School Plans Are Announced By Supt. Jackson

Without a plan, our school could get no where except "on the rocks". Like any other business our purpose may be good, but we must have plans to promote that purpose; hence this

We have our plans and we want the people to know our plans, because we feel that when you know what our plans are you can and will more readily align yourselves with us for the promotion of good in the work.

For many years school people have lamented the fact that our school laws and especially institute laws were not as they should be. This year, thanks to the wide awake Legislature, we have a change. Heretofore the Institutes have been joint affairs, where a few long winded idealists came and spoke three or four hours a day on some conditions in a distant state and in the large, highly centralized school system. A practice which did the teacher in the small school no good. These speakers, always presupposed ideal conditions with every advantage and then set out to tell us how to handle or rather how some one else had handled that particular school. We of the small school could get nothing of practical value from Spanish War a week of that kind of institute.

This year, however, we can have our own local institute where we shall get down to the solution of some local problems. We are going to do that very thing here in Merkel this fall. On Sept. 7 we begin our institute and will continue it through Saturday the 10th, using the evenings of two days to make up the fifth day. During the time of this institute we cordially invite every one interested in school matters to attend. We will be glad to have you for one at any or all sessions. We expect to have some interesting things brought out and we in service during the Spanish-Ameriwant you to hear them.

We are having one day especially L. Minter. designed to appeal to the school peogo oatside Merkel to get our speakers ior vice commander, Paul Tremmier, Night, "Heaven." for the ebvious reason that we want of Ballinger; Junior vice commander, it to be a Merkel affair. Then we W. D. Girand, adjutant, Ben L. Cox; her needs and they can get to them tees, J. O. Shelton, J. W. Blackburn Thompson, with the invitation for guard, John Reed. any one to say what is on his mind. of the opportunity of getting on the inside of some real school problems. Come and bring some one with you.

Contrary to the usual custom of opening' school we shall enroll students, issue books, and assign lessons 17 YEAR OLD BOY on Friday afternoon and Saturday afternoon of Institute week, and have classes full time Monday, Sept. 12. We won't lose three days of the first week getting started. We shall be started Monday, Sept. 12. Remember at McKinney, Texas, arrested a man the date, Friday and Saturday af- giving his name as E. F. Frizzell, ternoons before Sept. 12 will be reg- who it was alleged was wanted at istration period for both High School McKinney on a charge of car theft. and Grammar School students.

The programs for the Institute are out, and any one wishing to see a copy city and placed in the local jail, but of it may do so by calling at the High soon made his escape by cutting out School any time between 8:30 and 3 the lock on the door, however, he was o'clock any day.

every one in Merkel or the rural McKinney where he was turned over school districts adjacent to Merkel. to the Collin County officers. In fact we especially want them to come, because of the new school law D. O. HUDDLESTON BUYS and the Free High School tuition law, which will be discussed. There are several phases of this law that the public needs to know and you will the largest land and farm owners in Ford's railroad line runs into Namiss a good opportunity to hear them this section, recently closed the deal discussed if you miss this meeting. Be for the purchase of another fine 80here. Trustees of the neighboring acre farm, which he bought from Mr. IRVIN L. JACKSON.

W. T. Cox, W. I. Cogburn and W. A. ent, and states that he prefers to in-Sheppard, returned yesterday from a vest his surplus money in the fine flying trip South to the Mexican lands here to any other kind of in- sition and wages received. Mr. Hampborder. These gentlemen are known for making many successful fishing stated, when they reached Del Rio greater profits from the future ad- lutely spotlessly clean and everything first of the week from a vacation trip County in Texas that has a fine systhe last American town on this side of the Rio Grande, they just had to will continue in land values here. cross over and make this trip, only a sight-seeing trip, declaring it too hot to fish anyway. And one of the party ing placed in the building occupied corn crop most every where. stated that it was acknowledged by by the City Meat Market, which is all that Mr. W. A. Sheppard was the most attractive member of their party after crossing the border. The spokesguessed he wouldn't.

MERKEL PAYING HIGHEST PRICE FOR COTTON

According to the Abilene Morning News of Thursday the highest price paid in Abilene Wednesday for Cotton was 21.121/2 cents, while in Merel the price ran as high as 22.10 and ranged close to the 22 cent mark throughout the entire day. According to a representative citizen of Blair, that town paid the highest price of the day when 22.30 was paid for one bale and 22.25 for four bales. Hawley was

next with 22.25. According to press reports over the country the Merkel buyers have been topping the market since the opening of the season. Merkel has always been noted as one of the best cotton markets in all this section. Mr. Farmer bring your cotton to Merkel and spend your money with her merchants, who in the main are responsible for this good price for cotton. They have fine, new stocks of goods and their prices are always comparable with those of other merchants in nearby towns.

Veterans In

Park Minter Camp, Spanish-American War Veterans, was organized in Abilene Friday night by W. R. Duke of Wichita Falls, commander, assisted by Comrade Montgomery, also of Wichita Falls.

organization. The name selected is in honor of Park Minter, who died can war. He was a brother of Geo.

The following officers were install-

R. C. Winters, former commander We hope you will take an active part of the American Legion of Texas, was in this program and avail yourselves present and made a very interesting patriotic talk.

> The second Friday in each month was named as regular meeting night. -Abilene Morning News.

IS ARRESTED ON CAR THEFT CHARGE

Deputy Sheriff W. H. Laney, acting on information from the officers The man was arrested in the Noodle community, and was brought to this recaptured and Constable N. A. Dow-The visitors day invitation is to ell and C. T. Derrick took him to

ANOTHER FINE FARM

Mr. D. O. Huddleston, one among

Abilene. Mr. Huddleston owns many good Messrs. L. W. Cox, T. G. Bragg, farms in this community at the presonly safer, but that he will reap house of the Ford railway was abso- Misses Lorena and Loyce, returned such roads as are proposed. Every are built. There are plenty of comvances in value which he feels sure was the finest that money could buy. to New Mexico and the Carlsbad tem of roads has a city as a hub. going to give them to the public. If

> A new and attractive front is be- very spotted, but reports a very fine owned by Mr. A. B. Patterson. And additional decorations added to the more attractive.

Tabernacle Revival | Cotton Coming Is Well Attended

Christian people.

The crowds have greatly increased highest price. during the week. Although the crowd Up to 10 o'clock Thursday morning last Sunday night was one of the according to Public Weigher Thos. largest attending a revival here for A. Bearden, 150 bales had been weighsome time, the peak of attendance is ed in at the yard. not believed to be reached yet. Not only have the crowds grown but the Local Baptists interest has increased. Wednesday night a great number of Christian people responded to the proposition that they believed that PRAYER ber that thus responded must have their Sunday School. The State Sunfore the meeting closes. And every men and records and pronounced this

Four cottage prayer meetings are held by any Sunday School in Texas. held each afternoon at three o'clock. three in some of the stores. At ten the officers and teachers to be used o'clock in the morning Mrs. Arm- in state and South-wide papers and strong has a Bible class in the First periodicals. So we are hoping to have Organization Baptist church of great numbers. a full attendance of the School Sunday makes these pictures treat and spiritual blessing. Let all whether officer, teacher or pupil, be in attend her meetings.

out next week and all indications are 400 Sunday morning. We had more that it will be a week of reaping— than 350 last Sunday and easily we possible, I would review the work \$100.00 the State gets their regular a week of soul saving. People are can make it four hundred Sunday. Twenty men were present for the talking the meeting, boosting the Let every one not active in some meeting. They are saying that they other Sunday School come with us and the contract let, and the pave- When we make a levy to build believe that they believe it is God's Sunday morning as we are to have ment is now under construction on roads in Taylor County every penny time to save Merkel.

ple. That day is Friday. We did not ed: Commander, Luther Clarke, sen- night, "Personal Work." Sunday help make a good showing.

will fill the pulpit at the Presbyterian

MR. AND MRS. HAMPTON RETURN FROM TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hampton returned first of the week from a very with us Sunday Morning. pleasant visit with their daughter, Mrs. J. S. Kurtz, at Napoleon, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Hampton are 78 and 75 years of age respectively, and made this trip in their automobile, a distance of about 1,500 miles each was made without a single mishap, not even a punctured tire. They averthe larger places, but according to a very successful encampment. centers and highways in the north.

every one being very nice to them, from all parts of the state. and especially were they happy in their visit with their daughter, whom LOCAL CARRIERS RETURN they had not seen for seven years.

Mr. Hampton also stated that Mr. poleon, Ohio, and that he had the pleasure of going through the shops and round-house and inspecting one high in praise of the great auto king. and thoroughly satisfied with his po- Union. vestments; believing that same is not ton said that the shops and round-

north as that staple is raised as being

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Richardson and this week guests of Mr. and Mrs. W.

In Very Fast;

The Baptist, Methodist and Pres- | The cotton crop in this locality is byterian churches dismissed their reg- opening very fast and the farmers ular meeting on last Sunday evening are gathering it in a hurry. On Wedso that their congregations could at- nesday of this week 63 bales were tend the Jenkins-Armstrong taber- weighed at the local cotton yard, and nacle meeting. The preachers came the price paid by the local buyers with their respective congregations. which reached the high level of 22.10 And, as is the case at every service, was perhaps the highest price paid in the Evangelist delivered a masterful the state, save a few bales bought at and soul-stirring message, a message Blair and Hawley, where 22.30 and that met with the approval of all the 22.25 respectively was paid for only a few bales. Merkel always pays the

Signally Honored been called to my attention.

Merkel Baptists are to be congratuchanged things and that they would lated over their success in the effort been more than two hundred. And day School Secretary, Mr. G. S. Hopthere is every indication that great kins, of Dallas, visited the local Sungood will have been accomplished be- day School and examined their equip-Christian is urged to attend and take a Double A-1 Sunday School. This is the highest standard held by any Meetings of interest and importance Sunday School in the Southern Bapare not confined to the tabernacle. tist convention, and a standard not

Mr. Hopkins has asked for a pic-A business men's meeting is held at ture of the Sunday School and of all Every lady who has not heard Mrs. day morning to make these pictures. Armstrong has surely missed a rare Let every member of the school their place Sunday morning. Count-The revival will continue through- ing visitors, we should have at least

Sunday morning Mrs. Armstrong entire membership of the church and value of the pulpit at the Presbyterian Sunday school together with a large plans on highway No. 1, eleven miles I submit to the tax payers that quartermaster, Tom Spencer; trus- church and Mr. Armstrong will sing number of visitors present Sunday a solo at the close of the service, Sun- morning. Let us show our apprecithis new Standard.

The church and Sunday school join with the pastor in extending a cordial invitation to all who will to come

National Guard Unit

way, and he informs us that the trip under the command of Lieutenants as soon as the engineers can get the It is true that there has been a defro, returned Sunday morning from eral governments.

FROM NATIONAL RURAL CARRIERS CONVENTION

Mr. R. L. Adcock and family return- road in the County comes through struction. ed Wednesday from Oklahoma City, Abilene. However, as Abilene prosschool districts especially urged to C. L. Deutschman, now residing in of the locomotives, which he considers where they attended the National pers so does every community in the But before condemning the program I a marvel of the modern age in rail- meeting of the Rural Letter Carriers County prosper. 70 per cent or more think that the tax payer should conroading. He also stated that every Convention. They report a great of the taxes are paid in precinct 1, sider the actual tax rates, and valuworkman with whom he talked was meeting with possibly 20,000 in at- which surrounds Abilene. This pre- ations, and make comparison with tendance from every state in the cinct must pay that proportionate other progressive counties, and he

> He reports the cotton crops as far Cavern. They report a very delightful trip and the Cavern the grandest they ever visited.

Mr. Owen Ellis, one of the accom-Cashiers at the Farmers & Merchants two children of Colorado were here National Bank, is back at his post of duty again after a week's vacation man said he could say more, but interior, making this splendid place A. Elliott, parents of Mrs. Richard- which he and Mrs. Ellis spent in the in this respect. I think that lateral Southern part of the state.

Judge Eplen Replies To Article Written By Mr. Thompson

ways I read with much interest the work is progressing nicely, the buildarticle in your paper, contributed by ings being about completed, and the Mr. Thompson. I appreciated this ar- installation of the machinery which is ticle, and gave same careful consider- to be of the most modern, will be placation. In response to same I feel that ed next week, and the gin expected to the following remarks are in order.

In the first place the people of Taylor County are entitled to an audit the highways and in order for the in black and white which shows the farmers to bring their products into exact figures on the expenditures that have been made out of the \$350,000,-00. It takes a great deal of work to make one of these audits down to date, however, to my knowledge the books are in A-1 shape and the ac-

It is the people's money, paid by under cover.

When I was elected County Judge of Taylor County I made only one promise, if I remember correct- high. However, I would call their atly, to-wit: That my policy would be tention to the fact that land which is to spend the money that we had on worth \$100.00 per acre is now being hand as far as it would go, as speedi- assessed at \$12.50 to \$15.00 per acre. ly as possible, with only one prere- We have a county-wide tax of 77c, quisite, to-wit: that the County would and in one county which I visited get value received for every dollar they have a county-wide tax of \$1.50

Court has been working, and we have carry a levy. They have one through been making progress. In regard to paved highway and they are now prepromising the absolute latest date paring to vote a \$6,000,000.00 issue when certain work will start, and for the sole purpose of feeding he when it will be completed, etc., the paved highway with paved lateral Commissioner's Court can make no roads. such promises.

paving have been prepared, accepted, every \$100.00 valuation. up her part of the money.

The local National Guard Unit, that the work will go forward just having paved roads run into it.

states that folks in this community weather conditions with the good single instance has arisen which He stated that they enjoyed every local unit is a part, similar units be- that is needed. This leads to the ques-

> part of the total costs for the entire should consider the price of his prop-Mrs. J. M. Dry and daughters, the other precincts could not build munity before and after the Abilene in turn is dependant upon Merkel, and every other community in the County; Abilene is not a competitor of the other commupnaties, it happens to be a bond issue. modating and hustling Assistant but on the contrary as the other communities grow so does Abilene grow. Mr. Thompson is absolutely correct roads should be built in order to feed

NEW GIN EXPECTED READY BY SEPT. 5th.

. Mr. A. J. Canon, in charge of the erection of the big new gin that is Upon my return from a six day being erected by the Cotton Farm tour over 1400 miles of Texas high- Bureau in this city, states that the be ready to run by September 5th.

Merkel and other local towns.

Another point: My observation has been that a farm adjoining a highway that is worth \$90.00 per acre. after a high class highway is built counting which we have made is cor- cannot be bought for less than \$150.00 rect unless there was a typographical per acre. The farms off of the higherror, and to date no such error has way are increasing in value likewise, in proportion to the investment which they represent. They are likewise inthe people's taxes, to build road for creasing in value and especially so the people, and during my adminis- after a lateral road is run in their impray for a great revival. The num- to attain the Advanced Standard in tration there will be nothing kept mediate vicinity, which feeds into a paved highway.

Some of the people of Taylor County are of the opinion that taxes are per \$100.00 valuation. On top of that To that end the Commissioner's they have drainage projects which

We could raise the valuations in Rather than make any promises. Taylor County 50 per cent and the other than the Commissioner's Court assessment would be reasonable. Yet, will carry on with the greatest speed every time we raise the valuation that has been done. The plans for levy, which last year was 65c out of

a picture of the whole Sunday School Highway No. 1 East of Abilene, since of the money is spent in Taylor The subject for Friday night will to appear in a number of papers and the first day of January, 1927. The County, and not one penny goes to be "Is There a Hell and if so What periodicals. If you ever expect to come plans have been prepared, accepted, the State. To the tax payers of Tay-Kind of a Place is It?" Saturday to this Sunday School get in now and and the contract let for ten and one- lor County I submit that it is bethalf miles of paving on the lower end ter to have lower valuations and a The pastor will be glad to see the of No. 30, since the first day of Jan- special levy than to have high valu-

west of Abilene have been prepared, there is not another county in the accepted and the contract let since State of Texas that has a twenty two while the visitor would be at a loss to and Cress Watson; patriotic instruct- day night all the churches will come ation of our good officers and teachknow what to do. On the program or, F. D. Powell; historian, J. M. day night all the churches will come action of our good officers and teach officers and teach of our good officers and that day will be Bro. W. R. McCarter, Martin; chaplin, B. P. Cook; officer An enormous crowd is expected. You help us reach this standard. Sunday with our low valuations, our levy is Bro. Ira L. Parrack and Mr. L. R. of the day, S. C. Jones; officer of the will have to come early if you get a should be a big day as we will have some out of town visitors who will on all of the dirt work which has ties have already built their roads come to congratulate us on achieving been done on the lower end of No. 30 and have them under construction at and upon the West end of No. 1 since the present time, or are voting from January 1st, 1927 the highway depart one to six million dollar bond issues ment has assured me that they are to build them. The counties that do ready to make an allotment to pave not build these roads will fall behind. No. 1. West just as soon as the bed I do not say this because of the touris ready and Taylor County can put ist travel that will be lost, etc., but say it from a purely business stand-We have the money on hand to do point. Taking into consideration what Returns From Camp the dirt and bridge work on No. 30, paved roads will mean to the value Abilene South, and it is my opinion of farms and the value to a city in

> Emmett T. Grimes and Lake J. Ren- plans accepted by the State and Fed- lay in road construction in Taylor County. However I submit that the aged about 250 miles a day, going their annual Summer encampment In all of the above cases the State work has been moving as fast as huthrough St. Louis and many other of held this year at Palacios, Texas, re- Highway Department has moved with man agencies can move it, during the the large cities enroute. However, he porting a very fine encampment, ideal system and cooperation, and not a past several months. The highway department has faith in this countinued think the traffic here is very heavy morale and enthusiastic spirits of the would cause me to believe that Taylor progress on Taylor County's part. If and some times becomes congested in men as a whole combined to make it County's work will not go forward they had not they would not have without a hitch. In my opinion the allotted money to put up the dumps: Mr. Hampton is does not compare . Some 7,000 men were in attend- only thing that will hold up the road that are now constructed. It will be with that to be found in the crowded ance comprising the 36th Division, program in Taylor County is for the far better for Taylor County to go Texas National Guard, of which the people to refuse to vote the money right on with this work while the department has confidence in the Counminute of the time they were away; ing located in other cities and towns tion of the merit of the proposed isexecutives to deal with that are now I think that the only sensible busi- in office, in the highway department. ness thing for the County to do is to Every time the department changes, vote the issue. The proposition of any and the engineers change with them. particular road being for Abilene or it generally means a change of sys-Merkel or the South part of the Countem, engineers, and means da delay Mr. and Mrs. J. Ben Campbell and ty is untenable. It is true that every of several months to work under con-

We may be wrong in building roads. county. If it were not for precinct 1 erty and the prosperity of his conafter hearing same the tax payer is still against the issue, then he may be right. But I do not think any man should say "I'm agin it" just because

Respectfully submitted, TOM K. EPLEN. County Judge, Taylor County, Texas.

Miss Margaret Cannon is in Abilene visiting relatives.

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 - 1t tions, Mrs. T. R. Lassiter.

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Mr. W. E. Lowe is this week moving his residence from his farm to from O'Donnell. He reports good Rev. R. A. Walker and family are his lots located on Oak street. The crops around O'Donnell. visiting their old home in Northeast home which is already a neat fiveroom residence, will be remodeled and made modern throughout.

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"The public reaction to the Great New '62' announcement is most gratifying," says J. W. Frazer, Chrysler Sales Manager. "We are especially pleased with the widespread character of the demand. From every section of the country, dealers are rushing in telegrams asking for increased allotments and immediate delivery of the various body types offered in the new model.

"There is a tendency to lean toward the Sedan and the Landau Sedan as favorites, although all the cars are meeting with an unusually generous demand. To judge by the orders coming in, the strong appeal made to the younger generation by the rumble seat type of Roadster and Coupe, which has been a marked feature of motor car fashions the last few years is losing none of its force and is even gaining strength.

"Attracted by its striking appearance, its graceful, sweeping streamlines and bright color combinations, and convinced by demonstrations, the public has certainly given the Great New '62' a hearty welcome in the way of orders. Of course we hoped for and expected this result, feeling that the value built into the car made it thoroughly deserving of a big ovation. But we are having to extend our production schedules to meet a demand which is even beyond our early hopes.

"Already reports are telling of the excellent impression made by the new adjustable seats, the comfortable saddle-spring cushions and the unexpectedly fine interior appointments of the cars. These are accompanied, dealers tell us, by enthusiastic comments after demonstration on the smoothness of the engine operation and the delightful riding ease attained by means of the new rubber insulations and other refinements.

"Buyers are passing the word to their friends, we hear, that the new '62' cars combine many features not Mr. and Mrs. H. M Rainbolt left 2. The blight of the Civil War, ordinarily obtainable at anywhere near the money cost of this new model and word-of-mouth advertising is always an effective influence in mer-

> S. L. Owen and family of Slaton are here visiting friends and relatives. Mr. Owen reports good crops around Slaton.

Ray Adams was down this week

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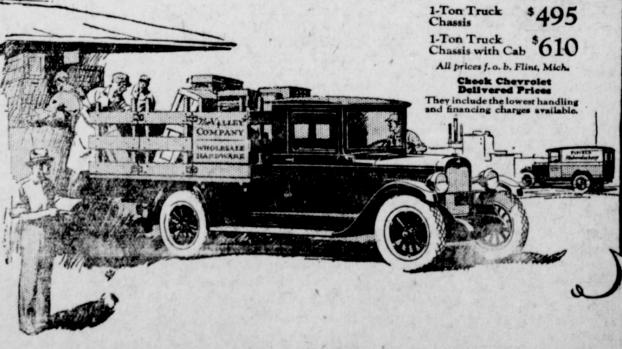
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Carl Black returned first of the week from a trip to the Plains, having accompanied his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Black to Lubbock, where they will visit with relatives.

Mr. J. E. Richardson, the capable and accommodating manager of the Merkel Lumber Company, accompanied by his family, left Thursday for a visit with friends and relatives at Burnett, Texas.



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Mrs. Ruth Fair of New York City is here visiting her mother, Mrs. returned to her home after several Blanche Brooks, and her aunt, Mrs. days visit with her daughter, Mrs. T. Pearl Hollingsworth.

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Mrs. J. E. Badgley of Roscoe has T. Davis.

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W. R. McCarter. Next Sunday being the Fourth Sunday, a regular Missionary Sunday, the opening period will be devoted to a Missionary program by the Baraca Class, a young men's class of the Sunday School. The following program will be rendered:

Song, "I love thy Kingdom, Lord," by the Baraca Class.

Scripture Reading, W. G. Leach. Invocation, Herbert Patterson. Song, "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning," by Class.

Talk on Missions, Floyd Dowell. Duet, "I'll Die at My Post, Cyrus Pee and F. C. Hughes.

Presbyterian Church

Sunday School at 10 o'clock. Be

At the 11 o'clock hour Mrs. Armstrong will speak for us and Mr. Armstrong will sing. Be sure to be out at this service. If you are not here you are going to miss something good. W. M. Elliott, Supt.

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visit here with his grandparents, Mr. relatives and friends. He also visit- lic, beginning with this date and until and Mrs. A. W. Hunter and other ed relatives on the Plains while in further notice.

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Highest market price at all times for cotton and seed

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Boy Scouts Asked to Take Part in Coming Lindbergh Parades

Herbert Patterson, Scout Master, is in receipt of two invitations for the Boy Scout troops of Merkel. They are invited to take part in the Labor Day Parade Monday, September the 5th, and in the parade to be reviewed by Charles Lindbergh on September 26th. Mr. Patterson has accepted the invitation and will notify the scould to appear in full uniform on those days, and to begin now to make arrangements for transportation to Abilene and return.

He will meet local scouts at the Methodist church at 7:30 Friday evening of this week. The activities in which the scouts have been privileged to engage have greatly benefited them, and the opportunity which these last invitations give them is to meet men and especially so distinguished a person as Charles Lindbergh, will be an event long to be remembered by them.

REV. PARRACK RETURNS FROM HOLDING REVIVAL

Rev. Ira L. Parrack, the very capable and popular pastor of the First Baptist church of this city, returned Monday from Silver Valley, Coleman County, where he had just closed a very successful revival meeeting. There were 22 additions to the church.

At the present time he is holding a meeting at the Shiloh church, eight miles north of Merkel, which is progressing nicely. He will be in his pulpit here for the Sunday morning service.

Don't forget your Green Stamps when making a purchase at Brown Dry Goods, Grimes-Smith Drug, A. R. Booth Grocery or Magnolia Filling Sta-

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No one is to be blamed for criticizing the manner in which our last road bond issue was handled and yet any one who will take the trouble to investigate, will find no dishonesty or reckless expenditure. This we know: that practically everything that has been done has been accomplished since the present administration took office. Judge Ely has done everything in his power to expedite the building of the roads in Taylor County and with available funds these roads will be carried to completion as soon as workmen can build them.

The contractors are at work on Highway number 1 between Mulberry and Abilene preparing for the construction of six or more bridges and getting ready detours which will be absolutely necessary when the five or six construction camps begin work on the dump. The State Highway Commission and the County Commissioners seem to be working to-gether harmoniously and expeditiously toward the completion of the roads and it would be altogether too bad if sufficient funds are not voted to hardsurface all the designated Highways in Taylor County while we have a friendly State Highway Commissioner and a friendly State administration. As we said last week it will be far better to finish these roads by special tax than it will be to raise the

Methodist Missionary Society

The Womans Missionary Society of M.E. Church enjoyed a splendid attendance again Monday afternoon, 14 being present to enjoy the splendid lesson from the Bible Study which was very interestingly taught by Mrs. McCarter. This lesson finished the book and new books will be ordered and ready for distribution very soon. We are looking forward to an interesting course of study for the fall and winter months.

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For CASH Friday and Saturday ONLY

SPUDS Per Peck

SPUDS Per Peck

YAMS Per Pound

LETTUCE per head

COFFEE

3-LB. CAN
Breakfast Delight

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S1-40

BKG. POWDER 2½ lb. Calumet

60c

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SHORTENING 4-lb. Pail 60c

SHORTENING 4-lb Mrs. Tucker 65c

SHORTENING 2-lb Mrs. Tucker 35c

CORN Woodford No 2 case \$3.75

SALT PORK good lean 18c

PORK SAUSAGE lb. 25c

Loin STEAK good tender 25
PORK CHOPS nice and lean, lb. 30

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Also bring us your Butter, Eggs and Cream.

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tf left last week for a visit at Lampasas.

W. O. Boney represents the San Mrs. Lige Gamble and children, "Return of the Riddle Rider" Starts at Queen

The courage and daring of a mysterious rider is the heroic impulse of "The Return of the Riddle Rider." adventure picture starring William Desmond the first chapter of which will be shown Friday and Saturday at the Queen Theatre.

The story was written by Arthur B. Reeves, creator of the famous character of Craig Kennedy, scientific dectective, in collaboration with Fred J. McConnell. It is a sequel to Desmond's most popular serial picture of the past, "The Riddle Rider." and depicts the rash and romantic rider in his single-handed efforts toward breaking up a high-handed po-

Buck White, chief henchman to James Archer, the crooked sheriff of Caspar County who is running for reelection, frames Hank Wilson, reform candidate for the same office. Buck starts a saloon brawl in which a man is shot. Hank Wilson is accused and immediately the inflamed mob takes the law into its own hands while the wiley sheriff stands by and does nothing. Randolph Parker, editor of the Daily Star, who is fighting for the reform party, stops the lynching and demands that the sheriff protect his

Knowing that Hank was armed at the time of the shooting, Parker publishes an article branding the whole

thing a frame-up. The political ring is powerful and ruthless. The reform element is grim and determined. Villainy and corruption are riding high when over the hill is seen the flowing cape of the Riddle Rider, the mystery man who pits his single hand against the combined powers of the lawless politicians. Movement is fast and thrills are frequent in the swift action that

Desmond is supported by Lola Todd, Grace Cunard and a competent

The picture was directed by Robert F. Hill and Jay Marchant

The Famous Market, Abilene, calls attention to their ad in this paper. Read it and save money on your gro-

Misses Johnny Sears, Lola Dennis, and Gladys Mayfield went to Lamesa Tuesday to visit Miss Bess Baldwin. They returned Wednesday, bringing Miss Baldwin back with them for

Mrs. Cookston Hostess

Mrs. Harry Cookston entertained a number of friends with a prettily planned bridge and forty-two party on Wednesday afternoon of this week at her home on Oak street. The entertaining rooms were prettily decorated with bowls and vases of cut flowers. Attractively appointed tables for bridge and forty-two were arranged about the rooms where the guests found their places and spent the time very pleasantly playing these games. At the close of the party the hostess served a very delicious refreshment plate to the following guests: Mrs. Roy Largent, Mrs. S. W. Johnson, Mrs. Warren Smith, Mrs. Frank Hamm, Mrs. Brackeen, Mrs. Sie Hamm, Mrs. Emmett Grimes, Mrs. Jack Durham, Mrs. R. I. Grimes, Mrs. W. S. J. Brown, Mrs. Gardner, and Misses Lucy Tracy, Mary Eula Sears, Ruby and Evelyn Hamm.

HARMONY CLUB

On Tuesday afternoon Miss Mary Click entertained the members of the Harmony Club and several other guests in her home near Mt. Pleasant. After a short business meeting in which new officers were elected the following program was enjoyed:

Life of Chopin, Mary Click. Chopin's Valse Brillante in A Flat, Orpah Patterson.

Robinson Cruso, Alice Church. Going Fishing, Ruby Blackburn. Nodding Roses, Mary Click and

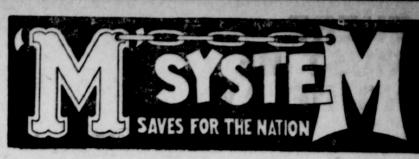
Alice Church. Swanee River, Emma Campbell. Sailing, Lena Fay Harrell.

The little Dancer, Lois Whiteley. Snow Bells, Lois Whiteley and Miss Mary Pence. Sounds from the ringing rocks,

Mary Click. After a pleasant social hour, de-

ightful refreshments of punch and cake were served to the guests: Mary Pence, Lois Whiteley, Orpah Patterson, Alice Church, Lena Fay Harrell, Emma Campbell, Ruby Blackburn, Gladys Watts, Billie Joyce Click, Bernice Lasater, Elsie Lasater, Charlie Church, Homer Campbell Jr., Laura Campbell and Mesdames E. A. Click, M. A. Campbell, Homer Campbell, Leland Click, J. Greenfield, and C. P. Church.

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Limit 3 Bars, Each

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Dry of Dublin came up first of the week for a visit with their many friends and relatives.

Mrs. Ed Turner has as her guest 1t bock, Texas.

paper that is worth money if you will only clip it out and bring it to us. Look for it. Tansil's, Abilene.

Don't forget your Green this week her mother, Mrs. I. N. Stamps when making a purchase We give Cold Patch FREE with Adams, of Bomarton, also her sister, at Brown Dry Goods, Grimeseach five gallons Gas, Cash Purchase. Mrs. W. S. Shaw, of that city, and Smith Drug, A. R. Booth Gro-Blue Front Service Station, across Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Altman of Lub- cery or Magnolia Filling Sta-

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We have just received two shipments of stoves and expect more right away

We have selected the "Favorite" line of Gas Ranges

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We will have a nice assortment to select from. Also we will have a nice line of Gas Heaters and Logs to select from.

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WARREN NEWS

The farmers are all very busy picking cotton and heading maize. Health of this community is not very good at present.

Mrs. W. R. Sumpter's sister from Lubbock is visiting here this week. Mr. and Mrs. H. Gressett and family of McLean is spending this week with friends around Merkel.

Those who spent Saturday night with Misses Helen and Artie McCormick were Misses Lena Mae and Ruth Chancey, Azline Sumpter, Cordie Ellington, Lottie Gressett, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Higgins.

Miss Rose Ellington spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Norah Foster.

day night with Mr. Herman Nicker-

night with Cordie Ellington.

Mr. Homer McCormick of Roscoe spent Saturday night with his uncle will visit with them for some time. Mr. Charlie McCormick.

Mr. Tom Harvell's sister from Mc-Kinney spent last week with him, also his sister of Clyde.

with her sister, Mrs. Walter Broune. pupils. Your patronage will be ap-Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Jones spent last week-end with their daughter upon the Plains.

Mrs. Hollis McCoy spent Wednesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dicker, of Stith.

Mrs. E. H. Jones visited her daughter, Mrs. Luther Higgins of Merkel Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Brit Baker visited upon the Plains last week-end.

BLAIR ITEMS

The health of the community

Mr. Bowen, who conducted a meeting for the church of Christ at this place, closed Sunday with twenty one

Mr. and Mrs. Chalmer Patterson nd children of Lubbock visited their arents the past week, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Patterson and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Spears.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Moore and son Kenneth Clyde have been the guests in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Eli Brooks last week.

Mrs. Laura Harrison, who has been visiting an indefinite time with relatives in Merkel, returned home last

Miss Ova Welch of Buffalo Gap has been the guest of Mrs. Mae Lo-

Mr. and Mrs. Jep Climons of Buffalo Gap visited Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Doan and fam-

ent last week-end with his Mr. and Mrs. Tom Spears. Mrs. Maurine Doan ac-

by Mr. and Mrs. John Du-

y of Ballinger are visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. Ira Covatte and other relatives of this place.

Mrs. Hugh Campbell left Sunday evening for Abilene as the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. From-

Mrs. Bob Campbell visited Mrs. James Doan one day last week.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wheeler returned first of the week from an extended trip to Jacksboro, McKinney and Mr. Robert Sumpter spent Satur- Okemah, Oklahoma, where they visited friends and relatives. Mr. Wheeler reports the cotton crop very spot-Miss Lottie Gressett spent Friday ted, with lots of fine corn, in the northeast. On their return they were accompanied by Miss Moreland, who

Mrs. W. A. McSpadden announces her home Sept. 12th. Free instruct- many friends. Mrs. Noil Harvell spent Saturday ion in expression will be given to preciated.

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Miss Ruby Lee Service left Monday night after a short visit with her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Durham and family.

Mr. Roy Brown and his sisters, Misses Inice and Salley Brown, spent the past week-end with their sister, Mrs. Robert McBean, at Dallas.

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FOR SALE-Jersey milk cow, now giving 31/2 gallons rich milk every day. Must be sold by Sept. 1. John

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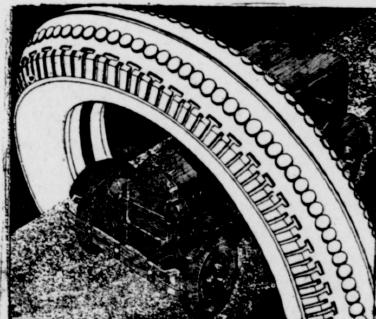
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Doris Durham Entertains

ham entertained with a bridge party tertained at the home of Miss Boog honoring her cousin, Miss Ruby Lee Sears on Tuesday afternoon. A piano to harmonize, carrying a shower bou-Service, of Plainview. After dainty selection by Miss Fronabarger, one of quet of sweetheart roses and gladitally cards were passed around the the guests, was very much enjoyed, clas. The ring ceremony was said vacation trip which carried them guests found their places at the tables following which many games of while Mr. Clark, accompanied by Mr. throughout the great northwest, inwhere a number of games of bridge bridge were enjoyed. Dainty refresh- Thornton, played softly and the sec- cluding the Yellow Stone National were enjoyed. A refreshment plate of ments of sandwiches and lemonade sandwiches, olives, potato chips and were passed. Miss Sears was assist- nounced the marriage of the contractpunch was served to the guests, being ed by her sister, Miss Mary Eula. ing parties on December the twelfth, assisted by her sister, Nell. Those The guests were: Misses Maurine nineteen hundred twenty-six, at Miles present were Misses Maurine Tipton, Tipton, Evelyn Curb, Dorris Durham, Texas. Evelyn Curb, Melba West, Boog Sears Melba West, Loyce Dry, Lorena Dry, Francis Anderson, Johnny Sears, Jess Sutphen, Altha Boden, Faye Gladys Mayfield, Lola Dennis, Mrs. Marie Fronabarger, Mary Cleo Booth. Jack Durham, Tommye Durham, the hostess and honoree.

Married.

Mr. Eugene Light and Miss Annie dom. last Saturday evening at the Meth- Margaret Miller. Carter, local pastor, performing the by Vivian Davis. marriage ceremony. The young couple resides north of Merkel.

Mr. C. L. Brown, one of the earliest | pel, by Cullen Tittle. settlers in all this section, who resides in the upper end of Mulberry Parrack. Canyon, was in the city one day this week, dropping in to renew his subscription to the Mail. He reports lin, were over first of the week for crops very short out his way, but lit- a visit with the former's parents, Mr. tle rain falling in his community since and Mrs. Sam Winter and other continue closing at 6 o'clock from toearly spring.

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Thompson were made man and wife 1. The country and its people, by ding party. Invited guests were Miss-

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6. A Chinese Bible Drill, by Alvin

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"CAMPUS FLIRT" COMEDY CLASSIC

Leave it to Bebe Daniels to burst orth with something new! Paramount's apt comedienne, as dainty and charming as ever, is with us again-this time with a comedy that should win an honorary degree.

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Bebe's story concerns itself with the activities of a college girl who "high hats" everyone failing to come up to her own ridiculous standard. The girl's subsequent treatment at the hands of her fellow students provides one with a laugh each second.

How she defeats Charlie Paddock, "world's fastest human," playing a featured role; how she refuses to "walk home" from a boat ride, and any of a hundred other situations, will keep you in hysterics. El Brendel's inimitable cavorting with Minnie, his pet mouse, is a comedy classic. James Hall, the third featured player, makes a creditable screen

"The Campus Flirt," directed by Clarence Badger, sparkles with genuine campus atmosphere, Photographed at the University of California, its track meet scenes made members of the audience stand right up in their

The titles, works of art in themselves, were written by Ruth Goldberg

Watts-Johnson Wedding Party

Announcement of the marriage of Miss Ruth Watts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Watts, was made on Wednesday evening, August 10, at nine o'clock at the home of the bride's parents in Bettis/ Heights, with Rev. McCarter, pastor of the First Methodist Church announcing.

Immediately friends and relatives responded to the invitation to attend an informal party and much to their surprise when they entered the room ceremony. An embankment of flowers made a pretty background and altar for the impressive ring ceremony. A lsohn's wedding march played by Mrs. nephew of the bride. Next came Miss a regular reader of this paper, has Edna Watts, sister of the bride, wear- our thanks for his renewal. ing a dress of pale green georgette. attended by Mr. James Brown. Then On Monday afternoon Miss Dur- The Peter Pan Bridge Club was en- bride was charming in a dress of palest orchid and lavender shades of street from Queen Theatre. georgette and tafetta with accessories ond surprise of the evening for the Park in Wyoming. guests was when Rev. McCarter an-

> After congratulations the bride paused long enough in the dining room to cut the cake before donning a traveling suit of gray with red felt hat, and slipping away.

An informal wedding reception was Subject: "In the Flowery King- held. Misses Lillian and Gladys Watts served cake and punch to the wedes Maurine Tipton, Evelyn Curb, Mr. Milligan, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Thorn-3. Chinese boys, by Jackie Slater. | ton, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Clark, Mr. 4. Chinese girls, by Sarah Sheppard and Mrs. Claud Dye, Mr. and Mrs. 5 Chinese Eager to hear the gos- Tom Allday, W. H. Johnson of Big Spring.

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