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AUTOMOBILE BUILDING AND EXHIBIT HALL PLAN NEW FREE FEATURES

Dallas, Texas — (Special) — Confronted with the fact that the attractions at the State Fair of Texas, October 8 to 23, are to be so many and varied, the exhibitors in the Automobile Building and in the Exhibit Hall, where the commercial displays are shown, have suddenly sprung into action and have organized to make their two buildings so attractive that each will get its share of the million people expected to attend the fair, regardless of the pulling power of the other shows, exhibits and entertainments.

The result of this will be a series of displays, entertainments and attractions in those two buildings which will make each one of them a fair in itself. The automobile men have planned several startling stunts devised to draw the crowds, while the commercial exhibitors claim to have up their sleeves a surprise attraction which will make their building the most popular on the grounds.

All this means more entertainment for the man who enters the gates. His only difficulty will be to find the time to see all that there is to be seen. There is no longer any doubt in the minds of anyone familiar with the situation that the 1927 State Fair is to be the greatest and the best ever held. There will be better agricultural exhibits, there will be the largest and most complete livestock show ever held in the Southwest, there will be shows and entertainments galore, and now even the exhibitors are coming to the front with plans to make a good show still better.

FIVE FAST RUNNING HORSE RACES EVERY DAY EXCEPT SUNDAY



"When you come to the State Fair in October," says Otto Herold, director in charge of the Horse Department of that great show window of Texas, "if it is horse racing you like you will have your fill this year."

"There will be five fast-running races every day except Sundays. There will be whippet races every day and evening, and whippet or greyhound races are new to Texas. There will be one of the best horse shows ever produced here, with famous exhibitors from all over America. There will be polo games between fast teams from Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas cities."

Free "Ringside Seats"

"And if you don't feel like taking a seat in the grandstand, you can drive your car up to the rail around the new three-quarter mile track and watch the races while seated in your own auto. If you are in the grandstand, however, you will get a closer view of the whippet races and will see the Hippodrome show, on which we will spend many thousands of dollars for your entertainment."

"There will be 10 big-time acts, all of them new to Texas. And there will be day and night fireworks, a famous band with several fine singers, plenty of clowns and everything the directors could think of to send you back home more than satisfied and with a feeling that the amusements at the State Fair were better than you had ever seen anywhere."

STYLES IN CATTLE CHANGE LIKE WOMEN'S CLOTHES



Dallas, Tex.—(Special)—"Styles in cattle change, just as surely as do the styles in women's clothes — tho not, perhaps, so suddenly," says Henry C. Barlow, superintendent of the Shorthorn Division of the cattle show at the State Fair of Texas.

"Can you remember the old-fashioned kind, that paraded the tanbark at the State Fair, 40 years ago? They were called 'Durhams' then—a long-legged, long-necked, uneven-bodied animal. But he was a vast advance upon the old Longhorn, and he filled the bill for his time and age."

"What a difference today! Your modern Shorthorn is a short-legged, deep-bodied, even-fleshed beast, which matures in half the time of the older kinds and this with no sacrifice of milking qualities—the ideal 'farmers' cow.'"

Shorthorns, Jerseys and all other preferred breeds of beef and dairy cattle will be shown at the State Fair, October 8 to 23. It is claimed that the Jersey show alone will be the largest ever held in the United States. Famous breeders from all over the country will show the most famous animals, champions all of them.

The swine show will out-top anything ever held at the State Fair, as the interest in hog raising is growing by leaps and bounds, it is said. Sheep and goats also will be better represented than ever. The sheep industry of Texas is expected soon to outrank that of any other state.



THE ALL-TEXAS DINNER WILL BE GREAT FEATURE OF PRESS DAY AT TEXAS STATE FAIR



The "Special Days" announced for the State Fair of Texas this year are as follows:

- Saturday, Oct. 8—Opening Day.
- Sunday, Oct. 9—All-Church Day.
- Monday, Oct. 10—Press Day, Agricultural Exhibitors' Day, All-Texas Dinner, honoring Newspaper Men and exhibitors in Agricultural Department.
- Tuesday, Oct. 11—Dallas Day, Red Men's Day.
- Friday, Oct. 14—Children's Day.
- Saturday, Oct. 15—Traveling Men's Day, All-College Day.
- Sunday, Oct. 16—Spanish War Veterans' Day.
- Monday, Oct. 17—Dairy Day.
- Wednesday, Oct. 19—Kentucky Day.
- Thursday, Oct. 20—Academy Day.
- Friday, Oct. 21—R. O. T. C. Day.
- Saturday, Oct. 22—University of Missouri Day, American Bankers' Day.
- Sunday, Oct. 23—Fraternity Day, American Legion Day, Closing Day.

Other "Special Days" will be announced later. The All-Texas dinner, which is to be one of the features of Press Day, Monday, October 10, will be a banquet at which everything served at the tables—and there will be an astonishing variety of foods—will be a Texas product. Each article of food served will be of the very best prize-winning products, in fact, gathered for this purpose from every part of the state.

This will include every variety of fine meats, chickens, fruits, vegetables, preserves, jellies, pastry, ice creams, sherbets and so on down the line—the best that Texas raises—the whole making a bill of fare that to print which would take about two columns in an average newspaper. The guests at this dinner will be the newspaper men and their wives and families, exhibitors in the Agricultural and Livestock Departments and county agents. It is to be an annual affair hereafter.



The Merkel Mail will pay 6c per pound for good clean rags. tf

WITHIN A VERY FEW DAYS

the movement of our cotton crop will be in full blast—the condition of the crop in this territory may have deteriorated considerably in the past two weeks but in the meantime the price has been steadily advancing and we confidently anticipate a prosperous season.

"We're Waiting to Wait On You"

willing to assist in every way possible—whether you market your crop thru the Farm Bureau or whether you sell it to the local buyers. In either event we want your business and are better equipped than ever before to handle your account.

We have at all times an abundance of change on hand for your picker's pay roll and we are anxious to make them up for you.

Cotton checks drawn on other banks in this territory will be cheerfully handled here.

Our tellers are fast and accurate, at the same time courteous and attentive to your wishes.

If your radio isn't working and you want to know the condition of the market before you bring that bale to town—phone us, No. 126.

THE OLD RELIABLE

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Merkel, Texas

Mrs. H. T. Merritt, wife of Editor Merritt of the Hale Center American, is in the city this week visiting relatives and friends.

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

Mrs. Virgil Touchstone and daughter, Mollie Frank, are spending the week in Chillicothe.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Wyatt, of Midland, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Weidenbach this week.

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

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That's why thousands and thousands have already bought the new Chrysler "52." That is why scores of thousands more will buy it. That is why, once you see it and try it, you will not even consider any other car of equal price.

Coupe, \$725; Roadster (with rumble seat), \$725; 2-door Sedan, \$735; 4-door Sedan, \$795; De Luxe Sedan, \$875; f.o.b. Detroit, subject to current Federal excise tax. Chrysler dealers are in position to extend the convenience of time payments. Ask about Chrysler's attractive plan. All Chrysler cars have the additional protection against theft of the Fedco System of numbering.

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Merkel, Texas

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Wild Horse Elimination Sought by Cattle Men

San Francisco.—The last of their type, wild horses of the once "wild" West are becoming victims of a campaign of extermination, because of their encroachments on civilization.

Thousands of these wild mustangs, descendants of those used by Indians, before the advent of the white man in the West, have roamed in small bands from their mountain wilderness into sparsely settled country to prey upon the grass of cattle and sheep ranges. Stockmen, co-operating with forest rangers, have formed wild horse hunting parties, with the result that in Utah recently more than 1,000 were eliminated and in Nevada a campaign netted 1,238.

In the north coast section of California the wild horse problem has become so serious a conference has been called to outline plans for extermination. Similar action has been taken in Idaho and Montana. The horses are declared to be of no economic worth and their elimination of decided value to cattle and sheepmen.

Making a Thorough Job

"Dear Harold," wrote his ex-sweet-heart, "as you are probably aware, I am to be married to Mr. Blank the coming month. I shall, therefore, appreciate it if you will burn all the little notes I sent you, assuring you of reciprocity with regard to those you sent me."

"Dear Dorothy," he replied promptly, "I shall certainly comply with your request at once. And, incidentally, as your fiancé holds a few notes of mine, I shall deem it a great favor if you will induce him to burn them with the rest."

WALTER BURTON SAYS

Walter Burton, known to every poultry man in America as the superintendent of the Poultry Department of the State Fair of Texas, has a message for his Texas friends. He asks us to say this:

"Boys, take my word for it, the State Fair this Fall will be so much better in every way than ever before that I am urging you, with all the earnestness that I can command, to begin right now to get your birds in condition for the greatest poultry show you ever saw!

No matter what your past experience has been, be sure to show this Fall. If you have been winning, don't be content to rest upon your laurels. A win this Fall will mean more than ever before.

If you have not been entirely successful, try again next October. Begin to look your flock over at once. Pick out the likeliest birds and get them in shape. You may win a higher prize than last year.

And if you never have shown, don't miss this chance. Get into the game when it will mean the most to you."

Parted 24 Years, 3

Reunited by Letter

Philadelphia.—But for a letter opened by mistake Henry J. Littrell, seventy, of Alavista, Va., might never have been reunited here with his two sons, who have mourned him as dead for 25 years.

Some twenty-five years ago a storm and flood razed a small town in the Middle West where Mr. Littrell had taken up his residence, and after it abated he had vanished. Although the sons searched for his body for days, they never found it. Some time later he was declared "dead" by the courts and his estate was disposed of.

Two weeks ago James Littrell, Jr., a grandson, was taking a business trip through Virginia. He had requested his associates to address his mail to general delivery along the route he proposed to pursue.

At Roanoke he received a letter addressed to "Littrell," with the first name erased. Believing it to be his own, he opened it.

Inquiries at the post office disclosed that the letter must have been meant for Henry J. Littrell. The younger Littrell decided to deliver the letter to the person it had been sent to. The old man and the young man began to talk and before long discov-

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Well I guess that shouldn't make us feel bad when we think of Merkel's five big gins running night and day and when we remember that we have by far the largest stock of merchandise that we have ever carried already in the store, bought before any advance which will enable us to sell goods this fall at prices that we can't hope to duplicate again soon.

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CALLIN' THE HOGS



Texas has just as talented hog-callers as there are in the world. Perhaps if we were to have an opportunity to put our champion up against the champions of the states in the effete east we would win hands down.

Trouble is we don't know just who is the

champion of Texas. That difficulty will disappear, however, because a hog-calling contest is "on the slate" of the State Fair of Texas this Fall. Besides the money prize for the winners, there will be a gold medal for the champion.

Applications to enter this contest, which will be the first to be held in Texas, are coming in already and, strange to say, the very first entry was a "city fellow," Bob Pool, one of the assistant managers of the Adolphus Hotel at Dallas. But Bob is nationally proud of the fact that he was brought up on a farm in Milam County, where, as he says in his application, "the hogs roamed about in perfect freedom and had to be called at feeding time."

Pool says he may need to "rehearse" a little, but that by the time the fair opens he will be in shape to offer competition to any and all comers from the state of Texas.

The "points" which the judges will take into consideration in determining the winner will be: Individuality, expression of caller, volume, distance, tone, persuasiveness and effectiveness.

Entry blanks and prize list for this contest may be had by addressing Roy Rupard, Secretary of the State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Texas.

The Mail has frequently stressed the value of friendship. There is never any need of real sensible people of good character falling out. People of good sense can differ without anger and one of the first evidences of good sense and good character is the ability to be pleasant and agreeable to all whom you meet.

The West Zone of the Womans Missionary Society of the Abilene District, held an all-day session at Trent Thursday. This zone is composed of all the Methodist Missionary Societies in Abilene together with the Societies of Merkel, Trent, Capps and Blair. Mrs. Thos. Durham is Zone Leader and conducted the meeting on Thursday.

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Merkel public schools start next Monday. Let's get squarely behind our schools at the beginning and stay put until the closing day. Your good word and encouragement will help the able faculty to put the task over in a satisfactory manner. Don't knock our school.

From the Abilene Reporter we gather that the County Commissioners will shortly submit a proposition to vote bonds to complete our highways. It will be hard to find a citizen in Taylor county who is not in favor of good roads.

The Mail believes that the commissioners Court and the Highway Commission will see that the roads are completed at the very earliest date and that the money will be honestly and economically expended. To fail to complete a project on which \$350,000 has already been expended would be a reflection on the business judgment of the voters. Taylor County has less bonded indebtedness than any other county in the state of the same wealth and The Mail is unwilling to believe that it does not equal or surpass the other counties in its desire to be classed among the best in churches, schools and good roads.

An argument which one man urged against the bond issue that he did not own a farm in Taylor County and intended to purchase one near highway number one, and he knew that to vote the bonds would raise the price of land and for that reason he proposed to vote against them.

Mr. Farmer: Bring your cotton to Merkel, you can get it ginned better and cheaper here. You can get a higher price for both the staple and the seed here. You save money here on your ginning and you make money by selling to our buyers. And you don't stop at this—you can find what you need at the various stores and business institutions in this city and you can buy it at a price that is in keeping with the prices offered by merchants any where in this section of the country.

EPWORTH LEAGUE

Subject: Lay preaching a sa means of spreading the Gospel.
Leader, Cora Lee Hulsey.
Hymn 178. Prayer. Hymn 213.
Talk: Lay preaching in the Bible, Tom Allday.
Talk: Reason for Lay Preaching, Floyd Dowell.
Talk: The Inevitableness of Lay preaching, Mrs. Dowell.
Talk: The method of Lay preaching, Anna Lou Russell.
Talk: The joy of lay preaching, Rev. McCarter.
Hymn 225. Business. Benediction.

Canyon News

A good many of the Canyon folks are just recovering from a siege of sold which was contracted last weekend and the first few days of this week probably due to the extremely hot days being followed up by cool nights.

The nice showers which came Saturday night and Sunday were appreciated as they didn't seem to do any damage. In some places there is enough moisture to bring up grain and there is quite a bit of grain being sown in the Canyon.

Cotton picking is still in full sway. It is quite interesting to see the great amount of cotton being hauled thru the canyon as it comes off the divide on its way to the good market which Blair and Merkel have to offer this year.

A No. 1 road from Merkel through the Canyon to the Divide country would mean much to Merkel; What do you say, City Boosters!

Those Canyon folks who fail to attend the Thursday night prayer-meet-great blessings.

Bro. Lowrey of Abilene filled his regular appointment at Live Oak Baptist Church Saturday night and Sunday. Next Sunday is preaching day at Nubia Methodist church and the Canyon Center Mission Sunday School is contemplating visiting the morning service and having the Sunday School before preaching at the church house. Every one is invited to attend and take part. Also remember the Live Oak Baptist Sunday School and the Methodist at White Church. Yours truly, Canyon Booster.

COPELAND BROTHERS SHOW HERE NEXT WEEK

"Toby is coming to town," and with him the Copeland Brothers tent show. Every one in Merkel knows Copeland Brothers. They have played Merkel many times. This year the company is bigger, the music snappier and the list of plays is made of the best Toby comedies, said the manager.

"A feature of the show this year is little Baby Barbara, Toby's little girl," said the manager. "This little five year old tot has developed into a real performer, playing the most important parts in several of the plays as well as presenting vaudeville specialties."

Copeland Brothers will play Merkel all next week, starting Monday.

NOW

is a good time to have those portraits made before the Fall Holiday rush

Make an appointment today

"Should you die tomorrow, would you leave a good portrait for your family?"

RODDEN STUDIO

Sept. 12, playing under the auspices of the Merkel Fire Department.

Mr. Earl Baze has accepted a position on the sales force of Brackeen-Hughes Chevrolet Company. He will be glad to meet his friends at the new location.

Mr. J. E. Hendricks and family left first of the week for Lamesa, where they will make their home in the future. Mr. Hendricks and family are fine folks and have many friends here who wish the health, happiness and prosperity in their new home.

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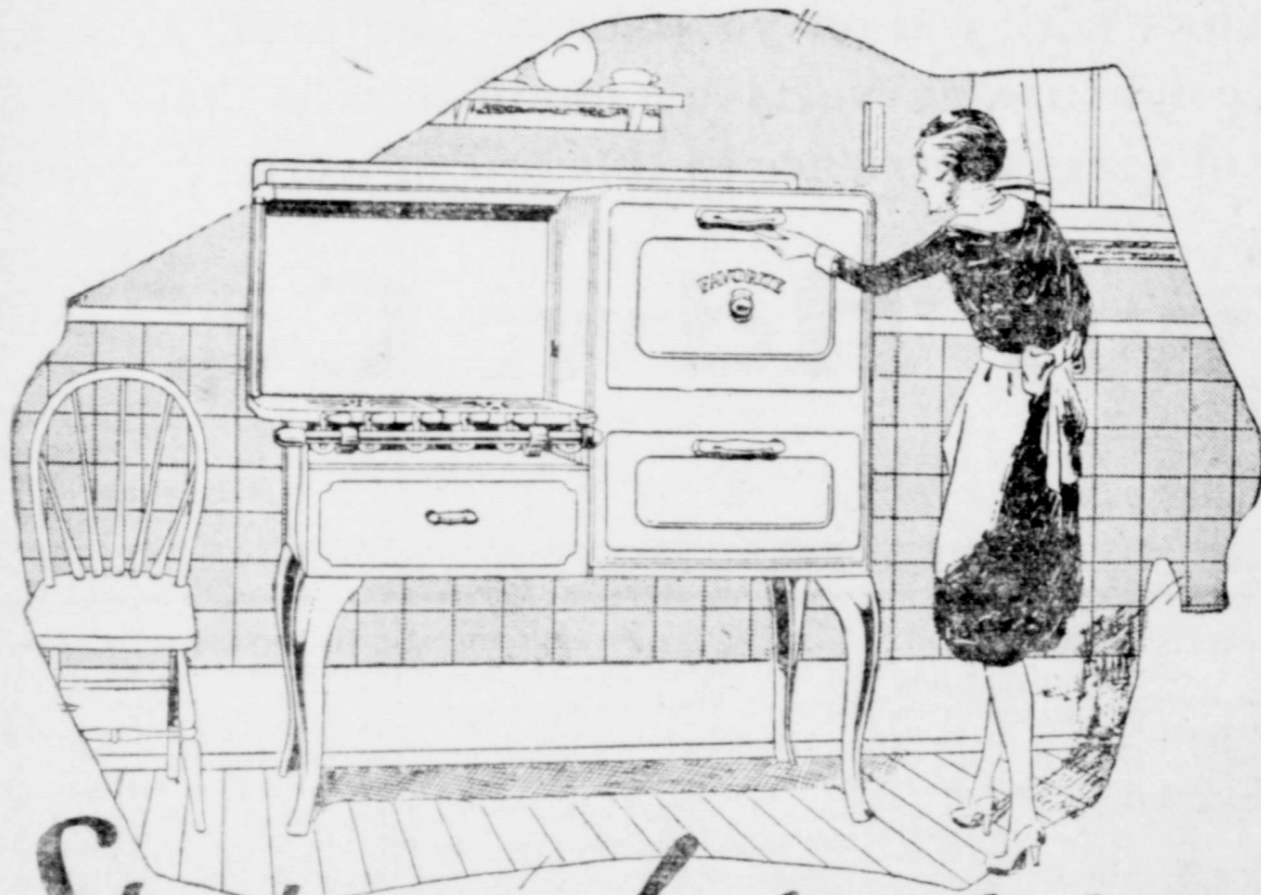
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ROCKERS SEWING MACHINES VICTROLAS
 PIANOS (used) CARRYOLAS PHONOGRAPHS

Blair Items

The hot dry weather still continues
 and a water famine is in evidence as
 many farmers are hauling stock
 water and for home use.

Mrs. Alice Helemes and children of
 Winters visited her parents, Mr. and
 Mrs. Eli Brooks the past week-end.

Mr. Sam Provine, who visited his
 daughter, Mrs. Reed Cox, of El Paso,
 and his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Bur-
 ton Provine, of New Mexico, the past
 month returned home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Doan of Rotan
 visited Mr. and Mrs. James Doan and
 other relatives last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hughes motored
 to Trent Sunday and visited relatives
 at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Scroggins and
 daughters, Francis and Nell, were the
 guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Spears
 and daughter, Zuma, Sunday.

The Methodist Sunday School
 members and teachers were entertain-
 ed in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J.
 Orsborn Saturday afternoon. After a
 pleasant social hour, refreshments of
 ice cream, cake, lemonade and water-
 melons were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Berfiend and
 children visited Mr. and Mrs. John
 Neighbors and daughter, Noma, Sun-
 day.

Bailey and Waltter Meeks of Ham-
 lin visited their grandmother, Mrs.
 R. L. Meeks, and other relatives the
 past week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Farmer and
 family visited in the home of Mrs.
 H. Eddie Farmer Sunday.

**ABILENE FIRE CHIEF
 PAYS MERKEL VISIT**

Mr. F. J. Ferrier, Abilene's very
 efficient Fire Chief, who, being reared
 in this city, and better known as
 Frank, was indeed a pleasant visitor
 on Thursday among his many friends
 and while here dopped around to the
 Merkel Mail office and ordered the
 "old home town paper" sent to his ad-
 dress at 402 Cedar Street, Abilene.

MRS. RIDER'S CLASS

Mrs. Samuel J. Rider will open her
 class Wednesday at the home of Mrs.
 W. A. McSpadden, in Voice, Piano,
 Wind Instruments and string instru-
 ments. It

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

Baptist Missionary Society

The Womans Missionary Society of
 the Baptist church met in business
 and royal service program at the
 church Tuesday afternoon at four.
 With a good crowd present we hope
 to double our number, so please re-
 member the time. And on the first
 Tuesday in October has been named
 as the day to sew for Buckner's Or-
 phans Home. The home is asking for
 sheets and towels at this time. So
 please remember and come for an all-
 day meeting at the church.

There is lots of news in the Classi-
 fied Columns. Read it every week.

Hon. Ed V. White, Dean of the Col-
 lege of Industrial Arts at Denton,
 Texas, with Mr. Comer Clay of Abi-
 lene, were visitors among many
 friends in Merkel last Sunday, among
 whom were Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Shep-
 pard, J. T. Warren and others. Mr.
 White, one of the outstanding edu-
 cators of the state, was reared in this
 city, and has many close and admir-
 ing friends here.

Miss Lorena Dry left Saturday for
 Ennis, Texas, where she will teach in
 the public schools. This will be Miss
 Dry's third year to teach in this
 school.

Rev. and Mrs. W. R. McCarter re-
 turned last week from a trip to Dal-
 las, where Mrs. McCarter had been to
 consult a specialist; she having been
 in poor health for some time. We are
 glad to report to their many friends
 that at this writing she is improving
 very nicely.

Messrs. Eli Case and Percy Jones
 of this city and Mr. G. L. Anderson
 of the Nubia community, are valuably
 serving on the Grand Jury this week.
 They are the best of citizens and
 therefore make the best of grand
 jurymen.

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Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dowell and Mrs. E. P. Beene visited relatives in Callahan County Sunday.

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Misses Doris and Hallie Pike and Mrs. Denizil Cox are visiting in Breckenridge this week.

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Great Musicians Pick Way to Dinky Quarters.

Atlanta, Ga.—All the world's a stage for Mays Badgett. In it he humbly plays the part of a violin maker.

His shop, two stories above Atlanta's busiest corner, is dinky. About his bench is a confused ensemble of musical instruments. The clatter of traffic pounds in through dusty windows. But Badgett, as he works away with the knowledge that the proof of the fiddle is in the playing, would not trade his shop for a palace.

Famous personages of the musical world have made a beaten path to his place. Once a year he has a big party attended by members of the Metropolitan Opera company. Once Badgett gave a bear supper to 600 guests, including the opera stars, Sousa's band and southern artists.

Artists who sing and play for the public for thousands of dollars perform for Badgett between courses. Occasionally the party is broadcast and opera goes rush away from the auditorium to reach their radios for two more hours of music by the stars. Proudly displayed by the violin maker is a letter from Eugene Yasay, praising his instruments. David Love, New York conductor; Fritz Schaeffer and Henri Georgia of the Metropolitan orchestra, and Richard Schlieffen of the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music are among those who use his violins.

One of Badgett's latest violins was made from a bedstead of curly maple more than two hundred years old. Badgett's wife is an expert string maker.

"Cherub" Had Own Idea of Grandpa's Thoughts

A young mother paid a visit to the cemetery to lay a small floral offering upon the grave of her father-in-law. She took with her on this occasion her four-year-old son, who is angelic of countenance but never misses a trick, and registers everything he hears, including swear words.

Passing another family plot where the resting place of a leading citizen was entirely covered with fresh blossoms, the four-year-old demanded to know who it was.

"Why, that is Jack's grandpa," answered the mother.

The small boy waited a moment and then asked: "Do you know what my grandpa would say if he came back?" "Why, yes," was the cautious response of the young mother, but inwardly quaking. "He would say, 'How is my little grandson today?'"

The golden-haired cherub looking his mother in the eye, replied: "No, mother, grandpa would say, 'Where in — are all MY flowers?'"—Los Angeles Times.

20 Families Kin to Pre-Conquest Saxons

London.—The controversy as to the tallest family tree in England reached a climax when A. G. Fox Davis, genealogist, and Sir Francis Galton, anthropologist and Darwin's cousin, came out recently with authoritative comment.

Mr. Davis declared there were 20 families who have direct descent from Saxon ancestry before the Conquest, while 35 descended through the male line from ancestors who rode in the ships of William the Conqueror. None is yet bold enough to say how Caesar's galleys figured. Sir Francis Galton, in writing "The Ancestral Law," calculates that a man descended from a Norman baron, assuming a weight of 100 pounds, contains one-fiftieth of a grain of blue Norman blood, which hardly seems enough to fuss about.

Going back to 1066, it was ascertained that a person born in the early part of the Twentieth century has 67,108,876 ancestors, while nearly half of the actual ancestors—33,554,432—are accounted for during the Norman conquest, which is greater than the estimated population of western Europe of the year 1100.

Flying Boats in Orient to Serve Meals at Bar

London.—Extensive flying tests are being made by Imperial Airways pilots in Singapore in a Rolls Royce flying boat—a large, all-metal aircraft built for the air industry to co-operate with the fleet at sea and it is now an item of that two all metal flying boats will be built to make experimental flights over the Calcutta-Rangoon section projected on an empire air route connecting London with Australia.

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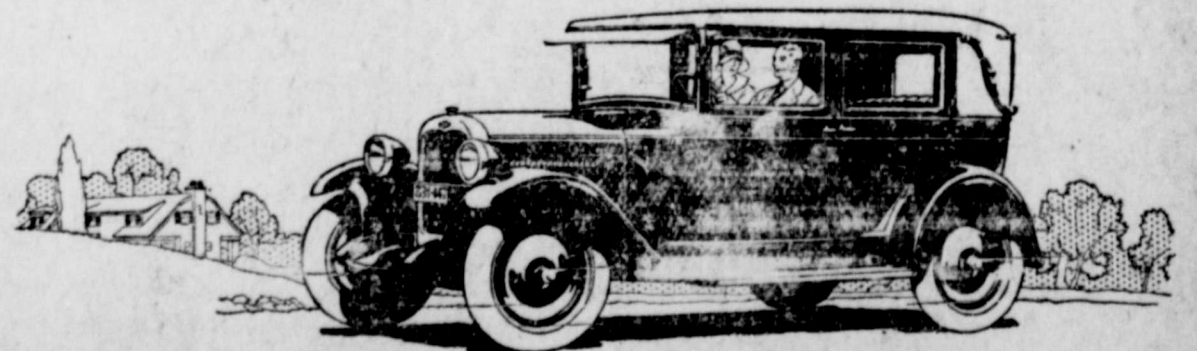
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EVANGELINE'S EDEN ENGULFED BY FLOOD

Acadians Again Driven From Their Homes.

Washington.—The United States' sixth Great Lake, the Lake of the Mississippi, larger than Ontario or Erie, has engulfed the Evangeline country.

When it broke the Atchafalaya river's west dikes, the flood lake roiled its shores over and beyond St. Martin and St. Landry parishes.

"Again the Acadians have been driven from their homes," says a bulletin of the National Geographic society from its Washington headquarters. "And the disaster is greater, by number of sufferers, than that visited upon Evangeline's people in her time."

"Only 8,000 Acadians were expelled from Nova Scotia in 1765 by Massachusetts and British bayonets to be scattered over the earth from Detroit to Corsica and Cayenne. Fifteen hundred of them found their way to New Orleans; many pushed on to Bayou Teche, 150 miles west. There they increased to some 150,000, occupying 15 parishes, or counties, when the flood spread over their homes, towns, and lands.

Beautiful is the land, with its prairies and forests of fruit trees; Under the feet a garden of flowers, and the bluest of heavens Bending above, and resting its dome on the walls of the forest. They who dwell there name it the Eden of Louisiana. . . . All year 'round the orange groves are in blossom; and grass grows More in a single night than a whole Canadian summer.

Turn to Stock Raising.

"For a poet, Longfellow's geography is fairly good. Basil, the Acadian blacksmith, has become a herdsman in 'Evangeline.' Most of the refugees in 1765 did turn to stock raising with a few cattle given to them by charitable French merchants of New Orleans. Descendants of the Acadians gave up stock raising for sugar cane when Etienne de Bore, a Louisianian, discovered how to crystallize sugar from cane syrup. They have helped to make Atchafalaya valley the Sugar Bowl of Louisiana.

"The route over which Longfellow takes Evangeline serves very well for a visitor today. Fifteen miles below Baton Rouge, where,

Sweeps with majestic curve the river away to the eastward. They, too swerved from their course; and entering the Bayou of Plaquemine, were lost in a maze of sluggish and devious waters.

"This bayou admits to the 'lakes of the Atchafalaya,' where 'water lilies in myriads rocked on the slight undulations,' and rocked for years until the Mississippi broke through, threatening to make the Atchafalaya river its real mouth instead of an abandoned one.

"How Evangeline got to Bayou Teche, the poem does not clearly relate. Many swamp lanes communicate. The Bayou Teche parallels the Atchafalaya, but it is a true river out of the reach of swamps and bordered by Druid oaks. The two early centers of Acadian settlement were Opelousas and St. Martinsville on the banks of the Teche. Now the flood has reached St. Martinsville for the first time in history and swirls at the foot of the 'Evangeline' oak where her boatman landed. An Acadian descendant gave the Evangeline oak, with 150 acres of land, for a state park.

"While to readers of 'Evangeline' the inhabitants of southwest Louisiana are still Acadians, to Louisianians they are 'Cajans' or 'Cajuns,' a corruption of Acadian. Four kinds of Frenchmen inhabit the state: the Creoles, natives of French and Spanish descent; Frenchmen, who were born in France; the San Domingan Creoles, and finally the Nova Scotian Acadians, the 'Cajans.

"The typical Creole frequents the city; the 'Cajan' remains a countryman.

Raise Perique Tobacco.

"The savor of the 'Cajan coast comes to us even though we never travel there. It rises steaming from chicken gumbo soup—real gumbo soup—a 'Cajan' creation. It rides on the blue smoke wreaths from many pipes, for perique tobacco is also a 'Cajan' product.

"Under the sad banners of Spanish moss waving on Evangeline's oak at St. Martinsville, one hears a different ending to the story Longfellow has given us in verse.

"Evangeline's real name was Emmerline Labiche, 'Cajans' say, and Gabriel was Louis Arconeaux. They were deported on separate ships, but Emmerline landed in Maryland. Emmerline heard that Louis was in Louisiana, so she set out to reach him, and after many hardships came to St. Martinsville.

"Gabriel had gone, according to Longfellow, but Louis was there. In fact, local legend holds Emmerline rushed to Louis, the first person she saw at the landing. Louis told her, gently, that he had despaired of seeing her again. He had married. When she heard this her arms slipped from his neck. Her mind became blank. Emmerline day by day grew more frail. She drooped and died. This is the 'Cajan' story.

"They buried her in the little churchyard near the tree where she found Louis; the little churchyard where water now laps at the ancient graves. She has slept there undisturbed beside the bright bayou where bloom acres of sky-blue water-lilies in years when there is no flood."

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After several tricks were played on the guests a dainty refreshment plate of cherry topped ice cream and angel food squares was served to the following guests and club members: Mesdames Billie Cobb, W. L. Johns Jr., Claud Dye, H. L. McCandless, Geo. T. Moore, Dowell, Wilcox, Wright, Wagner and Miss Evelyn Miller of Anson.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt gratitude to our many neighbors and friends who stood by us so loyally and so kindly assisted us during the sickness and death of Mr. Elmore. The kind expressions of sympathy and numerous favors have helped us very much to bear the bereavement. May the rich blessings of our Lord be with

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Mr. Elmore lived in Stonewall county for many years, but for the past three years has been living with his daughter, Mrs. E. L. Frazier. He is survived by his wife and three children, as follows: George Elmore and Mrs. Ellie Galbreath of Wichita Falls, and Mrs. E. L. Frazier of White Church. He was a member of the Methodist Church and had been for many years.

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We invite people without church home or preference to attend our services.

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All leagues meet at 7 p.m. Union services Sunday night and Bro. Walker, pastor of the Presbyterian church will preach.

As this service was postponed and is the last of the kind for the season we hope it will be well attended.

W. R. McCARTER.

Messrs. H. F. Tickle, superintendent, and H. G. Rike, timekeeper, of the Community Natural Gas Company of Dallas, arrived this week and have been busy starting off the work of laying the mains for natural gas throughout the city. They are very courteous young men and have a crew of workmen who seem to be going to put the job over in a hurry. They expect to finish here by October first, the weather being favorable.

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DRAMATIC HIT OF THE SEASON AT QUEEN

One of the outstanding dramas of the season, "The Prince of Headwaiters," with Lewis Stone, Priscilla Bonner, Lilyan Tashman, Ann Rork, Robert Agnew and E. J. Ratcliffe heading a remarkable cast, is the feature photoplay at the Queen Theatre this week.

If you have a desire for genuine entertainment, you will enjoy "The Prince of Headwaiters." The story is unusual in its dramatic angles. The outstanding character is Lewis Stone, as Pierre, the headwaiter of the Ritz in New York.

The photoplay is Jane Murfin's adaptation of the Garrett Fort story of Liberty Magazine, John Francis Dillon, who directed "Flaming Youth" and other First National hits, is the director.

Sam E. Rork, producer of "Ponjola," "Old Loves and New," "The Lady" and other features for First National Pictures, produced "The Prince of Headwaiters." It is his outstanding picture of the year, and one which no true lover of the screen can afford to miss.

Methodist Missionary Society

The Womans Missionary Society had a splendid meeting Monday afternoon with 14 members and two visitors present. Bro. McCarter conducted the devotional. In the absence of both the president and vice president, Mrs. Armstrong conducted the meeting, holding the regular monthly business session. Miss Hazel Lee Rainbolt, who had recently visited the Methodist girls' camp at Palo Duro Canyon gave a very interesting talk on the camp. New mission study books, "New paths for old purposes," were distributed. Mrs. McCarter will use the first chapter in the study for a lesson next Monday.

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STATE FAIR MAY SHOW BRONZE STATUES OF THE PIONEER WOMAN



The men and women of Texas, descendants of pioneer mothers, may have a chance to see and vote upon the twelve models of "The Pioneer Woman," the gigantic bronze statue, which is to be erected upon the plains of Oklahoma by E. W. Marland, public-spirited oil man, of Ponca City, Oklahoma.

Mr. Marland, noting that statues and memorials had been erected to such pioneer heroes as Sam Houston, Davy Crockett, Dan'l Boone, Kit Carson and others, but that no one had thought of a fitting memorial to the brave women who labored, fought, prayed and conquered at the side of their husbands during the winning of the West, decided to erect such a tribute to the heroic mothers of pioneer America.

He set aside \$400,000.00 to be used in the erection of a bronze statue, about 60 feet high, to be placed near a national highway running through the plains of the Cherokee Strip, the last public lands opened to settlement. He commissioned 12 of America's most eminent sculptors to make, each a model of his idea of a statue typifying his conception. These 12 models are now finished and, through the kindness of Mr. Marland, are being shown in several of the large Eastern cities. Those who view them are asked to vote upon which one he or she believes to be the best design.

President Harry Olmsted, of the State Fair of Texas, which opens at Dallas October 8, has requested Mr. Marland to send the statues to the State Fair, where a million of the descendants of the same type of pioneer mothers may have a chance to see them and vote upon them.

Mr. Marland, who wishes the choice to be a popular rather than a purely artistic one, at once saw the point of Mr. Olmsted's request and promised to try and rearrange the route of the models so that Texas may have them for at least two weeks. It is hoped that definite announcement may be made soon.

THE FARMER AND HIS WIFE GET THE MOST GOOD OUT OF THE STATE FAIR



"The farmer and the man and woman from the small town are the only persons who really see the State Fair of Texas," is the rather startling statement made by one of the fair officials in a recent interview.

A little thought will show that this official is right. The man or woman from Dallas jumps in his auto and goes out to one of the big football games or to the New York show in the Auditorium. After the game or after the show he hurries home—and thinks he has seen the State Fair!

"It is no wonder that some of such people say that they can find little that is new at the fair," continued the official. "On the other hand, the man or woman from the farm or the ranch or from the cities and towns surrounding Dallas, comes to the fair to make a day of it. Many of them make two or three trips, for they find, at the first trip, that there is far too much to be seen to take in and properly study in a single day."

"The farmer and his wife get the most good out of the fair. They come in to study the exhibits. They spend all the time they can in the agricultural building, always finding something new and always learning, learning, learning. They go on to the live stock buildings and they see everything, absorbing valuable knowledge at every stop."

"Or the woman visits the domestic science exhibits and there learns how to improve upon her skill at canning, and the many other household arts. Between times, they visit this or that show or amusement and at the end of the day they have found that their trip has been not only pleasant but highly profitably as well."

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Business Girls Enjoy Water Melon Feast

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Dr. Frank Armstrong and wife of Fort Worth spent the week-end here visiting his parents, Dr. and Mrs. M. Armstrong.

Trent Church of Christ

We have secured the services of Bro. C. A. Collins of Merkel for our regular church work through the coming months. We are enjoying a good attendance at every service, and we invite you, especially if you live in or around Trent, to come and be with us.

Bible Study each Sunday 10 a.m.

Preaching each Sunday 11 a.m.

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Subject next Sunday night, "Commis-

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