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# TEXAS JOINS IN LANDSLIDE FOR HOOVER

## FOUR PRODUCING WELLS THIS WEEK IN MERKEL AREA

Independent Oil and Gas Smith No. 1 Swabbing Around 1,000 Barrels; Windham No. 1 is Making 250 Barrels,

Three new oil wells in the Merkel oil area last week and four more this

Ind. Oil and Gas Co., Smith No. 1, north of the Bickley, which came in estimated loss of \$150,000. Monday, is reported swabbing at around 1,000 barrels.

ser-Pendleton, Grayson B-1, in outheast corner of the north 70 , has completed rebuilding the rig mich was torn down when an effort was mode to run the casing, and is reported swabbing at around 200 bar-

TEXAS CO. WELL PRODUCER.

Texas Co., Carter No. 1, in the Tiner area, was drilled in Tuesday, and is swabbing aroud 700 barrels.

Phillips Petroleum, Windham No. 1, was reported Thursday as swabbing at around 250 barrels. This producer bers of the force have been indicted is in the Noodle Creek field. Two more at Borger for alleged malfeasance in locations have been announced for Phillips Petroleum.

McMan Oil and Gas, in the Bickley area, was reported Thursday as drilling in.

WATCH HUDSPETH WELL.

Atkinson & Sandefer, Hudspeth No. 1, two miles north and west of the watched by oil operators, since the governor. showing has been excellent, and it is pointed out that if this well proves a producer, the extension of the field will mean operations on a big scale. The drill has now reached a depth of

The Grisham & Hunter test, on the Trent, is being watched with interest, density press. at a reported depth of 2420 feet. This well, if it proves a producer, as many oil men believe it will, means an extension of production to the south for about six miles. According to oil men in touch with the situation, the showing has been excellent in this test.

The large number of recent completions in the Merkel area has resulted in gossip among well posted oil men that the big pool, of which it is believed the fifty or more producing wells are now a part, has not yet been punctured. It is the belief of a number who are on the ground that the number of producing wells now in proves conclusively that a mammoth pool is near by. This belief is strengthened by the fact that the wells vary but little in production.

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According to well informed oil men, ed, and the extension of drilling opdoubtedly puncture the big pool which so many believe exists in the Merkel

## **PUTMAN IS HERE** FOR GAME TODAY Merkel Man Proves

Merkel vs. Putman this afternoon, beginning at 3:45, on the local field. Football interest for Merkel High strong Anson team. While the Bad- growing of this delicious fruit. gers were defeated 6 to 0 in the game | Mr. Wells brought to the Mail ofolks."

be an interesting contest. Be there get them!" d lend encouragement to the local

Warren School Opening. ne Warren school, four and onemiles northeast of Merkel, opens early fall." Monday for the fall term, with d succesful term.

L CARNIVAL AT TYE. carnival will be given at ie is cordially invited.

## **Keeping Up** With Texas

A \$750,000 road bond issue was defeated in Montague county by about

Sam H. Hancock, 69, native born citizen of Lamar county, died recently at Paris.

A modern hatchery is to be installed at Stamford with an incubator of 52,-000-egg capacity.

Five business buildings were destroyed by fire at Clarksville with

Midland women have taken over the job of the biggest clean-up campaign in the city's history.

C. B. Sutherland, 70, said to be the oldest undertaker in Texas, died at his Corsicana home last week.

Houston continues to lead all other Texas cities in building permits for the year with a total of \$29,688,182.

Dr. A. J. Moncrief of Decatur, Ga., has been called to the pastorate of the First Baptist church of Sherman.

The chief of police and two mem-

Ben Reeves, 55, died at Sherman after being stricken with nose bleed, soon becoming unconscious and never

The Coleman Lions club has been presented with its charter by T. N. Smith production, is being closely Caswell of Abilene, district deputy

> Shortly after he had watched two trees crush his daughter, 32, to death,

Wilburn Watson, compress employe, was killed at Paris when he caught Stevens tract, two miles south of his head in the lever arms of a high

> ed when a passenger train hit the was given unanimous endorsement. truck in which they were riding.

Three persons were severely burnby spontaneous combustion of alcohol.

New trials have been refused lyCde Thompson and Thomas Davis, both convicted on charges of murder growing out of the killing of Lucian Shook

A six-story office building is to be erected at San Angelo by C. C. Mc-Burnett, who operates two hotels in San Angelo, and one in Brady, Coleman and Temple.

J. H. Hendrix, Houston carpenter, the number of wells now being drill- was shot to death and his wife severely beaten at the farm home of John erations in every direction, will un- Swilley, near Liberty. Swilley is charged with murder.

> Mrs. Annie Loving Roach, 81, pioneer settler of Parker county, died last week at Weatherford. She was the daughter of Oliver Loving, pioneer cattleman and frontiersman.

#### Adaptability of This Section For Fruit

R. B. Wells, living just inside the feat of Clyde and the excellent game city limits on the north side of town, hotel committee, said that the propo- Worth. displayed by the locals Thursday af- has some bearing fig trees that mark ternoon of last week against the this section as well adapted to the

with Anson, the class of football they fice this week samples of the figs, building of the new hotel a redisplayed entitles them to much credit which were of unusual size and fine ality. und liberal patronage from the "home quality. Both trees are loaded, he says, with a heavy growth of young The game this afternoon promises figs coming on "if the frost does not senior, told the Lions club members

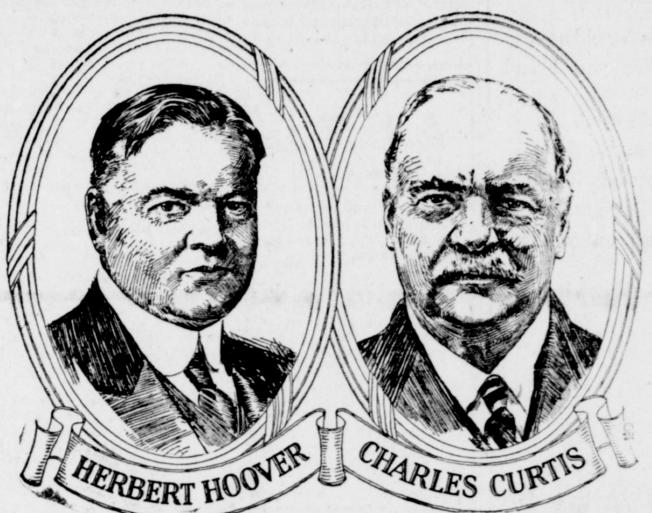
ed with this second crop, after we had the school. He asked that the class already realized a bountoous yield in be given the co-operation of the busi-

Both the figs and the grapes are t prospects for a large attend- from nursery stock set out three years ago.

> HERBERT AND ALFRED. Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 8 .- This

pel house tenight, spen- city has presidential twins. Tye P. T. A. An inter- Two boys born today to the wife am has been arranged, of Patrolman onrad Fullbright, were named Herbert and Alfred.

## Nation's Choice for President and Vice-President



#### LIONS CLUB TO STAGE MINSTREL

Names Committee to Arrange For Show: Will Boost Merkel High Football Team.

in Bowie county, Walter Springer died strel show to be given in Merkel on the world war falls this year on Sun- kel Tuesday afternoon for George Mil- was disappointing to even the most a date vet to be selected.

At the Tuesday meeting a committee consisting of Chas. Jones, E. Yates Brown and Byers Petty was appointed to have charge of the arrangements, enlist the talent and decide on Mrs. T. N. Thomas and Raymond the date. President L. B. Scott sug-Parton, both of Iowa Park, were kill- gested the minstrel, and the proposal Mr. Scott stated that other Lions clubs in near-by towns had proffered ed in a jewelry store fire at Wichita assistance to the local club in the Falls, believed to have been caused way of costumes and the necessary paraphernalia.

BOOST FOOTBALL.

Booth Warren, T. G. Bragg and Stanley Johnson were named as a committee to devise ways and means whereby the football team representing Merkel High be given every assistance to the end that the 1929 team will be the equal and have accommodations as good as that enjoyed by a town received much benefit in the way of advertising from its football team, and that it was the duty of Merkel to aid the team representing its High School in every way possible. It is probable that arrangements will be made for sodding the playing field, water. new uniforms purchased, and assistance given the coach in assembling was agreed that it was too late to inaugurate all the contemplated improvements this season, but that 1929 would see Merkel solidly behind its football team.

been abandoned, and that the committee was doing everything possible to devise ways and means to make the

PLANS FOR ANNUAL. Raymond Earthman, High School of plans of the graduating class for "We are now enjoying our second ."The Badger," high school annual, decrop of ripe grapes of the season," claring that it was hoped to make it Mr. Wells said. "The vines are load- truly representative of Merkel and

> Lee Darden of Miss Fracy's public muniastically applauded.

ness men to this end.

DIALOGUE IN SONG. A humorous dialogue in song picfured a conversation between the two presidential candidates, Al Smith and

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#### Merkel Business Houses to Observe Armistic Monday

The Lions club, with member representatives from practically every business concern in Merkel, voted at the meeting held Tuesday to close their places of business next Monday in observice of Armistice day, since the The Lions club will sponsor a min- date formally marking the close of

Lions club, observance of Armistice Reeves was hit by a car driven by ansas, Georgia, Louisiana, Massachuday in Merkel promises to be city- passing motorists while he was on the setts. Rhode Island and South Carowide.

ed services in honor of the day Sun-

#### MERKEL CATTLE SALES GROWING

Sale and shipment of fine cattle from Merkel in the past few weeks reveals the growing importance of this section as the home of fine stock.

Among recent deals was the deliv-Strawn. Collins Bros. delivered 375 calves to

The steer calves were shipped to Sylvester and the steer calves to Sweet-The Laney calves were all of their

own raising and the Collins calves and maintaining a cretitable team. It were partly their own and the remainder from the herds of J. M. Chaney and Malone Bros.

Clyde Sears of Merkel has recently sold 100 good calves to parties at R. O. Anderson, reporting for the ped one car of mixed cattle to Fort eleven miles south of Merkel. Both

## Voices Appreciation

the Merkel Booster Band. The very of the Mexican's head. first note gives us a thrill; we quick- It was reported at the time that the into two sections under the names of en our step, really feel excited as the Mexican's body was carried into the Blues and Reds. Sie Hamm is capband comes marching down the street. streets of Lawn and riddled with tain of the Blues and Dr. H. P. Hul-Their playing shows efficient teach- bullets by enraged citizens, then sey heads the Reds. The contest is to ing and practice. Merkel should be taken to Abilene and tied on the side last through November, the winning proud of her band. It denotes a pro- of a car. Later it was brought to Mer- side to. eat turkey and all the accesgressive spirit and up-to-date town, kel and shown on the streets here. as the occupational statistics show that music ranks fifth among all prospeaking class favored the clab with fessions (and first of the fine arts.) two readings, both of which were en- Music literally recreates the whole in try Chifton Brown, Baird railroad in the contest, the Blues led by sev-

MRS. WILL D. WILLIAMS. Merkel, Texas.

paign to last one year.

#### **GEORGE REEVES** DIES IN CRASH

Merkel Man Killed at Sweetwater by Automobile; Funeral Services Held Here.

ler Reeves, age 26, son of Mrs. G. L. enthusiastic regulars. According to Numbers of merchants had already Reeves of Merkel. Death resulted latest indications, Alfred E. Smith, signified their intention of closing from injuries received at Sweetwater democratic nominee, carried only sev-Monday, and with the action of the late Sunday afternoon, when Mr. en states, these being Alabama, Arkground making repairs to his own car. lina, with a total electoral vote of 87. Some of the churches have announc- He died in a Sweetwater hospital ear- Incomplete returns indicate that Hooly Monday morning, where it was re- ver was victor in all other states, with ported that his head was badly lacerated and both legs broken, in addition to internal injuries.

Charges of murder have been filed at Sweetwater against Richard Slack and Frank Smith, said to have occupied the car alleged to have caused the death of Mr. Reeves.

Besides his mother, deceased is survived by his wife, Mrs. Hester Reeves, and two children, Doris Hazel and G. M. Jr.; six brothers, Jess, Buster, Othel, Etton, all of Merkel; Omar, ery of 180 calves by W. H. Laney & Woodbury, N. J.; Dock, Sweetwater; any other team in towns of similar Sons to J. J. Parks of Strawn. The Mrs. Lee Dickerson, Mrs. John Cross, size. In bringing the matter before heifer calves were shipped to the Fort Rotan; Mrs. Earl Walker, Mrs. John the club, President Scott stated that Worth market and the steer calves to Jones, Misses Hazel and Alice Reeves, all of Merkel. V

The body was brought to Merkel Ed. B. Beck & Son of Sylvester. All Tuesday by the Barrow Undertaking were of high bred Hereford stock. Co. and funeral services were conduct- ed, in a statement, that State Chaired by Rev. Ira L. Parrack, pastor of man D. W. Wilcox of Georgetown, Merkel Baptist church, assisted by who announced before election that Rev. Lawrence Fitzgerald, pastor of bolters could not vote in democratic the church at Tye.

FATHER MET TRAGIC DEATH.

It will be récalled that Geo. Reeves, who was constable of the Merkel precinct, was killed March 24, 1925, being shot by a Mexican whom he and Sheriff W. W. Satterwhite of Big Bradshaw. Ellerbee & Lackey ship- Spring were attempting to arrest, officers were killed by the Mexican, who was later captured while in hiding in a box car on a siding along Merkel Booster Band the Santa Fe railroad at Lawn. Dynamite was brought into use to oust topic with members of the Lions club Perhaps you were one of the wast the Mexican from his barricaded at the present time, occasioned by the number of people who, on last Friday hiding place, demolishing one end of attendance contest inaugurated at the evening, listened to the concert of the freight car and blowing off part meeting this week.

JURY IN BAIRD TRIAL.

witchman, charged with murder in eral points. The Blues flaunted badthe death of R. C. Coleman, fellow ges reading, "Oh You Bean Raters," raffred employe, here last June, was while the Reds countered with completed in 42nd district court at badge reading, "No Beans For Us." Coleman business men are formu- noon and the introduction of evidence Much interest has been created, lating a co-operative advertising cam- began at the afternoon session of which premises to increase at each

#### STATE GOES FOR G. O. P. NOMINEE WITH HEAVY VOTE

Returns Indicate Texas in Hoover Column by Approximately 25,000; Taylor County Gives Republican Vote of 2 to 1.

For the first time in history, the Texas electoral vote will be cast for the republican presidential and vicepresidential nominees.

Tuesday's election saw the Lone Star state switch from the record it has maintained for many years as the banner democratic state and cast its vote for Herbert Hoover along with forty other states which contributed to giving the republican candidate the most far-reaching landslide in the history of American politics.

STATE TICKET ELECTED. Although undoubtedly republican

on its presidential selection, the state continued overwhelmingly democraticon other offices, assuring the re-election of Governor Dan Moody by a massive majority over his republican opponent, W. H. Holmes; electing Tom Connally as United States senator over T. M. Kennerly and choosing 17 democratic representatives inthe 18 districts involved.

Hoover's early lead, resulting fromheavy majorities in the large centers, continued its snowball increase as the rural vote piled in. Democratic leaders had expected the rural vote to overcome the republican nominee's city vote, but their expectations were not fulfielled in many instances.

SMITH VOTE LIGHT.

Funeral services were held in Mer- The democratic vote in the nation a total electoral vote of 444.

HOOVER LEADS IN TEXAS:

Late tabulations of the Texas vote, with approximately 650,000 ballots accounted for, show Hoover is leading his democratic opponent by about 20,-000 votes.

Taylor county joined with the rest of the state in giving Hoover a heavy vote. Out of 5,005 votes cast, Smith received 1,943, and Hoover 4,062, a majority of slightly more than 2 to 1. In the Merkel box Smith received 156. votes and Hoover 419.

#### Colquitt Calls For Party Reorganization

Dallas, Tex., Nov. 8 .- Former Governor O. B. Colquitt, Dallas, demandprimaries, resign. Colquitt also said that other regular leaders who supported Smith, and "Tammany Hall,"

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#### TURKEY VS. BEANS ABSORBS LIONS

Turkey vs. beans is the absorbing

The membership has been divided series, while on the opposite side of the table the lesers will have to be satisfied with beans and water. At Baird, Tex., Nov. 8 .- The jury to this week's meeting, the first to count

meeting of the dub.

## SAVE AND YOUPROSPER

There is something about the little word save That preaches a sermon that makes you be-

The saving of youth conserves for old age, It character builds and makes you broad

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#### WHAT'S DOING In West Texas

The Red River District Convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce will be held at Decatur on November 23. Decatur, Archer City, Burkburnett, Iowa Park, Electra. Wichita Falls, Denton, Bowie, Henrietta, Throckmorton, Vernon, and intervening points are in this district.

The Friona Women's club is sponsoring a move to secure the services ing with heating fixtures, and new of a county health nurse for the purpose of assisting in and directing the

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WHEN OTHERS FAIL TRY

health inspection of the pupils of the schools of the county.

The plant for the Mills County Cheese and Butter company that has been under construction at Goldthwaite is nearing completion and will soon be ready for operation. The plant has a capacity for handling 10,-000 pounds of milk.

Sanitary conditions in Brady will be much improved by paving of all alleys in the business district which will start soon. The city council recently went on record to defray all expenses for the project.

By improving an old school buildequipment, the Petersburg school system has been able to care for all of its scholastics without expending an amount of the school finances.

To incourage the voting of bonds for the building of the Petrolium Highway, Big Lakes Lions Club gave three prizes for the best essays on "Why Reagan County Should Have Good Roads." Twenty seven dollars and fifty cents comprised the sum of the prizes.

Attractive premiums are provided in the catalogue of the annual San Saba County Mid-Winter Poultry show at San Saba to be held December 11th to 15th. F. L. Brown is secre-

Two highways are being built into Stamford, one Highway 18 from the Shackelford County line will be completed by the end of the year, the othr. Highway No. 30 will be constructed of concrete from the Haskel county line to within five miles of Anson.

The Big American La-France chemical fire truck recently acquired by Estelline at an cost of more than \$5,750 will reduce the fire insurance policies by more than \$3000,00 in one year. A volunteer fire department is to be organized in the near future.

Sabinal is experiencing a steady growth. The Uvalde Cream & Dairy company is installing additional ice cream machinery. Work is to start At Hamm Drug Co. soon on the post office building and a MERKEL, TEXAS new brick and tile building is going up in the business district.

The laying of the natural gas lines All Watches and Jewery Repairing by the Miami Gas Company in the city limits will be completed soon ac-line will serve Mobeetie, Laketon, and

> The first prize of \$10.00 to be given to the Mobeetie high school students writing the best essay about the hisby the West Texas Chamber of Com- constitutional by the supreme court of

#### Bodies of Two Women Found in Corn Field

Mrs. Bessie Lynch, 21, and Mrs. Cleo stantial difference between the two Denton, 19, Dallas, were found at the edge of a corn field three miles west of Dallas Sunday.

Both skulls had been crushed and there was a knife wound in Mrs. Denton's throat. Apparently the women had been killed late Saturday afternoon or early Sunday-morning.

Two boys, hunting pecans in the vicinity, stumbled upon one of the bodies and immediately telephoned detectives, who later discovered the other. Both women apparently had been beaten to death with some tool from an automobile. The stab wound in Mrs. Denton's neck was not considered serious enough to have caused

#### Sunday Shows Are Halted at Texarkana

Texarkana, Tex., Nov. 8 .- Motion picture theater machines of Texarkana which have operated since Sept. 30 in defiance of the law prohibiting Sunday movies, did not flicker last Sunday as the result of a temporary injunction granted by District Judge Hugh Carney. Petition for the injunction was filed by the district at-

In the last stand of local authorities against Sunday movies was seen the inception of a fight that might reach tatewide preportions.

The petition asked that the defendant, Saenger Theaters, Onc., be theardved, its night to de business in Texas be senceled, and he corporation license in the state be annulled. A fine for the operation was also de-

Bargaine: We have connections with oil companies, on the okers and invotors in real estate. It will pay on to list your holdings with us. Thompson and Boswell

STATEMENT of CONDITION

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#### Farmers & Merchants National Bank Merkel, Texas

Close of Business October 3rd, 1928

#### RESOURCES

Loans, Time and Demand\$	368,485.14
Bills of Exchange (Cotton)	16,450.26
Overdrafts	2,440.62
Furniture and Fixtures	6,750.00
5% Redemption Fund	312.50
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	2.250.00

Cash, Sight Exchange and U. S. Bonds (owned)

190,270.42

\$ 586,958.94

Capital Stock	50,000.00
Surplus	25,000.00
Undivided Profits	15,784.46
Circulation	6,250.00
Borrowed Money	NONE
Bills Payable	NONE
Rediscounts	NONE

DEPOSITS

489,924.48 \$ 586,958.94

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#### Hold Chain Store

New York, Nov . 8 .- Legislation tory of Fort Elliot which is located a taxing chain stores doing business in few miles from the town will be given North Carolina has been declared un-

The law which has been declared to be in conflict with both State and Federal Constitutions, taxed operators of six or more stores and exempted those With Skulls Crushed operating less than six. The court Strictly Confidential. You drive car, held that this classification for tax- pay back in easy monthly payments. Dallas, Tex., Nov. 8 .- The bodies of ation was founded on no real and sub-

classes; that it was arbitrary and un-Tax Unconstitutional of equal protection under the laws of just, and that it deprived merchants

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#### FOOTBALL RESULTS.

HIGH SCHOOL Sweetwater 6 at Big Spring 0. Stamford 6 at Haskell 0. Snyder 18 at Lamesa 12 Ballinger 32, Santa Annna 0. Anson 6, Merkel 0. Mineral Wells 6, Strawn 0. Odessa 63, Pecos 0. Waco 55, Woodrow Wilson (Dallas)

Eastland 19, Brownwood13. Breckenridge 40, Stephenville 0. Cleburne 12, Temple 2. COLLEGE

Austin College 6, Simmons Univer- night. sity 0.

Howard Payne College 25, Trinity University 2. Daniel Baker 0, Texas Tech 0 (tie).

S. M. U. 6, Texas 2. Rice 6, Southwestern 14. T. C. U. 6, Baylor 7. Arkansas 7, Louisiona State 0. Texas Aggies 44, North Texas Teachers 0.

Colgate 14, Wabash 6. Yale 18, Darmouth 0. Amherst 13, Mass Aggies 0. Pittsburg 18, Syracuse 0. Michigan 3, Illinois 0. Harvard 39, Lehigh 0. Ohio State 6, Princeton 6 (tié) Florida 71, Sewanee 6. Iowa State 13, Oklahoma 0. Michigan State 6, Mississippi ggies 6 (tie)

Missouri 0, Drake 6. New York University 2, George-

Army 38, Depaw 12. Navy 7, West Virginia Weslyan 0. Georgia Tech 32, Oglethorpe 7. Virginia 20, Washington and Lee 13 Northwestern 10, Minesota 9. Vanderbilt 14, Kentucky 7. Chicago 13, Pennsylvania 20. Kansas 0. Nebraska 20. Wisconsin 15, Alabama 0. Penn State 0, Notre Dame 9. North Carolina 6, North Carolina State 6 (tie) Purdue 19, Case 0.

Birmingham Southern 0, Centenary 0 (tie) Tulane 27, Millsap 0.

Give us a chance to prove to you the superior quality of our meats and we believe you will become one of our

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ints

regular customers. Baker & Wheeler

#### **Dora Doings**

Well here we are again after two days sunshine; everyone anxious to get through with this little wormy cotton that we have on our hands.

Mrs.. Howard Howolwell is on the sick list this week.

Brit Lynn and Sy Dennis received telegrams Tuesday morning that Mr. Lynn of Gridley, Cal., died Sunday night and would be laid to rest at Slater's Chapel Friday morning. Rev. Garner filled his regular appointment here Sunday and Sunday

Two of the new school busses have arrived and are real nice and com-

fortable looking. The pie supper and hamburger day put on by the P. T. A. was a most decided success. In all, we made \$230 and we are especially grateful for all who took part, and especially the business firms in Sweetwater that so generously donated hamburger meat, ing apparel and dishes to auction off. in the state.

We will use this money in trying to get proper books and equipment to classify our school.

Mrs. F. A. McGee is suffering with a serious case of rheumatism, being unable to walk.

week-end here with her son, O. S. Moore and family.

ered pecans on the Concho Friday and

The farmers are using these damp days to haul and stack feed.

For Sale: Service that pays in such matters as insurance-rentals-farm loan, real estate, leases and royalty. Thompson and Boswell.

Wanted-To buy maize heads. Sam Swann

It is estimated that there are about 20,000,000 chickens on the farms of

Texas consumes in its mills only buns, as well as soda water as wear- about 2.5 per cent of the cotton grown

## Beautiful Actress ... Countless Admirers

-The secret of her blasted life told for the first time

MAGDA, the saintly," her friends called her. For though this beautiful actress had countless admirers, she steadfastly refused to let the slightest suspicion of love or romance enter her life.

Then something happened. The treacherous tongue of scandal linked her name in an ugly way with that of a man of great social prominence. For some strange reason Magda neither denied nor confirmed these

rumors. The poison spread. One by one her friends deserted her. Even her youthful protegee, a young man in the cast whom she had encouraged and helped with all her strength, publicly denounced her as unfit for decent people to associate with. Had he known the truth he would have

December

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for December The Forgotten
Commandment
The Wife Who
Forgot About Love
First in a Woman's Life
My Husband's
Strange Secret
What I Can Never Forget -and nine

cut out his tongue rather than breathe a word against her character. Then Magda's play suddenly closed.

Crushed and in despair, she sought out the man responsible for her wrecked reputation, and threatened to expose him-to tell the world the "I dare you to!" he snarled through

evil lips. And Magda knew her fight had just begun. Until now, the sensational truth about the venomous scandal which

blasted her life has remained securely locked in Magda's aching, grief-torn heart. But now her story can be told. It is en-titled "Beyond the Pale," and appears complete in December True Story Magazine.

Tune in on the True Story How broadcast every Friday night over WOR and the Co-lumbia chain. Consult Your Paper for Exact Time.

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## At All Newsstands—only 25c

The preaching at Compere Sunday was well attended and Brother Par-Grandma Moore of Hylton spent the rack delivered an excellent sermon. The singing Sunday night at Zions but is doing well now. was also well attended.

Cliff Penny and John Dudley gath- | . Every one in this community is very next Sunday afternoon; so everybody | Try a Classified Ad in the Mail

their desire to get all their cotton out spirit for singing. while the weather is pretty. Our school teacher has arrived

ready for the school.

Mrs. Boyd Tarply was ill last week,

The singing will be at Compere

busy picking cotton this week as it is invited to come and be in good Pierce Horton is giving his friends the pleasure of riding in his new Whippet.

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BAND CONCERT SPECIAL

## BAND CONCERT

On Streets of Merkel FRIDAY NIGHT, NOV. 9th

(Dedicated to Trent and Blair Trade Territory)

## 7:30 to 8:30 o'clock

This is the fourth of a series of Band Concerts given each Friday and dedicated to the Merkel Trade Territory.

PROGRAM

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#### ACCIDENT RESPONSIBILITY.

Notwithstanding the fact that rail- Expecting 10,000 to riads have reduced fatal accidents to employes 57 per cent during the last fifteen years, accidents at railroad grade crossings have greatly increased during the same period, according to President Crowley of the New York Central lines.

Thus the repsponsibility, in large measure, for grade crossing accidents, witness the annual Armistice day is due to carefulness of automobile football game between the Simmons drivers. One needs only to travel our Cowboys and the Trinity Tigers. It principal highways to observe the will be homecoming day for Simmons chance taker at the steering wheel, alumni and ex-students. passes other motorists on the road Tigers for the first time in many without the warning signal, and years. This fact, coupled with the "hogs" the road as though the earth other disappointments which the Cowand all it contained belonged to him. boys have lately suffered in the Texas With the rapid increase of automo- conference, will send a bunch of hard bile drivers, at no distant date some- fighting Cowboys on the field next thing will have to be done to make Monday. Although the Tigers and the careless and the inconsiderate au- the Cowboys are out of the conference tomobile driver respect the rights of race for the present, they are both others. We have our road rules and members of the loop, and this will add our campaigns of safety education, interest to the game. a motor driven vehicle on our city at the annual homeco streets and on the highways.

jured. In 1927, after fourteen years ager at Simmons. of earnest effort to prevent accidents, including constant urging of employes Mrs. Billy Sheppard to be careful, 1,427 employes were killed and 83,883 injured. That is, by systematic effort, the number of employes killed was reduced 57 per cent and the number injured 51 per cent, uate of the Marinello school at Dallas, although the business of the railroads has opened a Marinello shop in the greatly increased during that time. rear of the Merkel Drug Co.

"In startling contrast with this encouraging showing is the fact that the latest machinery for the most apthe number of persons killed at high- proved work known to beauty speciwas 1,125, while in 1927 the total had vites the ladies of the Merkel section increased to 2,371."

ively reached their employes, while automobile drivers continue, through sheer carelessness or disregard of adequate warnings and safety devices, to signed banks will close our doors in ing fatalities

Thanksgiving and Christmas are in accordance. just around the corner. There's always something of interest to claim our attention and to keep our loose change in circulation.

Nothing stirs a people like a redhot political campaign such as we have just witnessed. If only we could get the same interest and effort in buildtion of a more profitable market for

It will be the coming together of men who have had a prominent part in the affairs of this section, embracing fifteen counties contiguous to Merkel.

The benefits to accrue to Merkel by reason of the assemblage of this group of men depends altogether on the effort put forth by the citizenship of the town. Hospitality from every resident both in word and deed will make each delegate glad that he attended the meeting here, and glad that he voted to bring the convention to Merkel.

It is the first time Merkel has been honored with a meeting of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. In the last two years the prestige of the town has been immeasurably enhanced by the oil field only a few miles to the north. The visitors will want to see this field, with its producing wells and mnumerable tests, and the people of Merkel. will be anxious for them to see the activity in this section. They will go away with a better idea of the possibilities of Merkel, and in future meetings will be better able to point to our advantages.

The Lions club has appointed committees to look after the local arrangements and the entertainment of the visitors, but the occasion demands the undivided support of every citisen. It is an opportunity to acquaint representative citizens of a wide area with the fact that Merkel has taken on new life and is marching toward

still further achievement. The advice of this group of men, and the exchange of ideas, will mean much to Merkel. Let's all join to-

gether to the end that the Merkel meeting will be one of the most profitable as well as pleasant in the history of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

while, we can now turn our thoughts tendance of pupils and a number of ing San Marcos and San Antonio. to football.

If only half the things said about men on opposition sides in the recent campaign are true, we are in a bad way for political leaders.

#### See Simmons-Trinity Game on November 12

Abilene, Tex., Nov. 12 .- Over 10,-000 students, exes, alumni and visitors are expected to meet at Simmons University here on November 12, to

He rushes across railroad tracks, Last year the Cowboys lost to the

but these are worthless when the Last year 7,000 witnessed the game careless driver is allowed to operate with Howard Payne on Thanksgiving "Safety work was first undertaken mons, more accommodations can be on the railroads in 1913," says Mr. given. Tickets have already gone on \*Crowley. "In that year 3,553 em- sale and reservations can be made ployes were killed and 170,239 in through G. B. Sandefer, athletic man-

## Opens Beauty Shop

Mrs. Billy Sheppard, a recent grad-

Appointments are of the best, with way crossing on the railroads in 1913 alists. Mrs. Sheppard cordially into call and inspect the new shop.

> CLOSE ARMISTICE DAY then is Armistice day, the undernotice and make their arrangements

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## Putman School Opens

parents and visitors.

on the advantages of modern educa- ly plentiful. In South Texas worms tional facilities. H. L. Hailey of A. have done heavy damage to cotton, C. C. addressed the pupils on the sub- reducing the yield about one-third. ject of making the best of what you have. Miss Mary Hale of Abilene nature, Mr. Boswell reports that he Perkins, secretary of the board of trustees, and Sam Butman Jr.

Miss Elna Hale, Abilene, is principal, and Miss Novis J. Whitaker, Dora, primary teacher.

The first Parent-Teachers' meeting will be Friday night, Nov. 16. Everyone is invited to come and take part.

The Dallas Power and Light Co. is planning an addition to its generating Special Clubbing Offer plant to cost \$2,750,000. Wanted-To buy maize heads.

Texas had an increase of 45 per ent in its natural gas production in

Neil Hamilton.

Artists' Picture.

Sam Swann

#### C. L. Boswell Visits With Fair Attendance | His Old "Home Town"

C. L. Boswell returned Saturday The Butman school, district No. 28, night from a trip to his old home at opened Monday, Nov. 5, with consid- Blooming Grove, in Navarro county, With politics out of the way for a erable interest. There was a fair at- and to points in South Texas, includ-

Mr. Boswell reports crop conditions The following program was enjoy- exceptionally good in the central part ed by those present: Opening song, of the state. Farmers, he says, have 'America." Prayer. Cadmus Brown raised plenty of feed to last until anof Abilene made an interesting talk other crop, and that cotton is unusual-

While the trip was of business gave a reading which was enjoyed by received much pleasure from meeting all. Other talks were made by W. C. many old friends in Navarro county.

> Wanted-To buy maize heads. Sam Swann

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(Instead 4:20 P. M.)

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#### THE BADGER WEEKLY

Published weekly by the students of Merkel High School and sponsored by the Junior Class of '29-Vera Baker sponsor.

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in the Grammar school auditorium the ding music. public speaking Class sponsored by What She Says" (a little comedy of with the class of 1926. home), and "The Girl" (a drama).

Dust of the Road.

Peter Steele	Etycle Spurgin
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the Library.

#### CHAPEL PROGRAM.

On last Monday morning the defeat. following chapel program was renderæd.

"The More We Get Together the progress this period. Happier We'll Be."

"The Eyes of Texas Are Upon You" "Let Me Call You Sweetheart."

for passing school work."

No. 2. Be sure you manage to get kel 0.

Miss Brown gave me so much that

I simply could not get to yours." No. 4. "I just can't learn that old algreba anyway. There's no use for

Mr. Davis made a talk regarding the football team.

PRINCIPAL OF HIGH SCHOOL

TO BE MARRIED.

Melvin S. Davis, our principal and coach, is to be married to Miss Lorena Hood of Abilene Sunday, November 11

The wedding is to take place at the home of the bride's parents, 1710 Hickory street, with Rev. W. T. Hamon of Anson to perform the cere-

Miss Hood has selected for her attendants Mrs. J. M. Green of De Leon, who will be matron of honor: Miss Oralena Hood, who will serve as maid of honor; Miss Betty Joe Green, also of De Leon, who will be flower girl. Tommie McCollum of Hereford will be Mr. Davis' attendant. Nuptial music will be given by Miss Glenna Fae Grant, who will sing "I Love you Truly," with Miss Ruth Rossen to

On Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock, | play her accompaniment and the wed-

public three one act plays, "Dust of students at Simmons University, Leeton, Chancey, Fleming. the Road" (a drama) "Mary Means from where they were both graduated

#### THEATRE PARTY.

Leon McDonald Guitar, J. D. Ashby, Norman Slaon, home, with Gilbert S. Sandefer enter-Helen McCormic Finis Cade, Horton Williams, John B. taining the group later at the Paul Howard Smith Hughes, Jeff Chancy, Lee Darden, Whiteman orchestra concert.

demonstration of Mr. Neismuth's tales, New Mexico. rick Cawley Raymond Earth- support of the team.

Robert Riney BADGERS ARE DEFEATED

Thursday, November 1, the Bad-The proceeds of the plays will go to gers were defeated by the Anson Badgers did excellent work, but because of hard breaks, went down in

Merkel received the ball and made several first downs. Anson tightened up and the Badgers were held for

In the second quarter Anson completed a long pass which put the ball A talk by Mr. Burgess, "Sure-Shots down Anson carried it over, but failed to add the extra point. Merkel be-No. 1. "Gripe" at the teacher, say gan the fight and held the Tigers unshe is "no good," pass buck to her. | til the half ended with Anson 6, Mer-

away from home at least four nights | The Badgers made several serious threats to score in the last half, but No. 3. "I just don't have time," were unable to put it over. Nice punts

#### NEW GARAGE & SERVICE STATION

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son's territory many times.

fight the Badgers in the last half so mons that evening.

Every one come out and see them in Routh, Thompson Pickens.

Following is the lineup Merkel will start against Putman: Ashley, Right End; Spurgin, Right Tackle; Darden, the North Side Church of Christ next Right Guard; Swafford and Harris, Sunday at 11 a. m. and at 7:15 p. m. Center; Whiteaker, Left Guard; We had a good day last Sunday. Sheppard, Left Tackle; Sloan and Let's all be there for Sunday school at Harris, Left End; Sloan and Swaf- 10 o'clock. All are welcome. The romance had its beginning ford, Right Half; Williams, Left Miss Lucy Tracy will present to the when Miss Hood and Mr. Davis were Half; Cade, Quarter; Guitar, Full;

#### ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED AT DINNER IN ABILENE.

To announce the engagement and On last Friday evening Mr. Neis- approaching marriage of Miss Lorena in accordance. muth, manager of the Queen Theatre, Hood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. complimented the footboll boys with a Hood of this city, to Melvin S. Davis theatre party, the following seeing of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Burthe picture, "The Hawk's Nest:" nam gave a dinner of beautiful ap-Coach Davis, Captain Boaz, Fred pointments Saturday evening at their track at \$12.00 per ton at car.

Missie Dye Max Swafford, Etcye Spurgin, Harold The couple are to make their home Tula Miller Leeton, William Sheppard, Willie in Merkel where Mr. Davis is princi- paper. There's a message in every one Milton Case Harris, E. L. Turner and Orion Little. pal of the high school. He is the son of them that may enable you to save Clyde Chaney The football boys appreciate this of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Davis of Por- money. At least you will know where

dinner by reading of a telegram by tions, and you also know they appre-Miss Inez Woodward. This message ciate your patronage because they had been held by a group of miniature solicit your business and make spec-"gossiping women," a unique center- ial offers. piece for the dinner table.

pointments and in the menu served in Hamm Drug Company.

were made which put the ball in An- dainty way. Gilbert Sandefer entertained the dinner guests at the Paul The Anson Tigers could not out Whiteman orchestra concert at Sim-

the game ended with Anson 6, Merkel Guests were Misses Lorena Hood, Faye Campbell, Ruth Rosser, Glenna Friday, November 9 the Badgers Fae Grant, Oralena Hood, Inez Woodmeet Putman on their home field. ward, Messrs. Davis Sandefer, Ross

#### CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Elder W. G. Cypert will preach at

CLOSE ARMISTICE DAY. On next Monday, November 12, which is Armistice day, we, the undersigned banks, will close our doors in honor of same, and kindly ask that our friends and patrons please take notice and make their arrangements

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Read the advertisements in this to find what you want without doing The announcement was revealed at a lot of hunting and asking ques-

A color theme of orchid and white NOTICE-If you suffer with a Tigers, on a rain soaked field. The was favored in all details of table ap- Rupture ask to see our Trugses.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE

#### FARMERS STATE BANK,

"Carry Me Back to Old Virginia." downs. Neither team showed much At Merkel, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 3rd day of October. 1928, published in the Merkel Mail, a newspaper printed and published at Merkel, in the State of Texas, on the 9th day of November, 1928. RESOURCES.

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Loans secured by real estate, worth at least twice the amount	
loaned thereon	12,882.30
Overdrafts, undoubtedly good	4,754.46
Bonds, stocks and other securities	260.00
Customers' Bonds held for safekeeping	40,200.00
Real Estate (Banking House)	\$25,000.00
Other Real Estate	4.354.25
Furniture and Fixtures	7,500,00
Cash on hand	7,577.59
Due from approved reserve agents	23,014.80
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check on demand	740.53
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund	2,105.88
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund	2,000.00
Acceptances and Bills of Exchange, undoubtedly good	28,734.36
Other Resources-	
Profit and Loss	841.56

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We will sell a good grade of dress gingham, 3 yds. 25c

#### ALL LADIES' AND CHILDRENS COATS CUT DEEP

One lot Ladies' Coats

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One lot Ladies' Coats

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Such as good heavy knit sweaters for	\$3.95
Men's collar attached white and fancy broadcloth shirts, e	extra special 89c
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Men's fleeced ribbed unions suits, each	95c
Boys' heavy weight union suits, each	85c
Children's union suits, 2 to 12, only	59c

#### EXTRA SPECIAL UNDERWEAR BARGAINS

Ladies' heavy fleeced union suits, long sleeves and ankle length, only	69c
One lot Ladies' no sleeve, ankle length union suits priced each	39c

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One lot Ladie	es' \$5.00 and \$	6.95 shoes	s on sale at		\$2.65
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All Men's work shoes at Big Reductions

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Values to \$12.75 your choice

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BRAGG'S CASH STORF

#### Salt Branch News

Visitors attending singing here Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Tom of Warren, and others.

with about forty pupils in attend- fare. ance. The teachers for this term are Miss Martha Brooks, principal, and Miss Pauline Pinckley, primary.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jaynes visited Mr. and Mrs. Payne Sunday.

J. B. Hamlett of Merkel visited his niece, Mrs. J. L. Pinckley, recently. Miss Bronell Armstring was the

guest Sunday of Miss Gladys Petty. Mr. and Mrs. Dean Higgins were recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lee.

While attending teachers' institute at Abilene last week, Miss Pauline Pinckley was the guest of Miss Martha Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Petty attended the funeral of George Miller Reeves, who was accidentally killed in Sweetter last Sunday night.

Prhe Salt Branch P. T. A. will meet t the school house next Friday night.

#### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. We are planing a service and music in keeping with the Armistic day. Evening service at 7 o'clock. Men's meeting Tuesday evening. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7. Come worhip with us. Visitors always welcome.

Wm. Elliott, Supt. S. S. R. A. Walker, pastor.

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#### CANYON NEWS

Hello, Merkel Mail friends; we have come to visit you.

Butman school opened Monday Spears and daughter, Zinner; Mr. morning with a good attendance and and Mrs. Earl Walker; Mr. and Mrs. considerable interest. Miss Edna Ira Stanley and children of Stith Hale, principal, and Miss Novis J. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Garner and Whitaker assistant. Come on, Parbaby of Noodle; Mr. and Mrs. Will ents! Stand with the teachers and Spurgin and Bill Outlaw of Com- help make your children's school one pere; Mr. and Mrs. Brit Baker, Mr. of the best. Be ready to take part in and Mrs. McCormick and daughters P. T. A. programs; also take time to visit the school. Show your children Salt Branch school began Monday that you are interested in their wel-

> The Parent-Teachers' Association will meet on Friday night, Nov. 16.

A very lively play party was given farms of Texas. by Mrs. Will Butman last Saturday night. There was a large crowd pres-

ent and all reported a very nice time. for several days. We hope that he the money. is soon well again and feeling fine.

Many friends wish to extend sincerest sympathy to the bereaved family of George Miller Reeves.

Mrs. Sam Butman Jr. was badly frightened Monday night when she Try a Classified Ad for Results Drug Co. discovered that she had given her children sodium floride instead of sulphur. The children were immediately taken to Dr. Gardner, who reported there was but very little danger.

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#### The children were sick, but are all Merkelites Visit

T. H. Ransom's brothers, Lonnie and Dude, and nephew, Houston Russom, of Wood county, have been visit-

> ing with relatives in this community. Mrs. George Crow has for some time been at Rogers, Texas, where she is taking medical treatment. The latest report is that she is doing nicely, but it is uncertain how long she will be under the doctor's care.

The Nubia voting box went for Hoover for president, but this was not a surprise to the writer nor to many others.

There are about 750,000 women and girls 10 years old and over on the

#### Horses and Mules.

twenty-five head horses and mules at Uncle Jim Blackburn has been sick the old Hellum yard, for sale, worth

G. M. Byrom.

Typewriting paper at Merkel Mail

## Parents at Paris

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Books returned early this week from a trip to Paris, where they spent a week visiting Mr. Book's father and mother. The gathering resulted in a family reunion, with a brother who is in the navy joining the circle for the week's

Public utility plants of Texas consume almost three billion feet of gas a month in generating electricity.

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Raymond Allen from California is visiting in the homes of M. G. Bryan well at this time. and Joe Nalley.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Altman of Roscoe visited Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Watson

Little Miss Jean Scott, who has been sick the past few days, is reported

are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Reeves.

The High school carnival last Thursday night was pronounced quite a success, despite the inclement weather, and those who attended report a most delightful time.

stopped over en route to San Antonio the old Hellum yard, for sale, worth for a few days visit in the T. L. Stev. the money. ens home. Mrs. Moseley will be remembered here as Lilly Nickols.

On November second John A. Woodward and Miss Ramelle Linebarger surprised their many friends by going to Roscoe where they were mar-

ried by Rev. Young, the Methodist pastor there.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Young and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lowery spent Sunday church. All Baptist churches in with their mother, Mrs. Cousseaux, on White Flat.

Mrs. John West of Merkel visited in Trent last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Martin of Loraine were Trent visitors Sunday.

Miss Maurine Smith opened a kindergarden class at the school building

About ten o'clock Wednesday night, while Frank Stevens was trying to pen a colt, his horse fell with him, breaking three ribs and one bone of his leg. Other bruises were also sustained, but he is reported as going

#### CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank every one for their loving kindness shown us at the sudden death of our dear loved one, George Miller Reeves. Especially do we thank Brother Parrack and Brother Fitzgerald for their wonderful Mr. and Mrs. Lowery of Ft. Worth words of condolence. May God's richest blessings be apon each one.

> Mrs. George M. Reeves and children Mrs. George L. Reeves and Children Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Blackburn and family.

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who wish to help redeem Baptist honor. A cordial invitation is extended to all friends to attend this or any other service at the church. Our ushers are glad to welcome visitors and strangers. All regular services during the week.

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er, and J. S. Phillips, commercial pilet harness for sale. operating between here and Amarillo,

lene torch was used to cut portions of Rev. C. E. Matthews, the pastor. fuselage which pinned Phillips' body in the debris. The machine belonged to Spill, who lately took up aviation.

#### Heavy Exide Battery Shipment Goes With Byrd Expedition

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"Another interesting use for storage batteries on this exposition will be for engine starting and ignition on the snow tractors, which Commander Byrd is taking with him. And still another set of Exides will be used for starting the engine in the electric power plant which will furnish the light and power at the main base."

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## Wagon and Team As

Fort Worth, Tex., Nov. 8 .- The Travis Avenue Baptist church has a

S. T. Smith, Seminary Hill, a memoline tank of their airplane burst and and wagon to the church when a specaught fire as they were landing at cial offering was taken to pay an outthe municipal airport here. Both were standing debt on the church building.

a team of mules I can spare, so take the annual county teachers' institute The plane was wrecked. An acety- them for my offering," Smith told

to use or keep the team and wagon, was selected secretary-treasurer. the only thing to do was to sell them, the pastor explained. The money rebution.

#### New Demonstration Agent For County

Heald, for three years county dem- schools. onstration agent of DeWitt county, Interscholastic league leaders in- patronage by always giving courtehas resigned to accept a similar po- tended to formulate an athletic sche- ous service and quality meats. Baker sition in Taylor county, with head- dule for county schools, but deferred & Wheeler Market. quarters at Abilene. His resignation the action until the next meeting. will take effect immediately.

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#### C. L. Blankenship Church Donation of Trent is Elected President Teachers

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E. B. Pruett of Pleasant Hill was chosen vice-president of the associa-As the church has no place either tion and Miss Pebble Graham, Wylie,

ceived from the sale will be applied terscholastic league and H. O. Harris, stantly killed shortly before noon to the church debt as Smith's contri- Bradshaw superintendent, director of Friday while standing in the vestibule well, Buffalo Gap, declamation; Mrs. County. T. C. Weir, Buffalo Gap, Music mem-Cuero, Tex., Nov. 8 .- C. Metz ory; and T. M. McGehee, View, rural

Mrs. M. H. Brasher, of Abilene, Advantages offered by the wider Parent-Teacher Association leader

#### Mexican War Vet Dead.

Sterling City, Nov. 8 .- In the sudden death here of Richard Albert Read the advertisements in this Howard, 97, the number of known surpaper. There's a message in every one vivors of the War with Mexico in 1846 of them that may enable you to save has been reduced to two. The other money. At least you will know where two accredited survivors are William battery will furnish the power for the to find what you want without doing F. Buckner, 100, who lives at Paris, operation of the radio in the event of a lot of hunting and asking ques- Mo., and Owen T. Edgar, 97, of Wash-

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#### Odessa is Planning For Modern Airport

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A special committee was appointed to assist the Chamber of Commerce ance in the trial here, for which 100 in financing the project. C. W. Webb special veniremen had been summoned. of the Lion Service club department of Chicago was a guest.

man of the Lions' committee on avia- ton. The father and son were shot to

#### Cleburne Student Killed.

Temple, Nov. 8-Chester Ballew, W. S. Cunningham of Trent was assistant manager of the Cleburne chosen director of athletics of the in- High School football team, was indebate. Other officers of the league of the Santa Fe special train which chosen are: Ola Mae Weed, Hamby, was bringing the team here for a director of essay writing; Mary E. game with the local high school. The Howton, Hamby, spelling; Doris Po- accident occured at Clifton, Bosque

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#### Bill Fritz Trial PROFESSIONAL Is Sent to Anson

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The defense had sought a continu-

Fritz already indicted for the killing of Earl Hamilton, was indicted J. L. Forest has been elected chair- for the slaying of Dudley W. Hamildeath at their farm home near Rochester Oct. 24.

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The time was very busily and pleasantly spent in quilting the quilts for the orphans' home, which will be sent in the Thanksgiving box.

A refreshing plate of sandwiches, potato chips, red lemonade and pumpkin pie was served to the following class members: Mesdames Ashby, Bradshaw, E. N. Brown, Hamm, E. M. McDonald, Warren, Ash and Allen; and visitors Mrs. J. B. Campbell, Hugh Tenesky, and hostesses Pence, and Polly. Reporter.

#### SILVER TEA.

Members of the King's Daughters

ble, which was especially lovely in state and predicted that Hoover's from a two-week's visit in El Paso. candle light. Members of the house Texas plurality would touch 25,000. party were Mesdames McSpadden, Love predicted that there would not Armstrong, Brown, Dry, Richards, be another attempt to force "Tam-Ellis, Martin, Huddleston, Russell and many Hall or the liquor question on Sears; Misses Julia Martin and Cora the people for 25 years or more." Lee Hulsey assisted in serving a dainty refreshment of sandwiches, Smith Will Quit wafers and tea. The following pro- Politics For Good gram was very much enjoyed:

Vocal selections by Mrs. F. C. Dunn and Alice Church.

Lee Hulsey entertained the Junior have given a quarter of a century of League at her home with a Halloween probably the best years of my life to party. Costumes represented witches, it. I will never lose my interest in skeletons, goblins and other ghosts. public affairs-that is a sure thing. Interesting games of winkem, pinning But as far as running for office again on the cat's tail, bobbing for apples is concerned-that's finished." and spinning the pan were enjoyed by

one was presented with a souvenir by one of the correspondents. and following this a large pan of popcorn was passed to: Mary Grace Lions Club Will Dunn, Lois Whiteley, Eloise Mans cile, Florence Rider, Imogene Middleton, Frances Marie Church, Juanita Dunn, Louise Kerr, Opal Hulsey, Herbert Hoover, Miss Christine Col-Duncan Briggs, Mildred Richardson, line representing Smith, and Miss Billy Bernice Gamble, Walderine Hul- Melba West representing Hoover, FOR SALE-Good bundle sorghum. sey, Nell Hughes, Wanda Hunter, with Mrs. E. Yates Brown at the pi- W. L. Diltz, Sr. Marie Stanford, Julia Proctor, Mol- ano. The wording and the rendition FURNISHED apartment for rent to lie Frank Touchstone, Odell Hunter, were excellent, and coming on elec-Gene Hulsey, Kennedy Whitely, Neil tion day, made a big hit with the club NEW TWO-room house furnished; Durham, Jack Stanford, Bud Gamble, members, with the largest attendance Jeptha Kerr, Georgia Hicks Buford, present in several months. Rogers Derrick, Bubba and A. C. Sears, Richmond Buford, Billy Etsel Collins, with Miss West at the piano, Church and the hostess.

#### ARMISTICE PARTY.

compliment to members of the Thurs- S. P. Neismith. day club by Mrs. Booth Warren.

The Armistice day motif was artistically stressed in all party decorations and table appointments for the after morning at the Methodist church. noon. Games of progressive 42 Classes for everybody. proved a happy diversion until tea At the 1f o'clock hour, a full retime, when the hostess, assisted by port of the year's work will be made. Mesdames Dee Grimes and John West, Announcement of plans which have passed a dainty salad plate and cof- been adopted by the new board of fee to Mesdames Sie Hamm, Harry stewards will be made. All rejoice Cookstun, Byers Petty, C. B. Gardner, that the past year's work shows all Kirby Beckett, Henry West, L. B. financial obligations of the church Scott, F. C. McFarland, Roy Largent, met in full. Charlie Jones, R. I. Grimes, Tom Lar- At 7 p. m. an Armistice day progent, S. D. Gamble, Ross Ferrier, Ol- gram will be given, the pastor de-He Dye, W. L. Diltz, Jr., T. E. Col-livering the message. All ex-service lins and R. O. Anderson. men are invited, and a special section

The marriage of Euell Allen and Miss Dorothy Higgins, solemnized by Justice of the Peace Ford of Abilene on Monday, Oct. 29, united two of Merkel's very popular young people, and at the same time two of our oldest and most respected families.

Mr. Allen is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Pick Allen, a capable young man and highly esteemed by many friends. Mrs. Allen is the accomplished and charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Higgins of a nearby community. She was a graduate of Merkel High school in 1927 and is well known in all social and religious

The Mail joins many friends in extending Mr. and Mrs. Allen heartiest congratulations.

#### NOTICE.

The Woodman Ginde will meet on every first Briday night of the menth. only one meeting a month tilsough

Wanted-To buy maize heads.

#### Fellowship Club Meets Tuesday Eve. Presbyterian Church

The Fellowship club of the Presbyterian church will meet Tuesday evening, at the church, for the monthly program, which is as follows: Invocation.

Supper. Song by members.

resident. Talk, Judge Chapman.

Quartette. Pictures, Rev. E. B. Surface. Illustrated song of the Holy Land,

Ed Shumway. Benediction.

#### Texas Joins Ranks of Hoover Landslide

(Continued From Page One.) Sunday school class were hostesses should relinquish the party reins. trip. when about sevently-five guests en- State Senator Tom Love of Dallas, anjoyed a delightful tea hour in the other prominent anti-Smith demo- daughter, Miss Flora Francis Anderhome of Mrs. Amy Sears, on Wednes- crat, threw verbal grenades at reguday during the afternoon hours from | lar party leaders, declared that "the | Fort Worth, last week-end. brass collar has been smashed in ries were combined in harmonious the best thing that could have hap- Tuesday. decorations for the house and tea ta- pened to the democratic party in the

New York, Nov. 8 .- Alfred E. Tuesday in Merkel. Hughes and Misses Mary Eula and Smith has declared his stormy and bers by Nadine Tippett and Lynn Mc- just short of its highest goal. He an- Ford car dealers. lections given by Misses Mary Grace can citizens he would be a spectator McGehee in Sweetwater. from the sidelines.

"I certainly do not expect ever to JUNIOR LEAGUE ENTERTAINED run for public office again," he said. On last Friday evening Miss ora "I have had all I can stand of it. I

The governor made his statement at a press conference in his hotel suite in accordance. After having his fortune told, each during the day in reply to a question

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A duet by Mrs. Brown and Miss

One of the most colorful parties of month of November consists of Her- my farm, one mile south of Trent. the season was given this week in bert Patterson, J. J. Hutchison and S. F. Haynes.

> ARMISTICE DAY SERVICE. Sunday school at 9:45 Sunday

of bews will be reserved for them. W. J. MAYHEW, Pastor.

#### TRENT TO GET SUPPLY HOUSE

Trent, Tex., Nov. 8 .- The Parksburg Rig and Reel Co. one of the large supply houses, is locating a house in

Several carloads of material are due to be unloaded here at once. S. B. Gray, manager for the company, has already located in Trent, and is Purpose of meeting, Jas. H. West, living in the H. B. Chambliss home. He announces that the Trent house will be prepared to serve the oil field interests of this section.

#### **Personal Mention**

Messrs. Johnnie Wheeler, Roy Largent, Bill Brown, Warren Smith and Dr. Sadler left Tuesday by automobile for Lamesa on a three days hunting

Mrs. R. O. Anderson visited her son, who is attending school in T.C.U.,

Miss Christine Collins attended the Chrysanthemums and autumn ber- Texas," said that the election was Paul Whiteman concert in Abilene

> Mrs. Dee Grimes has returned Miss. Martheel Bridwell spent the week-end in Austin.

Miss Edith Baker visited in Rising Star this week.

W. P. Averitt, Ford dealer at Lamesa, was a business visitor in Merkel Tuesday.

T. W. Long of Sweetwater spent

Boog Sears; piano and violin num- tempestuous political career at an end, nesday night to attend a meeting of

Spadden; readings by Misses Mol- nounced he had fought his last politi- Mrs. J. M. Ashby and Mr. and Mrs. lie Frank Touchstone, Nell Hughes cal battle and that from now on "as Giles Thompson were guests last week and Frances Marie Church; piano se- a high private in the ranks of Ameri- in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred

> The Bermuda onion crop of Texas is valued at almost \$4,000,000 a year.

> CLOSE ARMISTICE DAY. On next Monday, November 12, which is Armistice day, we, the underigned banks, will close our doors in honor of same, and kindly ask that our friends and patrons please take notice and make their arrangements

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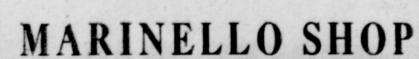
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