unusual ability. They've studied the lines and make up of various cars turned out by the manufacturers and thus are able to assist in selection of colors that will conform to the design and character of the car you desire painted. Just step into their place and have a chat with them, they will not only be able to assist you in the selection of suitable color, but will make you a price, tell when you can get your car and show you the grades of high-class material that are used in the shop.

The manager and his assistants are men who take an interest in the city and surrounding territory and are at all times connected with prop ositions that will add to the growth and expansion of this part of the state. Therefore we are pleased to compliment them in this review and advise all our readers to call on them when in need of anything in this line.

Coca Cola Bottling Company

With Modern Bottling Plant at 1201 So. Second St., in Abilene. Feature a Complete Line of Coca Cola and Long Horn Brand Carbonated Beverages—Have a Large Patronage From the Surrounding Territory and Render the of Best Service.

This well-known bottling works is deserving of more than passing notice in this review of the onward progress of the community, as they are perhaps the largest producers of beverages in this section of the state, their brands being a standard of quality and so recognized by the trade for a radius of many miles.

Experienced in the manufacturing of such goods and realizing the popular demand for pure and wholesome refreshments, the manager has gone farther than the pure food law requires and turns out a product that is entirely free from impurities as well as being delicious and refreshing.

The demand for the products of this bottling works is rapidly increasing through the county. It is indeed pleasing to be able to secure their brand.

In this modern plant the bottle

is hardly touched by human hands until it is ready to put in the cases for delivery. The plant is a credit to the community and is open at all times to the inspection of the public, and the public is cordially invited. Few cities many times larger can boast of such a modern and scientifically equipped bottling works.

Coca Cola and Long Horn brand beverages are very popular about this section, being handled by nearly all first-class retail dealers. The public should look at the label before drinking, and demand their goods.

We are pleased to point with pride to the establishment of this firm and to commend them in the class of goods they are furnishing to the trade, and assure everyone that when they order Long Horn brand they will get the very best.

Boyd's Markets

Located at 263 Pine St.; 150 Chestnut St. and in the City Grocery Store in Abilene are the best Meat Markets to be found in This Section, Offering at All Times Fresh Meats. Their Mechanical Refrigeration Insures Better and Cleaner Meats and Quicker Service.

Few, if any meat dealers in this section have attained a prominence equal to that of this prominent firm. Maintaining these up-to-date meat markets for the accommodation of the public, this progressive business firm has an enviable record for progressiveness and sanitation. Insisting that everything about these markets be in accordance with the modern scientific ideas regarding sanitation, he has thus assured the public that meats coming from these markets are pure and wholesome. Nor has he seen fit to take advantage of the general tendency to raise prices needlessly, as have many dealers, but on the other hand has been most moderate in his selling.

By reason of his fair dealing with the public, the patronage

has increased until today the firm is visited daily by hundreds not only from its home city, but from all the surrounding territory. Whenever in need of anything in his line, our readers could do no better than to visit these popular establishments and be convinced and see meats that are offered in abundance and at prices that are extremely reasonable.

Packing house and home killed meats and sausages are a specialty with these markets and appetizing taste and flavor of these meats has won the market much patronage.

We wish to compliment the management of this well-known concern for the policies adopted and to predict for the firm a continued era of prosperity.

Western Produce Company

One of the Well Known and Reliable Institutions of the Country, Operating at Second and Mesquite Sts., in Abilene, that Pays the Top Price of the Market at all Times for Poultry and Eggs. They are Known for their Reliable and Live Policies.

This is one of the institutions that has materially aided in the development of this section of the state and has especially been instrumental in aiding the progress of diversified farming in the community. They furnish the farmer with a most advantageous market for poultry and eggs and therefore operate an institution that is of great economical value to the public. Their prices are far more favorable than would be secured by the people if they had to ship elsewhere, for it is a well known fact that this house pays the top market price at all times.

Another feature of the very satisfactory service and accommodation which marks their dealings with the producer. The establishment is under the di-

rection of a conscientious and competent business man, and he has associated with him only such assistants as he can depend upon to render the most courteous and magnanimous service. They are always ready and willing to give you the latest quotations, and those wishing to market their produce to the best advantage will do well to get in touch with this well known house.

We are pleased to compliment them and to give them in this review the prominent position that their progressive and reliable policies have merited. We assure our readers that at this establishment they will receive the best of treatment and the highest market prices.

Marinello Beauty Shop

Which is Located at 263½ Pine St., Over Rose Department Store and Across from Mims in Abilene, Offers the Ladies of This Section an Opportunity to Receive the Latest in Coiffure Styles, Facial and Scalp Treatment and Special Permanent Waving.

This is a business which we wish to call attention of the ladies of this section, for it is conducted solely for their benefit. This is a day and age when women, both old and young are paying more attention to the little things which make them more attractive and which keep them from having a look beyond their years.

For years men have been having their faces massaged and their hair taken care of by men who make it their business to know what is the best and what should be done to preserve hair and remedy facial troubles. It is only in the last decade that the women have realized that it was necessary to have this work done for they thought that if their hair was clean that was

all that was necessary. In the modern beauty parlor of today it is possible to have the face treated in such a way that the little wrinkles and skin troubles vanish and with them the years.

They specialize in scalp treatment, facial treatment and hair dressing. They also carry a full line of the Toilet Preparations and make it their policy to furnish the best there is in this line and will handle only such preparations as will give the best of satisfaction.

In closing we wish to suggest that a visit to their parlors will result in you finding out many little things that really count and which you will be able to use to your advantage in the future.

Lion Hardware Co., Implements

With Extensive Establishment at 303 Walnut St. in Abilene, is the Most Extensive Dealer in Implements in this Territory, And Features the Famous J. I. Case Line of Implements. They Carry Full Lines of Plows, Cultivators, Planters, Mowers and Binders, Under the efficient Direction of D. C. Pitts and John And Gilbert Pechacek.

This immense implement store is one of the most complete stores in this section. The stock of this well known store is an exemplification of the triumph of modern civilization over savagery. Man is no longer satisfied with the crude implements of the stone age, but insists that his implements be of the latest pattern. That is why this store has so large a patronage for it carries lines that are standard all over the country.

They are prepared for proper handling of the goods and the display of the stock to the ad-

vantage of their patrons. All the implements and supplies are of the latest pattern and include all of the most recently improved inventions and improvements. The stock is composed of brands of implements and specialties known throughout the world as the best on the market. Men are in charge who are courteous and accommodating and who will be pleased to demonstrate to a ny farmer who desires to drop into this favorite trading place and keep up on the late models of implements.

In this age it is essential that

every farmer procure the latest machinery for the farm in order that he can compete with the modern scientific producer and secure the largest return from each acre of land. This concern has not only provided machinery, but it has selected lines that are known the world over and are being used as standards of design and quality by the farming industry. These all have stood up under every test and have proved to be of the most correct construction for all classes of farm work.

In making this review of the onward progress of this section of the country, we wish to compliment this store upon the admirable manner in which the business of this valued institution is operated; upon the progressive and public-spirited policies. We wish to refer this establishment to all our readers as one of the distinctive features of the commercial and agricultural efficiency of this part of the state and as headquarters for high-grade implements of all kinds.

Dr. K. M. Watkins and Associates Dentists

Located at 1521½ Cypress St. in Abilene, is One of the Prominent Professional Firms of This Locality That is Offering Quality work at Reasonable Prices. They Enjoy a Large Patronage from All The Surrounding Territory.

Science has made a great advance in the past few years. Great brains have been constantly striving to improve health conditions of the human race. All branches of the medical profession have been affected and many of the old ideas concerning health have been proven false. In their place new ideas have been adopted that have proven successful beyond a question.

This advance has been applied particularly to the modern dentist and the modern dentist must be a person of advanced ideas and thinking. We refer all our readers to this dental firm because they have proven that they have adopted all the latest and best proven methods for the benefit of their clientele.

Many common diseases have been traced directly to defective

teeth and it is the duty of every person to guard his own health as well as that of their families and friends by having these defects removed. At the offices of this well known firm only the latest ideas are in use and the prices charged are most reasonable. Their work is of such satisfactory nature that they not only increase their waiting list daily, but hold all their old practice as well.

In this edition it gives us pleasure to refer our readers to this time-tried dental firm and assure them that they will receive the best of professional treatment at their offices and that the prices will be the most reasonable and we would urge them to remember this firm when in need of anything of this character.

G. W. Waldrop & Company, Furniture

Located at Second and Cypress Sts. in Abilene, Is Replete With Furnishings For the Home And Is Popular With the People From All the Surrounding Territory.

What is more important than the building of a happy, comfortable home? We venture the statement that because they contribute probably to a larger degree than any other institution in this important work, this justly popular firm is one of the most essential features of this section.

The immense establishment, under the efficient direction of a latter-day business man, is replete with furnishings for the home, and no matter what may be your need in this line they have it for a reasonable price. Standard makes will be found throughout this immense store. Library tables, rugs, davenettes, mattresses, beds, furniture of all kinds, all of the articles for the home are represented by standard brands that are known the country over.

This progressive firm maintains the most complete and up-to-date drapery department in

West Texas. It is hardly possible for us to give a concrete idea of the immense stock that this firm carries for the accommodation of the public or of the high quality offered at reasonable prices. A visit to the store, however, will readily prove to you that it is the proper and most advantageous place to buy.

This establishment and the man who directs its affairs has contributed in no little measure to the progress and development of this section of the state, and especially to that portion within a radius of several miles around. This community is more progressive and more attractive by reason of their activities, and in this review of our onward progress we wish not only to compliment them but to urge all our readers that they can do no better than to visit this establishment when in need of anything in this line.

J. A. Collins Grocery

Located in Abilene at 903 N. Second St., is One of the Leading Grocery Stores in This Section of the State and is Headquarters for a Full Line of Purina Feeds.

In this modern age of unusual development the farmer and the stock raiser must be alive and awake to the possibilities of scientific methods. The manufacturers must have modern machinery, the retailer must recognize the progress of the age and the farmer and stock raiser must utilize scientific methods. Fortunate indeed are the local farmers and stock raisers in having access to the modern feed store. Realizing the value of modern methods this popular firm has brought to the service of the local public the information and discoveries of the leading scientists and agriculturalists of the age and in this store they offer feeds that have survived the most severe tests. This class of goods is the kind in which the public can have every confidence, because they have provided feeds which have been scientifically proven to be the best on the market. Feeds

of the highest nutritive values and the line in this establishment is confined to the distributing of the well known Purina Feeds.

They are distributors for Purina Feeds which are known throughout the country.

It is not strange then that the patronage is ever increasing. When they tell you about feeds you can depend upon their advice for in these parts they are considered an authority upon this subject. They carry a complete line of staple and fancy Groceries and in their courteous treatment of their patrons in their store have won well merited commendation. They are the country's leading citizens, a regular booster for the home community and are business men of ability. We wish to direct your special attention to this establishment as one of the distinctive features of the commercial efficiency of the country.



DOLLAR DAY

Bragg Dry Goods Company

Our July Clearance Sale Closes Saturday Night

Bring Your Dollars Here Friday and Saturday

---and see how much they will buy. You will find ONE DOLLAR saving values all over the store.

A FEW EXTRA SPECIAL \$1.00 SAVERS

Ladies \$1.25 house dresses priced 2 for	- \$1.00	50c to 75c Dotted Voils and crepes 3 yds	\$1.00
Ladies 50c Knit Union Suits three for	- \$1.00	25c Red Seal Gingham, five yards for	- \$1.00
50c to 75c Tissue Gingham 4 yds for	- \$1.00	15c Brown Domestic 10 yards for	- \$1.00

Every Item in the Men's Department Priced Special for ONE DOLLAR Saving Days.
Extra ONE DOLLAR Saving Prices on Men's Women's and Childrens Shoes.

Remember this ONE DOLLAR Saving Sale closes Saturday Night and don't forget the place.

BRAGG DRY GOODS COMPANY

THE PLACE MOST PEOPLE TRADE

SHILOH HAPPENINGS

By Mrs. C. W. Seago

Farmers are all busy fighting weeds again after the fine rain which fell here on the fourth. Had very good attendance at Sunday School Sunday morning. Mrs. Fanny Maynard and son Cecil of Magargle visited Mrs. M. L. James last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Mr. L. Rutledge Mrs. B. L. James and children Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rutledge visited Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Rutledge Sunday.

Miss Maude Greene returned home from Anson where she has been waiting on Mrs. A. M. McCright who was seriously hurt in an auto accident some time ago. Sorry to say Mrs. McCright isn't doing as well as the past week.

Our community was indeed shocked on last Sunday morning when the news came over the wire that Mr. Henry Barnett was dead. We extend sympathy to the bereaved ones.

There will be a 10 or 15 days singing school start at Shiloh next Monday morning. Hope to have a large class. Shiloh needs a school to get our young people interested. Prof. Johnson of near Trent, will teach the school.

Miss Edrie Tiner underwent an operation Tuesday at the Baptist Sanitarium for appendicitis. She was resting nicely at last reports.

A good many from here attended church at Noodle Sunday night. Sure heard a fine sermon. Singing at Shiloh Sunday evening was well attended, sure had some fine singers as well as fine singing. Had quite a lot of visitors from other communities. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Wood of Merkel, Mr. Haley and Walker of Abilene, Uncle Tom Spears and Mr. Williams of Blair, Mr. Johnston of Trent, Mr. and Mrs. Merritt of Noodle and a number of others we did not learn. We sure enjoyed having the visitors with us and especially Prof. Walker. We extend an invitation to all

to be with us again. Mr. Maude Watson and J. D. Wommack were Abilene visitors Monday evening.

Some few from here are planning on attending a few services of the Baptist Encampment at Lueders.

There will be Sunday School Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Preaching at 11 by our county Missionary, Bro. Polk.

The Baptist meeting will begin Friday night, August 7, let's every one make ready for a big drive and go over the top for God. Bro. Welch of Chillicothe will do the preaching.

Stearn's Day Dream Face Powder, Perfume, Bath Salts, Rouge, at Hamm Drug Co. It

Eggs 22 cen ts per dozen and cream 35 cents per pound at McDonald & Collum. It

Try a Classified Ad in The Mail.

In Memory of Paul Alsbrook

Paul is gone, but not forgotten. We shall always remember him as the boy who loved his mother and always brought her to church. He will be missed from his Sunday school class, even though he was not able to be with us the last few months of his life here on this earth, but he was a Christian and when the great day comes we hope to see him face to face.

It is so hard for his loved ones to give him up but we are glad to think he has not gone from them forever.

A Sunday School classmate.

NOTICE

I still have plenty of Maize Heads, Cotton Seed Meal and will buy your Cotton Seed, as I am around the place all the time Bring in your seed any time and get the top price. L.L. Murray. 1

Christian Endeavor Program

Topic: Great Women of the Bible. Scripture: Luke 10:38-42; Esth. 4:1-17.

Leader, Melba West. Hymns.

1. The little maid in Noaman's House, Dorris Russell.
2. The Touch of Faith, Mona Margaret Jones.
3. The persistent mother, Eunice Russell.
4. Quick witted Miriam, Mildred Smith.
5. Ruth's Unwavering love, Dorothy Little.
6. Vashti's courageous honor, Christine Russell.
7. Mary, the mother of Jesus, Roy Elliott.
8. Lydia's Quick Response, Norma Shannon.
9. The Widow's Mites, Evelyn Curb.
10. Dorcas, who worked for others, Nina Belle Russell.

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WARREN NOTES

By Vera Jones

The cotton chopping days are over and some are taking vacations.

The farmers are hoping for a good rain.

We are very glad to know that Mr. Buster McCoy is improving fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Harris visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Patterson Sunday.

All who attended the party at Mr. and Mrs. Brit Baker Saturday night reported a nice time.

Miss Rose Ellington is visiting on the Plains this week.

Miss Stella Kelso visited Miss Helen McCormick Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Noel Jones spent Friday night with Mr. Jones' father.

Miss Ruth Chancey was the guest of Miss Artie McCormick Sunday.

SALT BRANCH ITEMS

By Wynona Patton

Mr. Joe Morrison and family of Slaton, Texas, were visiting friends and relatives in Merkel and other communities. They also called to see Mr. S. O. Patton and family Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Houston Robertson were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Thompson Sunday.

Misses Vera and Vela Jones and Lillian McCormick were visitors at Salt Branch Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Garner were visitors at Salt Branch Sunday afternoon.

The singing Sunday afternoon was attended by a large crowd. Sunday school also was attended by a large crowd Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy McClain were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. McClain Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Patton went to see Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Thornton Tuesday afternoon.

STATIONERY SPECIAL

200 sheets of paper and 100 envelopes to match with your name and address or monogram printed to order in blue ink for \$2.00. You may have your choice of folder or straight sheet in white, pearl gray, royal blue, pink or light yellow. You can't beat this for a stationery bargain. Makes appropriate gifts. Also have \$1.15 box. THE MERKEL MAIL. tf

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Mrs. W. J. Largent and children, Mrs. C. M. Largent and son Charlie, and Mrs. Byrd Murphy are attending the Lueders encampment.

10 DAYS ONLY

MEN'S SUMMER SUITS MUST GO!

We never like to carry over clothing one season to the next.

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